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Senior Leaders

Enabling prototyping of new systems



“This is a great example of innovative and effective teamwork between the Future Vertical Lift CFT, PEO-Aviation, and Army Contracting Command to streamline the process to get superior capability to operational units.” – Gen. John Murray, commanding general, Army Futures Command

On Point

Army takes steps to meet ground commander’s tactical UAS needs

The RQ-7B Shadow Tactical Unmanned Aircraft System provides reconnaissance, surveillance, target acquisition, and force protection for the Brigade Combat Team (BCT) in near-real-time during day/night and limited adverse weather conditions. The Army Futures Command, Future Vertical Lift Cross-Functional Team is focused on enhancing next generation aviation assets that provide increased reach, protection, lethality, effectiveness, agility and mission flexibility.



2019 Posture of the U.S. Army Reserve

The Army Reserve must be ready to rapidly deploy, fight and win as part of an integrated Army team wherever it is needed, anywhere across the globe. The Army Reserve continues to meet its mission.

101st Takes Home “Best Sapper” Honors



Capt. John Baer and 1st Lt. Terence Hughes cross the finish line to complete the Buddy Run, the final event of the competition. The two Soldiers assigned to Fort Campbell, Kentucky competed against 47 two-man teams and won the 13th annual Lt. Gen. Robert B. Flowers Best Sapper Competition, April 10.

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FORT LEONARD, Mo. – Two Soldiers assigned to Fort Campbell, Kentucky won the 13th annual Lt. Gen. Robert B. Flowers Best Sapper Competition, April 10. Capt. John Baer and 1st Lt. Terence Hughes, both of 39th Brigade Engineer Battalion, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), competed against 47 two-man teams from across the Army.

After 50 hours of strenuous physical and mental testing across a 50-mile course filled with 35 “mystery” tests, Baer and Hughes ultimately prevailed as the winners, taking home the title “Best Sappers” of the 2019 Army-wide competition.

“This is the second consecutive year a ‘Screaming Eagle’ team won the Best Sapper Competition, I am very proud of our competitors,”

said Maj. Gen. Brian Winski, 101st Abn. Div. commanding general. “This is a grueling competition, and those who win are the best of the best. Congratulations to [Baer and Hughes], who are not only bringing home the trophy, but also are becoming more prepared for combat.”

For Baer and Hughes, the competition was not only about winning, but also working as a team and reaching personal goals.

“The sum of our capabilities individually is not as great as both of us working together towards something,” said Baer.

The officers described some of the obstacles and events they faced during the competition, in which organizers keep many specifics secret to test the training and resiliency of the teams. They had to conduct various endurance tests – all of which they did not know the lengths or distances prior to competing.

FORSCOM in the news

Fort Benning, birthplace of America’s Airborne, hosts a graduation and wreath laying, during an annual gathering of former paratroopers April 4 - 6.



Maj. Gen. Patrick Matlock looks on as Soldiers from 1st Armored Division, and other units across the Korea, circulate through lanes to earn the EIB, April 10.



Leaders from across the battalion are engaging their Soldiers and getting to the root of housing, maintenance and other living condition concerns. April 5.



Command Sgt. Maj. Michael Crosby, Army Futures Command, speaks to leaders and Vanderbilt University professors about Soldier-Inspired Innovation April 9.



FORSCOM Commanding General presents the Army Exceptional Organization Safety Award in the enlisted category to Spc. Kaylee C. Stone, 21st CSH, April 10.



Meet your Army



Sgt. Janay Shoemaker, Hazard, Kentucky native, Human Resources Sergeant, assigned to Special Troops Battalion, 25th Sustainment Brigade, 25th Infantry Division. Loves being a part of the team and helping Soldiers.

TOP SHOTS

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Left Cadets from Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, run onto shore after testing the water depth of Stillwell Lake, West Point, during training in preparation for the Academy's 51st Sandhurst Military Skills Competition, April 12-13. (U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Quentin Johnson)

Right Soldiers with the 1st Engineer Battalion, 1st ABCT, 1st Inf. Div., conduct preflight checks on an RQ-7 Shadow Unmanned Aerial Vehicle prior to takeoff during a surveillance training mission on an airfield at Camp Trzebien, Poland, April 5. (U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Jeremiah Woods)



Above Spc. Seth Lachance, Ratlin, 4th Battalion, 6th Infantry Regt. "Regulars," 3rd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division applies camouflage to his face during the Expert Infantryman Badge training lanes at Camp Casey, Republic of Korea, April 10.



Above 100th Training Division Sgt. Maj. George Ott briefs members of the 100th Training Division (LD) prior to familiarization flights on UH-60 Black Hawks. (U.S. Army photo by Capt. Rebecca Shirley)

Left Sgt. Amanda Gleim from the 705th Transportation Company, 310th Sustainment Command (Expeditionary), stares down the barrel of an M240 7.62 mm machine gun during a Preliminary Marksmanship Instruction course at Operation Cold Steel III, hosted by the 377th Theater Sustainment Command at Fortt. McCoy, Wisconsin, March 29. (U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Jasmine Spain)