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Greetings, Quartermasters and Happy New Year!

I salute you all for a magnanimous year of celebrated accomplishments in 2011! From places and formations all around the globe, Quartermasters enabled success at every turn. Particularly noteworthy is the outstanding leadership, support and teaming among logisticians, tacticians and operators as Operation New Dawn came to an historic end. Indeed, we can all be justifiably proud of the exemplary leadership, courage and selfless commitment exhibited by our senior leadership and the men and women among our ranks. We give thanks for the extraordinary service of Comrades who have been injured and, sadly, those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice in a decade of conflict; we vow never to forget them and their Families. Superior mission support, commitment and service continues in Afghanistan and other places around the globe. We're continually proud of individual and team efforts all leading to mission accomplishment. As we enter into 2012, we eagerly embrace the opportunities of "change" in an environment of understanding both our national security obligations and the fiscal constraints we all must share. I am confident that each of us are ready to roll up our sleeves for the work at hand.

Like last year, 2012 promises to be chock-full of activities, events, and missions to accomplish: The 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Culinary Competition; Connelly and Supply Excellence Awards; Program of Instruction (POI) comprehensive reviews; and our 13-15 June 2012 Quartermaster Symposium—just to name a few! Make travel plans now to join us for a very dynamic and engaging forum on current topics and issues.

I want to especially thank our participants and presenters who have linked into the Quartermaster School during our quarterly "QMS Connect" which we began last August. Each quarter, our participation level has significantly increased with dialogue from teammates in Hawaii, Germany, Afghanistan and places throughout CONUS and we thank you for your caring leadership. Please mark "22 February 2012" on your calendar for our next "QMS Connect". Your topics of interest are appreciated!

As we announce our Regimental Honors Program, we are seeking nominations for deserving individuals and units to be recognized during this year's Quartermaster Symposium. The nomination process can be found in this newsletter. Finally, my Command Team (inclusive of our honorary officers) and I congratulate each of our stalwart leaders who shared promotion and command board lists this past year—simply AWESOME! Your recognized leadership is exemplary and we salute you all for a job well done!

Special congratulations to LTG Ray Mason, our Army G4! We're mighty proud of you, Sir—HOOAH!

I continually count it an honor and a privilege to serve as your Quartermaster General and as one among you. A resounding "Thank you" to each of you for all that you do daily in support of our great Nation!

Supporting Victory!

Gwen Bingham  
Brigadier General, US Army  
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The Quartermaster General

## REGIMENTAL HONORS PROGRAM

Accepting nominations to recognize the outstanding contributions of our current and retired Quartermaster Soldiers, Civilians, and Units:

- Quartermaster Hall of Fame
- Distinguished Members of the Regiment
- Distinguished Units of the Regiment

We will recognize individuals and units selected for these prestigious awards during the Quartermaster Symposium, 13-15 June 2012

Accepting nominations through 15 March 2012.

Please contact CPT Pumarejo, Regimental Adjutant, at [eduardo.l.pumarejo.mil@mail.mil](mailto:eduardo.l.pumarejo.mil@mail.mil) if you need assistance!

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## REGIMENTAL COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR SIMS

Greetings Fellow Quartermasters!

I would like to wish all Quartermaster Soldiers, Family and our Civilians serving this great nation a Happy New Year! I hope that your holidays were filled with happiness, and each of you had the opportunity to rejoice and refocus.

These past few months have been very busy. On 16 November 2011, the Quartermaster School held the Quartermaster School Connect video teleconference. We were privileged to have the 1<sup>st</sup> U.S. Army Command Sergeant Major, CSM Jesse L. Andrews Jr., as the guest speaker. During his visit to Fort Lee, CSM Andrews took the opportunity to visit with each Quartermaster School Department and their Soldiers and ate lunch with several of our Advanced Individual Training (AIT) Platoon Sergeants and AIT instructors.

As we bring in the New Year, we must continue to be prepared for change. The Quartermaster Corps is currently over strength in eight of nine Military Occupational Specialties (MOS). It is imperative that leaders give their Soldiers the tools they need to complete the mission. One of the most important tools for a Soldier's success is raising line scores or the basic Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) scores. As the Army begins to reduce in size, we need to retain Soldiers and leaders with experience. One of the best ways to meet these retention goals is to make sure Soldiers qualify for a variety of MOSs. This will provide the Soldier the flexibility to choose. I encourage all leaders to assist Soldiers in their retention goals. Support your Soldiers by allowing them to improve themselves and become more competitive.

As I travel around to the many units, I am extremely proud of the work accomplished by our Quartermaster Soldiers across the Army. I appreciate all that you do on a daily basis. As always, I am pleased to have the opportunity to meet with our

Soldiers, Noncommissioned Officers, Officers, Government Civilians and Contractors of the Quartermaster Corps.

Thank you for all that you do every day to meet the needs of our Soldiers and units performing duties around the globe.

Supporting Victory! Hooah!

CSM James K. Sims

10<sup>th</sup> Quartermaster Regimental Command  
Sergeant Major



### Leader Development

*The speed of the leader determines the rate of the pack.* - - D. Wayne Lucas

I am passionate about leader development! In order to produce confident, competent, versatile leaders for our 21<sup>st</sup> Century Army we must embrace the means of education, training and experience as described in the Army's Leader Development Strategy. Our Quartermaster Warrant Officer Career Manager, CW4 John Beck says, "Never turn down a chance for education or a chance to PCS". I totally agree with this, as it leads to balance. Education gives us knowledge. Training turns that knowledge into a skill. We hone and master these skills through experience.

During an initial mentorship session, I often begin by asking two questions: 1) What is your next assignment? 2) Who is your replacement? The intent of the first question is to get the individual to think about gaining the education, training, and experience necessary to be ready, relevant, and capable to support the Army mission across the full spectrum of operational environments. In short, are they continuing to develop themselves professionally? The second question is another way of asking, are you developing others? We all have an inherent responsibility to coach, teach, and mentor our young leaders; building the bench. A good bench is indispensable as this gives us depth and greater flexibility as an organization.

We generally do a good job when it comes to building our own career paths and timelines such as what we need to do to obtain additional skills, to prepare for a particular duty or assignment, and to be competitive for promotion. However, I believe that we can bring greater value to the Quartermaster Corps by not just focusing on ourselves, but by also developing the other leaders around us.

To be successful in developing our young leaders we must influence and set the conditions. I am reminded of John Maxwell, an author and speaker on leadership, and his acronym, BEST. If you want the BEST out of your people, you must:

- B – Believe in them.
- E – Encourage them.
- S – Share Information with them.
- T – Trust them.

Leader Development is one of the emerging themes in the Army Profession Campaign.

The following is an excerpt from a pamphlet published by the Center for the Army Profession: *The Army Profession 2012, After More Than a Decade of Conflict*:

**Leader Development:** The Army has a rich body of knowledge for leader development that provides the foundation for leaders to grow and develop others to perform effectively. Army Leaders are strong in tactical skills, technical knowledge, and leading to achieve results—yet there is insufficient interpersonal skill development and coaching, counseling, and mentoring of subordinates which affects the long-term stewardship of the Profession. Many members of the Profession lack confidence in the profession. Many members of the Profession lack confidence in the value and relevance of professional military education, particularly when compared to operational experience.

By refocusing and rededicating ourselves to our Army Profession and gaining balance in our leader development, we can improve on being the great sustainers we are of the world's mightiest army. I challenge everyone to be a student of our profession; committed to life-long learning. Include professional readings in your self-development. I encourage you to visit these two sites for reference and reading: Center for the Army Profession and Ethic: <http://cape.army.mil/> and the Center for Army Leadership: <http://usacac.army.mil/cac2/CAL/>.

In order for us to face current, future, and unknown challenges, we will need great Quartermaster Leaders. I am dedicated to this task. Are you?

Supporting Victory!

QM RCWO, CW5 Wade Lovorn



## COMBINED JOINT TASK FORCE - CAMP LEMONNIER, DJIBOUTI

As I stepped off the plane to begin my second visit to the African continent, my first being Cairo, Egypt in 1996, I initially thought we landed in the Middle East instead of East Africa. The geography resembled my previous deployments to Saudi Arabia and Kuwait where the weather is hot and humid. The landscape was flushed with desert-like brown sand, virtually no inland waterways and very little vegetation. As I entered the airport and heard people speaking Arabic, again I thought we landed in the Middle East. In fact, Djibouti is a Muslim country with 94 percent of its citizens being Sunni Muslim. The official languages are French and Arabic, with French as the primary language for business or governmental settings.

Camp Lemonnier is a former French Foreign Legion base, situated just outside Djibouti City. Djibouti is located in a region referred to as “the Horn of Africa.” It is the third smallest country on the continent and about the size of Massachusetts. Djibouti’s neighboring countries are Eritrea to the north, Ethiopia to the west and Somalia to the south.

Camp Lemonnier is home to Combined Joint Task Force - Horn of Africa (CJTF-HOA) which is a component command of United States Africa Command. CJTF-HOA provides sustainment service support to regional and combatant commands to conduct civilian and military operations throughout East Africa, while fostering positive U.S. and African nation relations.

Within CJTF-HOA, I’m assigned to the CJ-4, or Logistics, directorate. Our mission is to “integrate logistics planning and execution in support of joint operations”.

The CJ-4 integrates sustainment actions in support of joint maneuver units operating in deployed forward operating locations throughout East Africa. The CJ-4 Joint Logistics Operations Center coordinates military and commercial air freight, sealift and surface line-haul logistics capabilities in support of maneuver units.



The CJ-4 Logistics Planning Center synchronizes all facets of logistics support to ensure uninterrupted distribution of supplies and assets, including food, fuel and construction material to support developmental and humanitarian initiatives throughout the region.

The CJ-4 synchronizes component logistics planning with U.S. State Department representatives, host and partner nation governments and Defense Logistics Agency prime vendor contractors, all in an effort to optimize logistics support.

Djibouti serves as a key strategic location for CJTF-HOA to conduct stability operations in East Africa. Its mission is to “conduct operations in the combined joint operations area to enhance partner nation capacity, promote regional stability, dissuade conflict, while protecting U.S. and coalition interests”.

### **ENHANCE PARTNER NATION CAPACITY**

Enhancing partner nation capacity is achieved through a number of foreign humanitarian assistance programs. Most notably, members of the Army’s 490<sup>th</sup> Civil Affairs Battalion operate both veterinary and medical civic action program throughout East Africa. These programs provide essential services that ultimately save lives and range from administering multi-vitamin injections to providing preventive care to area livestock. Throughout East Africa, livestock not only sustain communities, but also represent a significant portion of the local economy. They are the sole income to local farmers and a primary food source for the local population. With the United States providing these essential services, it both helps local communities better sustain themselves and it builds partner nation relationships throughout the region.



*As part of the Veterinary Civil Action Program, a Veterinarian provides Multi-Vitamin injections and treatment for various parasitic diseases.*

*U.S. Air Force photo by Captain Jennifer Pearson.*

## COMBINED JOINT TASK FORCE - CAMP LEMONNIER, DJIBOUTI (CONTINUED)



*A Functional Specialty Team veterinary technician assists Community Animal Health Worker with a bottle of penicillin and a syringe intended to treat a donkey with an infection during a Veterinary Civic Action Program.*

*U.S. Air Force photo by Captain Jennifer Pearson.*

### **PROMOTE REGIONAL STABILITY**

One of the more anticipated humanitarian assistance projects will occur in the village of Negele, Ethiopia. A result of joint commitments by the governments of Ethiopia and United States, Navy Seabees of the Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 5 constructed a much needed bridge that connected the villages of Negele and Borena. Now completed, the bridge spans a 22-foot wide river bed. The crossing posed significant challenges for local villagers as they navigate the dangerous venture to cross during the rainy season. During this time, river waters swell making it extremely challenging to cross. This impasse gets in the way of a host of daily activities including local children attending school and expectant mothers visiting the medical clinic.

A ground breaking ceremony was held on 22 August 2011 in which residents of Negele hosted members of the Naval Mobile Construction Battalion. The Officer in Charge of the Naval Mobile Construction Battalion - Negele Detachment, Navy Lieutenant Junior Grade Brandon Gosch, commented on the enduring significance of the event by saying "So may this bridge tie together the two communities, so may it tie together Ethiopia and the United States".



*Negele Residents posed with members of the Navy CB unit to unveil the Stone Marker for the Negele Bridge that will ultimately connect the villages of Negele and Borena, Ethiopia.*

*U.S. Air Force photo by Captain Jennifer Pearson.*

### **DISSUADE CONFLICT**

The 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 161<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery of the Kansas Army National Guard conducts an array of non-combatant military-to-military assistance operations throughout East Africa. More recently, members of the 1-161<sup>st</sup> traveled to Tanzania to share force protection best practices with the Tanzania People's Defense Force (TPDF). Despite the language barrier between the two military forces, 1-161<sup>st</sup> Soldiers successfully trained TPDF Soldiers on key military processes such as entry control point operations, military operations in urban terrain, and weapons firing. Collectively, these essential military tasks are designed to enhance and build team unity while teaching basic military police fundamentals. An adjunct benefit from the collaborative training between U.S. and TPDF Soldiers resulted in the development of a shared bond.

"All Soldiers, especially Infantry guys, are kindred spirits" said Major John Sherrill, 1-161<sup>st</sup> Mission Commander. Throughout the more than two-week exercise, conversations amongst Soldiers from both governments revealed they both had deployments that were similar. Major Sherrill summed up the experience by stating, "We bonded over the chaotic nature of our work".

*Sergeant 1<sup>st</sup> Class Tom Laiter, Military Police with the 1st Battalion 161st Field Artillery, acts as safety observer with Soldiers of the Tanzania People's Defense Force in Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania.*

*U.S. Army Photo by MAJ John Sherrill*



As much of our collective attention and resources are allocated in the Middle East where America's Soldiers, Airmen, Sailors and Marines continue to engage our efforts in support of Overseas Contingency Operations, CJTF-HOA's mission is focused on strengthening our partnerships with African nations through active participation and cooperative engagements. It is in the United States best interest to promote regional stability and a sustainable environment throughout East Africa.

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In October 2011, the 92G Credentialing Program officially started. The Army teamed with the American Culinary Federation (ACF) to assist food service specialists in becoming more competitive for promotions and obtaining culinary certifications. TRADOC absorbed the certification and registration fees and provided an ACF membership for two years for the Soldiers that participate under the pilot program.

The food service credentialing program infuses theoretical and practical classroom instruction into 'on the job' training related assignments. This method enables the Soldier to experience a complete training curriculum while performing everyday tasks. The program focuses on basic and advanced principles of food operations through the application of hands-on training in an environment where students practice basic and advanced food preparation. This type of training allows Soldiers to develop a strong work ethic and to become proficient in both garrison and operational environments.

The program requires Soldiers to complete 4,000 hours of 'on the job' training in ten prescribed areas. Each Soldier receives a ledger to keep track of the work hours in each of the apprenticeship phases. Supervisors monitor and validate the training hours of their Soldiers through the Army Learning Management System (ALMS). Once the Soldiers complete the required hours and successfully pass a written exam and a practical assessment tool, they are granted chef certification with the Department of Labor.

Enrolled Soldiers currently serve at one of five Forces Command (FORSCOM) pilot installations. The pilot installations and their points of contact are as follows:

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The Army expects this program to be fully operational capable upon completion of the pilot initiative in 2014. The ACF has provided accreditation, education, certification, and networking for apprentice and certified chefs since 1929.

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### FOOD SERVICE 2011 EQUIPMENT INNOVATORS

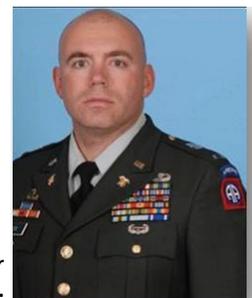


The inaugural 2011 Army Food Advisor Equipment Innovation Award ceremony was held on 15 November 2011 at Natick, MA. The Individual winner of the 2011 award is SPC Shaunta Cain, representing Germany. The Organizational

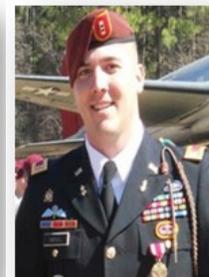
Award winners are CW3 Jeff Lein, CW2 William Wencil, CW2 Edgar Walle, and SFC Sheldon Tate (posthumous), representing Fort Bragg, NC. The Soldiers who won the equipment innovation award for 2011 have the professional admiration of their peers in the Food Service Community, the appreciation of the Joint Culinary Center of Excellence (JCCoE) team, recognition from the 51<sup>st</sup> Quartermaster General and the Army Food Advisor, and the respect of the scientists and engineers of Natick Laboratories. The professional team of scientists and engineers are interested in assessing and talking with the Soldiers about their Army-level winning equipment recommendations during the 15-17 November tour of Boston and Fort Devens that is part of the prestigious 2011 Army Food Advisor Innovation Award Program.



*Left: Individual winner of the 2011 Equipment Innovation Award, SPC Shaunta Cain, representing Germany.*



*Right: Organizational Award winner CW3 Jeff Lein.*



*Above Left to Right: Additional Organizational Award winners are CW2 Edgar Walle, CW2 William Wencil, and SFC Sheldon Tate (posthumous), representing Fort Bragg, NC.*

## THE ARMY FOOD ADVISOR EQUIPMENT INNOVATION AWARD (CONTINUED)

## 92WS TO RECEIVE COLLEGE CREDIT FOR TRAINING (CONTINUED)

### AWARD PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The purpose of the Army Food Advisor Equipment Innovation Award Program is to recognize excellence in creativity and innovation and to help shape the future vision for the Army's solution to forward field feeding. This award encompasses two categories: an individual and organizational award demonstrating extraordinary leadership and innovation in creating a piece of field equipment or component, or a complete kitchen system suitable for the demands of our ever-growing military in the year of 2020 and beyond. Ideas for individual kitchen appliances and components as well as ideas for complete kitchen systems are submitted for consideration. The 2012 award presentation will be held at Fort Lee, VA, during the Quartermaster Symposium.

### COMPETING IN 2012

To nominate an individual, organization, or project for the 2012 Army Food Advisor Equipment Innovation Award, please check the Quartermaster JCCoE web page for information on details about the award program and the online application process at <http://www.quartermaster.army.mil/jccoe>.

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Treatment Specialist AIT course must be provided to receive credit. Credit will be given for the following courses: Introduction to Water/Wastewater Treatment, Water Purification, and Sanitary Biology & Chemistry. Nine credit hours will be awarded to those Soldiers who have successfully passed the Water Treatment Specialist AIT course. The credits are awarded once Soldiers have completed six hours of semester credit from MECC.

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92W instructors are demonstrating the operation prior to the Soldiers operation of the 3K Reverse Osmosis Water Purification Unit (ROWPU).

## 92WS TO RECEIVE COLLEGE CREDIT FOR TRAINING

The Petroleum and Water Department (PWD) is developing a college articulated credit agreement with Mountain Empire Community College (MECC). The purpose of this agreement is to establish the criteria for the awarding of direct college credits to graduates from the U.S. Army Water Treatment Specialist Advanced Individual Training (AIT). Soldiers must be enrolled in the Associates of Applied Science in the Environmental Science Program (Water/Wastewater specialization) at MECC to receive college credit.

Upon graduation from the Water Treatment Specialist (92W) AIT, Soldiers can apply for admission to MECC and enroll in the Environmental Science Degree with Water/Wastewater Specialization. Proof of completion in the Water

## 236 YEARS OF SEA SUPREMACY

Sailors from the Joint Culinary Center of Excellence (JCCoE) at Fort Lee, VA, baked a cake to celebrate the United States Navy's 236<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrated on 13 October, 2011 at the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Richmond. On behalf of BGEN Jansson, Yvette Burke, Acquisition Executive, DLA Aviation, spoke at the event after a video presentation from the Secretary of the Navy, Chief of Naval Operations and Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy.

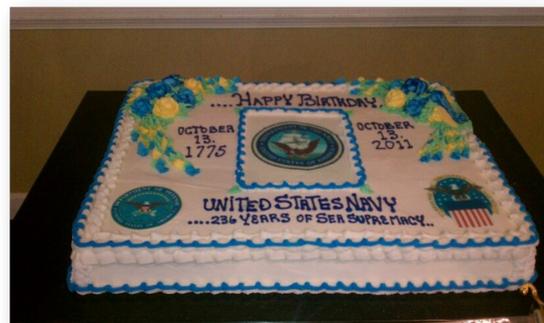


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## **JOINT WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT ACTION GROUP**

## **AERIAL DELIVERY AND FIELD SERVICES LEVERAGES TECHNOLOGY (CONTINUED)**

The Joint Water Resources Management Action Group (JWRMAG) annual meeting (#31) was conducted from 18 to 20 October 2011, at Selfridge Air National Guard Base, MI. Mr. Marshall J. Jones, the Petroleum and Water Department (PWD) Director and a delegation that included Sergeant Major Todd F. Shippy (PWD Sergeant Major), Mr. Rob Lias (Chief, Advanced Petroleum and Water Division), and MSG William Quimbayoglen (NCOIC, Water Training Division) attended this joint forum.

The JWRMAG is an annual, joint forum chaired by the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics (G-4), Headquarters, Department of the Army (HQDA). The G-4 represents the Army as the Department of Defense (DOD) Executive Agent for land-based water resources management. The JWRMAG brings the joint water community together to discuss current water support initiatives for the Services, Unified Combatant Commands and Army Component Commands. The group reviewed current water support operations for Operation New Dawn and Operation Enduring Freedom and the future of packaged/bottled water in support of tactical operations.

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## **AERIAL DELIVERY AND FIELD SERVICES LEVERAGES TECHNOLOGY**

The Aerial Delivery and Field Services Department (ADFSD) is leveraging technology to enhance the technical experience of the 92R Parachute Rigger and 921A Airdrop Systems Technician using distance learning capabilities. The Army is fielding the new T-11 Advanced Tactical Parachute System (ATPS) and MC-6 parachute system requiring a new set of packing skills vastly different from those of legacy systems, such as the T-10 parachute. The Army has been jumping the T-10 version D parachute since 1953.

Parachute Rigger instructors from ADFSD have been certifying units across the Army, Navy, and Air Force on packing procedures for the past two years. Through the advantage of technology,

Parachute Rigger instructors will virtually train 921As and 92Rs in the grade of E-5 and above on the inspection process of a parachute system using Blackboard. In-process inspecting or IP duties is the process of parachute inspection during parachute packing. The T-11 Advanced Tactical Parachute System (ATPS) and MC-6 parachute system requires new technical skill-sets for the parachute rigger packer and inspector. CW3 Badalucco, Army Logistics University, Warrant Officer Basic Course instructor states, "Fielding these systems has introduced new materials and procedures different than our legacy systems and we must provide our Soldiers with every tool possible to ensure we stay as safe as possible."

CW3 Badalucco is the designer of the online in-process inspector (IP) certification for 92Rs and 921As throughout the Army. The certification is a two-part process:

—Part one of the IP certification process requires Soldiers to login to Blackboard to view an automated lesson plan that will run the Soldier through the IP process, which is synchronized with Army Parachute Technical Manuals. The visual IP Process will enable the Soldier to gain and reinforce skills necessary to inspect a Parachute Rigger's packing of the new parachute systems. Upon reviewing the associated material, Soldiers will take an examination and must achieve a passing score of 80% or higher to earn the first step in his or her IP certification process. This ensures the Parachute Rigger has an understanding of the inspection standard and regulatory guidance that covers parachute packing operations.

—Part two of the IP certification process requires the local certifying 921A signature. His or her signature certifies the inspector on unit operating standard procedures and other local procedures. "By using the 2015 Army Learning Module, technology will assist in closing the experience gap associated with fielding new parachute systems," says CW3 Badalucco.

The IP certification standard will become a yearly requirement and will assist in keeping a standard across the force and provide immediate doctrine and training updates to the Parachute Rigger field. "Development of the distance learning module

## AERIAL DELIVERY AND FIELD SERVICES LEVERAGES TECHNOLOGY (CONTINUED)

has allowed ADFSD to establish a standard where the shortfall of experience plays an important factor. By placing the IP certification lessons on Blackboard, Parachute Riggers have a virtual walk through of the inspection standard," says CW5 Joe Jimenez, the Quartermaster School's Master Air Drop Advisor.

Parachute rigging is a very highly specialized military occupation. Experience is a requirement when dealing with a host of variables that play a factor when handling lifesaving equipment. One way the Army mitigates the chance of inexperience is to not allow reclassification into the Parachute Rigger field above skill level one. Building a strong knowledge base and experience is paramount within applying the

be found on the Aerial Delivery and Filed Services Website at [http://www.quartermaster.army.mil/adfsd/adfsd\\_main.html](http://www.quartermaster.army.mil/adfsd/adfsd_main.html).

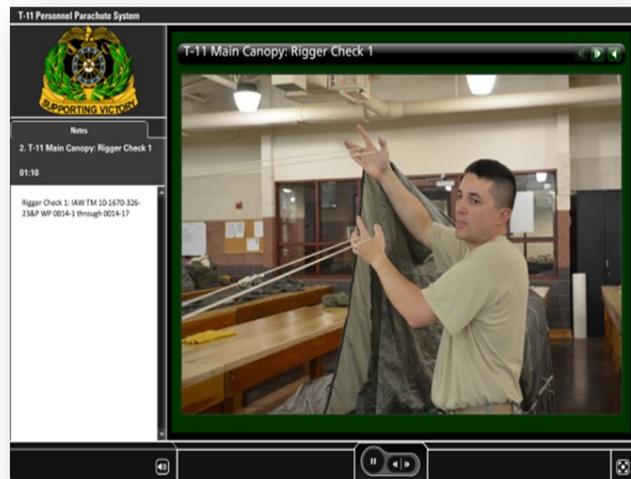
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T-11 Main Canopy on-line IP certification screenshot.

skill level two tasks (inspector/tester). The Parachute Rigger promotion to E-5 enables the Parachute Rigger Soldier to transition from packer to inspector/tester. The experience gained from packing parachutes as a skill level one allows the Parachute Rigger the understanding of inspection actions within parachute packing. IPs are authorized to inspect up to four parachute packers at a time. This skill level advancement continues through the ranks with an E-6 typically serving as a section sergeant or production NCO, E-7s serving as a shop supervisor or floor boss, and CW2 Airdrop system technician serving as the shop tech.

The online IP certification provides commanders and leaders a reach back capability to ensure there remains one standard across the Parachute Rigger field and enhances the technical expertise of the Rigger field. The online training can



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## MIRCS ADDED TO SWFTX MORTUARY AFFAIRS TRAINING

In October 2011, the Joint Mortuary Affairs Center (JMAC) relocated the Mortuary Affairs functional training portion of the Sustainment Warrior Field Training Exercise (SWFTX) to a new site. The new site provides a larger training area to support JMAC's revised field training. As part of this initiative, the JMAC added a Mobile Integrated Remains Collection System (MIRCS) and reorganized the site to better reflect current military operations.

The MIRCS functions as a mobile Mortuary Affairs Collection Point (MACP) and provides the ability to store up to 16 human remains in a temperature-controlled environment while providing an air-conditioned and efficient work area for the 92Ms that operate it. Students attending the Mortuary Affairs Initial Military Training program taught by the JMAC at Fort Lee receive training on the MIRCS.

During the 17-21 October SWFTX, the first Mortuary Affairs Advanced Individual Training class

## MIRCS ADDED TO SWFTX MORTUARY AFFAIRS TRAINING (CONTINUED)

## JMAC PARTICIPATES IN CENTRAL VIRGINIA URBAN AREA PLANNING INITIATIVE (CONTINUED)

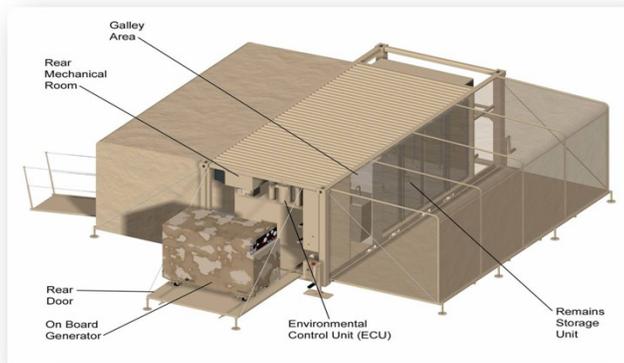
trained at the new site, using the MIRCS as part of Collection Point operations. In conjunction with the improved site and new equipment, the JMAC further improved training by incorporating “casualties” from the lanes training exercise into the MACP. By inserting Mortuary Affairs functional training into the exercise itself, JMAC provides a more realistic and relevant training opportunity for all participants and received rave reviews from both the students and SWFTX Cadre.

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The meeting agenda included a briefing by Mr. Collazo and Mr. Tabor on Department of Defense (DOD) Mortuary Affairs capabilities and the DOD Defense Support of Civil Authorities (DSCA) mission. The JMAC plays an active role in ongoing efforts to better integrate DOD Mortuary Affairs capabilities into the DSCA mission.

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## MORTUARY AFFAIRS DOCTRINAL UPDATE



*Mobile Integrated Remains System (MIRCS)*

## JMAC PARTICIPATES IN CENTRAL VIRGINIA URBAN AREA PLANNING INITIATIVE

On 8 Sep 2011, Mr. Ray Collazo and Mr. Ken Tabor from the Joint Mortuary Affairs Center (JMAC) Operations Division participated in a meeting of emergency management planners associated with the Central Virginia Urban Areas Security Initiative. The Emergency Manager for the city of Colonial Heights, Ms. Beverly Brandt, requested the JMAC participate in the discussions, which centered on the development of a Mass Fatality Management Plan for Colonial Heights and the surrounding communities. Attendees included local emergency managers, medical planners, funeral directors, the Virginia Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, and first responders from fire departments and law enforcement agencies in the Central Virginia area.

On 12 October 2011, the Joint Staff approved the new Joint Publication (JP) 4-06, “Mortuary Affairs”. Under the direction of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Joint Mortuary Affairs Center (JMAC) at Fort Lee, Virginia, was instrumental in the update and publication of the JP 4-06 which governs the mortuary affairs operations of the U.S. Armed Forces in a joint or multi-national operation. This publication includes guidance on the search, recovery, evacuation, tentative identification, processing, and/or temporary disposition of remains and personal effects across the spectrum of military operations. This publication is used by leaders and planners in preparing the mortuary affairs annex of military operational plans.

New updates to the publication include a chapter on Homeland Defense and Defense Support of Civil Authorities, which addresses the military’s support role in mortuary affairs under the direction and guidance of the United States Northern Command. Several annexes were also added, including annexes on transportation of contaminated remains, mortuary affairs assets and capabilities, and foreign humanitarian assistance.

Another significant change to the JP 4-06 was the term change from “decontamination” to “mitigation”, in regards to processing human remains in a contaminated environment. Leaders must understand the DOD change in emphasis from completely removing contamination to mitigating contamination to a safe level in order to transport the remains to a temporary interment site, or back to the

## MORTUARY AFFAIRS DOCTRINAL UPDATE (CONTINUED)

United States for final disposition. In fiscal year 2013, the JMAC expects to publish updated tactics, techniques and procedures for handling contaminated remains in an Army Techniques Publication.

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## KYRGYZSTAN ARMY VISIT TO LTD

A delegation of five officers from Kyrgyzstan's Army visited the Logistics Training Department (LTD) this past September. The primary purpose of the visit was to provide a bilateral information exchange to assist the Kyrgyzstan military reforms and enhance their capabilities. The officers were interested in how the U.S. Army conducts warehouse storage and supply operations.



*Above: SGM Nilia Lambert briefs COL Nurbek on the mission of the Logistics Training Department prior to going to the LTD Warehouse.*

SSG Mitchell, 92A Training Division, briefed the delegation on training operations at the LTD Automated Supply Training Warehouse Facility (ASTWF). This facility consists of applied science labs and hands on warehouse operations. SSG Mitchell provided a presentation on the receiving, storage, issue and packaging of repair parts located at the LTD ASTWF. She then provided a demonstration of the automated equipment used by 92A Automated Logistical Specialists in warehouse operations across the Army.

Overall, the visit was considered a success and provided the Kyrgyzstan officers valuable information to assist in the reforms of their logistical operations.

## KYRGYZSTAN ARMY VISIT TO LTD (CONTINUED)

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*Above: Officers from the Kyrgyzstan Army preparing to receive the LTD briefing from SGM Lambert.*

## PROVINCIAL RECONSTRUCTION TEAM TRAINING

From 27 October to 9 November, SFC John Call of the 92Y Division, Logistics Training Department (LTD), conducted small arms training to 20 Soldiers, Sailors, and Airmen. These service members were trained to serve as unit armorers for Provincial Reconstruction Teams (PRT) across US Central Command (CENTCOM).

SFC Call instructed the PRT members on the proper handling and provided technical training for the weapons systems these service members will make use of on their deployment. These service members also received training in maintenance procedures and how to operate a unit arms room. SFC Call was able to provide these service members with the most current and relevant small arms training that will assist them on their upcoming deployment to Afghanistan.

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*Above: PRT Class 11-501 Air Force, Navy, and Army which graduated on 9 Nov 2011 from Smalls Arms instruction.*

## FISCAL YEAR 2011 COLONEL SELECTION BOARD RESULTS

On 8 December 2011, the U.S. Army Human Resources Command released the results of the FY11 Colonel Competitive Category Department of the Army promotion selection boards. Sixteen Quartermasters were among the officers selected for promotion. Below is the Summary of Board Actions.

	<u>MFE</u>	<u>OS</u>	<u>FS</u>
<b>Previously Considered - Con/Sel AZ% of Cons</b>	317/2 = 0.6%	294/13 = 4.4%	189/2 = 1.1%
<b>First Time Considered - Cons/Sel PZ% of Cons</b>	450/168 = 37.3%	344/113 =32.8%	257/94 = 36.6%
<b>Below Zone - Cons/Sel BZ % of Cons</b>	531/8 = 1.5%	355/6 = 1.7%	286/5 = 1.7%
<b>Total Selection - Total Sel/BZ Sel BZ% of Sel</b>	178/8 = 4.5%	132/6 =4.5%	101/5 =5.0%
<b>Opportunity - PZ Con/Tot Sel DOPMA Opp%</b>	450/178 =39.6%	344/132 =38.4%	257/101 = 39.3%

Congratulations to the following Quartermaster for their selection:

NAME	RANK	NAME	RANK
Burke, IV, Edward J.	LTC	Harlan, Michael J.	LTC
Collins, Mark D.	LTC	Lane, Peter J.	LTC
Coston, Anthony M.	LTC	Martin, Eric D.	LTC
Danwin, Andrew M.	LTC	Muniz, Jose L.	LTC
Debusk, Steven S.	LTC	Rios III, Willie	LTC
Dixon, Jr., Robert J.	LTC	Schlimm, Paul G.	LTC
Fletcher, Jr., Steven W.	LTC	Thoreson, Marc D.	LTC
Gillum, David V.	LTC	Versosa, Alfredo M.	LTC

The by-name listing of all Soldiers selected may be obtained from the following website: <https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/protect/Active/Select/FY 11 COL.pdf>

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## FISCAL YEAR 2012 MASTER SERGEANT BOARD RESULTS

On 8 December 2011, the US Army Human Resources Command published the results of the FY12 Master Sergeant (MSG) Promotion Board. The Army selected 1,542 Sergeants First Class to Master Sergeant of which 274 were Quartermaster Noncommissioned Officers.

ARMY/CMF/MOS	TOTAL CONSIDERED	SELECTED	PERCENTAGE %
<b>CMF 92</b>	<b>1,557</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>17%</b>
92A	153	121	78%
92F	245	4	2%
92G	364	38	10%
92M	30	2	7%
92R	61	9	14%
92S	41	1	2%
92Y	663	99	15%
OD	1,593	219	14%
TC	826	66	8%

Congratulations to the future Quartermaster Master Sergeants for their prestigious selection.

The by-name list of the Army Sergeant First Class's selected is located at <https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/active/select/Enlisted.htm>.

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## FOOD SERVICE SPECIALIST GUARDING THE TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER

Sergeant Dontae Skywalker demonstrated the versatility and proficiency of a Quartermaster Soldier, achieving one of the Army's most prestigious assignments. He is a sentinel for the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, while serving in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Regiment (Old Guard).

Many outstanding Soldiers have served as Tomb Sentinels over the years and three of these Soldiers have been Food Service Specialists (92G). SPC Jess D. Ward (now CW3) was the first to serve from 2003 to 2004. SGT (P) Skywalker is currently serving proudly, guarding the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. These exceptional 92G Soldiers have endured a rigorous training program to earn their badges.

Challenges are not new to SGT (P) Skywalker. As the child of a single parent in Chicago, he became the first member of his family to complete college at the University of Illinois. After alternating between teaching and semi-pro basketball, he joined the Army and became a food service specialist, with his first assignment in Iraq. After several months working as a food service specialist he was encouraged to try for the sentinel position. Upon returning to the United States he was recruited into the Old Guard.

Entry into the 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Regiment is selective and only members of the regiment can apply for the sentinel. Roughly 20% of the applicants will earn the badge. They must demonstrate the highest proficiency in three areas: knowledge, appearance, and outside performance. Knowledge includes memorization of 16 pages of information. As for the uniforms, spit polish for the shoes alone requires six or more hours. They must execute their guarding duties with flawless precision. SGT (P) Skywalker enjoyed meeting these challenges as a means to demonstrate the flexibility and professionalism of our culinary specialists.

We applaud the Soldiers for their accomplishments and encourage their peers and subordinates to seek self improvements and continue to strive for excellence.

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*SGT(P) Skywalker with SGT (P) Williams and SPC Ward (now CW3 Ward)*



*SGT(P) Skywalker walks the 21 steps at the Tomb*

## THE 8081<sup>ST</sup> QM COMPANY IN THE KOREAN CONFLICT

During the Korean Conflict one Quartermaster Company pioneered new techniques that helped transform aerial delivery into a valuable means of resupply. Although aerial delivery first appeared during World War II; the techniques remained ineffective. Too often, airdrops missed the target because of inadequate procedures. After the war, lead responsibility for parachute delivery remained undetermined until the spring of 1950 when that job fell to the Quartermaster General. The first rigger course opened at Ft. Lee in May 1950.

One month later, fighting began on the Korean peninsula, where rugged mountains and poor roads made resupply extremely difficult, especially during the bitter winter retreat following the Chinese entry into the war. Aerial resupply became the answer, this time with little room for error.

Actual work fell to the 8081<sup>st</sup> Quartermaster (QM) Company, stationed in Japan. Building upon their experience from World War II, these Soldiers developed new techniques for accurate delivery by air, often by improvising. Members of the 8081<sup>st</sup> devised ways to rig 55 gallon fuel drums so that the protected side would hit the ground, or to arrange static lines to prevent two chutes from becoming entangled by simultaneous openings. Master Sergeant Michael Gordon developed a method for quick release of the cargo using a bomb shackle that greatly improved the accuracy of deliveries, reduced malfunctions, and saved precious webbing. This became the Gordon Quick Release device. These Soldiers alternated between preparing cargos for delivery and riding the aircraft to make the drop.

As Marine Corps and Army survivors were retreating from the Chosin Reservoir, they desperately required a bridge to cross a gorge. No one had rigged a bridge for aerial delivery before and this delivery had only a 300 yard target. Yet the 8081<sup>st</sup> met the challenge and prevented a greater catastrophe.

The 8081<sup>st</sup> helped to establish the standard that aerial delivery would find a way to reach the Soldiers in even the most adverse circumstances. For more information, see the QM Foundation website at [http://www.qmfound.com/aerial\\_delivery.htm](http://www.qmfound.com/aerial_delivery.htm).

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*Aerial resupply in the Korean War, January 1951*

## THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER—“THE MAN ON THE CORNER”

For the past few years up to the present and, you can bet, for the future, I have been more reflective of the people whose paths I have crossed. I especially think about those from my childhood years. I was born in the 50s; a second round baby boomer, thus my formative years were impacted by a post-war mentality and especially because I lived half a block away from a Veterans Administration Hospital (VA). My dad was a manual arts therapist at the VA. Today, that position would be called a vocational therapist. In these post-war years, many Disabled Vets lived at the hospital or on the grounds in government provided housing.

At the end of my block, in a corner house, in the shadow of the VA, was a family that I knew. They had a daughter just slightly older than me, and my childhood playmate. She had a younger brother and her mom was very kind. I did not see too much of her father since, like most post-war dads, he was a busy man. However, I do remember him and my retrospective view was that he was a man of focus and determination; he was joyful, mellow, but physically somewhat thin and frail. Around my 2<sup>nd</sup> grade year, the Lowman family moved away to Florida. Not many years after they moved, we received word that Mr. Lowman died. I was sorry to hear this and wondered how the family would carry on without dad and husband. My own dad informed me that the family would be provided for since Mr. Lowman was a Veteran and also a survivor of the Bataan Death March.

Many years later, the advent of the internet and search engines provided me the opportunity to contact Mrs. Lowman. I learned more about her husband, that after he left the VA area he worked for the government for the Cherokee People in North Carolina. In this and other positions, he was a staunch advocate for the welfare of others even at times in the face of much opposition. I do not doubt that his selfless service was a tribute to those who marched beside him as far as they were able or in grateful acknowledgement to God that he lived to serve others.

It was Jesus who taught, “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you”. That is what many brave veterans have done in life and in death. “Mr. Lowman, I once only knew you as my playmate’s father, the man on the corner, but now I know much more and you are not forgotten!”

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## HONORARY COLONEL OF THE REGIMENT



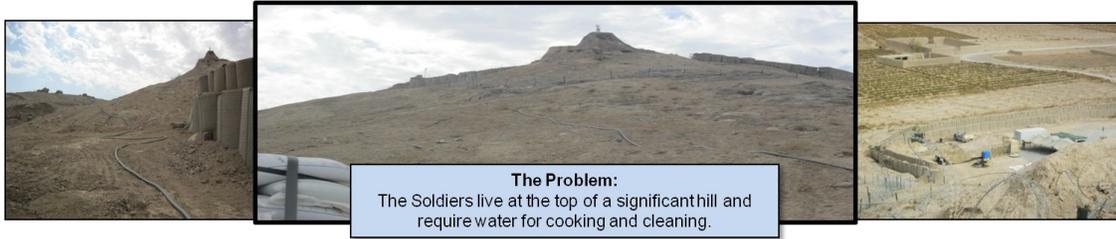
*Honorary Colonel of the Regiment, MG(R) Richard Beale, continues to provide outstanding leadership and active mentorship to Quartermasters and Logisticians.*

# WATER TO THE TOP

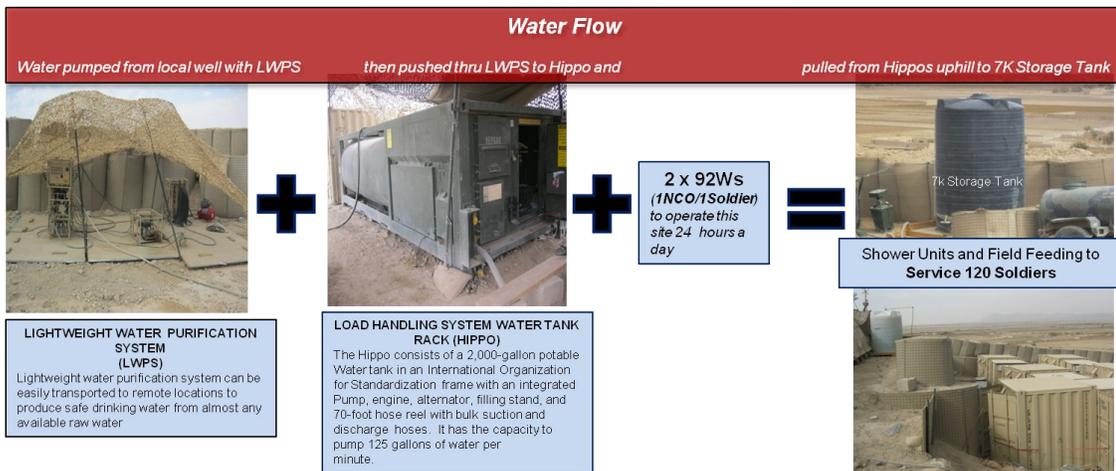
A Company, 710<sup>th</sup> Brigade Support Battalion supports the fight forward by setting up a Light Weight Water Purification System (LWPS) at a Company Outpost (COP) Afghanistan. The LWPS takes water from a well at the lower part of the COP, purifies it, and then pumps it into a Hippo system. The pump on the Hippo, augmented with an electric pump, pushes the water up to the top of the hill to a commercial storage tank that is located close to where the Soldiers live.

This water is used for cooking, sanitation, showering, and laundry. Before the system was emplaced, the Soldiers had to eat MREs, wait for weeks to shower, and had no laundry service. Two 92Ws (an NCO and Soldier) from A Company live at the COP to provide 24-hour service and basic equipment maintenance.

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**The Equipment:**

- 2 x Hippos
- 1 x LWPS
- 1 x commercial water tank
- 3 x Water Trailers
- 400 feet of 3in hose used to complete the site
- 1 x 125 GPM Pump
- 2 x 75 GPM Pumps



*This water provides a vast improvement in the quality of life to Soldiers living on a COP where the Average temperature from May thru September is around 100 Degrees*



## DISTINGUISHED MASTER LOGISTICIAN

FORT BENNING, Ga. - The 3<sup>rd</sup> Heavy Brigade Combat Team, 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division, is not a Training and Doctrine Command unit, nor is it co-located with the 3<sup>rd</sup> ID headquarters. The battle-tested outfit with a rich and colorful history hails from Kelley Hill, Fort Benning, Ga., a special place to those who call it home.

An immeasurable part of that history is the soldiers who have called Kelley Hill home during their military careers. Actors, politicians and musicians are among the people who have made an impact before, during or after being a Sledgehammer soldier.

For one former Sledgehammer, the time spent on Kelley Hill formed her career path marked most recently as Distinguished Master Logistician for Intermediate Level Education class 2011-02.

“During my tenure at 3<sup>rd</sup> ID, I’ve served with some dynamic and innovative leaders,” said Maj. Fenicia L. Jackson, Logistics Corps (Quartermaster).

One leader in particular stood out as Jackson served with the Sledgehammer Brigade.

“Lt. Col. Christopher Day is a very talented leader and is the most proficient officer in the Logistics Branch that I’ve had the pleasure of serving with throughout my career,” said Jackson.

During her time with 3<sup>rd</sup> HBCT, Jackson was a medical services officer deployed during Operation Iraqi Freedom III.

“Working for [Lt. Col.] Day enabled me to become a more skillful logistician, which eventually led me to branch transferring into the Logistics Branch,” she said. “He is an incredible professional and a true representation of an Army officer.”

While serving as the medical officer and as a company commander, the leadership played a positive role in Jackson’s development.

“I was influenced by some of the most competent and confident leaders the Army has to offer,” said Jackson. “I welcome the opportunity to serve alongside them again!”

Jackson, a Hartsville, SC, native, is proud to serve in the U.S. Army, a goal she laid out early on in life.

“Since the age of 15, I knew in my heart that I wanted to be a soldier in the U.S. Army,” she said. “I’m proud to say that my family shares a tradition of military service with two uncles who fought in

Vietnam, my father retired from the U.S. Army, and a sister and brother currently serving in the U.S. Army.”

After earning the title Distinguished Master Logistician for Intermediate Level Education class 2011-02 and graduating the course 16 December, Jackson has another reason to be proud.

“The competition was an incredible learning experience that enabled me to think critically and beyond my experience level,” Jackson said. “The competition forced students to focus on and plan big-picture logistics at the strategic and operational level, a level in which we were not comfortable with.”

The master logistician competition is much more than a chance to earn a title; it is a chance for logistics professionals to hone their craft by providing expanded learning experience beyond standard curriculum and a chance to combine the knowledge into one operation.

“I would also like to thank the Department of Logistics and Resource Operations faculty for providing such a challenging but great learning opportunity and professional development throughout this year,” said Jackson. “I am proud to represent the logisticians of the Command and General Staff College Class of 11-02.”

Following graduation 16 December, Jackson joined the 4<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division at Fort Polk, La.

Story by Spc. Erik Anderson and may be found at <http://www.dvidshub.net/news/81502/top-her-class> with additional photos.



*Distinguished Master Logistician Maj. Fenicia Jackson stands by the plaque where her name will soon join other recipients of the Maj. Gen. James W. Wright Award at the Lewis and Clark Center. Jackson graduated with the 2011-02 Intermediate Level Education class 16 December 2011. (Photo by: Prudence Siebert/Fort Leavenworth Lamp)*

## 3SB INDUCTS NEW NCO's INTO CORPS



*Command Sergeant Major Clifton H. Johnson, the 3rd Sustainment Bde., 3rd Inf. Div. and Command Sgt. Maj. James K. Sims, the 10th Regimental command sergeant major of the US Army Quartermaster School in Fort Lee, Va., cut the cake with the oldest and youngest NCO's inducted in the ceremony held at Woodruff Theater, Dec. 13. Photo Credit: Spc. Krueger*

Fort Stewart -

Thirty noncommissioned officers assigned to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sustainment Brigade, Third Infantry Division were officially inducted into the NCO Corps, 13 December at Woodruff Theater.

"I feel very proud to be part of the Family and be inducted into the noncommissioned officer corps," said SGT Shannon Tasker, a Financial Management Technician assigned to the 24<sup>th</sup> Financial Management Company, Special Troops Battalion, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sustainment Brigade, 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division. Sergeant Tasker was promoted 1 December and is taking the "Soldier's Request" to heart. "I will train and mentor my Soldiers and get them to the level I am at so they can become a sergeant."

During the ceremony, the newly inducted NCOs were addressed by senior noncommissioned officers who offered words of wisdom to becoming successful leaders.

"You all need to take care of the Army's most precious resources—our Soldiers," said Command Sergeant Major James K. Sims, the 10<sup>th</sup> Regimental Command Sergeant Major of the US Army Quartermaster School in Fort Lee, VA, and the ceremony's guest speaker. "I want you to develop them to be leaders of the future Army."

Each newly inducted NCO was introduced by their sponsor shortly before being officially welcomed into the corps by CSM Sims and CSM Clifton H. Johnson, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sustainment Brigade Command Sergeant Major, with a firm handshake and a certificate.

"It is an honor to be charged by CSM Sims," said SGT Jeffery Carnacchi, a petroleum supply specialist for the 110<sup>th</sup> Quartermaster Company, 260<sup>th</sup> Quartermaster Battalion, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sustainment Brigade, 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division, "I'm going to continue to gain knowledge, and provide the readiness for my Soldiers, just like CSM Sims asked us to do today."

- Submitted by Spc. Krueger 3rd Sustainment Brigade Public Affairs

# Save the Date: “QMS Connect”

## The 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarterly Quartermaster School forum is coming to you!

Quartermaster Leaders  
Sustainment Commanders  
Quartermaster General Officers  
Friends

BG Gwen Bingham, 51<sup>st</sup> Quartermaster General, will host the third quarterly Quartermaster update to provide relevant news and valuable information to the logistics community.

The “Quartermaster Connect” Video-Teleconference  
is scheduled for

*Wednesday*  
*22 February 2012*  
*1000–1200 EST (1400-1600 GMT)*

1<sup>st</sup> hour: Topic briefings  
2<sup>nd</sup> hour: Question/Answer session

To schedule your participation (VTC, DCO, or phone bridge),  
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