



## FORSCOM SENIOR LEADERS

### Nine-month deployments may be ahead



Lieutenant General  
**Howard B. Bromberg**  
Deputy Commanding  
General/ Chief of Staff  
U.S. Army Forces  
Command

*"Assuming the Iraq drawdown occurs and we reduce in Afghanistan, we'll definitely need less (deployed troops) if that happens, and that will help us build that dwell time, too," ... "That's why we said starting in 2012, given where we think we'll be in Iraq and Afghanistan, the units that return will start building that dwell because we won't need to replace them (in theater)."*

By Michelle Tan, Army Times

**SAN ANTONIO, Texas** (May 2, 2011) – Soldiers will continue to deploy for 12 months at a time to meet the demands in Afghanistan and Iraq, but nine-month tours remain an option in the future, a senior Army leader said April 20.

*"It's not feasible today, and what we have to do is see as the demand goes down for the deployed forces, then there may be the opportunity for us to go to ... having nine months boots on the ground,"* Lt. Gen. Howard Bromberg said during a wide-ranging interview here with Army Times. [More](#)

## NEWS

### Army Ground Forces Band alumni reunite for final concert in Atlanta

By Britney Walker, U.S. Army Forces Command Public Affairs

**FORT McPHERSON, Ga.** (May 3, 2011) – The Army Ground Forces Band and 53 of its alumni bid farewell to Atlanta with a reunion concert at McEachern High School Performing Arts Center, April 30. This performance was the band's last public showcase in the Atlanta area before the band moves to Fort Bragg, N.C. [More](#) [Atlanta Journal-Constitution Article](#)



### 1st Infantry Division warriors past, present gather in nation's capital

By Mollie Miller, 1st Infantry Division Public Affairs

**FORT RILEY, Kan.** (May 3, 2011) – A tradition that has held fast within the 1st Infantry Division for more than nine decades was honored April 30 as current and former "Big Red One" Soldiers gathered in Alexandria, Va., for the 92nd Annual Officers of the First Division Dinner. [More](#)



### Profession of Arms: Not your average campaign

By Staff Sgt. Nicole Howell, 40th Public Affairs Detachment

**WEST POINT, N.Y.** (April 21, 2011) — The Army is a rock that has formed under pressure, changed with the times and the impact of war. Yet, it continues to live by the values, traditions and ethic it was built on. [More](#) [Video](#)



### 20th Support Command (CBRNE) hosts capabilities exercise

By Christopher Bush, 20th Support Command (CBRNE) Public Affairs

**ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md.** (April 28, 2011) – The Soldiers and civilian employees of the 20th Support Command Chemical, Biological, Radiological, High Yield Explosives (CBRNE) displayed their vast talents and equipment during a capabilities exercise (CAPEX) at Aberdeen Proving Ground's Edgewood Area April 27 – 28. [More](#)



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**West Point and its Army Center of Excellence for the Professional Military Ethic (ACPME)** serve as the Army's professional military ethic executive agent to increase Army-wide understanding, ownership and sustained development of the Army professional ethic through research, education and publication. ACPME broad objectives are: 1) assess, study and refine the professional military ethic of the force; 2) create and integrate professional military ethical knowledge; 3) accelerate professional military ethic development in individuals, units and Army culture; 4) support the socialization of the professional military ethic across the Army culture and profession.

**In November 2007, the Army appointed West Point as the Army Center of Excellence for the Professional Military Ethic (ACPME).** In March 2009, the Army further assigned West Point and the ACPME as the Army's professional military ethic and character development force modernization proponent with Army-wide doctrine, operations, training, materiel, leadership, personnel and facilities (DOTMLPF) responsibility and authority.

**The Army plans to integrate professional military ethics and character development into leader development programs and unit training,** to promote it as the dominant theme within Army professional publications and journals and the focus of discussions throughout Army schoolhouses, training and mobilizations centers.

For more information, see the STAND TO! Article at the following link: <http://go.usa.gov/bfh>

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**JOINT BASE LEWIS-McCHORD, Wash.** – Col. Laurence M. Mixon, I Corps deputy chief of staff, G2, presented the Don't Ask, Don't Tell brief to about 40 Soldiers at Joint Base Lewis-McChord's Intelligence Center, April 26. The day's briefing was the second iteration of four the Colonel was giving. The brief is required by the Department of Defense for all military service members. (U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Opal Hood, 5th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment)

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**CAMP TAJI, Iraq** - A team of engineers with Company C, Special Troops Battalion, 2nd Advise and Assist Brigade, 1st Infantry Division, conduct military operations in urban terrain drills to clear a building during a training exercise at Camp Taji, Iraq. The intent of the training was to re-familiarize the Soldiers with the techniques and tactics involved in handling demolitions safely and efficiently in a stressful environment. (U.S. Army photo by Spc. Molleigh Crotty, 2nd Advise and Assist Brigade Public Affairs, 1st Infantry Division)



**PAKTYA PROVINCE, Afghanistan** - Public Affairs student Jawed Mashal, a staff sergeant with the Afghan Border Police, prepares to show his recruiting commercial to a crowd of coalition forces, April 13. Students attended a three-week public affairs immersion course designed by members of Mobile Public Affairs Advisory Team-2 out of Forward Operating Base Lighting, Afghanistan. (U.S. Army photo by U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Maritza Freeland, 17th Public Affairs Detachment) [More](#)



**ANDAR, Afghanistan** - Pfc. Aaron Birmingham, an infantryman with 2nd Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, from Alpena, Mich., keeps on eye on a wadi in Andar, Afghanistan. The area is known as a Taliban stronghold and is where the unit received small arms fire earlier in the month. (U. S. Army photo by Staff Sgt. Andrew Guffey, 3rd Brigade Combat Team Public Affairs, 1st Infantry Division)



**FORT BRAGG, N.C. –** Sgt. 1st Class Catina Taylor, crisis action team noncommissioned officer, U.S. Army Forces Command G1, proudly shows off "Buddy" - her only "keeper" from the 6th Annual Warriors on the Water Military Appreciation Bass Fishing Tournament, April 29, 2011, at Jordan Lake, N.C. Taylor was one of 150 joint service members who were taken out for a day of competitive angling by volunteer professional and recreational bass anglers from across the United States. (U.S. Army photo by Jim Hinnant, U.S. Army Forces Command Public Affairs) [Photo Slide Show](#)

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