



Holocaust survivor, liberator visit Letterkenny

by TSgt L. Julie Lozinski, Public Affairs & Protocol, Public Affairs Specialist

In honor of Holocaust Days of Remembrance, a 90-year-old Holocaust survivor and a concentration camp liberator visited Letterkenny Army Depot on Thursday, April 19 to share their stories with Depot employees and Chambersburg High School students.

Severin Fayerman was 17 when his home country of Poland and his city were invaded by Nazi Germany in 1939. He saw 70 percent of Bendzin, the entire Jewish population, removed from the city and sent to Jewish ghettos, forced labor camps and concentration camps.

Letterkenny's Holocaust Days of Remembrance Program Manager,

Becky Chilcote, said that this was a unique opportunity that will not be available in years to come.

"In the near future, we won't have these first-hand witnesses and accounts to listen to; they are increasingly precious as every day goes by," stated Chilcote.

"It's critically important that these survivors tell their stories, and that we make sure that their stories remain and resonate, because it's a

lesson not only for Jews, but it's a lesson for all humanity."

Elaine Etter, a sophomore at Chambersburg High School, attended the event and echoed Chilcote's sentiments, noting that his story would

mental struggles that can only be displayed by a true survivor."

Fayerman's family business, a small tool and die company, was taken over by the Germans and his family was eventually forced out and separated. Fayerman ended up at Auschwitz Concentration Camp while in his early twenties.

After the war, Fayerman and his family immigrated to the United States in the spring of 1945 and in 1946 bought a Newark, N.J.-based tool and die company, Baldwin Hardware.

"The rest of this story is the story of the American Dream," said Fayerman. "I came to America and married an American

girl. I wanted to become an American and forget about it."

But Fayerman did not forget about his time in the camps or his experiences there.

Fayerman eventually wrote a book and began speaking to school groups and organizations about how he survived the Holocaust.

Fayerman told the approximate 50 high school students that there are



Verne Baker, a liberator with the 42nd Division, shares a private moment with Holocaust survivor Severin Fayerman.

stay with her for the rest of her life.

Another student, sophomore Allison Reinhardt, was equally moved.

"Fayerman's life was inspiring and really gave me a better understanding of the Holocaust and the true horrors he and his family had to endure," said Reinhardt.

"Severin spoke in a way that allowed you to place yourself in his position to understand not only the physical tolls he faced, but also the

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From the Commander's Desk

by Col. Cheri A. Provancha, Depot Commander

New this year we have a special guest helping us celebrate our 70th Anniversary--Eric Augustus "Sleepy" Floyd, former guard for the Golden State Warriors, New Jersey Nets, Houston Rockets and the San Antonio Spurs.

Sleepy, who still holds the NBA playoff record for the most points scored in a quarter and in a half in their defeat of the LA Lakers in the playoffs, will be at the event to shoot hoops with the kids and play a round of HORSE with me. Come out and join the fun!

On a more sober note, another event in May we will memorialize those employees Letterkenny has lost in the past year.

On May 24 at 11:00 a.m., there will be an Employee Memorial Service to honor the lives of Ted Sheets, Cindy Wrights and Donald Mellott. Please join us at the Letterkenny Chapel as we remember our fellow employees.

The 7th Annual Letterkenny Business Opportunity Showcase will be held on June 13-14. The showcase allows the Depot to show potential partners the capabilities of the Depot in order to explore partnership opportunities.

With spring in full swing and the flowers in bloom, it is a good time to mention a safety concern on Depot. Being stung by a bee is never pleasant, but for those who are allergic to bee stings, it can be a life-threatening occurrence.

Remember that if you have a medical condition that requires an epi-pen, for any kind of allergy, carry it with you! You never know when it might save your life.

Lastly, we have a very important audit coming up this month. I am very proud to tell you that we have passed the first stages of the VPP Star certification audit and the inspector recommended us for the full audit to occur the week of May 14.

This is the Super Bowl for us as we have worked very hard to change our culture to one focused on safety. The last hanging chad we have is complacency. Don't let complacency cause an accident.

Here is our opportunity to demonstrate how we take care of each other in the execution of our mission. Good luck to everyone on the audit. Remember, VPP is excellence in safety and it starts with me!!!

Hello Letterkenny! The next couple of months will be busy for the Depot as we look ahead to the future of Letterkenny and as we look back to where we have come from.

On May 19th we will be celebrating our 62nd Armed Forces Day. It is an opportunity to honor our Service Members and the sacrifices they have made to our country.

It is also a great chance for the community and your families to see what we do at Letterkenny in support of the Warfighter and how you, as members of the Letterkenny team, support that mission.

As in past years there will be facility, cemetery, and Homestead tours as well as a variety of activities including children's games, HMMWV and pony rides, a fish rodeo, and petting zoo.

ARMY CORE VALUE FOR MAY & JUNE:

PERSONAL COURAGE

FACE FEAR, DANGER OR ADVERSITY (PHYSICAL OR MORAL)

“ Courage is rightly esteemed the first of human qualities...
because it is the quality which guarantees all others. ”

~ Winston Churchill, British Prime Minister, 1874-1975

Letterkenny names new Deputy Commander

by Lindsay Bryant, Office of Public Affairs & Protocol, Public Affairs Officer

Letterkenny's new Deputy to the Commander took her post on Monday, March 12.

Anita M. Raines is a native of Doylestown, Pa. and retired U.S. Army colonel.

Raines spent her first week training and in-processing, but eagerly anticipates getting into a normal routine.

"I'm excited to be here and am looking forward to it," she told Depot directors.

Prior to assuming duties at Letterkenny, Raines was the Director, U.S. Army War College Support Branch, Center for Strategic Leadership, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

"She is joining us after a very successful 29 year career in the U.S. Army as a logistician," Provanča said. "I am very excited to have her join the LEAD team and know that her wealth of experience is a fantastic addition to this great organization."

Raines enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve in April 1982. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Education from the University of Tulsa in 1985. She was

Distinguished Military Graduate of the U.S. Army Reserve Officers Training Corps program, and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant, Ordnance Corps.

In 1995 she earned a Master of Science degree in Logistics Management from Florida Institute of Technology and a Master of Strategic Studies from the U.S. AWC in 2008.

Raines began her military career at Fort Campbell, Ky., where she served as a Platoon Leader, Shop Officer and Armament Materiel Officer, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault). In 1989 she was assigned as the 1st Infantry Division (Mechanized) Support Command S3 Plans Officer.

In April 1990 she assumed command of the 556th Maintenance Company and deployed to Saudi Arabia for Operation Desert Storm.

Upon return to Fort Riley Kan., Raines assumed the duties as the 541st Maintenance Battalion S3 Operations Officer.

From 1993-1995 she served as the Ordnance



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DOIM set to expand Public Area Display System

By Eugene Bender, Directorate of Information Management, Senior AIT Coordinator

The Public Area Display System monitors displaying Depot news and information in two maintenance buildings, is expanding to more buildings at LEAD.

The Directorate of Information Management is expanding PADS across the Depot in order meet the Commander's intent in providing the Depot workforce with timely information.

Col. Cheri Provanča's vision is to quickly disseminate information concerning the Depot and its employees to the entire workforce, especially those employees that do not access a computer on a daily basis. This information spans from current events, computer security and safety to force protection changes.

The original phase was a pilot of twelve displays in Buildings 350 and 370 to evaluate the effectiveness of the displays and the media presentation. Several "lessons learned" will be employed to make the next phase more effective.

A technical review of the plan indicated that Building 370 will have an expanded footprint over several areas within the building.

Buildings such as 403 and the Tieman Child Development Center will have a unit located in a central assembly area. This phase is not limited to those three buildings but the goal is to install 30 display units in phase two across the industrial areas.



A Public Area Display System monitor in the Maintenance Facility keeps workers abreast of timely information. This particular message indicates the Force Protection Level for the Depot.

Combined Federal Campaign 2012 kicks, seeks volunteers

by Janet Gardner, 2012 CFC Program Co-Manager

Letterkenny Army Depot and the United Way of the Greater Chambersburg Area are gearing up for the 2012 Combined Federal Campaign.

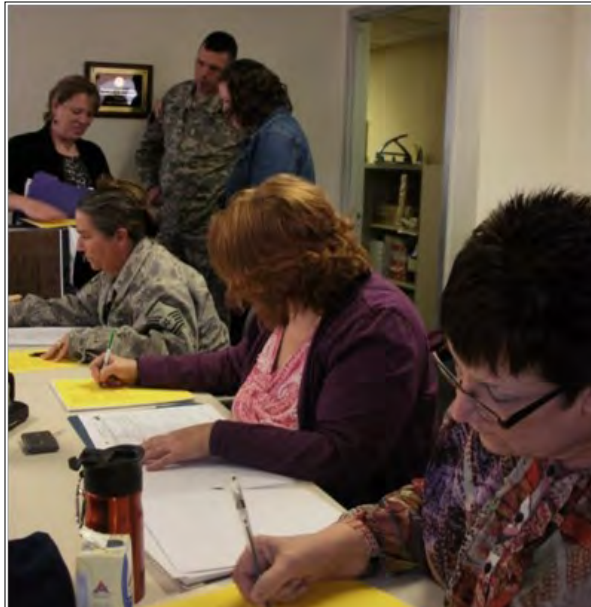
Organizations around the area have submitted packages to the CFC to be considered as potential recipients of donations for the 2012 campaign.

On Tuesday, March 27, a team of 15 federal government employees reviewed over 200 application packets at the Chambersburg United Way office.

"If an organization makes it through this process, I know that this organization is on the 'up and up,'" stated first-time reviewer Mike Rockwell from the Directorate of Industrial Operations.

The team recommended approval for the majority of the applications. Several local agency applications were denied because of missing IRS 990 forms, paperwork without signatures, or incomplete information. These agencies had two weeks to appeal the denial.

"Every detail was reviewed and verified," said Jenn



Letterkenny employees work diligently to complete approximately 200 application packages of local nonprofit organizations who wish to be a part of the Combined Federal Campaign 2012 program.

Frey of the Letterkenny Transformation Office. "The review process was easy once you knew where to find the supporting documentation,"

By 1:30 p.m., the team had worked themselves out of a job. "I want all of you back next year!" remarked Amy Hicks, Director of United Way of the Greater Chambersburg Area.

Hicks had anticipated a much later finish time and was pleasantly surprised to find all of the boxes empty and stacks of completed application packets piled on computer desks awaiting data entry into the Office of Personnel Management system for IRS and other verification checkpoints.

Hicks and her volunteer staff were relieved of the daunting task of facing days of application reviews and data entry. They were extremely appreciative of the dedicated team of volunteers who remained to assist with the data entry.

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DRSK provides tips for LEAD travelers and vacationers

By Lt. Col. Robert Leasure, Directorate of Risk Management, Deputy Director

People love to travel and there are many benefits from traveling. You can see lots of cool sites, make new friends, unwind and decompress from stress.

There are two different categories of travel, personal travel and work related travel.

Personal travel is exactly what it states; you are traveling for vacation or a weekend off to see the world (world includes the U.S.)!

When you travel on professional trips (work related) in CONUS you need to call the Emergency Operations Center. Our personnel will inform you of the heavy crime areas to avoid in order to safeguard yourself.

The EOC can also tell you of pos-

sible upcoming weather issues and coordinate with you to let you know possible evacuation areas. If an Active Shooter starts shooting people in Arkansas and you are there you are going to want your family to know that you're safe and sound.

OCONUS is a little different. You might not believe this but not everyone likes Americans or has our best interest at heart. There are many countries that want to do harm to you or to Department of Defense personnel just because of where you work.

It is important that you receive your country briefs to know what dangers are in the area you are going to.

It might not just be people but you could come across some of the world's most poisonous animals and insects when you're out and about. We can tell you how to avoid them and what to do if bitten.

We really do care about each and every one of you. It is important that we keep you as safe as possible so that you can come home to your families, pets and any other link that ties you to home.

Your families will want to know that you are safe so the next time you're traveling help yourself and get your country specific brief. Help us help you.

TAKING THE HIGHER ROAD

Making “Dog Tags” of Gold violates JER

by Sue A. Spigler, Administrative Assistant

Letterkenny Army Depot employees are subject to the rules concerning gifts contained in the Joint Ethics Regulation and elsewhere.

The super cool “dog tags” that have been produced in the Industrial Operations shops in the past illustrate gifts under the JER. It costs LEAD approximately \$800 in labor and materials to make just one dog tag.

The process of making one dog tag involves intricate programming with various LEAD equipment. When someone in the Directorate of Industrial Operations retires, can workers on Government time and using Government material fashion the retiring worker one of these “dog tags” as a farewell gift?

It is everyone’s responsibility to understand the basic ethical guidelines on the giving and receiving of gifts. Under the JER, a “gift” includes any item having monetary value.

With today’s technology and capability at LEAD, a “dog tag” is a “gift” of choice. However, there are concerns from a purely JER perspective. A retiring LEAD employee may not accept a gift or gifts from a donating group if the market value exceeds an aggregate of \$300. This assumes that the donating group goes out in the open market and buys the dog tag at a store. So the \$800 cost in making the dog tag is \$500 over the allowable amount of \$300.

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 1976 that the expenditure of public funds is proper only when authorized by Congress, NOT that public funds may be expended unless prohibited by Congress.

In order for a Federal agency such as LEAD, to spend money, an appropriation by Congress is the most common form of budget authority. An appropriation is a statutory authorization to incur obligations and make payments out of the Treasury for specified purposes.

So the authority of LEAD to spend appropriated money is limited. Additionally, an agency may

obligate and expend appropriations only for a proper purpose. The three-part test for proper purpose is:

1. The expenditure of appropriation must be for a specific purpose, or necessary and incident to the proper execution of the general purpose of the appropriation.
2. The expenditure must not be prohibited by law.
3. The expenditure must not be otherwise provided for, i.e., it must not fall within the scope of another appropriation.

Specifically, agencies may not use their appropriated funds to purchase “mementos” or personal gifts. See EPA Purchase of Buttons and Magnets, B-247686 (requiring a direct link between distribution of the gift or memento and the purpose of the appropriation in order to purchase the item with appropriated funds).

Congress has provided agencies with various authorities to provide awards to their employees. Awards to civilian employees must be made in accordance with 5 CFR part 451 and AR 672-20, Incentive Awards.

Congress has not appropriated money to pay the time and materials for an \$800 dog tag that is produced on LEAD for a retiring employee. Nor is it a necessary expense related to an authorized expenditure.

It is NOT permissible to produce this dog tag in the shop for a retiring civilian. If the retiring civilian has done a solid job for the Depot, the supervisor needs to crack open AR 672-20 and find a commensurate award for that civilian.



DS&T provides management and storage of dormant stock

by DS&T Staff Office Inventory Team

The Directorate of Supply and Transportation provides property accountability for approximately 700 Major End Items in 45 storage areas and lots as well as 15,000 Secondary Assets in seven buildings and warehouses...and counting.

To provide this great service, we perform:

- Cycle counts of all National Stock Numbers once a year per regulation, checking NSNs, Serial Numbers, Condition Codes, and locations.
- Physical inventories in our warehouses and buildings, all types of terrain, nature surroundings, and adverse weather conditions and temperatures. We fend all matters of natural irritants such as bugs, animals and bad weather.
- Special inventories and escort duty at the request of customers such as AMCOM, CECOM, TA-COM, FMS, National Guard, and Natick to name a few.
- Special projects such as the mil-standard generators with disposition to the Defense Reutilization Marketing Office.
- Technical support to DS&T's Receiving and Shipping and to the Directorate of Industrial Operations and Directorate of Operations, Planning, and Support.
- Locate misdirected shipments.
- Report damaged assets to DS&T's inspectors.
- To complete the recordkeeping, we use LMP, FEDLOG, and our receipt, "Request," "Return" and shipping DD Forms 1348-1A and

AML Form 1556 to:

- Check NSNs, SNs, Project Codes, Op Codes, CCs, quantities, and locations to identify and resolve possible problems.
- Validate receipt, issue, and adjustment transactions.
- Research and reconcile record imbalances, discrepancies, and potential denials.
- Reconcile total item property records with financial records.
- Record physical inventory results in LMP.
- Create an Inventory Adjustment Report if discrepancies are not resolved.

As a result of an employee suggestion for Lean savings and the Depot Commander's blessing, we have

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Summer fun and chores have inherent dangers

by Nelson Newman, Safety Specialist

Different seasons throughout the year present different types of safety concerns. Now that spring is here and summer is right around the corner we must consider the hazards related with these seasons. The following are tips to make your spring and summer seasons a safe one.

Swimming and Pools - Alcohol and swimming don't mix. Don't drink when you're swimming. Don't swim alone and watch children at all times in swimming areas and near pools and spas. If you have a pool, make sure you have the latest safety equipment.

All-Terrain Vehicles - If you ride ATVs, take a training course, don't ride double, wear protective gear, don't ride on paved roads and don't drink when you ride.

Barbecues - Learn how to operate your barbecue



before you begin, keep a fire extinguisher handy, put the barbecue in a safe place, check the equipment frequently, keep your grill clean and don't drink alcohol when you grill.

Dehydration/Heat Stroke - Whether you are at work or at home, it is easy to get overheated in the summer as the temperature climbs. To prevent dehydration and heat stroke, drink lots of water, wear cool clothing, stay out of the sun and don't drink alcohol. Don't leave your pets, children or the elderly in a vehicle unat-

tended. On warm days, the temperature can rise to 120 degrees in minutes, even with the windows slightly open.

Parks - As temperatures rise, the temperature of playground equipment and surfaces can climb much higher - up to 140 degrees or more. At that heat, a

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Employee initiated Lean Savings off-track for NOR Award

By Gerald Chapman Jr., Office of Continuous Improvement, Chief

The Lean savings goal for Letterkenny in fiscal year 2012 is \$35 million dollars. The NOR award criteria for Lean savings this year is linked to achieving \$6 million dollars in employee initiated Lean savings, we're currently off track with approximately \$1 million achieved year-to-date.

What is employee initiated savings? Employee initiated Lean savings are realized when employees initiate ideas that result in a cost reduction to our customers. We must actively seek out opportunities to improve our processes, submit our ideas, implement the changes, return the savings to the customer, and report the savings to higher command. Lean 101 training provides the foundation for everyone to identify opportunities to reduce waste and now we need to use that training in all of our work areas to reach the Lean savings goal.

Examples: Employees in the Annex, Building 350, achieved a savings of \$7,900 by identifying an opportunity to reduce machine time in the Sheet Metal shop by using the Punch and Tumbler machine to manufacture missile base covers.

How do I submit my idea? Each directorate has designated Lean POCs. The POC list is saved on the OCI Sharepoint page:

<https://sharepoint.lead.army.mil/command/Lean/Lean%20Publications/Lean%20POCs.xlsx>

Directorate Lean POCs are the first collection point for employee initiated ideas. DOM employees can submit their suggestions on DOM's SharePoint page:

<https://sharepoint.lead.army.mil/DOM/Lists/LEAN%20Savings%20Suggestions/AllItems.aspx>

Employee ideas which require OCI help and resources should be emailed to the Lean suggestion email account, usarmy.letterkenny.usamc.mbx.lett-lean.

Checklist for submitting employee-initiated savings:

- √ Identify waste or opportunities
- √ Submit ideas to Lean POC
- √ Meet with supervisor
- √ Implement new process
- √ Submit 2-Piece Summary to OCI email
- √ 2-Piece Summary validated by IBD, RM, OCI, & IRAC
- √ Validated savings briefed to AMC during the WPU

What happens after the 2-Piece Summary is validated? All validated 2-Piece Summaries are entered into the Department of the Army's Power Steering Database. Be prepared to provide additional information for validation of savings following submission. Sustainment of all savings over \$100,000 is validated quarterly for three years. The deadline for FY12 employee-initiated savings is Sept. 15, 2012.

Employee empowerment is the act of giving employees the power or authority to improve their processes. The Net Operating Result award for employee initiated savings was established to empower LEAD employees and highlight the value of employee initiated ideas and contributions to LEAD's annual savings. We are all empowered to improve our processes. Take ten minutes to submit your idea to drive toward our \$6M goal.

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Maintenance employees create safety action team

by Vicky Logue, Staff Action Officer, Directorate of Industrial Operations

Employees of the Manufacturing & Fabrication Division of the Directorate of Industrial Operations have formed an Accident Prevention Team to curb safety violations and train employees on proper safety protocol and procedure.

The team, formed in December of 2011, was tasked with investigating accidents within their division and finding ways to prevent them from being repeated. The safety team is also tasked with looking for unsafe practices and helping to train fellow employees about being safe at work and at home.

The Accident Prevention Team is also training employees to use LEAD's Hazard Reporting Process.

"The team is being proactive, looking for solutions to potential

safety problems and concerns they discover," said Steve Miller, Director of Industrial Operations.

One such problem regarded

power came back on?

If that should happen, it could be a serious safety concern for anyone near the machine at the time it came back on. It also creates a fire hazard if the building were empty because the machine could overheat.

The team checked the grinders, drills, mills, lathes, and every other machine in the shop, and found one crank grinder that actually would start running in such a circumstance.

A work order was submitted and the grinder was rewired, so that it would take human intervention to be turned back on after a power outage.

The team would like to challenge other divisions and directorates to form their own Accident Prevention Team.



Members of the Manufacturing & Fabrication Division's Accident Prevention Team, left to right: Jim Bittinger, Darl Bishop Jr, Shawn Hind and Dave Grooms. (Not pictured, Dwayne Deatrick.)

power outages. If there was a power outage and machines were running, would it automatically shut down or start up when the

Annex Inspection Area provides QC to LEAD programs

by Jeffrey Eichenlaub, Directorate of Product Assurance, Quality Control Process Support Branch Chief

The Directorate of Product Assurance, Quality Control Process Support Branch, would like to provide insight to the depot capabilities associated with the Maintenance Facility Annex inspection area, the Coordinate Measuring Machine Room.

All fabricated parts and assemblies produced internally by the annex, as well as parts and assemblies manufactured off depot by non-government facilities, are inspected and evaluated in this area.

Inspection duties include First Piece Inspections, First Article Tests, In Process Inspections, Reverse Engineering of parts that do not have drawings or documentation available and Final Inspections of completed assemblies and kits.

Precision equipment is used by the inspectors to measure dimensions and tolerances such as the Coordi-

nate Measuring Machine, Optical Comparator and Digital Height Gauge in conjunction with hand measuring tools, such as micrometers and calipers. This is done to verify that manufactured parts or assemblies are made in accordance with the drawing requirements. Letterkenny Quality Control inspections support all existing depot programs that require manufacturing parts.

Examples of programs include PATRIOT RECAP & RESET, M-ATV Exhaust Patch, AGPU New Build, and various other special projects that require the support of the Welding, Sheet Metal and Machine Shop Branches of the Fabrication Division.

The CMM Room is operational 24 hours a day. The operation is supported by a total of six inspectors, four Machine Tool Work Inspectors and two Welding and Sheet Metal Inspectors.

Letterkenny Connects

Injured hiker aided by LEAD employee

A Letterkenny liaison to Redstone Arsenal aided in the rescue of a 17-year-old boy who had fallen off a steep embankment in an Alabama state park on the evening of March 10.

Jason Harris had only been in Huntsville a few weeks when he decided to take a hike with his family in the Monte Sano State Park when the incident occurred.

"My wife caught a glimpse of a hiker in the distance who appeared to slip and immediately got my attention," stated Harris. "I saw the hiker a second later falling headfirst to the ground.

The fallen hiker, Neil Harshankoo, struck his head on an adjacent rock as he fell down the 35 foot cliff and was incapacitated at the bottom. The hiker's companions began screaming for help and that is when Harris sprung into action.

Upon arrival at the scene, Harris observed that the hiker was disoriented and moaning in an attempt to lift his torso and head from the ground. Harshankoo had landed in a face down-head first position on a slight incline at the base of the cliff.

"When I rolled him over it was clear that he had suffered a major laceration aft of his right temple as well as several other gashes to his head," said Harris. "I immediately began to render first aid, calm the hiker down and stabilize him."

By using his own sweatshirt, Harris was able to slow the hiker's blood loss from his head wound, a wound that would require 19 staples.

Approximately 20 minutes later Emergency Medical Services personnel arrived with a specialized extraction team, which was needed to lift the hiker up the cliff.

It took another hour and forty-five minutes to move Harshankoo to the top of the mountain for transport to the hospital. Harris aided in those efforts as well by helping to carry the hiker out of the wooded area.

Harris is a Captain in the U.S. Air National Guard and said field medical training in the Air Force, what is commonly known as Self-Aide Buddy Care, gave him the skills he needed to help Harshankoo.

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Community Announcements:

DIO Production Assistant announces engagement

Kara M. Overcash, a Production Assistant in the Directorate of Industrial Operations has announced her engagement to Matthew A. Stitely. They will be married on Saturday, Sept. 8, 2012 at the New Franklin Assembly of God in New Franklin, Pa. The couple will honeymoon in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

WANTED: LEAD Announcements

The Kenny Letter is accepting submissions for Community Announcements such as announcements of births, graduations, engagements, military enlistments and marriages. Please submit your Letterkenny Community Announcements to:
lona.j.lozinski.mil@mail.mil.

Deadlines for submission are:

June 10, 2012

Aug. 10, 2012

Oct. 10, 2012

Dec. 10, 2012

Comings...

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Frank W. Snyder
Roger H. Talhelm
James Earl White

Former employees help celebrate Women's History Month

by Kim Raley, Federal Women's Program Manager

In honor of National Women's History Month, the Federal's Women Program hosted a panel discussion with former female employees of Letterkenny Army Depot on March 22.

The panel of ten women were invited to visit and talk about the years of their employment and had worked at the Depot as far back as 1943, just a year after the Depot opened.

One anecdote that those women, Mildred Darr, Betty Mathias and Betty Sanders, talked about were Italian prisoners of war building the Letterkenny Chapel.

Other panel members worked at the depot in the 1950's through the early 1980's. Each of the women on the panel talked about the years they worked at LEAD and described the type of work they performed.

"The program was well attended and enjoyed. There has been talk about a similar program

Provancha. "We've been breaking down barriers ever since."

The program is available for viewing on Ethernet TV under Presentations, Women's History Month 2012.

"I would highly encourage everyone to take the time to watch," said Leon. "You'll find the experiences of these women enlightening and entertaining."

In addition to Mathias and Sanders, the panel included Ruth Ann Bigler, Susie Etter, Anne Gale, Rita Heckman, Wilma Mar-

tin, Lois McClure, Jackie Peiffer and Joan Pogue.

Several guests from the audience shared their experiences including Mildred Darr, Sandy Gates, Jean Gonder, Vicki Kieffer, Dolly Lynch, Marlene Washburn, and Helen Widdows.



Depot Commander, Col. Cheri Provancha, introduces the panel of ten women that represented former employees from every decade since the Depot's opening.

a few years from now," said Bolivar Leon, Chief of the Equal Employment Opportunity Office.

"Every single one of us is here because of the road that was paved...by these women," said Depot Commander, Col. Cheri

Options available for gaining credit history

by Patriot Federal Credit Union

Today, qualifying for a personal credit card is easier than ever before. Establishing a positive credit record, however, requires dedication and patience.

Whether new to credit or are trying to improve your credit record, it is a frustrating paradox: you must have and use 'credit' to create a credit history. Unfortunately, many financial institutions are reluctant to extend credit to someone without an established record. However, there are several good remedies for both situations.

An excellent start is a secured personal credit card. You are granted a credit line based on a percentage of a cash deposit you make to your financial institution.

Consider a local retailer's credit card. Their criteria are often less rigorous than larger credit issuers. Be sure they subscribe to the major credit reporting agencies - if not, you will not be establishing credit history.

Be wary when buying cars from "buy here, pay here" dealers and "rent to own" businesses. Most do not report payments to reporting agencies.

You can have someone with a positive credit record co-sign a credit card account with you. This requires a great deal of trust on the part of the co-signer - if you fail to pay, he or she is responsible.

You can also become an authorized user on a credit card account of someone with a strong credit rating. You will want to determine how the credit card company reports this activity and how they treat the new user.

Once you have a credit line, establish a good history by using it responsibly. Spend wisely to keep balances low, always pay on time and don't pursue unnecessary credit.

DPW explains Service Order Request Process System

By Karen McCausland, Directorate of Public Works, Chief of Business Operations Division

Due to the deployment of GFEBs for the management of the maintenance and repair of Real Property at Letterkenny Army Depot, there is a new process for the submission of Real Property related Service Orders to the Directorate of Public Works.

The SO Process is to automate the submission of service order requests. Service Orders are for work that will NOT exceed \$2000 and 40 hours of labor.

To submit a service order, from the LEAD Production Portal (LPP), go to the DPW tab, select “[DPW Process](#)” from the drop-down menu. On the DPW Process Page, click on the “Create a New Facilities Engineering Work Order” link.

This opens the [form](#). Fill in all required information on the form – see below for detailed description of data to be provided in each field. When the form is completed, click **Submit**.

When the request is submitted an email is sent to the Work Request group to complete review of the request. The Work Request group must review the form and ensure that the form is complete before processing the request.

Once the review process is complete an email is generated to the customer stating the final status and, if approved, providing the Service Order number which should be used when contacting the Service Order Desk, 7-9010, for status updates.

The screenshot shows a web form titled "Facilities Engineering Work Request". The form includes the following fields and elements:

- Customer ID:** Field A (required, marked with an asterisk).
- Document Serial Number:** Field B (required, marked with an asterisk).
- FY:** Field C (required, marked with an asterisk).
- Day, Month, Year:** Fields for date selection, each marked with an asterisk.
- Short Job Description:** Field D (required, marked with an asterisk).
- Building:** A table with columns 1-10 and rows for "LEAD".
- Customer Name:** Field F (required, marked with an asterisk).
- Customer Email:** Field H (required, marked with an asterisk).
- Customer Phone:** Field G (required, marked with an asterisk).
- POC Name:** Field I (required, marked with an asterisk).
- Work Order Description:** Field J (required, marked with an asterisk).
- Authorized Requestor:** Field K (required, marked with an asterisk).
- Requestor Email:** Field L (required, marked with an asterisk).
- Buttons:** "Review", "Submit", and "Print View".
- Attachment:** A link "Click here to attach a file" labeled M.

Facility Engineering Work Request Step-by-Step Directions

- A. Customer ID: For Depot organization this is the first 3 digits of the customer's cost center. For tenant organizations, use the assigned Customer ID numbers.
- B. Document serial Number: Five digit number – the first 2 must be “99” and the last 3 are the sequence number. Example: the 34th Service order submitted would be 99034
- C. FY: the last digit of the current fiscal year.
- D. Short job description: A job description which can be used for searches - should be no more than 20 characters. Example: Install Mod office
- E. Building Number: Enter the number of the building where the work is to be performed. If the requirement is to be performed in more than one building, place each building in a separate block.
- F. Customer Name: The name of the organizational unit requesting the work.
- G. Customer Phone: the phone number of the point of contact (POC) who can provide additional information about the work requirement.
- H. Customer Email: the email of the POC.
- I. POC name: Name of the POC.
- J. Work Order description: Expand on the short description. Description should be very specific and to the point and should include details of where work needs to be completed, what needs to be done, and, it is time dependant, when it needs to be done.
- K. **** Note:** Priorities for service orders are determined in the shop. True emergencies are given the highest priority. Special requests for expedited service will be considered and accommodated when practical but prior planning and sufficient notification are encouraged to the greatest extent possible.
- L. Authorized Requestor: the person who can authorize service orders for the requesting organization.
- M. Requestor's email: the email of the Authorized requestor.
- N. A file can be attached to the request if needed. If more than one needs to be attached, combine the files into one zip file and attach the zip file.

Tieman Center celebrates M

by Ashley Campbell, Tieman Child Development Center

The Tieman Child Development Center celebrated the Month of the Military Child by hosting activities, crafts and a parade in honor of its own military children.

“Armed Forces installations worldwide designate April as the *Month of the Military Child* to acknowledge the courage, sacrifices, and resilience of military children,” said CDC Director, Tiffney Lane.

Many of the month’s events involved the families of the center’s children such as a family movie time and parent story time.

Soldiers and Airmen from the Depot also participated in a story time for the children. On April 25, five service members read stories to the classes in support of the month.

Easter was also celebrated during Month of the Military Child. The Easter Bunny visited the children during a family lunch and parents helped children hunt for nearly 600 eggs during the first CDC Easter Egg Hunt.

Other events included a Spirit Week, a family cook out, an ice cream social, and professional photographs of the children.

Filled with fun activities, the ultimate goal of the *Month of the Military Child* is to commemorate the unique circumstances military children face and emphasize the need to help children adjust to those challenges and adversities faced throughout their parent’s military career.

About 1.7 million American children and youth under the age of 18 have a parent serving in the military. From

a young age, they learn to be flexible. They move around often, attending an average of six to nine schools during their parent’s military career, leaving behind family and friends.

Military children are faced with certain stressors that are unimaginable by their peers. They must learn to cope with the fact that one parent is away for months, or even years, at a time.

Due to the number of deployments and re-deployments, children have sustained a significant amount of adjustments and the *Month of the Military Child* provides children with educational, fun and light hearted activities.

This worldwide celebration is a legacy of Defense Secretary Casper Weinberger who, under President Reagan, worked to implement defense programs, armed forces modernization, readiness and sustainability during the Cold War.

Realizing the important role children played in the Armed Forces, Mr. Weinberger established the *Month of the Military Child* to pay tribute to military children who make endless sacrifices that often go unnoticed.

In addition to Month of the Military Child, the CDC is participating in the SmileSafe Kids program, a new child safety initiative developed in partnership by the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children and Lifetouch National School Studios. The families of every student photographed on Picture Day received two Safety ID Cards free of charge.



Month of the Military Child



Your TOWN HALL QUESTIONS Answered

Due to time constraints and other concerns, some questions submitted to the Town Hall on March 20, 2012 were not included.

In an effort to ensure every employee's voice is heard, additional questions are answered here in the Kenny Letter.

Q. DRM: During the last town hall meeting, the Commander claimed that the Incentive Awards Program at Letterkenny is alive and well. What does the Incentive Awards Program consist of?

A. Cash awards on the Depot take two forms, the Team Award and on-the-spot (OTS) cash awards, and are only available to Department of the Army Civilians. OTS cash awards are available to recognize employees for significant day-to-day worksite and other short-term accomplishments. An employee's supervisor, or any individual having direct knowledge of the accomplishment in coordination with the employee's supervisor, may initiate an OTS award. The OTS cannot be based, in whole or in part, on an accomplishment for which the employee received a previous cash award.

GS employees represented by NFFE Local 1442 can be nominated (on DA Form 1256) for OTS awards ranging from \$25 to \$500 at any time. The nominating supervisor forwards the recommendation to the Director for approval. If approved, the nominating office must submit the RPA to accomplish payment.

Employees represented by NFFE Local 1429, IAFF Local F-170, and IBPO Local 358 can be nominated for OTS awards ranging from \$50 to \$500 in accordance with the Labor Management Partnership Council Incentive Awards Plan Plus (IAP). These awards are accepted on a quarterly basis. Under this program, supervisors submit a nomination package consisting of a DA Form 1256 and narrative justification to the Director. After review, the Director forwards the nomination package to the Incentive Awards Panel. The Incentive Awards Panel reviews and recommends approval or disapproval to the Depot Commander. The Commander approves or disapproves the award. If approved, the nominating office must submit the RPA to accomplish payment.

Non-bargaining unit employees can be submitted for an OTS award under either process.

Q. What must one do to receive such an IAP award and who determines the dollar amount or what type of an award?

A. An employee must achieve a significant day-to-day worksite or other short-term accomplishment to be nominated for an OTS cash award. For GS employees represented by NFFE Local 1442, award amounts are recommended by the initiator and nominating supervisor of the award.

For employees represented by NFFE Local 1429, IAFF Local F-170, and IBPO Local 358, award amounts are recommended by the nominating supervisor. The Director, Incentive Awards Panel, or Depot Commander may adjust the award amount.

Award amounts for non-bargaining unit employees would be determined based on which of the above processes is followed.

Q. Can you still receive a step increase as an IAP?

A. Quality Step Increases (QSI) are not available under any of LEAD's awards programs. The Team Award, formally NOR award, replaced QSIs in the late 1990s.

Q. What happens to any remaining IAP funds at the end of a year?

A. Any awards funds unused at the end of the year remain in Depot funds. The OTS awards programs are detailed in LEAD Bulletin 06-04.

Q. If there was a natural disaster or terrorist attack in our local area, and Letterkenny employees and their families had to flee their homes to seek refuge, Would the Depot be open for those individuals to seek protection and shelter?

A. If you are not at work, we would be giving you a phone call to get 100 percent personnel accountability but natural disasters, terrorists attacks and weather would fall under the local emergency management plan (ex. Franklin County, South Central PA or Mid Atlantic) to execute and implement within the communities.

Q. Does a supervisor have to hire a vet on the outside list?

A. Yes, unless the veteran is not-qualified and a Pass Over Request has been submitted to the Office of Personnel Management and it is approved.

Q. What is a DX rated program within DoD. How does a DX rating affect credit card orders and purchase requests submitted to the contracting directorate for items ordered in support of a DX rated program at LEAD? Does a DX rating affect the paint shop, fabrication shop or supply workload priorities?

A. The Secretary of Defense, under the Defense Priorities and Allocations System, sets aside certain programs as either "DO" (critical to national defense) or "DX" (highest national defense priority) rated programs. This is to ensure timely availability of industrial resources to meet national defense and emergency preparedness and to provide an operating system to support rapid industrial response in a national emergency. These ratings tell contractors the priority for filling contract requirements with DoD. Programs such as the RCV, MRAP, B-2 Stealth Bomber are DX rated program. DO-rated programs take precedence over all unrated commercial contracts; DX-rated program take precedence over

all contracts. This means that contracting processes DX rated programs first over everything else and contractors are required, by law, to fill DX-rated contract requirements over all other contract requirements they have in-house. A rated order must be used to obtain:

- Items which will be physically incorporated into other items to fill rated orders
- Containers or other packaging materials required to make delivery of the finished items against the rated orders
- Services other than contracts of employment, needed to fill rated orders
- Maintenance & repair & operating supplies (MRO) needed to produce the finished items to fill rated orders

Rated orders do have limitations. For example, rated orders may not be used to obtain:

- Delivery on a date earlier than needed
- A greater quantity of the item than needed, except to obtain a minimum procurable quantity
- Any end items that are commonly available in commercial markets for general consumption; do not require major modification when purchased for approved program use; and are readily available in sufficient quantities so as to cause no delay in meeting approved program requirements

DX rated purchases under the GPC program are processed as number one priorities by the buyers but vendors are under no legal obligation to fill those orders as a priority. The GPC is for commercial, off the shelf, immediate use only goods and services.

Q. Can we get machines posted around buildings, especially outside restrooms with Hand Sanitizer lotion? It would cut down on spreading germs and employees getting sick.

- A.** There is no direct guidance that requires Government-provided hand sanitizers at LEAD work areas. The general guidance is that hand sanitation is best performed by scrubbing with soap and water when available. Hand sanitizers and wipes may be substituted as an alternate method when water or a wash area is not available. Washing with soap and water is usually superior because it better removes dirt and is less likely to cause skin drying or irritation, which some folks experience with frequent hand sanitizer use. Hand sanitizer for personal hygiene is not required.

Q. I understand we are following Command Approval from 1990 to use the last four digits of an employees' social security number to issue tools....Could something have changed so that maybe we could do something different and not use the last four digits of social security number??

- A.** We do have options; however, the present system ATICS, that uses the first initial and last four of the SSN is Personally Identifiable Information compliant. The change to another four digit identifier would require a complete reissue of all tool inventories and a complete database update. Is there a reason for change? Not at this time.

Q. I would like to know if there is a plan to make commonly used tools more available to the employee? A lot of the tools maintained by the tool cribs are life time warranty items such as SNAP-ON. Why is the warranty process not being exercised. Is tool failure being tracked so that high failure rate tools are replaced by different ones? That tracking can also be used to dictate the on-hand minimum quantity.

- A.** In the tool cribs we have a min/max setup in the Attics system when stock is low, requisitions are worked to get more on hand. This takes time to work the process.

The multimeters are a high demand item, if one is turned in for calibration the specific meter may not be available, but usually an older model is available temporarily until one is returned from the Calibration lab. The option is also there to check the other tool cribs and have one transferred if possible. The majority of the time we have them on hand but we cannot issue because we have to stagger the calibration to avoid everything being due at the same time. Once we receive some into the crib only half goes out at a time. If customers have concerns they have the option to seek assistance from Vernetta Brown or even Terry Highlands. There are times when everything is issued and we are awaiting orders. Our system has a min/max and when we reach those levels, orders are placed but those orders take time to go thru the process.

The option is there to check one of the other cribs and people have to be willing to accept off brands, once we send up requisitions we have to go with whatever vendor or brand Contracting accepts. With the rotation of vendors we don't always have a choice. As far as Snap-On, the warranty is good for one year on air tools. Wrenches and socket type tools are saved and exchange when they come to the Depot. A lot of the tools are not lifetime warranty.

Tools being ordered are being scrutinized very carefully by our Tool Crib Officer to save money. There are times we are limited on how many of whatever we can order.

Q. Since we are doing away with decals for vehicles, how are the retirees going to get decals to access other military installations?

- A.** If the installation requires decals then that installation would provide the decals. However, most do not as a cost saving measure. Retirees would use their retiree identification card, which you can get at any Common Access Card office.

Q. What can my Directorate do to guarantee our support contracts are renewed on time?

- A.** Not all contracts are submitted timely to the Directorate of Contracting and some that are may not be submitted correctly or completely. Just because an action is moved out of the individual's Directorate does not mean Contracting has received that action. Directorates are responsible for ensuring that contracts that support their areas are monitored

for the exercise of options and renewal. If a contract has a COR appointed, this is part of the COR's responsibility. The Directorate of Contracting is working to improve processes and complete actions more timely. Directorates can assist in this by providing any additional information or documentation when it is requested in a timely manner.

The Directorate of Information Management is working diligently to meet the required six month lead time to get packages submitted to Directorate of contracting to help ensure contracts are awarded prior to expiration. Also, to help mitigate this circumstance, Directorate of Information Management is doing three to five year renewals with option years.

Q. Would Letterkenny support a women's fitness program which could include, "Curves"? Many females say they don't participate in the gym program because they don't feel comfortable working out in the typical gym type setting. Otherwise, is there some way that we could partner with a facility such as Curves to reduce the membership costs?

A. The contracts written required specific equipment in specific quantities and Curves unfortunately did not meet all of the requirements. During the next contract renewal process we will be working with the KO to see if we can adjust the requirements to include smaller gyms and gyms without shower facilities.

Q. For a long time employees had access to Facebook, and now it is a blocked site. Why was it changed to a "social networking" site and blocked for everyone to see? Letterkenny has its own Facebook page, so why can't employees go onto the site anymore?

A. Facebook, Twitter, Myspace, etc are all social media sites. This blending of technology and social interaction through the use of online tools has recently hampered the way in which LEAD operates and has affected the Depot mission.

The increased bandwidth used when accessing these sites has caused issues with Enterprise E-mail, LMP, and other Army enterprise web tools. Social Media sites are not mission critical and for that reason have been blocked.

Q. Why doesn't the Post Restaurant truck stop at the TRMD Lightner Complex? They do make a stop at LEMC which is in the same area. LEMC is a tenant, TRMD is not. TRMD receives the discount coupons but never uses them due to lack of service.

A. On three occasions Post Restaurant has attempted to schedule a mobile canteen stop at TRMD bldg. 5800/5808. TRMD management of the facility would not accept the time frame that was available, and would not make any concessions to their break times...Issue on coupons, HUB Grill will make available to any employee group that they can utilize their coupons for hoagies, pizzas, or bulk meals that can be picked up at our facility.

Q. Why are some contractor employees exempt from all rules that other contractors have to follow, because they are being taken care of by Government supervisors? They just float around and do what they want to do, and the supervisor lets it happen or is the reason it is happening. The main job of one particular employee is to chauffeur the supervisor around the Depot.

A. Contractors are hired here at the Depot to offset our workforce and work on our noncore short term workloads. These are programs that come with short term durations where we use contractors to help get production out. We should not be using contractors in this role and have requested more specifics on this issue so that Contracting Office Representatives can investigate. Contractors work for their perspective companies and should not be receiving direction from government supervisors daily. We have no skill set on any labor contract that allows for chauffeuring of supervisors.

...from CFC on page 4

The volunteer review team gained a better understanding of the standards an agency must meet in order to receive disbursements from the CFC. They also experienced a 'behind-the-scenes' glimpse of what is involved in preparing for a CFC.

Letterkenny, with the help of its tenants and local Federal agencies, raised \$96,536 for local charitable organizations.

The 2011 Chambersburg Combined Federal Campaign officially ended in December and supports

charities locally, nationally and worldwide over the coming year.

The total donations raised during the 2011 CFC represent a higher level of giving than the campaign has ever achieved before. Contributing to that success was the increase in number of individuals throughout Letterkenny and surrounding areas who gave unselfishly of their time, money and other resources.

"The campaign is one area where every single employee has the power to make a difference, not only for other federal employees, but for their community and people

who are in need," Campaign Chair Major Daniel Cody said.

At Letterkenny, the 2011 campaign challenge to increase employee participation was accomplished by the Directorates of Contracting, Information Management, Public Works, TRMD and the health clinic.

These areas not only increased the number of employees participating in the CFC but also realized an increase in the percentage of giving.

Contact Janet Gardner or Rob Willits if you are interested in volunteering.

...from *Holocaust* on page 1

three main reasons that he survived the Holocaust, because of his education, his ability to speak several languages and his skills.

Fayerman had the chance to share that message with the high school students that attended the event.

"Educate yourselves, learn a second language and learn a skill," he told the students.

Fayerman said that any skills such as sewing, cooking and skilled labor can be helpful.

In Fayerman's book, "A Survivor's Story: A Personal History: Memoirs of Severin Fayerman," he talks about why it is important for him to share his experience.

"I do so now so that present and future generations will not forget the horrors of war, and to honor the countless number of innocent victims who did not survive."

Also at the event was a concentration camp liberator, Verne Baker of Chambersburg, Pa. Baker, now 85



Holocaust survivor Severin Fayerman, shakes hands with Chambersburg High School students after his presentation on April 19, 2012.

approaching some sort of jail or prison work camp. What they found was what Fayerman referred to as "purgatory."

"We knew as soon as we saw Daschau that it was not a prison camp," said Baker. "We knew what we were looking at and we were horrified."

Baker recalled what it was like to see prisoners at the camp.

"We could see all of these people coming out of the barracks and they were dressed in striped pajamas," said Baker. "The more that came out, the thinner and weaker they looked; you couldn't tell men from women, they looked like ghosts."

Baker went on to say that after the barracks were empty, more horrors awaited the liberators.

"One of our buddies told us not to go behind the barracks, that's where the crematorium was," recalled Baker. "They had run out of wood and the bodies, they just piled them up on top of each other, there were hundreds of them."

Baker said he was grateful for his comrade's warning but was not able to avoid other horrors at Dachau. Baker's eyes filled with tears as he talked about other atrocities he witnessed that day.

Baker was witness to the discovery of at least 30 boxcars that contained the remains of 1,500 people who had never made it into the camp.

"They had been in those cars for 27 days without food or water. They [the Nazi Soldiers] had just left them there to die," said Baker. "All of those people. Men, women, babies. All of them, gone."

There was one survivor, a young man, among the box cars that was saved by the liberators that day.

When Baker returned from the war he went to work in his father's grocery store, Baker's Food Market, what is now the Route 5 Gift Shop. Baker still lives in Chambersburg with his wife of 61 years, Mary.

Fayerman, who turned 90 in March, sold Baldwin Hardware in the early 1980's and now lives in Reading, Pa. with his wife, Toni Hunter.

Holocaust Remembrance Week runs beginning Sunday before the Day of Remembrance, April 19, and was established in 1980.



Lettekenny's Internal Review Evaluator, Craig Perdew, has his copy of Severin Fayerman's book, "A Survivor's Story: A Personal History: memoirs of Severin Fayerman, signed by Fayerman.

years old, was a private with the 42nd Division, commonly referred to as the Rainbow Division, and participated in the liberation of the Dachau Concentration Camp in Dachau, Germany.

According to Baker, on the morning of April 29, 1945, Baker and his company were told they would be

...from *Deputy* on page 3

Team Chief, Readiness Group Redstone in Redstone Arsenal, Ala.

In December 1995, Raines was assigned to the U.S. Army Special Operations Command at Fort Bragg, N.C., where she served as the Battalion Support Operations Officer, 528th Special Operations Support Battalion (Airborne) and as the Logistics Operations Officer, U.S. Army Special Operations Support Command.

In June 1999, Raines assumed her duties as the Battalion Executive Officer, 2d Forward Support Battalion, 2d Brigade Combat Team, 2d Infantry Division, Republic of Korea.

After returning to the U.S. in the summer of 2000, Raines was assigned to the Headquarters Department of the Army, Pentagon, Washington, D.C., where she served as the Assistant Executive Officer and Military Assistant to the ADCS, Army G4, and as the Officer in Charge of the Army G4 agency recovery operations after the terrorist attack on the Pentagon during Operation Noble Eagle.

In February 2003 she was assigned to the 1st Corps Support Command, Fort Bragg N.C., where she served as the Battalion Commander, 189th Corps Support Battalion (Airborne) and led over 1,200 Soldiers through two deployments in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

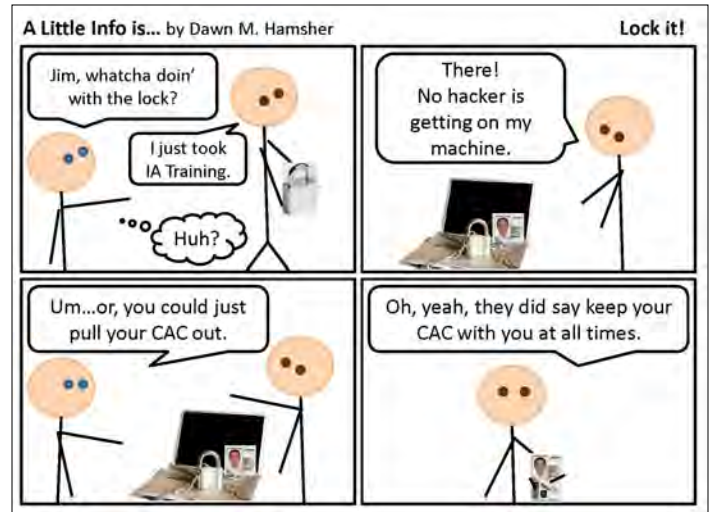
After battalion command, Raines served as the Logistics Services Division Chief, Directorate for Logistics, J-4, The Joint Staff, Pentagon, Washington, D.C. and as the Military Deputy in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Logistics & Materiel Readiness), Pentagon.

Raines is a graduate of the U.S. Army Ordnance Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Airborne School, Air Assault School, Jumpmaster Course, Support Operations Course, Logistics Executive Development Course, the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and the U.S. AWC.

Raines has earned a host of military decorations including the Defense Superior Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters.

She earned the Senior Parachutist Badge, the Air Assault Badge, the Secretary of Defense Identification Badge, the Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge, the Army Staff Identification Badge, and the Thai Army Parachutist Badge.

Interviews began in the middle of January with a panel of senior leaders from the Army Aviation and Missile Life Cycle Management Command. Raines was chosen in February as the senior civilian at the Depot.



...from *Summer* on page 6

child can suffer second and third degree burns in just a few seconds. Parents should touch the surfaces of play equipment with the back of their hand before letting their children play on them. Children also should wear their shoes at all times.

Lawn mowing - Don't let a child sit on your lap when you're operating a riding lawn mower. It's also a good idea to keep children out of the yard when you're using a traditional power mower as well. In addition, be sure to remove rocks and sticks from the yard before mowing, use protective equipment, turn off the motor before removing debris from the blades and add fuel properly.

Food - Food poisoning increases during the summer because bacteria and other organisms grow faster in the warm summer months. In addition, more people are cooking outside at picnics, at barbecues and on camping trips. Summer food safety tips include keeping everything clean, separate the raw meat and poultry from the vegetables, use a meat thermometer to make sure hamburgers and chicken reach the correct internal temperatures and don't let food sit out for more than two hours. Above 90 degrees, it's one hour.

Eye damage - Your eyes can be damaged by UV rays. Be sure to wear sunglasses that filter out UV light.

Car accidents - Avoid summer car accidents by never drinking and driving, always keeping summer road trips to a reasonable length and never driving after midnight

Sunburn - Getting sunburns can increase your chances of getting skin cancer. Remember to limit sun exposure, wear protective clothing, and use sunscreen.

Following these simple tips to ensure you and your family are safe this spring and summer season.

And remember, "VPP is excellence in safety and it starts with me."

Second annual fireworks display at Depot Rec Area



Letterkenny Army Depot will host a fireworks display on July 7, 2012 at the Depot Recreation Area for the second year to celebrate the 4th of July.

LEAD employees, contractors, tenants and military personnel are invited to bring their friends and families to celebrate our nation's Independence Day. Activities will include catch and release fishing, horse-shoes, volleyball and basketball.

Gates open at 1:00 p.m. and the fireworks display will kick off at dusk.

Visitors may bring picnic items and charcoal grills (no propane permitted). Only state licenses will be required to fish. Alcohol is not permitted on site and no food will be provided. This event is not open to the general public.

...from *Stock* on page 6

containerized five Secondary NSNs with more in the future. Containerization is a process of verifying NSNs, SNs, CCs, and quantities; putting assets in containers with lids; and attaching seals to them. The specifics are:

- Assets are considered dormant stock when they have no activity for at least two years.
- Dormant stock that can be containerized.
- NSNs, SNs, CCs, and quantities are listed and attached to the outside of the containers. As long as the seal is unbroken, that list is used in future inventories and is much easier, faster, and more accurate.
- When containerized assets are requested, they are readily available and have a verified list of contents.
- The end results shorten the time spent on future inventory cycle counts and reduce required storage space in our warehouses, which becomes dollars and space saved for LEAD.

We cannot emphasize enough the importance of properly following procedures to ensure physical accountability and accuracy of system records for Uncle Sam's assets.

"If there's something strange with DS&T's inventory, Who you gonna call? Not Ghostbusters! ...DS&T Inventory busters! Your assets are safe with us!"

LEAD Red Cross Blood Drive Results

The American Red Cross held their quarterly blood drive for LEAD employees on Jan. 31 and Feb. 1 and received donations from 249 donors. The next blood drive will be **June 19-20**.

...from *Harris* on page 9

"All the training you receive in the military comes into play during a critical situation and I am so thankful for the investment the Air Force makes into providing us with this first responder care," said Harris. "I felt very comfortable in handling the situation."

Harris said that the aftermath of the experience was an unusual one. Harris and his family had been searching for a new church to attend since their Permanent Change of Station assignment to Huntsville.

They were scheduled to attend a church social that evening but after the day's events, called to cancel. The church member they spoke to said that another family was on their way to the hospital to meet their son who had taken a bad fall while hiking. The son turned out to be the person Harris had saved, Harshankoo.

"Needless to say...we have found a new church and some very grateful friends to boot. God is good!!!" exclaimed Harris.

Previous to his assignment in Huntsville, Harris was the acting Chief of the Process Support Division and a Route Clearance Vehicle Supervisor in the Directorate of Maintenance. Harris is also a member of the 167th Maintenance Group, 167th Airlift Wing, Martinsburg, W.V.



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9 March 2012

Colonel Cheri A. Provancha
Commander, Letterkenny Army Depot
1 Overcash Avenue
Chambersburg, Pennsylvania 17201

Dear Colonel ~~Provancha~~,

Thank you for arranging my visit to Letterkenny Army Depot. It was a very productive trip and I appreciate all the hard work of your personnel at Letterkenny towards making this trip a success. The highlight of my trip was the presentation of the bronze medallion for Excellence in Manufacturing to the Aviation Ground Power Unit. Congratulations on your seventh Shingo Award. This recognition is a wonderful tribute to the outstanding workforce at Letterkenny.

Please pass on my gratitude to the entire work force of Letterkenny for such a great visit!

Sincerely,

Ann E. Dunwoody
General, U.S. Army
Commanding

*Great visit!
Congrats
again!*

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Letterkenny Army Depot
Attn: Colonel Cheri Provancha
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Chambersburg, PA 17201

Dear Colonel Provancha and the entire Letterkenny team:

On behalf of the 9th District of Pennsylvania, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the service members and employees of Letterkenny Army Depot on receiving their seventh Shingo Medallion for excellence in manufacturing. The Aviation Ground Power Unit team has proven once more that the work ethic and ingenuity of central Pennsylvania cannot be matched by any other workforce and will continue to set the standard for all military depots throughout the country. The employees of Letterkenny have always embraced their patriot responsibility to support the American soldier and the Shingo prize is a great way to reflect the pride they feel in their work.

Letterkenny Army Depot continues to distinguish itself as one of the strongest depots in the country. The United States Army and the defense industry are very aware that there are few places that can offer the value and expertise possible at LEAD. The diversity of programs found inside of Letterkenny provides the Army a huge range of manufacturing options and drastically improves the overall readiness of our military.

Once again, let me extend my fullest congratulations to the Letterkenny community. I look forward to working with Letterkenny Army Depot in the future and bearing witness to your continued success and accolades.

Sincerely,

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Cinco de Mayo

May 13th
Mother's Day

May 19th
Armed Forces Day

May 24th
LEAD Employee Memorial Service
(11:00 a.m., Letterkenny Chapel)

May 28th
Memorial Day

June 14th
Army's 237th Birthday

June 14th
Flag Day

June 17th
Father's Day

June 20th
Summer Solstice