



The Chief of the Romanian Land Forces Maj. Gen. Iulian Berdilă shakes hands with U.S. Army Master Sgt. Joshua J. Gendron during an awards ceremony at V Corps' main headquarters in Fort Knox, Kentucky, Oct. 13, 2022. (U.S. Army photo by Spc. Javen Owens)

ROMANIAN SENIOR LEADER VISITS VICTORY CORPS, HONORS TROOPS

U.S. Army Story by Spc. Javen Owens

Victory Corps

FORT KNOX, Ky. – A senior Romanian military official met with Victory Corps key leaders Thursday, and honored the contributions of distinguished Corps contributors to combined American-Romanian endeavors during a visit to the Corps Headquarters.

Maj. Gen. Iulian Berdilă, Chief of the Romanian Land Forces, briefed leaders, met with Soldiers and presented awards to Victory Corps personnel for their contributions to the strategic American-Romanian partnership.

During the award ceremony, held in front of the Corps Headquarters, Berdilă provided V Corps with a streamer for its colors and presented awards to six Soldiers who made particularly impactful contributions to American-Romanian endeavors. Col. James E. Armstrong III, Col. Dawn L. Orta, Maj. Chase S. Baker, Command Sgt. Maj. Michael J. Lamkins, Master Sgt. Joshua J. Gendron, and Staff Sgt. Teja Jo Stroup

received the Emblem of Honor of the Land Forces, awarded for the impeccable performance of missions, the achievement of exceptional results in the training process and the proven dedication in support of the Romanian Land Forces.

“We need to recognize the value of V Corps and its personnel dedicated to our mission, so I wanted to take this opportunity to come to [Fort] Knox... to value your contributions to [Romania’s] mission and training,” said Berdilă during the ceremony. “By providing the colors, it puts that permanent recognition into the echo of time. We must carry out this mission to protect generations to come.”

Victory Corps Deputy Commanding General Maj. Gen. Jeffery Broadwater and V Corps Command Sgt. Maj. Raymond Harris welcomed the visiting leader and conferred with him on topics ranging from security dynamics and atmospheric to interoperability and command and control in Romania and throughout the Black Sea Region.

“We are truly honored and humbled to have Maj. Gen. Berdilă here in Kentucky and to have him recognize our corps and our Soldiers,” said Broadwater, a native of Radcliffe, Kentucky. “We have a great partnership with Romania and we look forward to building interoperability as we provide partnered, trained and ready forces.”

V Corps and the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) work alongside Romanian and other NATO allies and regional security partners to provide combat-ready forces, execute joint and multinational training exercises to improve interoperability and to ensure an appropriate collective posture of deterrence and defense.

“This visit was a great opportunity for open dialogue between V Corps and other Fort Knox organizations and Romanian Land Forces leadership to discuss lessons learned, opportunities and challenges that are mutual to all organizations,” said U.S. Army Maj. Bradley Young, V Corps Trade Shows and Outreach

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A *Thanksgiving* MESSAGE FROM V6 & V7



Lt. Gen. John S. Kolasheski

Victory Team,

Thanksgiving is a day to reflect upon all the blessings we share with friends, Family and teammates. It's also a day to pause and give thanks for those who volunteer to defend our nation. As we give thanks this month, we are reminded of the personal sacrifices made by our nation's veterans and our Victory Soldiers that are currently serving abroad and unable to celebrate with their loved ones.



CSM Raymond S. Harris

Buffy and I would like to express our sincere thanks to all the Soldiers and Airmen serving abroad in Europe as well as the Soldiers, Airmen, Department of the Army civilians and Family members at home in Fort Knox for their personal courage, dedication to the mission and selfless service. We are proud of all you do and all you have accomplished this year to guard the freedoms that allow so many to be thankful.

We, as a Corps, have a lot to be thankful for this year. We completed a successful deployment that strengthened our relationship with our allies and partners, and improved our forward posture. We continue to deliver reassurance to our NATO allies that we are committed the mission and to reinforcing their eastern flank. I am so proud of the work we have done this far. While our job isn't over, the strength and resilience our Soldiers have shown during this challenging year has proved that our team will settle for no less than Victory.

In the weeks ahead, find time to enjoy the company of your family and friends. Whatever your plans, please use sound judgment. Your country and your Army are counting on your safe return.

This Thanksgiving Day, let us give thanks for every Soldier and their Families, who selflessly serve our Nation. Let us remember to honor our Families of our Fallen and lift them up in our thoughts and prayers. May our gratitude for the blessings of freedom, prosperity, partnerships and Family continue throughout the year.

Sincerely,

Lt. Gen. John S. Kolasheski
Commanding General, U.S. Army V Corps

Command Sgt. Maj. Raymond S. Harris
Command Sergeant Major, U.S. Army V Corps



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V CORPS' HELL HOUNDS AND 1ST THEATER SUSTAINMENT COMMAND PRESENT

TRUNK or Treat



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1st Theater Support Command put on a Fall Festa-Boo, with help from V Corps volunteers, for the residents of Fort Knox in support of Resident Appreciation Month.

The festival included a trunk-or-treat, face painting, a wooden pumpkin decorating contest, bounce houses, food, games and prizes.

The Hellhounds, Headquarters Support Company, Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, V Corps, had a decorated trunk to pass out candy, as well as participants to help ensure the event ran smoothly.

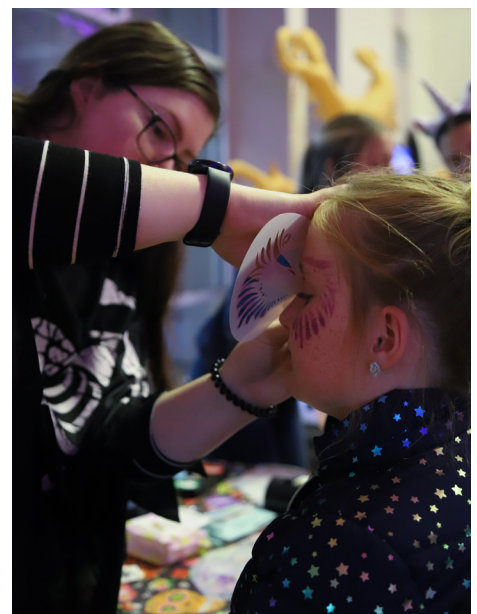
“A soldier is more than just a soldier,” said Capt. Wade Allen, commander of Headquarters Support Company. “There is a whole support network and there is family that helps make a

soldier. If we can be a part of that community and give back to those that help us, then that’s what we will do.”

Hellhounds were not the only ones excited to participate and give back to the local community. The participants from 1st TSC put on the event and were happy to have the help.

The families that came seemed to have a good time with their kids and definitely got to have a nice family night out with their community.

“I love that all the families can be involved with this regardless of how old your kids are,” said Capt. Brad Wysomierski, Chaplain, V Corps. “There is a lot of great things for families here, and that’s what we were looking forward to coming here. The fact that Commanders put this on for the families just shows that they really care about making families a priority.”



VICTORY NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

AROUND THE CORPS

- Nov. 6: Daylight Saving Time Ends
- Nov. 8: Election Day
- Nov. 11: Veteran's Day DONSA
- Nov. 11: Polish Independence day
- Nov. 24-27: Thanksgiving DONSA

POZNAN

- Every Tues., 7:30 p.m.: Watercolors Class, Bldg. 45, 1st floor, Rec Room or TV Room
- Every Tues. & Thurs., 4 p.m.: Volleyball with Polish in the Gym
- Nov. 7-11: Week of Valor, Bldg. 52, MWR
- Nov. 9: New Site Lead and Director Welcome Event, Bldg. 52, MWR

FORT KNOX

- Nov. 3: Sergeant/Leaders Time Training
- Nov. 3: SISCO COR
- Nov. 9: HSC COR
- Nov. 15: HSC ACFT; 6:30 a.m. HHBN overhang
- Nov. 17: Turkey Bowl playoff
- Nov. 21: Turkey Bowl V Corps vs. HRC
- Nov. 22 HSC HT/WT; 6:30 a.m. HHBN Conference room
- Nov. 29: V Corps Paintball Tournament

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 Spc. Michael Morales
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 Sgt. Richard Knisley



"THE BACKBONE OF THE ARMY"

Honors, cont.
 Coordinator. "Engagements such as these are a testament to our ongoing partnership and interoperability with our Romanian Allies."

During his visit to Fort Knox, Berdilă also visited U.S. Army Cadet Command, U.S. Army Human Resources Command and U.S. Army Recruiting Command to discuss challenges and opportunities with talent management and recruitment across the forces. His tour of the region also includes an appearance at Fort Campbell, where he will meet with leaders and Soldiers of the 101st Airborne Division

(Air Assault). The "Screaming Eagles" play a prominent role in operations and training in Romania.

V Corps, under the command of U.S. Army Europe and Africa, retains command and control for all rotational and assigned U.S. Army units in the European Theater and currently has operational control of the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault); 1st Infantry Division; 2nd Cavalry Regiment; 12th Combat Aviation Brigade; 41st Field Artillery Brigade; 4th Security Forces Assistance Brigade; and 5-4 Air Defense Artillery Brigade.

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US ARMY STANDS WITH ALLIES TO REMEMBER POLISH, HUNGARIAN UPRISINGS OF 1956

U.S. Army Story by Spc. Devin Klecan

Victory Corps

POZNAN, Poland (Oct. 25, 2022) - For the first time in history, the city of Poznań invited U.S. Army Soldiers to attend and participate in a memorial ceremony for the 66th anniversary of the Hungarian Revolution and the 1956 Poznań protests, also known as Poznań June, in the Jeżyce district of Poznań, Poland, Saturday.

Senior leaders from U.S. Army V Corps and Area Support Group Poland, 21st Theater Sustainment Command, stood shoulder-to-shoulder with local leaders and citizens of Poznań to honor the lives lost in 1956 and lay wreaths near the plaques of Péter Mansfeld and Romek Strzałkowski, two teenage boys who found themselves in the turmoil of the dramatic events that took place in Hungary and Poznań.

Mansfeld, a 16-year-old freedom fighter from Budapest who was hanged for stealing ammunitions and disseminating anti-communist leaflets, and Strzałkowski, one of 18 children that died during the Poznań Protests, are both legendary figures of Poznań and Budapest 1956.

“Remembering Romek Strzałkowski and Péter Mansfeld gives us strength never to give up the fight for our freedom,” said László Kövér, Speaker of the Hungarian Parliament. “And us, Hungarians, and the Polish never to let each other down.”

V Corps’ Forward Deputy Chief of Staff Col. Scott Daulton echoed Kövér’s sentiments. He stated V Corps respects and understands the historical significance of both events and the strength and will of the people to endure hardships for the sake of freedom against the Soviets. He went on to say the U.S. stands in



From left to right, U.S. Army Area Support Group Poland Senior Enlisted Advisor Sgt. Maj. Joseph Cristaro, V Corps Civil Affairs Planning Chief Lt. Col. Kenyon Eyman, V Corps Deputy Chief of Forward Staff Col. Scott Daulton, and U.S. Army Area Support Group Poland Commander Col. Jorge Fonseca salute a memorial site dedicated to Peter Mansfeld in Poznan, Poland, Oct. 23, 2022. Two different memorial sites located in Poznan recognize Romek Strzałkowski and Peter Mansfeld after they were killed during the Polish and Hungarian Uprisings against Soviet Influenced regimes in 1956. (U.S. Army photo by Spc. Devin Klecan)

solidarity with Poland and Hungary.

“We are one team,” said Daulton.

In addition to the wreath laying, the event also included a speech from the Mayor of Poznań, Jacek Jaśkowiak, and a poem read by the students from the Poznań school. After the ceremony, the Institute of National Remembrance held a lecture.

Poznań June was the first of several massive protests against the communist government of the Polish People’s Republic. Demonstrations began on June 28, 1956, at Poznań’s Cegielski Factories and were met with violent repression. The death toll was estimated from 57 to over a hundred people, including Strzałkowski.

The Hungarian Revolution, Oct. 23– Nov. 10, 1956, was a countrywide revolution against the

Hungarian People’s Republic and the Hungarian domestic policies imposed by the Soviet Union. Suppression of the Hungarian Uprising killed 2,500 Hungarians, including Mansfeld.

“No matter if it happened 50, 60, 70 years ago, I think it’s important to remember the people that have stood up against communism,” said Col. Jorge Fonseca, commander, Army Area Support Group Poland. “By remembering Strzałkowski and Mansfeld, I think it shows the significance and importance of the United States’ partnership that it has sworn to Poland. And by just inviting the [U.S.] military to these events, [it] shows the community that we are united, and here to protect our allies and partners.”

Leaders of Poznan continue to express support for V Corps and the continued presence of U.S. Soldiers in and around Camp Kosciuszko. •



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