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**On the cover:** *Members of the Better Opportunity for Single Servicemembers program at the Presidio of Monterey take part in white water rafting June 25. To learn more about BOSS, see page 8. Courtesy photo by Army Pvt. Zachary Chapman*

# Hwy. 68 construction to impact Monterey travel

*By Angel Mendoza, Presidio of Monterey PAO*

If you drive Highway 1 (CA-1) or Holman Highway (CA-68), prepare for some major traffic tie-ups.

Construction of a rotary linking the highways is underway, with major work scheduled to start this fall.

The planned "Holman Highway roundabout" is expected to relieve congestion at the intersection of Holman Highway 68, Highway 1, and 17 Mile Drive, near the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula and entrance to Pebble Beach.

But things will get worse before they get better for local drivers, officials say.

Upcoming construction will require lane restrictions and some detours, Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) officials said during a July 21 meeting.

The first major closure is scheduled for Sept. 10-20, when Highway 68 southbound off-ramp will close. Southbound traffic will be diverted to Ocean Blvd. This closure is expected to cause major traffic backups.

At other times, traffic may be reduced to one-lane in one or both directions.

To minimize overall impact, planners said they'll initially focus efforts on utility work and road-widening, then divert traffic to the road's shoulder while working along the median. However, at least two additional closures are expected to be scheduled in late winter or early spring.

The project is ongoing and currently scheduled to continue through summer, 2017.

Learn more about the project and register for updates via email at the TAMC website: <http://www.tamcmonterey.org/programs/highway-projects/highway-68-roundabout/>



*Artist's conception of the finished Holman Highway roundabout. Image courtesy of Transportation Agency for Monterey County*



# Garrison commander shares leadership philosophy

By Col. Lawrence Brown, Presidio of Monterey commander

My vision is for a competent and disciplined U.S. Army Garrison Presidio of Monterey staff that is fully able to support the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center, service members and their families, retirees, and Gold Star families.

This command is committed to excellence with the knowledge of its unique contribution and singular purpose in support of mission success.

Everything we do will focus on operating successfully within environments of Installation Management Command, Training and Doctrine Command, and the Monterey Bay communities.

There are three primary means that I will pursue to accomplish this vision.

First, every member of this command deserves to be led by leaders who are professional, competent, energetic, selfless, caring, and fair. This starts at the top with me and my directors.

Second, mission accomplishment is a function of teamwork and training to empower everyone to effect positive change.

Third, a good organizational communication plan will build trust for all USAG Presidio team members. I will use various venues and forms of communication to reinforce this philosophy regularly.

Service members, DoD civilians, and contractors are people. Each member is a special contributor, and has a family

somewhere. The individual member is the most important resource of our organization. As such, I expect everyone will be professionally treated with respect and dignity no matter the rank or status of the individual.

I will not suffer a toxic work environment. We will listen to our members, take care of each other, and take care of our families.

Everyone must ask: "What have I done for my team member today?" As members of an inter-dependent team of teams on the Presidio and its associated locations, we cannot accomplish our mission without the support of others.

We will always support our higher headquarters, sister, and subordinate organizations without concern for receiving credit. Our team will use feedback and training as the primary means for achieving excellence and mission success.

Our standard is not merely providing services to the tenant military units and military communities, but professional and caring support of subject matter experts (SME) to whomever needs it. If we do not know an answer to a question or a problem, we will promptly find the proper SME or leader who can assist the customer. Leaders must prioritize training to support a work force that is competent, effective, efficient, and cost-effective. Moreover, training and feedback is essential to the learning process.

Developing leaders is vital. USAG Presidio of Monterey is only as good as the men and



Col. Lawrence Brown assumed command of U.S. Army Garrison Presidio of Monterey in June.

***“What have I  
done for my team  
member today?”***



women who lead it. I will plan time to train leaders. Leaders throughout the command are the greatest force for positive change we possess.

In pursuing excellence, honest mistakes will be made. Underwrite them. Eliminate the “zero-defects” mentality and skilled incompetence. These items are the most insidious threats to our organizational health.

Good communication directly contributes to our success as a command. It specifically develops trust and confidence between leaders and subordinates, and among members.

Communication pathways up, down, and across the organization must be unobstructed. This includes the notion that disagreement is not disrespect. Additionally, I will use knowledge management processes and principles

to enable effective and efficient communications and awareness throughout the command.

I am committed to developing a competent, effective, efficient and innovative garrison staff while maintaining an atmosphere of trust among leaders and the work force. As a result, our USAG team will excel and experience continued success as it prepares for additional resource constraints.



***Col. Lawrence Brown, Presidio of Monterey garrison commander, speaks with Defense Language Institute Command Sgt. Maj. Ryan Ramsey following the 314th Training Squadron change of command ceremony on Soldier Field July 13. Brown said his leadership philosophy emphasizes connection, communication and teamwork to benefit of all members of the Presidio of Monterey community. Photo by Steven L. Shepard, Presidio of Monterey PAO***



Asian School II students cheer for their classmates during the 14th Annual Korean Speech Contest June 23 at the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center.



# K-pop essay rocks top spot in speech contest

Story and photos by Patrick Bray, Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center PAO



A heartfelt speech about Korean popular music clinched first place for Spc. Andre Abassi during the 14th Korean Speech Contest at the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center, June 23.

The annual contest provides Korean language students at DLIFLC's Asian School II an opportunity to showcase their spoken language ability and overall cultural awareness.

Abassi won for his speech about discovering a popular Korean singer in the aftermath of a difficult break-up. As classmates cheered him on, some waving with signs written in Korean, Abassi explained how "K-pop" vocalist Kim Ye Lim helped him cope.

"I hoped I could heal the wound in my heart with Korean. At that time I found Korean music," he said. The lyrics of the songs that Ye Lim Kim sings were so moving "that when I first heard them, I nearly cried."

Army Pfc. Parker Blood won second place for a speech about his experience at an event honoring Korean War veterans in Salinas.

"Previously, the Korean War was referred to as the 'Forgotten War,'" he said of the 1950-1953 military conflict to protect citizens of the pro-western Republic of Korea from the Soviet-backed Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the north.

"Now it is referred to as the 'Forgotten Victory,'" he said.

Airman 1st Class Devin Enright took third place for his speech entitled "North Korea's nuclear program."

Students performed Korean pop songs on stage while the judges deliberated. DLIFLC students are encouraged to study both traditions and contemporary culture of regions where their language of study is spoken.

"I hope events such as these will continue to stimulate your interest in Korean language and culture," said Chul-soon Choi, education director for the Korean Consulate General in San Francisco, who visited the Presidio of Monterey to observe the contest.



*An Asian School II student sings in Korean during the 14th Annual Korean Speech Contest June 23 at the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center.*



*Steve Collins, chief of staff of the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center, presents U.S. Army Spc. Andre Abassi his first place certificate for his speech "My angel, Yaelim Kim" about a popular singer and his newfound enthusiasm for Korean popular music.*





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*MWR's Better Opportunities for Single Servicemembers program offers access to exclusive events, volunteer and leadership opportunities, and serves as the voice of single and unaccompanied junior enlisted personnel at PoM.*



In February, Lance Corporal Brian Domanowski's fire team leader "finally told me what he was doing on Thursdays, instead of field day in the barracks," he said, encouraging him to volunteer as a unit representative to the Presidio of Monterey's Better Opportunities for Single Servicemembers program.

"My first question was 'what's BOSS?'" he said. Today, Domanowski not only knows what BOSS is, he's the chapter's newly-elected president.

"Part of the reason the BOSS program is here is to help the service members living in the barracks. That's why I'm involved, I want to help my guys," he said.

BOSS is a quality-of-life program organized by and for single service members assigned to Army installations. Members organize recreation and volunteer opportunities for single and unaccompanied personnel, while the council represents their concerns regarding quality of life issues to military leaders.

At PoM, the program organizes surf lessons

and rafting trips, operates a weekend designated driver program, and organizes volunteer opportunities, some to raise money for chapter activities and others that support the community, like a program caring for shelter pets at a local animal rescue.

Volunteer hours are tracked, and creditable to service members in accordance with their service's volunteer recognition program.

"It's work, sometimes. But it's also a lot of fun," said Spc. Daniella Robichaud, the chapter vice president.

She encouraged more service members to get involved, saying volunteers get as much as they give.

"In an environment like this, it's hard to put yourself out there, it's hard to make new friends ... This gets you out talking to people outside your classes," she said.

POM BOSS is seeking new members, and to fill several unit representative positions. For information, attend a general meeting on the 2nd or 4th Thursday of every month, 4:30 p.m. at Hobson Recreation Center.



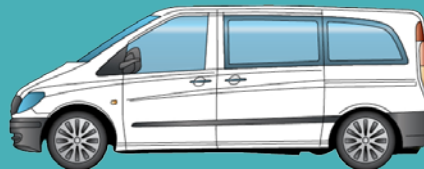
**BOSS general meetings are the second and fourth Thursday of every month, 4:30 p.m. at Hobson Recreation Center. Meetings are open to all single servicemembers at PoM.**

**Don't drive, stay alive! Call the BOSS Designator Driver shuttle for a safe, confidential ride back to the barracks on Friday and Saturday nights.**

**The BOSS "Designated Driver" shuttle is staffed by BOSS Students Against Drunk Driving volunteers from 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.**

**Pick up points are: Portola Plaza (at the end of Alvarado St.) & CVS (686 Lighthouse Ave.)**

**Call (831) 601-7182 to request a ride or for information about volunteering.**



**Can't get enough of DLIFLC's favorite mascot?**

**Now, you can hike scenic trails behind the SPCA shelter in Seaside, play with pups, and get credit through your service branch volunteer recognition program!**

**The PoM BOSS program has partnered with SPCA of Monterey County to volunteer dog-walking services for shelter pets. To volunteer, contact Army Pvt. Kaylee Troxler, BOSS SPCA liaison, at [kayleemt96@gmail.com](mailto:kayleemt96@gmail.com).**





# Battle won with no shots fired: Service members reenact Sloat's Landing

**MONTEREY, California** — Sailors from the Presidio of Monterey and Naval Postgraduate School assisted the Native Sons of the Golden West in recreating "Sloat's Landing" in downtown Monterey July 9.

The event is an annual ceremony commemorating the historical 1846 U.S. naval victory, in which California was claimed by the U.S.

During that landing, 250 Sailors and Marines landed at Monterey, raised the American flag, and claimed California for the United States. They

rowed to shore under the direction of Captain William Mervine, portrayed during the ceremony by Navy Captain Anthony J. Parisi, NPS Chief of Staff.

Other volunteers represented the crews of the *Cyane* and the *Levant*, two ships from the American Pacific Squadron that were anchored in Monterey when Commodore John Drake Sloat arrived aboard the U.S.S. *Savannah*.

Sailors from the Navy's Information Warfare Training Command Monterey color guard, wearing replica U.S. Marine uniforms from the period,

Photos by Catherine Caruso, Presidio of Monterey PAO

hoisted a 28-star U.S. flag above the Custom House during the reenactment.

Members of the Native Sons of the Golden West portrayed residents of Monterey, who gathered at the Custom House to hear Sloat's proclamation naming California part of the United States, and declaring its residents to be U.S. citizens.

The landing is considered a U.S. naval victory for Sloat's claiming California without a shots being fired, and establishing U.S. control of Pacific ports – crucial to victory in the Mexican American War.

Sailors from the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center, Naval Postgraduate School, were among those dressed in period naval attire to reenact the 1846 landing. Here, the Sailors march toward the Monterey Custom House.





**TOP LEFT**, Reenactors watch the coast for Sailors reenacting U.S. naval and marine forces' 1846 landing at Monterey.



**LEFT and FAR LEFT**, Members of the Information Warfare Training Command Monterey volunteer color guard raises a 28-star U.S. flag above the Monterey Custom House, as Sailor's in period attire remove their hats.



**BELOW**, A marker commemorating Sloat's Landing lies on the path near Custom House Plaza and Monterey's Fisherman's Wharf.



Sailors from the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center and Naval Postgraduate School row two wooden landing craft, similar to those used during the historical landing.



# West Point faculty member gets back to roots at DLIFLC

By Brian Lepley, Presidio of Monterey PAO

“Those who can’t do, teach” is a saying the military model of instruction turns on its head. High-performing service members often find themselves in training assignments, passing on their knowledge to new recruits.

Not that Army institutions don’t guard against complacency in the training ranks. Col. Gregory Ebner, the foreign language department head at the U.S. Military Academy, is spending this summer here as proof.

“We’ve got a free colonel for three months,” was how Ebner was introduced at a late May staff call by Col. Phillip Deppert, commandant of the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center. Ebner’s assignment here is in DLIFLC’s Continuing Education office.

The reason for the 1997 DLI graduate’s west coast temporary duty? Escaping academia to get re-acquainted with the Army.

As USMA military faculty, Ebner said, “You start every day off talking about the Army to cadets: character development, physical development; everything that the cadets are doing. If we’re going to do that, we have to have some sort of currency with the Army.

“It’s very easy for someone to come to West Point and stay there for 10-15 years,” said the USMA professor who’s been there since 2005.

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**Col. Gregory Ebner assists Spc. Garrett Lysford July 8 with his Arabic assignment at the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center. Ebner is the Department head of Foreign Languages at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. He attended DLI in 1996-1997, and recently returned for a 90-day developmental assignment. Photos by Patrick Bray, DLIFLC PAO**



It's USMA policy that military faculty do a "greening" assignment for 90 days at an Army installation every three years.

"It's usually during summer when there aren't classes, but there's also the expectation that we give our expertise," Ebner said. "A place like DLI is a good place for me. There's give and take, a benefit to us both."

His expertise is Arabic, the language he learned when he chose Foreign Area Officer for his Career Field Designation as a captain. Four of his instructors from 1997 remain at DLIFLC, including Ms. Yousra Elmachtoub.

"Col. Ebner stood out from the pack back then. He was enthusiastic about learning the language and always asking questions; a very good class member and very good student, with impressive grades," Elmachtoub said. "I never forgot that class, and I would even tell my students and my colleagues about that class and specifically Col. Ebner. When I saw him back at DLI, I was very proud to see he had become so successful."

Ebner, a 1988 West Point graduate, also visits classrooms to impart wisdom to the military's future linguists.

"The two things I say to them is that they have a critical value to the defense of our nation and how much effort and resources are being poured into them," he said. "I point out to them that by the time all their training is complete, there's been \$500,000 invested in them. It doesn't cost that much to produce a lieutenant at West Point."

As important as the investment, Ebner points out, is the return Uncle Sam expects in the United States' evolving, dangerous security environment.



*Pfc. Lydia Trusty (left) and Spc. Tauhid Davis (center) consult with Col. Gregory Ebner during Arabic class July 8 at the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center.*

"The changing intelligence structure, the changing threat that our nation faces, relies heavily on their ability to supply accurate understanding of the language and the culture for which they're responsible," he said.

Like a coach giving a halftime pep talk, Ebner intends to motivate them through the last bit of their Arabic experience and to let them know that graduation after 64 weeks doesn't mean the foot can come off the pedal.

"That's a year and some of seven hours of class each day, the homework ... it turns into a grind," Ebner said. "There's a great tendency that you get that diploma and exhale, 'whew, I'm not studying that stuff no more.'"

He dislikes the term "language sustainment."

"There's no stasis in knowing your language. You're either improving or declining," Ebner said.



# Take 5: Five minutes with Command Sgt. Maj. Ryan Ramsey

Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center



Command Sgt. Maj. Ryan Ramsey assumed responsibility as the senior non-commissioned officer at the Defense Foreign Language Institute Foreign Language Center June 3.

Photo by Amber K. Whittington, DLIFLC PAO

**Q** When and why did you think about becoming the command sergeant major of the Defense Foreign Language Institute Foreign Language Center, and how did you work towards this assignment?

**A** I never planned for becoming DLIFLC CSM. The Department of the Army selected me for this position based on my previous experience, performance, and potential.

**Q** What was your last CSM assignment and how did it prepare you for this assignment?

**A** My last CSM assignment was at the 2nd Signal Brigade in Germany, where my focus was on creating a positive working environment, relationships, and creative management.

**Q** What are the most noticeable changes here since you served here as a first sergeant?

**A** The solutions for parking problems, barracks, housing, traffic, infrastructure improvements, customer service, business practices, and accountability needed to keep

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pace with the best military bases. The quality of language training, new students, teachers, and Military Language Instructors (MLI) have been enhanced.

**Q** What are your goals as the DLIFLC CSM?

**A** To do my part to improve the organization and leave a great legacy for the next generation.

**Q** Tell us about your philosophies of leadership and teamwork and how you will incorporate those into making DLIFLC students and staff successful.

**A** Leadership is an art of understanding, inspiring, coaching, and caring for our service members and our teammates.

**Our service members deserve a highly competent and humbly confident leaders with experience and knowledge to solve problems. The best way to lead is from the front and by example. Soldiers will do what they see you do and not by what you say for them to do.**

**Good leadership is action that will bring positive results to one's organization. We must create an atmosphere for a positive leadership environment where service members and their families feel comfortable approaching us with issues. Great leaders always want to spent time with their Soldiers, listen to their teammates, and mentor their subordinates.**

## Explore the *GLOBE*! Summer 2016 edition

Presidio of Monterey PAO staff report

The Spring/Summer edition of the *Globe* is available now on newsstands around the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center and Presidio of Monterey!

Take a look inside the classroom at the military's premier foreign language training center, get the inside scoop on student life, and revisit the festivities at Language Day 2016, the school's annual open house.

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# *NPS expert talks North Korean nuclear program*



*Dr. Wade Huntley, academic director of the Regional Security Education Program at the Naval Postgraduate School, leads a discussion about North Korea and its nuclear weapons program June 21 as a guest lecturer for Foreign Area Officers in language training at the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center.*

*Story and photos by Patrick Bray, Defense Language  
Institute Foreign Language Center PAO*

An academic expert in nuclear nonproliferation and national security spoke with Foreign Area Officers training at the Defense Language Institute Foreign

Language Center about North Korea's nuclear weapons program June 21.

Dr. Wade Huntley, academic director of the Regional Security Education Program at the Naval Postgraduate School, is an expert in nuclear, biological and chemical weapons

proliferation and non-proliferation, and Northeast Asian security.

He gave FAOs a detailed lecture on North Korea's quest to obtain the bomb.

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“Why does North Korea do anything it does?” Huntley asked.

While the motives of the world’s most secretive and isolated regime can be baffling to outsiders, “most analysts come to a consensus that the primary focus of North Korea is regime survival,” he explained.

Huntley began his talk with an overview of the 1970 Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty.

In the 1980s, Mikhail Gorbachev, the last leader of the Soviet Union, pushed North Korea to sign the treaty, which required North Korea agree to forgo developing its own nuclear weapons.

North Korea signed the treaty in 1985. Then, the world changed dramatically. The Berlin Wall fell and the Tiananmen Square protests in Beijing took place in 1989, followed by the downfall and 1991 collapse of the Soviet Union, which had been North Korea’s main advocate in international affairs.

“In the early to mid-1990s North Korea was imploding,” Huntley said.

North Korea’s nuclear ambitions may have begun as a way to maintain power inside the country, but led to an international crisis.

In 1994, North Korea expelled investigators from the International Atomic Energy Agency. Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter traveled to North Korea on behalf of the Clinton administration, and worked out an agreement with President Kim Il Sung.

Known as the Agreed Framework, it allowed North Korea to replace nuclear reactors with light-water reactors, which is allowable under the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty.

Kim Il Sung died later that year, and was replaced by his son, Kim Jong Il.

In 2002, the Agreed Framework collapsed as a result of a dispute between the Bush Administration and the government of Kim Jong Il.

North Korea pulled out of the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty and restarted its nuclear program, leading to a second nuclear crisis.

In response, the Bush Administration began the “Six Party Talks,” including North and South Korea, the U.S., Japan, China and Russia in a broad, regional discussion, versus bilateral negotiations between just

the U.S. and North Korea.

The talks had some success throughout the remainder of the Bush Administration, but North Korea stopped participating in 2007.

Kim Jong Un took power after the death of his father, Kim Jong Il, in 2011.

Experts on Northeast Asia are still trying to determine how his regime will shape the future of North Korea, and its role in international affairs, Huntley said.

Huntley said he believes the U.S. should adopt a policy of “strategic patience” while waiting for North Korea to make its own decision to denuclearize.



*A 2014 photo from the NASA Earth Observatory shows the country of North Korea (center) in relative darkness, between more developed regions of South Korea (lower right) and northern China (upper left). The dot of light in North Korea is the capital, Pyongyang. NASA courtesy photo*





# AROUND THE PRESIDIO

## *The Comeback Kid:* Former Pfc. returns to command 229th

MONTEREY, Calif. — In 1992 a Clinton was running for president and Toni Sabo joined the Army, enlisting as a Chinese Mandarin linguist.

Today Lt. Col. Sabo commands the 229th Military Intelligence Battalion, the unit Pvt. 1st Class Sabo departed upon her Defense Language Institute graduation in 1993.

"That year had a tremendous impact on my life," she said. "My positive experience then at the DLI began a journey of more than two decades that brought me back here as a lieutenant colonel."

Lt. Col. Derrick Long turned battalion command over to Sabo July 8.

"I feel privileged to have been selected for a command that is responsible for helping to transform civilians into competent and committed Soldiers of character who will serve the Army as linguists," she said.

Pfc. Sabo reported to the 733rd Military Intelligence Battalion in Hawaii 23 years ago. By 1997 she was a second lieutenant, graduating the University of Hawaii ROTC through Green to Gold.

A variety of military intelligence assignments followed, including the first MI task force in Iraq in 2003.

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***Lt. Col. Tony Sabo (center) accepts the 229th Military Intelligence Battalion guidon from Col. Phil Deppert, Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center commandant, on Soldier Field July 8, assuming command of the unit.***

*Photo by Natela Cutter, DLIFLC PAO*



Sabo holds a bachelor's degree in Teaching English as a Second Language, and two master's degrees, in English and Organizational Leadership.

As a major, Sabo spent a few years at the U.S. Military Academy as a professor in the English and Philosophy Department.

"That teaching assignment and contributing to building the future corps of Army officers is one of the most gratifying of my career," she said.

Becoming a commander in another learning environment, Sabo admires the advances education has made at DLI.

When she attended 23 years ago, "We had only paper books and thousands of flashcards to learn the language when I was a student here. Now our students have tablets and computers and apps galore to assist their learning," she said.

But to Sabo the business of learning hasn't changed, nor has the strategic importance of DLI graduates.

"Students then and students now must buckle down to meet the challenges of learning to listen, speak, read, and write in a foreign language," she said. "My success as the 229th commander will be to inspire others to meet every day with positivity, passion, and a spirit of collaboration to accomplish our mission here.

"I would be honored to know that during my command I influenced the lives of those I lead in ways that enable them to thrive as students and Soldiers."

*Brian Lepley, Presidio of Monterey PAO*

*The 229th Military Intelligence Battalion is one of the largest battalions in the Army, numbering 1,900 Soldiers, most of them students at the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center and supporting cadre.*

# 314th TRS welcomes new leader

*Lt. Col. Christopher V. Walker (center) became the fifth commander of the Air Force's 314th Training Squadron, relieving Lt. Col. Allison M. Galford (right) in a change of command ceremony held at Soldier Field, July 13. 517th Training Group Commander Col. Keith Logeman (left) presided over the event.*

*Photo by Steven Shepard, Presidio of Monterey PAO*





# Marine Detachment changes command

Lt. Col. Jude C. Shell received command of the Marine Detachment Presidio of Monterey from outgoing commander Lt. Col. Rodrick H. McHaty during a change of command ceremony held at Presidio's Hilltop Field, June 30.

Col. Harold B. Eggers, commanding officer Marine Corps Communication Electronics School, served as the officiating officer for the ceremony.

As one of his last acts as MARDET Monterey commander, McHaty performed a promotion ceremony for the detachment's Operations Chief, Gunnery Sgt. Oliver B. Schierer.

Shell's most recent assignment was International Affairs Program Manager at Marine Corps Headquarters in Arlington, Virginia.

*Story and photo by Steve Shepard,  
Presidio of Monterey Public Affairs Office*



## *Making cents: Dialing discipline reduces bill for long distance calls*

The Network Enterprise Center is asking for all employees and staff to help reduce the installation's phone bill by avoiding unnecessary long distance charges.

If you are dialing a number on post at either the Presidio or Ord Military Community and the number starts with "242," dial the 7-digit number directly from other office phones on PoM.

If dialing an off-post number in the local area, including most phone numbers beginning with the area code "831," from on-post phones, dial "99," then the 7-digit number, to complete your call at the local rate.

Further long distance charges can be avoided by using the Defense Switched Network (DSN). If calling a U.S. military or government facility, check to see if the organization has DSN capability before you call - especially when calling locations overseas. The DSN number is typically an alternate area code and prefix, with the same four-digit extension as the commercially published number.

To call locations inside the continental United States using DSN, dial "94," then the location's three-digit DSN prefix and four-digit extension. For OCONUS locations, dial "93," then the DSN area code, three-digit DSN prefix, and four-digit extension.

*Presidio of Monterey Network Enterprise Center*



# UN next stop for DLIFLC Arabic graduate

A former Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center student will speak at the United Nations General Assembly in New York City July 31, as the winner of the U.N. "Many Languages, One World" essay contest.

Spc. David Chestnut, a recent DLIFLC Arabic graduate, wrote about the impact of culture on languages.

The contest challenges students to write about how multilingualism fosters global citizenship and cultural understanding.

It must be written in a language other than their first language and be an official language of the U.N. – Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian or Spanish.

Chestnut's essay focused on idioms – culturally specific phrases that don't always make literal sense, but are widely understood by members of that culture to have a figurative meaning. For example, "it's raining cats and dogs" is a common English-language idiom for heavy rainfall.

"I had to really break it down and think about how culture and language would tie everything together, then try to figure out how to do it in Arabic," he said.

Chestnut is excited to speak at the U.N. because it's an opportunity to use in new language skills in a challenging environment.

"I'll get to see how well I can think of things on the spot and improvise with the language. Not everything will be scripted. That will really show where I'm at in my Arabic," he said.



*Spc. David Chestnut and his family at Soldier Field following his graduation ceremony June 30. Chestnut spoke at the United Nations General Assembly in New York City July 31 in Arabic as a winner of the "Many Languages, One World" essay contest.*

Students from 36 countries participated in the "Many Languages, One World" contest. All of them are pursuing undergraduate or graduate degrees representing 54 international universities. The contest is held annually and organized by ELS Educational Services, Inc. and the United Nations Academic Impact.

A total of 60 students were selected from a pool of more than 3,600 entrants.

Chestnut was one of the 10 winning Arabic language students. The contest winner encouraged other DLIFLC students to enter next year's essay contest, and in language skills competitions hosted by other organizations.

"Anyone that can graduate here can do something like this," he said.

*Story and photo by Patrick Bray, Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center PAO*



# DLIFLC receives innovation award

SAN ANTONIO, Texas – The American Association of University Administrators (AAUA) awarded the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center the prestigious Nikolai N. Khaladjan International Award for Innovation on June 11 during its annual leadership seminar.

The award, for outstanding foreign language teaching methodology, was received by DLIFLC Provost Dr. Betty Lou Leaver on behalf of the institute faculty, composed of some 1,800 foreign language instructors, 95 percent of whom are native speakers of the languages they teach.

"From our perspective, foreign language education in American higher education is one of those disciplines that absolutely is critical to the advancement of our national interests and is also a discipline in higher education that needs attention and innovation," said Dr. Dan King, AAUA president and CEO.

AAUA is a non-profit educational organization

dedicated to the development and advancement of superior standards for the profession of higher education administration.

Leaver said the DLIFLC selection as the top program among 13 competing universities was particularly noteworthy because, unlike its civilian counterparts, the military's foreign language training center lacks a traditional collegiate international relations program.

*Story and photo by Natela Cutter, Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center PAO*



**Dr. Jerome Neuner, of Canisius College, Buffalo, New York, presents the AAUA Nikolai N. Khaladjan International Award for Innovation to DLIFLC Provost Dr. Betty Lou Leaver June 11, in San Antonio, Texas.**

## *InBrief* audience survey: Open now through Aug. 15

We want to know what you think about the *InBrief*!

Are we featuring the Presidio of Monterey news and information that matters to you? What can we do better? Are you following PoM on social media?

Fill out our short, ten-question survey and let us know. It takes just a few minutes, and your responses will help us develop information products that meet our community's needs.

The PoM PAO audience survey is open through Aug. 15.

This survey is open to all members of the Monterey-area military community. If you live here, work here, access services here, or are a community member who follows news and events on PoM, we want to hear from you!

**Find the PoM PAO readership survey online:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Z5Y2DR6>





# Playing *Pokémon Go!* on post? **STOP and read this, first!**

How big is *Pokémon Go!*? With 21 million estimated daily active U.S. users, technology blog “Techcrunch” reports the location-based smartphone game has more daily users than Twitter, and that the average user spends more time on the app than on Facebook.

Source: <https://techcrunch.com/2016/07/13/pokemon-go-tops-twitters-daily-users-sees-more-engagement-than-facebook/>.

But what does that mean for military installations, such as Presidio of Monterey?

*Pokémon Go!* can be a great way to meet people and explore points of interest and historical markers. The Presidio’s Lantaka Cannons, Maj. Frank De Ameral Memorial Fountain, and Yukata Munakata Memorial are all Pokéstops in the game.

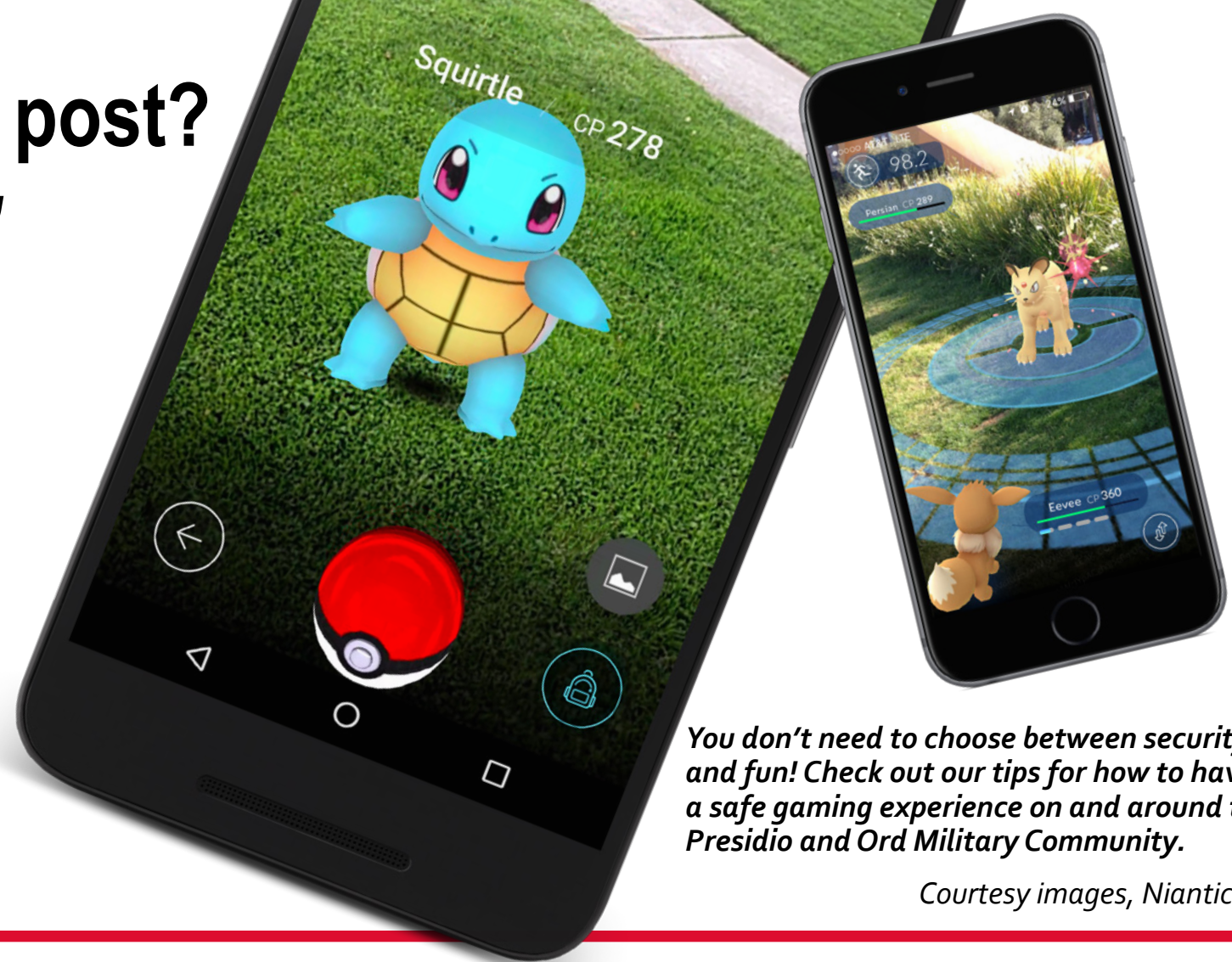
Presidio leadership asks players to be cautious and considerate of others while participating on post and at Ord Military Community.

For example, OMC Chapel appears on the game as a PokéGym. Officials ask players respect worshippers by refraining from game-related activity during services.

Loitering and trespassing are also areas of concern for installation officials. While it’s OK for older kids to stop by a tot-lot to hunt for Pokémon, make sure they’re appropriately supervised. And adults should take care not to interfere with kids’ enjoyment of the park. If you need to be there more than a few minutes (and you aren’t accompanying a child), consider finding another PokéStop, leaders said.

Presidio police remind everyone not to follow Pokémon onto private property, or into other residents’ yards in military housing.

*Presidio of Monterey PAO staff report*



***You don’t need to choose between security and fun! Check out our tips for how to have a safe gaming experience on and around the Presidio and Ord Military Community.***

*Courtesy images, Niantic Inc.*

*Remember - “Pokemon Go!” is a fun game, but applicable security precautions for cameras, smartphones, personal safety and visitor access remain in effect.*

## **POKÉMON DON'Ts**

**DON'T** follow Pokémon into traffic (or onto private property without permission)

**DON'T** play Pokémon Go! while driving

**DON'T** capture Pokémon in or around photography-restricted areas on post, such as access control points

**DON'T** bring smartphones into secure areas or classified facilities, such as access control points

## **POKÉMON DOs**

**DO** maintain situational awareness when walking

**DO** watch out for vehicles, bikes, and pedestrians

**DO** protect personally identifiable info (PII), operations security (OPSEC), controlled unclassified (CUI) and classified information

**DO** use common sense

**DO** remember that many apps, including Pokémon Go!, request access to personal information and geo-location data on your smartphone. Check what permissions are being requested, and consider how they might impact your personal security, before installing new apps.





# AROUND THE SERVICES

## DLI grad named to top Navy intel post

WASHINGTON — A Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center graduate has been named to the Navy's top intelligence post. Vice Adm. Jan Tighe assumed duties as Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Information Warfare and Director of Naval Intelligence July 15.

"It is an honor and a privilege for me to assume this responsibility," Tighe said. "I look forward to leading the N2N6 and Naval Intelligence teams, as well as the Information Warfare Community, as we provide the capabilities needed to defend our great nation in the 21st Century."

Prior to assuming her role of DCNO/DNI, Tighe was the Commander, U.S. Fleet Cyber Command and Commander, U.S. 10th Fleet. Tighe is a U.S. Naval Academy graduate and was commissioned as an ensign (special duty cryptology) in 1984.

She attended the Defense Language Institute, where she studied Russian. Tighe also attended the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey and in 2001 was awarded a Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering and a M.S. in Applied Mathematics.

As a flag officer, Tighe served as U.S. Cyber Command Deputy J3; Information Warfare director of Decision Superiority; Naval Postgraduate School interim

president; and deputy commander, U.S. Fleet Cyber Command and U.S. 10th Fleet.

"Information has been elevated to its own warfare domain, analogous to undersea, surface, air and space. If we don't get it right in the Information Domain, what we do in the other domains doesn't matter," said Vice Adm. Ted N. "Twig" Branch, who Tighe succeeds as DCNO/DNO.

Tighe wears the Information Warfare pin and Naval Aviation Observer wings, earned while deployed as an airborne special evaluator during Operations Desert Shield and Storm.



**Vice Admiral Jan Tighe,**  
*Deputy CNO for Information Warfare and Dir. of Naval Intelligence*

*Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Information Warfare Public Affairs*

## Army veteran awarded Medal of Honor

*President Barack Obama presents the Medal of Honor to retired Army Lt. Col. Charles Kettles in the East Room of the White House July 18. Kettles was a helicopter pilot during the Vietnam War. Despite withering enemy fire that grounded his first helicopter and threatened the second, Kettles' efforts are credited with saving the lives of 40 Soldiers and four of his own crew members during heavy fighting near Duc Pho, Republic of Vietnam, on May 15, 1967.*

**Full story:** [https://www.army.mil/article/171716/vietnam\\_aviator\\_awarded\\_medal\\_of\\_honor\\_for\\_cheating\\_death\\_saving\\_dozens\\_of\\_lives](https://www.army.mil/article/171716/vietnam_aviator_awarded_medal_of_honor_for_cheating_death_saving_dozens_of_lives)

*Photo by Chuck Kennedy, for Army News Service*





# ***From rifles to lightsabers: actor Adam Driver discusses USMC service***



***Adam Driver, a Marine veteran and founder of Arts in the Armed Forces, discusses how his interest in the arts aided his transition from military service to professional actor during a November, 2015 TED Talk.***

During a TED Talks Live forum at New York's Town Hall Theater in November, actor Adam Driver shared his personal experience transitioning from the Marine Corps to civilian life. (VIDEO: [https://www.ted.com/talks/adam\\_driver\\_my\\_journey\\_from\\_marine\\_to\\_actor](https://www.ted.com/talks/adam_driver_my_journey_from_marine_to_actor)).

The Marine veteran has appeared on Broadway and stars in *Star Wars: The Force Awakens* as villain Kylo Ren. Driver is also a series regular in HBO's *Girls*. He also founded Arts in the Armed Forces, a non-profit whose mission is to bridge the cultural gap between the armed forces and the performing arts communities.

Driver served as an 81mm mortar man

assigned to the weapons platoon with 1st Battalion, 1st Marines at Camp Pendleton, and was medically separated after three years of service due to injuries from a mountain bike accident. He recalled feeling lost as his unit preparing for deployment while he transitioned back into the civilian world.

"Being told I wasn't going to deploy was very devastating," he said.

Driver said he loved the camaraderie among Marines, driven by a common purpose and mutual respect.

"In the military everything had meaning," he said. "Everything you did was either

steeped in tradition or had a practical purpose." But he found few employers offering jobs that provided the same sense of purpose, and even fewer looking for employees with his particular skill set.

As a civilian, Driver eventually chose to pursue acting because the profession consists of a group of diverse individuals attempting to accomplish a shared mission.

"Self-expression was just as powerful a tool as the rifle on your shoulder," said Driver.

After a year at the University of Indianapolis, he transferred to the Julliard School to study drama. His non-profit has organized performances at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center; Camp Arifjan; and Camp Pendleton.

"Whenever I get to be of service to this ultimate service industry, the military, for me there is nothing better than that," he said.

## ***For Marines transitioning to civilian life:***

- The [Marine For Life Network](#) offer connects transitioning Marines to education resources, employment opportunities, and other Veterans services to achieve their career and life goals after of military service.
- The Marines' [Credentialing Opportunities On-line \(COOL\)](#) website assists Marines with information about certifications and licenses related to their Military Occupational Specialties (MOSs).
- The USMC [Community Counseling Program](#) assists Marines in accomplishing their personal goals through confidential, short-term, solution-focused counseling and referrals.

*Marine Corps Community Services PAO staff report*



# OPM expands opportunities for feds, families

WASHINGTON, DC — The U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has signed an agreement with Saint Mary's University to benefit federal government employees, their spouses and dependents interested in pursuing higher education through the school. The agreement provides a 10 percent tuition grant for online and campus programs and waives the application fee for qualified participants.

Learn more about the program on the university's program page:  
<http://fedgovatsaintmarys.com>.

This is the latest in a series of education access agreements signed by OPM on behalf of the federal workforce during the past two years.

Since 2014, OPM has signed agreements with [University of Maryland University College](#) (25 percent discount on out-of-state tuition rates on courses, certificates, and degree programs for current Federal

employees, spouses, and dependents); [Champlain College](#) (up to 70 percent off more online certificate, bachelor's, and master's degree programs); [Excelsior College](#) (discounted fees and tuition, which currently includes an application fee waiver and nearly 20 percent tuition discount); [Central Michigan University](#) (15 percent tuition discount and application fee waiver for certificate, bachelors and masters degree programs for federal employees, their spouses, and qualifying dependents) and [Penn State World Campus](#) (five percent tuition reduction for online undergraduate, graduate, and certificate programs for employees, their spouses, and dependents).

For more information, visit the OPM blog:  
<https://www.opm.gov/news/releases/2016/07/saint-mary%E2%80%99s-university-and-office-of-personnel-management-form-federal-employee-educational-alliance/>.

*Office of Personnel Management PAO staff report*

## First FEGLI employee open season since 2004 this September

WASHINGTON, DC — The first Federal Employee Group Life Insurance open season in 12 years will take place this fall, the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has announced.

From Sept. 1-30, federal employees can elect new FEGLI coverage or change their existing enrollment.

Elections made during the FEGLI Open Season have a one-year delayed effective

date, and will be effective on the first day of the first full pay period on or after Oct. 1, 2017.

Employee premiums for new or changes to existing policies also take effect on that date.

For more information, visit <https://www.opm.gov/healthcare-insurance/life-insurance/open-season/>.

*Office of Personnel Management PAO staff report*

## Air Force seeks Verne Orr Award nominations

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-RANDOLPH, Texas (AFNS) — Air Force officials are now accepting nominations for two prestigious awards.

The Air Force will accept nominations for the 2017 Air Force Association Verne Orr Award through Jan. 6.

The Air Force Association established the Verne Orr award in honor of the former Air Force Secretary to recognize mission-oriented accomplishments and achievements by units that made the most effective use of their human resources.

Nominations are open to all Air Force units and organizations, regardless of size.

Organizations and base-level personnel must contact their major command, combatant command, field operating agency or direct reporting unit for applicable suspense dates and additional information regarding nomination procedures.

For more information about Air Force personnel programs, go to the [myPers](#) website, at <https://mypers.af.mil/>.

Individuals who do not have a myPers account can request one by following the instructions on the [Air Force Retirees Services](#) website, at <http://www.retirees.af.mil/mypers/index.asp>.

*Kat Bailey,  
Air Force Personnel Center Public Affairs*



# No limits: Airman pushes past near-death experience to medal at Invictus Games

BETHESDA, Md. — Staff Sgt. Sebastiana Lopez Arellano was riding a motorcycle when an animal scurried onto the road, causing her to swerve and hit a curb. The momentum catapulted her body over her bike and into a tree, severing her right leg.

"I thought I was going to die," the 25-year-old Airman said of the February 2015 crash in Charleston, South Carolina.

She did, twice – before and during a month-long coma during her recovery.

The diagnosis was grim for Lopez, now a patient at the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center. Besides an amputated leg, she had broken bones, ripped arteries and organs, nerve damage and injuries that prevent her from fully opening her hands.

"I felt very hopeless. I was thinking that I could never do anything again," she said.

As she recovered, the former C-17 Globemaster III crew chief found comfort in sports and fitness. A year after her crash, she competed in the Air Force Trials for wounded warriors and earned invitations to the Invictus and Warrior Games.

"It showed me that I could do this," she said. "That's when the old me came out. It was a turning point for me."

In early May, she captured two gold medals in rugby and hand cycling, and three silvers in shotput, discus and in another hand cycling event during the Invictus Games. She competed at the Warrior Games in June.

Lopez also competes in wheelchair racing, hand cycling, shotput, shooting, and sitting volleyball, a variation of the sport she performed in at the All-Air Force level



**Air Force Staff Sgt. Sebastiana Lopez Arellano, a patient at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, does pushups during her therapy session at the center's Military Advanced Training Center April 13.**

before her injuries.

"It's very frustrating to me because I can't use my hands," she said. But she tries to keep a positive outlook as she progresses with physical and occupational therapy.

Walter Reed's Military Advanced Training Center, where Lopez and other amputees receive state-of-the-art care, uses a sports medicine model with various activities and exercise equipment as part of the rehabilitation process.

"I think sports are a great way to physically and mentally challenge yourself," said Annemarie Orr, an occupational therapist

at the center. "For a lot of our patients who are young, active and highly motivated individuals, it's a way to push them to the next level in all aspects of their rehab."

After relearning basic tasks, putting on her makeup, handwriting and even dressing herself, Lopez said she's gained new appreciation for what her body can do.

"The small victories can add up to a huge victory," she said, smiling. In fact, Lopez has already taken on her next challenge – ballroom and Latin dancing.

*Story and photo by Sean Kimmons, Air Force News Service*



# Road to Rio: Army athletes compete in 2016 Summer Games

EUGENE, Ore. — Service members from the Army and Air Force will be among the athletes representing the United States at the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil Aug. 5-21.

For some, the “road to Rio” began at home station, by getting involved in their local MWR or Force Support Squadron sports programs.

“I was not running when I joined the military, and then I started running for fun just to represent the Army at the Army Ten-Miler and in cross country,” said Sgt. Hillary Bor of Fort Carson, Colorado, who qualified for the 3,000-meter steeplechase at the 2016 U.S. Olympic Track & Field Team Trials in Eugene, Ore.

Bor came to the Army with a strong track and field background, honing his skills in high school and while competing in NCAA competition as a student at Iowa State University.

But for his Olympics bid, “I wasn’t trusting that I was going to make the team,” Bor said. “I worked very hard training from 6 to 9:30 a.m., and then I go to work from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. I’ve done that for the last seven weeks when my unit told me to just relax and train for the trials.”

Joining Bor in Rio will be Spc. Paul Chelimo, a distance runner in the Army World Class Athlete Program (WCAP), who also qualified to represent Team USA in

the 5,000-meter run, placing third in his event at the team trials.

“I just tried to stay relaxed, but when I got to the last lap, I was like, ‘You know what, let it be what it can be.’ I just decided to go all the way out and push the last 400 and see where I’m going to get,” he said.

Intramural sports offer a way to maintain your physical fitness while reducing stress, practicing discipline and teamwork, and improving your overall health, resilience and military readiness. Some athletes have a chance to compete at the top levels of their sport while representing their service by playing for their branch’s all-service teams.

Organized sports at Presidio of Monterey include softball, volleyball, flag football, soccer, and men’s basketball.

For more information,

contact the athletic director at Price Fitness Center by calling (831) 242-5557, or visit <http://www.pom-fmwr.com/fmwr/index.php/sports-a-fitness/intramural-sports>.

*Story and photo by Tim Hipps, U.S. Army Installation Management Command Public Affairs*

*Additional information:  
Presidio of Monterey PAO staff report*



*Army Sgt. Hillary Bor of Fort Carson, Colorado (center) follows winner Evan Jager to the finish in the men’s 3,000 meter steeplechase at the 2016 U.S. Olympic Track and Field Trials at Hayward Field in Eugene, Oregon July 8.*



Twelve Soldiers, including three coaches and three alternates, have earned a place on Team USA for the 2016 Summer Games. To learn more about these Soldier-athletes and events they will compete in at the summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, visit <http://www.armymwr.com/olympians/>.



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### **SPC. PAUL CHELIMO | 5K RUN**

*Military Occupation – Water Treatment Specialist*

Chelimo is a four-time NAIA National Champion, who finished his collegiate track and field career as a World University Games Silver medalist, two-time NCAA 5,000 meter runner-up, and five-time NCAA All-American. He finished second in the 3,000 meters at the 2016 USATF Indoor National Championships and finished third in the 5,000 meters at the 2016 U.S. Olympic Track & Field Trials.

### **STAFF SGT. JOHN NUNN | RACE WALKING - 50KM**

*Military Occupations — Dental Hygienist, Infantry*

Nunn is a medical services NCO who competes in the race walk event of track and field for the U.S. Army World Class Athlete Program (WCAP). An Olympian in 2004 and 2012, Nunn qualified for his third Olympics at the 2016 U.S. team trials for the 50km race walk. As a single father, Nunn, 38, and his 12-year-old daughter, Ella, own a cookie company. He's also a beekeeper.

### **SGT. NATHAN SCHRIMSHER | PENTATHLON**

*Military Occupation — Motor Transport Operator*

Schrimsher competes in Modern Pentathlon, a five-sport event consisting of fencing, swimming, equestrian show jumping, cross-country running and pistol shooting. After three appearances at the Modern Pentathlon Junior World Championships, Schrimsher climbed the ranks of the U.S. men's senior division, finishing third at the 2015 Pan American Games to earn a berth in the 2016 Olympics.

### **SGT HILLARY BOR | 3000M STEEPLECHASE**

*Military Occupation – Financial Management Technician*

Bor was a four-time All-American and two-time Big 12 Conference champion in the 3,000-meter steeplechase while attending Iowa State University, and won the Big 12 indoor mile title in 2009. After joining the Army, Bor impressed at the annual Armed Forces Cross Country Championships and Army Ten-Miler. Bor led Soldiers to victory in the 2016 Armed Forces Cross Country Championships – followed by brothers Emmanuel (second) Julius (fifth), who are also Army Soldiers and athletes. At the 2016 U.S. Olympic Track & Field Trials, Bor finished second to earn a berth in the Rio Olympic Games.

### **SGT. 1ST CLASS KEITH SANDERSON | PISTOL**

*Military Occupation — Infantry (deployed: 1995, 1998)*

Sanderson is an infantry NCO who competes in pistol shooting for the Army WCAP. As the most decorated rapid-fire pistol shooter in American history, Sanderson will make his third Olympic appearance in the 2016 Summer Games. He served eight years in the Marine Corps before enlisting in the Army Reserves. Sanderson is an eight-time World Cup medalist, and set an Olympic qualification record at the 2008 Beijing Games. He instructs and trains Soldiers and Marines in pistol marksmanship.

### **SPC LEONARD KORIR | 10K RUN**

*Military Occupation – Motor Transport Operator*

Korir specializes in distance running. He was a two-time NCAA champion in the 10,000 and 5,000 meter races, and won the 2015 New York City Half Marathon in 1 hour, 1 minute and 6 seconds. Korir, who grew up in Kenya before coming to the U.S. for college, enjoys watching basketball and American football.

### **SPC. SHADRACK KIPCHIRCHIR | 10K RUN**

*Military Occupation – Financial Management Technician*

A four-time NCAA All-America runner, Kipchirchir finished second in the 10,000 meters at the NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships, fourth in the 10K at the 2015 Pan American Games in Toronto and competed in the 2015 World Championships. He finished second in the 2016 USA Track & Field 15K Championships, and was 10K runner-up to 2012 Olympic silver medalist Galen Rupp in the 2016 U.S. Olympic Track & Field Team Trials.



# Airman vaults to spot on US Olympic team

EUGENE, Ore. — First Lt. Cale Simmons, who cleared the bar at 5.65 meters -- 18 feet, 6.4 inches -- in the men's pole vault finals, secured a spot on the U.S. Olympic team at the U.S. Olympic team track and field finals July 4.

Simmons finished second at the finals, just behind Army 2nd Lt. Sam Kendricks, who cleared the bar at 5.91 meters, setting an Olympic trials record.

Simmons said he vaulted 5.72 meters, his best ever, in Denver last month, and he hopes to earn a medal at the Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro in August.

## *Rigorous training*

Besides pole vaulting in high school in Sacramento, California, Simmons said, he vaulted at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

He said his current training regimen includes heavy doses of sprinting, some gymnastics and weight training, as well as plyometric and isometric exercises.

The Air Force, he added, provides good full-time training assistance via the World Class Athlete Program, of which he is a part.

In his off time, Simmons said he enjoys rock climbing, skydiving and trampoline work. Although that's not part of his WCAP training program, he believes it helps with body control and situational awareness.

"I'd like to think they play a role," he said.

## *All in the family*

Simmons's identical twin brother, 1st Lt.



*First Lt. Cale Simmons clears the bar during the U.S. Olympic track and field trials in Eugene, Ore., July 2, 2016. Two days later, he secured a spot on the U.S. Olympic team with a second-place finish in the finals.*

Rob Simmons is a C-17 Globemaster III pilot. He and an older sister, Capt. Rachel Schaefer, are also pole vaulters and Academy graduates.

Although he and his siblings serve in the Air Force and are pole vaulters, Simmons said they are the first in their family to participate in the sport or to serve in the Air Force.

All were recruited by the Academy to be pole vaulters, although he's the only one of the three who currently is doing it competitively.

## *Living the dream*

"The Air Force has been great to me,"

Simmons said. For his first two years, he was stationed in Germany as a contracting officer. Although there wasn't a pole vault program there, he said, he enjoyed seeing Europe during his off-duty time.

After that tour, he snapped right back to being at the top of his game with some training.

Being in the WCAP is "living the dream," Simmons said.

The only thing sweeter would be for "my brother to fly me to Rio in his C-17 and drop me into the stadium," he said.

*Story and photo by David Vergun,  
special to Air Force News Service*



# Marine Olympians: Excellence on the battlefield and the playing field

*Throughout the history of the Marine Corps there have been many Marines who excelled on both the battlefield and the playing field. Here are just a few who've represented Team USA in the Olympic Games.*

## Harry B. Liversedge

Brig. Gen. Harry Bluett Liversedge is remembered in the Marine Corps for his actions that led to him receiving two Navy Crosses and a Bronze Star. But he was also a track star who won the bronze medal in the shotput at the 1920 Olympic Games in Antwerp. He later commanded the assault on Iwo Jima's Mount Suribachi, culminating in the raising of the US flag on the summit, which was immortalized in one of the most reproduced photos in history.

## Robert Mathias

What does one of the world's best athletes do when he needs a real challenge? He joins the Marines. Mathias won gold in the decathlon at the 1948 and 1952 Olympics before serving as a captain in the USMC. He went on to spend four terms in Congress as a U.S. representative for the state of California.

## Billy Mills

A member of the Oglala Lakota tribe, 1st Lt. Billy Mills was lightly regarded when he entered the men's 10,000 Meters at the 1964 Olympics in Tokyo. He shocked the world by winning gold in one of the Games' most thrilling runs. Robbie Benson portrayed Mills in the 1983 film "Running Brave" which chronicled the events surrounding the race.

## Lloyd "Butch" Keaser

"Butch" Keaser became the first African American to medal in wrestling when he won silver at the 1976 Olympic Games in Montreal. Keaser graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy and served five years in the Marines, rising to the rank of captain.

## Greg Gibson

Between 1981 and 1984, Greg Gibson became one of the most dominant wrestlers in the world, medaling ten times at four International Championships in both Freestyle and Greco-Roman. In 1982, Gibson became the first wrestler to medal in all three wrestling styles when he captured the gold at the Sombo World Cup Tournament. In 1983, Gibson captured the freestyle

gold medal at the Pan-American Games and was crowned the Freestyle and Greco-Roman Champion at the World Military Wrestling Championship in France. Gibson's incredible talent as a wrestler reached an apex when he earned the Greco-Roman Silver Medal at the 1984 Summer Olympic Games in Los Angeles.

*Marine Corps Community Services PAO staff report*



**IOWA CITY, Iowa — 1st Lt. Daniel Miller, a member of the All-Marine Wrestling team, gets behind his opponents back to score two points during a match at the 2016 U.S. Olympic Wrestling Trials in Iowa City, Iowa April 9. Though none clinched a spot in the 2016 Summer Games, four Marines competing at the event. The All-Marine Wrestling team host tryouts every year. For more information about USMC sports programs, visit <http://www.usmc-mccs.org/index.cfm/services/fitness/sports/>.**

*Photo by Marine Sgt. Cameron Storm, Marine Corps Public Affairs*





# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## August 2

### Ages & Stages: 0-3

Get tips for child-proofing, rule and routine-setting, and learn to assess cognitive development and milestones in this two-hour class. Call (831) 242-7660 for more information.

### 'Back-to-School' layaway at Exchange

For back-to-school shopping season, the OMC Exchange has expanded its layaway program to include computers and tablets.

Shoppers can use layaway to hold computers, notebooks, tablets and iPads, items that are not typically eligible for the program, through Aug. 31. Visit customer service at the OMC Exchange for more information.

## August 5

### First Friday

**Staff and cadre** – The Weckerling Center bar opens the first Friday of every month from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. for permanent party service members and civilian employees, only.

**Students & guests** – Enjoy dancing, karaoke, and open mic at Hobson Recreation Center the first Friday of every month, 8 p.m.-close.

## August 5

### Heartsaver & Health Care CPR/AED

Take the American Heart Association's Heartsaver and Health Care cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) class, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Child and Youth Services conference room (Gen. Stilwell Community Center; 4260 Gigling Rd., OMC).

Free to attend, \$10 to receive an AHA CPR card upon completion of the class. RSVP required.

For more information or to register, call (831) 242-7701 or visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/presidio-of-monterey-fire-department-cpr-tickets-25310129278>.

## August 6

### Financial Readiness training

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Open to all military personnel, civilian employees, and their families.

To register, call (831) 242-5501 or email [clifford.o.thornburg.civ@mail.mil](mailto:clifford.o.thornburg.civ@mail.mil).

## August 6

### Post-wide Yard Sale

The next Monterey Bay Military Housing Mayoral Program post-wide yard sale is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the end of Joe Lloyd Way, Seaside (OMC). Early-bird passes are a \$5, or \$10 at the gate. To reserve a spot or purchase an early-bird pass, register through Aug. 5 at the Mayoral Program desk, inside Army Community Services (General Stilwell Community

Center, OMC). **Desk hours:** For July 25 to Aug. 4; Mon. and Wed. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Tue. and Thu. 6 to 8 p.m. For Aug. 5; 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. For more information, email [ordyardsale@gmail.com](mailto:ordyardsale@gmail.com).

#### Registration fees:

\$15-20 for active duty family housing residents; \$20-25 for military families living off-post and Moore's Landing residents. Clothing racks and tables are available for rent, \$10 each. Proceeds benefit the MBMH Mayoral program.





## August 6

### 'Bring your own game' night

You bring the game, BOSS brings the ice cream for a game night and social on the first Saturday of every month, 8 p.m.-close at Hobson Recreation Center (Building 843, PoM). For details, call (831) 242-5447.

### Kayak Monterey Bay

Observe seals, otters, shore birds, and other marine life during this kayak tour of Monterey Bay. \$35 per person (includes equipment). Call (831) 242-5506.

## August 11

### BOSS general meeting

Single service members are invited to attend Better Opportunities for Single Service Members (BOSS) meetings on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month, 4:30 p.m. at Hobson Recreation Center. For details, contact [cassondra.r.gonzalez.naf@mail.mil](mailto:cassondra.r.gonzalez.naf@mail.mil).

## August 11

### Virtual Education Fair

Chat live with colleges and universities, connect with military education counsellors, and get your questions about financial aid and the Post-9/11 GI Bill answered during a DoD virtual education fair, 5 a.m.-3 p.m. at [www.dodeducationfair.com](http://www.dodeducationfair.com).

## August 12

### Army Arts & Crafts contest deadline

Submit a photo of your artwork to compete in this year's Army-wide MWR Arts & Crafts competition. Compete in Ceramic Art, Digital Art, Drawings, Fiber Art, Glass Art, Metal Art, Mixed Media 2D, Mixed Media 3D, Paintings, and Wood Art categories. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three winners in each category: \$300 for winner, \$200 for second place, and \$100 for third. For more information, visit [www.armymwr.com/arts](http://www.armymwr.com/arts).

## August 12 & 13

### 7 Habits of Successful Marriages

This military-focused version of Stephen Covey's "7 Habits of Successful Marriages" workshop is offered as a two-day seminar; Aug. 12, 6-9 p.m. at Gen. Stilwell Community Center (4260 Gigling Rd., OMC), and continuing Aug. 13, 9 a.m.-noon.

Call (253) 242-7660 for information or to register.

*Child care is available for children registered with PoM Child, Youth and School Services; for more information about registering your child, call (831) 242-7765.*



## August 13

### Kayak Moss Landing

Explore one of California's most pristine marine habitats during a kayak tour of Moss Landing and the Elkhorn Slough estuary. Cost is \$35 per person (includes equipment rental). Call (831) 242-5506.

### BOSS Beach Party

End your summer with a California beach party, 6-10 p.m. at Monterey Beach House (285 Figueroa St., Monterey).

Single service members enjoy complementary s'mores, music, volleyball, a bonfire, and more!

For more information, contact the BOSS office at (831) 242-5447.



## August 17

### Sunset Kayak Tour

Relax and gain a brand new perspective on the sights and sounds of Cannery Row and Monterey Bay during this evening kayak tour from the Coast Guard pier.

*Cost for your choice of trip is \$35 per person (includes equipment rental). Call (831) 242-5506.*



## August 18

### Garrison SHARP training

Garrison employees are reminded to attend annual employee SHARP (Sexual Harassment and Rape Prevention) training before the end of this fiscal year. The next session is 9 a.m. at the Tin Barn (Building 518, PoM). *Additional sessions: See the Sept. 9 listing.*

## August 18

### Lecture: Cooper-Molera Adobe

Michael Green, Interpretive Program Manager, Monterey State Historic Parks, will present “The Past, Present and Future of the Cooper-Molera Adobe,” 6 p.m. at the Middlebury Institute of International Studies’ Irvine Auditorium, McCone Building (499 Pierce St., Monterey).

The Cooper-Molera Adobe was built over three generations, beginning in 1832 and is now managed by California State Parks in partnership with the National Trust for Historic Preservation. This lecture is free and open to the public. For more information, visit [www.oldmontereyfoundation.org](http://www.oldmontereyfoundation.org).

## August 20

### Surf Camp

Get an introduction to surfing basics, then take your board on the water at a local beach (exact location depends on weather and water conditions). *Cost per trip varies.*

Reservation *includes equipment rental. For more information, call (831) 242-5506.*

## August 20

### San Francisco ‘Get Acquainted’ tour

Explore San Francisco with MWR! Tour includes sightseeing by bus, with stops at the twin peaks lookout area and Golden Gate Bridge. Then, enjoy lunch and afternoon shopping at Union Square, or walk to nearby Chinatown. Cost includes transportation and tickets: \$49. (Children under age 3 can ride free, if they don’t need their own seat). Register at the Outdoor Recreation office; Bldg. #228-Lewis Hall (242 Ft. Mervine Place, PoM). For more information, call (831) 242-5506/6970, or email [info@pom-odr.com](mailto:info@pom-odr.com).

## August 21

### Bike ride & tidepooling

Join MWR for a ride on the Coastal Recreation trail to explore Asilomar State Beach and its incredible tide pools. Cost per trip is \$15 and includes a 2-3 hour guided trip, bicycle, lock and helmet rental. Patrons can remain with the group for the full tour, or continue exploring on their own and return equipment the next day.

## August 25

### Garrison SHARP training

Garrison employees are reminded to attend annual employee SHARP (Sexual Harassment and Rape Prevention) training before the end of this fiscal year. Next session: 3:30 p.m. at the Tin Barn (Building 518, PoM). Additional sessions: Sept. 9, (3:30 p.m.), 15 (9 a.m.) and 22 (5:30 p.m.) at the Tin Barn; Sept. 1 (3:40 p.m.) at the ACS Gold Room (inside Gen. Stilwell Community Center; 4260 Gigling Rd., OMC).

## August 25

### BOSS general meeting

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## August 26-28

### Outdoor skills training at Yosemite

BOSS members are invited to learn outdoorsmanship and survival skills during this two-day camping excursion to Yosemite National Park. The BOSS program provides leadership, volunteer, and recreational opportunities for single service members assigned to Presidio of Monterey. For more information about exclusive BOSS events, or to sign up, contact [cassandra.r.gonzalez.naf@mail.mil](mailto:cassandra.r.gonzalez.naf@mail.mil).

## August 26

### Golf Tournament

The next Presidio of Monterey Golf Tournament is at Monterey Pines Golf Course. Cost is \$60 for active and retired military, \$70 for DoD employees and \$80 for civilians. Includes golf cart, hamburger lunch, and complimentary range balls. Mulligans are \$5, limit four per golfer. Prizes for top three teams, closest to the pin on all par 3’s, and longest first hole drive. Registration deadline is Aug. 12. For more information, visit the event page at [www.pom-fmwr.com/fmwr/](http://www.pom-fmwr.com/fmwr/), call (831) 242-5557, or email [herb.d.beckett.naf@mail.mil](mailto:herb.d.beckett.naf@mail.mil) or [miguel.c.pablo2.naf@mail.mil](mailto:miguel.c.pablo2.naf@mail.mil).



## August 27

### Financial Readiness training

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This training is open to all military personnel, civilian employees, and their families. Service members in an initial entry training status and their spouses are especially encouraged to attend. To register, call (831) 242-5501 or email [clifford.o.thornburg.civ@mail.mil](mailto:clifford.o.thornburg.civ@mail.mil).

### Texas Hold 'em

Texas Hold 'em tournament starts at 10 a.m. check-in, playing begins at 11 a.m. \$30 buy-in and \$10 re-buys. Top three players win Visa gift cards. Open to everyone ages 18 and older. Tournament will be hosted at Hobson Recreation Center by MWR and the PoM BOSS program. For more information, call (831) 242-5447.

## September 1

### Garrison SHARP training

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Additional sessions are scheduled for Sept. 9, (3:30 p.m.), 15 (9 a.m.) and 22 (5:30 p.m.) at the Tin Barn (Building 518, PoM).

## September 2

### Last day: Talent Show registration

Today is the last day for contestants to register in the "Presidio Has Mad Talent" singing competition; scheduled for Sept. 9, 16 and 23 at 7:30 p.m. Open to all active-duty service members and their families, ages 18+. First place: \$500, second: \$250, third: \$125. For more information, call Hobson Recreation Center at (831) 242-5447.

### Heartsaver & Health Care CPR/AED

American Heart Association's Heartsaver and Health Care cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) class, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Tin Barn (Building 518, PoM). Free to participate, or \$10 to receive an AHA CPR card upon completion.

Upcoming sessions are Oct. 7 and Nov. 4. at the Child and Youth Services conference room (Gen. Stilwell Community Center; 4260 Gigling Rd., OMC). RSVP required. For more information, call (831) 242-7701 or visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/presidio-of-monterey-fire-department-cpr-tickets-25310129278>.

## September 8

### Lecture: Art on the Peninsula

Ami Davis, Director of Education and Community Partnerships at the Monterey Museum of Art, will present "Figurative Art on the Monterey Peninsula and Beyond," 6 p.m. at the Middlebury Institute of International Studies' Irvine Auditorium, McCone Building (499 Pierce St., Monterey). This lecture is free and open to the public, hosted by the Old Monterey Foundation. For more information, visit [www.oldmontereyfoundation.org](http://www.oldmontereyfoundation.org).

## September 8

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## September 9

### Garrison SHARP training

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*Additional sessions scheduled at this location: Sept. 15 (9 a.m.) and 22 (5:30 p.m.).*

### 'Presidio Has Mad Talent' contest

The "Presidio Has Mad Talent" singing competition kicks off, 7:30 p.m. at Hobson Recreation Center. The competition continues with Round 2 on Sept. 16; Round 3 on Sept. 23.

The competition is open to all active-duty service members and their families, ages 18 and older. First place: \$500, second: \$250, third: \$125. Register by Sept. 2 to compete!

Call: (831) 242-5447 for more information.







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