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August observed as anti-terrorism month, stay vigilant

The Department of the Army declares August 2010 as the Army's Anti-terrorism Awareness Month. During this month, our Army will reinforce the DA's anti-terrorism strategic plan by instilling heightened awareness and vigilance to prevent and protect our communities and critical resources from acts of terrorism.

In an era of persistent engagement and the near-constant threat of terrorism, we must sustain a strong defense posture. Extremist ideologies and separatist movements will continue to threaten our Army and our nation. We must remain capable of deterring and defending against the full range of threats, including terrorist attack. Enduring protection from terrorist acts can only become successful by integrating anti-terrorism doctrinal principles combined with constant anti-terrorism awareness into all of our activities and missions.

The word "terrorism" evokes memories of past attacks at places like Tokyo, Mumbai, Bali, Madrid, London, Oklahoma City, New York City and the Pentagon. These recollections probably include images of victims running and crying in the streets or caskets covered in flags as memorial services were conducted.

What connects these images is that terrorism is a global issue. Reading reports after an event may lead some to believe these types of terrorist attacks are inescapable; and with more media attention directed to successful terrorist attacks, it may seem a reasonable

assumption.

But further investigation proves that many prospective attacks have been foiled and perhaps many others were deterred. Reports of these events are often difficult to find; perhaps because of the sensitivity of the classification and/or ongoing investigations, but more often because a "non-event" carries less emotional impact. Maybe these foiled attempts represent our most important lessons. The Army believes this is true.

By increasing awareness and vigilance we will succeed in our goal of preventing terrorist attacks. The building blocks are as simple as knowing how to act and recognizing suspicious activity.

Posted by Col. Mark Freitag, Fort Hood Garrison Commander, Jul. 22, 2010, retrieved from www.forthoodsentinel.com, Jul. 7, 2011

Report Suspicious Activity to the Provost Marshal/State Antiterrorism Officer CPT Barrowcliff (614) 336-7146/7019/7018 or (614) 257-8865 cell Or contact the Ohio Homeland Security at <http://homelandsecurity.ohio.gov/HLSTipForm.html> or Ohio Terrorism Tip Line at 1-877-OHS-INTEL or 877-647-4683



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Editor's Note

The newsletter you are reading is read in Ohio and around the world.

If you would like to submit an article, let other alumni know about an upcoming event or provide a helpful suggestion please email james.m.moore2@us.army.mil.

No submissions will be accepted after the 10th of the month unless the article is for later issues.

Brig. Gen. James M. Abraham to be honored by



Mayor Becky Stinchcomb and the City of Gahanna are pleased to invite you to the unveiling of a plaque dedicating the Gahanna City Hall building in honor of

Brig. Gen. James M. Abraham, as passed by Resolution 48-1992.

A brief ceremony will take place outside of:

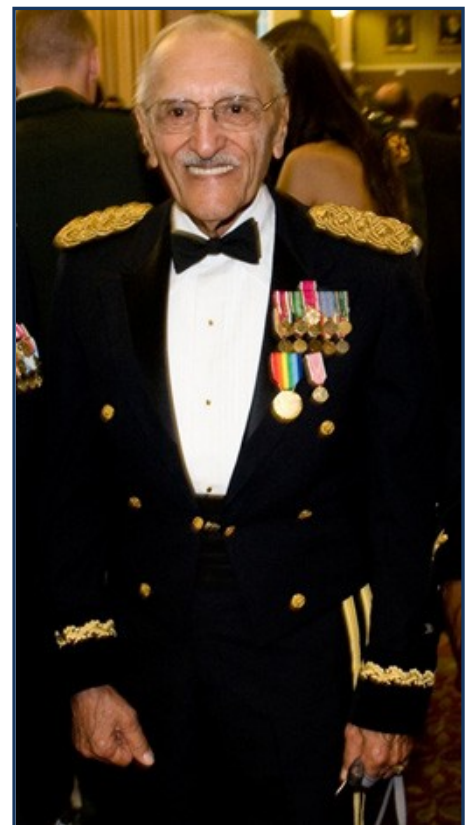
Gahanna City Hall
200 South Hamilton Road
Monday, August 1st, 2011 at 6:00 PM,
Prior to the evening's regular meeting of Gahanna City Council.

Abraham's long and distinguished career in public service spanned over 25 years and included terms as the President of the Gahanna Civic Center Inc., member and Chairman of the Planning Commission, member of the Gahanna Jefferson School Board, and Director of Public Service.

Abraham also served in the United States Army from 1943 until his retirement in 1983.

From his work in the community to his military career, Abraham has shown a lifelong dedication to service that is truly worthy of recognition.

We hope that you will be able to join us on this special occasion.



Deployment activity

<p>Current deployed Army units are:</p> <p>The Operational Mentoring & Liaison Team 1.6.</p> <p>The Operational Mentoring & Liaison Team 1.7.</p> <p>The 112th Engineer Battalion</p> <p>The 1-174th ADA Regiment (C-RAM)</p> <p>The 1-174th ADA Regiment (RADAR)</p> <p>The 292nd Engineer Detachment (ASPHALT)</p> <p>The 295th Engineer Detachment</p>	<p>(Firefighters)</p> <p>The 1937th Support Detachment</p> <p>The 1484th Transportation Company</p> <p>There are 548 Ohio Army National Guard Soldiers deployed. The above information comes from the Chief of Staff Briefing.</p> <p>Current deployed Air units, per Wing, are:</p> <p>The 121st Air Refueling Wing has</p>	<p>65 Airmen deployed.</p> <p>The 179th Airlift Wing has 22 Airmen deployed.</p> <p>The 180th Fighter Wing has 10 Airmen deployed.</p> <p>The 178th Fighter Wing has 68 Airmen deployed.</p> <p>This information was gathered from the monthly Wing Status Reports.</p>
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29th annual Adjutant General's golf outing

August 8, 2011

Northstar Golf Club, 1150 Wilson Road
 Sunbury, OH 43074, 740-524.GOLF
www.thenorthstargolfclub.com

Four Person Scramble - \$75.00 Per/Person Entrance fee

Includes 18 Holes w/cart, cookout and two beverages of choice.

Participation is open to Active and Retired Ohio National Guard members, their Families and Employers, Employee's of the Adjutant General's Department and Corporate Members of the Ohio National Guard Association.

Enter as a team or individual.

INDIVIDUALS MAY REGISTER TO PLAY AND WILL BE USED TO FILL IN FOR TEAMS THAT ARE SHORT PLAYERS OR WITH OTHER INDIVIDUAL PLAYERS IF POSSIBLE.

Time Event Prizes for First, Second, and Third Place

0700 Registration

0800 Shot Gun Start *(Note early start time)*

1330 Cookout/Awards

POC James Sims: james.simsii@us.army.mil,
 614-336-7126

MAJ Marshall Jackson: marshall.jackson@us.army.mil,
 614-336-4330



One of the ten major battles that shaped America

Mexico City

When President James Polk took office in March 1845, Mexico was threatening war with the United States over its recent annexation of Texas. Polk offered the Mexicans \$25 million for Texas to the Rio Grande and another \$30 million for provinces along the Pacific Coast. The Mexicans refused and in April ambushed a U.S. Army patrol along the Rio Grande, sparking war with the Americans.

The United States won a string of early battles, but Mexico would not concede defeat. Polk then ordered General Winfield Scott to land 12,000 troops at Veracruz and march to Mexico City. Though the Mexican army as a whole outnumbered Scott 3-to-1, he captured Veracruz in March 1847 and through the summer fought his way to the outskirts of Mexico City. There, in September 1847, his remaining 7,100 troops faced an enemy force of 16,000 men under Mexican dictator and victor at the Alamo General Antonio López de Santa Anna.

Overlooking the city was the hilltop fortress at Chapultepec. Scott attacked and in a desperate, bloody, daylong struggle captured the seemingly impregnable bastion. The Americans including such West Pointers as Robert E. Lee, James Longstreet, George Pickett and Ulysses S. Grant surged toward Mexico City. Grant even hoisted a howitzer into a church tower and enfiladed the defenses at one of the capital's key gates, helping speed the city's surrender.

Nicholas Trist, an American diplomat traveling with the Army, negotiated the subsequent Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, adding to the nation land that would become California, Nevada,

Utah, New Mexico and Arizona, as well as parts of other Western and Southwestern states, in exchange for a payment of \$18 million. This vast expansion of U.S. territory inspired even more Americans to move west, especially after gold was discovered in California the following year.

Posted by David Lauterborn, Nov. 3, 2010 in *HistoryNet*, www.historynet.com/10-battles-that-shaped-america.htm



From the
Provost Marshal/State
Antiterrorism Officer
for the

"A single report or
observation can
lead to actions that
may prevent a
terrorist attack.

See Something!

Say Something!

Invest in the

power of

prevention and

work together to

make the Ohio

Army National

Guard a safer and

stronger

organization."

Changes of command

371st Signal Detachment

Outgoing Commander: Capt. Benjamin Murphy
 Incoming Commander: Capt. Kevin Kelchen
 Ceremony was held on Jul. 17, 2011

1st Battalion (EN), 147th Regiment (RTI)

Outgoing Commander: Maj. Mark J. Dilts

Incoming Commander: Lt. Col. Paul J. MocarSKI

237th Brigade Support Battalion

Outgoing Commander: Lt. Col. Glenn C. Wirth
 Incoming Commander: Maj. Geerald W. Bodnar
 Ceremony was held on Jul. 30, 2011

The change of command ceremony is Aug. 13, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., Camp Ravenna Joint Military Training Center, Building 813, Fuse and Booster Road
 POC is Maj. Eric D. Kaiser at 614-336-6441 or Eric.david.kaiser@us.army.mil

Military initiative — for hope, Fore Hope!

Headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, **Fore Hope** is making a difference. Since 1989, our organization has been using the benefits of golf to improve lives. It is the goal of Fore Hope to introduce our program now and in the future to as many military men, women and families.

Fore Hope's priority is to serve those military men and women of all ages and from all conflicts. As an individual processes his / her road to recovery, our organization will be there to educate and provide positive experiences that revolve around defined therapy goals while utilizing golf as the means.

Fore Hope is one of the first programs to provide a therapeutic approach through golf for the betterment of an individual's physical, social, emotional and cognitive well being. Many services of the military are becoming aware of the therapy values of the game through participation, socialization, and competition.

Golf is proven to be good for the soul! This game does wonders for isolation, low self esteem, hopelessness and despair. Through Fore Hope, one can retain a sense of balance in his / her life through an increase in physical activity, social opportunities, outdoor experiences and a return to life's mainstream. Golf enriches lives!

Injuries, disabilities and mental health challenges are prevalent in the military and life as a whole in our

society. Fore Hope is here to assist in any way possible. Funding for this military program is not a barrier, and at this time there will not be a cost to those participating. It is our plan to begin immediately serving those persons with any special needs.

Fore Hope is here to serve and home to central Ohio. Our organization provides services to persons of all ages. Fore Hope is nationally recognized and supported in part by The Memorial Tournament / PGA Tour and The United States Golf Association.

For further information, visit www.forehope.org and contact 614-784-1111.

submitted by Ms. Mindy Derr, executive director for Fore Hope



Upcoming Event

The 2-174th ADA BN
Retired & Past
Members Association

Fourth Annual
Reunion

September 18, 2011

1:00 p.m.

McConnelsville
National Guard
Armory

4497 Hawk Drive

McConnelsville, OH

For more information
please contact one of
the following:

Bob Kirkwood at

740-697-0303 or
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Bob Foster at

740-982-6796 or
email

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Darrell Carson at

740-987-5671 or
email

carsondrill@yahoo.com

Helpful web links

For more information about

<http://www.trdp.org/>

Military pay go to:

Defense Finance and Accounting Service
<http://www.dfas.mil/>

Military Personnel Records go to:

<http://www.archives.gov/st-louis/military-personnel/>

Ohio National Guard Association go to:

<http://www.ohionga.org/>

Retirement Services Office

go to: <http://www.army1.army.mil/rso/>

Ohio Department of Veterans

Services go to: <http://dvs.ohio.gov/>

Military Insider: Retiree Benefits &

resources go to: <http://www.military.com/NewContent/1,13190,Retired,00.html>

TRICARE Retiree Dental Program go to:

178th Fighter Wing “Legacy of Flight” coming this fall!



The *Legacy of Flight* commemorative book covers 63 years of flight by the 178th Fighter Wing.

You'll learn of its beginnings in 1947 and how it remains on the cutting edge of modern weaponry today.

Bound in deep blue, grained, imitation leather with silver foil stamping, this beautiful, professionally-produced book will be an awe-inspiring keepsake to share with family and friends!

Chock full of archival photographs spanning the years and events of the 178th, and featuring a detailed written

history, you'll see how the 178th Fighter Wing legacy evolved over the years.

For more information please click on the link below or copy and paste it into your browser.

http://www.schmidtgraphicdesign.com/178th_Fighter_Wing.html



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Community Outreach Office
Alumni Affairs
2825 W. Dublin Granville Rd.

[HTTP://ONG.OHIO.GOV](http://ong.ohio.gov)

April 2011 RISFAC Meetings:

Region 1 - October 20

Region 2 - October 19

Region 3 - October 25

Region 4 - October 25

Region 5 - October 11

Region 6 - October 19

For questions regarding the time or place of RISFAC meetings, contact Mr. James Moore at (614)336-7336.



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“When called, we respond with ready units to execute federal, state and community missions.”

Save the date; the reunion is coming!

September 10, 2011 the Ohio National Guard Alumni reunion will take place at the Defense Supply Center (DSCC) Columbus, Ohio.

On August 1, 2011, the date this newsletter is scheduled to be published, 650 plus invitations to the reunion will be mailed to all alumni and others.

Once you receive your invitation, please make sure your return the registration and money to the Community Outreach office, ATTN Mr. Jim Moore as soon as possible.

The registration deadline is August 29, 2011. No registrations will be accepted after the deadline due to security and catering requirements.

On the registration form please choose the sandwich of your choice and provide guest choice information.

At the reunion, we will provide briefings by the Adjutant General of Ohio, Assistant Adjutants General of the Air and Army, Veterans Administration and TRICARE.

After lunch, tours will be conducted at the new regional training institute, tri-brigade building and the Combined Support Maintenance Shops (CSMS).

There will also be static displays of the latest military equipment being used in combat from 73rd Troop Command.

The day will be jam packed, with a lot of time built in for socializing and bringing back all those memories of days gone by.