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10th Anniversary—Beginning a New Decade



The Day in Pictures

WHINSEC celebrated the completion of its first 10 years and began the second 10 with an event held in the Benning Conference Center, Jan 13.

Clockwise from the top left: Commandant thanks the U.S. Ambassador to Brazil Thomas Shannon by naming him a Good Will Ambassador of the Institute; First WHINSEC Commandant Dr. Richard Downie escorted to his seat by Maj. Luis Rodriguez, CGSC student who was the first Headquarters Company Commander of WHINSEC; Commandant, assisted by the oldest Institute employee, Mr. Mauricio Lawson, and its youngest, SGT Jonathan Cedeño, cut the anniversary cake while Brazilian CSM Marcos Silveira looks on; a full house listens attentively as Amb. Shannon discusses the accomplishments and future of the Institute; former CSM Rafael Colondres and his wife talk with current CSM Julio Candelario during the reception; Institute members see the artist's rendering of the future permanent campout of WHINSEC; current commandant Col. Glenn Huber poses with the first commandant, Dr. Richard Downie, the Civilian Deputy of USSOUTHCOM, Amb. Paul Trivelli, and the guest speaker, Ambassador Thomas Shannon.



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WHINSEC Blog: <http://usacac.leavenworth.army.mil/BLOG/blogs/whinsec/>

FACEBOOK: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Fort-Benning-GA/Western-Hemisphere-Institute-for-Security-Cooperation-WHINSEC/99938697351?ref=nf>

New Year Welcome & Award ceremony



Ms. Juana Marrero, Martin Army Community Hospital, gets a certificate of appreciation and a coin for her support and interpretation services of Institute people when they are at the hospital.

With a backlog of deserving people, the Commandant presented numerous awards and recognition during the New Year's first meeting and celebration, Jan 7. In addition to Ms. Marrero's award, the following WHINSEC staff and faculty were recognized:

Army Achievement Medals for BoV Support:
SSG Guardado
SGT Rosa

DA Certificates of Achievement (BOV):
CPT Guandique -
SFC Omar Rodriguez
SGT Cedeño
SGT Mejia
SPC Kyle
MSG Colon
MSG Remigio
SFC Gonzalez
SFC Mariñez
SFC Rivas -
SFC Codrington
SFC Garcia
SFC Valenzuela
SSG Carrizosa
SSG Colon
SSG Estrada
SSG Ray Garcia
SSG Rosbin Garcia
SSG Hernandez
SSG Lobo
SSG Myers
SSG Ramirez
SGT Chausse



NCOA 1SG Miguel Lugo with BBC-Persia reporter Mehrnough Pourziaiee, who gathered a story of WHINSEC to be broadcast to Afghanistan and Iran.

Recognition, February End-of-Month

Promotion: Mr. Roldan, GS-13 (also named Fort Benning Employee of the Month for October.)

Ms. Brenda Gonzalez, GS-11

CACS: Dr. Raimondo, Employee of 1st Qtr

BOV Certificates of Appreciation:

CPT Guandique

MSG Remigio

SFC Rivas

SFC Garcia

SSG Lobo

SSG Ramirez

Certificate of Service and Pin: Mr. Munyon (30 yrs)

Master Instructor Certificate: SSG Carrizosa

Reenlistment Excellence Plaque: SFC Davila