

**The Mountain Warrior** 

**Quarterly Newsletter** 



#### 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade Combat Team, 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division (LI)

Highlights from 3rd Quarter, FY2018

## "Find a way or make one!"

WELCOME HOME SUMMIT!



Lt. Col. Parker (left), Commander, 1st Battalion, 87th Infantry Regiment, and his Soldiers received a warm welcome by Col. Morgan (right), Commander, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division (LI), during the 1-87IN uncasing and redeployment ceremony at Magrath Sports Complex, June 5, 2018. Family and friends were on hand to welcome home the Summit Soldiers, who came home from a 9-month Afghanistan deployment in support of Operation Freedom's Sentinel.

#### Summer is here!

Warmer weather means more outdoor events, and 1BCT takes pride in supporting our community. The 4th Annual Gold Star Family Walk (below left) saw a crowd of more than 1,000, nearly tripling last year's attendance. 3-6FAR fired their howitzers at this year's Mountainfest celebration (center), once for every state in the Union. And 1BCT took to the greens at lves Country Club for a round of golf with the support of the Camaraderie of Courage. All three events would not have been possible without the participation of our Mountain Warriors and their families. Climb to Glory!







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#### 1st Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division (LI)



**COL Shane Morgan** Warrior 6



**CSM Wendell Franklin** Warrior 7



**LTC Horrigan Chosin 6** 

1-32IN



Chosin 7



LTC Parker Summit 6



**CSM** Dobson Summit 7





LTC Wence Courage 6





**CSM** Farlow Courage 7







LTC Goettke Centaur 6



**CSM Blackwell Centaur 7** 







**CSM Wilson** Hammer 7

7th BEB

Hammer 6







CSM Updike Ghost 7











LTC Palmore Sherpa 6

10th BSB



**1SG Stepankiw** Sherpa 7 (Interim BN CSM)



LTC Lowell Ghost 6





#### 2nd Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment "Courage"

Deeds, Not Words



1st Brigade Combat Team and the Camaraderie of Courage hosted a memorable Gold Star Dinner, honoring the families of our fallen Soldiers. Guest speaker at the event was Medal of Honor recipient Gary Beikirch, a Veteran of the Vietnam War, who said, "The true Soldier doesn't fight because he hates what's in front of him, but rather because he loves what's behind him."



Members of the Scouts and Mortars drove to Staten Island to participate in the 2nd Annual Michael Ollis 5k run.



The Triple Deuce family kicked off Courage Week with the Family 5k Walk/Run.



The Scout platoon conducted muddy individual movement techniques (IMT) while the leaders of the Company conducted a leader certification.



#### 1st Battalion, 32nd Infantry Regiment - "Chosin"

Against All Odds!



**1-32 Infantry Battalion hosted a Gold Star Family luncheon. Soldiers and Gold Star Families sat and shared experiences with each other in honor of our Fallen.** 



Our 1-32IN Soldiers, Pfc. Scott Myers, Spc. Richard Chaney and Cpl. Jacob Estes, each received a coin for excellence from Marine Corps Gen. Thomas Waldhauser, AFRICOM commander in Cameroon. TF Darby service members are serving in a support role for the Cameroonian Military's fight against the violent extremist organization Boko Haram.



Lt. Col. Scott Horrigan, Commander,1st Battalion, 32nd Infantry Regiment, salutes the BN Colors during the "Pass and Review" at 1-32IN's Change of Command Ceremony at Sexton Field.



1st Battalion, 32nd Infantry Regiment - Chosin Soldiers and members of the Djibouti Armed Forces assigned to the Rapid Intervention Battalion played soccer outside Djibouti City.



#### 1st Battalion, 87nd Infantry Regiment - "Summit"



Several of our outstanding 1-87IN Soldiers were awarded the Bronze Star Medal with Valor device and the Army Commendation Medal with Valor device, for their heroic actions under fire against the Taliban while serving in Afghanistan. Brig. Gen. Patrick Donahoe was on hand to award and recognize these valiant Soldiers.



Amy Parker (with plaque) accepts the Garrison Commander's Certificate of Achievement for her work as FRG Leader for 1-87IN. She stands with, from left, Col. Dean Harrison, Mrs. Cynthia Piatt (spouse of Maj. Gen. Walter Piatt), and Brig. Gen. Patrick Donahoe.



Cpl. Dylan Chambers embraces his family, who came all the way from Winfield, Alabama, to see him return from serving in Afghanistan.



We bid farewell to our HHC FRG Leader, Debora Nawn. When 1-87IN deployed to Afghanistan, HHC did not have an FRG Leader. Debora rose to the occasion and volunteered. For all of her hard work and dedication, she was awarded the Commander's Award for Public Service.



#### 3rd Squadron, 71st Cavalry Regiment "Ghost"



Paul Monti takes a moment to remember his son, Medal of Honor recipient (posthumously) Sgt. 1st Class Jared Monti during 1BCT's 4th Annual Gold Star Family Walk.



Gold Star Family spouse Lindsey Paranzino (second from left) and her son (third from left) attended last night's Gold Star Dinner. With them is SPC Allen (far left), LTC Lowell (2nd from right), his wife Jennie (center) and SPC Richmon (far right). Lindsey and her son attended in remembrance of SGT Michael Paranzino, Cavalry Scout, 3-71 CAV.



What better way to kick off the Memorial Day Weekend than with a 27K run to remember the 27 Heroes from the 71st Cavalry Regiment.



3rd Squadron, 71st Cavalry Regiment Soldiers pose for a group photo with Senegalese Army Soldiers upon completing a threeweek course at the Tactical Training Center Number Seven in Thies, Senegal.



Swift and Bold

The Mountain Warrior "Find a way or make one!"

#### 3rd Battalion, 6th Field Artillery Regiment - "Centaur"





Our 3rd Battalion, 6th Field Artillary Regiment leaders, LTC Goettke and CSM Blackwell, fired up the crowd at the 6 Hours of the Watkins Glen race! LTC Goettke was the Grand Marshall of the race and CSM Blackwell was the Official Starter. This was a great opportunity to connect with our community and support recruiting efforts.



Great job to the Soldiers and their families who did the Mountain Mudder. The event was a 5.5 mile obstacle course presented as a teambuilding and fun fitness alternative for Fort Drum's Army community. Swift and Bold!



Fox Company had an Organizational Day for the Soldiers and their families at Dirty Harry's on Fort Drum. Fox ate some great food provided by the FRG and played games that included tug of war. Sustaining the Batteries! Swift and Bold!



#### 7th Brigade Engineer Battalion "Hammer"



Our 7th BEB took on the demolition range, honing their skills with the most realistic battle training scenarios possible.



7th BEB Soldiers and families participated in the annual Fort Drum MWR "May The 4th Be With You" 5 k fun run.



Carrie Shive (with plaque), accepts the Garrison Commander's Certificate of Achievement for her work as FRG Leader for Alpha Co., from Brig. Gen. Patrick Donahoe. From left is Col. Dean Harrison and Mrs. Cynthia Piatt, (spouse of Maj. Gen. Walter Piatt).



At 0500 officers in 7th BEB conducted officer PT by digging a howitzer fighting position with sandbags and shovels along with the 3-6FAR! 3-6FAR officers observed Engineers dig standard fighting positions and now truly understand the difference between having dig assets and digging by hand.



#### 10th Brigade Support Battalion - "Sherpa"



10th Brigade Support Battalion, Change of Responsibility Ceremony was held at Monti Physical Fitness Center. 10th BSB said farewell to Command Sgt. Maj. Billy Norman. First Sgt. Gregory Stepankiw will fill the BN CSM position in the interim. We salute the exemplary leadership of CSM Norman and recognize all of his outstanding accomplishments.



Lt. Col. Philbert Palmore (left) bids a fond farewell to Maj. Joel Dickey and his wife Elizabeth during a Hail and Farewell Ceremony held in their honor at the Savory Downtown, June 6, 2018.



Special thanks to our 10th BSB Soldiers for creating a great U.S. Army Birthday cake! The groups stands before the 1BCT ceremonial cake celebrating the U.S. Army's 243rd Birthday. The cake took over 12 hours to make by the Night Bake Staff at the 1BCT Warrior Dining Facility. Soldiers had a their fill after 1BCT Leaders cut the cake with a Saber and Bayonets.



Congratulations to our First Place finishers of the 2nd Annual Camaraderie of Courage Scholarship Golf Tournament. Beginning second from left, 1SG Oswaldo Maldanado, SFC Nicholas Canale, 1SG Gregory Stepankiw and MSG John Blanshard, all Soldiers from our 10th Brigade Support Battalion. They are joined by Col. Shane Morgan (far right), 1BCT Commander, and CSM Wendell Franklin (far left).

#### **Chaplain's Corner**



**Catholic Schedule** 

Day	Time	Program	Location
Mon-Thur	1215	Mass	Main Post Chapel
Thur	0900	CWOC	Fellowship Room
Wed	1900	Confession	Blessed Sacrament Chapel
Sat	1700	Vigil Mass	Main Chapel
Sun	0900	Sunday Mass	Main Chapel
Sun	1030	Relgious ED	Various Classrooms



**Protestant Schedule** 

Day	Time	Program	Location
Sun	0900	Trdl Service	Riva Ridge Chapel Chapel
Sun	1100	Chapel Nxt Svc.	Main Post Chapel
Tues	0930	PWOC	Main Post Chapel
Sun	1000	Inspirational Gospel	Po Valley: Family Life Center
Sun	1600	Fort Drum Yth Group	Po Valley: Family Life Center
Mon-Thurs	1900	LDS Studies	Riva Ridge Chapel

Jewish Friday night Shabbat services Fridays @ 1800 (6:00 PM) at the Main Post Chapel.

Degel Israel Synagogue 557 Thompson Blvd, Watertown, NY 13601 Phone: (315) 782-2860

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#### Chaplain's Corner



From the desk of the Chaplain Chaplain Thomas Gidley 1st Brigade Combat Team Fort Drum, New York 13602 Office: 315-772-3103 Cell Phone: 315-836-5410 thomas.e.gidley.mil@mail.mil

"A small seed can split open even the largest rock."

When I spend time away during deployments or extended training cycles, I am constantly reminded of the things that I long for; family, friends and the familiar surroundings of home! I miss the mountains and the trees back home in the state where I grew up, West Virginia. There are many similarities to the North Country. As the fall leaves turn their golden and bronze colors, as well as the anticipation of the winter months giving way to the springtime, I cannot help but to think about home.

There is one place in particular back home that my mind is frequently drawn to. This place is high in the mountains with an outcrop of rooks. Amongst the outcrop of rocks, there is a place where a seed took root within a small crack many, many years ago. Over the years, that tiny little seedling grew into a mighty hardwood tree. Year after year, as the tree grew larger and larger, it applied steady and gentle pressure against the walls of the rock until finally the mighty rock was forced to split in half.

In the Christian scriptures, there is a letter written by the Apostle Paul to the young church in the city of Ephesus. He encouraged them to "let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice."

As Paul encouraged the Ephesians many years ago, I would like to encourage you to be careful and not allow the seeds of anger and bitterness to take root within the "cracks" of your life. Let's increase our strength by helping one another and keeping our relationships, so that we can stay whole.

Chaplain (Major) Thomas Gidley Brigade Chaplain Be a Berean! ~ Acts 17:11

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Newcomer Orientation	3 Concert in the Park	4 Independence Day	5 0900 Work Call	6	7
8	9 Archery Camp, at CYS Youth Sports & Fitness 9 -12 JUL 315-772-6718	10	11 Key Contact Training BDE Annex	12	DONSA 13	14
15	16 Soccer Camp at CYS Youth Sports & Fitness 16-19 JUL 315-772-6718	17	18 FRG Training BDE Annex	19	20	21
22	23 Adventure Camp at CYS Youth Sports & Fitness 23-26 JUL 315-772-6718	24	25	26	27 Whiteface Memorial Right Arm Night Color Me B.O.S.S. Run Post Retirement	28
29	30 1-87IN Change of Responsibility	31				

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5	6 Archery Camp at CYS Youth Sports & Fitness 6-9 AUG 315-772-6718	7	8 Key Contact Training	9	10	11 Youth Center Open House
12	13 Lacrosse Camp at CYS Youth Sports & Fitness 13-16 AUG 315-772-6718	14	15 FRG Leader Training	16 Volunteer of the Month	17 Retirement Ceremony Right Arm Night	18
19 Catholic Kids Camp at Main post Chapel 19-24 AUG 315-772-5592	20 Adventure Camp at CYS Youth Sports & Fitness 20-23 AUG 315-772-6718	21	22 Care Team Training	23 7th Eng. Organizational Day Womens Equality, Commons	24 Lt. Dan Band Concert	25 DONSA
26	27 Basketball Camp at CYS Youth Sports & Fitness 27-30 AUG 315-772-6718	28	29 FRL Training	30	31 Right Arm Night	
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