Passport Office fulfills official travel needs by YVONNE JOHNSON

The APG Passport Office, located on the third floor of Bldg. 4304, provides a convenient location for service members and their families. The Department of Defense civilians to apply for and receive official U.S. passports for official travel.

Passport Control Officer Larry Tyson said the application process is a U.S. passports can be demanding and time-consuming, and customers should be aware of several requirements before visiting the office.

The normal processing time for passport applications is six to eight weeks, Tyson said.

“People come here with no problems or issues. Several more weeks can be added to passports that are rejected for whatever reason.”

He said customers can avoid common problems by bringing required documents such as travel orders, birth certificates, marriage licenses, current photos, etc. to their application.

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HOLocaust remembrance stirs conversation

by Yvonne Johnson

USAG News

After the guest speaker canceled due to illness, quick-thinking organizers pushed on to present an ultimate Days of Remembrance ceremony for Team APG at the Myer Auditorium, May 3.

The annual observance commemorates the Holocaust genocide that took place during Adolf Hitler’s Nazi Germany that claimed the lives of about 11 million people, at least six million of them Jews. The U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command, or CECOM, Commanding General and APG Senior Commander Maj. Gen. Bruce T. Crawford welcomed attendees, as well as SHARP supporters and event organizers, and extended his appreciation to keynote speaker Lt. Gen. Robert L. Caslen, Jr., 59th Superintendent, U.S. Military Academy West Point for their participation in the high-profile SHARP initiative.

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May 18 is International Museum Day. What is your favorite museum?

My favorite museum is probably the Louvre in Paris, France. In America, my favorite museums are the Smithsonian museums in Washington, D.C. They are, simply, awe-inspiring and there we live so close to them.

My favorite museum is the American Museum of Natural History in Chicago, and it was amazing to visit as a kid.

My favorite museum is the Lizard, because it has many famous paintings like the “Mona Lisa” by Leonardo da Vinci and the Water Lily paintings by Claude Monet.

The National Museum of American History is my favorite. I visited that museum the most when I was stationed in Washington, D.C. with the Coast Guard. The artifacts they have there are amazing such as a meeting, like the ruby slippers (worn by Judy Garland) in “The Wizard of Oz.”

The following statistics were provided by the APG Directorate of Emergency Services, rescuing the fire, medic and police responses, citations and arrests made during the month of April.

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A new hand tool, designed and built through a partnership of organizations, is making work easier and safer for Pueblo Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant, or PCAPP, operators in Pueblo, Colorado.

"During an observation of a procedure demonstration, we noticed the operators having difficulty removing the ignitor cartridge from the mortar with the commercially available tools, due to the tight fit of the cartridge in the mortar," said Jeff Kiley, physical scientist, Program Executive Office, Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives, or PEO ACWA.

The PCAPP is being readied to start destroying more than 700,000 chemical weapons this year, and part of that destruction process includes reconfiguring some of those weapons by removing fuzes, ignitors, etc. before they can go through the neutralization phase, Kiley said.

A collaborative team was formed to develop and produce a solution among PEO ACWA, the U.S. Army Edgewood Chemical Biological Center, or ECBC, and the systems contractor, the Bechtel Pueblo Team, Kiley said.

ECBC coordinated with the ordnance technicians at PCAPP to develop design concepts, and based on testing and worker input, developed three different versions that should improve the process of removing mortar ignitors, said Charles Steinert, mechanical engineer, ECBC.

Part of systemization, or getting the PCAPP ready to operate, involves practicing every munitions step on exact scale models of munitions, Kiley said. This practice allowed the workers and ECBC engineers to test their prototypes quickly in conditions that closely match working on real chemical agent munitions.

"The ergonomic design of the ignitor extractor tool makes it much easier to remove the ignitor without having to bend my wrist and arms in uncomfortable positions," said Joseph Deines, PCAPP ordnance technician.

Versions of the tool range from one that is lighter and thinner for detailed work to versions that are stronger and heavier to provide more leverage. Each version of the tool, produced at ECBC’s Production Design Facility, is made from metal that doesn’t produce sparks when working with mortar components, such as naval brass or copper alloy, Steinert said.

Using the tool to remove ignitors could potentially reduce costs, as it is expected to lessen the number of munitions that cannot easily be processed in the plant. These “rejects” would need to be destroyed by a manual process using the Explosive Destruction System, Kiley said.

PEO ACWA photos
As part of the command’s monthly resiliency training, the U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command, or ATEC, and two of its newest master resiliency trainers helped the ATEC workforce “detect icebergs” and “put it in perspective” during a session at their headquarters building, May 5. On APG North (Aberdeen), led by Master Resiliency Trainers Sgt. 1st Class Travis Griffith and Daniel Grifo, who both graduated from the Master Resiliency Training Level I Course in March, the training is part of the Army’s Ready and Resilient Campaign, or R2C, and its Comprehensive Soldier and Family Fitness Program, or CSF2. It is designed to build resilience and enhance the performance of the Army family by providing the hands-on training and self-development tools needed to aid them in coping with adversity and improving their performance during stressful situations.

Griffith, a military evaluator at ATEC, started the session by comparing the resiliency skill, “Detecting Icebergs,” to an individual’s core values and beliefs.

“The iceberg above the water’s surface is what we see and observe, but what we don’t see is the iceberg hidden beneath the water’s surface,” he said. “This is where you will find a person’s core values and beliefs. According to Griffith, the skills taught during the Detecting Icebergs resiliency training are effective tools Soldiers, Army civilians and their families can use to boost their self-awareness and help them maintain control over the negative emotions and reactions that situations can engender. Usually, during heat-of-the-moment situations (activating events), an individual will have thoughts that are out-of-sync with their emotions or reactions (consequences), which will result in a thought/consequence disconnect—also known as an iceberg,” he said. “At that time, they should have identified the iceberg and started to ask themselves the critical ‘what’ questions instead of the negative ‘why’ questions.”

Grifo explained that one of the worst things an individual can do is to catastrophize situations that could potentially cause threats, forces people to think more critically about the situation, while asking “why” questions leads them to become defensive instead. As part of the training, participants broke into small groups to share their personal experiences of activating events; or PIIP.

“Putting it in perspective helps you build optimism.”

The goal of PIIP is to lower anxiety so you can accurately assess the situation and deal with it.

Daniel Grifo, ATEC Master Resiliency Trainer

Grifo, an ATEC officer strength manager, started the second half of the resiliency session by explaining the importance of the skill “Put it in Perspective,” or PIIP.

“PIIP helps you build optimism,” he said. “The goal of PIIP is to lower anxiety so you can accurately assess the situation and deal with it.”

Grifo explained that one of the worst things an individual can do is to catastrophize a situation.

“Catastrophizing is when you waste critical energy Rumination about the irrational worst-case outcomes of a situation,” he said. “Doing so could possibly prevent you from taking the purposeful action that’s necessary.”

“Being involved in an ambiguous situation, having something that is highly valued at stake, feeling mentally or physically run down or emotionally drained or depleted, having pre-existing fears about a particular situation or engaging in something for the very first time, are just a few examples of the types of incidents that can trigger catastrophic thoughts,” Grifo said.

According to the CSF2 website, putting situations into their proper perspectives involves the following five steps: describing activating events; capturing worst-case thoughts; identifying, most likely outcomes; and developing plans for dealing with most likely outcomes.

During the training session, each participant had an opportunity to work with a partner who helped them develop strategies and solutions for working through situations that could potentially cause them to catastrophize.

ATEC will host a make-up session for the Detecting Icebergs and PIIP in Perspective resiliency training 9 a.m. Thursday, May 19 at the command’s headquarters.

For more information about ATEC’s Ready and Resilient Program, visit http://www.atec.army.mil/r2c. To learn more about the Army’s R2C, visit www.army.mil/readyandresilient.
BY THE NUMB#RS

May is National Military Appreciation Month, a time to demonstrate appreciation for the sacrifices and successes made by the nation’s service members past and present.

1,346,615
Total number of U.S. service members as of February 2016.

481,741
Soldiers.

29,000+
Estimated number of Americans killed during the Battle of Normandy, the deadliest battle in U.S. history.

150
Number of countries with a total of 159,090 U.S. Soldiers stationed worldwide.

82
Percentage of military officers who have attained a bachelor’s degree or higher as of 2010.

45
Years since Memorial Day was made a national holiday.

12
Percentage of the U.S. population that served in the military during World War II. Less than one percent of the current population serve in the active-duty military or reserve.

See more photos from events across Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland

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EEO FOR IMCOM SUPERVISORS
MAY 20-21
FRIDAY & SATURDAY
THURSDAY and register with Charles Gilmore, EEO Train-
speakers. Breakfast and lunch will be served
host Pillars of a Godly Man Conference at the
view-of-coaching-skills-and-techniques
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Digital Media, PEO C3T, and a certified execu-
ette Training Facility, Room 115, 1 to 3 p.m.
Commerce Military Appreciation Luncheon
follow. Please RSVP by May 19 to Ben Met-
leadership attributes. A short reception will
mination of ten months of full-time, rigorous
2016 class at 11 a.m. at the Myer Auditorium,
Dance University - Senior
MENT SCHEDULE
APG SOUTH 2016 WATER MAIN
CLOSURE
ONWARD AT KUSAHC
APG community. For more information, call
For more information, contact Tiffany
TUESDAY MAY 24
SENIOR SERVICE COLLEGE FELLOWSHIP GRADUATION
The senior service college fellowship program will host a
graduation ceremony for its current 2016 class at 11 a.m. at the Myer Auditorium, Bldg. 1.
The graduation ceremony will be the cul-
mation of the 18-month study program. The
focus of this year’s class is on military
services, leadership attributes. A short reception
will follow. Please RSVP to Mr. J. Am Bar-
ceon,ssen.military@fas.mil or 410-278-4333.

June 16 – APG South – MFRI North
o’Clock
APG South (Edgewood) in Bldg. E4810, Mon-
ever comes first.  Permits will be issued 8 a.m.
to noon, and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the fol-
vices Fire Protection & Prevention Division will
host fire extinguisher training classes on APG
July 14, 11 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Two classes will be held each day from 10

TUESDAY MAY 19
COACHING SKILLS & TECHNIQUES WORKSHOP
The Senior Managers Association is offer-
ing this day-long workshop to help partici-
participate in CECOM activities must not

TUESDAY MAY 22
FRIDAY is the Fourth Thursday of each month – except

FRIDAY & SATURDAY
MAY 19
ARMED FORCES WEEK
APG will host the following events during
Army Red Cross and USO of the National Capital Area.
Please see the schedule for more information.

BIBLICAL STUDY COURSE
The Religious Services Office hosts a new
weekly bible study. Friday Night Bible Study is 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., every
Sunday Night Bible Study is 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., and every
Sundy Bible Study is 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in
the Myer Auditorium (Building 112). These
sessions are open to all. Any contr
participants in COCSEM activities must not in

TUESDAY JUNE 23
EOC FOR IMCOM SUPERVISORS
EEO will host a training for IMCOM super-
visors on Bldg. 3147 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

TUESDAY JUNE 20
HEALTHY EATING FOR THE SUMMER INFO SESSION
The CECOM Health Office will host a
Healthy Eating for the Summer Informational
Session at 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the
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TUESDAY JUNE 27
Gardens at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. at the

COCSEM is the back-up system to

TUESDAY JUNE 27
FAMILY, FITNESS AND NUTRITION INFO SESSION
The Family, Fitness and Nutrition Informa-
tion Session will be held at the Myer Auditorium,
from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. This session will
focus on nutrition and family wellness for the
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For more information, contact Tiffany
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Detailed planning is of upmost importance because leaving money in a traditional will to a family member with special needs will impact Social Security and Medicaid benefits; and choosing and educating a trustee to a special needs trust is essential for its success.

Nancy Goucher, Exceptional Family Member Program Manager, said the presentation was "perfect timing." She added that the needs of special needs family members vary, depending on the level of disability and said that parent or guardian should consider the following factors before setting up special needs trusts: education and choosing a protector who act improperly.

"Protectors are [the trust] all the practical advice to the family member. You want to make sure they want in," he said. "That means you haven’t thought about things you haven’t thought about before." According to Hegg, it is critical that the parent or guardian, referred to as the trustee or grantor, designate a trusted and successor trustee in case the initial trustee cannot perform the duties. "That could be an advisor, a CPA (certified public accountant), an attorney, it could be any number of people," he said.

EFMP seeks to meet the needs of military family members with physical, emotional, developmental, or intellectual disorders requiring specialized services. EFMP Services include: information and referral, client advocacy and case management. The program is covered under Army Regulation 608-75. Enrollment is mandatory for active duty service members. ACS has a Special Needs Resource Lending Library containing resource books and DVDs covering a range of topics including special education, advocacy, law, social skills development, behavior management, and parenting. ACS is located in Bldg. 2503. Goucher’s office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday and every other Friday. Appointments are suggested. For more information contact Goucher at 410-278-2420 or email nancy.e.goucher.civ@mail.mil.

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new products in the nation.

The new Maryland secure driver's license, announced May 9, features multiple layers of security to help prevent identity theft and meets all state and federal standards and are REAL ID compliant. The state will begin issuing the new licenses this summer.

Fellows meet with combatant commands and Allied partners, tour World War II battlefields

APG Senior Service College fellows listen as U.S. Army War College Professor Paul Jussel describes the close quarter combat experienced by Easy Company 2/506th Infantry Regiment near Fog, Belgium where they defended a portion of the perimeter around Bastogne.

The fellows visited several World War II battlefields during a trip to Europe in April.

Maryland announces new driver’s license

-MVA will begin issuing the new cards for all laurates’ permits and new Idaho cards on June 20, 2016. Customers can order them online via www.mva.idaho.gov, via web, kiosk and U.S. mail starting Tuesday, July 12, 2016. Each new card has an embedded chip and the ability to be used the same as a credit card when the new one arrives in the mail.

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Amidst national debates over the flagging appeal of Confederate symbols the Maryland state Senate voted on March 3 to approve a compromise bill that would also Maryland’s state song, “Maryland, My Maryland,” and replace its pro-Confederate lyrics with lyrics for the beauty of the state’s natural

The song was created when America was in the throes of the Civil War. In its original state, “Maryland, My Maryland,” had nine verses, with many other variations, or “Tantamount,” a more respectable state designation. “O, Christmas Tree,” the song is only performed at the Producers’ and other official events, and with good reason.

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The bill approved by the Maryland State Senate in March has since stalled in the state House, failing to be brought to a vote this session as legislators expeditiously debated the balance between historical accuracy and modern sentiments. Alternative verses of the Maryland state song proposed in the bill include verses from the poem “Maryland, My Maryland” by John T. White, which is set to the same melody.

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Maryland! My Maryland! Provides behavioral health care support to service members and their families as they move between health care systems or providers.

Real Warriors Campaign (http://www.realwarriors.net): Features stories of service members who sought help for psychological health concerns and continue to maintain successful military or civilian careers – as well as information on a variety of mental and physical health topics for veterans and families.

Resources for Families

Moving Forward (http://start-movingforward.dcoe.mil): A free, online educational and life coaching program that teaches problem-solving skills to help you handle life’s challenges. It’s designed to help service members, veterans and their families.

Military Kids Connect (http://militarykidsconnect.dcoe.mil): An online community for military children ages 6 to 17 that provides access to age-appropriate resources to support children with the unique challenges of military life.

Military Parenting (http://militaryparenting.dcoe.mil): A free online newsletter that provides military and veteran parents with information and strategies to improve parenting skills.
MORALE, WELFARE & RECREATION

Oppcoming Activities

SAVE THE DATE
GIs Of COMEDY SHOW MAY 19
5 p.m.
APG North (Edgewood) recreation center
APG MWR will host “GIs of Comedy,” a free comedy show at the APG North recreation center. Doors open 5 p.m. showtime 6 p.m. Tickets available for purchase.
For more information, call 410-278-3915.

ARMY/NAVY GAME TICKETS DEC. 10
While supplies last, MWR Leisure Travel Services has tickets for the Army vs. Navy game on Dec. 10 at the M&T Bank Stadium in Baltimore. Tickets are $91 a person.
For more information, or to purchase tickets, call 410-270-4011/4007.

INSTALLATION SOCIAL MAY 26
4:30 p.m.
Top of the Bay
The next Installation Social will be a Memorial Day, red, white and blue themed social at Top of the Bay starting at 4:30 p.m. The event will include free light refreshments and a cash bar.
For more information, call 410-270-3062.

LEISURE & RECREATION
TORUK CIRQUE DE SOLEIL TICKETS
Purchase tickets while supplies last. A live multimedia immersive spectacle that captures and holds your little one’s attention from beginning to end. For more info, log on to www.kinderjam.com or call 410-278-4589.

CHILD & YOUTH SERVICES
FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT MAY 20
6 p.m.
APG South (Edgewood) recreation center
This family movie night will feature “The Peanut Movie” at the APG South recreation center starting at 6 p.m. The free event will include a gift bag, giveaways, snacks and refreshments.
For more information, call 410-270-4011.

CYSS PARENT ADVISORY BOARD MAY 12
11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Bldg EFY92 - Edgewood Youth Center
CYSS has established a Parent Advisory Board (PAB) that represents all of our programs. We encourage you to participate if you have a child that is currently enrolled in any program that we offer. Any CYSS parent who has a child enrolled in a full time CYSS program will receive 2 Parent Participation Points for their attendance. Patrons are free to bring their own lunch if desired.
For additional information please, contact myria.l.figueroa.naf@mail.mil or call 410-278-2572.

KIDZ ART WORKSHOP JUNE 27-30
1:30 p.m.
Corvo Community Center
Age 5-12. This class will introduce students to a variety of mediums and methods including drawing, painting, and collage. Students will learn and practice basic skills to include color mixing, painting with pencil, marker, pastel and mixed media.
For more information, contact Shirelle Womack at shirelle.j.womack.naf@mail.mil or call 410-278-4589.

KINDERJAM
Kinderjam is a fun, new, exciting high-energy preschool learning program that emphasizes the kinesthetic learning of preschool concepts. Our classes are designed to enrich children from ages 1 to 5 years old. Younger siblings are always welcome.
Kinderjam focuses on introducing and reinforcing basic preschool skills in a spirited manner that will capture and hold your child’s attention from beginning to end. For more info, log on to www.kinderjam.com.
One Free Trial class per child. Parents are required to attend.
Full class schedule coming soon.
Free trial ages: 1-5 yrs
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ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICES MAY 20
THE 3 Cs of COMMUNICATION
12:30 p.m.
Bldg 2503
Meet and learn about the different aspects of verbal and non-verbal communication.
C - communicate
C - collaborate
C - connect
For additional information, please call ACT, 410-278-2380.

HOW TO START YOUR SMALL BUSINESS MAY 25
11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Bldg 2503 -Leisure Travel Rd
The orientation programs provide a brief overview of the ways to start a business, the skills and duties of a successful entrepreneur. All session open to the public, all sessions held on Aberdeen Proving Ground.
To reserve your space for this free session contact Marilyn Howard, ACS Employment Program manager at 410-378-1957.

REUNION/REINTEGRATION TRAINING JUNE 9
1:30-4:30 p.m.
Aberdeen Main Post Chapel
Bldg 2485
Recently returned home from deployment? Learn strategies and resources to help navigate the deployment phase of your deployment and make the readjustment process go as smoothly as possible.
For more information, please, contact our Community Service at 410-278-2047.

SPORTS & RECREATION
HOMERUN DERBY MAY 13
1-3 p.m.
Bldg 3306
Shine Sports Field
Arm bashing rights as the best “SLOUGGER” on APG. $5 per person (payments made at the AA and EA Recreation Center. Walk-ups welcome. Bring co-workers or friends to pitch, buy balls, or cheer. (VOLUNTEERS NEEDED)
Registration forms can be found at any APG Sports facility. Please email completed registration forms to usarmy.APG.mwr.lfmrwrrl@us.army.mil or drop them off at any APG MWR sports facility. 270-7933/4375

ARMED FORCES DAYS TOURNAMENT MAY 20
7 a.m.; registration; 9 a.m. shotgun start
Ruggles Golf Course
The next Installation Golf tournament will be held at Ruggles Golf Course. The tournament is limited to the first 36 paid teams. Price is $70, lunch only option is $22. Includes light morning refreshments, practice range balls, BBQ lunch, door prizes an award ceremony.
For reservations, call 410-278-4794.

GREGS KEEPERS REVENGE MAY 21
9 a.m.
Empire Golf Course
18 hole event. Cost is $30 for annual patrons, $35 for authorized patrons, $40 for guests. Pre-register at the Edgewood Clubhouse.
For more information call 410-436-2213 or 410-436-2233.

TURKEY SHOOT MAY 21
6 p.m.
APG South (Edgewood) Skeet & Trap Facility
Cost: $5 per shot. All shooters must have their guns registered prior to bringing them on post. 12 gauge guns only (28-30'' barrels) MWR will provide
registration for non-MWR employees. Brought your own lunch if desired.
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Nurse Advice Line helps moms in the military

By STACY SMITH

A John Carroll School senior and the daughter of Maj. Gen. Daniel Karbler, commander of the U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command, at Aberdeen Proving Ground, received an appointment to the Class of 2020 at the U.S. Military Academy, in West Point earlier this year.

Lauren Karbler said she was first notified that her acceptance offer from the U.S. Military Academy was conditional because of her acceptance to West Point during a visit to the U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command, or ATEC on APG North (Aberdeen) April 15. Karbler was nominated for the ATEC program by the commander of ATEC Commander Maj. Gen. Daniel Karbler.

“I found that serving my country was exactly what I wanted to do with my life, and West Point was one of the best ways to go about doing that,” she said.

Although she said she’s uncertain about what the next four years will bring, she feels “overjoyed” when thinking about doing that.

“I was very shocked, and I turned around to parents standing behind me smiling, laughing and cried and hugged them,” she said. “Although she said she’s uncertain about what she wants to study, Karbler said she “feels overjoyed” when thinking about doing that.

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Scientists synthesize high-performing energetic material

By DAVID MCNALLY
Army Research Laboratory

Army scientists are on the trail of new high-performing energetic materials. At the U.S. Army Research Laboratory recently synthesized a new material called bis-2-isoxazole tetrani-

tane, or BITN, with potential applications in propulsion and lethality.

“BITN has a strong potential for improving munitions’ charac-
teristics for gun and rocket propel-
lants,” said Dr. Jesse J. Sabatini, team leader of the Ener-
gineer Research Laboratory’s Coatings, Corrosion and Materi-

als Research Directorate. “Insensitive munitions are chem-

ically stable enough to withstand machi-

ced shocks, fire and impact by shrapnel, but still explosive enough to destroy the structure they are intended to destroy.”

The Joint Insensitive Munitions Tech-

nology Project is focused on efforts to improve response to several scenarios, such as slow cook-off, blast and fragment impact. Scientists have been extremely challenged due to the bulk of sensitive energetic ingredi-

ts required to build many of these munitions,” Sabatini said. “In an effort to develop even denser, higher-performing energetic ingredients for propellant and explosive applica-

tions, Army researchers are now making derivatives of BITN. Sabatini predict-
	hed the derivatives will have high densi-

ty, detonation pressures and detonation velocities.”

“In assessing whether BITN and its deriva-

tives are suitable targets to be syn-

thesized, we have been consulting with colleagues at the U.S. Army Ac-

tion and Missile Research, Develop-

ment and Engineering Center at Redstone Arsenal, Alabama.” Sabatini said. “The col-

laboration serves as a prime exam-

ple as to what can be accomplished when organiza-

tions work together.”

ARL earns certification with quality work, by the book

Army Research Laboratory researchers earn quality management certification

Story and photo by DAVID MCNALLY
U.S. Army Research Laboratory

Army researchers are doing quality work — the kind that could earn the lab an international standards organization.

In a scholarly paper published March 17, Abdul Rodman Materials Research Laboratory. “This is the first branch within ARL to have its quality management system ISO 9001:2008 certified and registered through a national registrar,” said Charles Pergantis, CCEPB quality assurance coordinator. “Continual improve-

ment has been institutionalized and we have demonstrated efficient process con-

trol, measurement and analysis, and an effective document and record manage-

ment system.”

A quality management system is a set of policies, processes and procedures required for planning and execution in the core business area of an organization. “Certification provides evidence to customers, suppliers, employees, and their community of their commitment to producing a quality product or service and providing customer satisfaction,” said Edward L. Marschner, SRI certi-

fication director.
Congested airspace likely challenge in future fight

By DAVID VERGUN
Army News Service
The 325, airspace over future battlefields will be extremely congested, as well as dangerous. That’s one of several significant outcomes that came out of experiments conducted recently, said Col. Wayne Grieme, Grieme, the division chief of the Joint Air Experiments Division, or JAXD, U.S. Army Capabilities Integration Center, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command, spoke during a media roundtable, May 4, regarding the outcome of experiments conducted at Unified Challenge 16-1.

Lots of stuff flying around
Since the next fight will be a joint undertaking, participants in the experiments included personnel from other domains who brought their own capabilities to the fight, each utilizing the air, as well as the other domains. Grieme said. Things flying through the air domain would include:
- Line, medium and high-altitude artillery
- Missiles of various ranges
- Space-based weaponry
- A variety of unmanned aerial vehicles, ground and requirements
- Fixed-wing and rotary aircraft

As new technologies for unmanned aircraft systems become less costly and readily available, even non-state actors would be able to afford them, Grieme said. Operating in this domain would present real challenges to pilots and UAS, he said.

Signals in the air
Adding to this clutter of aircraft and projectiles in the air would be electronic signals used for cyber and electronic warfare. Grieme said. Cyber offensive and defensive capabilities are also becoming readily available to adversaries, both state and non-state. These pose significant challenges.

Dr. Van Brewer, chief scientist, JAXD, that land, sea, cyber and air forces were also involved in the experiments, not just air.

The experiment’s outcome pointed to the importance of training with joint and multinational partners, Brewer said.

Lt. Col. Chris Matherne, Experimentation Branch chief, JAXD, said that what struck him about the experiment was the inability potential adversaries’ current weapons systems pose in the fight, not just their likely future capabilities.

About the experiment
The experiment aimed to focus on the details of the scenario used in the experiment as classified, they did involve a large, force-paced joint major combat operations against a hybrid threat from state and non-state actors, all fully capable across all domains.

Experiments from 11 centers of excellence battle laboratories, as well as the U.S. Army Special Operations Command, employed simulation on a cloud network to examine the force size that would be needed, material requirements and operational structures of divisions, corps and theater, Brewer said.

Role playing "very interactive" and moderators and facilitators helped

Office offers passport service for official travel

By DAVID VERGUN
Army News Service
The Passport Office issues diplomatic passports, as well as the brown "Official" passports and blue "Tourist" passports.

"You cannot travel on business using a tourist passport or travel as a tourist on an official passport," Tyson said. "If you get caught, you’ll be in serious trouble with the State Department.

Traveling status has a direct impact on events such as mandatory evacuations of American citizens, for example.

Legal incidents, accidents or any event requiring the presentation of a passport, must meet the individual’s status.

"If you’re in an accident and you state that you’re a tourist, but you’re about to be flown out on an official passport, you’ll have some explaining to do," Tyson said.

He added that the average appointment is 2 hours. If you have a recent rejection of a passport application was due to an obsolete photo.

The instructions clearly state that photos must have been taken within the past six months," he said, noting that passports are not renewable if returned. There are passport service for official travel.

"This applicant submitted a photo that was used in a previous passport that had expired," he said. "I had no way of knowing that but the State Department did and they rejected it."

The number one thing to remember is to update or as soon as possible after receiving official travel orders. Tyson said. "The sooner we get started on the process, the better."

The Passport Office is located in Building 4634, first floor, room 328. Services are open to active-duty service members of any branch and their families and DOD civilians. For more information, or to make an appointment, contact Tyson at 410-306-2477 or email larry.c.tyson@state.gov.

"It’s May," Tyson said. "If you have a meeting overseas in June and you don’t have a passport, chances of you getting there are slim-to-none."

For more information about U.S. passports and international travel, visit https://travel.state.gov.
THIS WEEK IN APG HISTORY

10 Years Ago: May 11, 2006

(Above) Sprc. Joseph Kraft of the U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command is named the APG Soldier of the Year for 2006. Sgt. Thomas Iman of the Joint Response Team is the NCO of the Year.

(Right) Sgt. Pacheco Nixon of HHC 16th Ordnance Battalion explains maintenance of the M249 Squad Automatic weapon during evaluation for the APG Noncommissioned Officer and Soldier of the Year competition.

25 Years Ago: May 15, 1991

(Left) Sgt. 1st Class Ray Schell receives a warm greeting from his wife and son at the Edgewood Armory during the return of the 29th Air Traffic Control Group of the Maryland National Guard from Desert Storm.

(Below) From left, sheet metal mechanic Ron Ricketts, machinist Jerry Brown and exhibit artist Bill Taylor of the Combat Systems Test Activity, CSTA, look over a Gatling gun mount they fabricated for use during Armed Forces Day activities.

50 Years Ago: May 12, 1966


(Right) OC&S candidates march to their first class of instruction after arriving at Aberdeen Proving Ground.

Take a look back in time as the APG News explores what made the headlines around APG during this week 10, 25 and 50 years ago. This week’s APG News masthead is from 1999.

By YVONNE JOHNSON, APG News
By "green." from the ancient _______ word for "garden." as this, also the Spanish word sires which are typical of the emer- izationally refer to the cracks and fis- 18. To find an emerald of good 16. Emerald was once believed 15. The character Poison Ivy 14. The emerald is the sacred 13. This Washington state city is 12. Emeralds from this African 11. Emeralds were part of the 10. Actress who visited Emerald 9. This country's most sacred 8. The word "emerald" comes 7. Gemstone specialists affec- tionately refer to the cracks and fis- sures which are typical of the emer- ald as this, also the Spanish word 6. The first-known Emerald 5. This popular trading card 4. Emerald green is believed 3. These holy scriptures of (Classical mythology) The shield or breastplate of Zeus or Athena, bear- 2. Sponsorship; auspices; patronage; control or guidance, especially by an 1. Today, many emeralds are 16. APG News   May 12, 2016

The APG Crossword

ALL THINGS EMERALD

By STACY SMITH, APG News

Emerald, the birthstone for May, is a gemstone that is emblematic of love and success. Complete this puzzle to learn more about all things Emerald.

Across
3. These holy scriptures of (Classical mythology) The shield or breastplate of Zeus or Athena, bearing on or making the head of the Gorgon. 8. The word "emerald" comes from the ancient _______ word for "green." 12. Emeralds from this African country are among the oldest gem-stones anywhere in the world. 15. The character Poisson Ivy from this American comic book is depicted as wearing an emerald green outfit. 16. Emerald was once believed to cure this disease which still kills millions every year. 18. To find an emerald of good quality is rare, most possess these which mar the evenness of the color. 19. According to www.inhopen- tional.com, Ireland is known as the Emerald Isle for its "rolling hills and of green." 20. Known as the "Emerald," this region containing a 37-carat emerald, can be found in the National Museum of Natural History. 21. This Spanish name, also the female heroine of Victor Hugo’s novel, "The Hunchback of Notre Dame," translates to "emerald." 24. Legend states that the emerald was one of four precious stones given by God to this Biblical King, which endowed him dominion over all creation. 25. Name of one of the largest Colombian emerald crystals, which weighs 632 carats and is displayed in the New York Museum of Natural History. 26. The first-known Emerald mines were in this North African country, dating from at least 330 BC into the 1700s. 28. When in top quality, fine emeralds are even more valuable that these highly coveted stones. 29. Emerald is the gemstone which represents 20th and 30th anniversaries.

Down
1. Today, many emeralds are enhanced with colorless oils or this sticky organic substance. 2. Emerald ______, North Car- 3. (Classical mythology) The shield or breastplate of Zeus or Athena, bearing on or making the head of the Gorgon. 4. Emerald green is believed by some cultures to heal strain and 5. The country's most sacred religious icon is called the Emerald Buddha, even though it's carved from green jadeite. 6. Emerald is the traditional gemstone for astrological signs of Taurus, Gemini and sometimes this water sign. 7. The wearer's body. 8. The Koran war was fought under the aegis of a revolution issued by the Islamic Revolutionary Council. 9. Having no claim to the land under the aegis of the law, the cattle baron 10. Known as the "_______ stone was placed under this part of the body. 11. Emeralds were part of the plunder when 16th century explor- ers from this European country invaded the New World. 12. Emeralds and their healing properties. 13. This Washington state city is known as "Emerald City." 14. The emerald is the sacred stone of this Roman goddess of love. 17. Egyptian pharaoh who was said to have a passion for emer- 18. To find an emerald of good quality is rare, most possess these which mar the evenness of the color. 19. According to www.inhopen- tional.com, Ireland is known as the Emerald Isle for its "rolling hills and of green." 20. Known as the "Emerald," this region containing a 37-carat emerald, can be found in the National Museum of Natural History. 21. This Spanish name, also the female heroine of Victor Hugo’s novel, "The Hunchback of Notre Dame," translates to "emerald." 24. Legend states that the emerald was one of four precious stones given by God to this Biblical King, which endowed him dominion over all creation. 25. Name of one of the largest Colombian emerald crystals, which weighs 632 carats and is displayed in the New York Museum of Natural History. 26. The first-known Emerald mines were in this North African country, dating from at least 330 BC into the 1700s. 28. When in top quality, fine emeralds are even more valuable than these highly coveted stones. 29. Emerald is the gemstone which represents 20th and 30th anniversaries.

ACRONYM OF THE WEEK

CFAY
Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka

Also known as U.S. Fleet Activities Yokosuka, CFAY is a United States Navy base in Japan. It is home to the U.S. Sixth Fleet headquarters and facilities for the logistics, recreational, administrative support and service of the U.S. Naval Forces Japan, Seventh Fleet and other operating forces assigned to the Western Pacific. CFAY is the strategically important U.S. naval installation in the western Pacific. Yokosuka is the headquarters of 7th Fleet and the homeport for the carrier Ronald Reagan, the amphibious command ship Blue Ridge and about a dozen other cruisers and destroyers. Located at the entrance of Tokyo Bay, CFAY is made up of 55 tenant commands that support installation U.S. Navy Pacific operating forces, including principal surface elements of the United States Seventh Fleet, including the only permanently forward-deployed aircraft carrier, USS Ronald Reagan (CVN-76), the group she leads, Carrier Strike Group Five, and Destroyer Squadron 15.

AYONNE JOHNSON, APG News

APG CATCH-A-POACHER PROGRAM

A wide variety of wildlife call Aberdeen Proving Ground home. The APG Conservation Law Enforcement Branch is asking you to be a partner in protecting and preserving the natural resources here on post. If you see or have knowledge of poaching or illegal activity involving wildlife or natural resources, you can use the SUBMIT-A-TIP hotline to anonymously provide information to catch a poacher.

Call the SUBMIT-A-TIP “HOTLINE” at 410-306-4673. Emergencies or violations in progress should always be reported at 911.

When reporting poaching or illegal activity involving wildlife or natural resources on APG, please take note of the information listed in the form below.

Name/Description/Address of the Poacher

Location/Days/Times & Type of Poaching

Vehicle/Vessel Description or Registration #
By KATIE LANGE  

DOD News

“The words of the survivors, stark and simple, spoke to me. The brutality of the freedom they endured, the terror they fought to escape, the horror they lived. ”

Those were the words of the survivors, stark and simple, spoken to me. The brutality of the freedom they endured, the terror they fought to escape, the horror they lived. It was a story of defiance, of resilience, of the indomitable human spirit. It was a story of hope, of the promise of a better tomorrow, of the promise of a future where such atrocities will never happen again.

The presence of the survivors, standing together, their strength and courage palpable, was a testament to the power of the human spirit. It was a reminder of the importance of remembering, of never forgetting, of never allowing such atrocities to happen again.

The survivors spoke of their experiences, their sufferings, their losses, their survival. They spoke of their hopes, their dreams, their aspirations for a better world. They spoke of their determination to ensure that such atrocities will never happen again.

Their words spoke to me, to us all, of the importance of remembering. We must never forget what happened during the Holocaust. We must never forget the pain and suffering of those who endured it. We must never forget the lessons that can be learned from it.

The Holocaust survivor, Henry Greenbaum, said that survivors and witnesses to the Holocaust must continue to tell their stories, to share their experiences, to ensure that such atrocities will never happen again. He said that it is our responsibility to remember, to honor the memory of those who lost their lives, to ensure that such atrocities will never happen again.

The survivors spoke of the importance of education, of ensuring that future generations will never forget what happened during the Holocaust. They spoke of the importance of remembrance, of ensuring that such atrocities will never happen again.

The survivors spoke of the importance of forgiveness, of the need to forgive, to let go of the pain and suffering of the past, to move forward towards a better future. They spoke of the importance of healing, of ensuring that the wounds of the past are healed, that healing can begin.

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Summit calls on leaders to ‘own’ SHARP

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The early morning summit began with an invocation by a variety of SHARP-driven events and activities conducted across the installation. For many of those who were unable to attend the previous day’s keynote session, the Vandenberg Base Community Centre of Grace, the SHARP community center, hosted the keynote presentation by Lt. Gen. Robert L. Caslen Jr., Superintendent of the United States Military Academy at West Point, during the third annual APG SHARP Summit, May 10.

Beverages were enjoyed for our Army. I that, it is what makes this community special, but the "buy-in" to "ownership", this can't be...
APG SNAPSHOT

Take a peek at the events making news in and around Aberdeen Proving Ground. For complete photo coverage, visit http://www.flickr.com/photos/usagapg/.

DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE

The Days of Remembrance ceremony, the annual observance of the Holocaust that claimed the lives of 6 million Jews during World War II, was held at the Myer Auditorium May 3. The program focused on forgiveness and the 1976 novel, “The Sunflower: On the Possibilities and Limits of Forgiveness,” by Simon Wiesenthal. Rabbi Gila Ruskin, far left, offers a prayer at the conclusion of the prayer and candle-lighting ceremony as the A Battery, 3rd ADA (JLENS) Soldiers who participated, from left, Spc. Addison Gibson; Pts. Jack Zimmerman and Steven Wendland; and Pfc. Yvette Martinez, Anastasia Oliver and Jessica Leal, stand at parade rest.

CELEBRATING MILITARY SPOUSES DAY WITH ART

(left) Military spouse Kim Baggett paints a wine glass during the Military Spouse Appreciation Lunch and “Paint & Sip” event at Top of the Bay on APG North (Aberdeen), May 9. Military spouses were recognized with a catered lunch at Top of the Bay. They took their decorated glasses home.

(below) Paint and Sip hostess Kathy Smith displays two finished wine glasses while explaining each step of the painting process.

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