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Army officials congratulated USAG Yongsan Directorate of Logistics for achieving runner-up status in the 2009 Army Award for Maintenance Excellence (medium-size category). [▶ Article](#)

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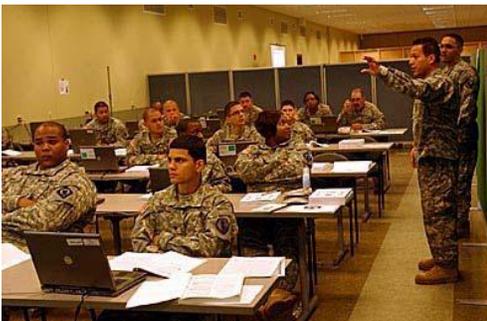
Rock Island JMTC builds relationship between education, community [▶ Article](#)

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1st Infantry Division honors D-Day vets
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Tiger to treat troops to Fourth of July weekend at AT&T National [▶ Article](#)

Army expands use of government travel cards [▶ Article](#)



Diamond Saber 2009 provides training to finance management warriors: The military's premiere multi-component financial management training began June 1. [▶ Article](#)

Kwajalein Atoll/Reagan Test Site celebrates Army's birthday

U.S. Army Kwajalein Atoll/Reagan Test Site celebrated the Army's



234th birthday and organizational day on June 13 by having a dive trip as one of the organizational activities. Members of the U.S. Army, Department of Army civilians, and spouses participated in the fun. From L to R: Kevin Osterbauer, Cera Hall, Judy McGuire, Sgt. 1st Class Calvin Stafford, Leighton Cossey, Cpt. Dirk Crawford,

James Hall, Raoul Peeden and Master Sgt. Daniel Perdue floating above. [▶ Photo](#)

Korea: Troops have fun in the sun at BOSS Beach Blast

More than 500 American and Korean Soldiers from garrisons



across the Korean peninsula came together June 12-14 at Boryeong, one of Korea's most happening beach towns located about three hours southwest of Seoul. The 17th annual Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers Beach Blast had a

larger turnout than in previous years, which was widely attributed to word-of-mouth. [▶ Article](#)

Yongsan community offers free parenting advice, support

Kids may not come with instructions, but USAG Yongsan is stepping up efforts to inform parents about free resources available



to address youth misconduct problems in the community. However, instead of focusing on the negative aspects of this behavior, the focus will be prevention and what the American Academy of Pediatrics calls "community monitoring." [▶ Article](#)



Two Soldiers take fourth at U.S. National Boxing Championships ▶ [Article](#)

Fort Bragg Cavalrymen earn spurs ▶ [Article](#)

Covenant News



Fathers interact with their children at Fort Riley's inaugural Father's Legacy Picnic June 5. ▶ [Article](#)

Army offers 10-day paternity leave for new fathers ▶ [Article](#)

Chaplains introduce video teleconference counseling for couples thousands of miles apart ▶ [Article](#)

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Privatization of U.S. Army Lodging to raise quality of life for Soldiers on the move ▶ [Article](#)

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Red Cloud: 17th Ordnance Company celebrates friendship ▶ [Article](#)

Gen. Casey reads 'Sam the Army Dog' to celebrate Army's birthday with kids at Fort Detrick's CDC



When a group of children at Fort Detrick's Forest Glen Annex Child Development Center met Army Chief of Staff Gen. George W. Casey, Jr. they rose to attention and fired off a bevy of enthusiastic salutes. Casey came to the CDC June 17 to help the children celebrate the Army's Birthday. "Do you know how old the Army is?" Casey asked. ▶ [Article](#)

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Camp Humphreys opens first and only overseas Army Traffic Safety Training Facility



The doors to Humphreys' Army Traffic Safety Training Facility opened June 2. It's the first overseas Army installation to have such a facility. "What this [facility and Army Traffic Safety Training program] is going to do is augment driver's training programs that unit commanders currently have in place," said Randy Turnage, USAG Humphreys safety manager. The facility cost approximately \$500,000 and took almost three years to build. ▶ [Article](#)

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Schofield Barracks: 130th Engineer brigade Soldiers honored at deployment ceremony

The Soldiers of the 130th Engineer Brigade bid farewell to their



island home during a deployment ceremony June 4. For the second time in a three year span, the Engineer Soldiers are answering their nation's call with a deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom." ▶ [Article](#)

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Rock Island garrison manager reads for kids to celebrate Army's 234th birthday

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Year of the NCO news



Detroit Arsenal: Garrison Manager Brenda Lee McCullough congratulates SSG Robert E. Ankobebe-Ansah, the 2009 NCO of the Year, during the arsenal's Armed Forces Day celebration ▶ [Article](#)

Team leader course trains new 3/7 NCOs to lead ▶ [Article](#)

Yongsan NCO wins region title ▶ [Article](#)

Eighth U.S. commander thanks NCOs ▶ [Article](#)

'Pride of Service' role of the NCO ▶ [Article](#)

Baumholder rolls out red carpet for returning 2nd Brigade Soldiers and their Families with Family Appreciation Day



Bringing home stories from the warfront, the 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division, is back in Baumholder after more than 14 months in Iraq. "Our task was twofold," said Col. Pat White, 2nd Brigade Combat Team

commander, about the brigade's deployment, "to improve the quality of life for the people of the Mada'in Qada through a series of projects [intended] to enhance the infrastructure of the area while simultaneously applying pressure to the insurgents to disrupt their ability to use the Mada'in as a way station for attacks in Baghdad. The Soldiers of the brigade were up to this undertaking and performed with courage and honor." ▶ [Article](#)

Heidelberg youth 'Splash N2 Summer'



Club Beyond and Child, Youth and School Services hosted a Splash N2 Summer event on Patrick Henry Village for Heidelberg middle school students June

11. Divided into four teams, they competed in Splash Volleyball, Tug-of-War and Capture the Flag. ▶ [Article](#)

On the job at Tobyhanna: Automated test equipment repair branch



The Automated Test Equipment Repair Branch's 46 employees repair and overhaul a variety of test equipment used by the military: oscilloscopes, signal generators, spectrum analyzers, power meters, radio test sets, data

communication test set, and electronic counters. The branch also overhauls the AN/TSM-191(V)3 Integrated Family of Test Equipment (IFTE) shelter. The test equipment repaired in the branch is used in the field by military members who repair and maintain operational capability of weapon and radar systems.

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Fort Eustis: Third quarter Soldier, NCO winners announced [▶ Article](#)

Force Protection News

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- Possible compromise of sensitive data
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Safety News

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Warrior NCO Spotlight: Safety NCO leads 'from the front' [▶ Article](#)

Battle mind: Training mentally arms Soldiers for combat, reports Fort Jackson [▶ Article](#)

Installation Paper of the Week



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Heidelberg installations get new 'smart' pedestrian gates that allow access with Common Access Card

A new automated "smart gate" that uses your CAC, or Common Access Card, is up and running on the Kirchheimerweg side of Patton Barracks. In the next two weeks, similar gates will start operation near the shoppette at Mark Twain Village and on Nachrichten Kaserne. Why smart gates? With today's increased security requirements, installation gates must be secured, but guards are expensive. According to one source, posting one guard for 24 hours for a year costs the Army about \$190,000. Similar gates are already in operation the Kaiserslautern and Mannheim communities. [▶ Article](#)



Fort Riley kids perform 'Sam the Dog' for Army's birthday

Andrew Parnell, dressed in woodland camouflage with painted-on whiskers, acted out Sam's dreams as part of the June 17



performance of "Sam the Army Dog" in honor of the Army's 234th birthday. Other children from Fort Riley's School Age Services took on the roles of birds, dogs, candles, Soldiers and Family members to help Sam find his dream. Cory

Robison, who played Soldier Patient No. 1, said being a part of the performance was fun but, "it took us nine days [to prepare]."

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Fort Drum Soldiers celebrate Flag Day with students



Soldiers from 2nd Battalion, 14th Infantry Regiment participated in Flag Day festivities at Evans Mills Primary School. "We asked the local and military community to come together to celebrate Flag Day," said Michael Bashaw, Evans Mills Primary School dean of students. "We're teaching our children respect, responsibility and citizenship and to understand their part in our community."

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