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Voting News:

**The voting registration deadline is 6 Oct 12 in 48 states.
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FVAP Mailing Deadlines:
Germany: Must mail No Later Than 11 days before election

BDE VAOs: MAJ Yamada, SFC Lisica, Ms. Garnish

UPCOMING HOLIDAYS

October 5th	Training Holiday
October 8th	Columbus Day
November 9th	Training Holiday
November 12th	Veteran's Day
November 22d	Thanksgiving Day
November 23d	Training Holiday

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2 D SIGNAL BRIGADE

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Stay Vigilant, Stay Safe!



MESSAGE FROM THE BRIGADE COMMAND TEAM



COL Jimmy L. Hall, Jr. CSM Milton L. Weatherly



COL Hall at the garrison's Hispanic American Heritage Observance

Dear Soldiers, Civilians, Family, and Friends:

After my first quarter in command, I am honored to say that the brigade does indeed embody its motto of "Excellence Always." The brigade's reputation of having outstanding Soldiers and workmanship certainly bears truth. CSM Weatherly and I are extremely proud to be a part of this great organization and thank you for all you do day in and day out.

The months of August and September were quite busy for the brigade. In August, our headquarters relocated, but were able to do so without missing a beat. In September, a major focus for us was the Suicide Prevention Stand Down. As part of this initiative, members of the brigade were trained on techniques to recognize the warning signs as well as helping agencies and resources. Our Soldiers shared brilliant ideas about methods the Army could take in order to extinguish suicide in the Army. If we all work together toward this common goal, I have no doubt that we will succeed in eliminating suicide from our ranks. Army Strong!

Colonel Jimmy L. Hall, Jr.

Command Sergeant Major Milton L. Weatherly

"Excellence Always"



2d Signal BDE Hispanic American Heritage Observance



Suicide Prevention Stand Down 5k Run



2d Signal BDE Hispanic American Heritage Observance



MESSAGE FROM THE 6981ST CIVILIAN SUPPORT GROUP



G. Drechsler, Cdr

R. Muenzberg, DCdr

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

During August and September we were pretty busy with spending our customer's money for their requested projects on one hand, and with closing out TDY-projects on the other hand, as TDY money of this FY could not be transferred to the new FY.

As always at this time of year, we were asked to make nearly impossible missions happen when funds became available by End of Year funds. My Technical Supply team is constantly requesting quotes for all kinds of materials for different projects. As a result of this we will receive more materials within the next weeks/months which need to be controlled, documented and properly stored.

But this procedure is known and my teams are aware of this.

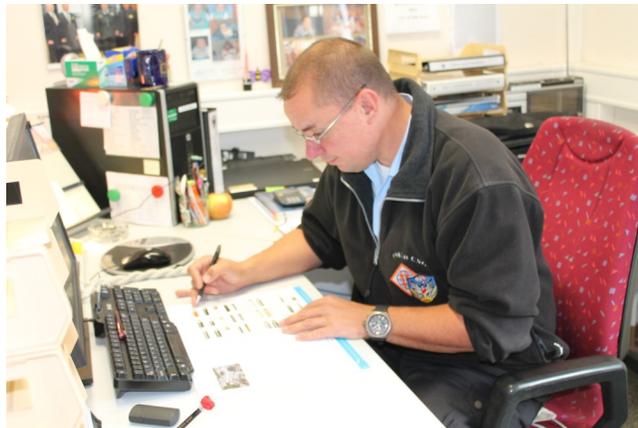
Those material orders, are in most cases, the basis for our project work in FY13. For some projects, we will have the materials on hand soon, but do still need to wait for TDY money in FY13. But, this is also a known procedure and our customers are aware of this. We look forward to supporting you.

We connect!

Gerd Drechsler



Mr. Pruss, Chief Technical Supplies, while researching the internet for needed materials/equipment



Mr. Kah, Technical Supplies, while requesting quotes from suppliers for project related materials



Mr. Hauck, warehouse operations, while unpacking and accepting delivered materials



39TH SIGNAL BATTALION: COMMAND TEAM AND HHD MERCENARY NEWS



LTC Joyce LuGrain

CSM Harry Mercado

Dear Soldiers, Friends, and Family:

The month of September has been a busy and exciting one for the 39th Signal Battalion. The battalion's high OPTEMPO kept everyone on our team busy every day. Our Soldiers and Civilians take things in stride because we know that everything we do is for a greater cause. MISSION FIRST! Just two of the highlights for the month included hosting the NETCOM Army Award for Maintenance Excellence (AAME) inspection team as we compete for excellence at the NETCOM level and to move on to the Army level competition. Many of our Soldiers received coins from the team for their outstanding work areas. The battalion also hosted the SHAPE/Chievres community's annual 9/11 Freedom Run. This community event was led by the 39th Signal Battalion's own SFC Wilkinson, whose expert planning ensured an outstanding turnout and the USAREUR CSM as the guest speaker. These events, along with our usual battle rhythm of planning and execution of daily activities kept us on our toes. Our Soldiers and Civilians keep executing the battalion mission 24/7/365 with excellent attitudes.

Watchdog 6 out!

HEADQUARTERS & HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT (HHD)

During the past couple of months the battalion has been mission focused and very engaged in unit activities to continually improve the Command Climate and morale of the unit. HHD has been involved in inspections, both from internal and external agencies, community events and training, to include low density and Warrior Focused Training (WFT).

BOSS Nursing Home Visit

In the month of August, some of our Soldiers visited the local nursing home and brought the seniors there a day filled with young lively spirits to brighten up their weekend. The BOSS representatives visited the elderly, giving them an opportunity to get out of their living quarters and in to the community to enjoy a day with the Soldiers doing various activities such as shopping, walking and taking them out to lunch. SPC Quint led the way, with BOSS and some other Soldiers from the HHD, spending quality time and bringing a smile on the faces of those elders, some of whom have not seen their family members in years.

9/11 Freedom Run

This September marked the 11-year anniversary of one of the most devastating events to occur on U.S. soil in the history of America. Many people became casualties in such a senseless and violent attack on the American public and just about everyone can remember that day just as vividly as when it happened. This year SFC Wilkinson, the Battalion S1 NCOIC, planned and organized the annual 9/11 Remembrance Freedom Run.

The day began early on a Tuesday morning in Chievres, Belgium. The sky was overcast with frequent rain spurts; the people were mindful and ready for the run that awaited them. Laughter, chatter and kids running around the gym could be seen in preparation for the beginning of the event. The USAREUR CSM was the guest speaker, the SHAPE High School provided the Color Guard and the community provided the participants that included Soldiers, Civilians, and Family members from all NATO nations.



BOSS Nursing Home Visit



9/11 Freedom Run



39TH SIGNAL BATTALION: 128TH NEWS

BULLDAWG'S BARK

A Farewell to Summer

Outside the gates of SHAPE, August and September bring the final month of summer vacation and the start of the school year. For 128th Signal Company, it is yet another active period in its nonstop, multifaceted mission. There were inspections, award ceremonies, greeting new Soldiers and saying farewell to PCSing Soldiers, VIP visits, changes in platoon leadership, and beginning of the month training. Including community events, volunteer work, and fundraisers along with the day to day mission, 128th is busy setting and exceeding its own high expectations.



Congratulations to SPC Jackson for running the Best Arms Room and to SGT Brownlee for having a Commendable CBRN room during the NETCOM Army Award for Maintenance Excellence inspection!

Left to right: SGT Brownlee, SPC Jackson



Orderly Room

CLC Barbecue

On Saturday, September 1, 2012, the CLC's new Platoon Sergeant, SFC Alan Orender, after only a month on the job, pulled off a coup of sorts. He gathered together most of his Soldiers for an off-duty function to meet one simple goal for the CLC for Families to gather and "break bread". In this case, the function was a barbecue held by SPC Andrew Rood and his wife, Tammy. Burgers, chicken, and hot-dogs were donated by the Orenders', while utensils, salads and sides were supplied by Soldiers and Families. SPC Aaron Gallion tamed the roaring fires of the grill as eight children played in the yard. This event was the first opportunity for many of the Soldiers' spouses and children to meet SFC Orender and his family. The weather was perfect, the food was delicious, and the atmosphere was amicable. This promises to be the start of many happy CLC family gatherings.

128th ACCOMPLISHMENTS



1SG Dowland and SFC Gantt receiving Bronze Order of Mercury



Mr. Fish receiving his 30-year Service Award



SPC Jaime receiving the Army Commendation Medal

SPC Mills receiving the Army Achievement Medal





43D SIGNAL BATTALION COMMAND TEAM



LTC Corey L. Brumsey CSM Verne Washington

Greetings from the Soldiers and Civilians of the “Always Professional”

43d Signal Battalion.

Patrick Henry Village, HEIDELBERG, Germany – The 43d Signal Battalion celebrated their Organization day on 30 August 2012 behind the PHV Library in order to build unit esprit de corps, boost morale, and enjoy healthy competition. The 43d Signal Battalion Organization day was designed to give all Soldiers, DA Civilians, local nationals, and their Family members an opportunity to enjoy a day of fun and games.

Despite the inclement weather forecast two days prior, the weather was pleasantly cool with little to no rain. Throughout the day, events such as Dodgeball, Volleyball, Soccer, and Tug of War tournaments were held. Three teams competed for the coveted “Commander’s Cup” through 15 minute games with double elimination to demonstrate their skills. Participants included the Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment (HHD) from Heidelberg, Germany; the 181st Signal Company from Landstuhl, Germany; and DA Civilians from Heidelberg, Manheim, Kaiserslautern, and Sembach as well as Local National employees of the battalion. Planning, equipment set up, organization, and coordination by HHD and 181st along with DA Civilians had a major impact in constructing a successful event that was fun for all.

CSM Verne J. Washington Sr., the 43d Signal Battalion Command Sergeant Major, provided opening remarks encouraging Soldiers and Civilians to spend quality time with one another. As the day began, he instructed everybody to meet a Soldier that he or she has never met before within the battalion. The purpose of this event was for Soldiers new to the battalion to feel that they were part of a team. This was also an opportunity for Family members and Soldiers to make new friends through organizational sports and barbecue.

This all started at 0600 when 40 tables and bench sets, canopies, and barbeque grills had to be set up for this event. If it wasn’t for the determination and hard work of several volunteers within the unit, this event wouldn’t have been successful at all. Providing the music for the event was SGT Alexander Vining from HHD, 43D Sig Bn. SSG Sylvester Grady, also from HHD, was the lead cook and was in charge of all food and supplies for the event between the two companies. As for the team sports, the event planner for Dodgeball was SGT Justin Shires and for Tug-of War it was SGT Gregory Wallace from HHD Signal Company. The event planner for Volleyball was SFC Robert O’Cull and for Soccer it was 1LT Paul Murray from 181st Signal Company.

As the day progressed, HHD quickly clenched 1st place in Dodgeball. 181st SIG CO was awarded 1st place in Volleyball and Tug of War, and DA Civilians dominated the Soccer field. Spirits were high and tensions rose as each team struggled to beat the others.

Towards the end of the day, a tie breaker between all three teams was required. The Battalion Commander, LTC Corey Brumsey, decided that penalty kicks between the three teams would be the deciding factor on who received the Commander’s Cup. With anxious fans looking on, HHD placed first in penalty kicks between 181st SIG CO and the Civilian team and was awarded the Commander’s Cup as the overall champions.

Soldiers were asked what they thought about 43rd Signal Battalion Organization Day. According to an HHD soldier, SGT Alex Santiago, “I thought it was a great event. We need more events like this to bring 181st and HHD together; there are a lot of Soldiers that do not know each other.” SSG Patrick Benford from HHD SIG CO stated, “It was good. The best part was the food, and HHD taking home the Commander’s Cup again.”



43D SIGNAL BATTALION COMMAND TEAM: ORG DAY

181st Signal Company Soldier, SPC LC Johnson III stated that “It was a time for camaraderie, a chance to catch up with our busy lives, and a chance to meet new people.”

As the day concluded, LTC Brumsey conducted a safety brief to all Soldiers prior to their departure and prior to the Labor Day weekend. Throughout the day the Risk assessment for the event was on display and Soldiers were reminded of the important role that safety plays in fun activities as well as the workplace. Risk management is imperative to identify hazards, reduce risk and prevent accidents. And a safety brief is a risk management tool to help reduce off-duty incidents by helping Soldiers make better decisions and enjoy life. As members of the unit departed, shifting focus on their personal plans for the weekend, they were taking with them an excellent example for many future days of fun and games and “what right looks like.”



HHD Signal Company was awarded the Commander’s Cup. CPT Ryan Hughes (blue shirt) and SGT Sylvester Dima, to the right of CPT Ryan Hughes, holding the trophy.



LTC Corey Brumsey hailing the champions, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, from Heidelberg Germany after the Commander’s Cup. CSM Verne J. Washington SR, to the right of LTC Corey Brumsey, during the awards ceremony.



MESSAGE FROM THE 52D SIGNAL BATTALION COMMAND TEAM



LTC David Lambrecht CSM Nathanil J. Jett

Greetings from MacArthur's Own-

Leadership transitions occur regularly within the Army at all organizational levels and the infusion of this new leader brings about significant change in organizational priorities, focus, and ultimately its culture. As I complete my first 90 days in command, my transition strategy like others has been to quickly understand my organization and its operating environment through battlefield circulation, customer engagement, and assessment using a variety of formal and informal means. This initial assessment once validated by the organization's leadership should serve to provide areas of focus behind which goals and objectives can be established. At the end of the day, all leaders want their organizations to be successful and their personnel to be proud of the organization and the contributions they make to accomplish the mission.

To that end, I would like to share my initial assessment of the battalion and vision for Team 52nd. I am now a member of a small, but strong team of communication professionals whose mission is to build, operate and defend information systems and services for Theater, Army, Joint, Combined and Special Operation Forces. The battalion has a proud heritage, participating in sixteen military campaigns that span from World War II to Vietnam. Its reputation for excellence was established during its service in the Pacific under General Douglas MacArthur where we earned the distinct nickname of "MacArthur's Own" signal battalion. Like our past, we take equal pride in the battalion's present communications mission and ability to support the most significant customer base in the Department of Defense (DoD) which includes two Combatant Commands, four Component Commands and a standing Combined Joint Task Force.

Among our strengths are our operational focus and ability to execute no fail missions such as the execution of the Personnel Readiness Program, CG Communications Teams, and communications support for Nuclear Command and Control. Our operational successes are facilitated by a fully integrated military-civilian team that demonstrates effective horizontal and vertical communications within our formations and effectively engages our customers externally. I believe that we need to continue to invest our time and energy in developing the leaders and force of the future through a comprehensive and multi-faceted development program. And among

our greatest operational challenges ahead is ensuring that the battalion fully understands and is properly postured to execute its new responsibilities as the Consolidated Service Center for collateral information technology (IT) services to USAFRICOM and USEUCOM.

The military and civilian members of the 52nd Signal Battalion are dedicated to serving this nation through their commitment to excellence and belief in a shared vision of becoming the Army's premier Signal Battalion with a reputation for professional excellence and unmatched delivery of the joint network to the warfighter. "WE TRANSMIT"

Excellence Always, LTC David Lambrecht

Enhancing Theater Capabilities.

Soldiers and leadership with the 52nd Signal Battalion, 39th Signal Battalion, and USAFRICOM J6 recently traveled to the United Kingdom to complete the Joint Enterprise Network (JEN) Migration. The purpose of their mission was to migrate the information technology service environment from locally provisioned services to a common USAFRICOM service environment. In compliance with basic upgrades and newly introduced communication tools, the 'JEN Team' migrated a total of 400 users and 800 computers as well as migrated shared data to centrally located USAFRICOM servers from the Joint Analysis Center servers. This enhanced C4 operations between USAFRICOM at Kelley Barracks in Stuttgart and RAF Molesworth J2M by moving users and systems to a single network improving network management as well as information sharing and collaboration. This was a key step in the establishment of the JEN and movement towards a Joint Information Environment.

Building Relationships.

Soldiers with the 52nd Signal Battalion and the Stuttgart Army Health Clinic recently traveled to Sigmaringen, Germany to participate in a German Army field training exercise. Throughout the three-day training event American, Italian, and German military forces teamed up to participate in various shooting, land navigation, first aid, observation training, and situational training exercises. For many of the U.S. Soldiers involved in the exercise, this was their first glimpse of how NATO forces conduct training. It also provided them an opportunity to develop relationships with our partnership units and experience new, challenging, and instructive training.



MESSAGE FROM THE 52D SIGNAL BATTALION COMMAND TEAM

Both U.S. and Allied Soldiers greatly benefited from this exercise as each shared their knowledge and experiences with training and combat operations.

Additionally, on 16 August 2012 the Battalion participated in the 62nd Anniversary of the Liberation of the City of Orleans, France by U.S. Troops during WWII. Upon invitation from the city mayor, we sent our Color Guard to march in the city parade as well as provided a key note speaker to address their citizens during the festivities. Participation in this event helped to strengthen the ongoing relationship between city and unit, which is facilitated by the Franco-American Association.



SSG Foster receiving a block of instruction on the MG-3 machine gun.

52d Signal Battalion Color Guard proudly representing our country and armed forces.



52d Signal Battalion Soldiers posing with other participants of the liberation event.



102D SIGNAL BATTALION COMMAND TEAM



LTC Nathan J. Bollinger CSM Christopher A. Riley
Soldiers, Civilians, Family members, and friends of the 102^d Signal Battalion,

Wow, it's the start of fall and school is back in session...after school sports, homework, and school meetings! It's also an opportunity for our battalion to continue our sponsorship with our school, Aukamm Elementary. We've met the new principal to discuss partnership events and programs, and CPT Teater and 2LT Gabriel have been hard at work coaching the Chess Club.

Major projects continue for the Crusaders of 102d such as working to improve the communications infrastructure for HQ USAREUR and integration of the 43d Signal Battalion team into our ranks later during 2d and 3d Quarter of this coming FY.

Now, to a bit of bragging: three of our stellar Soldiers were recently promoted to SGT: SGT Rigdon, SGT McKire, and SGT Colon. Also, we want to congratulate SPC Vanhook and SPC Miller, both of whom received honors at Warrior Leaders Course.

102d also participated in our community Suicide Prevention Stand Down Day. We started the day with a post wide run and finished the day with small group discussions about ways to prevent this tragedy from occurring among our Soldiers, friends and Family.

102d had our annual Organizational Day on

21 September. It was a chance to take a much needed break from work, play sports and break bread with all our Civilians, Soldiers, and Families. It was a great opportunity for our wives, Kim and Fleche, to meet everyone as well. Special thanks to our German partner unit for joining us.

Our FRG is in full swing and doing well thanks to the great leadership of Renee Teater and Ilsa Gabriel. The FRG Fall Festival on 20 OCT should be a great time for all. Please join us for pumpkin decorating, a hay ride, and fresh cider.

As always, stay safe and stay in touch!

Net Ready!

LTC Nathan Bollinger
CSM Christopher Riley



Army Suicide Prevention Stand-down Day Run



CH Korie prepares for the prayer breakfast.



FTX !!



Shaun removing comms from airport Sheraton



SFC Mitchell setting the standard at Suicide Prevention Stand-down Day.



102D SIGNAL BATTALION: HHD



August and September have been very productive and busy months for HHD, 102d Signal Battalion. From the 11th through the 14th of September the detachment hosted a field training exercise at the Wiesbaden Sand Dunes training Site. Soldiers were subjected to multiple combat scenarios while under pressure. As squad leaders and team leaders perished on the simulated battlefield, junior Soldiers had to step forward and take charge. It was truly a rewarding site to see young Soldiers step forward and apply the skills they have gained throughout the year. Trainers provided realistic battlefield effects through the employment of the latest Training Support Center (TSC) IED simulation kit, including a bomb vest with an artificial explosion. After a grueling day of STX training Soldiers felt both relieved and gratified.



We continue to foster the growth of our Aukamm Elementary mentorship program. On the 20th of September we moved our first piece in the Chess Club. Students truly appreciated the oppor-

tunity to learn in the art of chess. As the school year continues we plan to host chess tournaments so that students can apply the lessons they have learned. Volunteers also assisted in establishing a math lab and the 3rd Grade Annual Potato Olympics. Volunteers truly appreciate the opportunity to teach young children.



On the 20th of September, Soldiers participated in the Army wide "Suicide Awareness: Stand Down." The festivities started out with a truly motivating Garrison 5k run. The unit came to understand that symptoms of suicide are not easily identified and that it is important for Soldiers across the ranks to communicate, be involved and care for one another. "Shoulder to Shoulder" took on a whole new meaning

during our small group discussions. Soldiers and Civilians were able to share their experiences and how each of us plays a vital role in the prevention of suicide. After a very rewarding day Soldiers realized the devastating impact of Army suicides and how important it is to care for one another.

After a whole day of bonding, small group discussions and building unit cohesion, our battalion transitioned to our annual Organizational Day on the 21st of September. The unit came out to Volkspark, Mainz, DE to partake in sports and park activities. Soldiers and Civilians from the 102d Signal Battalion competed in football, soccer, basketball, volleyball, table tennis, horse shoes, a spades tournament, and the event finale: tug-of-war! Everyone brought out their favorite dish to share and enjoyed a day of Germany's last week of summer.

Members from our German partnership unit, FuUstg Battalion 282, also came out to compete and play in the sporting events. The day turned out to be a success, but like any unit event involving competition, some members left satisfied from winning while others started their weekend with the bitter taste of defeat. All in all, the members of the 102d "Net Ready" Battalion were able to come together and enjoy the end of the week bonding, competing, growing and working together in an environment outside of the usual office setting. Thank you to all those who participated!

Bring the Heat, Hellraisers!

CPT Benjamin A. Teater

SFC Billi J. Mitchell



509TH SIGNAL BATTALION NEWS: SPORTS AND FITNESS



LTC Kevin P. Romano

CSM Javier Abad

Soldiers, Civilians, Families & Friends of the 509th.

I want to take this opportunity to introduce the battalion's new Command Sergeant Major, CSM Javier Abad; and the Battalion Chaplain, Chaplain (Captain) Taiwo Arowosegbe.

Chaplain Arowosegbe and his family recently arrived from Fort Bragg, North Carolina where he served as a Battalion Chaplain to an Air Defense Artillery Battalion. Chaplain Arowosegbe fills a very critical vacancy that has existed in the battalion for a number of years.

CSM Abad is a recent graduate of the US Army Sergeants Major Academy at Fort Bliss, Texas. CSM Abad brings a wealth of experience from previous assignments with the 509th and the Southern European Task Force.

The 509th continues to prepare for its most significant relocation as we prepare to occupy new facilities on Caserma Del Din in the coming months. The facilities the battalion will occupy will be state of the art in terms of design and capabilities.

Finally, as we get closer to the holiday season the Battalion Chaplain will have a series of initiatives so that we can help those in the community that are less fortunate. I ask each of us to consider what we can do at this time.

LTC Kevin P. Romano

Dear Soldiers, Civilians, Family, and Friends:

Only the brave and bravely we shall execute the duties bestowed upon us. It is an honor and a privilege to serve as part of the 509th Signal Battalion team in the Southern European area of operations. My wife Gabriella and I are also grateful for the hospitality and wonderful welcome! The first impression that I had upon the Change of Responsibility clearly indicated to me an organization that believes in high standards. Thanks to LTC Romano,

Mrs. Romano, CSM Cole, HHD, Soldiers and Civilians that made that event so memorable for me and my Family.

The battalion is small compared to most U.S. Army signal units, but we pack a heavy punch. The area of responsibility is enormous; the difference is the 509th is about quality rather than quantity. It is important to keep in mind the great talent that our organization brings to the table and the challenges we face without failing. The high standards, maintenance, accountability and training are the quality of excellence, but it is the command climate of this great organization that will get us through the difficult and turbulent events. I'm looking forward to meeting each one of you and support the organization through the Command visits, Family Readiness Group, community events, hail and farewells, special holidays and mission. I'm here as your CSM, but most importantly of all, we are here together in making this organization better than it is now; together we can and together we will overcome!

CSM Javier Abad

Headquarters & Headquarters Detachment

First, I want to welcome our new Soldiers and Families to the 509th Signal Battalion and to the Vicenza Community! I hope your arrival has been a pleasant one and please take this time to enjoy and travel this beautiful country. For our new spouses, we have implemented a Spouse Sponsorship Manager Program within the FRG which is a great tool to provide you with the same assistance your Soldier receives throughout your transitional phase. Our FRG is a great program and you will receive more information regarding upcoming events in our FRG Newsletter.

Since our last encounter, the HHD has continued with performing missions, exercises, and events as we always have...Flawlessly (to say the least). We have gone on missions in support of real world conflicts, which include but are not limited to, operations in Kenya, Botswana, and Kosovo. Other missions or events include a Senior Leaders Engagement mission, Technology Expo, support for the local Talent Show aired through AFN, Suicide Stand Down Day, and Global Broadcast System Training.

CPT Burney, SFC Harris



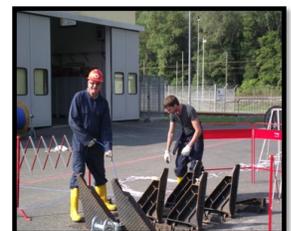
SGT Moye sets up satellite communications for the Commanding General of US Army Africa during exercise SOUTHERN ACCORD '12 held in Botswana.



Soldiers from HHD utilizing the Engagement Skills Trainer on Caserma Ederle as part of Range Week.



(L-R) Mr. Mathias, Mr. Valentini, Mr. Thacher, Mr. Calabrese, and Mr. Robinson enjoy lunch in Asiago during the Staff Ride of the Battle of Asiago.



(L-R) Augusto Ferretti and Daniele Crew, NEC-Livorno, prepare their work site to install fiber optic cable



MESSAGE FROM THE HHC COMMAND TEAM



CPT Danielle T. Killian 1SG Jessie Davis

Dear Brigade of Excellence Family and Friends:

Thank you for the warm welcome and opportunity to join the Brigade of Excellence and Wolfpack team!

We have had an exciting close to the summer here in Headquarters Company. HHC continues to provide outstanding support to the Brigade of Excellence and our local community.

I am pleased to announce that CPT Danielle Killian welcomed a healthy baby boy on August 15th here in Wiesbaden. Mother and child are doing very well.

The 20th of September was an important day for the Wolfpack, the Wiesbaden community, and all of US Army Europe. We took part in the 2012 Suicide Prevention Stand Down which included a motivational community run, multiple guest speakers and skits, and small group discussions. Special thanks to the small group leaders and participants who made it a memorable day.

We are excited to continue our relationship with Wiesbaden High School. Wolfpack Soldiers are volunteering at multiple events, and COL Hall and CSM Weatherly were invited to do the coin flip at the Homecoming Football Game against Ramstein on October 5th.

The Wolfpack are staying busy and looking forward to weapons ranges, Soldier and NCO of the Quarter Boards, and CBRN training in the coming weeks. Thank you for your continued hard work and dedication!

1LT Andrew J. Watson
"ALWAYS READY!"



Burpee competition during Suicide Stand Down Day



Suicide Prevention Stand Down 5k Run



Suicide Prevention Stand Down Small Group Participants