

# Bravo Company News





#### Commander's Corner: MAJ Keith A. Noppenberger

Greetings B 935th ASB,

We are now past the mid-way point in this tour. There has been a lot of activity and progress since our last newsletter. We have had 8 Soldiers successfully complete the challenging Warrior Leader Course and 3 Soldiers completed computer training at the Signal University. 15 motivated and dedicated Soldiers completed the (13 Mile) Half Marathon. We had several VIPs visit us on Thanksgiving, and one Soldier completed the Career Course.

As we continue our primary mission of Aviation Maintenance, we will work through the Holidays then begin to make advanced preparations for our return home.

I would like to personally thank all the Soldiers and Families for all their hard work up this point. Our continued success depends as much on the support we receive back home as it does on the work we do here.

From all of us to all of you,

Merry Christmas,

MAJ Keith Noppenberger

### **Our Primary Focus is providing "Top Notch" Quality Aviation Maintenance**

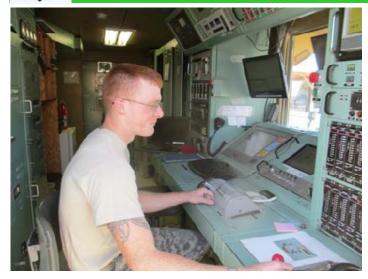






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# **B 935th ASB is known for Technical Expertise**



Pictured above: Aircraft Engine Repair Specialist Levi Meeks controls the Flexible Engine Diagnostic System at Camp Arifjan.



Pictured above: Avionics Systems Repairman SGT Dwayne Graves does performance testing on unclassified aircraft electronics.



Pictured above: Avionics Communications Repairman SGT Timothy Andry sets up his test set for trouble-shooting.



Pictured above: Always hard working and upbeat, SGT Ricky Jenkins provides some heavy lifting with the 20,000 Lb fork lift in support of base operations.



Pictured Left: The Machine Shop and Welding Team consisting of (from left to right) SGT Ron Cockream, SPC Kaleb Yancy, SPC Sammy Rodriguez, and SGT Daniel Mattocks proudly display their work on the Santa Fe Wings emblem they created for the 35th Combat Aviation Brigade Commander.

# **Aviation Maintenance Contact Teams provide support on demand**





Pictured above: "Team Juliet" consisting of (from L to R) SPC Henry Gonzalez, SPC Brandon Sauter, SGT Luis Nieves, and SPC Sean Diesburg provide professional and technical expertise in support of contingency operations on UH-60 Blackhawk electrical, mechanical, engine, and Avionics Systems to partnership nations outside of Kuwait.

# **US ARCENT Signal University Graduates complete computer training**



Pictured above: SGT Jasmin Johnson (center) proudly displays her Signal University Diploma with MG Smith and Army G6 LTG Lawrence.



Pictured above: SGT Jason Memmen (center) successfully completed all Signal University requirements to graduate with honor.



Pictured above: SGT Ashley Tavenor (center) smiles with her diploma. Pictured above: Signal U graduates proudly display their coins.



Warrior Leader Course Graduation Monday 29 October 2012



SGT Dion Brown exits the stage with his WLC diploma after being named to the Commandant's List for finishing at the top of the class.



SGT Deonte Knowles accepts his diploma as he shakes the hand of the WLC NCOIC.



SPC Ryan Hagan successfully completed all WLC course requirements and graduated with pride.



SGT Daniel Mattocks departs the stage after receiving his diploma.



SGT William Hesse smiles as exits the stage during the WLC graduation ceremony.



SPC Luke Wegman departs the stage after receiving his WLC diploma on Monday 29 October 2012.

# Warrior Leader Course Graduation Monday 19 November 2012





Pictured above left: SPC Tate Guptill departs the stage during the WLC graduation conducted on Monday 19 November 2012. SPC Guptill graduated 4th out of 114 students, earning him a coveted place on the Commandant's List.

Pictured above right: SPC Dustin Hackens exits the stage after receiving his WLC Diploma from the course CSM.

Pictured left: SPC Matthew Brooks gets a congratulatory hand shake from the ARCENT WLC CSM after successfully completing all course requirements.

## **Army Career Counselor Course Graduation**



Pictures above: SGT Dwayne Graves (right) is congratulated for his outstanding performance at the Career Counselor's Course conducted at Camp Virginia.

# **Missouri National Guard VIPs visit Camp Buehring**



Pictured above from left to right: Missouri Army National Guard CSM James E. Schulte, Brigadier General Gregory D. Mason, CSM Javier Acosta, LTC Roger Bodenschatz, and MAJ Keith Noppenberger confer about the progress of the deployment on Thanksgiving day.

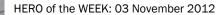


Pictured above: CSM James E. Schulte awards SPC Taylor Rhodelander his coin for outstanding performance as a Production Control Specialist and an AH-64 Apache Mechanic.



Pictured above: CSM Schulte awards SPC Brian Barry his coin for outstanding performance as a UH-60 Structural Repairer.

Pictured above: SPC Brenda Moreno receives a coin from CSM Schulte for her exemplary performance as a Production Control Specialist.



#### Pictured to the left:

SPC Joseph Granzow (center) proudly displays his Hero of the Week Certificate with B 935th ASB Commander MAJ Keith Noppenberger (to the left) and 1SG Brian Boyer (standing to the right).

SPC Granzow won both the 935th ASB Hero of the Week Competition as well as the 35th CAB Hero Challenge. SPC Granzow will now compete at the ARCENT Theatre level.

SPC Granzow earned the Hero of the Week title for his relentless pursuit of excellence in the B 935th ASB Structural Repair Shop.



### **Illinois Army National Guard VIP visits Camp Buehring**



Pictured to the left:

Thanksgiving Day - Thursday 22 November 2012

IL ARNG CSM Howard O. Robinson (facing camera in the center) discusses troop morale and leadership with 935th ASB CSM Javier Acosta as B 106th Aviation 1SG Darin Cagle looks on.

CSM Robinson came to visit the troops of B 935th ASB and B 106th Aviation to assess the ongoing progress of the deployment and to congratulate the Illinois Soldiers for the superior work they are doing in support of operation Enduring Freedom in Kuwait.

CSM Robinson was the Illinois Army National Guard VIP guest for the Thanksgiving Day Feast held at the Camp Buehring Dinning Facility.



Half Marathon Runners go the distance: 15 highly motivated and determined Soldiers from B 935th ASB competed the 13.1 Mile Half Marathon held at Camp Virginia on Sun 18 November 2012.

Pictured above (Front Row - Left to Right): CW2 John Boeh, SPC Brenda Moreno, SGT Nelly Lamas, SPC Casey Bullen, SSG Nathan Hefner (Second Row - L to R): SPC Nicholas Cruz, SPC Brandon Cahill, SPC Levi Banton, SSG Robert Martin, and SSG Mitchell Jensen (C Co 935th) (Back Row - L to R): SPC Phillip Watkins, SGT Kenneth Rahm, CW5 Joseph Lemens, CW3 John Wurtz, and SSG William Bishop.

# Camp Virginia (13.1 Mile) Half Marathon - Sunday 18 November 2012



Pictured left:

SPC Brenda Moreno (in the yellow shirt) proudly displays her first place medal for being the 1st female to complete the race.



Pictured above: Gold Medal winner SPC Brenda Moreno crosses the finish line with a very impressive time 1 hour 40 minutes and 34 seconds.





Pictured to the above:

CW3 John Wurtz finished first overall for all B 935th ASB participants with speedy time of 1 hour 30 minutes and 14 seconds.

#### Pictured to the Right:

SSG Nathan Hefner finished second overall for all B 935th ASB participants with a time of 1 hour 30 minutes and 23 seconds. Just 9 seconds behind CW3 John Wurtz.



## **B 935th Aviation Support Battalion News**

# **Safety Day BBQ and Shop Wars**



Pictured above (L to R): CW2 John Boeh conducts a bike safety class as 935th ASB Safety Officer CW3 Bryan Mulgrew displays the poster.



Pictured above: Professional Firefighter and Soldier, SSG Steven Dean instructs Soldiers on the use of the Tri-max fire extinguisher.



Pictured above: SPC Bianca Allen demonstrates the range of the Tri-max foam fire extinguisher.



Pictured above: SGT Ashley Tavenor shows the troops of B 935th how to properly angle the Tri-max stream to go over obstacles.

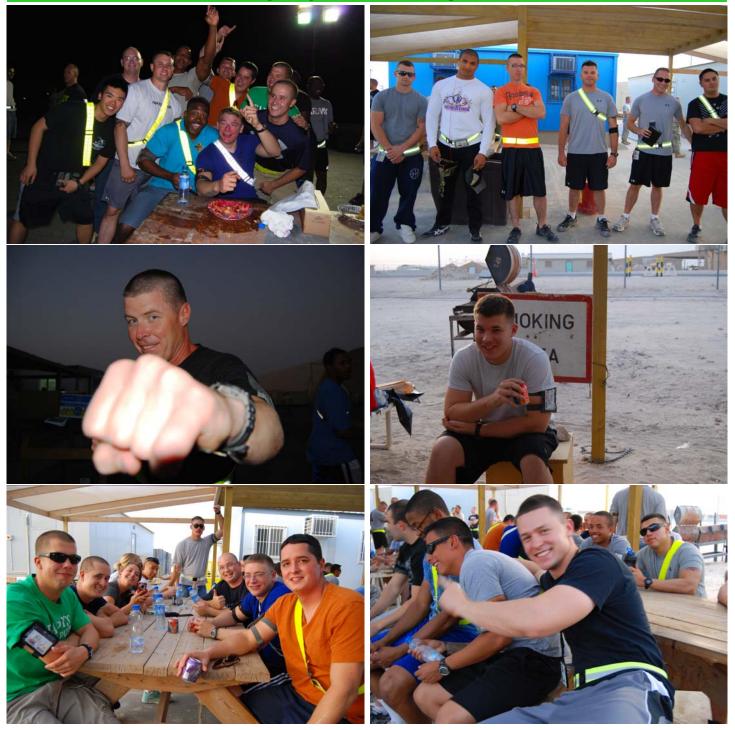


Pictured above: The intense heat in Kuwait can make you do some strange things. SGT Adrian Del Toro attempts to extinguish the sun during safety day training.



Pictured above: Safety Officer CW3 Bryan Mulgrew inspects his paperwork as 1SG Brian Boyer addresses the troops of B 935th ASB on the importance of safety, attention to detail, and how to look like a statue.

# Safety Day BBQ and Shop Wars



The motivated and happy faces of the B 935th ASB troops articulate the high morale that is common among the Soldiers deployed to Kuwait. With half the deployment behind us, the Unit is in full stride and performing above all expectations.

### **B 935th Aviation Support Battalion News**

# Family & Friends of B 935th - Thank You for Your Continued Support



Pictured above: B 935th ASB Soldiers prepare to board a UH-60 Blackhawk for a local area familiarization flight conducted by our highly skilled maintenance test pilots.



The dedicated Soldiers of B 935th ASB truly appreciate the efforts of "Operation Support the Troops" and "Operation Homefront" for their continued and overwhelming support of our mission and situation here in Kuwait.



Pictured above: 1SG Brian Boyer is awarded the Secret Squirrel patch by CW3 Daniel Lieber for his commitment to operational security.



Pictured above: The Avionics Section of B 935th ASB takes a moment to pose for a group photo after the promotion of SGT William Frey.



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