

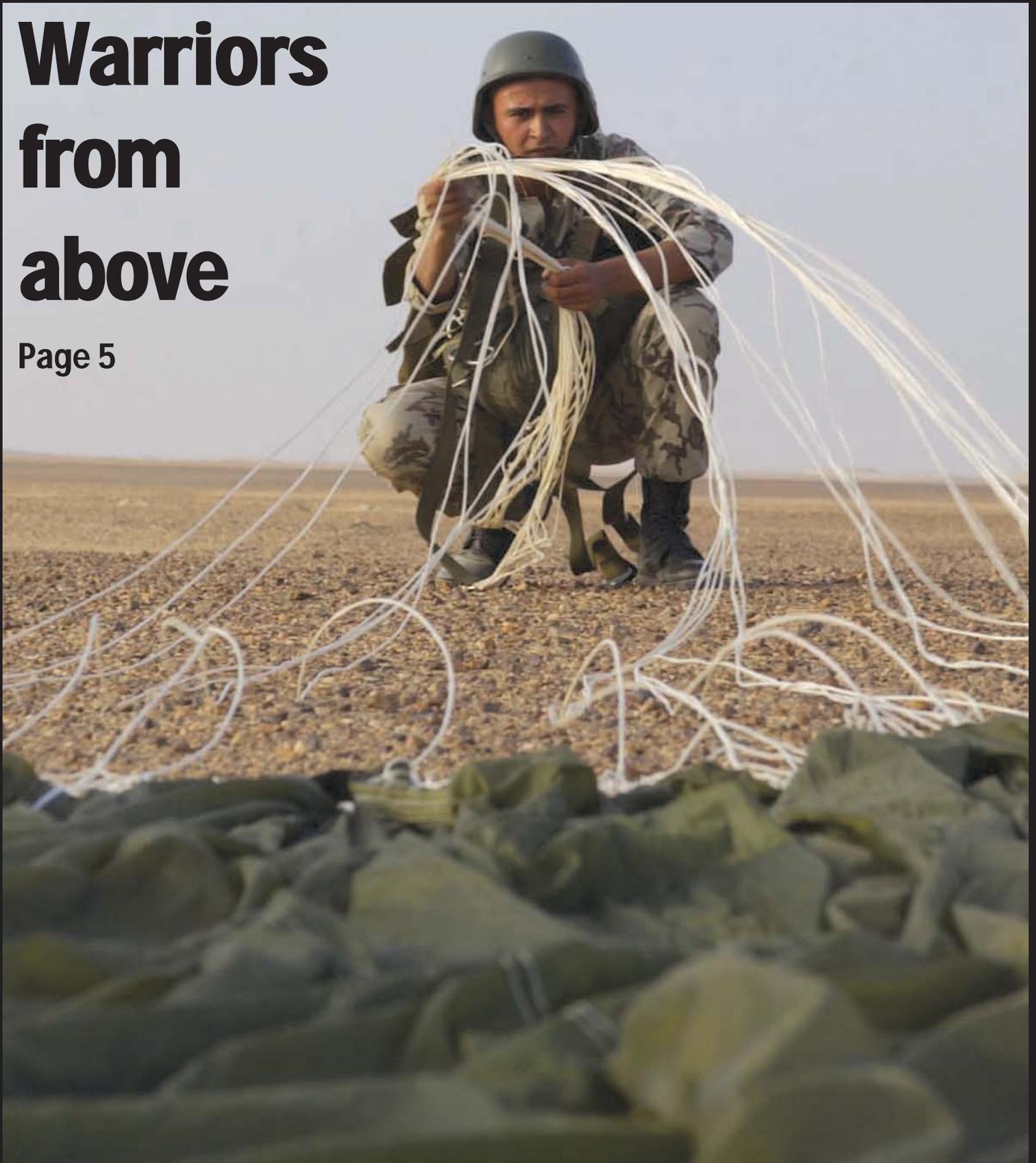
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*Sgt. Matthew Lang*

Egyptian Cpl. Waled Kaere Abd El Mouth, repacks his parachute after his landing in the Sahara. This was for the first Bright Star exercise.





Spc. Robert Adams

A truck transporting supplies north into Iraq had to pass by one of the check points manned by 383rd MCT Soldiers. The MCT recently took over north and southbound operations at the Iraq and Kuwait border.

*New faces at the border; same mission*

# 383rd MCT moves convoys in, out of Iraq

**Spc. Robert Adams**  
Assistant Editor

Soldiers from the 383rd Movement Control Team took over the mission of assisting the Kuwait government in moving convoys across the Iraq and Kuwait border as quickly and safely as possible.

The 383rd MCT, an active-duty unit from Fort Polk, La., recently took over north and southbound convoy movement operations from the 532nd MCT, a reserve unit out of Staten Island, N.Y.

The mission is to facilitate movement of United States and Coalition Forces convoys into and out of the Iraqi theater of operations, said Capt. Henry Vinson, 383rd MCT commander.

“Like Fort Polk, the mission consists of long days and short nights,” Vinson said. “The operations here still require the same

intensity ... and we have to be mindful that we are operating near enemy action.”

The MCT works 24 hours a day, with a day and night shift at both the north and south locations.

North operations facilitate movement of U.S. and coalition sustainment convoys and deploying troops into theater.

To cross over, convoys have to go through a staging and authorization process at several checkpoints.

At these checkpoints, documents and trip tickets are checked, vehicles are counted and inspections are made.

“We work with the Kuwaiti government, immigration, border patrol, customs and private truck companies to make sure this happens,” said Sgt. Anna Sanders, 383rd MCT movements noncommissioned officer.

Trucks coming south have to

follow a similar process, but spend more time in the immigration and inspection area.

“During the immigration process, we inspect all convoys entering Kuwait for contraband such as pornography, alcohol, drugs and war trophies,” Vinson said.

The unit uses interpreters to communicate with the Kuwaiti personnel and third-country nationals on a daily basis to make sure this process goes smoothly.

“These guys are real strict ... and want to know what is coming into their country,” said Staff Sgt. Christian Morales, 383rd MCT noncommissioned officer in charge. “We just enforce their rules.”

Another aspect of the MCT mission is at the border crossing, where Soldiers direct traffic, manage conflicts and act as an extra force to security forces if a

situation occurs.

They also act as the first and last buffer and advanced eyes for the tactical operations center for both the north and southbound convoys entering or exiting Iraq.

“Since we are new, at times things can get hectic, but we must maintain the flow of traffic, because any disruption of traffic flow can be bad,” Morales said.

The MCT does not accomplish its mission alone. They have the help of the 559th Transportation Detachment, an Army Reserve unit out of Florida, experienced Kellogg, Brown and Root employees, civilian contractors and TCNs.

“It is important the traffic flow stays constant to make sure all sustainment forces and equipment get down range to our Soldiers,” Morales said. “We might not be down range ... but we can make sure their equipment is.”

# Victory command passes torch

**Spc. Robert Adams**  
Assistant Editor

Camp Victory says goodbye to the 395th Quartermaster Battalion and welcomes the 206th Chemical Battalion to the new unit in charge of camp operations.

The 395th QM Bn. leaves this month after a year of rebuilding the primary redeployment camp in theater while in command.

"We were able to transform Camp Victory from a remote desert ... making the base camp more livable, better quality of life for the Soldiers deploying and redeploying in and out of Iraq," said Lt. Col. Larry Smith, Victory commander.

"We improved every aspect of life support to include force protection ... the introduction of the American tents ... reconstruction of the United Services Organization tent, Morale, Welfare and Recreation and command tactical operations center," he said.

The unit rebuilt the entry control point to allow for better command control and to provide better convoys protection.

"It is now more than double the length of the previous entry point ... this gets them inside the berm," said Victory's Command Sgt. Maj. Gary Sirois.

"It also gives us a longer time to keep visual on anybody coming to the camp,"

he said.

The 395th also transformed the motor pool to function as the de-armor site to recycle armor for the uparmor mission at Camp Virginia, as well as improved the Four Corners operation area, where they recycle supplies and have saved the government millions of dollars.

For many of the building projects, Soldiers volunteered their time to improve the quality of life on the camp.

"This is not an enduring camp, so we are not provided as much as other camps," Sirois said.

"We provide what we can by pulling our resources together," he said.

"I just happen to be blessed with a great staff that thinks outside the box," Smith said. "I hope our legacy puts a mark in the sand box."

After a busy year, 395th QM Bn. Soldiers are eager to return home.

"I'm looking forward to going home and taking a much-needed vacation," said Sgt. Shawn Piercey, 395th QM Bn., material-handling and equipment noncommissioned officer, who was training her replacement.

The 395th QM Bn. recently finished the two-week battle handoff with the 206th Chem. Bn.

As with most unit handoffs the units per-

formed a left-seat, right-seat ride.

"The first week we are in the left seat and they shadow our movements, and the next week we reverse roles and we shadow them as they assume our positions," Sirois said.

Both the incoming commander and command sergeant major said they learned a lot during the changeover.

"The best advice I've been given is to take things day by day," said Command Sgt. Maj. Donald Peyton, 206th Chem. Bn. and new Victory command sergeant major.

The two new leaders also had a positive outlook on the upcoming year in command.

"We are looking forward to continuing the success of what the 395th QM Bn. has done, and we are going to take the lessons they've learned and capitalize off of those," said Lt. Col. John Edwards 206th Chem. Bn. commander and incoming Victory commander.

The incoming unit is made up of Soldiers from two chemical battalions and five chemical companies from all across Kentucky.

The unit went through the Camp Atterbury, In., mobilization site, where they went through 73 days of training for the deployment.

"I feel it adequately trained us for this mission," Edwards said.

He added, "I'm glad to be here ... and look forward to an outstanding year."

Dear Lord,  
Thank you for this food even though  
it is chicken once again. And thank you  
for Buffalo Bob for making it edible.

Amen, my  
brother



## ARMY LIFE

by  
Michael  
Verret





Photos by Sgt. Mathew Lang

(Top) German soldiers pull perimeter security while the rest of the paratroopers descend during the multinational airfield seizure.

(Right) Egyptian Cpl. Waled Kaere Abd El Mouth repacks his parachute after landing in the Sahara Desert. Soldiers from four nations jumped during the exercise, Sept. 10.



# Reigning from the sky

**1st Lt. Veronica Saffo**  
CFLCC/114th MPAD

CAIRO, Egypt - The stars in the Cairo skies were replaced by hundreds of paratroopers from Egypt, Germany, Holland and the United States, floating by parachute to the Egyptian desert at dawn.

This multinational airfield drop was one of many coalition-building exercises conducted as part of Central Command-directed Bright Star exercise.

American paratroopers jumped with approximately 35 Egyptian paratroopers from the C-17 that flew in from Fort Bragg, N.C. These 35 Egyptians competed within their military to win the opportunity to train at Fort Bragg's Airborne School.

According to Sgt. 1st Class William Phelps, a master rated parachutist with the 82nd Airborne, 2nd Battalion, 319th Airborne

Field Artillery Regiment, this was a welcomed first for him; he had never trained with Middle Eastern soldiers before and enjoyed it.

The Egyptians went through the Basic Airborne Refresher Course to familiarize them with airborne standard operating procedures. Then conducted several jumps, weapon training and Military Operations in Urban Terrain while at Bragg.

"The Egyptians were very well trained and prepared to perform as the primary jump master ... when we hit the drop zone," Phelps said.

"Typically, airborne brethren are a cut above the rest – they operate with fewer vehicles and spend more time training. Soldiers choose to join airborne units because they want to jump. And it is always a big deal when they get the chance to earn foreign wings," said Maj. Brit Rosenberry, 82nd

Airborne operations planner.

These Soldiers will have the opportunity to earn airborne wings from the Netherlands, Germany, Jordan, Egypt and the United States, which is rewarding.

Rosenberry added that Coalition training gives the Soldiers an opportunity to develop an appreciation and understanding of how other nations are trained and formed. This is important because one day they may have the opportunity to work together again, and they will be able to recall this experience for reference in future operations.

He added, "Once you have a positive relationship, it enhances the ability to cooperate in a combat situation."



It's "Holiday Greetings" time and your chance to say hi to friends and family back home. We'll be visiting the Kuwait Naval Base/Camp Patriot Sept. 26th and 27th from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Come out to the Morale Welfare and Recreation theater tent and send a personalized video message back home.

For more information contact the KNB MWR office at DSN 839-1063. Keep reading the *Desert Voice* to see when we'll be at a camp near you.



Sgt. Lainey Poche

Soldiers from the 256th Brigade Combat Team hold a formation during the morning hours in Baghdad, Iraq. The unit was successful in completing the mission in Iraq and are ready to go home after the year-long deployment.

# Heading back home

## 256th BCT returns to Louisiana, many to help clean up New Orleans

**Spc. Michael R. Noggle**  
CFLCC PAO/11th PAD

After a year of fighting in Iraq, the 256th Brigade Combat Team, a Louisiana National Guard unit, is preparing to head home.

The unit conducted operations throughout the streets of Baghdad and some will be returning home to help out with the clean-up operations in New Orleans, La., from the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

The brigade played a huge role in Operation Iraqi Freedom and felt they accomplished more than what was expected, said Spc. Joseph Witzell, Company B, 2nd Battalion, 156th Infantry Regiment, 256th BCT.

"The brigade was successful in conducting security for last year's Iraq elections and transitioning battle-space back to the Iraqi forces," said Maj. Bruce Ellis, 256th BCT operations officer. "Transition was the main goal and we wanted to give the fight back to the Iraqi soldiers."

Over the last year, the unit safeguarded the outskirts of western and southern Baghdad. With help from two Iraqi brigades, the BCT

moved into the country's capital, secured the city and furnished the battle-space back to the Iraqis.

"We were able to provide route security and clearance for dignitaries that ran from the international zone to Baghdad International Airport," Witzell said. "Our unit was attached to the 1st Battalion, 69th Infantry Regiment, and we worked a lot with the Iraqi Police and set up checkpoints ... so any cars with weapons or explosives were stopped before they caused any harm."

Witzell recalled numerous instances where he had nightmares or fears of going back out for another convoy mission.

Having lost his squad leader, platoon sergeant and other friends while conducting security for the convoy route, Witzell explained the mission was very stressful and emotional at times for his company.

"I've served with some very bright, intelligent and courageous people," he said.

"Having lost those great people, it was a lot to adjust to for a 19-year-old straight out of basic training. Overall, I learned a lot about myself."

"It's been the best of times and it's been

the worst of times. We hated losing such great men and that was the worst of times, but the friendships we developed and being with the 69th Infantry Regiment were the best of times," Witzell recited from a speech given by his company commander.

After this deployment, Witzell said he, as well as others from the unit, will return to their homes and families in south central Louisiana and then help in New Orleans.

Soldiers who are demobilizing with the Louisiana units or are from the area can stay on active duty and help with the hurricane relief efforts for the state, Ellis said. No Soldier will be forced into the program who is redeploying.

Witzell stated he wants to help out anyway he can once he gets home.

"It's kind of the same feeling as fighting alongside with my buddies over here," Witzell said.

He added, "It's not about what I do as a Soldier; it's about the guy standing next to you and how it affects them. I'm National Guard and that's our job, to take care of state emergencies, protect our state and the country."

# Soldiers share families' hurricane stories

**Spc. Michael R. Noggle**  
CFLCC PAO/11th PAD

While the clean-up and recovery efforts continue after Hurricane Katrina, Soldiers from the 377th Theater Support Command at Camp Arifjan shared some of their families' stories.

We're are kind of switching roles, said Spc. Andrew Hermann, 10-year resident of New Orleans, La. The family is worried about Hermann and his brother, who is serving in Afghanistan right now, but the brothers are just as worried for their family.

Hermann said that he had been in contact with his wife and family prior to the hurricane striking a large portion of the southeast territory of the United States. His mother's house was destroyed, while his house suffered minor water damage.

Hermann feels lucky that his family was able to evacuate the city in time; however, everyone wasn't as fortunate.

"It's hard for me to get to sleep at night, thinking of those who might be gone, and those who are lost," said Spc. Kerry Lee, 21-year resident of New Orleans. "I feel bad sometimes; I can't sit here comfortably and say everything is fine with me when I can't get in contact with those that love me the most."

While Lee was grateful his wife and most of his family was able to depart New Orleans, he said his brother and two nephews stayed in the city and have not been heard from since three days prior to the hurricane striking. "My wife is very upset right now, along with my mother," he said. "They have been doing everything to locate him, and my mother has been in the city looking for him."

Lee's family has lived in New Orleans almost 30 years and many have lost their homes or suffered severe damage to property.

"A lot of my family is going to have to start over, rebuilding from the ground up," he said. "It's kind of hard to say we're going to move on and go live somewhere else. There's so much history, so much family background there on the streets of New Orleans."

Some of the Soldiers from the 377th have been sent home on emergency leave to be with their families.

Hermann was unable to take emergency leave, but Lee was sent home to be with his family.

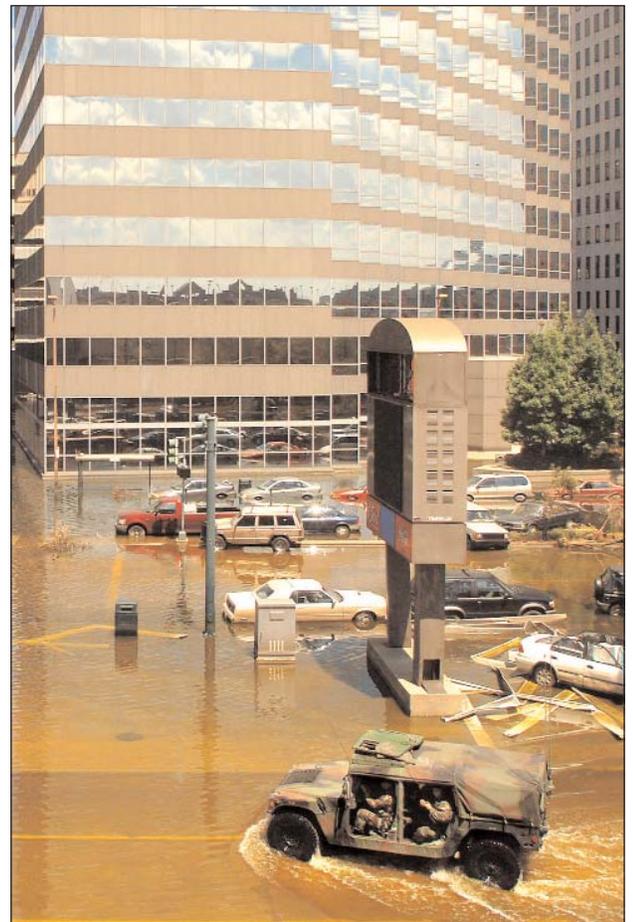
"I've been very positive and praying a lot of late," Lee said. "When I get home, I'm going to help my family as much as possible and look for my brother."

Both Lee and Hermann said that with all the destruction it will be hard to go back to a place they left only five weeks ago. Each will be taking rest and recuperation leave in the future to help rebuild, restore and rescue anything they have left of their personnel belongings.

"It's going to be a smaller city and people aren't going to want to come back and help rebuild," Hermann said. "I have been fortunate, and I will go back to a home because my wife will take care of a lot while I'm here."

"Every city in our nation that has been damaged by something catastrophic has bounced back," Hermann said. "It may not have bounced back right away, but over time it has."

For Soldiers and all members of the Army family who need assistance because of Hurricane Katrina contact the Well-Being Liaison Office at [Katrina.relief@us.army.mil](mailto:Katrina.relief@us.army.mil) or call them at 1-800-833-6622.



*DoD photos*

**A U.S. Army Humvee traverses through floodwater surrounding the Superdome in New Orleans, La., September 2005.**



**U.S. Army National Guardsman Spc. James Meidl operates a D-7 Bulldozer to help clear the roads Sept. 5 in support of Joint Task Force Katrina. Meidl is a heavy equipment operator assigned to the 890th Engineering Battalion in Columbia, Miss.**

Dollars, sense

# Troops have options to save

**Spc. Janine Coogler**

**CFLCC PAO/11th PAD**

**I**t is almost amazing how quickly servicemembers can spend money, even in a deployed environment.

Between the Post Exchange, Beauty Spa, and all the fast food restaurants, the \$10 spent here or there can quickly add up. At the end of the year, what can you say you did with all the extra money earned while deployed?

“As servicemembers, we have a unique opportunity by virtue of the various deployment entitlements to wisely invest our money,” said Maj. Lawrence Anyanwu, deputy finance accounting officer. “Whether or not they use the options is up to them.”

By nature, many people are spenders, which results in poor money management, Anyanwu said.

“If someone has the tendency to buy something every time he is in the PX, then he needs to reduce the amount of money he carries so he can not spend as much,” he said.

He advised, Instead of buying coffee every day, spend less by getting it free at the dining facility every now and then.

People must make conscious efforts to save money, Anyanwu said. As people age, medical conditions naturally occur and without prudent investment now, it will be hard to maintain such medical expenses. Save and invest today in order to sustain quality of life when it is really needed.

Deployed servicemembers have the best opportunity to save money, Anyanwu said.

The extra money earned while deployed should be considered exactly what it is: extra. Anyanwu said. Servicemembers could put some money in long-term investments without missing it because their budget was formulated without deployment entitlements.

Deployed servicemembers in Kuwait receive combat zone tax exclusions, \$100 hazard duty pay for location, \$225 hostile fire pay per month, \$3.50 per diem and \$250 family separation allowance for those with permanent dependents.

But for dual military, if both servicemembers are deployed, only one servicemember may receive the family separation pay entitlement. Another entitlement for deployed servicemembers is the Savings Deposit Program.

In the SDP, deployed servicemembers who serve in areas that qualify for combat zone tax exclusion may deposit money and accrue a 10 percent interest compounded annually, but compounded quarterly at 2.5 percent. Interest accrues on

amounts

up to \$10,000. Once servicemembers return home, they have 90 days to withdraw the money.

In addition to the SDP, servicemembers may put their money in the Thrift Savings Plan.

In the TSP, Soldiers can choose to invest in lifetime funds. Participants may choose any of five funds under the TSP: government securities investment fund, fixed income index, common stock index investment fund, small-capitalization stock index investment fund and international stock index investment fund. On August 1, TSP introduced a sixth fund called life cycle funds

According to [www.tsp.gov](http://www.tsp.gov), lifecycle funds are target asset allocation funds.

These funds have a mix of investments of different types and characteristics, such as domestic stocks, international stocks and bonds.

The mix is chosen based on the date servicemembers expect to use the money. If the money is expected to be invested over a long period of time, the lifecycle fund will be more heavily weighted toward stocks or stock funds.

As the expected date nears, the allocation will be weighted more heavily toward fixed income or stable value investments like bonds or treasury securities.

The TSP accounts are professionally managed by people who understand the market, but servicemembers have the option to move their money where they want to if they are inclined, Anyanwu said.

He warned, “Always read about where you are going to put your money and understand the level of risk.”

In addition, servicemembers should make sure they are out of debt and have some savings, Anyanwu said.

This will delay the possibility of withdrawing money from the long-term investments when it is accumulating, he said.

Although investing is good for future planning, the best strategy is to have a mixture of savings and long-term investments, Anyanwu said.

He recommends having about three to six months worth of funds accessible, especially if they are active-duty Soldiers transitioning to Army Reserve.

Servicemembers should be advised not to gamble their money in investments if they don't know what they are doing, Anyanwu said. Become knowledgeable on investing or pay a professional.

He added, “Money isn't everything, but it will surely enable you to live comfortably in your golden years. That is only possible if you invest now!”



Photos by Spc. Debralee P. Crankshaw

**Sgt. Shavonda Bivens, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Area Support Group - Kuwait administration noncommissioned officer, searches for a number.**



**Senior Airman Thomas Truong, Coalition Land Force Component Command, engineer team, points a thank you at the caller for the number he needed during Bingo night at Arifjan.**

# Bingo brings joy to servicemembers

**Spc. Debralee P. Crankshaw**  
CFLCC PAO/11th PAD

“Bingo!” shouts the caller. As the group looks dejectedly around the room searching for the winner the caller adds ... “is the name of the game.”

The caller for bingo at Camp Arifjan, Rey Santos, Morale, Welfare and Recreation recreation clerk, said he likes things that keep the game interesting and lighten the mood.

“All the players are expecting to win and are disappointed when they don’t, so I have punch-lines to make them smile,” Santos said.

Bingo is held every other Tuesday at the Zone 1 Community Center.

The bingo system was ordered more than two years ago because bingo at Frosty’s MWR Center at Camp Doha was so successful, according to Rhea Sarver, MWR recreation services supervisor.

According to Santos, when he arrived in theater, more than a year ago, the bingo system was rarely being used and the turnout was only a handful of people. Now there are 90-130 people attending.

“It’s an awaited event every month,” Santos said. “The turnout is so good that this is the only event that has been ongoing for two to three times a month.”

Senior Airman Thomas Truong, a bingo regular since May, said he plays for fun and prizes.

Every bingo round is different. One is played for a horizontal row, another for a vertical and others are even more complicated patterns like the champagne glass and black out.

Prizes are given for each of the 15 rounds of the game. The prizes, bought by Morale, Welfare and Recreation, include comforters, picture frames, beach towels, tea sets, chess sets and items from the Middle East.

Truong said he keeps coming back because he enjoys playing.

“I think it’s an easy game to play,” he said. “It’s good to kill some time. It’s also a good way to release the stress from working hard all day.”

Playing a few times in the United States wasn’t as thrilling as the game here, Truong said.

“It’s a lot more fun here,” Truong said. “The guy who is calling makes it more interesting – instead of just calling the numbers he varies it.”

People also attend for reasons other than playing, Truong said.

“You can show up and get some free food while you’re playing – sometimes they even have cake or ice cream,” Truong said. “You

can even make new friends. Most of the people are really friendly and happy – they seem to have a lot of fun.”

## Fires of Kuwait

On Aug. 2, 1990 Saddam Hussein’s Iraqi Army invaded and brutally occupied the sovereign nation of Kuwait. For seven months they dominated the country until U. S. and Allied Forces defeated the Iraqi Army and forced them to withdraw. The Iraqis used every means at their disposal to make their departure as costly as possible including igniting oil fires throughout the nation.

A special presentation, “Fires of Kuwait,” will recount these events 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday at Camp Arifjan’s Zone 1 Chapel. This 40-minute documentary chronicles the oil fires: how they were started, the ensuing environmental disaster and the nine month clean-up after the Kuwaiti liberation.

After the film, a panel of Kuwaiti citizens will discuss their experiences during the invasion, occupation and clean-up and answer questions.

# K-9 deploys to Egypt

**Pvt. Kat Briere**  
CFLCC PAO/114th PAD

MUBARAK MILITARY CITY, Egypt - For many servicemembers an overseas deployment to the desert isn't an easy adjustment, but for a K-9 it seems like just another day in the sun.

Britt is a black on brown, traditional-looking, 68-pound German Shepard that has been trained in areas of patrol and detection.

He was partnered four months ago with Sgt. Aaron G. Eastman of the 18th Military Police Detachment, Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

Together Britt and Eastman were temporarily attached to the 546th Military Police Co., Fort Stewart, Ga., and are here in Egypt now on a force protection mission in support of the Central Command / Coalition Forces Land Component Command-directed Bright Star exercise.

"We're here on a 'real-world mission' to protect the Soldiers out here training in this exercise and we'll be here until the end," Eastman said.

Under the guidance of Eastman, Britt is a vital asset to the United States military. With his presence alone, he is able to assist the MPs with area patrol using psychological deterrence.

"People see the dog and they think twice," Eastman said.

More important than deterrence are his detection capabilities, his sense of smell is amazing and exceptionally sensitive, Eastman said.

On command, a K-9 can clear a vehicle more effectively or sweep a building faster with far less risk of casualty than a human, Eastman said.

"They don't even have to enter a room," he said. "They're trained to sniff the doorways and they know if someone's inside."

Among other duties at stateside military installations, military dogs are routinely put to work using their ability to "sniff out" and intercept an array of illegal substances such as narcotics during bulk mail inspections.

While serving on overseas missions, their ability to detect explosive devices is another invaluable asset. This ability can be essential in several situations such as, here at Bright Star, during a customs check at an airport or on the ground in Iraq preventing U.S. troops from inadvertently encountering improvised explosive devices.

Like most servicemembers, Britt enjoys his job even if to him the mission feels like a game of hide-and-seek.

However, to the Soldiers affected by his work it is much more than a game, and the reward for a game won could be a life saved.



*Sgt. Whitney Hughes*

**Spc. Richard Sifers, a military police Soldier from the 169th MP Co., helps Sgt. Aaron Eastman train Britt, an MP canine, by taking a bite while wearing a protective sleeve at the Mubarak Military City Sept. 5.**

## No sweat, no gain

*Spc. Debralee Crankshaw*

**Marine Cpl. Natalie Riley, administration chief, Movement Coordination Cell - Kuwait, 2nd Marine Expeditionary Force, follows the lead of Billy Blanks, the creator of Tae Bo, during his visit at Camp Arifjan. Blanks visited Arifjan and Ali Al Salem, giving a class, signing autographs and giving words of encouragement to servicemembers with his daughter, Shellie Blanks-Cimarosti.**



# Community

## happenings for Sept. 21 through Sept. 28

### Arifjan

#### Wednesday

Indoor Volleyball League, Zone 1 Fitness Center, through Sept. 29  
 Soccer tournament preseason, Zone 1 soccer field  
 Mexican Music Night, 7 p.m., Zone 1 Community Center  
 Country Music Night, 7 p.m., Zone 6 stage

#### Thursday

Dave Attell, 7 p.m., Zone 6 stage  
 Ballroom dancing, 8 p.m., Zone 1 Community Center  
 Indoor Volleyball League, Zone 1 Fitness Center, through Sept. 29  
 Soccer tournament preseason, Zone 1 soccer field  
 Country Music Night, 7 p.m., Zone 1 Community Center

#### Friday

Indoor Volleyball League, Zone 1 Fitness Center, through Sept. 29  
 Soccer tournament preseason, Zone 1 soccer field  
 Arifjan Boxing Team, 7:30 p.m., Zone 6 Fitness Center  
 Salsa Night, 7 p.m., Zone 1 Community Center

#### Saturday

Oktoberfest, 7 p.m., Zone 1 Community Center  
 Indoor Volleyball League, Zone 1 Fitness Center, through Sept. 29  
 Soccer tournament preseason, Zone 1 soccer field  
 Salsa Night, 7 p.m., Zone 1 food court  
 Country Music Night, 7 p.m., Zone 6 stage

#### Sunday

Sundae and a Movie, Rebound, 7 p.m., Zone 1 Community Center  
 Indoor Volleyball League, Zone 1 Fitness Center, through Sept. 29  
 Soccer league, Zone 1 soccer field  
 Salsa Night, 7 p.m., Zone 6 stage

#### Monday

Karaoke Night, 7 p.m., Zone 1 Community Center  
 Indoor Volleyball League, Zone 1 Fitness Center, through Sept. 29  
 Soccer league, Zone 1 soccer field  
 Arifjan Boxing Team, 7:30 p.m., Zone 6 Fitness Center

#### Tuesday

Bingo, 7 p.m., Zone 1 Community Center  
 Soccer league, Zone 1 soccer field  
 Indoor Volleyball League, Zone 1 Fitness Center, through Sept. 29

#### Wednesday

Indoor Volleyball League, Zone 1 Fitness Center, through Sept. 29  
 Soccer league, through Nov. 5, Zone 1 soccer field  
 Mexican Music Night, 7 p.m., Zone 1 Community Center  
 Country Music Night, 7 p.m., Zone 6 stage

**For more information call 430-1205/1302**

### Buehring

#### Wednesday

Walking Club (5 miles), 5 a.m., command cell flagpole

#### Thursday

Walking Club (5 miles), 5 a.m., command cell flagpole  
 Flag football begins  
 Tae-Kwon-Do class, 7 p.m., MWR Tent 1

#### Friday

Walking Club (5 miles), 5 a.m., command cell flagpole

#### Saturday

Spa Day, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., MWR Tent 1  
 Tae-Kwon-Do Class, 7 p.m., MWR Tent 1

#### Sunday

Spa Day, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., MWR Tent 1  
 Walking Club (10 miles), 4:30 a.m., command cell flagpole

#### Monday

Walking Club (5 miles), 5 a.m., command cell flagpole  
 Massage Therapy, 9:30 a.m., PSS Tent 3

#### Tuesday

Walking Club (5 miles), 5 a.m., command cell flagpole  
 Tae-Kwon-Do class, 7 p.m., MWR Tent 1

#### Wednesday

Walking Club (5 miles), 5 a.m., command cell flagpole

**For more information call 828-1340**

### Kuwait Naval Base

**For information call 839-1063**

### Navistar

#### Saturday

Pool tournament

#### Sunday

Pool tournament

#### Tuesday

Smoking cessation class, 10 a.m., chapel  
 Education awareness/prevention, 1 p.m., chapel

**For more information call 844-1137**

### Spearhead/SPOD

**For information call 825-1302**

### Victory

#### Wednesday

Texas Holdem Tournament, 6 p.m.

#### Thursday

Aerobics, 5 a.m., MWR

#### Saturday

Camp Victory Olympics

#### Sunday

Camp Victory Olympics

#### Tuesday

Aerobics, 5 a.m., MWR

Spa Day, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

**For more information call 823-1033**

### Virginia

#### Wednesday

Billiards tournament, 7 p.m., Sports Lounge

Country Night, 7 p.m., Dusty Room

#### Thursday

Karaoke Night, 7 p.m., Dusty Room

#### Friday

Spa Day, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., Dusty Room

Salsa Night, 8 p.m., Dusty Room

#### Saturday

Checkers tournament, 7 p.m., MWR Tent

Hip Hop Night, 8 p.m., Dusty Room

#### Sunday

Old School Jams, 8 p.m., Dusty Room

#### Monday

Horseshoes, 4 p.m., horseshoe pits

#### Tuesday

Unit Feud, 7 p.m., Dusty Room

#### Wednesday

Country Night, 7 p.m., Dusty Room

**For more information call 832-1045**

**Send event listings to the Desert Voice editor's e-mail address listed on page 2.**

### Arifjan/Ali Al Salem Shuttle Schedule

Departs	Arrives
6 a.m.	8:15 a.m.
8:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
10:45 a.m.	1 p.m.
1:15 p.m.	3:30 p.m.
3:45 p.m.	6 p.m.
6:15 p.m.	8:30 p.m.
8:45 p.m.	11 p.m.
11:15 p.m.	1:30 a.m.

\* Buses depart and arrive from both locations at these times

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