



News Release

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ARMY BALL HONORS NCOS

The Noncommissioned Officer Corps will be honored during the 234th U.S. Army Birthday Ball, which takes place at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, June 19, at the Quad Cities Waterfront Convention Center, 2021 State St., Bettendorf. The cost is \$40 per person.

This formal event is open to the public; limited seating is still available. Contact the ASC Protocol Office, (309) 782-1848 for reservation information.

Maj. Gen. Robert M. Radin, commanding general of the Army Sustainment Command, will host the event that commemorates the U.S. Army's 234th year of existence and honors the efforts of the Army's NCOs: leaders committed to both completion of the mission and taking care of Soldiers.

The Birthday Ball features exhibits, dinner and dancing, with music provided by Black Tie Entertainment. Traditional events include toasts, the flag ceremony, and cutting of the cake.

The guest speaker is Command Sgt. Maj. Jeffrey J. Mellinger, who serves as command sergeant major for the Army Materiel Command, located in Ft. Belvoir, Va. Drafted into the Army during the Vietnam War in 1972, he has served his country throughout the world, including tours in Germany, Japan, and Iraq. Mellinger is marking his 37th year in the Army uniform, continuing to provide senior leadership to the Soldiers under his command.

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