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Staff Sgt. Cody Jernigan, band member of the Arkansas National Guard's 106th Army Band, plays Taps during the Wreaths Across America ceremony at the Arkansas State Veterans Cemetery

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This has been a busy year for the Arkansas National Guard and we try to wrap it up with our final issue of the Arkansas Minuteman magazine for 2016. Here's what's inside:

How do you celebrate the holidays when you pull 12-hour shifts, 7 days a week? MM takes a look at the experiences Arkansas Guardsmen had while they were deployed during the holidays [pg. 4](#)

When is a good time to get mail on a deployment? Mail is awesome anytime you get it but there are some rules and Howie shares some tips on sending packages to our deployed brothers and sisters [pg. 6](#)

Arkansas sent a mortar round through the glass ceiling this year by training the first female infantry Soldier in the U.S. Army. We take a look at some other female firsts Arkansas contributed to [pg. 10](#)

When a Warrant Officer says, "Hey, watch this!" People are usually wise to duck and cover but not in the case of military flyovers. Watch our video to see a couple of Arkansas Guard Chief Warrant Officers tell you that it takes a good team to pull this off [pg. 9](#)

December also marks the 75th anniversary of Pearl Harbor and service members from Arkansas were there. We remember a few Arkansans who served and sacrificed on the day of infamy.

Plus, a photo contest, a guy who walked 35 miles to drill (no kidding), promotions and running in the ccold.

We hope you enjoy this Minuteman! Let us know what you think (*as long as it is merry!*). All of us who create the MM wish you a happy holiday season and a fantastic 2017.

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2016 ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD PHOTO CONTEST



2016 has been a busy year for the Arkansas National Guard with intense training, colorful ceremonies,

international exchanges and many other events. Cameras and cell phones have been at those events to capture the moment. Send the best of what you have and enter it in the 2016 Arkansas National Guard Photo Contest.

Winning photos will capture an interesting event or show human emotion. Selection criteria will include photo composition, clarity, creativity and content. Eligible contest entries must be about the Arkansas National Guard. Three winners will be selected and each will receive a prize package and may be eligible for the NGB national media awards.

The contest is open to all members and employees of the Arkansas National Guard and their families. Entries must have name, rank, unit and your daytime phone number.

Include:

- a description of what is happening in the photo
- who or what is in the photo
- the unit(s) in the photo
- date the photo was taken
- name of the photographer

Submit high resolution (300 dpi preferred), .jpg format. Multiple entries may be submitted by an individual but winners are limited to one per family. The entry deadline is February 10th, 2017. Winners will be announced in the February Minuteman.

Send your entry to the AR NG Public Affairs office via email to:
ng.ar.aranng.mbx.daily-guard@mail.mil





ROAD

WARRIOR

SPC LAMONTE MARQUELL GATEWOOD 1036TH ENGINEER COMPANY

With no phone, no car, no ride and no money, SPC Lamonte Marquell Gatewood, was faced with a problem this past October. How was he going to make it from his hometown of West Memphis to drill with his unit in Jonesboro?

He walked.

With just a small duffle bag in his hand and his ruck sack slung on his shoulders, Gatewood began to walk the more than 60 mile trip.

Gatewood, a member of the Arkansas Guard's 1036th Engineer Company said, "I'm not going let anyone see me fail. If I had to walk, that's what I had to do. I had to make a 5 a.m. formation on Friday in Jonesboro, so I did the math and left at 9 p.m. Wednesday from West Memphis."

He said it was rainy and cold during his journey, but he was determined to keep moving.

"I walked for 16 to 18 hours, all night. At some points I was crawling," Gatewood said. "It wasn't until Thursday afternoon that someone stopped near Marked Tree and offered me a ride."

By the time he got that ride, Gatewood was 30 miles away, about halfway to Jonesboro.

The stranger, a former active duty Soldier, also bought him something to eat and drink.

Gatewood said he regrets he does not remember the man's name but said, "he answered my prayers."



When Gatewood finally arrived at the Jonesboro Readiness Center, most of the facility was closed, so he slept on a bedroll before the 5a.m. formation on Friday.

Gatewood said he didn't intend to tell his story, but the next morning at formation some of his battle-buddies asked him how he made it to drill.

"I told them I walked," he said.

Word spread and before he knew it, he was on the receiving end of many handshakes and hooahs.

Gatewood was presented a challenge coin by COL Damon Cluck, Commander of the 87th Troop Command.

"SPC Gatewood showed amazing dedication and commitment to mission accomplishment," Cluck said. "Instead of trying to get out of drill, he loaded up his ruck sack and started marching. What an incredible example!"

Sometimes you have to struggle to get ahead Gatewood added.

Gatewood says the National Guard is currently his only source of income. "I live drill check to drill check but I won't allow myself to fail."

The 1036th is going to make sure Lamonte has a ride to drill, but Gatewood says no matter what happens, "I'll make it to drill."

Holiday Deployments

BY MAJ W. B. PHILLIPS, II

Stories and memories of our Guardsmen serving overseas.



The holidays are a time of joy and festivities. Our Soldiers and Airmen who are deployed face an unusual predicament, how do you enjoy the festivities of the season when you're in a foxhole? While this may seem challenging at the outset many servicemen and women have come up with some great ways to enjoy the holidays with their extended families in uniform.

Being away from families can be difficult, especially during the holidays. More often than not many embrace this difficulty and recognize it as an opportunity to enjoy the comradery and fellowship available from their family in uniform while deployed.

“While deployed, I had my parents send me a Santa and elf suit so I could fly between my ten unit locations on Christmas Week and put a smile on the faces of my troops” said Chaplain Jeremy Miller. Miller deployed with the 39th BSTB in 2012 to Afghanistan. “My goal was to make the holiday a special moment.”

Soldiers and Airmen can be quite inventive when celebrating the holidays during deployments. They create their own Christmas trees out of fabric and office supplies, dress up as festive characters and sing carols or use whatever is around them to celebrate. Family members and total strangers often send gifts and decorations to lighten the mood. Despite this, the rigor of the work schedule makes it hard to celebrate the holidays.

Photos courtesy the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette/Michael Woods





1LT Christopher Church is currently deployed with the 77th Combat Aviation Brigade in Kuwait and said “We’re putting in 12-14 hour days up here. I forgot it was Thanksgiving until I went to lunch and the chow hall was packed full of people.”

Despite his momentary lapse, Church is still looking forward to the holidays. “I am sure we will get in the spirit closer to the day.” Church says they currently have a wreath on the door of their tactical operations center.



Senior Master Sgt. Joshua Angus is a 16-year veteran with the 189th Civil Engineer Squadron. He returned from his most recent deployment in February, 2016. Angus missed Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year’s Day and “all of the kids’ birthdays.” Despite this, Angus says leveraging technology has made it easier to stay in touch with his family back home, especially during the holidays.



“Skype and Facetime are game changers” Angus says. “Last Christmas I was lucky enough to be located in an area that had great Wi-Fi. I was able to watch my kids open their presents on Christmas.”

Whether dressing up, caroling, or using technology to reach loved ones at home, our Soldiers and Airmen will continue to find inventive ways to make holidays overseas as festive as possible.

Miller reflected, “Each year, I still put on the Santa suit and stand at the entry points to wave at folks coming on post.”



Howie's How To Send Care Packages

By Lt Col Keith Moore



to a Deployed Service Member Overseas

As anyone who has ever been deployed to a faraway outpost can tell you, receiving mail is a tremendous boost to individual morale - especially around the holidays.

After the events of September 11, 2001, America has shown a continued outpouring of support for our men and women in uniform. But increased security for our service members required the rules on mailing care packages overseas to be adjusted.

For those families and friends of first time deployers, and well-meaning church and civic groups, here is a little helpful information on "How to" send a care package to a deployed service member.

Who The U.S. Postal Service no longer accepts mail or packages addressed to "Any Service Member". For safety and security of our service members, packages **MUST** be addressed specifically and include a return address. Military Operational Security policy precludes publishing a unit's overseas mailing address to the general public or posting on social media. Be sure you have a specific three-line address routing to an individual Soldier or Airman starting with rank and full name.

Church, civic and charity groups wishing to support members of a specific deployed organization can contact the unit readiness NCO or administrative officer.

What you can send: There are strict guidelines on what types of products and materials can be mailed to service members. These restrictions stem from cultural sensitivities or local laws in the host country where the service member is deployed. These differ somewhat by region of the world. (See the graphic for specific restrictions.) Postal Service Publication 52 outlines prohibited materials and special packaging requirements. When sending food items consider perishability, shipping time and temperature differences at destination.

How UPS and Fed-Ex do not serve many of the countries and locations where our service members are deployed. The U.S. Postal Service and the Military Mail Service work closely to support letter, envelope, parcel and box shipping to all military installations or APO/FPO addresses. The fastest and most economical method is using the postal service's flat rate shipping method. These are standard sized parcel boxes that ship for a flat rate. And all parcels being shipped must be accompanied by a U.S. Customs Service declaration form USPS Form 2976 or PS Form 2976-A, depending on location to which you are shipping. Ask postal clerk or input APO + zip code if processing online.



There are also some packaging guidelines regarding padding and packaging if you are shipping liquids or powders (i.e.; Shampoo, soaps, toothpaste, foot powder, talc). This includes padding and waterproof packaging to ensure containment if damaged in transit.

<https://www.usps.com/ship/apo-fpo-dpo.htm>

For members of the public who wish to send materials to support service members but are not associated with any unit or organization, you can support the troops by contacting any of the various non-DoD Military Service organizations who still do this work. One example would be the American Red Cross, which has a Holiday for Heroes program run by their local state chapters.

Their website is: <http://www.redcross.org/support/get-involved/holiday-mail-for-heroes>.

Other organizations are listed on our DoD Resources page under Community Resources:

<http://www.defense.gov/Resources/Community-Resources/carepackages>

(<https://kb.defense.gov/PublicQueries/publicQuestions/FaqsAnswer.jsp?Subject=CarePackages&FaqlD=9>)

https://about.usps.com/postal-bulletin/2012/pb22349/html/cover_006.htm



Nice

BOXED LIST

WHO Be sure to use the specific 3-line address with APO + zip code for your Soldier/Airman or contact unit readiness NCO for drop-off of unsealed package.

WHAT Adhere to the postal service and country restrictions for materials being shipped. Include customs declaration forms

WHEN Mail/ship with plenty of lead time. Average transit time to overseas locations 9 – 15 days.

WHERE U.S. Post Office.
(UPS and FedEx do not service many overseas locations where troops are deployed.)

Naughty

DO NOT SEND TO DEPLOYED SERVICE MEMBERS

- ❄ Firearms or ammunition of any type
- ❄ Alcoholic beverages
- ❄ Obscene or pornographic materials
(cards, films, posters, magazines)
- ❄ Medications
(unless shipped direct from Hospital, Clinic or Pharmacy as official mail)
- ❄ Bulk quantities of religious materials



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ARKANSAS' DATE WITH INFAMY

BY ALLISON HIBLONG
ARKANSAS INLAND MARITIME MUSEUM

On December 7, 1941, the Empire of Japan attacked the United States' territory of Hawaii, bringing America into the Second World War. Arkansas had 144 native sons serving at Pearl Harbor on the day of the attack. Twenty-seven Arkansas service men died during the attack, including 23 on board the USS Arizona.

Arkansans made significant contributions during the events of the day in Pearl Harbor. The USS Ward, a destroyer that served in Pearl Harbor made the first shot by the United States in World War II. At 0637 the Ward attacked and sank a Japanese two-man midget submarine near the entrance to Pearl Harbor. Arkansan Ralph Lochner served aboard the Ward and a few years ago stated: "We sunk one of their subs just hours before the attack. We should have been GQ (general quarters, battle stations) after that." Lochner was right. He passed away in February 2016, at the age of 92 at his home in Mountain Home.

Minutes before the attack on Pearl Harbor and the Pacific Fleet, Kaneohe Naval Air Station was attacked. The small naval air station saw heavy losses in men and equipment. Thirty-three of the 36 Catalina planes were damaged or destroyed and 20 people lost their lives. Arkansans Luther Dayton Weaver and Rodney Shelton Foss were two sailors killed during that attack.

Foss, of Pine Bluff, was killed by a 20 mm cannon shell from a Japanese aircraft during the first strafing run, making it highly probable that he was the first United States casualty in the Pacific Theater. Foss and Weaver were honored with destroyers named after them.



The USS West Virginia battleship was the first target in Pearl Harbor struck by a torpedo. Arkansan J.W. Childs was aboard West Virginia at the time of the attack. Although covered in fuel and oil, Childs was able to escape the ship and swim to Ford Island. Crawling onto the island with no shoes, his feet were cut, which was Childs's only injury on that fateful day.

Charles Flynt, Jr., 19, another Arkansan from Lonoke County, was aboard the destroyer USS Ramsay in Pearl Harbor. Flynt said: "We were sitting across the channel from the Utah in the northwest part of Pearl Harbor. They came in there and dumped two to three torpedoes on the Utah. I glimpsed up and saw a plane with an orange ball. I knew it was the Japanese."

The destroyer was able to fire its guns at Japan's planes and began offshore patrol just before 0900. The Ramsay made contact with and used depth charges to sink one of the five Japanese midget submarines within a few hours of the attack.

Harold Newt Chaffin from Sebastian County, Arkansas, piloted one of the 12 B-17s expected that day at Hickam Field for refueling on their way to the Philippines. The B-17s arrived around 0820 right in the middle of the first attack. Stripped of their armor and ammunition for the trans-Pacific flight, the B-17s were unable to protect themselves or fight against the Japanese. Chaffin diverted to Haleiwa Auxiliary Field, although it had a shorter runway than necessary for a B-17, but with a light load and no fuel the bombers landed unharmed.

A large Army helicopter is shown in flight, hovering over a town. The helicopter is dark green and has the number '006' on its side. The town below is built on a hillside with many houses and trees. In the background, there are more hills and a clear sky.

ARMY AVIATION FLYOVERS MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE



BY SGT. STEPHEN M. WRIGHT

The Arkansas National Guard engages the community in various ways; one of which, is conducting military flyovers. These events do not just happen overnight. Over 30 maintenance personnel work hours a day to ensure that the aircraft are maintained and in superb working order. Maintenance teams will easily put in 20 to 25 man hours just to prepare one helicopter for a flyover. Aviators need ample time to plan the route, generate flight plans, pre-flight the aircraft and consider atmospheric conditions. Flyovers are most commonly conducted at military funeral honors, patriotic commemorations and other events where a military presence can have a major impact.

ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD

BY SGT. KATIE GRAY &
SGT BRITNI PADILLA-DUMAS

Fem



On December 3, 2015, combat arms roles opened up to females in the armed forces. With the new policy, the Arkansas National Guard has played a role in contributing to women's military history.

PFC Brittney Henderson, 1036th Engineer Company, became the Arkansas National Guard's first female combat engineer in July 2016.

Henderson, graduated high school in 2014 and joined the ARNG after a year of college. She was one of 30 females in her AIT class.

She said, "Everything we did, we had to prove ourselves to the males, but we found ways to get over it. The training was tough, but we did it. I did it."

Henderson's determination and strength were key to her successful attitude in training and getting her home to join the force in Arkansas. She said, "Don't give up. Don't listen to what people say. Take constructive criticism, and keep an open mind."

She graduated in June 2016 and came home to the 875th Engineer Battalion in Jonesboro, Arkansas.

"Don't be negative, and don't let anybody take you down to where you feel less than equal. It will be hard, but the negative drives you to be better and improve yourself. Stay motivated and focus on why you're there and you can do it," said Henderson.

233rd Regiment Regional Training Institute trained the first female infantry Non-Commissioned Officer in the United States Army in May 2016. SGT Shelby Atkins is a member of the Wyoming National Guard and now serves in C Co 1-297th Infantry.

"She was always eager to learn. She was ready for any task that was thrown at her and she never backed down." said 1SG Brian Smoke, Infantry Chief Instructor, 233rd Reg (RTI).

RTI also graduated the first 11C (Indirect Fire Infantryman) female in the Army. PFC Lourdes Dachowski, Washington National Guard, earned her infantry blue cord on September 29, 2016.

"I want to be an 11C because I wanted to be a part of the change, especially since it just opened up for women," said Dachowski. "I like being hands on and really doing things. It was definitely a big change."

Female Firsts

She had some advice for her fellow female service members. “As long as you have the right mind set and you’re willing to do it, then do it. Just be prepared to go to hell and back. You are expected to do your hardest in the infantry.”

Females entering combat roles in the military has been controversial. Smoke said the issue is not about gender but more about the ability accomplish the mission. “The enemy doesn’t care how many push-ups you can do or what gender you are. Are you going to be able to perform the tasks to eliminate the enemy?”

While the Army Physical Fitness Test assigns scores based on gender and age, there is no double standard for infantry combat tasks. Females must be able to accomplish those tasks the same as males to become infantrymen.

“The task is what matters. If you can complete the ruck march with the required pack, does it matter how many push-ups or sit ups you can do?” Smoke Said, “I don’t gauge whether or not you can be infantry by the PT test; I gauge it on how you can handle the physically demanding tasks.”

Brig. Gen. Tamhra Hutchins-Frye is the first female General Officer in the Arkansas Air National Guard. She was pinned on June 4, 2016, and now serves as director of the Joint Staff for the Arkansas National Guard.

“Every Airman and Soldier should know that there is someone like them at the top. And that doesn’t just mean race and gender. Diversity covers everything: economics, social, where you come from in the country. Diversity is important. Everyone should know that they can make it to the top,” said Hutchins-Frye.

In July 2012, Patricia Anslow was the first female promoted to the rank of brigadier general in the Arkansas National Guard. BG Anslow is currently serving in Europe as Chief of Staff for Kosovo Force, a NATO-led peace support operation.

As policies change, the ARNG expects to see female Soldiers and Airman achieving new milestones and breaking glass ceilings.



PFC LOURDES DACHOWSKI



BRIGADIER GENERAL TAMHRA HUTCHINS-FRYE



BRIGADIER GENERAL PATRICIA ANSLOW



WRAPPING UP
A BUSY YEAR
PARTNERSHIP
PROGRAM
BY SGT KATIE GRAY



2016 was a busy year for the international relationship between the Arkansas National Guard and Guatemala. Arkansas has been a partner with the Central American country since 2002 in the National Guard's State Partnership Program (SPP).

The 2016 Fiscal Year featured many highlights to include more than double the amount of subject matter expert exchanges as previous years.

"Members of the command group traveled to SOUTHCOM where they discussed the interest and importance of our partnership in the Central American region," said COL Don Mabry, J5/Strategic Plans Officer. "They returned with the directive to increase the number and quality of exchanges in the region and that is exactly what we have done."

This year, the Arkansas National Guard and Guatemala successfully completed 21 separate SME exchanges between the two countries, an increase of eight from FY15. While each event is only about five days long, months of planning are required to accomplish the exchanges.

"We have an extensive process that has about 40 different items to complete to make each of these exchanges work," Mabry said. "This includes Arkansas coordinating with the U.S. MILGROUP in Guatemala, the U.S. Southern Command in Miami, as well as Army-South and Air Force-South in San Antonio."

In FY 2016, the exchanges varied from explosive demolitions to urban search and rescue. BG Gregrey Bacon, deputy adjutant general, explained that the exchanges were selected based upon the goals of Arkansas' partnered country.

"The Guatemalans have a passion for their country. What I want to make sure is that what we are doing is helping them achieve the goals they set," said Bacon. "This is not about the Arkansas National Guard, the National Guard, or even the DOD telling Guatemala what's best for them. This is about us helping Guatemala."

The overall goals of Guatemala are known as the Integrated Country Strategy which is maintained by the U.S. Department of the State.



Apart from the goals of Guatemala, the Arkansas National Guard also tries to fulfill Army South's four lines of effort. "The vast majority of this year's events supported the Army South Line of effort number two, humanitarian assistance and civil support," said Bacon.

Guatemala and Arkansas are partnered countries because they share some of the same issues. "Guatemala's biggest threats are earthquakes, volcanoes, and flash floods because of topography," said Bacon. Arkansas sits on the New Madrid fault line and also struggles with flooding.

"We try to help them with emergency management response, like we do with our Arkansas Department of Emergency Management,"

said Bacon. "We work with ADEM as the National Guard. We don't run anything, but they lean on us to help facilitate and coordinate. We work with emergency managers in Guatemala to help synchronize support."

Beyond the SPP exchanges, the 87th Troop Command led a team of military engineers and medical professionals during spring 2016 for Beyond the Horizon 2016. The team provided medical care and built schools and medical clinics for the people of Guatemala.

Looking forward, Bacon would like to integrate Arkansas' plan by combining SPP and theater security cooperation events like Beyond the Horizon.

"I don't just want to execute SPP events within the SPP umbrella, and then separately execute theater security cooperation missions that could be linked and mutually supported."

Bacon would also like to see Arkansas working with other SPP states of the four nations of the northern tier: Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, and Belize.

"I want to start talking about what we are doing regionally," said Bacon. "What we do in Guatemala has some impact on what happens in El Salvador, Honduras, and Belize. Just like what they do impacts us."

Beyond the Horizon 2016 took place near the border Guatemala shares with Honduras. "Those efforts will have an effect on Honduras as well," said Bacon.

"The Beyond the Horizon engineer mission will be conducted in Belize next year," said Bacon. "There is a potential that next year's Beyond the Horizon will have an impact on the eastern border of Guatemala."

Bacon added he would like to see events planned for FY17 build upon what was accomplished in FY16. "I want to make sure the events we plan are not singular in nature and only last a week. I want them to be synchronized to where they build on each other."

By building on events from year to year, the bond between the two countries will become stronger. "I think that's how you build partner capacity. Have events that are mutually supportive and continue to build those relationships," said Bacon.

"As you build relationships, you begin to build mutual trust. I think that is probably what I'm most proud of seeing ... the new relationships building and growing."





COOL runnings

BY SGT.
STEPHEN M.
WRIGHT

HOW TO PREVENT INJURY WHEN RUNNING IN THE COLD

It's getting cold outside and it's important to remember to take the environment into consideration when you work-out this winter.

Running, a popular form of exercise, in cold weather can cause serious injuries to those who are not properly prepared. Senior physician assistant for the Arkansas National Guard and runner, LTC Aaron Kyer said, "Cold weather decreases the blood flow to our muscles and extremities. This means our blood is being kept close to our core. That is why your hands and toes get cold first, because they are the furthest away from the heart."

Kyer Said, cooler weather drastically effects outer extremities because, "they are compromised in their ability to respond to activity and are just not as pliable."

Runners often shed their cold weather gear because they think during their run they will warm up, but as they run their body sweats to cool off in an already cool environment.

Kyer says runners can get into a hypothermic situation if they are not careful. He said, "The simple solution is not to shed your headgear or gloves because if you do you'll lose a lot of body heat."

Shivering, the body's natural reaction to the cold, means you are not dressed properly. If you are outside, in a cold environment, your muscles begin to tighten up.

"If your muscles are contracted and then you extend them when you run, you are taking something that is shrinking, and you are asking it to extend" said Kyer. "Those are simple physics. Something's got to give so the muscles will tear."

It is recommended before you run in the cold weather that you complete specific lower back and leg stretches which target the hamstrings, quadriceps and calves.

Kyer said, "I've never seen anybody pull a shoulder muscle because they exercised in the cold. In the legs, I see it all the time." He also recommends, depending on your baseline of physical fitness, that you perform roughly 10 minutes of low cardiovascular activity such as walking or jogging before going on a run.

Another solution to help guard against injury from running during the winter is run indoors.

"In the cold months I run on a treadmill and I've cut down on my illnesses," said Kyer. "It's boring to be on a treadmill, but it makes a world of difference when you're talking about illness."

Kyer does not recommend running outside in the cold, especially if you are already at a physical disadvantage. "You cannot take guys that are out of shape and run them hard," he said. "If you're out of shape to begin with and then you go out and run in the cold, it's problematic."

PROMOTIONS

39TH IBCT

PV1 BACON CHRISTIAN DESHAWN
SPC BALL ELIJAH BROOKS
SPC BARCELONA AXCEL ROSS
SPC BRITT LAVONTAY JAWAIN
PFC BULLOCK DEMARCO LOUIS
MAJ BURNS WILLIAM ALEX
SPC CARROLL DAVID ALAN
SPC CONWAY BRENDAN LEE
PV1 CREEL SAMUEL CHARLES
PV1 DEATHERAGE JOSHUA RANDELL
SGT ELLISON DARRIN DWAIN
PV1 EVANS JAKE AUSTIN
SPC FAUCETTE AARON RAHEEM
PV1 FERRIS NICHOLAS CRAIG
PV2 GERDAU ADAM MICHAEL
PV2 GRAY TEVIN DESHAUN
PFC HALL MARCUS DEANDRE
SPC HANNA THOMAS ANDREW
PV1 HARRIS WILLIAM CODY
PV1 HAVARD RONNIE LEE
SGT HICKS JESSICA MEGAN
PFC HILDERBRAN CODY STEPHEN
PFC HOLLAND ZACHARY CADE
SPC HOOD MARQUIS LANE II
PV2 HOSKINS THOMAS JACOB
SGT HUTSON WILLIAM LEON
SPC JOHNSON JOSEPH BULLY
PV1 JOINER WINTER ROOK
PFC KELLEY JAY WADE
PV1 KERLEY KRISTOPHER KEVIN
PV2 KOLEN BRANTERIS DEMONTE
PV2 LEEPER RAYMOND DANIEL
SPC MADL BRANDON VINCENT
PV1 MCDOWELL JAVION MARKEL
PV1 MCVAY CODY LEE
PV2 MOLINAR RICO MATTDYLAN
SPC MULDROW CEDRIC EARL
SPC MYERS WYATT LOGAN
PFC NAVARRETE ALEXANDRA CONCHIT
PFC PADEN ASHLEY KAYLYNN
PV1 PARSON RICKY JOE II
PV1 PERRY MARKQUOIS LAVONNE
PV1 PITTS AYANNAH BREANN
SPC POOLE TRAVIS BLAKE
SSG REYNOLDS MATTHEW DARVIN JR
PV1 RUSHING JAMES WILLIAMS
PFC SERRANO BRYAN
PV2 SMITH BLAKE LEEDALE
SPC SPRADLIN JOSHUA S
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PV2 TATE BRANDON GLENN
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PV1 THRASHER REBECCA LEIGH
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PV2 CUBB ALVIN EDDIE JR
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SPC JONES NOAH ALLEN
SFC LANSFORD RUSTY LYNN
SPC MANNING ASHA TRASHAE
PV2 MIXON DAJUANA SHARDAI
CPT PATTERSON KEVIN DAVID
PFC WALTON TAMIYAH SENAY
PV1 WHITE KAYLEIGH BRIANNE

87TH TC

PV2 BAUGH JARED WADE
SPC BERKSHIRE JUSTIN WENDELL
SPC BLANKENSHIP HAYDEN HUNTER
PV1 BRYANT DEONTA QUANELL
PV2 CARPENTER BRYCE EUGENE
PV1 COLLINS KELTON MCKEE
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CPT HEMUND JAMES ELDON JR
PFC HOLCOMB JEFFREY DYWANE
SPC IVY SHANE ANTHONY
PFC LOWE IAN SPENCER
PV1 MAGEE ZAREK DAKOTA
PFC MALONE BRENNIA MARIE
SGT MARTIN ANGELA SUE
PFC MASSEY AARON LOYD
PFC MASSEY MICHAEL ZANE
PV1 MERCER DALTON GREGORY
SGT MOORE ANDREW LAWRENCE
SPC MUSIC STEPHANIE LAWRIE
SPC ORRICK CALEB PAUL
PV1 ROBNETT BRITNEY RAY
PV1 ROSE CODY ALLEN
PV1 SMITH KIMBERLY DANIELLE

PV2 WALLACE RYAN JACE
PFC WILSON RENARDO DVONTE

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SPC AUSMUS MORGANNE HOLLY
PV1 BARTON JULIA BRINN
PFC BLANSETT OTIS JOHNATHON
PV1 BLOUNT HAYLEE KATHERN
SPC BOYD CODY WAYNE
SPC BRADLEY CHRISTIAN LEE
SFC BROOKS ROY GENE JR
PV1 CASTILLO EFREN
PFC CENTENO AARON MANUEL
PV1 CLARK JUSTIN THOMAS
PV1 EVANS WYNDHAM WYETH
PV2 FRANKLINBENAC ALEXA GABRIEL
SPC GRAHAM JOSHUA DAVID
SPC HEGYES STEPHEN RANDALL
SPC HERNANDEZ JESUS BERNARDO
PFC HILL RHETT AUSTIN
SPC LESSLEY BROOKE ELIZABETH
PV1 LOPEZLOPEZ OMAR EMMANUEL
PV2 LUFF LYNNIA MAE
SPC MARTINDALE MICHAEL
PFC MEJIA JOSEMANUEL PAGLIANI
PV1 MITCHELL TRINITY ALISE
PV1 OVIEDOMARTINEZ MILTON EMANU
PV1 RAMOS WILLIAM JEHOVANY
PV1 REYNEBEAU ZACHARY JOHN
SPC SCHACHERBAUER KELSEY ERIN
PV1 SHEPHARD NICHOLAS ROBERT
PV1 TKACHUK ARON RYANTREY
SPC TRAN KEVIN VAN
PFC VALLE EDUARDO ANTONIO
PFC WALTER KYLE MATTHEW

FORT CHAFFEE JMTC

PV2 LINN SETH AUSTIN
PFC SCHULTZ DANIEL ALLEN
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Happy Birthday



The Professional Education Center and the Arkansas National Guard celebrated the National Guard's 380th birthday December 13 with a series of special events on Camp Robinson.

The events marked the creation and accomplishments of the Guard while honoring the generations of Patriots who have given their lives in defense of the freedoms we appreciate today in this great nation. Events included a birthday run and a cake cutting ceremony where the traditional military cake was be cut by the youngest and oldest National Guard members present.



The Guard traces its birthday to Dec. 13, 1636, when the General Court of the Massachusetts Bay Colony passed a law establishing formal militia companies consisting of all adult males older than 16.