

A 53d Troop Command Quarterly Newsletter

Message from the Commander



Soldiers and Families of the 53d Troop Command,

As we move into the summer months, I want to thank all of you for the hard work and dedication you put into preparing for our numerous missions. Throughout the summer, our Soldiers will mobilize

and deploy for ongoing missions overseas, to training events here in the U.S., and to validation events prior to assuming missions supporting domestic response missions. Each one of those missions depends on the readiness of our Soldiers and the support from our Families.

Safety is paramount during this summer period. As commanders and first line leaders, we must enforce safety standards in all that we ask our Soldiers and units to do. During this time of year, we historically disperse Soldiers all over the State and Nation to perform annual training (AT). It is a time when we empower first line leaders to exercise initiative, make decisions, and often operate independently. We put our trust in them to prepare their Soldiers, get them to their respective missions, and return them safely to home station. As leaders, we must all reinforce rest plans, vehicle and equipment readiness, as well as individual Soldier readiness to back up our first line leaders and ensure safe and productive training events and deployments.

Aside from the safety of our Soldiers, strength maintenance and Soldier readiness remain our top priorities in the NYARNG. Our strength lies in the diversity and talents that each one of our Soldiers brings to the formation.

With that, we must continue to pursue retention efforts and capitalize on the work done by our retention NCOs and battalion career counselors. We must also continue to plan and conduct effective and meaningful sponsorship of new Soldiers to the organization, fully integrating them as our newest team-members.

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Message from the Commander

During the coming weeks, we will be transitioning some of our battalion commanders.

- LTC Mat Schaffer will be relinquishing command of the 102nd MP BN to LTC Monique Foster.
- LTC Schaffer will be going to the 42nd Infantry Division in June.
- LTC Hank Padley will be relinquishing command of the 501st EOD to MAJ Doug Baker.
- LTC Padley is the full-time G3 of the 53rd Troop Command.

Both outgoing commanders have done great work to improve and sustain organizational readiness, plan and execute innovative training opportunities and took care of our Soldiers. Both incoming commanders are proven lead-

ers, and I am confident that they will continue to posture their organizations and Soldiers for success. Congratulations and thanks to them and their Families for their commitment and professionalism.

Once again, we're proud of all the hard work you put into the AT period and in everything you do to make your formations the great teams that they are. Continue to be and stay ready, and thanks for all you and your Families do every day for the New York Army National Guard!

Mission first; Soldiers always.

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Message from the CSM

Troop Command,

It's here: summer. I'm sure everyone thought winter would never leave. But, with summer comes the busiest time of year for us in the 53rd Troop Command. This is the time of year for annual training (AT), sending Soldiers to their military education, and of course the most important, time with Family. As units prepare for those long drives to AT, we need to have NCOs conducting inspections to ensure Soldiers and vehicles are in proper shape to move.

Once the training starts, the NCOs need to be in the lead; we need to ensure that our officers have all the tools and time they require. They can't wait on us. Whenever there is downtime, we need to be conducting training. Whether it's land nav., weapons familiarity, or PMCS, you know what must be done - just do it! Soldiers want to be trained; they want to follow. We need to ensure they are trained to the standard by motivated NCOs. When training, the most important thing to remember is safety. You can fire every round, get every crew qualified, but if one Soldier gets hurt...

Let's keep our vehicles and equipment ready. PMCS is the first step. If we are called, we will go with what we have. What we have better be able to move. "Horse, saddle, rider", if you don't know what that means, ask your 1SG.

These past couple of months have flown by. I have seen a lot of great things while visiting the 53d TC units. I want to thank the 133d CSC "Waterdogs" for having me out to their training. SPC Damion Durrant briefed me on the science of water making 101, which was outstanding. The 1156 Engineer Company surprised me with the following: CPL Morris was the Distinguished

Honor Graduate for his BLC Class in December 2018, only to be followed by CPL Jackson exceeding the course standards in the very next class. Also, SPC Cook from the 101 ESB has been accepted to West Point; he'll start in the next class. Great job to these leaders and Soldiers.

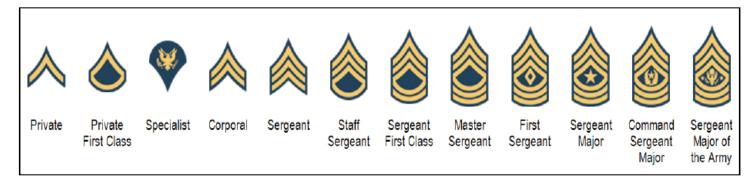


Many of you might wonder why the light blue trousers of the Army Service Uniform are a different shade of blue than that of the jacket. The difference recognizes the history of Army life out West on the Great Plains during the latter part of the 19th century. The trousers faded because Soldiers packed away their coats while riding their horse or working in the hot sun.

Have a great summer and make sure you spend time with your Families and be safe!

CSM Ciampolillo







Meet the Leadership!

MAJ Bernie Novoa, ACoS, G1, 53d Troop Command:

I'm originally from Trenton, NJ, but now live in Yorktown Heights, NY. I joined Active Duty Army in April of 1996 and the New York Army National Guard in 2000, with 23 years of service. Before coming to my current position with the G1, I was their executive officer for 101 ESB. Before then, I spent five years as the S1 for 101 ESB and operation officer for the 106th RTI. I've held two command positions with the HHC 101 ESB and HHD 106 RTI. I've served three overseas deployment tours: Bosnia 1998, Afghanistan 2012, and Kuwait 2018. I've been married for 23 years to Gina Novoa, and I have four kids; Benny 21, Nicholas 12, Lucas 8, and Camila 4.



1LT Albert Ames, S1, 153d Troop Command:



I'm originally from Hyde Park, NY, but now live in North Tonawanda, NY, with my wife, Sabrina Ames. I have a BA in International Relations from SUNY New Paltz and joined the NYARNG on 18 MAY 2015. I commissioned via Federal OCS on 31 MAR 2016 and was assigned as the S1 for the 101 ESB. I graduated AGBOLC and made the commandant's list in Fort Jackson, SC, on 4 APR 2017. I remained with the 101 ESB S1 throughout their mobilization into the CENTCOM AO until I was transferred to the 153d Troop Command (BDE) S1 position on 4 MAR 2019.

CPT Michael A. McLean, S1, 369 Sustainment BDE:

I am CPT Michael A. McLean, and I am originally from Bronx, NY. I have been in the NYARNG for 16 years. I was an enlisted Soldier from 2003 to 2009, deployed in support of OIF III with the 145 SMC, then commissioned through the state OCS program in 2009. I served my first assignment as a platoon leader in the 145 SMC and later commanded the 145 SMC from 2013 to 2016. I was assigned as the S2/S3 of the 369 Special Troops Battalion upon completion of my command, conducted a warfighter exercise with the 369 Sustainment Brigade in 2016, and continued to serve as the S2/S3 from OCT 2016 to JUN 2017 in Kuwait in support of Operation Spartan Shield. I am a recent graduate of the Human Resources Management Qualification Course and the Command and General Staff Officer Course. I live in New Jersey with my wife and two sons.



G3 Corner



Responding to chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear and explosive (CBRNE) incidents is one of the few unique capabilities that the military can offer to support state and local authorities inside the borders of the United States. Likewise, the National Guard is well trained, equipped and located to provide this service during an event that exceeds the capability of state and local agencies.

This summer, the headquarters of the 369 Sustainment Brigade and the 133 Composite Supply Company will assume a unique and valuable mission: Command and Control CBRNE Response Element- Bravo or

C2CRE-B. This mission is an integral part of the Nation's overall disaster response plan designed to respond anywhere in the United States to a CBRNE incident.

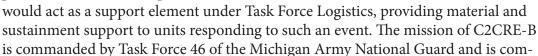
The C2CRE is a portion of the total Department of Defense response continuum outlined in Joint Publication

3-28, which is organized and funded by US Northern Command and US Army North. The structure starts with local Civil Support Teams (WMD) and progresses to CERF-P and HRF forces, and eventually to the C2CRE if the incident is destructive enough and covers a large enough area.

Under the current structure, the 369 headquarters would act as Task Force



Operations providing command and control to CBRNE, search and rescue, medical support and other direct response units. The 133



posed of several different units from states including Illinois, Iowa and New Jersey.

In May, the C2CRE will be validated for their two-year-long mission during the Guardian Response exercise at

the Mascatatuck Urban
Training Center, Camp
Atterbury, Indiana. During
this exercise, the units will
deploy and respond to a
simulated CBRNE event
and be evaluated by US
Army Forces Command
(FORSCOM), 1st US Army
and US Army North. After
this training and evaluation period, the units will
be ready to deploy and
respond to any CBRNE
incident nation-wide.



G4 Corner

Greetings from the 53d Troop Command G4,

We understand that units have been very busy working and preparing for AT to include various training exercises. With C2CRE, Guardian Response, JRTC rotations, Diamond Saber, Saber Junction, and Shared Accord, we will have a busy summer ahead of us. We have been getting in IDT / AT projections, please continue to send these for the remainder of the fiscal year to ensure mission success for all units.



As we approach this busy time of year, we must be aware of the significant damage that flooding has caused in the past in the Lake Ontario region, in particular: JOA 4 and 5.

We have civil support operations supporting the highrisk areas working alongside NYS civil authorities.

We must ensure all Soldiers involved in the response have required OCIE and PPE. When leaders recognize a shortfall in equipment, it's imperative that requests



are sent as soon as they are recognized.

We want to highlight the fact that the CIF Discharge Report has been reported at 0 for the past three months. Supply personnel are working hard to make sure property accountability is high on their priority list. These efforts directly lead to a cost savings for the government and a better trained and ready force. Great Job!

During the fourth quarter of FY 19, the 53d Troop Command's G4 will be hosting a workshop for the brigades and battalions. The workshop will be held at Camp Smith on:

> 30-31 July 2019 (travel days 29 July and 01 August 2019)

Topics for the workshop will encompass the following:

Ordering Supplies through GCSS-Army

DA Form 3953 / Contracting

Class 8 Requests

CSO / SAD Processes & Reporting

FLIPL Process

CIF-ISM Showdown / OCIE Recovery / Clothing Record CIF

Change of Command Procedures

SII, Cyclic, & PHR Procedures

CUSR Reporting

AMSS, Mobilization Logistics

System Utilization (LIW, Parts Tracker, Etc.)

GPC / BO Procedures

Logistics Support Estimate

Maintenance

CSDP

"The line between disorder and order lies in logistics." ~ Sun Tzu



SJA Corner

Commonly known as "JAGs," judge advocates represent the command in various administrative, investigative, and punitive settings where Soldiers are named respondents. While they advise and assist commanders with preserving military morale, good order, and discipline, judge advocates also provide legal assistance to individual Soldiers.

Are you getting reimbursed for MTA EZ Pass Tolls?



If not, you could be losing hundreds of dollars per year! In August 2017, the TAG issued an MTA EZ Pass reimbursement policy for all Soldiers traveling to and from their duty location.

Reimbursement is easy! Here's the procedure to get reimbursed:

First: Print out a monthly statement of E-Z Pass activity, circle and number the trips associated with official military duties.

Second: Get a TBTA ticket from your supply sergeant for each trip.

Third: Draft a quick letter stating the following:

"I am a service member in the NY National Guard and as such I am entitled to pass free through all toll-gates and tunnels and over all toll-bridges while in the performance of my official military duties pursuant to NYSML Section 237. I have reviewed, circled, and numbered the charges incurred on my EZ Pass that were in the course of my official military duties. I have attached or included a TBTA bar-coded pass for each circled and numbered trip. I affirm under penalty of perjury and false official statement that the highlighted charges were incurred in the course of my official military duties. I have attached a copy of the EZ Pass statement hereto. Please credit my EZ pass account."

Fourth: Send your monthly statement, letter and the appropriate number of TBTA tickets to:

Customer Service Center
P.O. Box 15187
Albany, NY 12212-5187
Your E-ZPass account will be credited within 30 to 60 days!

Keep in mind... you must use your OWN PERSONAL E-Z PASS tag. Reimbursement is not authorized to E-Z pass accounts which are not in your name.

Please contact Major Dan Nieroda with questions or issues at daniel.w.nieroda.mil@mail.mil.

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Soldier Spotlight

SGT Janna Envart

"Being able to see the inner workings of how Russian linguists work at the United Nations was a once in a lifetime opportunity."

Sgt. Janna Enyart, a full-time AGR in the G1, assisted in the first interagency Russian Linguist Immersion class at the United Nations in New York City.

The class brought together approximately 25 Russian linguist students and instructors from the U.S. Agency for International Development, Department of Defense, and Department of State, to increase the interoperability between the different offices. The participants were able to hone their Russian language

skills by conducting real-world key leader engagements across the academic, diplomatic, and municipal communities in New York City.

I WOULD TELL ALL GUARDSMEN THAT KNOW A SECOND LANGUAGE TO TAKE THE DLPT TEST TO SEE WHERE THEY STAND, BECAUSE YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT OPPORTUNITIES ARE OUT THERE.

"This was a great opportunity to see the works of the linguistic departments across all the different agencies, and network with other colleagues" said Enyart. "Being able to see the inner workings of how Russian linguists work at the United Nations was a once in a lifetime opportunity."



The class gave the students and instructors the opportunity to visit landmarks across New York City such as the United Nations Headquarters, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, and different Eastern European embassies. During her visit to the Federal Reserve, Enyart translated the tour to the other students in Russian and Ukrainian.

Enyart received top scores on the <u>Defense Language Proficiency</u> <u>Test (DLPT)</u> in both Russian and

Ukrainian. The DLPT is used by the Department of Defense and other military divisions to assess your reading and listening proficiency in a foreign language.

Soldiers who perform well can receive a Foreign Language Proficiency Bonus ranging from \$100 to \$500 per month on their drill check.



Unit Spotlight

53d DLD

Exercise Dynamic Front 2019

Grafenwoehr, Germany



In MAR 2019, the 53d DLD joined approximately 3,200 participants from 27 nations in exercise Dynamic Front 19. It provided an intense, realistic environment that takes advantage of US Army Europe and 7th Army Training Command's unique training resources to seamlessly coordinate fires in support of U.S. and allied operations.

The exercise took place in three locations: the U.S. Army's Grafenwoehr Training Area, Germany; as well as in Riga, Latvia; and Torun, Poland.

other nations, including, Ukraine, Romania, Lithuania, Georgia, the Netherlands, Croatia, Denmark and Azerbaijan.

Their roles were to plan, synchronize, coordinate, and direct fire from six nations with additional surveillance and target acquisition and air defense assets.

"Our training with the Canadian Army on Ex DF19 was focused on developing standards for

C4 REGT (GS) BROUGHT A GROUP OF PROFESSIONAL SOLDIERS... TOGETHER, WE MADE PROGRESS ON ASCA DEVELOPMENT THAT WILL ENHANCE ARTILLERY TRAINING & OPERATIONS IN BOTH OF OUR NATIONS."

53d TC's Digital Liaison Detachment (DLD) teamed up with a contingent from the 4 Regt.(Canadian Army), who exercised command and control over live fire artillery missions in Germany, to form the 453d Multi-National Division Artillery Headquarters (453 MN DIVARTY).

The headquarters also incorporated staff from

Artillery Systems Cooperating Activities which is the common language for Division Artillery organizations across the NATO federated mission network," said Colonel Patrick Macklin, Commanding Officer of the 53d DLD.

The exercise involved about 100 artillery systems from participating countries.

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Thank you!