

## Senior Leaders Army is entering a “renaissance”



“The time for change is now. We have the vision, strategy and leadership in place to ensure the Army remains prepared to deploy, fight and win our nation’s wars today and in the future.”

– Dr. Mark T. Esper

Secretary of the Army

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## On Point U.S. Army Hurricane Response

The U.S. Army plays an important role in disaster response with efforts in support of the lead federal agency, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and working closely with state and local officials. Major Army installations serve as logistics hubs and staging areas for FEMA and the Department of Homeland Security. The Army’s mission to assist federal relief agencies helps minimize the damage and suffering caused by hurricanes, while continuing to support the vital mission of defending the homeland and protecting America’s interests abroad. Defense of the homeland and rapid response to natural disasters are critical parts of the Army mission.



## Safety Awards Program

The Army Safety Awards Program is designed to promote risk management by recognizing individual and unit accomplishments in loss prevention. Regardless of grade or rank, safety and loss prevention is everyone’s responsibility.



## The Battle of Mogadishu 25 years later



Soldiers from the 2nd Battalion, 14th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division, march at Fort Drum, N.Y., Oct. 5, 2018, to celebrate the participation of the unit in the Battle of Mogadishu. (U.S. Army photo by Capt. Matthew Pargett)

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FORT DRUM, N.Y. – The unrelenting passage of time carries each event, birth and tragedy from the immediate moment and continuously drives it deeper into history.

The same revolution shifting today into yesterday likewise transports old and new generations of Soldiers through the same organizations within the Army. While Soldiers come and go, the units and their history remain.

Some present day “Golden Dragons” of the 2nd Battalion, 14th Infantry Regiment, were not yet born a quarter of a century ago when the unit was supporting Operation Restore Hope in Mogadishu, Somalia.

This 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division battalion was tasked to operate as the quick reaction force during what is considered the U.S. military’s costliest and longest sus-

tained firefight since the Vietnam War. This year marks its 25th anniversary.

“They yelled ‘Get it on!’ I remember,” said retired Staff Sgt. Wesley Shivers, a former C Co., 2-14 IN infantryman. “It was the person we had on (charge of quarters) that day. He came running down the hall and just yelled, ‘Get it on!’ ... We knew what he meant, but we had no idea what was going on.”

From October 3 through 5, Golden Dragons of today and yesterday are once more gathering at Fort Drum, New York, to transport their piece of history to the present as they remember the mission and honor the fallen.

“We are really welcomed here,” said former Cpl. Paul Hutta, an A Co., 2-14 IN infantryman. “I think it’s important that we continue on with this tradition, with the history of this unit. Its 25 years later. There’s still a lot of us around to tell the story, and we’re going to tell it as long as we can, for sure.”

## FORSCOM in the news

Soldiers with 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, recently arrived home to Fort Stewart, Ga., **after a 9-month deployment to South Korea.**



The 20th CBRNE Command and a platoon out of Fort Stewart Ga., **recently participated in Exercise Prominent Hunt 18-2** in Colorado Springs, Colo.



FORSCOM Soldiers recently earned Soldier and NCO of the Year as **“Best Warrior” of Multi-National Battle Group-East** in Camp Bondsteel, Kosovo.



1st Cavalry Division Soldiers recently completed a two-month program **field testing the Armored Multi-Purpose Vehicle** at Fort Hood, Texas.



Soldiers of the 101st Airborne Division and German soldiers recently **participated in the “Schutzenschnur” to earn the German marksmanship badge.**



## Meet your Army



**Ch. (Capt.) Michael Harari**, Chaplain for the 1st Attack Reconnaissance Battalion, 229th Aviation Regiment, 16th Combat Aviation Brigade, recently received an Army Commendation Medal for his actions to prevent a suicide on Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash, Aug. 26, 2018. (U.S. Army photo by Staff Sgt. Maricris C. McLane)

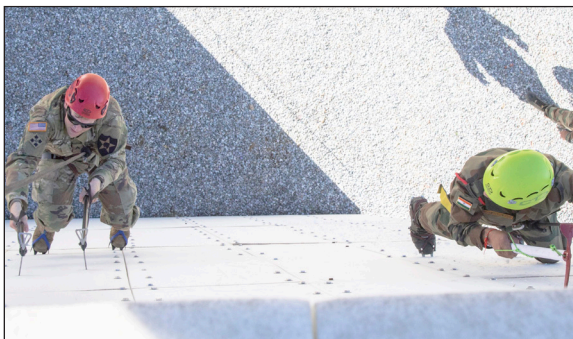
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**Right** Soldiers from 2nd Infantry Division, along with Soldiers from the 1st Infantry Regiment, Japanese Ground Self Defense Force, conduct a simulated close-quarters shoot at the Yakima Training Center, Wash., Sept. 1, 2018. (U.S. Army photo by Staff Sgt. Frances Ariele Tejada)

**Left** Lt. Gen. Laura J. Richardson, Deputy Commanding General, FORSCOM, presents the Walter T. Kerwin, Jr. Readiness Award to Soldiers from the 7th Battalion, 158th Aviation Regiment (GSAB), U. S. Army Reserve, Fort Hood, Texas and 152nd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, South Dakota Army National Guard. (Photo courtesy U.S. Army)



**Above** A Soldier with 1st Battalion, 23rd Infantry Regiment, climbs an artificial ice wall with his Indian counterpart from the 99th Mountain Brigade, Sept. 19, 2018, at Chaubattia Military Station, India. (U.S. Army photo by Staff Sgt. Samuel Northrup)



**Above** Sgt. Kole Lewsader, an AH-64 Apache armament, electrical and avionics systems repairer with 4th Combat Aviation Brigade, 4th Infantry Division, inspects an AH-64 Apache Attack helicopter while participating in the Saber Vortex training exercise in Grafenwoehr, Germany, August 29, 2018. (U.S. Army photo by Pfc. Matthew J. Marcellus)

**Left** Lieutenants with 1st Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division (LI), run with a stretcher carrying a simulated casualty during OPERATION SENECA ROCKS Best Lieutenant Competition at Fort Drum, N.Y., Aug. 29, 2018. (U.S. Army photo by Capt. Ed Robles)



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