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## 2D SIGNAL BRIGADE NEWSLETTER

### "BRIGADE OF EXCELLENCE"



Outgoing Brigade Commander, COL Miller, and CSM Brooks, case the colors in Mannheim during his Change of Command and Colors Casing Ceremony on 30 July 2010

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Brigade Commander, COL Kilgo, and CSM Brooks, uncase the colors at the Colors Uncasing Ceremony in Wiesbaden on 27 August 2010

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**2D SIGNAL BRIGADE**

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

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### MESSAGE FROM THE BRIGADE COMMAND TEAM



COL Mitchell L. Kilgo      CSM Patrick Brooks



Dear Soldiers, Civilians, Friends and Family,

I am extremely humbled by the opportunity to command a brigade of this caliber. It is good to take a knee and reflect on the accomplishments of everyone in this brigade, but quickly we realize we must drive on to the next and greater challenge which seems always to be just around the corner.

As the brigade is impacted by the Full Spectrum Concept, we bid a fond farewell to one of our outstanding battalions, the 69th Signal Bn. We are consoled by the fact that we will still be close neighbors.

Enjoy the brigade newsletter and let your Family and friends know what you do by sharing it with them.

COL Mitchell L. Kilgo  
Brigade of Excellence

***2d Signal Brigade Memories:  
30 July Change of Command and  
Colors Casing Ceremony,  
Mannheim, Germany***





## MESSAGE FROM THE 6981ST CIVILIAN SUPPORT GROUP



Dear Members, Friends, and Family of the 6981st:

The summer months are always special. This year they are more than this. Our unit has been asked to support over 650 tasks so far in this FY, more as ever before. This number includes cable repairs, site surveys, projects and exercise support. Additionally we provided/planned (for the next months) more training on FO cable work for Soldiers. So we were at Schweinfurt to train Soldiers from 44<sup>th</sup> Sig BN and in Grafenwoehr to train Soldiers from 69<sup>th</sup> Sig BN. Upcoming are some more courses for 44<sup>th</sup> Sig BN, 102<sup>nd</sup> Sig BN and 11<sup>th</sup> Sig Det.

We closed out different major projects in these months, too. So we finished the cable reroute project at the CBC construction area at WAAF and the ICDS installation at the Deployment Transition Center at Ramstein for the Air Force. Therefore we started several other high level visibility projects to support the move of the 95<sup>th</sup> MP Brigade to Coleman Barracks and the MAM to Spinelli.

In June we were in Richmond/VA to receive our runner up AAME award for FY 2009. This was the 3<sup>rd</sup> time in a row we have been among the winners and runners up at DA level. And this time was special as GEN Casey handed over the award.

In July we had a team at Novo Selo Training Area/Bulgaria to install/upgrade network infrastructure and in August we will have a team at MK Airbase/Romania.

But also at this time of the year we have the main vacation season. We wish all of you going on leave a nice and relaxing time with your family and friends. Stay safe and return back to duty well.

We connect!

Gerd Drechsler

“This was the 3<sup>rd</sup> time in a row we have been among the winners and runners up at DA level. And this time was special as GEN Casey handed over the award.”

- Herr Drechsler



GEN Casey presents a runner-up AAME award to Mr. Drechsler.



Mr. Menge explains the use of TMDE during training in Schweinfurt



AAME award winners and runners-up with GEN Casey (center).



### MESSAGE FROM THE 39TH SIGNAL BATTALION COMMAND TEAM



LTC Rodney L. Lightfoot

CSM Charles Miller

Dear Soldiers, Civilians, Friends and Family,

During the month of August the 39<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion continued in its "Will to Succeed" mind-set by conducting various mission-led VTCs, beginning of the month training, M16/M9 qualification ranges, preparing its families for the beginning of the school year and Battalion Organizational Day. The month began with two training days where Soldiers and Civilians received presentations on sexual assault prevention, equal opportunity, drug and alcohol abuse, and suicide prevention. This training consisted of PowerPoint and video clips on suicide prevention and drug and alcohol abuse. Soldiers conducted interactive training on sexual assault prevention and equal opportunity with skits, exhibiting their own knowledge of the concepts then receiving feedback enabling them to get a more thorough understanding of the training.

The 39<sup>th</sup> conducted an M16/M9 weapons qualification range from August 9 - 12. Soldiers were able to maintain their proficiency on their weapons and improve throughout the week as they were given a chance to zero and qualify to ensure they stay combat ready. Because of the 24/7 strategic mission, time spent at the range is critical in maintaining basic Soldier skills for all members of the battalion. Weapons' training is conducted once a quarter and is

done more readily as long as mission allows.

The month of August was not only busy for the Soldiers but also for their families. Soldiers and their families spent the end of July and beginning of August getting prepared to go back to school. Many people spent their time in and out of the PX buying school supplies and new clothes to start the year off right. Most parents were excited to get their kids back in school to get a well deserved break after a long summer while the children looked forward to seeing friends, learning new material and getting involved in school activities. Children, grades 1-12, started their first day of school on August 18<sup>th</sup>, while the kindergarteners began on the 25<sup>th</sup>. August concluded with an annual competition between HHD and 128<sup>th</sup> Signal Company. Battalion Organizational Day is an all day event where the two companies compete in various sports, keeping track of which company gets the most wins in order to claim bragging rights over the other until reconvening the following year for a chance at redemption. The two companies competed in a 400 meter relay, 400 meter race, volleyball, basketball, gatorball and dodge ball. Also during Org Day there was a barbeque and a dessert contest. (Continued on page 6.)



Above: LTC Lightfoot and CSM Miller present SPC Baron with a trophy as the winner of the dessert contest.



Above: 39<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion's new Chaplain, CPT Justin Pickering, is pictured with his wife Emily and their son Isaac during Org Day.



Left: SPC Swett defends SPC Carter as he attempts a pass to his teammate during the gatorball competition.



### 39TH SIGNAL BATTALION EVENTS

Soldiers and Civilians of the 39<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion enjoyed themselves throughout the day of competition with great sportsmanship-like conduct. This day was especially good for the battalion as it promoted camaraderie and high morale amongst its members. At the end of the day HHD staked its claim to the title by winning five out of the six competitions. As the defending champions from the previous Org Day, HHD maintains the Battalion Organizational Day streamer on its company guidon.



Right: CSM Miller recognizes SPC Faux (HHD) as the Most Valuable Player during Org Day. SPC Faux participated and made an impact in every event throughout the day.

### 39<sup>TH</sup> SIGNAL BATTALION, NETWORK ENTERPRISE CENTER – BRUSSELS EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE!

LTC Rodney Lightfoot and CSM Charles Miller recently recognized employees of the 39<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion’s Network Enterprise Center – Brussels for excellence in providing IT support services to Joint, Interagency, Intergovernmental and Multinational (JIIM) customers at the US Army Garrison and HQ NATO in Brussels including the US Mission to NATO, the US Military Delegation to NATO, the Deputy Chairman Military Committee to NATO, LTG Walter E. Gaskins, USMC and the SACEUR’s Political Advisor, Ambassador Lawrence Butler.

Right: LTG Walter E. Gaskins, USMC, Deputy Chairman Military Committee to NATO presents the Commander’s Coin of Excellence to NEC Brussels Customer Support Technician Mr. David Torske for exemplary IT support to the DCMC and staff.



LTC Rodney Lightfoot, 39<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion Commander and NEC Brussels Director, Timothy Bostic presented the Commanders Certificate of Achievement to Mr. David Torske for outstanding performance as a Tier 2 Customer Support technician. Mr. Timothy Bostic also presented Network Manager Mr. Lyndon Hudson a Commander’s Award for Civilian Service in recognition of distinguished service as the 39<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion’s CP-34 Civilian Employee of the Quarter, 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr, FY2010.



Left: LTC Rodney Lightfoot, 39<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion Commander and NEC Brussels Director, Mr. Timothy Bostic presented the Commander’s Award for Civilian Service to Mr. Edward “Rich” Richardson, DTE/VOIP Technician for exceptional performance of duties in support to the US Military Delegation to NATO and the US Secretary of Defense’s COMMO Team.

In the 39<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion we strive to maintain a high level of excellence with our 24/7 mission while supporting our families 100%. The leadership, stemming from the Command Team all the way to the lowest level supervisor, facilitates an environment where high morale and dedication are prevalent from its Soldiers and Civilians by balancing work and fun efficiently. “Will to Succeed” is not only the motto but it’s a lifestyle.

#### August Birthdays

SSG Lylum	2 Aug	SPC Stillman	19 Aug
SPC Taylor	5 Aug	LTC Lightfoot	21 Aug
SGT Chaney	6 Aug	CW2 Braun	27 Aug
SFC Grey	9 Aug	SPC Thomas	28 Aug
SSG Searight	12 Aug	2LT McGlothran	31 Aug



MESSAGE FROM THE 43D SIGNAL BATTALION COMMAND TEAM



LTC John M. Demko



1SG Brent Smith  
Acting CSM

Greetings from the Soldiers and Civilians of the "Always Professional" 43D Signal Battalion.

The 43D Signal Battalion was engaged in a highly dynamic month of activities. The battalion's Defense Red Switch Network (DRSN) successfully passed the DISA Staff Assistance Visit Inspection which was regarded as one of the top nodes in the Army. The battalion also had Soldiers participate in training events such as Guardian Shield in Kaiserslautern and OPFOR at JMRC in Hohenfels.

As the summer slowly comes to an end, the battalion begins to prepare for the 5<sup>th</sup> Signal Commands full spectrum vision while "deploying" to our fall training exercise. The battalion will soon also assume communications responsibility for the USAREUR Communications Command Post. Congratulations to all of the Soldiers listed below, who were promoted over the past few months.

"Always Professional"  
LTC John M. Demko  
Battalion Commander



Soldiers from the Commanding Generals Commo Team qualify at the weapons range.



43D Sig Bn Soldiers receive combat first aid instruction.

43D SIGNAL BATTALION AWARDS/PROMOTIONS/WELCOMES

Promotions Jun-Aug 2010

1LT

WALKER, Annette

CW2

MILLSAP, John

SFC

RAMIREZ, Wilson

SGT

HORNECKER, James

PALMS, Donald

SPC

HOWARD, Jon

GARZA, Alfredo

WILLIAMS, Nicholas

CASTRO, Lukejohn

PFC

MARES, Kenneth

JOHNSON, Sawanna

POKLUDA, John

HUTSON, Albert

MARIANI, Joshua

YOUVELLA, Heather

WALKER, Michael

RODRIGUEZ, Ray

MACIEL, Flor

ZELMER, Julian

WALKER, Charles

TAYLOR, Ryan

MAYBERRY, John



43D Sig Bn Soldiers receive training in the vehicle rollover simulator.



## MESSAGE FROM THE 52D SIGNAL BATTALION COMMAND TEAM



LTC Robert A. Vitt

CSM Mark A. George

Dear Soldiers, Civilians, Friends and Families of "MacArthur's Own".

The last couple of months have been very active ones for the battalion and ones that saw significant change for the battalion. We said goodbye to LTC James Pugh and his family as the battalion changed command on 9 July. We wish him well as he

leaves to join the 7th Signal Brigade as the deputy brigade commander. We also said goodbye to COL Gerald Miller as he changed command with COL Mitchell Kilgo, our new 2nd Signal Brigade commander.

In addition to these changes of command the battalion has been hard at work supporting both United States Africa and European Commands, being audited by the COMSEC Logistics Agency, testing continuity of operations for the message center, fielding Global Broadcasting System equipment, and MILSTAR exercises. The Battalion S3, MAJ Easler, and the battalion color guard went to Orleans and Ardenay France to help celebrate the anniversary of the Allied liberation of France. The coming

months promise to be just as busy and engaging.

I want to thank everyone who made Sandra, our children and I feel so welcomed as we arrived in the battalion. We are extremely happy to be here and I am very proud and humbled to lead such extraordinary group of talented Soldiers and civilians. I am looking forward to getting to know each and every one of you over the next couple of years.

"We Transmit"

LTC Robert Vitt  
CSM Mark George

## 52D SIGNAL BATTALION NEWS

### Arrivals:

- SSG Francis Pache - 10 Aug
- SFC Jared McMahon - 11 Aug
- SFC George Rapp - 11 Aug
- CPT Sean Gibbs - 12 Aug (Officially re-assigned from 2d Signal Brigade)
- SSG Randy Archer - 13 Aug
- PV2 Corey Boggs - 20 Aug
- PFC Mike Alvarenga - 23 Aug

### Departures:

- SPC Aaron Hay - ETS 9 Sep
- PV1 Kelcy Hughes - 25 Aug

### Promotions (to SPC):

- SPC Vashaan Johnson; effective 12 Aug

### Birthdays:

- CPT Aamea Ali-Drayton - 2 Aug
- SSG Francis Pache - 4 Aug
- PFC Bryson Paulo - 6 Aug
- CSM Mark George - 6 Aug

- CW2 John Allen - 13 Aug
- SPC Brandon Ford - 20 Aug
- PFC Ryan Griffin - 29 Aug
- PFC Jonathan Anderson - 30 Aug

### Significant Events:

- PFC Adam Derham selected as BN SOQ, FY11-1st Qtr on 24 Aug (BN boards conducted based on FY11 BDE Quarter Boards schedule)



52d Sig Soldiers stand proudly during the Brigade Change of Command on 30 July 2010.



### MESSAGE FROM THE 69TH SIGNAL BATTALION COMMAND TEAM



LTC Earl S. Nakata

CSM Kristine A. Purnell

#### LandWarNet NEC of the Year Award – 2010

For the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row 69<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion was presented the Network Enterprise Center of the Year Award, Large Category, at the annual LandWarNet

conference held in Tampa, Florida in August. The award is presented to the organization which exemplifies innovation and customer service.

This competition encompassed twelve months of dedicated hard work by the Soldiers, Department of the Army Civilians and Local National working for the Battalion. The major categories considered during the competition included:

- Progress toward Enterprise end state
- Contributions toward Army Knowledge Management Goals
- Innovative solutions to resource shortfalls

- Innovative solutions for improving and sustaining the delivery of Command, Control, Communications, Computers, and Information Management services
- Commendations as most proficient in customer focus
- Displays teambuilding, morale, and improved employee relations

For the 69<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion this is our day to day business for guaranteed customer support and services throughout our area of responsibility.

### 69TH SIGNAL BATTALION PICTURES

#### AUGUST

- 1 – Cassandra Shepard, OC Ansbach
- 4 – Tim Barrineau, APC
- 6 – Matthew Steffen, MST Grafenwoehr
- 10 – Stefan Schaller, ROC
- 20 – Fridolin Witt, ROC
- 24 – Rolf Mahnke, ROC
- 25 – David Proksch, APC
- 26 – Phillip Davis, OC Schweinfurt
- 29 – Stefan Lindemann, OC Schweinfurt
- 30 – Marcus Albers, OC Schweinfurt

- 7 – Robert Saynuk, ROC
- 11 – Kimberly Lazard, MST Hohenfels
- 13 – Bernd Przetak, ROC
- 15 – Nathan Greer, OC Schweinfurt
- 23 – Rudolf Soellner, OC Hohenfels
- 27 – Harald Fuchs, OC Schweinfurt

69<sup>th</sup> Sig Soldiers stand proudly during the Brigade Change of Command on 30 July 2010.

#### SEPTEMBER

- 5 – James McCall, ROC
- 5 – Curtis Taylor, OC Schweinfurt





## 69TH SIGNAL BATTALION ARTICLE: WINTER SAFETY TIPS

### 69<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion Winter Safety Tips

It's that time of year again to begin thinking about preparing for the extremities of winter. The Department of the Army will launch its winter campaign from Oct 1, 2010-March 31, 2010. It's important to educate, inform, and explain the importance of winter safety to ensure we all enjoy this time of year. Cold weather often changes the way we go about our daily routine at work, at home, and even at social events. It is strongly suggested to follow a few general guidelines and make your own personal checklist to prepare yourself before the first snow hits the roads.

POV safety is always of particular concern. We rely on a safe mode of transportation to work, getting groceries, going shopping, and during visits to other locations. Roads can often be deceiving at first glance. Once the wheels engage and pass over that black ice it's already too late. You can easily lose control of your vehicle on that slick and nearly invisible to see dangerous ice. Remember to make sure you have the proper tire for winter conditions and check for proper air pressure for cold temperatures, windshield washer fluid for deicing, proper cold weather antifreeze, ice scrapper, and items stored in the car to withstand a long duration of time in the cold.

While physically preparing for the winter season is great; it's also important to be aware of proper handling of the roads. Drive slower than usual and take the extra time leaving earlier than your normal departure time. Do not trail

behind vehicles at close distances. Allow more time for your POV to brake properly in the snow to prevent skidding. And as in every season, do not drink and drive. Alcohol impairment is never the right answer when it comes to driving.

Be aware of your household environment. Ensure all gas appliances are sealed when not in use. Carbon monoxide poisoning is a serious and real situation during the holiday season. Be vigilant with candles, never let them burn over night or when sleeping. Replace and stock up on batteries for your smoke alarm, carbon monoxide alarm, and flashlights. Stock up on canned goods, bottled water, and warm blankets/clothing; have a radio on hand for weather news broadcasts. Replace outside bulbs for better visibility on the porch and driveway. Don't forget to walk around your home and fix places where slips and falls are likely to happen with salt or mats as alternatives for slick surfaces. Having a first aid kit in the home, if you do not have one already, is always a good way to prepare for an emergency.

When engaged in any outdoor activities it's strongly suggested to be dressed in layers of clothing. Ensure that all areas of the skin are covered to prevent frost bite. To keep your body warm, it's a good choice to wear those extra accessories such as a scarf, gloves, thicker socks, hats, and ear muffs. During bright days sunglasses should be used to protect your eyes from sun's reflection from the ice. Remember to stay hydrated by drinking water or non caffeinated beverages to increase blood circulation to hold and maintain body heat. Lastly, keep your body moving by

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engaging your core “big muscles” when in cold temperatures.

By following these key highlights, you can enjoy a fun and safe holiday season. Take the time to prepare now, it's important to be ready before it could be too late. As a leader, I encourage all to foster this knowledge and other insightful tips to those around you.



### MESSAGE FROM THE 102D SIGNAL BATTALION COMMAND TEAM



LTC Eric E. Aslakson



CSM Robert A. Daniel, Jr.

Soldiers, Civilians, Family Members, and friends of the 102d Signal Battalion:

Stay Tuned to the Brigade Newsletter for Continued Updates on the happenings at 102d Signal Battalion.

LTC Eric E. Aslakson

CSM Robert A. Daniel Jr.



102d Sig Soldiers stand proudly during the Brigade Change of Command on 30 July 2010.



The new 102nd Signal Battalion Commander LTC Aslakson, giving his welcome speech to the 102nd Signal Battalion.



SGT Forslund the 102nd Signal Battalion NCO of the quarter presenting a bouquet of red roses to Mrs Kathy Jarrell and Ms Megan Jarrell at the 102nd Signal Battalion Change of Command.



SPC Cobena the 102nd Signal Battalion Soldier of the Year presenting a bouquet of yellow roses to Mrs Elizabeth Aslakson at the 102nd Signal Battalion Change of Command.



COL Miller passing the 102nd Battalion colors to the new 102nd Signal Battalion Commander LTC Aslakson on 14 July 2010.



### 102D SIGNAL BATTALION CHANGE OF COMMAND PICTURES



LTC Jarrell former 102<sup>nd</sup> Battalion Commander giving his farewell speech to the 102<sup>nd</sup> Signal Battalion.



CSM Daniel standing after executed the reverse march with the colors.



2<sup>nd</sup> Signal Brigade Commander COL Miller speaking at the change of command.



Left: LTC Aslakson and CSM Daniel, executing the cutting of the cake. The first act together has a Command Team.



2LT Rodriguez, performing the Adjutant's Call and ready to convey the Battalion to the Commander of Troops.



Commander of Troops (MAJ Thompson) marching the colors to the reviewing officer.



## 102D SIGNAL BATTALION EVENTS

### FY 10 TECHNOLOGY EXPOSITION

The FY10 Technology Exposition was held at Wiesbaden Army Airfield on 23 July 10, at the Fitness Center. The event was hosted by the 102d Signal Battalion, led by Mr. Jaye O'Neal. There were 70 exhibiting vendors from around the world displaying their collaborative tools for Communications, Image Analysis, Digital Signage, IT Training, Deployable Power Supplies, Biometrics, Encryption Systems, Ruggedized Technologies, Substance Identification, VOIP, Peripherals & Accessories, and Cyber Security. This year's event produced another record for the VIP showing, and a record breaking audience of 350 guests. The purpose of the exposition was to allow the military soldier and civilian government worker to engage with the vendors to build relationship with company representatives without incurring travel expenses or falling behind in regularly assigned duties. Interact with exhibiting companies without leaving the workplace. Meet industry goals and allow various personnel to speak with their current contractor's competitors to make sure they are receiving maximum benefits and fair prices. Afford government personnel the opportunity to evaluate the latest mission-relevant and mission critical technologies.



Lots of excitement generated as the latest technology is demonstrated at the FY10 Technology Exposition.





## 509TH SIGNAL BATTALION COMMAND TEAM



LTC G. Shawn Wells      CSM Brian W. Warren

The Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA) hosted the 2010 LandWarNet conference during 3-5 August 2010 at the Tampa Convention Center. Nearly 9,000 industry representatives, along with military and civilians from across the Department of Defense descended to Florida. The LandWarNet conference is the premier forum to bring Government and Industry together to openly communicate commercial best business practices and government implementations. This year's theme was "Providing Global Cyber Dominance to Joint/Combined Commanders."

Among those in attendance was the Commander of the 509<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion, LTC G. Shawn Wells, along with Mr. Frank J. Maloney, Chief Network Enterprise Center (NEC), Livorno, Italy. LTC Wells and Mr. Maloney attended several informative track sessions that included: Joint Expeditionary Operations, Strengthening Cyberspace Operations through Improved NETOPS, Network Transformation, Information Assurance, Life-Cycle Management and Support to Current and Future Cyber Capabilities, Information Technology Management at the Enterprise Level.

In addition to making connections with industry, identifying possible solution sets for current problems, meeting old acquaintances, and taking in the valuable information being disseminated, LTC Wells and the 509<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion were honored as

recipients of the OCONUS NEC of the Year award in the medium category. LTC Wells personally accepted the award from LTG Jeffery A. Sorenson, the Army Chief Information Officer/G6, and MG Susan S. Lawrence, NETCOM Commander.



The award was representative of the 509<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion's strong efforts by all its military and civilian personnel during the course of the past year in leading the progression towards an enterprise end-state, contributions towards Army Knowledge Management goals, customer focus, innovation, and improvements made in employee morale, relations, and teambuilding.

### Our Ongoing Mission of Peace: A Kosovo Perspective

The 509<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion recently instituted a liaison officer in Kosovo to assist Command in mission accomplishment and force sustainment. 2LT Neville Rose and recently 2LT Clayton Durden have been performing this important duty for several months. During that time the Task Force on ground changed, yet the mission of 509<sup>th</sup> remain constant: Plan, install, operate, and maintain communications network, both tactical and sustaining base, as an extension of the GIG throughout Italy, Kosovo and Bosnia to enable Theater, Army, Joint and Combined Force Warfighters.

This can be a challenge sometimes, as language and cultural barriers are always present. Here on Camp Bondsteel are Turkish, Hellenic, Polish, Ukrainian, and Croatian Coys, each with their own language, culture, equipment, and rules. To say that this can make the job of providing communication challenging is an understatement, but day in and day out, the hard working Soldiers here on the ground work together to provide Command and Control to the Task Force and Area Support Team Commanders. All of these nations joining together for one cause is inspiring, and continuing to make a difference in the lives of the people of Kosovo.

Our mission continues, and 509<sup>th</sup> will continue to give our utmost dedication and support to the American Soldiers, civilians, and allied forces of Camp Bondsteel in their ongoing mission of peace to a once war-torn land.





MESSAGE FROM THE HHC COMMAND TEAM



CPT Sirena Sias



1SG Joseph Williams

Message from the Command Team:

August was a busy month, with missions continuing to roll ahead at full speed, PCS season fully underway, and summer holidays. In the midst of the business, we can not forget why it is we are here. Let's continue to take care of the mission and take care of each other.

I want to take the time to thank Mrs. Williams, 1SG's dear wife and Family Readiness Group Leader. She has

selflessly devoted many hours of her personal time to serving as the FRG leader. Now she will be serving others again as she pursues her career as a school teacher. We know 1SG Williams misses her and can't wait to be reunited. But we miss her just as much.

Sirena Sias  
CPT, SC  
Commanding

HHC NEWS AND PICTURES

HHC stands proudly during the Change of Command Ceremony on 30 July 2010, Mannheim, Germany.



The United States Air Forces in Europe Band performs at the Change of Command Ceremony 30 July 2010.



**HHC 2D SIGNAL BRIGADE—30 JULY CHANGE OF COMMAND CEREMONY**

