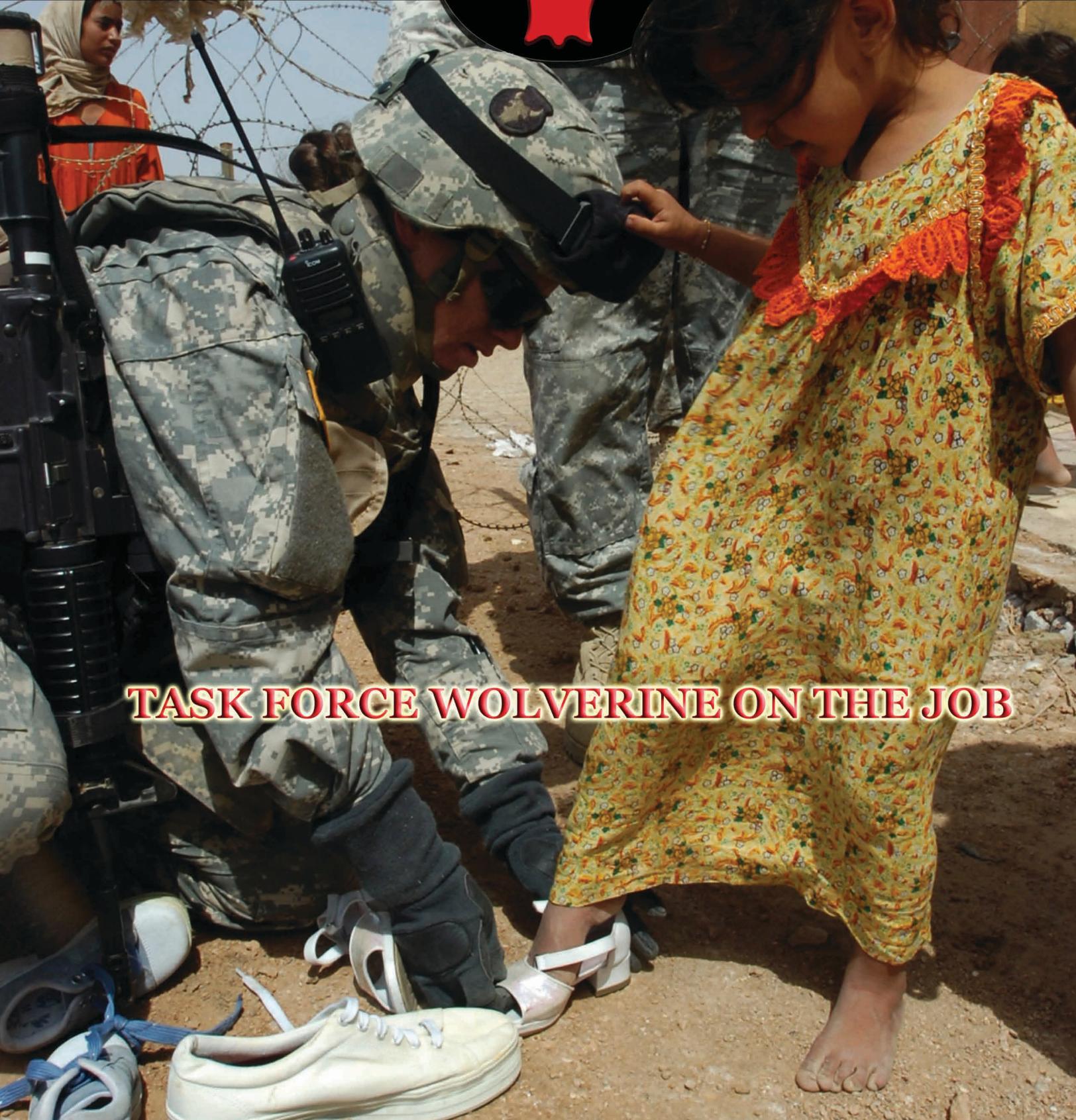


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**TASK FORCE WOLVERINE ON THE JOB**

## Task Force SNAKE EYES

Story by  
Spc. Dustin Perry  
1/34 BCT PAO

CAMP ADDER, Iraq – Two fallen Soldiers were described as “true friends” to a roomful of peers and comrades who were at the post chapel April 18, 2007, to remember and pay tribute to them during a memorial ceremony.

Sgts. Joshua A. Schmit and Brandon L. Wallace died April 14 when a roadside bomb detonated near their vehicle during combat operations in Iraq. Both Soldiers had been attached to the Boone, N.C.-based 1451st Transportation Company since February 2006, performing convoy operations in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Schmit was 26; Wallace was 27.

Music accompanied a slide show of photos featuring Schmit and Wallace as attendees settled into their seats before the beginning of the memorial. The event began with the national anthem, sung by Spc. Kathleen A. Hiersche, and the invocation, given by Chap. (Capt.) Monica R. Johnson.

Capt. Kelly J. Frazier, 1451st company commander, gave the opening comments, applauding the Soldiers’ dedication as Individual Ready Reservists who answered their call to service “when so many refused,” he said.

“I am proud to have known them and to have been their commander,” said Frazier. “I will remember them as dedicated Soldiers who gave their all to accomplish the mission. We will all remember our brothers in different ways, but all of us will remember them as friends, as Soldiers who were dedicated to their families, friends and their country.”

Following the commander’s remarks, Spc. Jacob Blaylock, a close friend of both Soldiers and fellow member of the 1451st’s convoy operations team, walked to the left side of the room and sat down with a large, black acoustic guitar that had been Schmit’s. He then played a song in tribute to them, his voice wavering as he sang, unable to hold back tears.



“I miss you guys,” said Blaylock, who kissed the neck of the guitar after finishing the song.

Staff Sgt. Robert Mullis was the next to speak, commenting on Wallace’s constant readiness when it came to performing missions and his sense of humor.

“He always had a funny story or an impersonation of someone that was sure to lift everyone’s spirits,” said Mullis. “He made it his task to ensure that no matter what, morale would be high. He didn’t do it for the attention, he didn’t do it because he had to – he did it because Sgt. Wallace loved his team.”

Before their last mission together, Mullis said he spoke briefly with Wallace and realized just how much the Soldier cared about the other members of his team.



“He said, ‘Sgt. Mullis, I really hate being the scout gunner,’” said Mullis. “I thought he was getting nervous about [our deployment] coming to an end. Instead ... he said, ‘I’m not afraid of dying. I’m afraid I’ll miss something and get one of my guys behind me hurt.’”

Sgt. Nickolas Haskell followed with a tribute to Schmit, chuckling as he described his friend’s tenacity and short stature – “five-feet-nothing, Kevlar and boots included” – which led to his radio call sign of “Angry Dwarf”.

“But as you all know, size didn’t matter to Josh ... because I believe Josh could move mountains if he wanted,” said Haskell. “And talking to him, I know he could move a mountain for what he loved: his wife, his family and his friends.”

Following Johnson’s closing remarks, the final roll call was given by 1st Sgt. Jonathan Doss and taps was played after the firing of a 21-shot volley.

Schmit was born in Willmar, Minn., and enlisted in the Minnesota National Guard in 1998 as an infantryman. He was discharged in 2000 and joined active duty the same year, serving until 2004 and transferring to the IRR shortly after. He had been living in Germany with his wife Andrea Catel and attending school.

Schmit’s awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with “M” device, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Combat Action Badge, German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge and the Drivers and Mechanics Badge with Driver T-bar.

Schmit is survived by his wife, his mother Kimberly and his father Gregory.

Wallace was born in Festus, Mo., and enlisted as an active-duty Soldier in 1999 as an infantryman. He was discharged in 2002 and transferred to IRR shortly after.

Wallace’s awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with “M” device, Kosovo Campaign Medal with Bronze Service Star, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, NATO Medal and the Combat Action Badge.

Wallace is survived by his mother Robin, his father Rick, his sister Sarah Beth and his sister and brother-in-law, Rachel and David Tucker.

# Honoring

## Our Fallen Soldiers

# Staff Sgt. Robert J. Basham

## Task Force THUNDER

Story by Spc. Brian D Jesness  
1/34 BCT PAO

CAMP SCANIA, Iraq – A memorial ceremony for Staff Sgt. Robert J. Basham was held April 20 at the dining facility courtyard, where several friends, peers and fellow Soldiers came to pay final respects to their fallen comrade.

Basham, born in Libertyville, Ill., died April 15 of non-battle related injuries in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He was 23.

The ceremony began with the invocation given by Chap. (Capt.) Corey Bjertness, the singing of the national anthem, and Basham's biography, which was read by Capt. Thomas Yentsch. Capt. Sean Herbig, Basham's company commander, was the first of three speakers to offer a personal tribute to him.

"Robert was a dedicated, caring noncommissioned officer," said Herbig. "He had deployed with his home unit from the Wisconsin National Guard prior to coming to my battery. He had volunteered to serve another tour, and he ended up with us. He was excited about the missions which he would be participating, as they were so different than the ones he conducted on his earlier tour."

"When he first arrived here, he was a skinny kid. But, he found where the weight room was located and he began to spend a lot of time there. He started to gain some good weight. He was looking pretty darned good", Herbig said.

"We have lost more than just a fine NCO; we have lost a brother," said Herbig. "We will remember Robert as a dependable and hard working Soldier whose face will forever be burned into our memory."

"Goodbye, Staff Sgt. Basham," Herbig concluded. "Thank you for your service and sacrifice."

Sgt. Justin Dominguez had been Basham's squad leader since he arrived at Camp Scania, in November 2006.

"I want to tell you a few of the things I remember most about my friend 'Bash'", said Dominguez.

"I still remember after his first cordon and search [operation] he went on like a little kid talking about it the whole night saying 'That is why I joined the Army - to do stuff like this', said Dominguez. "All the guys were like 'ok man whatever'. But that was just "Bash". He enjoyed what he did and was planning on making a career of it. He used to tell all the guys in the squad that he was a "Lifer".

"When I first met him he was very quiet," said Dominguez. "After being with the squad for a few weeks we started to see his best side. He would joke around, play pranks and just have a good time when he was off duty. Bash created friendships with members of our squad that were going to last even after the deployment, and maybe even for life."

Spc. Seth Wiegand concluded the tribute commenting on Basham's dedication to his friends and his country.

He was a man dedicated to the Soldiers on his left and his right, and a man who served his country with his life," said Wiegand.

Wiegand concluded his tribute saying, "To you Bash, I say this. I'm proud to say I knew you and served with you. I know the rest of our squad feels the same. Most of all, I am proud to be able to call you my friend. Rest



in peace brother."

The final roll call was given by 1st Sgt. Stuart Speice, followed by the firing of a 21-shot volley and the playing of taps.

Basham graduated from Kenosha Military Academy in 2002. He enlisted in the Wisconsin Army National Guard on July 30, 2001, as a target processing specialist.

Basham's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Army Achievement Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, The Army Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Ribbon, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with M Device, NCO Professional Development Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Combat Action Badge and the Wisconsin Write Medal.

Basham is survived by his parents Mitchell and Nora of Kenosha, Wisconsin, his sister Jenn, and brothers, Brian and Chris.



# Red Bull history: Homecoming

**"The Old Red Bull Goes Home"**  
By Lt. Col. John H. Hougen  
From *The Story of the Famous 34th Infantry Division*

On Sept. 27, 1945, the Division commenced the long but happy trek away back [through Italy] to Naples and Bagnoli, a road distance of 800 miles.

Then, the unknown and uncertain lay ahead; now, eager men knew their destiny was home. For them, no more long marches; no more mud, mules, and mountains; no more night patrols; no more worries of Stukas and 88s, mines and booby-traps; no more weary nights on damp cold ground, in snow, in caves, or pup tents; and no more hunting men with M-1s, tommy- and machine-guns - nor being hunted in return.

The price of victory had come high to the 34th. 3,737 killed in action, 14,165 wounded and 3,460 missing in action: a total of 21,362 battle casualties. These figures were furnished by the Department of the Army, which advises that the compilation of the 34th Division casualty list is not yet final.

Embarking from Naples on Oct. 22, 1945, the diminished Division still under command of Major General Bolte, landed at Newport News, Virginia, proceeding immediately to Camp Patrick Henry, where the troops were mustered out on Nov. 3 1945.

And so, the 34th Infantry Division, covered with glory, had returned to the United States, as it had left, totally without pomp and ceremony; no bands, no popular greeting, no public review nor speech-making. Public acclaim had been expended on troops which had returned earlier. We had left the shores of America in January 1942 under the greatest of secrecy; we became at times a forgotten division on a "forgotten front"; and now, we had returned home in almost total obscurity. But in the heart of every man who wore the Red Bull patch will forever glow a pride founded on the firm knowledge that the services of his Division in World War II, ranked second to none and that the name of the 34th Infantry Division will stand high on the scroll of honor among the greatest fighting units that ever carried the Stars and Stripes into combat. Yes, a pride too in the knowledge that the gallant Old Red Bull fought its battles and made its sacrifices to insure that Democracy shall ever remain a beacon for all freedom loving peoples of the World.

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A crowd celebrating the end of WWII in downtown Minneapolis.

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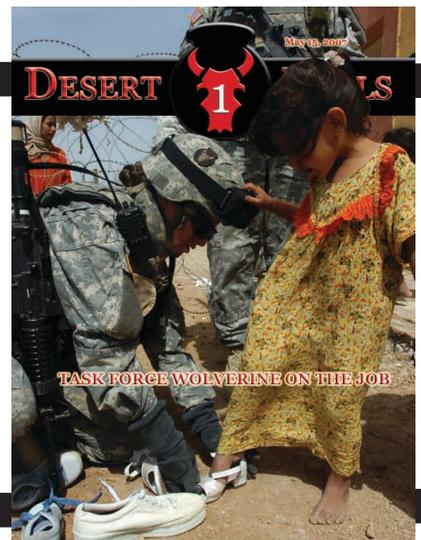
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**Staff Sgt. Ann Hoshal of Task Force WOLVERINE gives shoes to a bare-foot Iraqi girl near An Nasariyah, Iraq. Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Clinton Wood, 1/34 BCT PAO.**



TASK FORCE WOLVERINE ON THE JOB

# WOLVERINE Soldiers revamp motor pool

Story by Staff Sgt. Bill Snellman  
Task Force WOLVERINE UPAR

If you last saw the 134th BSB motor pools at Camp Adder and Camp Cedar II in early 2006, you wouldn't recognize them today. In addition to establishing an efficient and effective maintenance program, the Soldiers of B Co. 134th BSB have transformed primitive maintenance facilities at Tallil and Cedar II into some of the best motor pools in Iraq.

When Soldiers of Bravo Company arrived in Iraq, they found motor pools as Sgt. 1st Class Rodney Bartkowicz described as resembling "sanitary land fills." As Red Bulls these Soldiers were not content with sub-standard facilities that would inhibit their abilities to support the brigade's combat mission. Sgt. 1st Class Ron Stone explained the immense work his Soldiers undertook to improve their working areas, "we started with the clean-up process which involved the removal of 100 dump truck loads of scrap wood, metal, and trash. Then the task of grading, sloping, and making drainage ditches began. Over 900 yards of Class V was ordered and leveled in the motor pool and the landscaping project was complete." Additional improvements included the replacement or addition of over 4,000 feet of wiring, 85 lights, and 75 receptacles for 110 and



The motor pool at Camp Adder in April, 2006, before BSB Soldiers took over. Photo by Staff Sgt. Marc Dempsey.

220 volt power. Beyond the clean-up work, Bravo Soldiers were faced with the challenge of repairing and constructing maintenance shelters. When Bravo's mechanics arrived they found one of their three shelters lying upside-down and the others badly damaged by Iraq's desert sun and winds.

Today, motor pool #1 at Camp Adder is dominated by a Large Area Maintenance Shelter known as the "clamshell." This enormous shelter is surrounded by new offices, supply shacks, and updated inspection shelters. Bravo Soldiers created the new motor pools at Camps Adder and Cedar II by tracking down materials from across Iraq, arranging for transport to Southern Iraq, and assembling the random pieces into an impressive maintenance infrastructure. Mechanics specializing in vehicle, air conditioning, and electronics maintenance as well as inspection, welding, and logistics now serve in modern facilities to keep the 134th BSB's vehicles out on the roads of Iraq. When these Soldiers are replaced, they will not only pass on a crucial mission, but also the best maintenance facilities in Iraq.



The "clamshell" in Camp Adder's BSB motor pool. Photo by Chief Warrant Officer Daniel McGowan.

# TASK FORCE

# On the road with vehicle recovery teams

Story by 1st Lt. Jessica Jarnot Alpha Company Platoon Leader

It's three in the morning when the call comes in. There has been an accident on the Main Supply Route and a recovery has been requested. The corporation Kellogg, Brown, and Root is responsible for the recovery, but requires a military escort to the scene. That's where a small platoon from Alpha Company, 134th Brigade Support Battalion comes in. The KBR Recovery Escort platoon is responsible for ensuring the security of the recovery team while conducting recovery missions on the roads of southern Iraq.

There are two teams of Soldiers that rotate between primary and secondary call status. When the company receives a recovery mission, the primary team is notified and springs into action. As the Soldiers gather and prepare their trucks and themselves for the upcoming mission, the convoy commander, either Staff Sgt. Joseph Claeys or Staff Sgt. Jon Tabatt, contact the company tactical operations center and receive their mission brief. Each crew proceeds to the clearing barrels for final sensitive item and commo checks before beginning a mission.

The main goal of both KBR and the recovery escort team is to keep the convoys moving and the road clear. Most convoy escort teams that travel on the main supply route are familiar with the sight of the large, uparmored wreckers that KBR uses on nearly every mission. They also use bobtail tractors and flat bed trailers to get the job done. U.S. Army escorted convoys are the most frequently supported Coalition Force elements for the team, although they have also recovered vehicles for private security companies. When they are not recovering vehicles on the main supply route, the recovery team conducts regular missions to pick up vehicles that have been dropped off at various locations in southern Iraq.

'Any vehicle, any time, any where,' is a standard for this specialized group of Soldiers and civilians. Throughout the past year, the team has faced many difficult recoveries and challenging situations and successfully completed every mission with absolute professionalism. No recovery mission, whether a routine breakdown, vehicle roll-over, or a vehicle damaged by insurgent activities is considered less important. That is what makes the KBR recovery escort team stand out as a vital life-line to our Soldiers every day.



A Co. 134th BSB's KBR recovery security team secures the site of an accident on MSR Tampa. Photo by Staff Sgt. Mark Newsom.



A KBR wrecker unloads a truck after a vehicle accident. Photo by Staff Sgt. Mark Newsom.

# BE WOLVERINE

## Sailors in a sea of Soldiers

A small group of Sailors has served with the 1/34 BCT throughout its deployment in Iraq. The Sailors of Joint CREW Composite Squadron - One use their experience in electronic warfare to advise Army commanders in the fight to protect Soldiers from roadside bombs. They conduct pre-combat checks for convoy escort teams, train Soldiers on the proper operation of counter IED equipment and de-conflict electromagnetic interference in Humvee radio equipment. Here are some observations of Sailors on serving with the Army.

**Chief Petty Officer Michael Green, Task Force WILD**

“The first two or three weeks were like drinking from a fire hose, trying to digest Army terminology and figure out who’s who in the zoo. But I think being with a National Guard unit made the integration a bit easier.”

**Petty Officer First Class Emily Klinefelter Task Force SNAKE EYES**

“I was accustomed to working with Marines and so I wasn’t used to explaining why I wanted something done. I have found that when the Soldiers understand the “why” they often come up with good solutions to problems on their own.”

**Chief Petty Officer Tad Lefor, Task Force WOLVERINE**

“I really almost consider myself bi-lingual in that I’m proficient in both Army and Navy speak! I really didn’t know what to expect when I found out I was going to be attached to a National Guard unit. All you can help think about is the “weekend warrior” mentality. The Red Bulls have impressed me with their professionalism. The hardest thing was to get them to stop calling me sir. I had to tell them “I’m a Navy chief”, which is the same rank as a sergeant first class.”

**Cmdr. Jeffrey Davis, 1/34 BCT  
Navy Electronic Warfare Officer**

“I just want thank the leadership, brigade and battalion staffs, and the Soldiers for making us a part of the team and for providing us with outstanding support. It’s truly an honor for us to serve with such outstanding warriors.”



JCCS-1 Sailors in front of the Camp Adder decorated team anchor. Front row from left, Chief Petty Officer Tad Lefor, Chief Petty Officer Michael Green, Petty Officer 1st Class Emily Klinefelter, Chief Petty Officer Samuel McCullar and Petty Officer 1st Class David Hyatt. Back row from left, Cmdr. Jeffrey Davis and Chief Petty Officer Michael Vincent. Photo by Capt. Kevin R. Schooler, 1/ 34 BCT EWO.

## CMO achievements in Iraq

The 1/34 BCT CMO teams have worked at great lengths to improve conditions for citizens in areas the Brigade operates in. Here is a look at the teams greatest achievements while in Iraq.

- Fully integrated civil military operations team support with the provincial reconstruction team's strategic objectives. Co-operative projects include three portable reverse osmosis water plant projects and a \$200,000 date palm spraying project to protect the region's date palm crop.
- Developed a long-term water extension project in Al Batha. The project was an employment multiplier that improved water delivery for a majority of the city's 7,000 households.
- Engaged cities and villages throughout Iraq in order to restore essential services - some of whom had never been engaged by coalition members before.
- Developed an extensive trash removal program for Iraq's main highways that permanently employed 500 Iraqis.
- Successfully partnered with Australian forces to ensure projects were done cooperatively and information was shared.
- Obligated \$33 million in funding for Iraqi reconstruction projects.



The 1/34 BCT Headquarters and Headquarters Company CMO team. From left, 1st Humvee, front row Staff Sgt. Nathan Winzer, Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Douty; back row Spc. Joseph Irrthum and Spc. Terry Hong. Second Humvee, front row, Sgt. 1st Class Dane Kringstad, Translator Ralph, Maj. Jake Kulzer and 1st Lt. Brian Magistad; back row, Sgt. Charles Schulz and Sgt. Nathan Wiley. Fourth Humvee, Sgt. 1st Class Paul Oakes, Spc. Trish Baker, Sgt. Joseph Thompson; back row, Staff Sgt. Daniel Strong, Capt. Colin Fleming and Sgt. 1st Class Timothy Knoblach. Fourth Humvee, front row, Sgt. James Norton, Translator Gus and Master Sgt. John Schwartz; back row Sgt. Eric Phinney and Staff Sgt. Joseph Douty. Photo by Capt. Mark Lappegaard, 1/34 BCT PAO.

**SPOTLIGHTING  
THE 1/34 BCT'S  
CIVIL MILITARY OPERATIONS  
EFFORTS IN IRAQ**

# IMPACT<sub>ING</sub> IRAQ



## Military justice log

- Nine Soldiers from Task Force IRON, four Soldiers from Task Force WOLVERINE, two Soldiers from Task Force BEARCAT, along with one Soldier from Garrison Command received Article 15's for violating General Order #1 (Alcohol).
- Three Soldiers from Task Force WOLVERINE received Article 15's for having negligent discharges.
- Three Soldiers from Task Force SNAKE EYES received Article 15's for violating General Order #1 (Pornography).
- Two Soldiers from Task Force BEARCAT, along with one Soldier from Task Force SNAKE EYES and WOLVERINE received Article 15's for dereliction of duty.
- One Soldier from Task Force WOLVERINE received an Article 15 for violating the visitation policy and committing adultery.
- Two Soldiers from Task Force BEARCAT and a soldier from Task Force WOLVERINE received Article 15's for failing to report to appointed place of duty.
- A Soldier from Task Force THUNDER received an Article 15 for dereliction of duty and making a false official statement.
- Three Soldiers from Task Force WOLVERINE, along with a Soldier from Task Force WILD and BEARCAT received Article 15's for being AWOL.
- Two Soldiers from Task Force IRON, along with one Soldier from Task Force WOLVERINE received Article 15's for disrespect to an NCO.
- Two Soldiers from Task Force IRON received Article 15's for being drunk and disorderly on pass.
- A Soldier from Task Force WOLVERINE received an Article 15 for failing to obey an order and resisting apprehension.
- Three Soldiers from Task Force BEARCAT, two Soldiers from Task Force WOLVERINE, along with a Soldier from Task Force SABER and THUNDER received Article 15's for failing to obey an order.
- A Soldier from Task Force SNAKE EYES received an Article 15 for communicating a threat to another Soldier and using provoking words.
- Two Soldiers from Task Force WOLVERINE, along with a Soldier from Task Force SABER received an Article 15 for falling asleep while on guard.
- A Soldier from Task Force SABER received an Article 15 for loss of military property, which was a M4 rifle.
- A Soldier from Task Force SABER received an Article 15 for falling asleep on duty and for failing to report to appointed place of duty three times.
- A Soldier from Task Fore THUNDER received an Article 15 for larceny from the PX.

- A Soldier from Task Force WOLVERINE received an Article 15 for larceny of military property, which was NVG's.
- A Soldier from Task Force WOLVERINE received an Article 15 for violating the visitation policy.

## Top four reasons you will be stuck at your demob station

By Capt. Robert Ford, 1/34 BCT Trial Counsel

- 1) **A serious misconduct charge occurring in-theater.**  
Multi-National Corps Iraq has explicitly stated that it is willing to make you stay in Iraq to face charges. The boots on the ground date, or two year mobilization limit is not affected by a pending court-martial. Orders will be cut to keep you in-theater if the command believes it is in the best interest of justice. This may occur if a Soldier is under investigation or charged with a serious act of misconduct. The Soldier may be left behind in Iraq and assigned to a new unit to face trial.
- 2) **A misconduct charge occurring at demob station.**  
Even after a Soldier makes it to the demob station, if the Soldier is facing nonjudicial punishment or a court-martial he will be held over until the matter is resolved. That may mean staying on active duty to complete additional duty or restrictions for an Article 15 or a court-martial. Also you might stay longer if you violate the rules and regulations that will be enforced while at the demobilization station. So look out for your buddies and help them do the right thing.
- 3) **Newly disclosed medical conditions.**  
If you have been trying to "tough out" a knee or back condition until you go home, it may mean you will spend more time on active duty getting fixed. If your injury was in the line of duty, you will want to have it treated by Army medical system. If that means surgery and rehabilitation, that will mean that you will have to remain on active duty at your demob station as you receive treatment. Accordingly, Soldiers should come forward now and put the Army on notice of any lingering injuries. Better to set a course of treatment today rather than wait until we return to the U.S.
- 4) **Refusing to "play-the-game".**  
It's tough for any of us at this point to want to stand in any more lines and to "play-the-game." The reward for doing the right things is that we will be released to go home and be left alone for a while to complete the reintegration process. Play the game by following directions, showing up where you're told to be and do what you are told to get the boxes checked.

# 1/34 BCT Combat Awards April 2007



## Bronze Star Medal with Valor

Aguilar	Domingo	SPC
Bakkila	James	SFC
Feragen	Billy	SPC
Genereux	Matthew	SPC
Kingsley	Daniel	1LT
Mullenix	Jeremy	SPC
Ness	Brian	SGT
Severin	Mathew	SPC
Stroyek	Bryan	SPC
Wesolowski	John	SPC



## Bronze Star Medal

Johnson	Grant	SGT
Keller	Tom	SPC
Slininger	Jonathan	SFC



## ARCOM with Valor

Buttercase	Zachary	SPC
Dunn	Justin	SPC
Sallis	Ryan	SGT
Strouth	Mason	SGT



## Purple Heart

Alsbury	Kelly	SPC
Beebe	Dennis	SPC
Bloodworth	Michael	SPC
Bolsinger	Clay	SPC
Bruggman	Miles	SPC
Carrie	Michael	SPC
Davis	Cory	SPC
Dolberg	Timothy	SGT
Domenech	Omar	SGT
Douty	Brian	1LT
Dunlavey	Kirk	SFC
Dunphy	James	SFC
Elliott	Timothy	SFC
Freiburger	William	SSG
Fussell	Joshua	SPC
Goldstein	Jonathan	SGT
Hatton	Benjamin	SGT
Hays	Jerrold	SSG
Hottovy	William	SPC
Jensen	Toby	SPC
Ketch	Christopher	SPC
Lamon	Michael	SGT
Leonard	Richard	PV2
Lilly	Paul	SGT
Makovec	Simon	SPC
Mattix	Lloyd	SFC
Mcculloch	Derek	SGT
Miller	Michael	SGT
Miller	Todd	1LT
Mullenix	Jeremy	SPC
Olson	Brandon	SPC
Omberg	Clayton	SGT
Peterson	John	SPC
Ragel	Jason	SGT
Reed	Nathan	SGT
Swanson	Keith	SPC
Tatro	Patrick	1LT
Turpin	Curtis	SPC
Turpin	Curtis	SPC
Woltman	Jeffrey	SGT



## Combat Infantryman Badge

Adey	Larkin	SGT
Aguilar	Domingo	SPC
Alger	Eric	SPC
Apprich	Martin	LTC
Armel	Benjamin	SSG
Ash	Kevin	PFC
Baker	Anthony	SPC
Barrett	Michael	SPC
Bell	Daniel	PFC
Bittner	David	SPC
Boespflug	Anthony	SPC
Bonagofsky	Randy	SGT
Bowers	Jason	PFC
Brake	Charles	SPC
Breazle	John	SSG
Bridgeman	Kirk	SPC
Brimer	Michael	SPC
Brockberg	Richard	SGT
Brown	Jacob	SGT
Brown	Jeremiah	SGT
Brown	Joseph	SPC
Bruegger	James	SSG
Bussey	Nicholas	SSG
Bye	Matthew	SGT
Carlson	Garth	SGT
Carter	Evan	PFC
Coughlin	Christopher	SPC
Cromwell	Jason	SPC
Cross	Justin	SPC
Dirckx	Christopher	SPC
Drechsl	Adam	SPC
Drewitz	James	SPC
Dubois	Charles	SPC
Dunn	Justin	SPC
Ecker	Jonathan	SPC
Eggert	Richard	1SG
Eifert	Zachary	SPC
Elicerio	David	COL
Ellefson	Kurtis	SPC
Elliott	Brian	SPC
Espinosa	Jesse	SPC
Everson	Todd	SGT
Feragen	Billy	SPC
Fink	Jason	SPC
Fritsch	David	SPC
Gallagher	Justin	SGT
George	Kevin	SGT
Gile	Taylor	SPC
Goehring	Seth	SPC
Goenner	Troy	SPC
Grabowski	Scott	SPC
Grunmurt	Michael	SSG
Hagen	David	SPC
Halvorson	Tyler	SSG
Hansen	Jacob	SPC
Harrison	Joshua	SPC
Hatton	Joshua	SSG
Hauser	George	SPC
Hawkins	Joseph	SGT
Heinecke	James	1LT
Heins	Aaron	SPC
Hernandez	Robert	SGT
Hillstrom	Mark	1LT
Hoiland	Mark	SPC
Ideus	Jerod	SGT
Imholte	Michael	SPC
Iverson	Robert	SGT
Jaranson	Christopher	SPC
Jensen	James	SPC
Johnson	Christopher	SSG
Johnson	Matthew	SGT
Jones	Jacob	SPC
Karayel	Zahari	SGT
King	Paul	SGT
Kliner	Kristofer	SPC
Mattix	Rodney	SFC
Knetter	Charles	SPC
Kowalenko	Jermaine	SPC
Kutter	Bryan	SPC
Larson	Jacob	SPC
Lee	Jeffery	SPC
Lewis	John	SGT
Livingston	Michael	SPC
Long	William	SGT
Lor	Chua	SPC
Lundsten	Chadwick	SSG
Mahlberg	Anthony	SPC
Mandt	Kerry	SFC
Maninga	Constant	SPC
Manzke	Travis	SSG

Maryott	Jarrold	SPC
Maurstad	Nicholas	SPC
Mccooy	Daniel	SPC
Mccooy	Ryan	SGT
Melan	Laszlo	SSG
Melhorn	Joseph	SGT
Moe	Jared	SPC
MONTALVO	Michel	SPC
Myrold	Erik	SFC
Nauman	Aeren	SGT
Neese	Tyler	SPC
Nelson	Timothy	SSG
Nelson	Trevor	SPC
Ness	Joseph	SPC
Neumiller	Michael	PFC
Nuth	Brian	SGT
Nutter	Clair	SPC
Nygaard	Daniel	SGT
Olink	Phillip	SGT
Olson	David	SPC
Olson	John	SPC
Ostercamp	Jon	MAJ
Oswald	Frank	SSG
Parks	Gregg	LTC
Peck	Isaac	SPC
Pinska	Tyler	SPC
Pizarro	Jo	SPC
Price	Daniel	1LT
Proctor	Thomas	SPC
Qualy	Andrew	SPC
Rager	David	SGT
Raines	David	1LT
Ramos	Aaron	SPC
Rath	Jason	SGT
Reece	Jeremy	SSG
Rishovd	Casey	SPC
Rogers	Michael	SFC
Romans	Shad	SPC
Rosario	Peter	SSG
Rosen	Luke	SSG
Rosenthal	Alan	SPC
Scharpe	Jeffrey	SFC
Schmidt	Jacob	SPC
Schmidt	Matthew	SPC
Schroeder	Darryl	SPC
Schweitzer	Jason	1SG
Scott	Brent	SPC
Seed	Adam	SPC
Sellner	Anthony	SPC
Siebenaler	Christopher	SGT
Slater	Benjamin	SPC
Smith	Hickory	SGT
Smith	James	SGT
Soman	Michael	SGT
Stenglein	Callen	SGT
Stroud	Scott	SGT
Stuart	Zaccariah	SGT
Taylor	James	SSG
Thompson	Brian	SPC
Timler	Jason	SPC
Traylor	Thomas	2LT
Trontvet	Gilbert	SGT
Turner	Brian	SPC
Uhing	James	SSG
Vanyo	Tadd	CPT
Washburn	John	CPT
Weller	Justin	SPC
Wentworth	Brendan	SGT
Wesolowski	John	SPC
Whepley	John	SGT
Wiemer	Jesse	SGT
Williamson	Eric	SPC
Wilson	Erik	SPC
Winter	Brian	SPC
Wright	Lucas	1LT
Yagudayev	Oleg	PFC
Yang	Canon	SGT
Yarrington	Christopher	SPC
Yliniemi	Christopher	SPC



## Combat Medic Badge

Ackerson	Jeremy	SGT
Butwinick	Jay	SPC
Genereux	Matthew	SPC
Krisko	Dean	SPC
Rasmussen	Eric	SPC
Winter	Christine	SPC
Woodford	Jeffery	SPC



## Combat Action Badge

Aagard	Thomas	PFC
Ahn	Kenneth	SGT
Aldrich	Ronnie	SPC
Allen	Orville	SPC
Allen	Shawn	PV2
Alvaradosixtos	Miguel	SGT
Anderson	Jason	SPC
Armbruster	Marc	SPC
Avila	John	1LT
Baranzini	Nicholas	SPC
Barry	Matthew	SPC
Beckman	John	SGT
Bendickson	David	SSG
Benito	Carlos	SSG
Beranek	Jason	SPC
Berg	Christopher	SPC
Berhow	Nicholas	SPC
Beto	Brian	SSG
Beyer	Patrick	SGT
Bly	Jesus	SPC
Boben	Craig	SPC
Bolli	David	SPC
Bowen	John	SPC
Boyle	Scott	SPC
Brady	Willie	SPC
Brand	Scott	SPC
Brandon	Kashita	SGT
Breaux	Anthony	PV2
Bremer	Nathan	SGT
Breyer	Todd	SSG
Brinkman	Michael	SGT
Brown	Charles	SPC
Brown	David	SGT
Brown	Joshua	SPC
Brown	Richard	SPC
Burns	Jeremy	SGT
Cando	John	PVT
Carlson	Jamie	SPC
Carlson	Matthew	SPC
Carpenter	Franky	SPC
Carreon	Jose	SGT
Cassavant	Cory	SFC
Christensen	Quinten	SFC
Clow	Jakob	SPC
Collier	James	SPC
Cornelius	Patrick	SPC
Cox	Derrick	SSG
Craig	Brandon	SPC
Crawford	Chase	SGT
Crawford	Quaylon	SPC
Dakin	Timothy	SPC
Defiel	Dustin	PFC
Delgado	Steve	SPC
Diaztorres	Jose	SPC
Dieveny	Ryan	PFC
Dixon	Carl	SPC
Dlouhy	John	SGT
Dollarhide	Eric	SGT
Dominguez	Justin	SPC
Donoho	Brandon	SPC
Ehrreich	Robert	SGT
Emery	Harley	SPC
Erickson	Christopher	SSG
Escamilla	Alex	SSG
Full	Alec	SPC
Evans	Chester	SPC
Evans	Jeremy	SPC
Ewing	Michael	SPC
Feilen	Christopher	SSG
Feit	Ryan	PV2
Fellman	Daniel	SPC
Fero	Daniel	SPC
Flaherty	Ryan	2LT
Foerster	Norbert	SGT
Fogerty	Duane	SGT
Fontaine	Bryan	SGT
Fox	Thomas	SPC
Fride	Zachary	PFC
Gallatin	Aric	SGT
Garcia	Joseph	PFC
Gartner	Terance	SPC
Gee	Jason	SPC
Gehrke	Cody	SPC
Getzel	Jason	SSG
Gonzalez	Edwin	SGT
Gonzalez	Ronnie	SPC
Goaderum	Jordan	PFC

Gornick	Cade	SPC	Mursal	Rashid	SPC
Gosk	Jonathan	SPC	Nelson	Thomas	SFC
Grandpre	Peter	SPC	Newell	James	PFC
Greene	Anya	SPC	Newell	Michael	SGT
Greene	Jeremy	SPC	Nieto	Jesse	SPC
Gschwend	Jason	SGT	Nysson	Michael	1LT
Hagen	Matthew	SPC	Oelschlaeger	Blake	SSG
Hahn	Kurtis	SGT	Olson	Robert	SFC
Halan	Daniel	SGT	Pagan	Onel	PFC
Halfmann	Charles	SPC	Paice	Todd	1SG
Hampel	Brigham	SSG	Pals	Jonell	SPC
Hansen	Anthony	SPC	Paulson	Rory	SPC
Hanson	Andrew	SPC	Pederson	Matthew	SSG
Hanson	Cameron	SPC	Pedisc	Marko	SGT
Harder	Peter	SPC	Pekula	Jeffery	SFC
Hargrove	Dustin	SPC	Pelz	Nathan	SGT
Haskamp	Broc	SSG	Peterson	Dustin	SPC
Hauch	Todd	SGT	Peterson	Matthew	SPC
Havlicak	Brock	PFC	Peterson	Nicholas	SPC
Hermel	Ryan	SPC	Pike	Donald	SPC
Hillesheim	Robert	SSG	Pineda	Giovanni	SPC
Hintgen	David	CPT	Plankinton	Shawn	1LT
Holland	Brandon	SGT	Ploog	Amanda	SPC
Holmes	Calvin	SGT	Pohlmeier	Lukas	SGT
Hommerding	Aaron	SSG	Praet	Issak	SPC
Horejsi	Matthew	PFC	Price	Barry	SGT
Horne	Lamar	SSG	Pugh	Kevan	SGT
Housenga	Daniel	SPC	Ramasa	Dara	SPC
Huhta	Miriam	SSG	Ratcliff	Rebecca	SPC
Hunt	John	CPT	Rhoten	Charles	SSG
Hutchens	Adam	SGT	Rice	Jeffrey	SSG
Iwanski	Jacob	SSG	Richter	Larry	PFC
Jackson	Robert	SGT	Riddle	Jason	SGT
Jacobs	Brant	SPC	Rienhardt	Brian	SPC
Jacobsen	Aaron	SGT	Roberts	Neal	SGT
Jacue	Andrew	PV2	Roeser	Robert	SSG
James	Russell	SGT	Rooks	Marcus	SPC
Jeffers	Michael	SPC	Rose	Todd	SGT
Jennings	Justin	SPC	Ruach	Nhial	SPC
Jennings	Dillon	SPC	Rubin	Matthew	SSG
Jimenez	Jaime	SSG	Ruffin	Kairo	SGT
Johns	Joseph	SPC	Rung	Leroy	MAJ
Johnson	Benjamin	SPC	Sack	Darrin	SFC
Johnson	Jimmy	SPC	Sallee	Christopher	SPC
Jones	Darian	SSG	Saniti	Michael	SPC
Jonns	Travis	SPC	Scharf	Casey	SPC
Jordan	Matthew	SPC	Schumann	Michael	SPC
Judes	Shawn	SGT	Scott	Margret	SGT
Just	Timothy	SPC	Seig	Steven	SPC
Karau	Jacob	SPC	Siegriest	Andrew	SPC
Karow	David	SGT	Singleton	Richard	SPC
Kempski	Michael	SGT	Slackish	Lawren	SPC
Kostoff	Stephen	SPC	Smith	Brian	SGT
Kotewa	Ross	SPC	Smith	James	SGT
Krejea	James	SPC	Smith	Randon	SPC
Kringstad	Dane	SFC	Snelling	Timothy	SGT
Krog	Raymond	SPC	Spessard	Nathan	SPC
Krostag	Beau	SPC	Spreier	Kenneth	SPC
Kuepker	Kyle	CPT	Spronk	Shannon	PV2
Kulzer	Jacob	MAJ	Squires	Scott	SPC
Langi	Solomon	SPC	Steinkopf	Matthew	SGT
Lantis	Patrick	SGT	Stellfox	Travis	1LT
Larson	Richard	SPC	Stougaard	David	1LT
Lebleu	Michael	SPC	Straw	Robert	SSG
Lembke	Matthew	SPC	Stroud	Michael	SGT
Lenz	Derek	SPC	Stuart	William	SGT
Leske	Brian	SSG	Swanson	Charles	SPC
Limanen	Brian	SFC	Swenson	Patrick	SGT
Linn	Zachary	SPC	Taurino	Rudolph	SPC
Livingston	Joshua	PFC	Therkelsen	Chase	SPC
Lockman	Randolph	SSG	Thesing	Jacob	SPC
Lombardi	Nick	SPC	Theuringer	Robert	SPC
Luce	Daniel	SSG	Thompson	Adam	PFC
Luken	Todd				



Above: 82nd Sustainment Brigade, Deputy Commander Lt. Col. Bill Hughes crowns Staff Sgt. Jennifer Yurczyk first woman to cross the finish line of the Boston Marathon at Camp Adder. Photo by Pfc. Robert H. Baumgartner, 82nd SB PAO.

Right: Spc. Jonathan Albert, Task Force BEARCAT, uses a metal detector to search a dirt pile for possible explosives earlier this year near Camp Fallujah. Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Clinton Wood, 1/34 BCT PAO.



# IN OUR SIGHTS



Right: Sgt. 1st Class Shawn Vater of Task Force SABER, searches the terrain for evidence after a recent mortar attack against Camp Anaconda. Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Douglas Schultz, Task Force SABER UPAR.

Below: Sgt Kevin J. Hoffman, Task Force IRON, checks a civilian truck driver's documentation in the Camp Al Asad staging yard earlier this year. Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Clinton Wood, 1/34 BCT PAO.

