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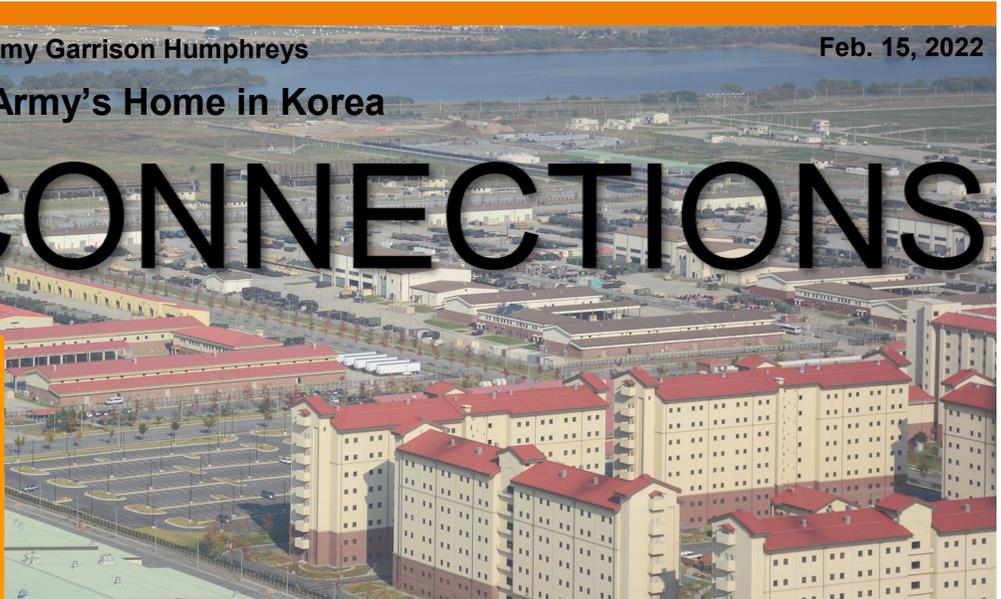


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The United Nations Command honor guard posts the colors during the four chaplains memorial service at the Four Chaplains Memorial Chapel Feb. 3, 2022. (Photo by Sgt. Courtney L. Davis)



Men of faith honored for sacrifice



By Sgt. Courtney L. Davis, U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys Public Affairs Office

CAMP HUMPHREYS, Republic of Korea – Early in the morning 79 years ago, four men of faith put their lives on the line to save passengers aboard a U.S. Army transport ship, the Dorchester, when it was torpedoed while sailing the North Atlantic waterway on a voyage toward Greenland.

Nearly eight decades later, members of the American Legions' Paul E. Finn Memorial Post 37 and Col. Lewis L. Millett Memorial Post 38, alongside the U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys religious support office, honored the courageous sacrifice of the four chaplains at the Four Chaplains Memorial Chapel Feb. 3.

"This service is a tribute to those courageous chaplains and the 672 brave young men who lost their lives on that fateful night. Further, this service honors all those who have served, and whose courage and faith have sustained our country," stated Steve Tharpe, the master of ceremony from American Legion Post 38.

Tharpe described how on that cold and icy morning, four men of different denominations came together in solidarity, giving

up their life vests so others could live. In the end, they held onto their faith and each other as they linked arms, prayed, and went down with the ship.

"At 12:30 a.m. on February 3, 1943, the bell on the troopship USAT Dorchester rang twice and never sounded again," recounted Tharpe. "The USAT Dorchester was torpedoed by an enemy submarine, and 672 young men paid the supreme sacrifice. Included in the 672 were four men of God – a rabbi, a Roman Catholic priest, a Methodist minister, and a Dutch Reformed minister – all Army chaplains."

Four candles were lit in honor of the chaplains, each with story reflecting the life and service of brave priest, pastor or rabbi.

William Scafe, assigned to Post 38, explained that when the war started, Lt. George L. Fox, a Methodist minister from Vermont and veteran of World War I, told his wife, "I've got to go. I know from experience what our boys are about to face. They need me."

Robert Collins, assigned to Post 38, lit a candle for Lt.

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Dumpsters only sound like dumps

By Kim Tae-on, U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys Environmental Division

CAMP HUMPHREYS, Republic of Korea – Many people don't realize that things like fluorescent lamps, oil-based paints, stains, and pressurized containers, such as aerosol cans and fire extinguishers, are hazardous, but they are. Fluorescent lamps contain mercury, oil-based paints and stains are toxic, and pressurized containers are an explosive hazard. For your safety and theirs, our Camp Humphreys solid waste collectors cannot accept hazardous wastes.

When hazardous waste is improperly disposed of, the safety of our community and the environment are at risk.

Did you know dumpsters on Camp Humphreys are solely for the disposal of waste generated by families and tenants on post and that disposing of off-post waste in dumpsters is not allowed? Contractors working on Camp Humphreys are also not allowed to throw away their waste in dumpsters. Both activities 'steal' garrison funds that can be used elsewhere to improve our community.

If you have (or aren't sure if you have) hazardous waste, or you see contractors abandoning their waste at our dumpsters, please contact James Matthews at 755-1817 at the hazardous waste storage area, building 1019. Thank you!



Hazardous materials such as fluorescent light bulbs and oil-based paints are not authorized to be left in Camp Humphreys dumpsters. (Photo by Kim Tae-on)

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Around the Garrison



Florists at the Post Exchange concession create flower bouquets and gift baskets at the Camp Humphreys Downtown Petals and Blooms concession stand Feb. 12, 2022. (Photo by Sgt. Courtney L. Davis)



U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys community members prepare for their next hole during their golf game at Camp Humphreys' River Bend Golf Course Feb. 14, 2022. (Photo by Sgt. Courtney L. Davis)



Spc. Brittany Simmons, a vocalist with the Eighth Army Band, sings "America the Beautiful" during the four chaplains memorial ceremony at the U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys Four Chaplains Memorial Chapel Feb. 3, 2022. (Photo by Sgt. Courtney L. Davis)



William Scafe, from American Legion Col. Lewis L. Millet Memorial Post 38, drapes the prisoner of war and missing and action flag over the empty chair at the fallen warrior table during the four chaplains memorial service at the U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys Four Chaplains Memorial Chapel Feb. 3, 2022. (Photo by Sgt. Courtney L. Davis)



U.S. Army Garrison Humphrey community member enjoys his downtime at the Downtown Recreation Center Feb. 12, 2022. (Photo by Sgt. Courtney L. Davis)

Black History Month

Photos by Sgt. Courtney L. Davis, U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys Public Affairs Office

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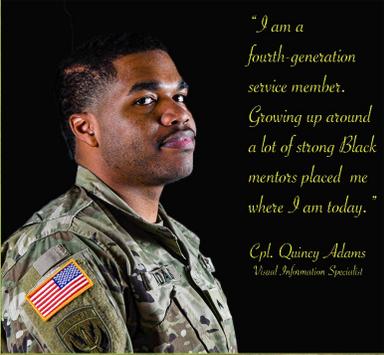


"Growing up my dad used to say, 'Do not immediately judge people. Spend time to get to know them. What you see isn't always, what you get.'"

Audrey Carper
Workforce Development Specialist
St. Louis, Missouri

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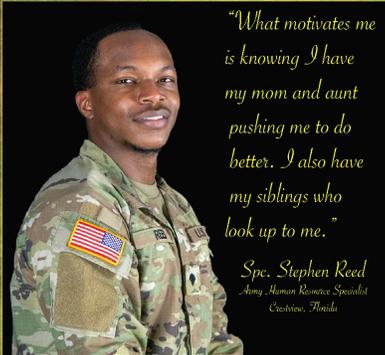


"I am a fourth-generation service member. Growing up around a lot of strong Black mentors placed me where I am today."

Cpl. Quincy Adams
Visual Information Specialist

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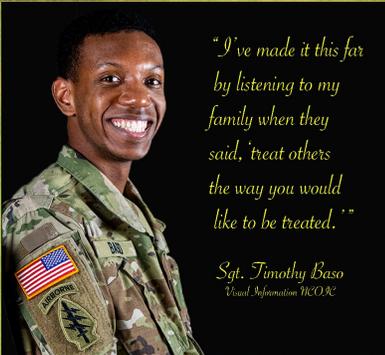


"What motivates me is knowing I have my mom and aunt pushing me to do better. I also have my siblings who look up to me."

Spc. Stephen Reed
Army Human Resources Specialist
Crestview, Florida

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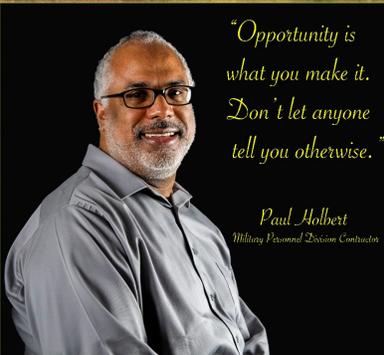


"I've made it this far by listening to my family when they said, 'treat others the way you would like to be treated.'"

Sgt. Timothy Baso
Visual Information MCOAC

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"Opportunity is what you make it. Don't let anyone tell you otherwise."

Paul Holbert
Military Personnel Division Contractor

Black History

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Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Terry Cobban, deputy chaplain assigned to U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys, reflects on the lives of the four chaplains during the closing of the four chaplains memorial ceremony at Four Chaplains Memorial Chapel Feb. 3, 2022. (Photo by Sgt. Courtney L. Davis)

until his final moments on February 3, 1943.”

The four chaplains from different faiths and backgrounds stood with their arms linked together as they went down with the sinking ship, united in the effort to put others before themselves.

“Help us to see, even today, the times that we might stand up for that which is most important, and to do so with more concern for others than for ourselves,” prayed Lt. Col. Terry Cobban, deputy chaplain assigned to U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys. “Help us recognize the times when we might overlook

the insignificant differences between people and respond to the needs of someone just because he or she is a person in need.”

Tharpe closed the ceremony by encouraging others to aspire to be like the four chaplains.

“Remember, you must love to be loved. It is better to give than to receive,” said Tharpe. “The four chaplains did. They were only with us for a short time. We

will remain forever grateful. May God’s light shine upon you. We miss you and we will never forget.”

Alexander D. Goode and told the story of how Goode was an outstanding athlete and scholar who wanted to be a rabbi, like his father. When the war broke out, he joined the Army Chaplain Corps, leaving his wife, his childhood sweetheart, behind.

Scafe explained that Lt. Clark V. Poling, a seventh-generation Dutch Reformed minister, was the youngest of the four chaplains. He asked his father to pray for him when he left for the war.

“Just that I shall do my duty and have the strength, courage, and understanding of men. Just pray that I shall be adequate,” Poling asked.

Collins described how Lt. John P. Washington, a young Irish man, was the leader of the South Twelfth Street gang in Newark, New Jersey, when called to the priesthood.

“He played ball with the boys of the parish, organized sports teams, and when war came along, went with his ‘boys’ into the Army,” said Collins. “His wonderful voice, raised in song and prayer to comfort those around him, could be heard

Members from American Legion Paul E. Finn Memorial Post 37, Col. Lewis L. Millett Memorial Post 38, and the U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys religious support office stand with the photos of the four chaplains during a ceremony honoring their sacrifice at the Four Chaplains Memorial Chapel Feb. 3, 2022. (Photo by Sgt. Courtney L. Davis)

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- All services at the tax center are free.
- For non-service members, including civilians and retirees, the tax center will provide referrals to other resources located on- and off-post. Those resources will enable personnel to complete their own taxes elsewhere at their own expense.
- For non-service members falling below the federal poverty line, eligible to receive Social Security, and with extenuating circumstances, the tax center may be able to provide full service tax preparation services, resources permitting. These individuals will apply for special tax assistance at the tax center.
- One-on-one tax preparation assistance, as provided in past years, will not be available.

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Black History Month

Each February, the U.S. Army joins our nation in observation and reflection of the tremendous contributions of Black Americans to our country and our history.

Black Soldiers, who have defended our nation since the Revolutionary War, have built a legacy of courage and professionalism by serving in the U.S. Army with great honor and distinction, inspiring generations to come.

Black Americans have served and sacrificed in every conflict in our nation's history, with more than 245 years of honorable service.

Take a moment to [listen and learn](#) about U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys' Command Sgt. Maj. Benjamin Lemon as he talks about the journey of his military career and the legacy of military service in his family.

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