

IN BRIEF

PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY



August 2018

IN THIS ISSUE

Exceptional Family Members saddle up in Salinas

Presidio has Mad Talent

Practice good 'petiquette'



Commander Col. Greg Ford
 Command Sgt. Major Command Sgt. Maj. Roberto Marshall
 Deputy Commander Hugh Hardin

Public Affairs Officer James Laughlin
 Deputy Public Affairs Officer Brian Lepley
 Command Information Joseph Kumzak
 Webmaster Steven L. Shepard
 PA Specialist Al Macks

Contributors Lt. Col. William Lovell
 SAMANTHA LYMBURN-LAW

The PoM InBrief is a command-authorized publication for the Monterey military community, published monthly by the Presidio of Monterey Public Affairs Office.

We publish information of interest to all members of our community — including all service members, military families, civilian personnel, & veterans who access services at our installation.

Story ideas and submissions of original material are always welcome - articles, photos and calendar items should be submitted by the 15th of the month prior to the intended month of publication.

USAG PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY
 Public Affairs Office
 1759 Lewis Rd.
 Monterey, CA 93944
www.monterey.army.mil
 Phone: (831) 242-5555
 Email: presidiopao@gmail.com

In this edition:

POM commander signals support for remote unit	4
PMSA South - Services supplied for signal unit	5
Meet the new Marine Detachment commander	6
Presidio has Mad Talent	7
229th Soldier has magical, comedic skills	8
Sailor's hobby heats up Presidio talent show crowd	9
A temporary farewell to arms	10
No place for politics in federal workplace	11
Chaplain's corner	11
HYP0 highlights ingenuity of IWTC-M Sailors	12
Exceptional Family Members saddle up in Salinas	14
PoM's newest volunteer has 83 years experience	15
Service members kick start the Superbike World Championship	17
Practice good 'petiquette'	19
Navy's top crypto trainer visits Presidio of Monterey	21

On the cover: *An Exceptional Family Member rides a horse at the SPCA stables in Salinas as part of the Hope, Horses & Kids program teaching equine-assisted learning. See story on page 14.* Photo by Joseph Kumzak, Presidio of Monterey PAO



SALUTE TO THE *Nation*

Photo by Joseph Kumzak, Presidio of Monterey Public Affairs



CAMP ROBERTS, California -- Col. Greg Ford (left), Presidio of Monterey commander, tours construction of U.S. Army Signal Activity-Camp Roberts' new operations center. [See more photos here](#)

PoM commander signals support for remote unit

STORY AND PHOTOS BY BRIAN LEPLLEY,
PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY PAO

Arriving at the home of the Army in central California, Col. Greg Ford settled into the 392-acre Presidio of Monterey on June 12 and took command of one of the U.S. military's smaller installations.

Then came the briefings on the federal lands the Presidio supports; Ord Military Community across Monterey Bay; Benicia Army Cemetery, 131 miles north by northwest of Monterey; Sharpe Army Depot, 137 miles northwest; and Riverbank Army Ammunition Depot 131 miles northwest shut down by BRAC in 2010.

Ford also found out about one of the most vital U.S. military units on the west coast, U.S. Army Signal Activity-Camp Roberts, perched on a lonely hilltop 108 miles south of the Presidio.

Its satellite array directs important worldwide communications for the military and U.S. government. Several miles from the nearest highway and 21 miles from the closest

city, Paso Robles, USASA-CR is as remote as it gets in a state of 39 million people.

"This is truly a place where the unit is punching above its weight, supporting national missions, training Soldiers, and never letting anything fail," Ford said after visiting there last month. "It is a unique mission in a remote and isolated location and the unit is doing this in facilities that are older than many of the Soldiers."

The Presidio of Monterey and USASA-CR's higher headquarters, the 21st Signal Brigade, Fort Detrick, Maryland, signed a Memorandum of Agreement. It states, "USASA-CR is a tenant of USAG POM. The USAG-POM will provide USASA-CR directly or through supporting outlying installations and/or support agreements, for all appropriate and/or agreed to BASOPS services."

Along with Presidio Command Sgt. Maj. Roberto Marshall, Ford toured the site July 12, paying particular attention to two new buildings close to completion.

Continued on next page

Signal (cont'd)

One will house USASA-CR headquarters and the other, enormous, structure will contain the unit operations section and additional offices.

Steve Wikoff, USASA-CR's senior civilian, and unit executive officer 1st Lt. Lyndsay Rathbun escorted the Presidio command team. The unit includes many more civilian employees than military personnel.

"We have excellent people here; people who truly care and are invested in this facility and the mission," Rathbun said. "Soldiers go above and beyond what's expected because they love what they do."

The civilian workforce, Wikoff says, has a depth of experience that's known throughout the Army signal community.

"We've got floor supervisors with 35 years on the job and many folks here with 10-15-20 years working here," he said. "Many of these guys came here as a private, got out of the Army, and have worked for us ever since."

Given the installation's isolation and its national security communications mission, Ford was complimentary of USASA-CR's culture and success.

"The amount of commitment and dedication is apparent as there are civilians who have been there over twenty years and Soldiers who are on their third tour at the site," he said. "Leadership has done an incredible job of meeting the mission, while incorporating and training new Soldiers."

Continued on next page

PMSA South Services supplied for signal unit

STORY AND PHOTO BY BRIAN LEPLEY, PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY PAO

When part of its mission moved south, so did the Monterey Model.

The Presidio Municipal Services Agency supports U.S. Army Signal Activity-Camp Roberts's infrastructure and services needs. Doyle Scrivner oversees two full-time and two part-time employees and dozens of specialized contractors who come onto the secure facility to meet the unit's requirements.

"Stuff needs attention all the time: door knobs, windows, roads, paint. All the services PMSA does up there (Presidio of Monterey), we do down here," Scrivner said.

A lot of their work is the air conditioning that cools the buildings and servers during routine 100-degree summer days.

"Given the environment here, that work is being done continuously," he said.

Scrivner has been on the job since 2008, when the Presidio picked up support for the Camp Roberts unit from Fort Lewis, Washington.

"Our team supports the Army in anything that has to do with infrastructure; handle the power, water, all the roads, all the buildings, and maintaining all the



CAMP ROBERTS, California – Doyle Scrivner (right), Presidio Municipal Services Agency employee, discusses building modifications with Henry Nwe, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

systems," he said.

There's a lot of specialized work, given USASA-CR's communications mission, which requires contracted systems maintenance and repair workers to visit the isolated location.

"Everybody helps us support our mission; vendors from specialized electricians to chemical engineers that are under contract," Scrivner said.



CAMP ROBERTS, California – Col. Greg Ford (left), Presidio of Monterey commander, and Presidio of Monterey Command Sgt. Maj. Roberto Marshall (right) are welcomed to U.S. Army Signal Activity-Camp Roberts by its civilian executive officer Steve Wikoff (center).

Signal (cont'd)

Ford made one more stop before heading back north. He presented commander's coins to a Paso Robles fitness center that discounts memberships for Camp Roberts' personnel.

"Given the challenges of their location, it's great to see how the local community has embraced them," he said. "These Soldiers are seen as the important resource they are and Paso Robles works to ensure the Soldiers receive the support they deserve."



Pendelton to Presidio for new MarDet commander

ABOVE: Lt. Col. Jason Schermerhorn (left) assumes command of the Marine Corps Detachment Presidio of Monterey from outgoing MARDET commander Lt. Col. Jude Shell (center) at Soldier Field, June 19. Master Gunnery Sgt. Terry Lowman, (right) MARDET senior enlisted leader, awaits the guidon.

RIGHT: The new commander and his mother, Nancy Schermerhorn, share a moment after the ceremony. Lt. Col. Schermerhorn arrives at the Presidio of Monterey from down the



California coast at Camp Pendelton, San Diego, where he served with the 1st Marine Division since July 2014. See more [here](#).

Steven L. Shepard photos, Presidio of Monterey PAO



The Army provides quality-of-life programs to invest in Soldiers' physical, mental and spiritual well-being.

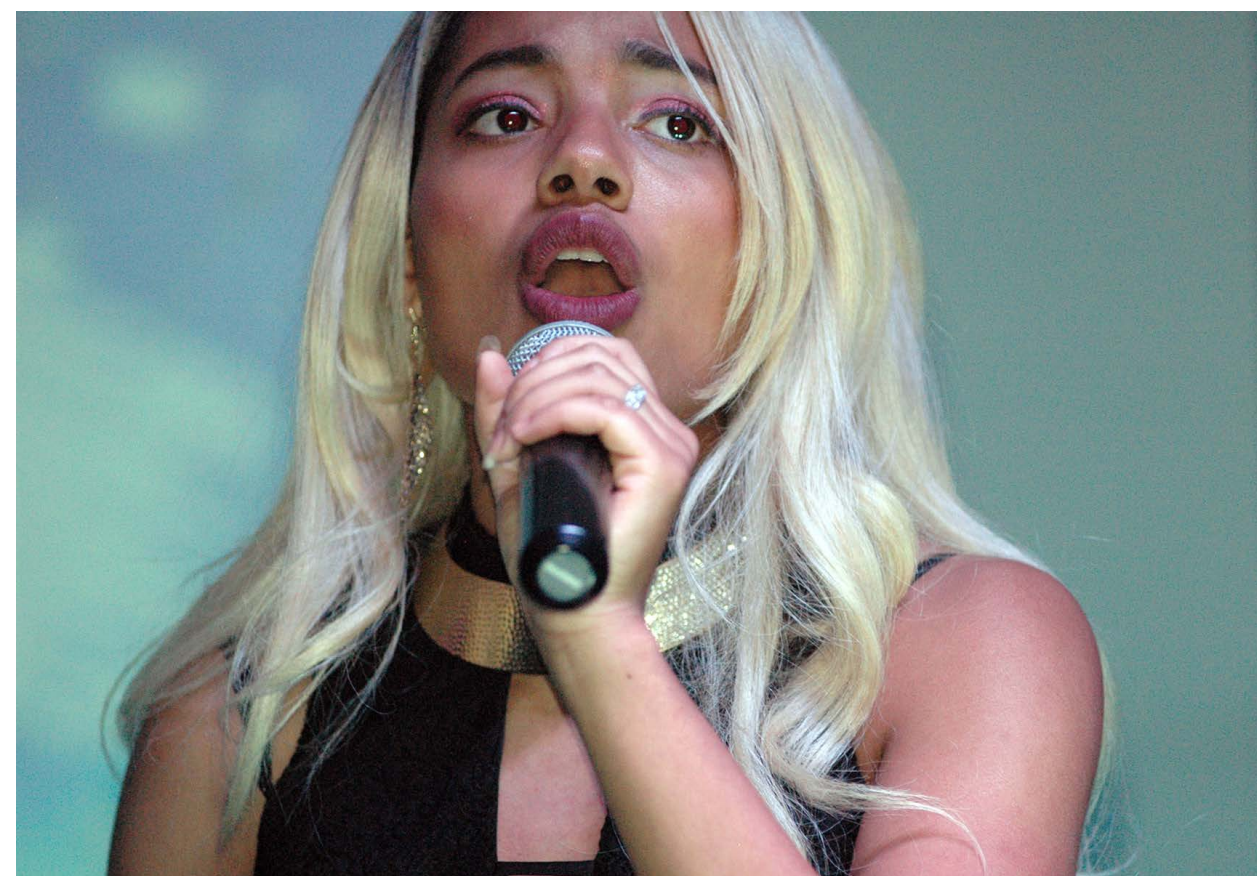


Sailors sing their way to top 2

ABOVE: Seaman Apprentice Julian Ayers belts out "Me and Mrs. Jones," the 1972 R&B hit by Billy Paul, and ran away with first prize in the singing competition of ["Presidio has Mad Talent"](#) at Hobson Student Activities Center July 27.

TOP RIGHT: Ayers' fellow Information Warfare Training Command-Monterey Sailor, Seaman Paige Yorkey, was second, while third place was claimed by Pfc. Inaya Bugg (RIGHT) of the 229th Military Intelligence Battalion. See following pages for more on the July 13 talent competition of [PHMT](#).

Brian Lepley photos, Presidio of Monterey PAO



Frankly, 229th Soldier has magical, comedic skills

STORY AND PHOTO BY BRIAN LEPLEY,
PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY PAO

What's rarer than the 36-year old first-term Soldier? Maybe the fact that he's a magician-comedian that won the last two talent shows here at the Presidio of Monterey.

Pfc. Frank Davis completed his Defense Language Institute French course in June. He's graduated airborne school and is on his way to his assignment in the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, North Carolina -- which is where his Army career began for him at the age of 34.

"I grew up in Fayetteville (N.C., home of Bragg) and was visiting my parents there," he remembered. "I hooked up with a high school buddy who was an Army recruiter there. He told me to check things out online."

Like most new Soldiers, Martin came from a line of old Soldiers.

"My father was a retired infantry captain; my mom retired enlisted from the medical corps," Martin said. "Online, my wife and I saw California and DLI and I took the DLAB."

Staff Sgt. Nick Gowan, Martin's drill sergeant in Company B,



Pfc. Frank Davis (right), 229th Military Intelligence Battalion, befuddles his volunteer and the "Presidio has Mad Talent" audience with a rope trick July 13 at the Hobson Student Activities Center. Davis won the competition this year and last.

229th Military Intelligence Battalion, can relate to the French language graduate. Both came to the uniform well past their high school years.

"I was exactly where he's at. I joined super late, turned 27 in basic training," Gowan said.

"He's definitely a joker but I've not had any complaints, never had any issue with Davis."

Letting off steam is a key to surviving DLI and Davis did that in spades, parlaying his comedy magic skills into wins at the Presidio has Mad Talent



competitions this year and last.

"As a kid, I got magic kits for birthdays and Christmas. It was my hobby," Davis said. "After high school I worked for a magic company touring, performing, demonstrating products."

This was just one of the many jobs, including police officer, that Davis had before swearing in and reporting to basic training three weeks before his 35th birthday. This varied life experience made him a sort of life guru to the teenage recruits.

"There were guys there that didn't know how to address a letter home, manage a checkbook," he remembers about his fellow basic trainees. "My challenge was in adapting to being a peer and mentor while in basic training and here at DLI. I was the one letting these younger Soldiers know it was okay to make mistakes, to learn from them."

Sailor's hobby heats up Presidio talent show crowd

By SAMANTHA LYMBURN-LAW, PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY PAO

Where fire meets water is a Sailor with a flaming passion for entertaining Presidio of Monterey audiences.

Seaman Apprentice Quinton McCort's hobby is fire-eating, a skill he shared with the "Presidio has Mad Talent" audience July 13 at the Hobson Student Activities Center.

The Iraqi Arabic student at the Defense Language Institute was intrigued by fire-eating videos on YouTube four years ago. A friend who is now a professional magician provided McCort guidance on how to safely perform the daring stunt. From there, his passion ignited.

"I enjoyed showing something fascinating but scary to my younger siblings and cousins," McCort said. "I also enjoyed taking something most people see as dangerous and controlling it, becoming comfortable with it, and turning it into an art."

He didn't have the best tools for that art at the July 13 talent show. The makeshift fuel and torches resulted in a bit of lip burning, a practical risk of McCort's hobby. His recovery during the act impressed fellow Information Warfare Training Command-Monterey Seaman Alyson Precie.

"What impressed me was when his sticks started falling apart, he stayed cool and collected and continued on with his performance, even though it probably didn't turn out like he had intended," she said. "To be able to do well when your plan



Seaman Apprentice Quinton McCort enjoys a hot snack before the "Presidio has Mad Talent" audience July 13 at the Hobson Student Activities Center.
Brian Lepley, Presidio of Monterey PAO

goes awry is even more talented, in my opinion."

McCort believes developing his fire-eating skill provides him a sense of confidence and keeps him socially grounded.

"If I could control fire or knives, then I could control myself and my situation," he said. "If I could perform and make people happier through any of the talents I have been taught, then I was serving a purpose."



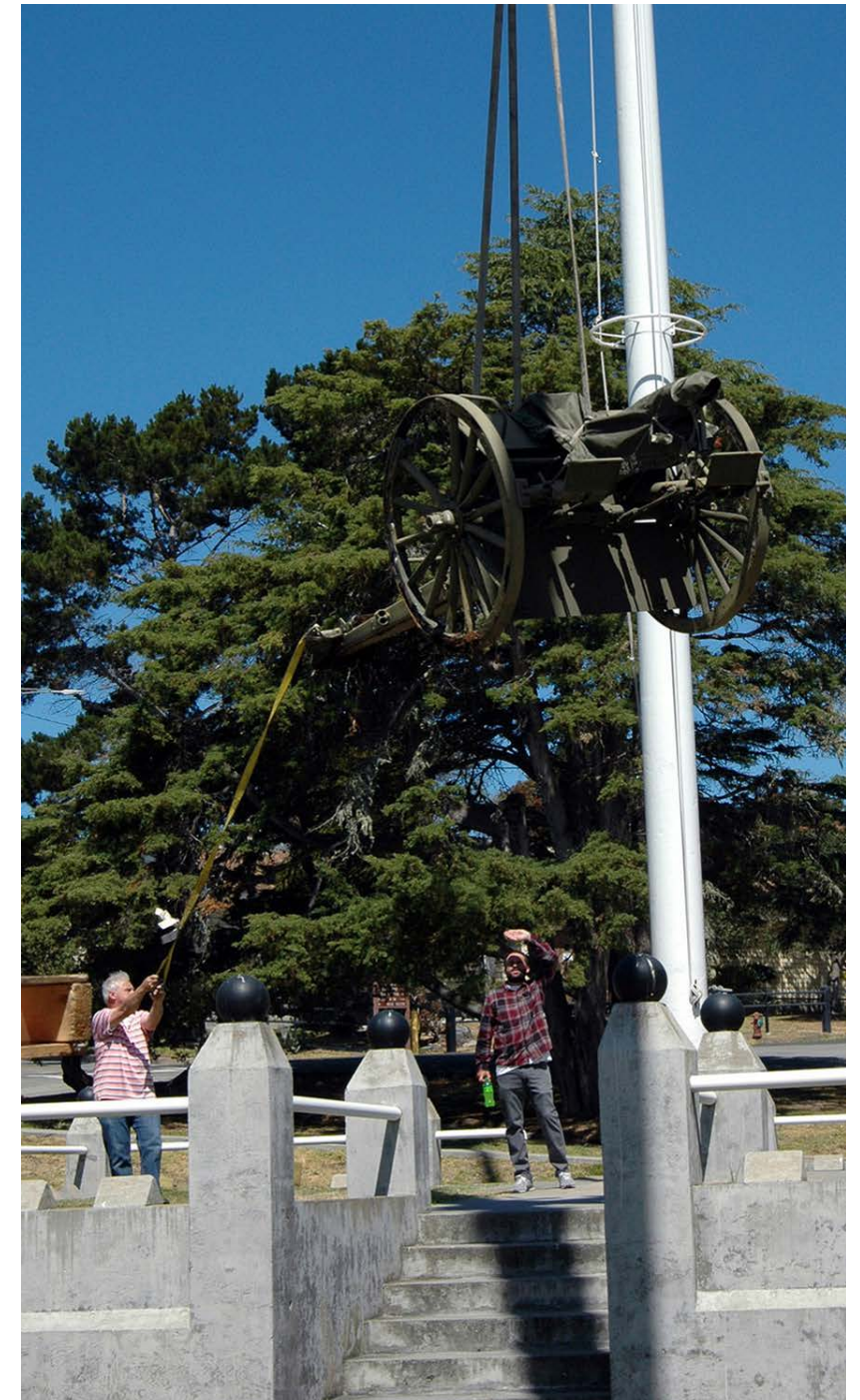


A (temporary) farewell to arms

The M1906 3.0" Army artillery piece that's been set at the base of the Presidio of Monterey flag pole since 2001 was packed up and carted off to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, on July 9 for refurbishing. The weapon began production in 1906 and was in the Army's inventory until 1932. It is expected back sometime in 2019-2020, when it will again fire during formal ceremonies and represent the early-last century history of the Presidio of Monterey.

[See more photos here](#)

Brian Lepley, Presidio of Monterey PAO



No place for politics ever in federal workplace

PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY PAO STAFF
REPORT

The U.S. Constitution's First Amendment may guarantee freedom of speech but the Hatch Act (<https://osc.gov/Pages/HatchAct.aspx>) can guarantee there will be consequences if that speech becomes too political in a federal workspace.

The Hatch Act exists to protect the federal work force from accusations that it is biased for one candidate or another. Social media and

cable news has driven political rhetoric to an exposure level reaching saturation in the nation.

Social media platforms are easily accessible to most employees while at work – on computers, smartphones, or other devices. In general, all federal employees may use social media and comply with the Hatch Act if they remember these prohibitions:

- On duty or in the workplace prohibition – Employees may not engage in political activity while on duty or

in the federal workplace.

- 24/7 prohibitions – Employees may not knowingly solicit, accept, or receive a political contribution for a political party, candidate in a partisan race, or partisan political group, and may not use their official authority or influence to affect the outcome of an election.

Federal offices with social media accounts should pay close attention to content there, ensuring that it doesn't include any partisan campaign information. These accounts,

particularly Facebook or Twitter, should be limited to official business matters and remain politically neutral.

These social media accounts should not "friend," "like," "follow," "tweet," or "retweet" about a partisan group or candidate in a partisan race or link to the social media accounts of such entities.

When in doubt, employees are encouraged to contact the Office of Special Counsel at hatchact@osc.gov or 202 804-7002 with any additional questions.

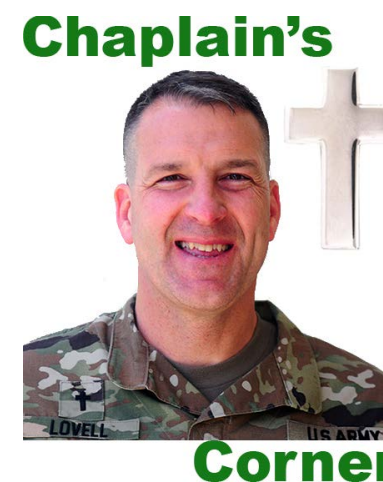
Try paying daily attention to your soul's hygiene

And there I was ... in the full reverse prone position with an overzealous dental technician hovering over me while correcting the deficiencies of my oral hygiene. It was definitely a one-sided conversation. A stainless steel probe depressed my tongue and held one cheek at bay while he picked, scraped and lectured me on the ills of improper dental care.

Rather than become annoyed, I sat there in awe. Staring at me, 12 inches from my face, was an Army Private First Class who definitively fixed problems and fearlessly lectured malfeasants, regardless of rank, for minutes with impunity.

He also carried the perceived threat of my having to come back one year later and go through this drill again should I fail to toe-the-line on oral hygiene. As I left the office with a new toothbrush and overstated promises of flossing after every meal, I thought to myself "if only I could get away with this as a Chaplain."

Fortunately, both the First Amendment and my own conscience do not permit me to wield such power. Nevertheless, I think the dental hygienist might agree with me when I say



that just as personal attention to brushing and flossing your teeth daily is the best means of keeping your oral hygiene intact, daily personal attention to your spiritual well-being is still the best means of keeping your spiritual hygiene intact.

So, if I could peer into your soul like a dental hygienist peers into your mouth, would I see health or neglect?

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Bill Lovell,
Presidio of Monterey Chaplain

HYP0 highlights ingenuity of IWTC-M Sailors

BY THE INFORMATION WARFARE TRAINING COMMAND-MONTEREY

The Presidio of Monterey fitness center's football field was a sea of yellow and blue.

Sailors lining up in front of binder-wielding petty officers. Sailors securing ropes to and

pulling tractor tires over great distances. Sailors running the track in team relays behind their divisional guidons. Patches of Sailors lying prone around scraps of paper, murmuring to each other and working feverishly on breaking code.

Welcome to Information Warfare Training

Command-Monterey's annual HYP0 inter-division competition, staged after Defense Language Institute classes June 28

The competition's namesake, Station HYP0, was the US. Navy signals monitoring and cryptographic intelligence unit based in Hawaii during World War II. In the weeks and months leading up to the Battle of Midway, members of Station HYP0 worked around the clock to intercept and decrypt the Japanese naval code, known as JN-25. Through ingenuity, teamwork, and perseverance, the station's cryptologists and linguists, under the command of then-Lt. Cmdr. Joseph Rochefort, were able to decrypt enough of the code to identify Midway as the location of the next Japanese attack.

Navy linguists were a critical part of the effort at Station HYP0, making its story and legacy all the more impactful to IWTC-M Sailors, most of whom are currently going through one of the Defense Language Institute's intensive foreign language programs themselves.

"There's no better way to honor Capt. Joe Rochefort and his team of high-performing cryptanalysts and linguists at Station HYP0 than a team-building event with IWTC-M Sailors," said Cmdr. Michael Salehi, IWTC-M commander. "Today was an opportunity for our Sailors to learn about 'service before self,' and to mentally and physically relive a small portion of what it was like to break Japanese naval operational code that our cryptologic ancestors did so skillfully back in 1942. I think we accomplished that and

Continued on next page



Information Warfare Training Command-Monterey Sailors participate in the unit's annual HYP0 inter-division competition, a training event designed to build camaraderie, esprit de corps and service pride through a friendly competition that pushes Sailors physically and mentally, while demonstrating the importance of teamwork.

Yeoman 1st Class David Lee photos, Information Warfare Training Command-Monterey

HYPO *(cont'd)*

had a great time in the cradle of where great linguists are made.”

Activities at the HYPO event revolved around a cryptology activity in which Sailors were given an encrypted text. They worked in teams to decipher the text and reveal a series of tasks, thereby earning points for their division. Meanwhile, their teammates were being grilled on Navy history and heritage and competing in various team-based physical challenges in order to earn additional points for their divisions.

“We designed the HYPO event to build camaraderie, esprit de corps, and service pride through a friendly competition that pushed Sailors physically and mentally,” stated Chief Cryptologic Technician (Interpretive) Michael Haggerty. “We wanted to demonstrate the importance of teamwork and instill a sense of pride to our Sailors.”

For Cryptologic Technician (Interpretive) 1st Class Demian Ford, a leading petty officer at IWTC Monterey, the real value was “connecting young Sailors to both their maritime and cryptologic heritage.”



The second annual HYPO inter-division competition for Information Warfare Training Command-Monterey Sailors honors Station HYPO, the U.S. Navy signals monitoring and cryptographic intelligence unit based in Hawaii during World War II. In the weeks and months leading up to the Battle of Midway, members of Station HYPO worked around the clock to intercept and decrypt the Japanese naval code, known as JN-25. Its work identified Midway as the enemy's target.



Exceptional family members saddle up in Salinas

STORY AND PHOTOS BY JOSEPH KUMZAK, PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY PAO

Children in the Exceptional Family Member Program were all smiles as they rode and interacted with horses in Salinas June 30.

The EFMP program partners with [Hope, Horses & Kids](#) to offer equine-assisted learning to families enrolled in EFMP.

"We want our special needs families to know that we have a lot of events and programs available to them," said Zeny Bate, EFMP manager for the Presidio of Monterey. "We are their resource and advocate to help them."

Lori Tuttle, executive director of Hope, Horses & Kids, enjoys supporting the Presidio EFMP families, given the stress that accompanies military service.

"Having a child with special needs adds to their challenges," she said. "We like to offer them a little respite and joy to their lives."

Volunteers teach the families horse behavior, anatomy, safety, and encourage the children to interact with the horses to get them comfortable before they ride.

"It's a step up from just riding a horse – the kids learn horse's body parts. They groom them and learn how to lead them, so they connect better with the horses,"



An EFMP family member rides a horse at the SPCA stables June 30.



Lori Tuttle (far left) teaches family members how to interact with horses at the SPCA stables in Salinas June 30. The initial interaction helps the children feel more comfortable before they ride the horses.

said Janette McLaughlin, whose two daughters participated. "The children need to feel like they have a connection before they ride a big animal. It takes the intimidation out of it."

She enjoyed the networking aspect of the event for both children and adults.

"The kids were able to meet new friends, and we were able to meet other parents who are going through the same things we are," McLaughlin said.

The Army has an extensive network of programs and services to strengthen the resiliency and readiness of Army families.



Donna Meyer stocks and arranges donated clothing while volunteering at the Monterey Military Attic Aug. 7.

PoM's newest volunteer has 83 years experience

*STORY AND PHOTOS BY BRIAN LEPLEY,
PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY PAO*

Donna Meyer refers to herself as an Army volunteer for 83 years.

That's how long ago she was born to a Soldier in Long Beach, California. She married 2nd Lt. Hellmut Meyer in 1957 at Fort Richardson, Alaska. Known as "Gib," Lt. Col. Meyer retired from active duty at Fort Ord in 1974 and again as a civilian employee there in 1991.

"I've spent my whole life volunteering," Donna Meyer said. "I believe you repay the kindness you receive."

The Monterey Bay Military Housing Mayoral Program is grateful. A few months after the death of her husband in February, Meyer was ready to get back to service.

"When I felt well enough to get on with my life after Gib died, I looked around for volunteer opportunities," she said.

The Mayoral Program runs the Monterey Military Attic at Ord Military Community, accepting donations of primarily clothing and household items that are

offered free to local military between the ranks of private to staff sergeant.

"I saw the Attic while driving by and came in one day when it was open and offered to join the volunteers," Meyer said.

Presidio of Monterey Command Sgt. Maj. Roberto Marshall appreciates Meyer's lifelong dedication to the Army.

"She is phenomenal, a true inspiration for all of us. She serves as a great role model for all the volunteer spouses of the Mayoral Program," he said. "We have spouses with service members straight out of basic training. I think Donna is an influence for the spouses to learn the ropes of the military lifestyle."

Her journey from Army brat to the officer's wife began with her decision at age 20, to visit her parents, Chester and Florence Peterson, at Fort Richardson. Donna began working for the Army there that year, 1955, the same year Hellmut Meyer graduated the University of Colorado, was commissioned an

Continued on next page

Volunteer (cont'd)

infantry second lieutenant, and assigned to Fort Richardson.

"I worked at the provost marshal's office and he came in with a ticket he wanted to see about getting rid of," Donna remembers. "I told him that wasn't going to happen. He got his revenge I guess ... we got married in 1957."



Donna Meyer speaks to patrons while volunteering at the Monterey Bay Military Housing Mayoral Program quarterly Post Wide Yard Sale Aug. 4.

Alaska didn't achieve statehood until 1959, so the Meyers began their Army life together in frontier conditions.

"The military hospital was at the air force base next to our base, a few miles away but on a rough road," Donna remembered. "My daughter decided to be born during a snowstorm. They got me to that hospital by dog sled."

Her husband was a native German whose family immigrated to the Philippines in 1937.

"When the U.S. Army landed in the Philippines during World War II, Gib acted as a scout, showing the Allies Japanese positions," she recalls proudly. Before he retired, the Army credited him with that service time and recognized his wartime contributions, made as a teenager.

The Army recognizes and appreciates the commitment and contributions volunteers make to support our soldiers and family members.

Donna was delighted to find out the Mayoral Program and Attic involved both officer and enlisted wives. During her husband's career, the cultural distance between those wives was an abyss.

"At Fort Benning, a general's wife chewed me out for being seen talking with my friend, a sergeant's wife," Donna remembered. "She said I was threatening my husband's career."

Destiny Forward is one of Donna's fellow volunteers at the Mayoral Program. The wife of Staff Sgt. James Forward, 229th Military Intelligence Battalion, she met Donna at the commissary weeks before they ended up in the same volunteer workshop.

"Volunteering together is really a ladies social scene and Donna makes it fun; she's absolutely hilarious," Destiny said. "She's been so many places, seen so much. And she moves around here (the Attic) more than I do."

"I move pretty well for my age," Donna said as she took more clothes to an Attic rack.

She's moved into her latest Army volunteer role with ease and gratitude from her fellow workers, just the latest service role in her eighth decade.



The Monterey Military Attic located at 826 Corregidor Road, Seaside.

SERVICE MEMBERS KICK START THE SUPERBIKE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

Story and photos by Joseph Kumzak, Presidio of Monterey Public Affairs



Service members from the Presidio of Monterey and Travis Air Force Base teamed up to perform in the opening ceremony of the 2018 Superbike World Championship at the WeatherTech Raceway, Laguna Seca June 24.

The Defense Language Institute color guard posted colors while Air Force Staff Sgt. Michelle Doolittle, of the U.S. Air Force Band of the Golden West based out of Travis Air Force Base, sang the national anthem. Five other members of the band entertained the crowd with a musical performance.

A Santa Cruz native, Doolittle said it was a great opportunity to sing the national anthem so close to her hometown.



Staff Sgt. Michelle Doolittle sings the National Anthem at the Superbike World Championship June 24.



The U.S. Air Force Band of the Golden West plays in the Superbike World Championship opening ceremony June 24.

"We're so appreciative of the support of the fans here in the community ... and loved seeing the excitement for the military," she said.

Staff Sgt. Daniel Nebel, who plays the French horn in the band, said this was his fourth time playing at Laguna Seca, but this event had the largest crowd. "It was exhilarating," he said.

Nebel added "It's always a pleasure playing here and seeing the great support for our military."

Presidio of Monterey employees and Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers members volunteered at the Fuel Stop concession stand during the three-day event.

The race track is managed by the Sports Car Racing Association of the Monterey Peninsula, a 501(c)4 non-profit organization, and relies on volunteers to support events.

To learn more about the BOSS program, call 831 242-5447.



Practice good ‘petiquette’ – observe pet laws

STORY AND PHOTOS BY JOSEPH KUMZAK, PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY PAO

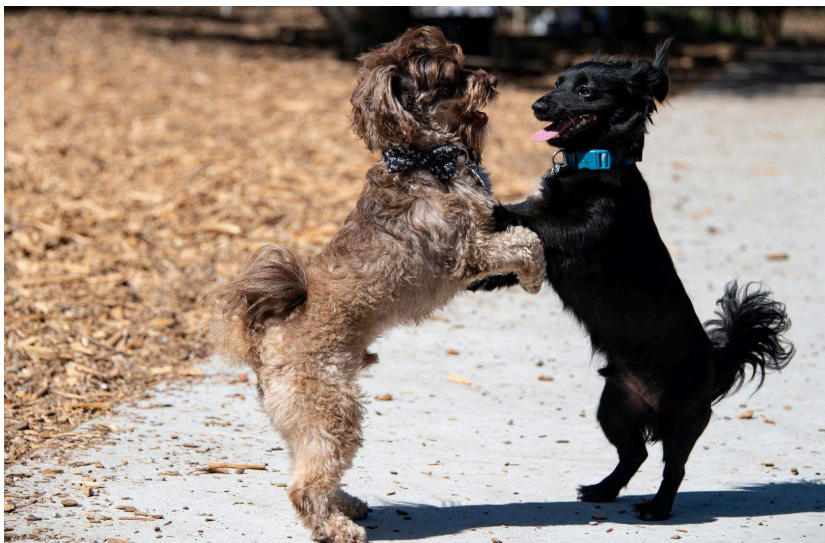
You’re out for an afternoon stroll with your furry buddy and Fido’s time has come to relieve himself. You reach into your pocket for a doggie bag and realize ... oh no, you forgot them – and you’re four blocks from your house.

You look around in panic to see who’s witnessed your negligence. You’re in the clear and casually continue down the street, leaving Fido’s droppings in a yard.

Not only have you committed the ultimate ‘petiquette’ faux pas, you may have broken the law.

All Monterey County municipalities have leash and curb laws requiring owners to leash their dogs and clean up pet waste.

Cindy Burnham, Monterey County Animal Services Administrator, says pet owners are responsible for their dogs at all times. If dogs cause problems off the owner’s property, the owner can be fined or face other legal issues.



“It’s about being a good neighbor and a responsible dog owner,” she said.

Angela Morrow, The Parks at Monterey Bay Marketing Manager, said dogs are only allowed off-leash in the designated dog parks at La Mesa and Ord Military Community. They must be on-leash when outside the residence, on walks, or in neighborhoods.

“The Parks is a pet-friendly community, but there are some dogs that are not used to being around other dogs, so residents need

to leash their dogs while on walks,” she said. “We frequently receive complaints of residents not leashing dogs, or not cleaning up their droppings.”

The Parks has begun installing new pet stations with doggie bags and garbage bins throughout La Mesa and OMC. They are installing new signs that remind residents to leash pets and clean up their waste.

“We want our residents to be responsible with their pets -- you don’t know if

Continued on next page

'Petiquette' (cont'd)

someone has a fear, phobia or maybe an allergy." Morrow added.

Responsible pet ownership is not only about being a considerate neighbor, it's also about protecting you from potential conflicts and legal issues – and protecting your pet from being impounded, or worse.

Know the animal control ordinances in your area

click links below:

[Monterey County](#)

[Seaside](#)

[Monterey](#)

[Marina](#)

[Pacific Grove](#)

[Carmel](#)

[Salinas](#)

[Sand City](#)

"My concern is for the dogs themselves," said Lindsay Lebrun, an OMC resident. "The issue is when the dogs are perpetually out. I would hate for any dog to become a pancake just because someone was too afraid to call animal control and anger someone."

Her daughter has a fear of dogs and, Lebrun warns, "If it comes down to my daughter having a panic attack or calling animal control, I will choose calling animal control every time."

According to the Seaside municipal code (Title 6 – Animals 6.04.170), dogs that bite or attack people other than the owner can be declared vicious, which may lead to the dog being impounded and/or humanely destroyed.

"No matter how good your dog is, you can't always predict its behavior," said Jennifer Reyna, a La Mesa resident. "You may think allowing your dog to roam without a leash is being a good pet owner, but you're putting your dog, other people and their pets at risk – it's just not worth it."



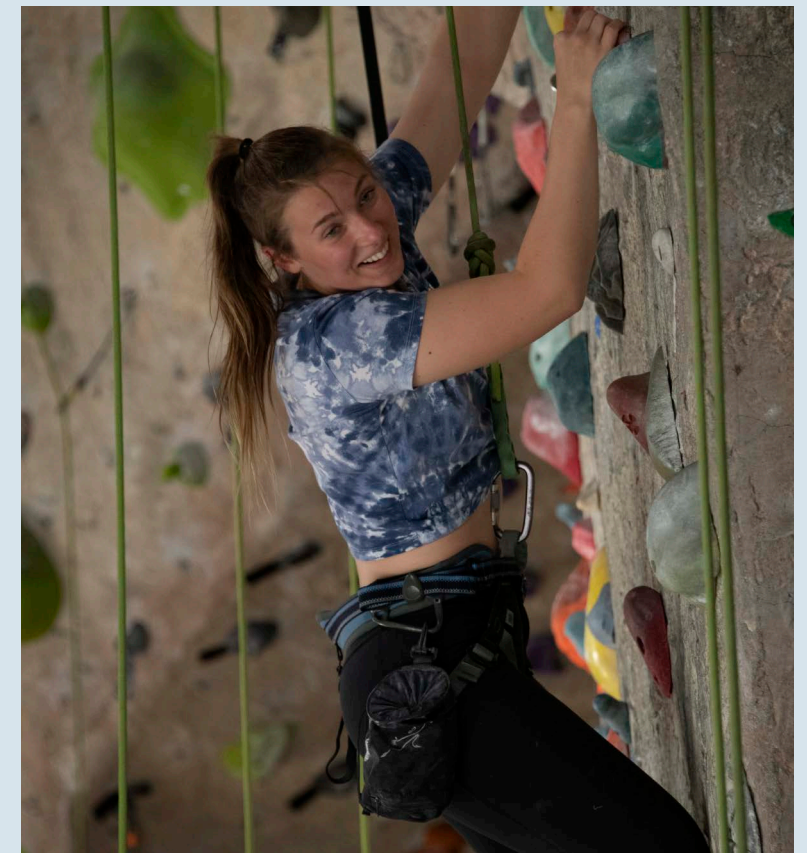
Ord Military Community resident, Amanda Camarato walks her dog Bruce.

Service members climb to new heights

PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY PAO STAFF REPORT

Service members from the Presidio of Monterey participated in Outdoor Recreation's rock climbing tour at the [Sanctuary Rock Gym](#) June 29.

"Rock Climbing is a great stress reliever," said Pfc. Emily Barcikowski, a Russian student with U.S. Marine Corps Detachment. "Just staying in the barracks on base 24/7 can be unhealthy for the mind, so coming out and doing things like this is important to do – especially for students."



Pfc. Emily Barcikowski rock climbs at Sanctuary Rock Gym June 29.

Joseph Kumzak, Presidio of Monterey PAO

Navy's top crypto trainer visits Presidio of Monterey

PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY PAO STAFF
REPORT

Upon taking command of the U.S. Navy Center for Information Warfare Training in Pensacola, Florida, on May 24, Capt. Nick Andrews began making plans to visit each of the 15 cryptologic technician interpretive training sites over which he has responsibility.

The 1992 Boston University and ROTC graduate made it to the central California coast and the Information Warfare Training Command-Monterey on July 12-13.

"I had no idea the Defense Language Institute was so complex," said Andrews. "I was told how intense the training is when taking command of CIWT. It's one thing to hear it, though, and another thing to see it."

He met with staff and students, had detailed discussions with IWTC-Monterey leadership, toured barracks, facilities, and classrooms, and had office calls with Col. Greg Ford, Presidio of Monterey commander, and the DLI Commandant, Col. Gary Hausman.

During lunch with a group of top student Sailors, Andrews touched on various topics, including his perspective on



Capt. Nick Andrews, U.S. Navy Center for Information Warfare Training commander, speaks to a formation of Information Warfare Training Command-Monterey Sailors July 13.
Seaman Jill Patterson

the operations in which these students will eventually be engaged. At a formation, he presented his commander's coin to Sailors recognized for excellence by IWTC-Monterey

leadership.

Russian student Seaman Alyson Precie appreciated getting better insight on where future linguists fit into the bigger picture.

"I can draw a line from the work you do directly to decisions that are made at the upper level," he said. "It is very impactful what you do."

*Like our photos?
You'll love our Flickr!*

[flickr.com/photos/presidioofmonterey](https://www.flickr.com/photos/presidioofmonterey)



Two female Marines prepare for pugil-stick battle in the U.S. Marine Corps Detachment's Resiliency Day activities Aug. 10.

Check out the next edition of the InBrief to see more on the Marine Detachment's Resiliency Day.

Photo by Joseph Kumzak, Presidio of Monterey PAO