



181st Infantry Regiment

# Around the Powderhorn



“Keep Your Powder Dry”

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## Welcoming modern day minutemen



Photo by Capt. John Quinn

*1/181 Commander Lt. Col. Anthony Couture, right, welcomes five new soldiers Aug. 12, including, from left, Sgt. Joshua Sweeting, Spec. Keaton Gubler, Sgt. Jeremy Miller, Spec. Andrew Steele and Spec. Aaron Fox. They have already been integrated in HHC which will provide security in Kabul.*

**C**AMP ATTERBURY, Ind. — The 1/181 continues the 374-year legacy of service by deploying for Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) and integrating with Provincial Reconstruction Teams (PRTs) throughout Afghanistan later this year.

Since mobilizing July 31: Alpha Company gained 14 soldiers, Bravo Company gained 33, Charlie

came with a full roster, Delta gained one and Headquarters gained seven soldiers and is expecting more.

New soldiers bring a great deal of experience and are from a variety of units from Alabama, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Washington and Wisconsin.



Photo by Spec. Michael Broughey

*Private 1st Class Steven Olsen, of B Co., braves the sweltering 95-degree temperatures while training with his squad on the live-fire range at Camp Atterbury, Ind. Aug. 13.*

## Life Changes

### *Cheers!*

Congratulations to the following soldiers and their families:

- **1st Sgt. Richard Sheehan** of C Co. and his wife Solveig had a daughter — Meghan Lillian Sheehan, 8 pounds, 14 ounces — on July 29.
- **Spec. David Meyer** from C Co. and his wife Jacqueline had a daughter — Ally-

son Jane Meyer, 3 pounds, 3 ounces — on July 31.

- **Sgt. Brett McIntyre** of HHC and his wife Heather had a baby boy — Kaiden Andrew McIntyre — Aug. 11.

### *Condolences*

The members of the 1/181 offer their deepest sympathies to the soldiers and the families who have lost loved ones since being mobilized.

## About Social Media

The Department of Defense allows soldiers to use Facebook, Twitter, Flickr and YouTube as long as users don't compromise operational security or participate in illegal activities.

When expressing personal opinions, soldiers should make it clear that they are speaking for themselves and not on behalf of the military.

Additionally, soldiers cannot release classified data — including specific information about movement times, dates, unit locations or specific numbers to protect themselves.

Soldiers and families should always safeguard personal information.



Photo by Spec. Michael Broughey  
 From left, Private 1st Class Jeremy Fedderson and Staff Sgt. Randy Issacs, both of HHC, work with Abdul Ali Hamidzada, left – a linguistic and cultural expert – to speak to an Afghan national in Dari during Counter Insurgency training Aug. 12.



Photo by SPC Michael Broughey  
 From left, Capt. Chad Cormier and Spec. Joseph Guzman, both HHC, salute with the rest of the battalion during the 1/181's farewell ceremony Aug. 1 at Foley Stadium in Worcester, Mass. Thousands of family members, friends and fellow veterans members attended the event.

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The 1/181 is the oldest Infantry Regiment in the U.S. Army and traces its lineage back to Dec. 13, 1636, when it was organized in the Massachusetts militia as the North Regiment. Since that time, the unit served during the Revolutionary War, the Civil War, the Spanish American War, World War I and World War II. More recently, members of the 1/181 deployed to Cuba, Kosovo, Iraq and Afghanistan as part of the ongoing Global War on Terrorism.

