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Greetings Quartermasters!

After nearly ten years at war, it is time for us to reflect and determine those areas where we need new and refreshed emphasis. The Army has a new campaign called “The Profession of Arms”. During this time of reflection we, as an Army, will look at what it means to be an Army Professional Soldier. We will review our profession, culture, ethic and experience. We will recommit to a culture of service and the responsibilities and behavior of our profession as articulated in the Army Ethic. Our museums, The Quartermaster Museum and the Army Women’s Museum, two of the finest “treasures” in our Nation, facilitate the documented review of our rich 236 year heritage and “journey through time”. There are a number of organizations willing and able to assist Soldiers in maintaining that heritage as it relates to the “Profession of Arms”.

Leaders and Warriors within the Quartermaster School have been extremely busy, as we shape changes within the Corps. We are currently reviewing every Program of Instruction for relevancy and value-added training. We continue to look for ways to connect our Soldiers to Digital Applications. One such project is the use of the iPhone Application in the 92Y instruction. Joint Mortuary Affairs Center is working with Army developers to use VBS2 (Virtual Battle Space) as a part of their instruction.

In February and March, I gathered all senior leaders of the school to relook our mission, vision, and priorities/initiatives. We determined the top eight initiatives that we will work in fiscal years 2011 and 2012. These initiatives are nested in the CASCOM Campaign Plan and the TRADOC Campaign Plan. See page two for our revised mission, vision, priorities and initiatives. I will keep you posted on the progress of these initiatives.

Last month, we completed the 36th Annual U.S. Army Culinary Arts Competition. The most notable difference from past years is that teams like the Pentagon, Hawaii and Joint Base Eustis-Langley (just to name a few) were comprised of members from our Sister Services and the Army. The blending of teams, the true camaraderie and esprit de corps from all participants were simply amazing to watch! Twenty five teams competed in the 788 competitive entries. It was the closest competition ever for Installation of the Year with less than 2 points separating third place from first. The U. S. Coast Guard took 3rd; Fort Bragg took 2nd, and the Installation of the Year was Team Pentagon. See pages 18 and 19 for the winners and some great photographs.

I would like to announce my selection for the next Honorary Colonel of the Regiment, Major General (Retired) Richard E. Beale, Jr. Please join us at the investiture ceremony of MG Beale, on 17 June 2011, during the Quartermaster Symposium week. At that same ceremony, we will honor our outgoing Honorary Colonel of the Regiment, Major General (Retired) Robert K. Guest, designated Colonel Emeritus, as he passes the Quartermaster Regimental Colors to MG Beale. Please be a part of this special event honoring these two outstanding leaders.

Congratulations to all the many fine Quartermaster Warriors who have been selected for promotion to Major, Captain, Master Sergeant and Sergeant First Class. For more information on this, go to page 17 for the links to the promotion lists.

Without doubt, I am blessed to lead this great team of professionals and thank each of you for your continued support and active engagement. Have you made your plans to attend the Quartermaster Symposium in June? Our planned program will inform, update and energize you. You can find more information on the Symposium in this issue. We value your feedback and ideas. Please contact me or the Team at [LEEQMSGGENERAL@CONUS.ARMY.MIL](mailto:LEEQMSGGENERAL@CONUS.ARMY.MIL).

*Supporting Victory!*

**Gwen Bingham  
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36<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ARMY CULINARY ARTS COMPETITION PHOTO COLLAGE

*Mission*

Quartermaster School trains and educates Army and Joint service sustainment Warfighters and professionals ready to support full-spectrum operations; develops and integrates globally executable Quartermaster capabilities supporting Joint force mission success.

*Vision*

Supporting Victory! A professional and innovative Joint service team shaping adaptive sustainers and their capabilities – relevant today and tomorrow!

*Top 8 Initiatives FY 11-12*

- Chief of Staff of the Army Campaign on Property Accountability
- Initial Military Training Integration and Standardization
- Training, Leader Development and Doctrine Support
- Executive Agency Mission Support
- Reserve Component Integration into Proponency
- e-Learning for QM Branch Qualification
- Instructor Program supporting Army Leader Development Strategy (ALDS)
- Joint Training Integration

## 129<sup>TH</sup> CSSB SOLDIERS TAKE OVER PARTNERSHIP MISSION

LASHKAR GAH, Afghanistan — The Provincial Supply Point (PSP) warehouse in Lashkar Gah is truly a success story for Afghan National Security Forces (ANSF) partnerships. In December, the newest addition to the 129<sup>th</sup> Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, the 240<sup>th</sup> Quartermaster Supply Company (QMSC), took over the Afghan National Police (ANP) partnership mission for the PSP.

The warehouse issues a variety of required items to customers throughout the Helmand and Nimroz Provinces. Some of the items requested and supplied have been 150 wood-burning stoves, over 600 uniforms, and 300 winter packs (consisting of coats, gloves, and other cold weather accessories).

SSG Cowins and SGT Bryant, of the 240<sup>th</sup>, assumed the mission in early December and quickly established relationships with the PSP commander and workers. They wasted no time in completing a wall-to-wall inventory of the warehouse with a focus on weapons and ammunition. They assisted Afghan workers with organizing weapons by classification and further by version. All Class V (ammunition) was organized by lot number for ease of stocking and filling requisitions. The unit put together an introductory class on the Command Supply Discipline Program (CSDP) and the importance of accurate stock control for PSP workers. They also conducted formal training on warehouse accountability principles with an emphasis on file management. Warehouse personnel were trained on maintaining digital and hard copy paper records for inventories.

One difficulty facing the team was a power outage that lasted over 72 hours. They maximized the use of this time by organizing and streamlining the container yard. To begin, all excess dirt and debris were cleared from the yard. This was followed by an effort to reorganize and color code 69 containers into customer lanes for quick identification and improved customer support.

**Helmand PSP civilian employee uses a civilian forklift to store huge bags of pillows for ANP units**



There are big plans for the PSP in the future. Measurements have been taken to facilitate building a security wall around the entire Provincial Headquarters facility that houses the PSP. Also in the works is a plan to add gravel to the yard to control dust and provide better driving conditions for forklift operators. The wooden shelving in the warehouse is being replaced with metal shelving to support heavier loads. SSG Cowins and SGT Bryant continue to focus on supporting the future of the Afghanistan combat and logistical forces in Regional Command Southwest (RC-SW) by improving the PSP.

A site survey was completed to determine the requirements for developing the current PSP into a Regional Logistics Center, supporting customers across RC-SW.

For more information on the 43d SB, click on the link provided: <http://www.facebook.com/the43rd>. Point of contact for this article is MAJ Tony Pete, 43D Sustainment Brigade, S1, DSN 318-421-6892.



**Azerat Lekat, the warehouse manager listens as SSG Cowins explains the importance of supply records.**

**Provincial Police members pickup issued items**





The 51<sup>st</sup> Quartermaster General, COL (P) Gwen Bingham, will host the annual Quartermaster Symposium. The purpose of the Symposium is to facilitate discussions on Quartermaster functional issues; preview initiatives; address concerns from the field; and recognize the Quartermaster Corps' successful impact on future operations.

The 2011 Quartermaster Symposium will take place at the Quartermaster School, Fort Lee, Virginia from the 14<sup>th</sup> through 18<sup>th</sup> June 2011. The theme for this year's event is **"Supporting Victory for 236 years; Relevant Today, Shaping the Future."** The target audience for the symposium is all Quartermasters – Active, Army National Guard, Reserve, Retirees, Officers, Warrant Officers, Command Sergeants Majors/Sergeants Majors, and Senior Civilians. We welcome others!

Registration for the Symposium is open online at the Quartermaster Web-site at [http://www.quartermaster.army.mil/2011\\_qm\\_symposium/](http://www.quartermaster.army.mil/2011_qm_symposium/). This year's Symposium will begin on 14 June, followed by four days of engaging events on challenging topics. Additionally, the Symposium will include Quartermaster School Training Departments' equipment exhibits and static displays. On Friday, 18 June, two significant events are planned. First, during the Quartermaster Regimental Review, extraordinary leaders will be inducted into the Quartermaster Hall of Fame. On the same evening and in conjunction with the Quartermaster Foundation Dinner, the Quartermaster General will host the Quartermaster Regimental Honors Ceremony where a significant select group of Quartermaster Soldiers and Units will be inducted as Distinguished Members and Units of the Regiment. Symposium events will culminate on 18 June with the Quartermaster Foundation and Association of Quartermasters' sponsored Golf Scramble.

Additional information about the 2011 Quartermaster Symposium is listed at our website, [http://www.quartermaster.army.mil/2011\\_qm\\_symposium/](http://www.quartermaster.army.mil/2011_qm_symposium/).

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With a theme of **"Shaping Sustainment for Tomorrow"**, plans for the 2011 Army Sustainment week are in full swing. This year's event will take place 9-13 May 2011 at Ft Lee and the Greater Richmond Convention Center, Richmond, Virginia. The gathering will consist of three major events that allow Army leaders to share their views on the state of the Army and openly discuss the future of sustaining the force. The first event will be the Combined Arms Support Command-hosted Sustainment Commanders' Conference, followed by the Association of United States Army's (AUSA) Sustainment Symposium. The Combined Logistics Excellence Awards (CLEA) events will conclude the week's activities.

Sustainment week will kick-off at Fort Lee, Virginia and will be spearheaded by Senior Leaders through Professional Development Forums; Senior Warrant Officers, Command Sergeants Major, Sustainment Commanders Conference, AUSA Sustainment Symposium & Exhibition and the Combined Logistics Excellence Awards. The first day will include a Base Realignment and Closure Commission (BRAC) Tour and a Regimental Update. The Regimental Update will include a Quartermaster Conference held in Mullins Auditorium, that will consist of panel discussions featuring Quartermaster Brigade Commanders from the Generating and Operating Forces. The Sustainment Week will continue 10-13 May with a Commanders' Conference and Symposium at the Greater Richmond Convention Center, Richmond Virginia

The Sustainment symposium will consist of discussion panels including: The Log Nation; Sustaining the Force in Operation New Dawn; Operation New Dawn, Depots and Arsenals; Leveraging Sustainment Operations in CONUS; and Life Cycle Management.

This year's culminating event will be the seventh annual Chief of Staff, Army (CSA) Combined Logistics Excellence Awards (CLEA) ceremony that will take place on the 12th and the 13th of May. The purpose of this award is to recognize outstanding logisticians, units and installations for their exceptional accomplishments in maintenance, deployment, and supply excellence. The Sustainment Conference platform provides the ideal opportunity to recognize these outstanding sustainers of the Army.

For more information on each event and how you can participate visit the AUSA website at <http://www.ausa.org/meetings/2011/symposia/sustainment2011/Pages/AUSA'sILWArmySustainmentSymposiumExposition.aspx>.

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## 14<sup>TH</sup> QUARTERMASTER DETACHMENT SOLDIERS REMEMBERED

On 22 February 2011, a special ceremony was held at the Petroleum and Water Department's 41st Street Water Training site, honoring those fallen Soldiers from the 14th Quartermaster Detachment. The ceremony marked the 20th anniversary of the attack that resulted in the death of 13 Soldiers and the wounding of another 43.

The 14th QM Detachment, a U.S. Army Reserve water purification unit from Greensburg, PA, suffered the greatest number of casualties of any allied unit during Operation Desert Storm. Eighty-one percent of the detachment's 69 Soldiers were killed or wounded in a SCUD missile attack at their barracks on 25 February 1991.

COL (P) Gwen Bingham, Commandant of the Quartermaster School at Fort Lee, urged the group who gathered to always remember the selfless sacrifice and service of the men and women of the 14th QM Detachment and their Families, as well as all of our Fallen Comrades.

The QM Community, Petroleum and Water Department (PWD) and Fort Lee have never forgotten these brave Soldiers of the 14th QM Det. as they will stand forever as a symbol of our tireless resolve to bring an end to terrorism.



Left: The memorial plaque at Fort Lee, Virginia, bearing the names of those Soldiers who died on 25 February 1991



Right: This memorial at Greensburg, Pennsylvania, is dedicated to the 14th Quartermaster Detachment who suffered the greatest losses of any single unit during Operation Desert Storm while serving in Saudi Arabia from an Iraqi Scud missile attack. There has been an annual memorial ceremony to honor the fallen soldiers since the attack. (U.S. Army photo by SPC Peter Jun, 316th ESC HQ Public Affairs Office)



Above: Soldiers stand at attention during the wreath laying ceremony for the 14th QM Det from Greensburg PA.



Above: COL (P) Bingham and COL Foster lay wreath at the memorial plaque.



Above: Soldiers at attention after laying of the wreath.



Above: Ceremonial Rifle Volley firing party at the 14th Quartermaster Detachment Memorial Ceremony, Petroleum and Water Department, US Army Quartermaster School, Fort Lee, VA on 22 February 2011 (Credit: Mr. Luther Hanson, US Army Quartermaster Museum)



## PROPERTY ACCOUNTABILITY—NOT NEW BUSINESS

Chief of Staff of the Army General George Casey, Jr. issued EXORD 259-10, Campaign on Property Accountability. While addressing the fact that we are an Army at War for nearly a decade, the campaign outlines critical and necessary steps required to ensure we establish property accountability and apply command supply discipline procedures.

- Reinforce existing policies and directives with subordinates
- Re-establish commanders' organization inspection programs
- Mentor leaders at every level on good supply discipline and property accountability
- Redistribute or turn-in excess materiel
- Establish mechanisms to monitor compliance with good supply procedures

The Campaign on Property Accountability ensures a culture of sound supply discipline and property accountability is prevalent at every level of the Army. While General Casey's campaign is a relatively new campaign, the concept of property accountability is not a new term to the Army. The idea of establishing responsibility and accountability is not a 21<sup>st</sup> century idea. Excerpts from antiquated Army policy have the same common theme – account for property and if you lose it, you pay for it!

Excerpt from *Regulations for the Army of the United States*, 1895 w/appendix dated January 1, 1899:

- A transfer of public property involves a change of possession and accountability.
- Upon the receipt of public property by an officer, he will make careful examination to ascertain its quality and condition.
- Officers responsible for property will be charged for any damage to, or loss or destruction of the same, and the money value deducted from their monthly pay.
- If an article of property be lost or damaged, by the neglect fault of any officer or soldier, he shall pay the value thereof, or the cost repairs.
- All public property, whether paid for or not, must be accounted for.

Excerpt from *Manual of the Quartermaster's Department, United States Army*, dated 1904:

- Accountability and responsibility devolve upon any person to whom public property is entrusted.
- When it is impracticable for an officer to personally superintend his issues he should choose with great caution the agent to whom he entrusts.

Property accountability – it's a time-honored tradition in the Army! Establishing and maintaining sound property accountability is not new and it is every Soldier's responsibility. As Quartermasters, it's our responsibility to ensure Soldiers are prepared to meet the next mission, wherever that may be in the world.

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## DREAM STRONG—ARMY STRONG

MSG Mark Morgan, Enlisted Aide to General Martin Dempsey, is being featured on Channel One News, one of the leading news networks in the country for teenagers. Channel One delivers a 12 minute daily news broadcast to nearly six million teens throughout 8,000 middle and high schools across the country.

Video segments, called "Dream Strong" are broadcast into the classroom and are approximately 3 minutes in length or longer. In his video, MSG Morgan speaks about his career; his training received in the Army; the importance of education; and the role he plays as a mentor to future leaders.

To access this video, click on the link provided below. Please allow ample time to download.

<http://www.channelone.com/video/dream-strong:-msg-mark-morgan/#ooid=ltZ3h5MTqqlutdCb5YUJsgIn7lpDUetj>

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## LEVERAGING QUARTERMASTER EXCELLENCE PROGRAMS

The United States Army Quartermaster Corps has two premier unit competitions that can be utilized to benefit unit training, readiness, the individual Soldier and the Army as a whole. The first and longest running program is the Philip A. Connelly Program, which is regulated by AR 30-22, The Army Food Service Program. The Department of the Army and the International Food Service Executives Association (IFSEA) established the Phillip A. Connelly Memorial Awards Program in 1968. The IFSEA is a professional organization dedicated to raising food service industry standards, educating members and future industry leaders, recognizing member achievements and serving the growing needs of the diverse, dynamic multi-billion dollar a year market.

The Philip A. Connelly Award is designed to improve food service operations and recognize the best garrison dining facilities and the best field kitchen operations in the Army. The field kitchen category is open to all three components of the Army. The program is named in honor of the late Philip A. Connelly, a former president of IFSEA. Born in Framingham, Massachusetts in June 1907, Philip A. Connelly became a leader in his chosen profession-Food Service Management. He worked diligently and earnestly throughout his life to promote professionalism in food service, in both the civilian industry and military services. As a result of his dedicated purpose and positive influence, civilian and military food service programs are more closely aligned and personnel in these programs now have uniform goals in education, training, career development and job opportunities.

The objectives of this program are to improve professionalism of food service personnel, thus providing best quality food service to supported Soldier diners; provide recognition for excellence in the preparation and serving of food in both garrison and field environments; and provide added incentive to competitive programs of Army Commands (ACOMs) and Installation Management Commands (IMCOMs) Regions by adding a higher level of competition and appropriate recognition. It is co-sponsored by the IFSEA and the Department of the Army (DA). The Joint Culinary Center of Excellence (JCCoE), Army Center of Excellence, Subsistence Special Program Directorate (SPD) administers the program. IFSEA participates in the evaluation of finalists as well as the presentation of awards and other forms of recognition that support the program's

objectives.

Awards for winners and runners-up are presented at various locations throughout the United States during a ceremony in conjunction with the US Navy's Captain Edward F. Ney Memorial Awards at the Annual IFSEA convention. Further information on the P.A. Connelly Award can be located at: [http://www.quartermaster.army.mil/jccoe/SpecialProgramsDirectorate/PhilipAConnelly/P\\_A\\_Connelly\\_main.html](http://www.quartermaster.army.mil/jccoe/SpecialProgramsDirectorate/PhilipAConnelly/P_A_Connelly_main.html).

The second program is The Chief of Staff, Army, Supply Excellence Award (SEA) Program. This program was conceived during the Total Army Worldwide Supply Conference held in November 1984. The Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics (DCSLOG) tasked the U.S. Army Quartermaster School (USAQMS) to assist in the research and development of an award program, similar to the Philip A. Connelly Award (Subsistence) and the Chief of Staff, Army, Maintenance Excellence Award Programs that would recognize supply excellence at the various unit and organizational levels.

The objectives of the SEA Program are: to enhance readiness of all Army units; enhance the Command Supply Discipline Program (CSDP); provide a structure for recognition of group and individual Soldiers; perpetuate group competition; and increase public awareness of supply excellence in the U.S. Army. The SEA Program includes all three components of the Army. Awards for this competition are presented at the Combined Logistics Excellence Award (CLEA) ceremony. The CLEA is held in conjunction with AUSA's Institute of Land Warfare (ILW) Army Sustainment Symposium and Exposition. Further information on the SEA Program can be located at: [http://www.quartermaster.army.mil/ltd/supply\\_excellence\\_award\\_program.html](http://www.quartermaster.army.mil/ltd/supply_excellence_award_program.html).

Participation in these types of programs reap numerous benefits for both the Soldier and the unit. The participating units are evaluated against an established standard. In order to be competitive, it is essential to research the governing regulations and DA Pamphlets to ensure that the unit is performing tasks to standards. Standing Operating Procedures (SOPs) are also part of the evaluations; not only how they are written but whether or not they are followed as well. To summarize; it is an excellent opportunity for Soldiers and junior NCOs to see what "right looks like".

Training and preparing for the evaluations provides an excellent training opportunity. It also requires teamwork, particularly for the field Connelly competition. The unit is not only evaluated on food preparation, but the entire process of setting up in the field and operating as a unit, to include everything from field sanitation, maintenance of equipment, and force protection. It is an evaluation of the entire unit, not just the cooks.

We strongly encourage all commanders to have their units participate in and support these Army programs. As one Commander, a Connelly evaluator, stated, "We look at this as a training opportunity, and if we do well, there is a prize when we get done." We look forward to seeing your units participate in these prestigious programs.

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## LADS "BOIL-OVERS"

The Aerial Delivery and Field Services Department located at Fort Lee, Virginia trains 92S Soldiers on effective ways to prevent equipment failure during Laundry Operations. The 92S Quartermaster Soldiers are utilizing the Laundry Advanced System (LADS) to wash and dry 400 pounds of clothes per hour for a 24 hour turn-around cycle. Mobility and the modular structure of 92S Shower, Laundry, and Clothing Repair (SLCR) Teams are a combat multiplier. The 92S Soldier is utilized on small out-posts throughout the Theater of Operations due to lack of coverage by the Logistics Civil Augmentation Program (LOGCAP) or fixed facilities. Many Soldiers at small outposts have no other choice than to wash clothes by hand in buckets or purchase local commercial washers. It is more important for today's 92S to have the ability

to operate, maintain, and troubleshoot their equipment on their own in order to prevent equipment failure.

One consistent issue facing the 92S Soldiers operating the LADS is a phenomenon referred to as a "Boil-Over". The LADS recycles water by boiling the dirty wash water and then cooling the steam back into water. The water is then routed through a series of filters and returned to the clean water tank for reuse. A "Boil-Over" occurs when dirt and other particles co-distill with the water and pass through filters, thus contaminating the clean water tank. There are no actual visual indications of a "Boil-Over"; however, there are two key indicators to help the operator. The first indicator is, if during LADS operations, it becomes necessary to replace the pre-filters more than once every three days. The second indicator is, if laundered clothing comes out of the LADS with an unpleasant odor. Failure to resolve a "Boil-Over" will result in the eventual clogging of the distillate plumbing and standpipe, thus creating a stoppage in operations of the LADS.

Four variables can cause a "Boil-Over":

1. Excessive Detergent
2. Heat
3. High water levels in the still
4. Improper use of Anti-Foam Solution

Controlling the amount of detergent and usage of Anti-Foam Solution are the two most critical factors in controlling a "Boil-Over". The first most significant contributing factor to a "Boil-Over" is excessive use of detergent. Therefore, LADS operators are cautioned to never add more detergent than required per cycle, as outlined by the Technical Manual, 10-3510-221-10. Excessive detergent leads to clogged pre-filters resulting in clogged distillate plumbing within the LADS. The tumbling action of the laundry in the drum along with water provides the vast majority of cleaning action required to effectively clean the clothing (95%). Detergent actually plays only a 5% role in cleaning laundry in the LADS. Clothing, returned by customers, soaked in liquid detergent or containing powder detergent in the pockets should be returned without washing because it will create the a "Boil-Over" scenario of too much detergent in the LADS.

Excessive suds in the LADS can be controlled using the approved Anti-Foam Solution (NSN: 6850-01-506-6533). Suds allow more dirt to be present in



the distillation process and will eventually cause more dirt particles to pass through the filters thus causing a "Boil-Over". To prevent this, operators must insert the proper amount of Anti-Foam Solution. Anti-Foam Solution is added to the wash cycle when prompted by the computer touch-screen control panel.

When performing LADS operations in hot weather, more Anti-Foam may be required to control the level of suds in the still. Operators should improvise shade or use the LADS issued Solar Shade to keep direct sunlight off the LADS. By controlling the water levels in the still, there is less chance of dirt particles boiling over into the clean water tank. If operating in unusually hot conditions, it may be necessary to switch to night operations to help combat extreme temperatures.

Most Quartermaster Field Services Companies operate in austere locations globally, specifically, in Iraq and Afghanistan, providing Soldiers their only source for clean uniforms. The process of distilling dirty wash water is paramount in LADS operations to produce clean laundry in a timely manner. The before mentioned variables will eventually lead to work stoppage and may become a mission stopper if not closely monitored by laundry supervisors.

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**Laundry Advanced System (LADS) in use**

U.S. Army Quartermaster School, Logistics Training Department, 92A10 Training Division is now conducting ATLAS II 10,000 lb Rough Terrain Fork Lift Simulation training at Camp Pender, Fort A.P. Hill, Va. This training is being conducted as part of the ten hours of technical training that occurs now during the week-long Sustainment Warrior Field Training Exercise (SWFTX).

Currently, there are two simulators located at Camp Pender. Each of these simulators is housed in forty foot containers, with power generation and the capacity to house up to eight personnel including the instructor. Prior to a simulation an instructor provides a block of instruction to each squad of Soldiers. Once instruction is received, a Soldier is assigned a scenario by the instructor and proceeds with the hands on training in the simulator. The remaining Soldiers are at their desks observing the simulation in session on flat screen monitors. Subsequently, the Squad Leader and instructor will train the remaining Soldiers in both simulators. Training is completed when all assigned Soldiers have received the hands on training. Additionally, students receive Material Handling Equipment (MHE) training as familiarization prior to their departure to SWFTX.

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**Atlas II Electronic Training Aid**

## ONE ARMY SCHOOL SYSTEM (OASS)

As part of the Army Campaign Plan (ACP) 2008, TRADOC (tasked by DCS G-3/5/7) did a feasibility analysis to determine efficiencies in training across components. The analysis was designed to determine if training across components could be nested under a single command to improve efficiency and effectiveness. The analysis process took approximately 12 months to complete. TRADOC looked at which functions were common to centralized support at all schools regardless of component. The goal of the analysis was to see if a “One Army” training concept would work between components, in a sense, creating a network of training sites – Active, Reserve, and National Guard – that would be used by all Soldiers to complete training in specific military occupational skills (MOSs) that were common to all components. From this analysis, the One Army School System (OASS) concept was developed.

As TRADOC completed the analysis, they determined that the key to a program that would work across components was one that first looked at missioning. The developers of the program needed to ensure that any training developed for OASS would maximize the capabilities of the particular component that was tasked to develop training for a specific MOS. As seen in the figure below, there are two key enablers that would also ensure success of the OASS program. Quality Assurance (QA) visits to training sites and parity in Course Design, Content and Delivery were identified as these enablers.

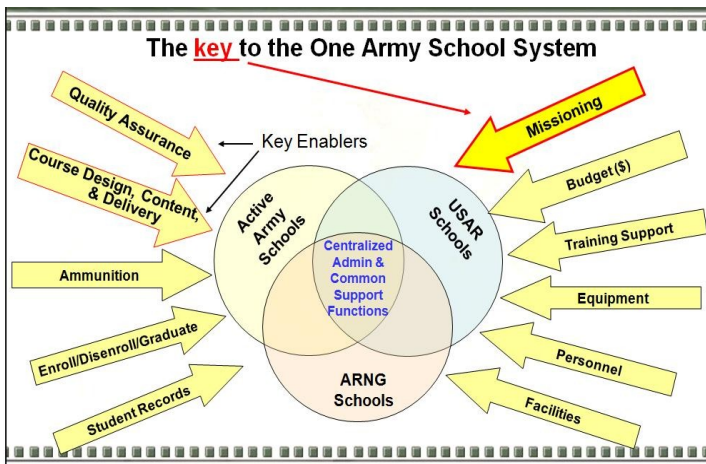
This workshop is held twice a year for all component SMEs to attend. The semi-annual TCCW allows for cross component interaction in developing strategies, training opportunities, allocation of training requirements and existing seat-fill based on available capacity prior to the Structured Manning Decision Review (SMDR).

The parameters established by TRADOC for any unit participating in OASS training, regardless of component, are: that the courses offered must be equivalent; the courses must be offered at least once per quarter throughout the FY to preclude reenlistment delays; any phased courses must be consecutive (no break between phases); and priority of fill would be given to a mix of Active Component (AC) and Reserve Component (RC) Soldiers.

While the OASS program will ultimately create greater efficiency and effectiveness in training across components, the program also creates challenges for the proponent school headquarters and for the units implementing the training. At the proponent level, the addition of OASS training at AC and RC locations will increase the workload for the assigned QA staff. At the unit level, Active and Reserve training units will need to coordinate with each other to mitigate training equipment shortfalls.

As the OASS concept is implemented, greater efficiencies will be realized for the Active Component, the USAR and the ARNG. The end-state will be having students assigned to attend the appropriate school, regardless of the component training the course, to provide the greatest efficiency to the Army. The OASS program is currently scheduled for implementation in FY12.

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To ensure all of the component Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) were working together to plan and program training, the One Army Training Coordination Council Workshop (TCCW) was developed.





## JOINT MORTUARY AFFAIRS OFFICER TRAINING

Each branch of service recognizes the need to plan for and properly execute care of our fallen heroes. The American public expects and demands that the highest level of dignity, honor, and respect be afforded to those who pay the ultimate price in service to our country. With this always in mind, the Joint Mortuary Affairs Center at Fort Lee conducts the Mortuary Affairs Officer (MAO) Course, a joint training class, which prepares officers to plan, direct, and coordinate MA operations involving recovery, tentative identification, and evacuation of deceased US military personnel. This two-week course provides students with a knowledge base from which to plan and coordinate mortuary affairs support to both military operations and DOD operations in support of civil authorities.

In order to prepare officers to serve effectively in mortuary affairs assignments, the JMAC includes training on stress, grief, and death and dying, in conjunction with a visit to the Richmond city morgue. The Richmond medical examiner's office provides outstanding support to the DOD by providing (controlled) access to the morgue as part of a fully vetted and approved training program. This exposure has proven instrumental in preparing officers for the highly sensitive nature of the mortuary affairs mission.

The MAO course is open to Commissioned Officers, Warrant Officers, and DOD civilians from all services and commands. As DOD has seen an increasing emphasis on joint, interagency, intergovernmental, and multinational (JIIM) operations, the JMAC has seen a corresponding increase in the number of joint and international students attending the course. In the past five years, the average number of attendees from other services and countries has grown from three per year to more than a dozen. These officers often serve in strategic planning assignments in major commands and in all regions of the world.

JMAC instructors, Mr. Bill Ellerman and Ms. Elke Landenberger, receive rave reviews for their high quality of instruction, passion for their field, and vast knowledge. Both instructors have more than 20 years of hands on experience in the mortuary affairs field. This experience includes the Gander, Newfoundland air crash in which 256 U.S. military personnel were killed; Operations Desert Shield, Desert Storm, Joint Endeavor, and Enduring Freedom; Hurricane Andrew support; and numerous operations around the world to recover service members from WWI, WWII, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War.

On 28 January 2011, 21 students representing the Army, Navy, and Air Force graduated from MAO class #503 well versed in mortuary affairs operations

and better prepared to execute their respective missions as a result of the experience of their instructors. The joint diversity of this MAO class allowed students to exchange thoughts and ideas



MAO Class #503

specific to their branch of service and gain a broad perspective of the joint Mortuary Affairs mission. In the words of a Senior Warrant Officer attending the MAO class, "this course is the best military course I've attended in 26 years in the military".

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## RIBBON CUTTING FOR 262 QM BN HQS



On 11 March 2011, COL (P) Gwen Bingham, Quartermaster School Commandant, cut the ribbon to the new Battalion Headquarters for the 262nd QM Battalion. Assisting with the ribbon cutting were previous Battalion Commanders along with the current Command Team, LTC Hugh Davis and CSM Douglas Washington, on either side of COL Bingham.



From 10-14 Jan 2011, the Joint Mortuary Affairs Center (JMAC) Chief of Training Development, Dr. Lisa Leppo, attended the Scientific Working Group for Forensic Anthropology (SWGANTH) at the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command Central Identification Laboratory at Hickam AFB, Hawaii. The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Department of Defense Central Identification Laboratory (DOD CIL) cosponsored the creation of the SWGANTh. The 20-member board consists of professionals from the forensic anthropological community invited by the sponsors to represent a broad spectrum of expertise and jurisdictional involvement. The charter of the SWGANTh is to identify and recommend best practices within the forensic anthropology discipline. To achieve this end, the SWGANTh created committees made up of both U.S. and international forensic anthropologists.

The purpose of these committees is to examine targeted issues in order to identify the best practices of today and what paths to follow in the future. During the January meeting, the SWGANTh approached completion of its initial charge of identifying and codifying best practices for the forensic anthropology discipline. The SWGANTh will now begin to look toward the next phase of professional evolution - the development of future minimum standards.



The JMAC is extremely fortunate to have a world-class forensic anthropologist in charge of developing Joint Mortuary Affairs training. Dr. Leppo serves on the Age Estimation, Education, and Detection and Recovery committees of the SWGANTh. Her participation in the SWGANTh allows Dr. Leppo to bring the most current, relevant, and state-of-the-art forensic anthropology practices to the JMAC Training Department for incorporation into the 92M10, 20, and 40 level Programs of Instruction. These practices are directly relevant in training several critical tasks, such as Search and Recovery and Mortuary Operations. Dr. Leppo also shares her knowledge by hosting advanced training events in forensic recovery techniques for Mortuary Affairs NCOs at Ft Lee.

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The Quartermaster School (QMS), Petroleum and Water Department (PWD), has received the Army's newest tactical petroleum laboratory, the Petroleum Quality Analysis System-Enhanced (PQAS-E) from the Program Manager, Petroleum and Water Systems (PM-PAWS). The PQAS-E is a fully automated/integrated fuel laboratory that replaces three legacy laboratory systems: the Air Mobile Lab; Semi-Trailer Mobile Lab; and the original Petroleum Quality Analysis System (PQAS). The PQAS-E platform is an environmentally controlled International Organization for Standards (ISO) style shelter mounted on a XCK 2000E1 trailer that is equipped to operate 30 days without resupply of expendable items, with exception of water and fuel. The PQAS-E is capable of modified B2 level testing in accordance with Military Standard 3004B (MIL-STD-3004B). The PQAS-E provides DOD and the warfighter the capability to rapidly test and provide timely fuel suitability for use feedback on mobility fuels, such as diesel and kerosene based fuels like Jet-A, Jet A-1, JP8 and JP-5.

The PQAS-E integrated current fuel analysis technologies into a single transportable portable unit capable of being operated by three 92L Petroleum Laboratory Specialists. This was made possible with the integration of the data acquisition equipment Automated Instrumentation System (AIS) that allows data from the testing apparatus to be sent directly to the PQAS-E laptop, which interprets test results and allows for expedient recommendations for the disposition for fuels. This all inclusive system, which includes its own Environmental Control Unit (ECU) and power unit allows for maximum productivity with limited manpower.

In addition to the two PQAS-E systems assigned to the QMS, seven PQAS-E have been fielded to FORSCOM units, two with the United States Army Reserves, and one with the California Army National Guard (Army Petroleum Center, Feb 11). The United States Marine Corps and the United States Air Force Petroleum Office (AFPET) are also in the process of exploring options to procure the PQAS-E.

In 2010, the first real test of this system occurred when the QMS received a request to support Combined Joint Task Force – 82nd, Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan with a New Equipment Training (NET) team as part of the PQAS-E fielding. From 9-14 May 2010, two PWD Laboratory Instructors (SSG Marlon McKinney and SSG Ricardo Hamlin) received extensive PQAS-E training provided by PM-PAWS at Rock Island, Illinois. The PQAS-E NET team deployed to Afghanistan from 11 June – 12 July 2010 to provide training to the warfighter on system

operations and maintenance, troubleshooting procedures, Army Petroleum Center (APC) Laboratory Certification requirements, and use of PM-PAWS logistics support website that guarantees OCONUS DHL delivery within 7 days of request and CONUS within 72 hours.

The NET team trained 19 personnel and certified one of the PQAS-E laboratories which enabled Soldiers to provide quality surveillance support to units in remote locations throughout Afghanistan. The reports coming out of Afghanistan are extremely positive. Commanders in the field are pleased with the PQAS-E's reliability, responsiveness, and the increased laboratory fuel testing capability in the AOR (Area of Operations). The PQAS-E automation and integrated reporting system is yielding the desired results and continues to provide the warfighter an added edge to support the fight.

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travelled from Rock Island, IL to film and photograph PQAS-E operations. The end product will be used to produce training aids for units receiving the Department of Defense's newest tactical petroleum laboratory. The filming and photographing will yield computer based training that challenges the learner with interactive scenarios with regard to system emplacement, set-up, and petroleum laboratory testing. The PM-PAWS production team captured the advantages of web based distant learning enablers, which include:

- Utilization of 92L Subject Matter Expert's (SMEs) time and enables them to impart their skill and knowledge to a multitude of students
- Little or no new investment in infrastructure beyond standard internet and PCs
- Reduced travel time of conventional training delivery
- No geographical constraints
- Inexpensive, simple technical requirements, accessible to students with limited help from professional engineering or technical staff
- Simple and powerful testing/evaluation, ideal for compliance-based training needs

Although it is intended for web based application, there will also be a DVD-ROM media available for those without web access or computer availability. These training aids will significantly aid the war-fighter and forward deployed units and enhance 92L Petroleum Laboratory Specialist MOS proficiency. Point of contact for this article is SFC Robert Tate, (804) 734-1382 or robert.tate1@us.army.mil.



**Left and right: PQAS-E testing equipment.**



**4th ID Soldier testing fuel in the Afghanistan AOR.**



**Below: PQAS-E with Shelter.**



**WEB-BASED TRAINING FOR PQAS-E**

The Laboratory Training Division (LTD) from the Petroleum and Water Department (PWD) hosted the Program Manager for Petroleum and Water Systems (PM-PAWS) PQAS-E production team. PM-PAWS leads a fully integrated team which develops, produces, fields, and sustains world class petroleum and water systems in support of the United States Forces across the operational spectrum. From 24-31 January 2011, two PM-PAWS technical specialists



**Program Manager for Petroleum and Water Systems (PMPAWS) preps the filming of the Petroleum Quality Analysis System—Enhanced (PQAS-E).**



## FIRST 921A COMPLETES TRAINING WITH INDUSTRY

CW3 Michelle Zaballa was the first Airdrop Systems Technician (921A) to attend the Training with Industry (TWI) program. The location was sunny southern California - palm trees, beaches, and Disneyland. The assignment was with Airborne Systems North America (ASNA) located in Santa Ana, California.

“Being the first to work with ASNA meant there was no precedence set and that became a challenge at times,” explained CW3 Zaballa. This division of ASNA has been in the parachute business since 1918 and was formerly known as Irvin Industries. Currently, ASNA is involved in parachutes for the Space X space capsule as well as NASA’s space capsule; parachutes attached to Navy torpedoes; ejection seat parachutes for fighter jets; spin stall systems that are used on test aircraft, green energy technologies; and the parachutes the Army has in its inventory such as the T-11 and MC-6 systems. They are also a contractor for the Army Joint Precision Airdrop System (JPADS), which is a GPS guided aerial delivery method. “It was a unique experience to see how the parachute industry prepares their parachutes with the use of items such as hydraulic presses to ensure all the space in the deployment bag has been used or ovens that ensure all moisture has been removed,” commented CW3 Zaballa.



**CW3 Michelle Zaballa in front of Airborne Systems**

She felt welcomed by the fellow workers but they were often confused as to her role there. One of the issues she faced was the need to correct the misconception that she was retiring and on transitional leave due to the fact that the company often hires former military members for their parachute expertise. “While in the TWI program you wear civilian clothes every day, she said. “Often I had to explain that I am a military member on active duty and this is a special assignment, which upon completion, I would return to the Army.”

Another challenge for her was explaining a Warrant Officer’s duties, roles, and responsibilities. At first the training was set up much like the “round robin” training of years ago. She would move from

one area to the next and check off the key points that each section had to offer. She felt that this approach was not in keeping with HRC’s TWI handbook to “... develop a group of Soldiers experienced in higher level managerial techniques...” She suggested a more integrated or “lanes training” approach should be taken such as assigning her a project and then showing her at which points those aspects would come into play, such as Quality Assurance or Project Timeline creation.

“We needed to re-look the current training schedule when it became obvious that the company did not grasp the level of responsibility and knowledge of a Warrant Officer,” CW3 Zaballa explained. “I first briefed them on how a WO is selected and then the duties we perform as based on Army doctrine and experience; following that meeting I requested the change.” While she felt she was in a “tough situation, unsure of how to approach the subject of changing the training with the Vice Presidents of this company”, she did present it in a win-win concept. It was a win for ASNA, a win for the Army and a win for her professional development.

### For ASNA

- Being recognized as a TWI partner joining others such as Lockheed Martin, Boeing, Microsoft, etc.
- A trained leader from another “company” who brings a different perspective

### For the Army

- Knowledge of how a civilian industry operates in regards to parachute development – design, testing, production
- Familiarity with business decision-making processes and support systems that provide the ability to evaluate and improve existing Army structures

### For the Soldier

- A broader knowledge base recognized by the higher command enables the WO to meet atypical assignments such as combat developer (future systems)
- Experience with civilian sector partners on current and emerging systems that cannot be duplicated in a classroom or online environment



**CW3 Zaballa using a hydraulic press to pack a parachute**



Another aspect of her experience was observing the inspection teams come out from the Army to conduct audits or Quality Assurance inspections. She was then invited to participate in the meetings to discuss discrepancies and ASNA's courses of action for resolution. "I would say the main highlight to my time at ASNA was the opportunity to go TDY to the manufacturers of parachute supplies. One supplier was Bally Ribbon Mills who manufactures the webbing used to create the parachute harness. To tour that plant and see how the old fashioned looms worked as well as the electronic ones and the minuscule differences between the two webbings produced, was an educational experience and an opportunity I would not have had any other way."

CW3 Zaballa closed with saying, "I would definitely recommend that Warrant Officers consider the TWI program. What a unique opportunity to broaden your technical background and knowledge base."

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**ASNA's unique rail system used to move canopies to the next station of assembly**



Having said this, I must also state that not all marriage problems are made the same. And the ironic truth is that some so called "marriage problems" have little or nothing to do with either marriage or relationship! The reason for this is that people, that is, individuals, are complex, and therefore relationships are sometimes impacted by the undercurrents from this complexity.

My son likes to watch the TV show "House", and "Mystery Diagnosis". These shows, of course, relate complexities involved in understanding the problems of a diseased human anatomy. Now, if in fact the human anatomy, that is quite similar to us all, can present such variables, how complex might it be to diagnose the problems of the psyche or souls of people; souls with an "emotional DNA" all their own, as well as a developmental and social history prior to marriage. And, once again, this complexity of our souls can, and will, factor into our most intimate relationships!

Consider the words of the Apostle Peter as he speaks of theological matters: I Peter 3:16 "as also in all his letters, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand..." The Apostle is speaking of the fact that some scriptures are so rich and profound they may not be easily interpreted. Yet, the depth and profundity of any scripture can in fact be understood by someone that really wants to understand. And it is not a matter of a theology degree but having the will to want to know and understand.

In the same way, the complexities of our marriage relationships may appear beyond our ability to interpret, yet marriage partners must tenaciously embrace the will to know and understand each other. This begins...and ends, with commitment! In a world that wants to give up too quickly to, "get on with my life," it takes walking the "road less traveled" and the "paths of righteousness" to resist throwing in the towel. It takes a love that cares as much for the mate as we do for our own lives.

In the shadow of Saint Valentine's Day, and at the threshold of spring, take this time to renew your commitment to your spouse, and to reassert your utter willingness to get to know your mate, to the depths that no one else can or will. You may need some help to do that, so please know that chaplains are there to provide a listening ear, experienced counsel, and good materials which will help you in your own diagnostic insight and application of love. I'll see you at our next marriage retreat!

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## **DIAGNOSTIC LOVE - THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER**

As you probably are aware, chaplains are heavily involved in trying to promote happy marriages. Many of us are involved in organizing and training for "Strong Bonds" Soldier retreats for couples to claim or reclaim their love and devotion to each other. Even before "Strong Bonds" programs, chaplains have promoted and led marriage retreats as well as a great deal of marriage counseling.

There are some very fine programs for helping couples establish or reestablish their relationship. One that we use is PREP which stands for "Prevention and Relationship Enhancement Program". It is excellent for identifying impediments and pitfalls to marital harmony and provides very good strategies to help pull a strained relationship out of the ditch. If you are interested, talk with a chaplain. Most chaplains can even provide you and your spouse with an overview of the material right in their office or set you up for an upcoming retreat.

## MAJORS, CAPTAINS, MASTER SERGEANTS AND SERGEANTS FIRST CLASS PROMOTIONS FOR FY 11

On 31 March the U.S. Army Human Resources Command released the results of the FY11 Major, Maneuver, Fires & Effects (MFE), Operations Support (OS), and Force Sustainment (FS), promotion board. The overall percentage for all zones of consideration was 93.4%.

The results were as follows:

	ABOVE ZONE	PRIMARY ZONE	BELOW ZONE
MFE	33.9%	91.8%	10.0%
OS	35.5%	94.1%	10.0%
FS	38.1%	94.4%	8.7%

The chart below depicts the primary zone selection rates for the Ordnance, Quartermaster, and Transportation officers. The overall selection rate for all three branches was 93.2%.

	CONSIDERED	SELECTED	PERCENTAGE
QM	106	98	92.4%
OD	119	109	91.6%
TC	83	80	96.3%

On 29 March the U.S. Army Human Resources Command released the results of the FY11 Captain, Army Competitive Category Department of the Army promotion selection board. The overall percentage for all zones of consideration was 99.4%.

	CONSIDERED	SELECTED	PERCENTAGE
ARMY	4987	4955	99.4%

The results were as follows:

The chart below depicts the primary zone selection rates for the Ordnance, Quartermaster, and Transportation officers. The overall selection rate for all

	CONSIDERED	SELECTED	PERCENTAGE
QM	334	331	99.1%
OD	321	317	98.7%
TC	280	276	98.5%

three branches was 98.8%.

On 25 January 2011, the US Army Human Resources Command published the results of the FY11 Master Sergeant (MSG) Promotion Board. The Army selected 1,542 Sergeants First Class to MSG, of which

Army/CMF/MOS	TOTAL CONSIDERED	SELECTED	PERCENTAGE
CMF 92	2206	168	8.29%
92A	277	101	36.46%
92F	308	0	0%
92G	482	30	6.22%
92M	41	3	7.3%
92R	83	1	1.2%
92S	50	1	2.0%
92Y	825	32	4.97%
OD	2010	64	7.77%
TC	993	1	0.1%

168 were Quartermaster Noncommissioned Officers.

On 24 March 2011, the U.S. Army Human Resources Command published the results of the FY11 Sergeant First Class (SFC) Promotion Board. The Army selected 6,702 Staff Sergeants to SFC, of which 535

ARMY/CMF/MOS	TOTAL CONSIDERED	SELECTED	PERCENTAGE %
ARMY	38,343	6,702	17%
CMF 92	4,097	535	13%
92A	524	125	24%
92F	642	61	10%
92G	789	115	15%
92L	21	6	28%
92M	96	16	18%
92R	106	15	14%
92S	61	0	0%
92W	151	10	6%
92Y	1,707	196	11%
OD	3,679	462	12%
TC	2,530	63	2%

were Quartermaster Noncommissioned Officers.

Congratulations are in order for all Soldiers who have been selected.

The by-name list of Officers selected for promotion to Major is located at <https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/protect/Active/Select/Maj11.pdf>.

The by-name list of officers selected for promotion to Captain is available online at <https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/protect/Active/Select/Capt11.pdf>.

The by-name list of Soldiers selected for promotion to Master Sergeant is located at [https://www.hrcapps.army.mil/site/protect/Active/Select/FY11\\_MSG\\_Considered\\_Selected\\_List.pdf](https://www.hrcapps.army.mil/site/protect/Active/Select/FY11_MSG_Considered_Selected_List.pdf).

The by-name list for Soldiers selected for promotion to Sergeant First Class is located at <https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/active/select/Enlisted.htm>.

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## 36<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ARMY CULINARY ARTS COMPETITION

The U.S. Army Culinary Arts Competition at Fort Lee is the largest American Culinary Federation (ACF) sanctioned culinary competition in the United States and showcases the talents of military chefs from around the globe in all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces. The annual competition included live competitions and displays to include public viewing of daily events such as the Armed Forces Junior Chef of the Year, Ice Carvings, Student Skills, Live Cooking, Chef Demonstrations and the Field Team event which consisted of two teams daily preparing a three-course five-star meal served restaurant style to 150 diners.

Competition statistics: Number of teams – 25; Number of competitors – 251; Number of competitive entries – 788; Number of Medals awarded to competitors – 547; Gold – 122; Silver – 217; and Bronze – 208.

The competition culminated with an awards ceremony held on 11 March 2011 at the Fort Lee Post Theater where competitors were recognized for their individual and team achievements. Winners of the major category events are:

- Best Exhibit in Show – Category A, SPC Sarah Deckert – Pentagon - 38
- Best Exhibit in Show – Category B, PV2 Chelsea Karr – USAREUR – 36.5
- Best Exhibit in Show – Category C, PFC Martha Cobble – Fort Riley - 38
- Best Exhibit in Show – Category D, SPC Samantha Gaytan – Fort Carson - 39.5
- Best team Buffet Table – Category E, Pentagon – 34.178
- Most Artistic Exhibit in Show, SSG Orlando Serna – Pentagon
- Judges Special Award (Cold Food Table) - Fort Hood
- Best in Class – Contemporary Cooking (Category K), CSC Derrick Davenport – Pentagon – 36.75
- Best in Class – Contemporary Pastry (Category P), SPC Thomas Richberg – Hawaii – 36.5
- Nutritional Hot Food Challenge Champions, SSG Orlando Serna, SPC Sarah Deckert - Pentagon – 37.3
- Baron H. Galand Culinary Knowledge Exam (1<sup>st</sup> Place) - Fort Bragg
- Best Ice Carving In Show – Category H, CW3 Jeffery Lein, MSG Travis Jones - Fort Bragg – 36.75
- Senior Chef of the Year – Category F1, SGT Billy Daugeette – Pentagon – 35.6625
- Junior Chef of the Year – Category SK, Senior Airman Ghil Medina – JBLE - 39
- Army Enlisted Aide of the Year – SFC Steven Broome
- Best Decorated Table – Field Competition, Fort Riley
- Field Cooking Competition – Category WF (1<sup>st</sup> Place), Coast Guard – 38.3546
- Field Cooking Competition – Category WF (2<sup>nd</sup> Place), Pentagon – 37.599
- Field Cooking Competition – Category WF (3<sup>rd</sup> Place), Fort Carson – 36.536
- Student team Skill Competition – Category ST, Coast Guard – 39.5256
- Installation of the Year (1<sup>st</sup> Place), Pentagon – 35.3003
- Installation of the Year (2<sup>nd</sup> Place), Fort Bragg – 34.2443
- Installation of the Year (3<sup>rd</sup> Place), Coast Guard – 34.238

Our congratulations go out to all the Commands represented, their competitors, and teams for a job well done. We look forward to seeing everyone return and hopefully some new competitors and teams for next year's competition.



**Plates ready for Fort Hood  
Field Team menu**



**Soldier from Fort Campbell piping  
plates for presentation**



**Wedding cake display**





Left: Joint Base Langley-Eustis preparing their meal for the Field Category



Right: Celebrity Chef B. Smith conducting a demo for the public, and her apprentice SSG Steven Behr



Left: LTG Caslen admiring the ice carving from Ft. Bragg, NC



Above: Installation of the Year, First Place – Team Pentagon



Above: Fort Carson's Team Table and the winner in Category D—Centerpiece



Above: Joint Base Lewis-McChord's Team Table and centerpiece



Right: Tallow centerpiece prepared by SSG Serna, Team Pentagon, receiving the most Artistic Judges Award

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