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Rear D Soldiers Spend Time with Students from Amanda Arnold Elementary School

Photos by 1LT Sarah Wright

Soldiers from Rear Detachment are promoting volunteerism and maintaining community relations by making regular visits to Amanda Arnold Elementary School and spending time with the kids there. Here are some of the photos from some of their recent visits!



PFC Peresetene playing dodge ball during 2nd grade PE

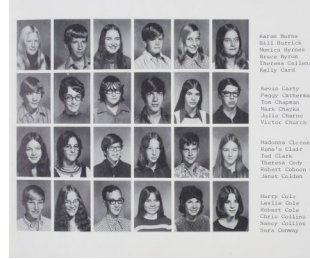
All of the 701st Soldiers helped the military lunch bunch draw pictures of their military families. Pictured above is SPC Brown and PFC Peresetene's drawing



PFC Oden helping 1st grade students with math problems

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Pictures...



they let us remember this...

and reminisce
about this...



RELEASE POINT will be **Full Color**,
will have **200 Glossy Pages**, and
will include **EVERYTHING** and **EVERYONE**
from the deployment.

Contact 2LT Hulen at mckinsey.r.hulen@afghan.swa.mil or 1LT Tony Moore at tony.p.moore.mil@mail.mil to put in your order for the 701st BSB Deployment Book

Laughin' It Up

By U.S. Army 1LT Scott T. Wright
Bravo Co. TF 701

PAKTIKA PROVINCE, Afghanistan (October 22, 2012) - Bravo Co. Task Force 701 had the opportunity to meet with the "Comics on Duty" Tour Comedians while here on Forward Operating Base Sharana. They visited the motor pool and talked with the mechanics before their show at the Morale, Welfare and Recreation building on the FOB.

The "Comics on Duty" Tour Comedians: Danny, Drake, Keith, Paul, Phil, and Shawn came to the Bravo Co. motor pool to visit with the mechanics and help build the morale of the Soldiers. They handed out patches for their tour and asked questions about the vehicles that the mechanics were working on. The comedians were very interested in what the mechanics were doing and shared a couple of stories of their tours with the Soldiers. They were very thankful for the service of the Soldiers. CPT Smith, Bravo Co. Commander gave each of the comedians a Bravo Co. deployment coin in appreciation for their visit.



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Featured Company of the Week

Task Force 4/1 Preventive Medicine Team Continues ANSF Partnership 1LT Joanna Moore

As the focus of Operation Enduring Freedom transitions to an enabling, self-sustaining mission, medical training for Afghanistan National Security Forces (ANSF) has come to the forefront for Company C, 701st Brigade Support Battalion. Since August 2012, the Task Force 4/1 Preventive Medicine team has been partnering with the Security Force Advisement Teams (SFAT) for the 2nd and 3rd Brigades of the Afghan National Army (ANA) to help conserve the fighting strength and encourage health education and promotion.



The TF 4/1 Preventive Medicine team utilizes translated training materials to educate ANA Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers on basic Field Sanitation practices. The site visits include an informal assessment of the current environmental conditions and sanitary practices, followed by classroom instruction on personal hygiene, food service sanitation, infectious disease control, rodent control, and medically-important arthropods. The key personnel involved in the training consist of ANA Sergeants Major, medics, logistics personnel, and food service specialists.

“We definitely saw improvement in sanitary operations for the 2/203 Kandak,” stated SGM Steven Bunch, former NCOIC for the 2/203 SFAT. “I even heard CSM Gul Muhammad telling Soldiers to wash their hands before eating, and to sanitize the dishes after they’re cleaned.”

Although small changes may seem insignificant, the TF 4/1 Preventive Medicine Team anticipates that continued training in the future will contribute to a reduction in disease transmission and non-battle injuries for the ANSF. “If even one person doesn’t get typhoid or malaria or rabies as a result of our training, that is a success for the field of preventive medicine,” acknowledged SSG Carlos Warfield, TF 4/1 Preventive Medicine NCOIC. “Keeping Soldiers in the fight and conserving the fighting strength is exactly what we came out here to do.”



The TF 4/1 Preventive Medicine team will continue ANSF field sanitation training throughout the duration of the deployment, and hopes the training will continue with Preventive Medicine teams in the future.

Condors

Diligent Challenge Leader Board

Week 8



DILIGENT CHALLENGE



Week 8 Leader Board: 20-26OCT12

 <p>Gold (Top Miles)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1: SSG Valadez (D Co.) – 356.0 mi. 2: 1LT Buckland (C Co.) – 351.3 mi. 3: SPC Garcia (B Co.) – 311.5 mi. 	 <p>Silver (Run & Pushups)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1: SGT Hardy (C Co.) – 187.0 mi, 4360 PU 2: MAJ Lamotte (HHC) – 185.7 mi, 2500 PU
 <p>Gold (Top Pushups)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1: CPL Holliday (C Co.) – 12,060 PU 2: SSG Jones (HHC) – 10,655 PU 3: SPC Garcia (B Co.) – 7,132 PU 	 <p>Bronze (Pushups)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1: SPC Tarpley (C Co.) – 6,758 PU
 <p>Gold (Top Sit-ups)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1: SPC Garcia (B Co.) – 12,103 SU 2: 1LT Matter (B Co.) – 11,873 SU 3: SPC Ericksen (B Co.) – 9,542 SU 	 <p>Bronze (Sit-ups)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1: SPC Tabb (C Co.) – 4,690 SU

01 NOV 12 is the last day to turn in any back-dated trackers or to indicate desire to switch categories (i.e. Gold to Silver). All other SM will be removed from the leader board.

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B/CO & C/CO POC: SSG Carlos Warfield



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