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**ARCENT, Kuwait Soldiers
share knowledge**

**Sept. 11, 2001
A 5-year reflection**

Sgt. Matt Cook, 75th Explosive Ordnance Disposal Company, demonstrates proper disposal procedures prior to the demolition of similar ammunition.

Photo by Sgt. Debra J. Berger

**EOD performs cleanup
at Udari Range**

Commanding General 143rd Transportation Command

The thin green line

During the war of 1812, the citizens of Baltimore were certain that the British would attack their city. In the 1800s, Baltimore was a fast growing harbor city and the hub of American shipbuilding and maritime trade. After the British defeated the American forces in Washington and burned the White House in 1814, the British turned their sights on Baltimore. When the battle finally came on September 13, 1814, the poet – lawyer Francis Scott Key was watching the bombardment from a ship in the harbor. As the battle progressed through the night, he wondered if Fort McHenry would be overrun. But as the sun rose, he saw the American flag still waving victoriously over the fort. Almost 200 years later, the American flag still waves and it still represents all that is good and great about our country and the cause for which we now labor. As we mark the tragic and historic events of Sept. 11, 2001, we do so, not as apologetic Americans, but as citizens of a grateful Nation. Not as vengeful tyrants, but as disciplined warriors humbled by our sacred Call to Duty. Not as separate people from our home towns, but as united citizens of a Nation committed to a cause bigger than the collective sum or our individual worries. Not merely as individuals, but as leaders and a members of a team serving the American people.

Five years ago enemies of freedom targeted the symbols of American power. The Pentagon representing American military power; the twin towers of the World Trade Center representing American economic power; and many reports indicate that a fourth plane was believed to be targeting the seat of democracy by attacking the White House. Think of the connection between these three powerful symbols. Each has a place in our society. A strong, civilian controlled military enables the seeds of democracy to take root; a free people who choose the path of liberty are economically better off in a free market economy and as the economy strengthens and grows the standard of living improves. And an economically strong society further enables democracy to flourish. By attacking these symbols, the enemies of freedom hoped that Americans would shrink from their duty and seek appeasement. They hoped that the flag of freedom would fold. Much to their



Brig. Gen. Keith Thurgood
143rd Transportation
Command

dismay, when the dust settled and the sun rose, the flag was still waving defiantly and victoriously over a shaken but unwavering nation.

In 1775 there were no democracies, one year later there was one. Some 230 years later there are 117 accounting for about 61 percent of the world's governments. America remains the beacon of hope for many, and the blanket of freedom that warms our Nation, and the world, has largely been woven by the acts of a selfless few. This "thin green line", colored by core values and principles that guide their actions, typify what is best about America. Their courage and dedication in the face of continued deployments and in the midst of a war of indeterminate length, speaks volumes about the character and sense of duty that these selfless few shoulder on behalf of a grateful but forgetful nation. It was strength of character that compelled the police and firefighters at Ground Zero to go in harm's way. Those representing the "thin green line" today are compelled by the same spirit of character and courage.

As ugly as war is, the fight here is critically important. It is a tipping point on the fulcrum of freedom that will determine how we live for generations to come. The recent aborted terror plot uncovered by Great Britain, US and her allies underscores this will be a long war. It points to the fact the enemies of freedom and conscience will not rest until the clash of ideologies ends with either the total destruction of contemporary society or the triumph of the caliphate. As one author noted, "they want us dead, not just quiet. To tip our hats and retreat into isolationism will only embolden those who see a very different future for us and our children's children." The stakes could not be higher. We are fighting not only for our own future, but also for the future of our posterity. Let the word go out that we will not be intimidated into withdrawal, or pushed into submission. America relearned a valuable lesson in the aftermath of 9/11...that there can be no security in our homeland when terrorists are given free reign throughout the world. If we are not vigilant, what happens in Southwest Asia can happen at home. As Franklin D. Roosevelt warned, "there is no such thing as peace and security in a world ruled by the principles gangsterism." That is a lesson that America can never again afford to forget.

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Spc. Sean Medieros and Pfc. Ijah Gaspard, analysts with the 25th Infantry Division, move "casualty" Pfc. Vanessa Gray into the back of a HMMV during IED lanes training in Kuwait. The Soldiers are conducting training before moving into Iraq to support the division's mission there.

25ID Soldiers in Kuwait get counter-IED training

Spc. Daniel Bearl

HHC, 25th Infantry Division Public Affairs

Train as you fight. It's a common phrase to hear in the Army, and for Soldiers in Kuwait it's a way of life.

25th Infantry Division Soldiers preparing to deploy to Iraq spend weeks training, preparing and getting acclimated for life and combat in the desert.

Along with weapons, security and other training, service members here train on counter-improvised explosive device measures to combat one of the most prominent threats they will face during their deployment.

Through a combination of classroom and practice lane training, these Soldiers are learning about this common enemy tactic and how to prevent or react to it.

"This is outstanding training," said one

of the counter IED trainers in Kuwait. "It's what all Soldiers need."

The names of the course instructors are withheld for security purposes.

Soldiers who are likely to encounter IEDs due to frequent convoys or patrol missions, spend over eight hours in the classrooms and in practical exercises. All of this is done in the hot Kuwaiti summer, where temperatures frequently reach 120 degrees Fahrenheit or more during the day.

"This is the best training I've had for anything like this," said Sgt. Johnathan Wallis, from 25th ID Special Troops Battalion. "We're actually here in the desert and the trainers have a lot of knowledge."

The classes and training lanes are operated by Military Professional Resources, Inc., a collection of former officers and non-commissioned officers who specialize

in military training.

The training lanes include a variety of scenarios involving intersections, buildings, bridges and other factors to complicate the reactions to an IED attack on a convoy. During the lanes, Soldiers in the training unit rotate through leadership positions so that everyone has a chance to experience the decision making process necessary for reacting to an attack.

The lanes took several weeks to construct, said one of the IED trainers at the site.

"The whole focus is to give the Soldiers an overall view of how to act in these situations," he said, adding that when Soldiers get to Iraq they will receive additional training. "This is the most realistic and current training these guys are ever going to see."

Camp Buehring

Building relationships: *ARCENT, Kuwait* Soldiers practice medical techniques

Spc. Debrah A. Robertson

Desert Voice Staff Writer

In a well-lit classroom, Kuwait National Guard firefighters sit in small school desks and listen attentively as a fellow Soldier discuss methods of nasal airway techniques. Although an interpreter is needed for the Arabic-speaking soldiers to understand the English-speaking Soldier, when U.S. Army Sgt. Leonardo Mijares puts a nasopharyngeal airway into his nose, no translation is needed. The whole group laughs. Friendship and camaraderie transcend lan-

guage barriers.

Soldiers of the 343rd Ground Ambulance Company, 1st Medical Brigade have been working with the Kuwait National Guard since December as part of the US Army Central theater security cooperation mission, said Capt. Daniel Reynolds, USARCENT Surgeon Medical Operations officer.

Working together, the KNG and the U.S. Army are building on a friendship between their two nations that began years ago.

"This is what it's about," said Capt. Miguel Mar-



Spc. Ruiben Rivera, 343rd Medical Company, looks on as Kuwaiti National Guard Soldiers practice the procedures for treating neck and spine injuries during a recent joint information exchange.

Photos by Spc. Sarah Smith

cos, commander of the 343rd GA Company. It's not just exchanging ideas, it's building a relationship.

In addition to building a working relationship between the two nations, the sessions offer a chance to swap ideas with the KNG, said Reynolds.

Firefighters are the first responders to accident scenes, said Marcos. The two armies work together to determine the best ways to handle what the KNG may encounter at the scene.

The communication between the armies is geared on how Soldiers are dying on the battlefield," said Mijares, 343rd assistant training noncommissioned officer. They are able to treat their Soldiers and ours.

"If a problem or situation is life-threatening," said Maj. Talla Allqadiri, commander of the KNG Fire Brigade, "we use what we have learned to minimize injury or death."

The 343rd and KNG practice techniques on how to treat breathing difficulties, perform basic first aid and how to remove the injured from the scene of an accident, he continued. The knowledge exchanged helps all participants get a broader view of the most current first responder techniques.

The unit has worked with 17 KNG units in medical technique discussions since December, but this is the first firefighter unit they have worked with, said Gene Pepper, who works for Military Professional Resource Incorporated.

The gathering of the two armies originally started with a trading of ideas on Tactical Combat Casualty Care with the KNG Medical Brigade, said Mijares. He continued by saying the success of initial exchanges paved the way for future discussions.

Working together, the two units are building a bridge across language barriers, said Marcos.

"They are developing a relationship," said Talal Alawadi, an interpreter-translator with MPRI who interprets for the two units during the training.

It's surprising there are so many similarities between the two nations, said Reynolds. "Some things are different, but there are many more things that are similar. It's reassuring."

"This was the first time the unit has worked with the U.S. Army," said Allqadiri. "[Americans] are friendlier than their image in the movies."

"I was amazed at how funny they are," said Sgt. Saeed Almae, of the KNG Fire Brigade, through a



Sgt. Leonardo Mijares, 343rd Medical Company, and a Kuwait National Guard soldier exchange techniques on proper airway opening procedures.

translator. "They are nice and well-educated. They know what they're talking about and they are experienced [in their jobs]."

"We are hoping the U.S. Army understands the true culture of Kuwait," said Almae. "We want there to be respect between the cultures. No misunderstandings. We want the American people to see the real Kuwait."

U.S. Army understands the Kuwaitis are knowledgeable, educated and they work well and interact with other nations, said Alawadi.

"You can't believe everything you see on TV," said Mijares. "They are a friendly, family-oriented culture. I've enjoyed [working with] them and I can't wait to go home and show everyone that not everything on TV is true."

"I had a small amount of exposure to [Kuwaitis] in OIF I, but with this deployment it's helped to concrete the fact that the Kuwaitis are glad we are here and are anxious to learn from [one another]," he said.

Working together, the two groups continue to build a relationship between their nations, said Sgt. 1st Class David Crowley, 343rd noncommissioned officer.

WE WILL NOT FALTER..

STAFF SGT. RUIHU WU IS A MEMBER OF THE 436TH MOVEMENT CONTROL BATTALION, AN ARMY RESERVE UNIT BASED IN NEW YORK. HE IS CURRENTLY DEPLOYED TO KUWAIT, ASSIGNED TO THE 143RD TRANSPORTATION COMMAND.

ON SEPT. 11, 2001, WU WAS WORKING AT A LAW FIRM IN NEW YORK CITY, ONE BUILDING AWAY FROM THE WORLD TRADE CENTER TOWERS.

FIVE YEARS LATER, THIS IS WHAT HE HAS TO SAY.

Where were you during the attacks?

One building over. Right across the street. I usually got to work at about 7 a.m., so I was there about an hour before the first plane hit. When the first plane hit, the whole building shook, I mean literally shook. I asked my buddy, "did you drop that box again?" I looked out the window, and all we saw was smoke coming out. I told my workers and my buddy, "listen, this is not an accident. Are you ready to go? Because I'm packing my bag." My boss wanted to wait and see, notify the higher-ups. I told them again, "this is not an accident." Finally we all left. As I walked out the door, the second tower got hit, and that's when everybody started running. All the roads were closed in Manhattan, so we all walked, ran. We walked to the Brooklyn Bridge. When I got to the bridge, that's when the first tower collapsed. I was shocked. I was totally shocked. By the time I got to the other end of the bridge, the second tower collapsed. Everyone was upset, afraid, crying. It was a long walk home. It took me three hours to get home.

Can you explain what the scene looked and felt like?

Most of the people were just standing there with tears in their eyes. The dust was horrible. The burns were horrible. The next day my neck was just burning. Probably like 20 meters in front of you you couldn't see a thing. The next day, going back to ground zero, it was like walking in a snowstorm, but not snow, it's dust.

Did you consider that perhaps this was the beginning of a continuous attack against the U.S.?

That's exactly what I was thinking. That's why we walked all the way home. That's why we didn't stop.

What role did you as an Army Reservist play in the aftermath?

I called one of my guys, and the first thing we did was put on our uniforms and then we tried to get to

Manhattan to help whoever needed it. National Guard was activated already. Most of the time, they would ask what our [job] is. I'd say, "transportation." And they'd say, "all we need is medic, medic, medic..."

What did New York City look like after the attacks?

Manhattan was a ghost town. The whole place, all you saw was police, firefighters, ambulances, National Guard.

You moved to Florida afterward, then you deployed to Iraq and again to Kuwait. What was it like when you returned to NYC after being gone so long?

I drove by ground zero when I was on leave. You think back and the tears start coming back. You just cry. The memories of that long walk to the bridge. That long walk and people passing away, it's just sad. It's sad. Everything's back to normal now in the city, until you see the sight again. Then it all comes back. That will always stay in your mind, no matter how normal things become. That's one of those memories you will always think about. You never forget. I don't think about it all the time, because, you know, what happened happened, but when you see it, you remember it. I don't think about it every day or anything, but it's one of those things that you will not forget.

Are you planning on moving back to New York City?

I want to, but it depends on my wife. It's a great place, New York City, I'm telling you.

How did it feel to see New Yorkers coming together to help one another out?

It was the greatest thing I've ever seen. So many people offering rides to random strangers. So many people trying to help. That was great, you know.

Is the War on Terrorism more personal for you because you lived in the city that was attacked?

This is what I think. If they hit us, we have to hit them back harder. Period. If you don't go after the terrorists, they'll keep hitting us. What they want is to end human life. If we don't stop them, guess what - more buildings will be blown up and more people will die. I think this war has been worth it. We've had a lot of deaths, but it's protecting the future for America. We can't kill every terrorist, but if you keep them running, they won't have the time or money to plan another attack. Sometimes you just wish, though, that we would have hit them early, before 9/11.

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Coast Guard Petty Officer 1st Class
Art Luna was on a ship on the New
 Harbor until 7 a.m. Sept. 11: "I
 sleeping actually. I had just got off
 at 7 a.m., and I was asleep by 8.
 life called me, and I turned on the
 and saw it. Five hours later, I was
 cutter on the harbor, doing secu-
 they wanted the harbor completely
 of all boats. Even though I hardly
 you don't feel tired after some-
 like that happens."



Army Maj. Arthur Lees was an Inac-
 tive Army Reservist, working in China.
 On Sept. 11, he was visiting family in
 Colorado: "I watched news coverage
 as soon as it was picked up. When
 the second plane hit the World Trade
 Center, I was on the phone within min-
 utes to my unit in St. Louis, and I told
 them I was available for mobilization."



Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Mark Briner
 was at Bald Eagle Area High School in
 Wingate, Pa., on Sept. 11: "I remem-
 ber my teachers all turned on the TV in
 school and I was wowed. I was trying to
 figure out why it happened, I was trying
 to make sense of it. I joined the Navy
 after that."



Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Adam Cunning-
ham was in Economics class at high school
 in Talladega, AL, on Sept. 11: "I was mad.
 I'm still mad. And I'm sad for the families of
 everyone that was involved."



Air Force Tech Sgt. Darwin King was deployed
 to Prince Sultan Air Base, Saudi Arabia, on
 Sept. 11: "When I first heard about it, I had a
 huge sense of disbelief, and a huge adrena-
 line rush. It is hard to believe that five years
 have already passed. It still feels like it hap-
 pened last year."

...WE WILL NOT FAIL



Danger lurks EOD prepares

Spc. Debrah Robertson
Desert Voice Staff Writer

As the sun rises over another day in Kuwait and the thick summer air begins to accumulate into a stagnate heat, the Soldiers of the 75th Explosive Ordnance Company are up and moving. Each morning, the EOD unit begins its day by preparing its gear, said Sgt. Todd Rininger, a 75th team member.

Every detail is important, he said. Is the equipment operational? Is all the gear accounted for?

"There is no time to waste at an ordnance site. The time on target must be minimal," said Rininger, a New Paris, Pa., native. "The quicker the unit can get in and out, the less exposed they are to enemy forces. You never know

"Things can change on a moments

notice, and [the 75th] must be prepared for that," he continued. "That's why the 75th is always prepared for anything, and it's all about safety."

A mission is not accomplished until they know that everyone is safe, that every piece of equipment is there, said Rininger. "Relief is found in getting back safe"

Safety seems to be of the utmost importance to the 75th.

"Therefore we are all [safety officers]," said Rininger. "We know how the ordnances work and knowing allows us to get down to the ordnance and take care of the problem."

Like US Army Central, the 75th supports Operation Iraqi Freedom, said Staff Sgt. Joel Baker, another member of the 75th.

One of the 75th's missions is to get to the scene of a potential Improvised Explo-

sive Device promptly and disarm it without an incident. They are in and out of the area so quickly that a lot of people do not know they were even there, continued Baker.

EOD is a large part of force protection for ARCENT and the 75th does its part to keep things running smoothly and everyone safe within the Third Army area of operations, said Rininger.

"These guys have a big responsibility when it comes down to being called out to [suspect IEDs]," said Sgt. Moises Cacique, maintenance noncommissioned officer in charge of the 75th EOD. "Their lives and other peoples lives are in jeopardy. It's a big responsibility."

"We keep the daily operations and [military] property safe from any hazards that may exist," said Spc. Ron Pearson, another member of the EOD team. "There are a lot of unexploded ordnances that could potentially

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for missions with safety at forefront

Photo by Sgt. Moises Carique

harm or kill people. Our job is to keep everything safe so other people can continue with their missions."

"The basis for our whole training is safety. We go through about eight months of training with all the branches of the military, and those who can't adhere to the high EOD standards are weeded out," said Rininger. "Not everyone makes it. There are not a lot of volunteers for EOD training. It's a dangerous job."

"[Being here in Kuwait], I want to get as much experience as possible," said Rininger. "Kuwait is the basis of operation planning and logistics here [in theater], and we keep it safe."

"I want to learn and broaden my views on anything out there," said Pearson, a native of Fayetteville, N.C. "I am training to go up north when it's my turn."

"My goal is to take care of all my team members and make sure they all make it back [home] safe," said Baker, a Wilmington, N.C. native.

As the team completes their mission, checking all their gear and preparing for whatever comes next, the sun has peaked high above the desert, and begins its decent, ending another day, and another mission accomplished.



Photo by Sgt. Deborah A. Robertson

Before and after: About 10,000 pounds of explosives are detonated at Camp Udair, Kuwait, August 30. Afterwards, several explosive ordnance and engineering teams examine the crater left by the explosion.

Southwest ASIA

Former troops serve ARCENT in new capacity

Story and photos by

Sgt. Thomas L. Day
Desert Voice Staff Writer

Where once there were Soldiers, there are now contracted force protection officers. Now the Soldiers are focusing on their primary missions, and guards in khaki slacks are manning their stead along the gates of U.S. and coalition compounds in Kuwait.

"It saves the government money because we don't require the same support structure that the military requires," said Capt. Larry Perdue, the overall operations manager for Combat Support Associates for all of the southern Kuwait compounds. The civilian contracted guards, according to Perdue, do not necessitate the shipping of military equipment that military gate guards require.

In a win-win situation for the military, the more cost-effective U.S. Army Central force protection officers have assumed the gate guard posts so military servicemembers are free to tackle warfighter tasks.

Alex Walker knows both sides. He is back serving for the U.S. Army, but instead of wearing Army greens, he now wears the uniform of ARCENT force protection officers. Walker is like many of the contracted force protection officers for the U.S. and coalition Kuwait compounds – serving for the same military, just a different compacity.

"Ninety percent of us are prior military... some of us are retired," Walker said. Walker served nine years in the Army, leaving as a sergeant, with tours with the 1st Cavalry Division and various Reserve units.

For Perdue's former servicemembers, training for guard duty can seem indistinguishable from their previous jobs.

Once they arrive, they have a 10-day training period, followed by a 90-day on-the-job training program, "where they get into the nuts and bolts of the day-to-day jobs that we do," said Perdue. They are trained on basic police work – handcuffing, response to contact – and qualify on the 9mm handgun and the M16 rifle. They also must pass an annual physical fitness test.

Perdue is also back with the military, but his background straddles both the military and police force arenas. Perdue is a six-year veteran of the U.S. Air Force. He also was the deputy sheriff of Valdosta, Ga., for six years after a stint with the Louisiana State Police in Baton Rouge.

For Perdue and his force protection officers, their command structure resembles that of a police force, but a "sergeant" is still a sergeant and a "captain" is still the commander.

Each shift has a shift lieutenant and a shift sergeant. Logan Rideout, one of Perdue's shift sergeants, is back serving for the military and back serving in a theater he served in three years ago. "When I first got here, a few of us were Iraq vets," said Rideout, an Iraq veteran. "That was 2004, now it's 2006 and a lot of us are Iraq vets."



Ashley Gill (above) and Wayne Wike, Camp Arifjan force protection officers, go through the standard inspection procedures for vehicles entering U.S. and coalition compounds.



Modifications to work, living areas require prior approval

Charles A. Coffman

CSA Fire Inspector, ASG -KU Fire Prevention Office

Personnel supporting the ASG-Kuwait mission frequently experience operational changes due to mission requirements which require a relocation of workers or reconfiguration of equipment and supplies.

More often than not, these changes are not coordinated with agencies like Fire Prevention or the Directorate of Public Works. This can cause serious delay the completion of projects, or may result in safety hazards.

Following the proper protocols and procedures to gain approval for your modification, renovation, addition or self-help project can avoid major headaches later on down the line.

The Fire Prevention Office offers the following guidance to ensure your projects meet safety, electrical or other important codes

- The Facility Manager's Handbook provides guidance for self-help projects. The ASG-KU DPW operates the Self-Help Center to assist units in these projects. For more information, call 430-3131.

- Since many structural modifications can interfere with current fire protection equipment such as smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, sprinklers and fire alarm pull stations, the FPO should be consulted before a project is started. The FPO will also provide guidance to ensure that renovations and modifications do not interfere with means of egress out of a facility or travel distances to exits.

- For change of occupancy, major renovations, modifications or the addition of any type of re-locatable building, a DPW Form 310 *Facilities Engineering Work Request Questionnaire* must be submitted to DPW. This form requires the requester to ensure that every aspect of the planned modification is performed in accordance with appropriate regulations, codes and procedures.

If you are unsure whether or not your project requires approval or if fire protection aspects in your facility are going to be effected, don't hesitate to ask. The Fire Prevention office is staffed seven days a week from 6 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information, call 430-3154.

Just One Question...

How have you changed since the 9/11 attacks five years ago?



"Trying to love my family and let them know I'm doing this [serving in the military] for a reason."

Sgt. Winslow Padgett
594th Transportation Company
Supply Sergeant



"It has made me more appreciative of life, more aware of security in our country and in our lives."

Sgt. Francis Lacey
I Marine Expeditionary Force (FWD) Movement Control Center-Kuwait
MAGTF Enlisted Planner



"It [referring to the attacks]gave me a deep sense of patriotism. It makes you realize what's important in life."

Capt. Joel Sloan
ARGENT C-7
Air Force Liaison Officer



"I'm more aware of other people's actions and activities. It helped me decide to come over and do security work in Kuwait."

Henry Krammerer
CSA
Force Protection Officer



"My relationship with the Lord has been strengthened. I have definitely grown significantly in my Christian calling as a minister."

Spc. Sharon Amelia Williams
HHC, 48th BCT
Paralegal



Hometown Hero

Capt. Dena De Lucia
160th Signal Brigade
Brigade Adjutant

De Lucia said her job is significant because "there is nothing more important than taking care of Soldiers, and we do that every second in an S1 shop."

Talks about what she misses about her hometown, Coal Springs, Fla.

"I miss the local Ale House and coffee shops where I would spend time with my friends and family."



All are encouraged to join us in honoring the 5th Anniversary of 9/11

Community

happenings for September 6 through September 12

Arifjan

Wednesday – Cincere in concert, 7:00 p.m., Zone 6 Stage

Saturday – ASG-KU Volleyball Championship, Zone 1 Fitness Center

Sunday – ASG-KU Volleyball Championship, Zone 1 Fitness Center

Monday – Karaoke, 7:00 p.m., Zone 1 Community Center

Tuesday – Bingo, 7:00 p.m., Zone 1 Community Center

For information, call 430-1205

Buehring

Wednesday – Darts (Cricket) Tourney, 11:30 p.m., Recreation Center

Phase 10 Tourney, 3:00 p.m., Oasis

Thursday – Dominoes Tourney, 8:00 p.m., Palms

Opposite Hand Ping Pong Tourney, 8:00 p.m., Rec Center

Friday – Dinner & a Movie, 4:00 p.m., Movie Theater

(Buehring cont.)

Bingo, 8:00 p.m., Events Tent

Saturday – NBA Live Tourney, 8:00 p.m., Palms

Movie Trivia Drawing, 9:00 p.m., Movie Theater

Sunday – Elite Club Squat Comp. @ Gym, 1700 hrs

Flag Football Tourney, 5:00 p.m., Softball Field

Monday – Halo 2 Tourney, 1:30 p.m., Palms

Tuesday – Ping Pong Tourney, 11:30 a.m., Rec Center

For information, call 828-1202

Kuwaiti Naval Base

Wednesday – 9-Ball Tourney, 7:00 p.m., Rec Center

Friday – Bingo, 8:00 p.m., MWR Stage Areas

Saturday – Country Dance Night, 8:00 p.m., MWR Tent

Sunday -NFL Trivia Tournament, 7:00 p.m., Rec Center

Monday – 9/11 Remembrance Day 5k Run, 5:00 a.m., West ECP

For information, call 832-2544

LSA

For information, call 844-1137

Navistar

For information, call 859-1060

Virginia

Wednesday – Unit Feud, 7 p.m., Dusty Room

Thursday – Free Throw Shooting Competition, 7:00 p.m., B-Ball Courts

8-Ball Tourney, 7:00 p.m., Community Center

Friday – Bench Press Competition, 7:00 p.m., Gym Tent

Poker Tourney, 7:00 p.m., Community Center

Saturday – 5v5 B-Ball Tourney, 7:00 p.m., B-Ball Courts

Sunday – Spades Tournament, 7:00 p.m., Community Center

Monday – Uno Tourney, 7:00 p.m., Community Center

Tuesday – Bingo, 7p.m., Dusty Room

For information, call 839-1082