

2nd Brigade Combat
Team Forward
Camp Buehring, Kuwait



Striker Torch

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Sgt. Erik S. Nalley (Left) of C/47th FSB returns from dropping off a "casualty" to the litter team as Military Professional Resources Incorporated (MPRI) trainers observe.
Photo by Sgt. Tal Wick



Sgt. Rommel Flores from B/1-35 AR, of TF Gator prepares the M240B for Scout Table VIII.
Photo by 1st Lt. Gregg Johnson



C/4-27 FA vehicles position outward during a tactical halt near Camp Buehring, Kuwait.

Photo by Capt. Joey Errington

A Word from the Striker Command Team



COL Robert E. Scurlock Jr.

CSM Jose A. Santos



Iron Soldiers,

We are continually impressed by your dedication and professionalism in the face of increasingly uncertain conditions. The training that we are conducting improves our ability as Soldiers and as a Brigade Combat Team to complete our mission. We need to continue to work to get better every day. In the next couple weeks, you will be able to demonstrate the results of your training in a series of competitive events, beginning with the NCO and Soldier of the Quarter competitions. We encourage you to make the most of these competitions, to improve your skills and show that the outstanding training you do is what makes you an Iron Warrior.

We continue to improve our positions at Camp Buehring. The Brigade Combat Team is moving from tents into hard-stand relocatable buildings. The Emergency Deployment Readiness Exercises (EDRE) we are conducting are allowing us to validate and rehearse our ability to deploy when called. There are countless fitness facilities and activities

from movies and concerts to sports leagues that provide opportunities to take a well-deserved break and continue to build our team.

As we celebrate Black History Month it is appropriate to reflect on a paraphrased quote from Dr Martin Luther King, who said "The ultimate measure of a person is not where they stand in moments of comfort and convenience, but where they stand at times of challenge and controversy." You continue to demonstrate great resolve and determination as we do our part in this War on Terrorism.

Continue to improve our basic Soldier discipline, which is the base of a great military unit. Also continue to improve your physical readiness, take care of each other, and treat everyone with dignity and respect. Maintain a positive attitude and we will make our year in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom productive and successful.

"Iron sharpens iron, as one Iron Soldier sharpens another."

Strike Hard!

Back Cover :

Top : A/40th EN of TF Regulars train at Camp Dagger, Kuwait. Photo by 1st Lt. Wesley Brooks

Bottom Left : A humvee commanded by SSgt. Samuel Frantz of B/2-6 IN of TF Conqueror leads the way on the convoy live fire exercise. Photo by Timothy Veltsos

Bottom Center : SFC Brian H. Caponi from B/1-35 AR of TF Gator takes aim from the kneeling position during reflexive fire training at Camp Buehring, Kuwait. Photo by PFC Bryan Haven

Bottom Right : (From left to right): Spec. Aaron Hewes, Spec. Troy Oviatt, PFC Zachary Weber, Spec. Brandon Howes, and Spec. Joseph Alvarado, of B/4-27 FA of TF Gator, conduct litter carrying training by transporting Spec. Jason Norseworthy. Photo by Capt. Kirill Tsekanovskiy



Sgt. Darren Jensen, of B/141 SIG practices a prone firing position during training on individual movement techniques around his living area.

Photo by 1st Lt. Logan Kerschner



Reenlistments in Kuwait

Story by 1st Lt. Matt Arabian

The reenlistment rate is high in the 1st Battalion, 6th Infantry Regiment. More than 50 Soldiers of different ranks and military occupational

leged to have their oath administered by Major General Doug Robinson, Commanding General of the 1st Armored Division. The Army rewarded the dedication and service of Regulars' Soldiers by paying tax-free reenlistment bonuses ranging from \$2,000 to \$15,000 for between two and six additional years of Army service. During the month of December, many C Co., 1st Bn., 6th Inf. Regt. Soldiers answered the call and reenlisted for the opportunity to stay Infantry. Some members from 1st Platoon, C Co., such as SSgt. David Cook, Sgt. Troy Mapp, Spec. Edward Schaffer, and Spec.

Enlistment in front of their company. "I am proud of each and every one of you who decided to reenlist. The Army and the Infantry branch are grateful for your continued service," said C Company's Commander, Capt. Jeff Kersey, during the ceremony.

The Iron Brigade thanks all these Soldiers and their families for their commitment, dedication and continued service to the Nation, the Army, and the Regulars.



Sgt. Troy Mapp and SSgt. David Cook, of C/1-6 IN of TF Regulars, affirm their Oaths of Enlistment while aboard a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter.

Photo by 1st Lt. Bledy Taka

skills have reenlisted to remain in the 1st Bn., 6th Inf. Regt. since the Battalion's departure from Baumholder, Germany. Many of these Soldiers reenlisted during the Brigade Uncasing Ceremony, where they were privi-

Marciano Budel received their oaths while on a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter. Other Soldiers reenlisting from C Co. received the Oath of



2nd Lt. Andrew Novak administers the Oath of Enlistment to Sgt. Michael Wood of TF Regulars.

Photo by 1st Lt. Bledy Taka

HOT HOT HOT

Change To Bonus Messages

SRB message 06-007, effective 07 JAN 06, increases the bonus cap for Soldiers with an ETS date in FY06 (1 OCT 06 thru 30 SEP 06) and FY07 (1 OCT 06 to 29 SEP 07) to \$22,500. In addition, bonus multiplier for FY06 ETS Soldiers is increased by .5 and for FY07 is increased by 1.5. This bonus message is not retroactive and will expire NLT 30 APR 06.



Sgt. Jessie Morales (left) of C Co., 40th EN proudly receives the Oath of Enlistment from 1st Lt. Greg Bew (right) for 6 years.

Photo by SFC Nicolas Butler

PC PMCS

Information by PFC Maxwell Conrad

With the 2nd Brigade Combat Team deployed to a desert environment, care and preventive maintenance of laptop computers is significantly more important as heat and sand are a laptop's worst enemies. Unfortunately, one of the most neglected components of any laptop or desktop computer is the cooling system. This system usually consists of fans, vents, and heat-dissipating fins attached to the central processing unit (CPU) or other components known to generate high levels of heat. Temperatures in the computers usually range between 100 – 150 degrees Fahrenheit. Below are a few ways computer users can recognize when heat is the cause of a problem, and some measures available to maintain computers. Armed with this knowledge, Soldiers can avoid potentially disastrous and costly failure of their computer systems.

Inability to disperse excess heat often results in problems associated with running applications smoothly. Sometimes, the processor will partially shut-down in order to generate less heat. To the computer user, this problem causes programs to run very slow and "choppy." For example, the audio of a DVD might not match the video and may appear as a collection of single screen shots. This partial shut-down helps cool the processor, which will resume running at normal speeds once it cools. "Partial shut-downs" allow computers to continue running, although less efficiently, and avoid physical damage or loss of work. Most of the time, however, a single program or the entire operating system will crash. Occasionally the whole computer system will just power down without notice. Heat related issues are hard to diagnose because the symptoms are sporadic, often affecting the entire system, not individual programs. In order to solve the problems related to computers overheating, one must first understand the critical components involved.

Consider this brief overview of how a typical cooling system functions.

Without exception, the most important component for

heat dissipation is the heat sink. The heat sink is physically attached to the top of the processor and other heat-producing components and helps to remove heat generated by normal operations. Without a properly maintained heat sink, older CPUs will sustain permanent damage, while newer processors will either completely or partially shut down until normal operating temperatures have been restored. The heat sink is made out of a dense metal which rests on top of a component that needs to be cooled. The heat sink itself serves to increase the surface area of a component and efficiently move heat away from the core of the processor.

Many computer systems will couple a fan to the heat sink, in order to blow the heat as far away from the CPU as possible. While laptop computers generally lack fans, desktop computers usually have two or three fans strategically located inside to move cool air in and warm air out. As with any moving component, these fans are subject to dust buildup along with normal operating wear and tear. Problems associated with thermal buildup can be avoided using proper preventive maintenance procedures.

The computer's fans must all be able to spin at full speed, free from dust-bunnies and other debris. A system's fans, including the fan located above the processor, can best be cleaned by using compressed air. Users must stop the fan before it is sprayed with air. As much as possible, the compressed air should be directed in such a way as to avoid blowing it back into the computer. It is important to also remove any dust buildup from all other computer components. Dust and debris act as insulators, trapping heat close to components and damaging them.

The temperatures of the Middle East are hard enough on a laptop, but imagine completely blocking a laptop's only means

of cooling by placing it on a sleeping bag or bunk to watch a movie. After a period of extended use, the area where the laptop sits is extremely hot to touch. Consider how hot it must be *inside* the laptop! The best method to avoid heat-related issues is to ensure that laptops are properly cleaned and elevated with plenty of room underneath and on the sides to vent heat.

Regardless of the type of system you own, the cleaning process should be done on a schedule. As a general rule, desktop systems should be thoroughly cleaned every two weeks, and laptops once a week. Thermal buildup can cause extremely undesirable effects to government and personal equipment. With a little preventive maintenance, your computer system will be able to redeploy from the Middle East with you. Leave no laptop behind!



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2BCT Mission in Kuwait.**

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Competitive Sports Build Esprit de Corps

During this holiday season the deployed Soldiers of Task Force 2nd Battalion, 6th Infantry Regiment used the free time the holidays brought to enjoy team building competitions. The competitions brought a sense of greater unity to the 2nd Brigade Combat Team. Some of these activities included flag football, “flicker ball,” and squad competitions.

The flag football competition initiated a whirlwind of activity. Eight teams took the field in an effort to win the first annual Gator Bowl. Represented in the competition were all the individual companies that make up Task Force 2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Regt. The early favorite to win the Gator Bowl was Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Regt., the “Headhunters.” Known for their speed and depth at all positions, the “Headhunters” won their first game 20 – 8 over “Charlie Rock,” C Co., 2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Regt. Though the margin of victory was large, Capt. Jason Wingart noted, “Each game is different and we need to stay focused.” During the competition

Story and Photos by 1st Lt. Gabriel Martinez

“Dealer” 24 – 6. This setup a definite “must see” competition in the second round game.

With convincing victories over their opponents, both the Bears and the Headhunters were equally determined not to be sent back to their billets as the losing team.

During the first half of the game between the Headhunters and the Bears, it looked as though the Headhunters would be the clear winners. They took a commanding

lead over the Bears with a halftime score of 18 – 8. Scoring a touchdown for the Headhunters, PFC Randy Pigeon stated; “Once I got to the outside, I knew I would score.” Though this touchdown seemed to seal the Headhunter’s victory, it was not the game-

winner. Instead the Bears made an impressive comeback in the 4th quarter. With an interception in the final minutes of the quarter, the Bears turned the tide and made their final drive to victory. Cutting the lead 14 - 18, the Bears

proved overwhelming in the final seven plays of the game, finishing with a score of 21 – 18. When the Bears scored the game-winning touchdown, Capt. Charles J. Cogger reminded those who doubted him, “The game is [never] over until the final whistle.”

Not to be overshadowed, the

“Assassins” of A Co., 2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Regt., defeated both the “Bulldogs” of B Co., 40th



A/2-6 IN of Task Force Conqueror won the Gator Bowl football championship game.



HHC/2-6 IN’s guideon bearer, Spec. Jeffery Shannon, displays the company colors after an HHC touchdown.



Sgt. Scott Glasser, HHC/2-6 IN of Task Force Gator scores a touchdown against C/2-6 IN’s defense.

Engineer Bn. and the “Redlegs” of B Battery, 4th Battalion, 27th Field Artillery Regiment in shut-out victories. Entering the Championship Game an underdog, the Assassins had a breakthrough game and out

matched the Bears to walk away with a 25 – 6 victory. As the victorious team captain of the first annual Gator Bowl, Spec. Nathan J. Anguita, said, “Today is our day. We won

some tough games, but it was just fun competing.” Congratulations go out to the Assassins on their victory in the 1st annual Gator Bowl Flag Football Competition.

for the semi-final, the Headhunters faced what turned out to be an extraordinary opponent: the “Bears” of B Battery, 4th Battalion, 27th Field Artillery Regiment. These artillerymen brought a formidable team to the competition. Determined not to be over looked, they posted a convincing victory over their first opponent, defeating the B Co., 1st Battalion, 35th Armored Regiment

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Goodbye Tents

Story and Photos by PFC Joshua Ramey

Camp Buehring, Kuwait – Soldiers of the 2nd Brigade Combat Team recently had the best experience of their



The hardstand billets are laid out on a “pad” that consists of about 20 trailers. Each pad maintains its own water supply, latrines, and laundry room.

deployment, at least until the reunion with loved ones in Baumholder. Quality of life for the Soldiers of the 2nd BCT has greatly improved since their arrival in Kuwait. The most significant improvement came when Soldiers moved out of the tents.

When the 2nd BCT arrived in Camp Buehring, Kuwait, the newly deployed Soldiers collected their gear and made their home in large, hangar-style tents which housed approximately 75 Soldiers. These tents provided the basic requirements for climate-controlled, safe, and sanitary living, but were only meant to sustain a single company of Soldiers temporarily. Recently, Soldiers relocated into trailers that afford more privacy, comfort, and improved bathroom and laundry facilities.

There are many advantages to living in new trailers with six man rooms. The trailers are grouped on a pad containing about 20 each. Each room contains three bunk beds, six wall lockers, an air-conditioning unit, and four electrical outlets. “It’s easier to adjust the heater and air conditioner when only six people need to agree on the setting,” said PFC Christopher Roberts, Headquarters and Headquarters Com-

pany, 2nd Battalion, 6th Infantry Regiment. Soldiers now have increased access to electrical power that was not readily available in the tents. Members of the Iron Brigade are currently able to enjoy the use of their own electronic devices such as CD and DVD players, laptops, and other electronics. The rooms are not meant to support huge numbers of electrical appliances, so Soldiers have become proactive when it comes to fire prevention. Soldiers avoid potential fire hazards by not daisy-chaining power strips, keeping wires clear of clothing, and ensuring the exits of the room are easily accessible. Even the necessary fire safety measures do not detract from the relaxing effect of playing video games or watching a little T.V. in the evening.

The new rooms afford Soldiers more privacy and personal space which helps reduce the stress of deployment that Soldiers may feel. “The hardstand billets are a lot better. It beats sleeping on a cot and you can actually sleep without listening to hollering and screaming early in the morning,” said Spec. Laura Caron of B Company, 47th Forward Support Battalion. Each person has their own bed and wall locker for convenient and secure storage. This frees up room that was not available in the tents for comforts such as TVs and basic furniture.

Each billeting area includes larger and more permanent shower and latrine facilities and a laundry room. The latrine facilities are cleaned by contractors, allowing Soldiers to focus on their warrior tasks and training. The laundry rooms are open 24 hours allowing Sol-

diers to wash clothes at their own convenience. Each shower facility has a large water-storage tank with a supply of hot water. However, since every drop of water must be transported into the camp, conservation is a responsibility critical for the well-being of all Soldiers.

Having fewer Soldiers in a room also improves health conditions. When a large number of Soldiers are living together, it is possible for an illness to spread to everyone living in the same area. Having only six people in a room limits the spread of germs. “The new barracks are better health wise, with only six Soldiers per room, there’s a lot less opportunity for communicable diseases to spread quickly,” said Sgt. Clint Black, B Battery, 4th Battalion, 27th Field Artillery Regiment. “There’s less coughing and less snoring so we can get a good night’s sleep. Even though we have bunk beds, they’re still way more comfortable than the cots we had,” said Sgt. Byron Johnson of HHC, 2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Regt.

An additional benefit of the new living arrangements is the ability to



From left to right: Spec. Donald Westbrook, Spec. Cole Dow, SFC Charles Dorazio, and Sgt. Jeffrey Metz in the background, all A/4-27 FA of Task Force Gator, move their personal belongings into the new billets.

maintain squad and team integrity. Those who work at night are able to sleep during the day without interruptions. “There’s more privacy and less traffic. We can have our own section meetings since everyone is in the same room,” said Sgt. Byron Johnson, HHC,



Daily Prayer Circle

Story and Photo by 1st Lt. Zachary Hadfield

The 2nd Brigade Combat Team (BCT) has recently deployed from their family and friends in Baumholder to the Central Command Theater in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and the Global War on Terrorism. This situation has prompted a number of Soldiers from Task Force Conqueror to find comfort in a much needed daily religious assembly. The Soldiers gather together to begin the day in prayer and thanksgiving at approximately 0815 every morning. Outside the billeting area, under a welcomed piece of covered shade, the Battalion's Chaplain, Capt. Artie Maxwell, hosts a non-denominational prayer session to help members of the Task Force kick off the morning with a brief pause in an otherwise hectic day.

The daily meeting started when a handful of Soldiers asked Chaplain Maxwell if they could have a daily spiritual formation. He set a time and place to meet every morning, and the tradition of the daily prayer circle began. The prayer circle started with just nine Soldiers, but has grown significantly to over forty participants in just a few short weeks. Soldiers from the 4th Infantry Division even joined in the daily event. The organization of the Brigade into Task Forces brings hope to Chaplain Maxwell that the word will

spread to even more members of the 2nd Brigade Combat Team. The daily prayer formation is expected to grow exponentially as participants who have found solidarity in the circle share with others.

been made, the floor is open for any Soldier to voice concerns or share words of good faith with the group. One by one, different individuals express their thoughts to those who have come to the



Soldiers from Task Force Conqueror bow their heads in prayer during the daily prayer circle.

PFC Michael Baumann remarked, "Praying every morning helps keep God with you, and it's always good to have fellowship with others."

The observance typically begins with SFC Wendell Jenkins or Chaplain Maxwell saying a few words to the members of the circle. This helps them remember the importance of their faith, why they are here, and for what they should be thankful. Once the beginning remarks have

spiritual gathering. Lastly, with heads bowed and embraced hands forming a ring, participants in the circle pray with one another, united in common concerns with their fellow comrades in arms. SSgt. Robert Chambers, who has attended the ceremony since it first started, explains, "Prayers are always needed to start the day, especially since we are deployed. It's something to help guide our actions while we're away from home."

Goodbye Tents - Cont. from Pg. 6

2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Regt. With team members near each other in the barracks buildings, it helps to establish close working relationships and assists leaders in faster personnel and property accountability.

The new billets are generally located in the center of camp making them much closer to the Post Exchange, internet cafe, phones, dining facilities, and food courts. "The buildings are near the chow hall and the Post Exchange so there's not a really long walk. The gym is really close," said Spec. Eric Montano, C Co., 2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Regt. An average tent-dwelling Soldier might walk more than five miles in the course of a normal day. That distance is now much shorter,

making it vastly more convenient for Soldiers to get to where they need to go.

Living in the new barracks considerably improves the Soldiers day-to-day life. The centralized location, improved climate control; and easy access to electricity, are just a few of the wonderful advantages of the new rooms. Privacy, more peaceful sleeping conditions, and closer latrine facilities all have an impact on a Soldier's quality of life and ability to perform missions. Although the deployment to the Kuwaiti desert presents its own set of challenges for everyone in the 2nd BCT, the new barracks are a welcomed improvement.



SSgt. Joseph Smith (left) and SSgt. James Milleds (right), from A/4-27 FA of Task Force Gator assemble their bunk beds and organize their new living quarters.

Competitive Sports Build Esprit de Corps - Cont. from Pg. 5

The other Soldiers of the 2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Regt. have gone to great lengths to develop additional team-building activities. Flicker ball is one such activity created by the Assassins of A Company. It is similar to ultimate Frisbee, except there is much more running involved. The season consists of seven rigorous games. Flicker ball serves both as a physical training session as well as a competitive game. As 1st Lt. Scott Leuthner notes, "We compete and have physical training at the same time, so it's fun."

Not all team-building activities involved a ball or a sports game. This was best demonstrated by Charlie Rock's squad competition. These squad competitions included such events as timed assembly and disassembly of various weapons, accurate Combat Life Saver procedures, and a relay demonstrating the proper way to evacuate a casualty. There

was also time to improve Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear Defense (CBRND) skills such as donning MOPP-4 and chemical suit buddy-exchange. These competitions required Soldiers from each squad to use their combat training in order to outperform the other squads. Not only were the competitions fun and exciting, they also provided a great learning opportunity and practical experience. Spec. Jerry A. Mensah stated, "The tasks seem easy until you put a clock on them and make time a factor. You just can't let the pressure get to you."

The various competitions were demanding and difficult, but they served to build camaraderie among the Soldiers of Task Force 2nd Bn., 6th Inf. Regt. This



1st Sgt. Joseph Cotto, C/2-6 IN of Task Force Gator cheers his Soldiers on against HHC/2-6 IN of Task Force Gator in the Gator Bowl flag-football game.

Photo by 1st Lt. Gabriel Martinez

break from rigorous training was welcomed during the holiday season. Sharing in team activities and building esprit de corps has proven to be important for these deployed Soldiers.



Sgt. Bernard Arroyo of A/40th EN practices individual movement techniques (IMT) near Camp Buehring, Kuwait.
Photo by 1st Lt. Kris Haley



HHC/1-35 AR of Task Force Conqueror's scout platoon takes on the support platoon in a HMMWV push competition.
Photo by 1st Lt. Matthew Bielinski

The Torch Comic

"Bakers Dozen"
by PFC Mitch Backer

Panel 1: Soldier 1: "Welcome to the unit. I have heard a lot about you. You're a legend around here." Soldier 2: "Thank You!"

Panel 2: Soldier 1: "I hear you come from a long line of military family members." Soldier 2: "Roger."

Panel 3: Soldier 1: "I've always wondered why your family has such a bad reputation." Soldier 2: "I'm not sure really."

Panel 4: Soldier 1: "Well, it's been a pleasure to meet you Private Snuffy." Soldier 2: "You can call me Joe."

Can you draw? Do you have an idea for a comic strip? Do you have too much time on your hands? We are looking for talented cartoonist from within the Brigade. If you're interested, contact us and we can get YOU published!



Battering Rams Run in the Jingle Bell Jog

Story and Photo by Capt. Daniel Napolitano

It was a cold December morning when some Soldiers of the 40th Engineer Battalion assembled at the annual Jingle-Bell Jog start line to stretch and warm up. The Jingle Bell Jog is an annual run that is held every holiday season here at Camp Buehring, Kuwait. Rewards for successful completion included a Jingle Bell Jog tee-shirt and plaques for finishing in the top 1st – 3rd positions of a specified age group. The jog attracted participants of all ages, from 18 to 80. The course was a five kilometer celebration of fitness that ironically began and ended at the Camp Buehring Hole-n-One doughnut shop. The route followed a broad loop around the East side of the camp.

The fun-run became a way for many units to build esprit de corps during the holiday season. Some units had entire platoons or companies participate. 1st Platoon, C Company, 40th Engineer Battalion participated en masse, giving the run a special “unit-pride” feel. Spec. Travis

Kling, B Co., 40th En. Bn. stated he was “happy to be running in spite of the cold.”

After the race, runners were thanked for their participation and given a light breakfast. Immediately following breakfast, an award ceremony was conducted at the stage where plaques were given for those top-placed runners within their age group. Among those awarded, Sgt. Audrey Fuller from Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 40th Engineer Battalion won the first place in the women under 25 bracket.

The best prizes of all, however, were not physical items, but emotional rewards. Overall, the race fostered a feeling of accomplishment for those who braved the cold to join together in this endurance event. All the runners were “winners,” each fighting the rain and cold wind; working to improve their physical fitness. The runners not only fit in a good workout, they were also able to say “been there, done that, got the tee-shirt.”



Chaplain (Maj.) Anthony Horton from HHC/40 Eng., accepts his prized Jingle Bell Jog tee-shirt after the race.

**Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
Celebration Poetry Contest
Monday 16 January 2006 @ 1900
Zone 1 Community Center
To Schedule a Reading Call 430-1206**



A/2-6 IN of TF Conqueror takes advantage of one of the many training facilities at Camp Buehring including this mobile Military Combat in Urban Terrain (MOUT) site.

Photo by SFC Andrew Stembridge



C/40 EN of TF Conqueror stack next to a building while conducting Military Operations in Urban Terrain (MOUT) training.

Photo by 2nd Lt. Timothy Erwin

Upcoming MWR Events

Sunday, 15 January 2006
1000 : Bazaar @ Events Tent
1500 : Darts Tournament @ Rec. Ctr.

Monday, 16 January 2006
0630 : 5k Run Martin Luther King @ Hole-N-One
1900 : Spades Tournament @ Oasis

Tuesday, 17 January 2006
1900 : Scrabble Tournament @ Oasis

Wednesday, 18 January 2006
1500 : Texas Hold'em Poker @ Oasis
1730 : 7.5k Fun Run @ Hole-N-One

Thursday, 19 January 2006
1400 : Hearts Tournament @ Oasis
1900 : 9 Ball Tournament @ Rec. Ctr.

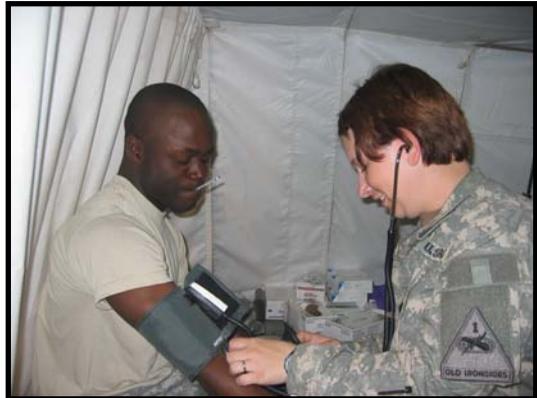
Friday, 20 January 2006
2000 : Karaoke Night @ MWR Stage
2100 : Club Rendezvous @ Events Tent

Saturday, 21 January 2006
1000 : Spa Day @ Events Tent
1800 : Push Pull Competition @ Fitness Center

Sunday, 22 January 2006
1000 : Spa Day @ Events Tent
1900 : Bingo Night @ Events Tent



Pvt. 2 Cory Olsen of A/2-6 IN of Task Force Conqueror loads his .50 Caliber Machine gun. Photo by SFC Andrew Stembridge



Spec. Deirdre Fante, from C Company, 47th Forward Support Battalion, takes care of Spec. Gregory Tate of B Co., 47th FSB, in the aid station. Photo by Sgt. Tal Wick



Spec. John Skaar from A/2-6 IN of Task Force Conqueror pulls guard during Military Operations in Urban Terrain (MOUT) training. The training involved advanced training munitions (5.56mm paint ball rounds) which required full skin coverage and uniform modifications. Photo by PFC Jeremy Neece



The Niki Barr band called several Soldiers onto the stage to sing and dance with songs such as "I Want You to Want Me" by Cheap Trick on January 6th, 2006, at Camp Buehring, Kuwait. Photo by PFC Joshua Ramey

Camp Buehring Pedestrian and Traffic Safety

Information Received from 2 BCT Safety Office



A Note to Drivers:

- Adhere to speed limit, slower if needed
- Be aware that pedestrians may not yield
- At night, Soldiers are more difficult to see, slow down and pay attention
- Ground guide vehicles when near tents and congested areas

A Note to Pedestrians:

- Always be aware of your surroundings
- Yield to traffic
- Don't walk on the road, stay on the side
- At night pedestrians are harder to see, don't assume drivers see you
- ACUs blend in well at night

Pedestrians and Traffic Don't Mix!

Standards and Discipline are the Best Control Measures!

What Do *YOU* Think?

“What type of training would you like to see conducted here in Kuwait?”

Questions and Photos by PFC Jeremy Neece



Spec. Isnael Burgos
2-6 IN

Cross Training
with Other Units



Pvt. 2 Bryan
Eltherington
1-35 AR

More 360 Live
Fire Ranges



Spec. Adam Doucette
40th EN

More MOUT
Training



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