



## Interrogator's goal: save lives, prevent attacks with information

**Story, photo by Staff Sgt. Mark Bell, 372nd MPAD CAMP STEEL FALCON, Iraq**—Being able to gather information that helps prevent terrorist attacks against the Iraqi people or coalition forces provides a military intelligence soldier with the motivation to continually improve.

Working behind the scenes, Spc. Daemon Lowell, 22, who calls Virginia Beach home, is a human intelligence collector, more commonly known as an interrogator, assigned to the 1st Armored Division Artillery Combat Team.

Lowell is one of several interrogators assisting soldiers and paratroopers assigned to the DCT with information needed for their missions in southern Baghdad.

Lowell said his ability to speak fluent Arabic is very useful in certain situations.

"When I want to get a special point across I don't want the interpreter to have to speak for me," he said.

Because words have greater impact coming from the original source, Lowell said a detainee hearing interrogators speaking Arabic does several things.

"First, it shocks them when they realize that everything they have said to the interpreter was understood by the interrogator -- especially when the detainee asks the 'Terp' for help," he said.

"Secondly, when trying to gain the trust of the detainee so that he will trust my word and give me information, speaking Arabic make him lower his guard because I am not as strange to him anymore."

Although Lowell does not accompany his comrades on operations, his commitment to the mission is just as intense as any infantryman or artilleryman walking the streets of Baghdad, he said.

"The most satisfying part of my job would have to be when a prisoner starts telling all, and I am able to report that information and we are able capture other criminals," he said. "I get such a great feeling inside when people are captured that are trying to halt the progress and development of Iraq and kill my fellow soldiers."

Lowell said his good feelings are compounded



**Spc. Daemon Lowell, an interrogator assigned to the Division Artillery Combat Team, Task Force 1st Armored Division, conducts preventative maintenance checks and services on his section's vehicle.**

when information that he has gathered prevents a terrorist incident or leads to the apprehension of additional insurgents.

The only downside to his job is filling the out stacks of paperwork required after each interrogation, he said.

"The reports are not particularly difficult, but they are tedious and tiresome," said the three-year Army veteran.

Based on his observations of detainees, "bad guys" come from all segments of Iraqi society.

"I have seen people from every walk of life -- from the inordinately wealthy businessman to the 'Average Joe' and even an insane man," he said.

However, the detainee's human rights are respected -- no matter his or her station in life, he said. The tone of the interrogation depends on the detainee's attitude.

"If they are cooperative and don't give me a hard time, I am a very friendly person," he said. "If they decide that they want to play games, well, we play games too," he said.

Lowell said he gets up every morning knowing he is doing his best to serve his country to the utmost of his ability.

"I will make a positive impact on my country and planet by utilizing my God-given gifts in the proper fashion," he said.

## NEWS...

### Shiites Press for Elected Iraqi Assembly

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) - The leader of Iraq's biggest Shiite political party on Tuesday described the nation's interim constitution as a "huge achievement" but echoed criticism by an influential Shiite cleric that parts of the document encroached on the powers of a future elected parliament.

In Balad Ruz, north of Baghdad, a U.S. 1st Infantry Division soldier was killed - the first to die in combat since March 2 - and another was wounded after a roadside bomb exploded, Maj. Debra Stewart said.

### Iraqi: Saddam 3 Years From Nukes in '91

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) - Iraq was three years away from producing a nuclear bomb before the 1991 Gulf War, the No. 2 Iraqi scientist on the secret atomic program said Tuesday, offering a rare insider's assessment.

Noman Saad Eddin al-Noaimi, a former director-general of Iraq's nuclear program, told The Associated Press the Iraqis were able to produce less than 2.2 pounds of highly enriched uranium before the program was halted. It is estimated that a bomb would require at least 22 pounds.

### Marines Kill Driver at Haiti Checkpoint

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) - U.S. Marines shot and killed the driver of a vehicle speeding toward a military checkpoint, a spokesman told The Associated Press on Tuesday, the second reported fatality at the hands of the peacekeepers.

A passenger in the car also was wounded in the Monday night shooting, said the spokesman, Sgt. Timothy Edwards, in a telephone interview.

### Sniper Killer Muhammad Sentenced to Death

MANASSAS, Va. (AP) - John Allen Muhammad was sentenced to death Tuesday for his role in the sniper shootings that terrorized the Washington area. Circuit Judge LeRoy F. Millette Jr. turned aside a plea from Muhammad's lawyers to spare their client's life. He ordered Muhammad executed on Oct. 14, but that date likely will be postponed to allow appeals.

## Thought for the day...

### "Brotherhood"

While breaking the "color barrier" in Major League Baseball, Jackie Robinson faced jeering crowds in every stadium. While playing one day in his home stadium in Brooklyn, he committed an error. His own fans began to ridicule him. He stood at second base, humiliated, while the fans jeered.

Then shortstop "Pee Wee" Reese came over and stood next to him. He put his arm around Jackie Robinson and faced the crowd. The fans grew quiet. Robinson later said that arm around his shoulder saved his career.

## From the final frontier...

### Hubble Images Show Deepest Universe View

By PAUL RECER, AP Science Writer  
BALTIMORE (AP) -- Astronomers at the Space Telescope Science Institute released the deepest-ever view of the universe Tuesday, a long-duration exposure that reached out to a point just a few hundred million years from the Big Bang.

Officials said the Hubble image contains an estimated 10,000 galaxies, and astronomers around the world will now search in this field of view for the most distant objects known.

Steven V. W. Beckwith, director of the institute, said the long-duration exposure by the orbiting space telescope collected light that has been streaking through space for more than 13 billion years and started its journey when the universe was only 5 percent of its present age, believed to be about 13.7 billion years.

"For the first time, we're looking back at stars that are forming out of the depths of the Big Bang," Beckwith said. "We're seeing the youngest stars within a stone's throw of the beginning of the universe."

The images were collected by focusing the Hubble's instruments at a single point in the sky for 1 million seconds, an exposure that took more than 400 orbits of the space telescope.

Beckwith said finding the faintest objects in the long-term exposure, called the Hubble Ultra Deep Field, is like trying to collect the light from a firefly hovering over the moon.

The images were collected over four months starting last September.

The portion in the sky imaged by the Hubble was very small and astronomers compared it to looking at the sky through an 8-foot long soda straw.

Researchers will now take the images and search for the most distant objects and study the 10,000 galaxies, some of which are in bizarre and unusual shapes.

The Big Bang theory holds that the universe started with an immense explosion and that the universe then cooled and became a place of darkness, lacking stars and galaxies.

About 300 million years after the Big Bang, stars and galaxies began to form and that would be the limit of the physical universe.

Probing that frontier must await a larger telescope, which NASA plans to launch in 2011. That instrument, called the James Webb Telescope, is expected to reach to the very edge of the dark ages.

Researchers at the institute say a quick look at the ultra-deep first images shows a wide range of galaxies in different sizes, shapes and colors. Many of them seem to be interacting with their gravitations, attracting and ripping each other apart and forming strange shapes.

Astronomers said at the time these galaxies are imaged, the universe was much smaller and the galaxies were much closer together, thus causing chaotic collisions and changes in galactic structure.

## Today in History...

### March 10, 1876: SPEECH TRANSMITTED BY TELEPHONE

(HISTORYCHANNEL.COM) On this day, the first discernible speech is transmitted over a telephone system when inventor Alexander Graham Bell summons his assistant in another room by saying, "Mr. Watson, come here; I want you." Bell had received a comprehensive telephone patent just three days before.

Alexander Graham Bell, born in Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1847, was the son of Alexander Melville Bell, a leading authority in public speaking and speech correction. The young Bell was trained to take over the family business, and while still a teenager he became a voice teacher and began to experiment in sound. In 1870, his family moved to Ontario, Canada, and in 1871 Bell went to Boston to demonstrate his father's method of teaching speech to the deaf. The next year, he opened his own school in Boston for training teachers of the deaf and in 1873 became professor of vocal physiology at Boston University.

In his free time, Bell experimented with sound waves and became convinced that it would be possible to transmit speech over a telegraph-like system. He enlisted the aid of a gifted mechanic, Thomas Watson, and together the two spent countless nights trying to convert Bell's ideas into practical form. In 1875, while working on his multiple harmonic telegraph, Bell developed the basic ideas for the telephone. He designed a device to transmit speech vibrations electrically between two receivers and in June 1875 tested his invention. No intelligible words were transmitted, but sounds resembling human speech were heard at the receiving end.

On February 14, 1876, he filed a U.S. patent application for his telephone. Just a few hours later, another American inventor, Elisha Gray, filed a caveat with the U.S. Patent Office about his intent to seek a similar patent on a telephone transmitter and receiver. Bell filed first, so on March 7 he was awarded U.S. patent 174,465, which granted him ownership over both his telephone instruments and the concept of a telephone system.

Three days later, on March 10, Bell successfully tested his telephone for the first time in his Boston home. In May, he publicly demonstrated the invention before the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in Boston, and in June at the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia. In October, he successfully tested his telephone over a two-mile distance between Boston and Cambridgeport.

In 1877, he formed the Bell Telephone Company with two investors, and the first commercial applications of the telephone took place. Within a few months, the first of hundreds of legal challenges to Bell's telephone patent began. The U.S. Supreme Court eventually upheld Bell's claims, and the Bell Telephone Company enjoyed a monopoly on the telephone until the expiration of the patent in 1894. After 1878, however, the legal battles were out of Alexander Graham Bell's hands because he sold his company to a group of financiers. The company, which after 1899 was led by the parent American Telephone and Telegraph Company (AT&T), eventually grew into the largest corporation in the world.

Alexander Graham Bell continued his experiments in communication, inventing the photophone, which transmitted speech by light rays, and the graphophone, which recorded sound. He continued to work with the deaf, including the educator Helen Keller, and used the royalties from his inventions to finance several organizations dedicated to the oral education of the deaf. He later served as president of the National Geographic Society. Beginning in 1895, he experimented with the possibility of flight and built giant man-carrying kites and a hydrofoil craft. He died in 1922 at his summer home and laboratory on Cape Breton Island, Canada.



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# The Old Ironsides Report March 10, 2004

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Start Time	SPORTS	ATLANTIC	SPECTRUM	PACIFIC	NEWS	Start Time
00:00		HEADLINE NEWS	REMAINS OF THE DAY	TODAY		00:00
00:30		TONIGHT SHOW WITH JAY LENO :			NAVY/MARINE CORPS NEWS	00:30
01:00	AROUND THE HORN				LESTER HOLT LIVE	01:00
01:30	PARDON THE INTERRUPTION	THE LATE SHOW WITH DAVID LETTERMAN :				01:30
02:00	SPORTSCENTER			SESAME STREET	HEADLINE NEWS	02:00
02:30		ACCESS HOLLYWOOD	EBERT & ROEPER AT THE MOVIES :		NBC NIGHTLY NEWS	02:30
03:00	WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL - BIG EAST CHAMPIONSHIP GAME	THE IRON GIANT	ROCKET POWER : - THE LINGOS/ SHARK ATTACK	BLUE'S CLUES - WHAT'S INSIDE?	ABC WORLD NEWS TONIGHT	03:00
03:30			THE FAIRLY ODDPARENTS	WHEEL OF FORTUNE :	CBS EVENING NEWS	03:30
04:00			THE SIMPSONS : - OLD MONEY	THE DR. PHIL SHOW :	COUNTDOWN WITH KEITH OLBERMANN	04:00
04:30		LONE STAR	THE COSBY SHOW : - THEO'S HOLIDAY			04:30
05:00	MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL - HORIZON LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP: ILLINOIS-CHICAGO VS UW-MILWAUKEE		ALLY MCBEAL : - LOVE ON HOLIDAY	THE OPRAH WINFREY SHOW :	HANNITY & COLMES	05:00
06:00			STAR TREK: NEXT GENERATION : - CHAIN OF COMMAND (PT. 2)	NBC NIGHTLY NEWS	THE NEWSHOUR	06:00
06:30				JUDGE JUDY :		06:30
07:00	SPORTSCENTER	HEADLINE NEWS	TACTICAL TO PRACTICAL : - NAVY SEALS, FOOD TECH, AND ROBOTS	ACCESS HOLLYWOOD	BET NIGHTLY NEWS	07:00
07:25				GUIDING LIGHT :		07:25
07:30		ESPNEWS			NIGHTLY BUSINESS REPORT	07:30
08:00	NBA FASTBREAK	HEADLINE NEWS	SECRETS OF WAR : - WOMEN SPIES OF WWII		LARRY KING LIVE	08:00
08:13				GENERAL HOSPITAL :		08:13
08:30	COLLEGE GAMENIGHT	HEADLINE NEWS				08:30
09:00	TOTALLY NASCAR	SESAME STREET	JOAN OF ARC : - (PT. 1)	BETWEEN THE LIONS : - TOO COOL	NEWSNIGHT WITH AARON BROWN	09:00
09:30	PARDON THE INTERRUPTION			THE ADVENTURES OF JIMMY NEUTRON, BOY GENIUS : - CRIME SHEEN INVESTIGATION/SAFETY FIRST		09:30
10:00	SPORTSCENTER	BLUE'S CLUES - WHAT'S INSIDE?		A WALK IN YOUR SHOES	PAULA ZAHN NOW	10:00
10:30		WHEEL OF FORTUNE :		STRANGE DAYS AT BLAKE HOLSEY HIGH : - RADIO		10:30
11:00	MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL - MID-CONTINENT CHAMPIONSHIP	THE DR. PHIL SHOW :	ROCKET POWER : - THE LINGOS/ SHARK ATTACK	JEOPARDY! :	NIGHTLINE	11:00
11:30			THE FAIRLY ODDPARENTS	HEADLINE NEWS	YOUR CORPS	11:30
11:46		THE OPRAH WINFREY SHOW :				11:46
11:52				PACIFIC REPORT		11:52
12:00			THE SIMPSONS : - OLD MONEY	ESPNEWS	HARDBALL WITH CHRIS MATTHEWS	12:00
12:30			THE COSBY SHOW : - THEO'S HOLIDAY	HEADLINE NEWS		12:30
12:35		GUIDING LIGHT :				12:35
12:52				PACIFIC REPORT		12:52
13:00	MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL - SUN BELT CHAMPIONSHIP		AMERICAN IDOL :	THE PARKERS : - THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE FUNNY	THE O'REILLY FACTOR	13:00
13:17		GENERAL HOSPITAL :				13:17
13:30				THE SIMPLE LIFE :		13:30
14:00		HEADLINE NEWS	STAR TREK: NEXT GENERATION : - CHAIN OF COMMAND (PT. 2)	AMERICA'S NEXT TOP MODEL : - TEMPER, TEMPER	CNN DAYBREAK	14:00
14:30		JUDGE JUDY :				14:30
15:00	SPORTSCENTER	TODAY	TACTICAL TO PRACTICAL : - NAVY SEALS, FOOD TECH, AND ROBOTS	THE OC : - THE SECRET	GOOD MORNING AMERICA	15:00
16:00	NHL - PHILADELPHIA FLYERS @ NEW JERSEY DEVILS		SECRETS OF WAR : - WOMEN SPIES OF WWII	HEADLINE NEWS		16:00
16:22				PACIFIC REPORT		16:22
16:30				TONIGHT SHOW WITH JAY LENO :		16:30
17:00		BETWEEN THE LIONS : - TOO COOL	JOAN OF ARC : - (PT. 1)		HEADLINE NEWS	17:00
17:30		THE ADVENTURES OF JIMMY NEUTRON, BOY GENIUS : - CRIME SHEEN INVESTIGATION/SAFETY FIRST		THE LATE SHOW WITH DAVID LETTERMAN :	CHANNEL ONE	17:30
17:45					ABC WORLD NEWS THIS MORNING	17:45
18:00		A WALK IN YOUR SHOES			THE EARLY SHOW	18:00
18:30	NBA FASTBREAK	STRANGE DAYS AT BLAKE HOLSEY HIGH : - RADIO		ACCESS HOLLYWOOD		18:30
19:00	SPORTSCENTER	JEOPARDY! :	ROCKET POWER : - THE LINGOS/ SHARK ATTACK	GENTLEMAN'S AGREEMENT		19:00
19:30		HEADLINE NEWS	THE FAIRLY ODDPARENTS			19:30
20:00	MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL - BIG EAST CHAMPIONSHIP FIRST ROUND: RUTGERS VS VIRGINIA TECH	ESPNEWS	THE SIMPSONS : - OLD MONEY		FOX NEWS LIVE	20:00
20:30		HEADLINE NEWS	THE COSBY SHOW : - THEO'S HOLIDAY			20:30
21:00		THE PARKERS : - THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE FUNNY	AMERICAN IDOL :		FOX NEWS LIVE	21:00
21:15				SLEEPER		21:15
21:30		THE SIMPLE LIFE :				21:30
22:00	MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL - BIG EAST CHAMPIONSHIP FIRST ROUND: GEORGETOWN VS BOSTON COLLEGE	AMERICA'S NEXT TOP MODEL : - TEMPER, TEMPER	STAR TREK: NEXT GENERATION : - CHAIN OF COMMAND (PT. 2)		FOX NEWS LIVE	22:00
23:00		THE OC : - THE SECRET	TACTICAL TO PRACTICAL : - NAVY SEALS, FOOD TECH, AND ROBOTS	ESPNEWS: THE HOT LIST	HEADLINE NEWS	23:00
23:30				HEADLINE NEWS	INSIDE POLITICS	23:30