

# 516th Signal Brigade

## MISSION

Conduct **strategic and expeditionary** network operations for the DODIN-A to enable mission command by providing assured enterprise services to operational forces during **Joint and Unified Operations**.

## VISION

Team 516th provides superior customer experience through cyber operations and defense, enabling leaders at all levels to conduct **Mission Command for Unified Operations** throughout the Pacific.

**March 2021**



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**CSM KATRINA RICHARDSON**





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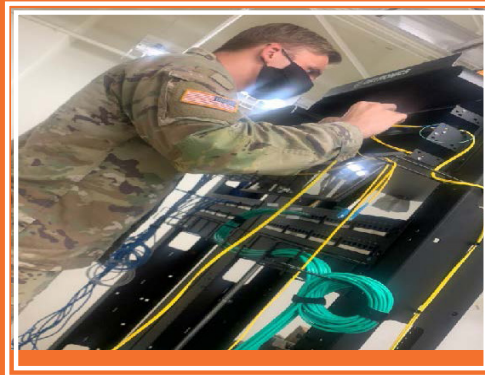
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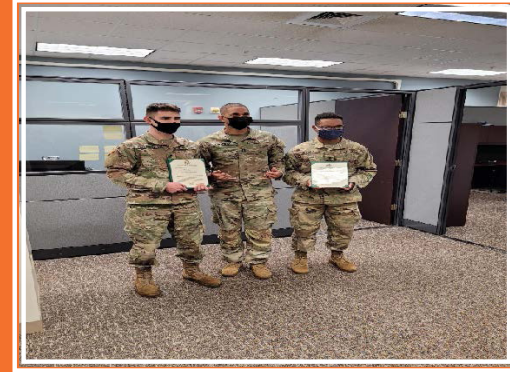
# 30th Signal Battalion



HHD CDR giving the oath of reenlistment to an outstanding Soldier. SSG Dixon Agustin reenlists for 4 more years in the Army! Congratulations! We are honored to retain the finest Soldiers in the 30th!



SPC Fonfara observing the patch panel of the Child Development center for the infrared light to show from the fiber strand.



PFC Caulfield and PFC Dolphy were promoted to the rank of Specialist. We are proud of their achievements and look forward to their leadership.



Mr. Sam Bell, S4 Chief, gave a detailed CSDP class focusing on roles and responsibilities of sub hand receipt holders and property accountability.



CPT Gottschall receiving a coin from the Army Audit Agency (AAA) for his contributions.



SPC Fonfara training SPC Lozoya on how to use a wall jack module.

**LTC Eddie Diazrivera, Battalion Commander**  
**CSM Richard Moore, Battalion Command Sergeant Major**

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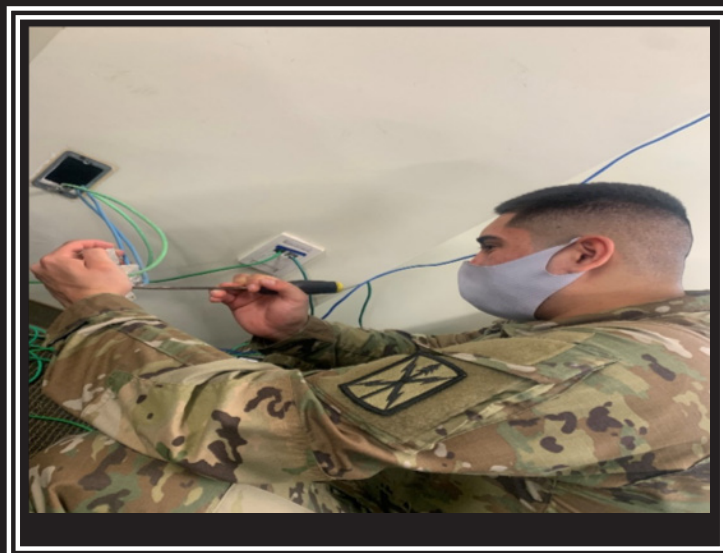
**March Mission: Operate, maintain, and defend the Army's portion of the DODIN by providing assured enterprise services and COMSEC support to operational forces throughout Hawai'i and the Kwajalein Atoll.**



**Mr. Bamba and SPC Gionson, from the Mighty S1 team, integrating efforts each and every day to ensure the 30th Ohana is supported. Thanks for your hard work!**



**SGT Nowlin plugging one end of a Category 6 patch cable to a wall port and the other end into the Cable Analyzer in order to check proper connectivity.**



**SPC Lozoya using a screwdriver to remove the damaged wall jack module from the faceplate to replace it with a new wall jack module.**





# 59th Signal Battalion



**HHD Soldiers maintain their arctic toughness while on a 4 mile run during PT.**



**PFC McIntyre listens intently to Brigade CSM Richardson during the Junior Enlisted Counsel.**



**SPC Myhres instructs Soldiers from Chaos Battery, 2nd BN, 8th FAR, on SPOT Reports at Yeti Sergeants' Time Training. All Soldiers participating in the training will be attempting to pass the upcoming ESB in June 2021.**



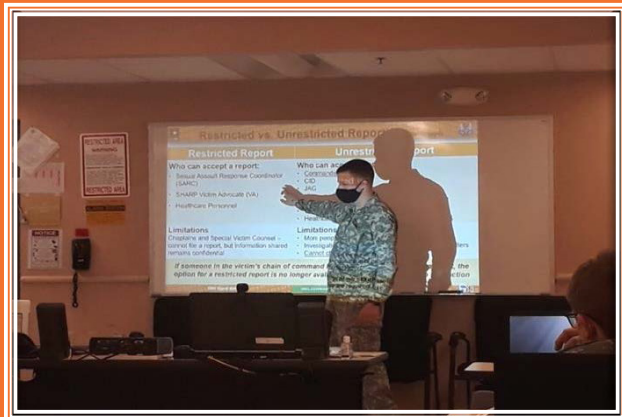
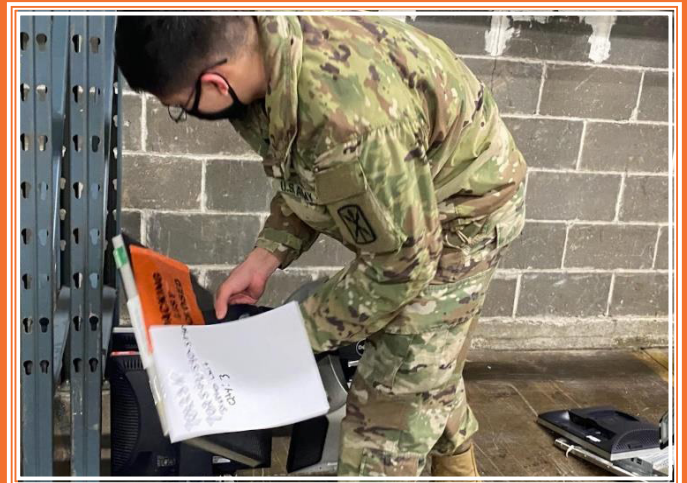
**Pictured left to right, SPC Simmons, SGT Hay, and PFC Christensen are presented with Certificate of Achievements (COAs) for earning their CCNA certifications.**

**March Mission: Support the 59th Signal Battalion through training to provide strategic Signal systems and local area operational support to enable Mission Command for Joint, DoD, and US Army Alaska (USARAK) organizations within Alaska.**



**HHD Soldiers attend an excellent Singles Resiliency class held by Chaplain Zarzour with guest speakers from FAP and MFLC.**

**SGT Perez, HHD Supply SGT, sorts monitors in preparation to turn in excess equipment prior to the company change of command.**



**SSG Lott teaches the annual SHARP Training for all Yeti Civilians and Service Members within the Fort Wainwright and Fort Greely Area of Operations.**

**LTC Erin Eike, Battalion Commander**  
**CSM Kyle Roscoe, Battalion Command Sergeant Major**





# 78th Signal Battalion

**March Mission: Provide network operation services for the USARJ and I Corps (Fwd) DODIN-A as part of USARPAC's Theater Information Grid. Provide Mission Command and administrative services for assigned and attached personnel.**



**PFC Peters is awarded an AAM for excelling in the USAR-J Total Army Sponsorship Program inspection.**



**SSG Escalera gives MRT training during Sergeants' Time Training to empower NCOs to be more professional in their careers.**



**SGT Groff passed his Certified Cisco Network Associate Exam with flying colors following the course at Camp Hansen.**



**SPC Montgomery using an SKL to load COMSEC for an upcoming mission.**



# Never Bettered



**Members of 78th, 10SG, and 1-1ADA join the Singles Strong Bonds event led by CH Harris and enjoy a pulled pork meal.**



**SSG Kim was promoted to the rank of Sergeant First Class by Major Haggard & 1SG Kaufmann.**

**LTC Michael Temko, Battalion Commander  
CSM Wesley Stollings, Battalion Command Sergeant Major**



**Soldiers train to qualify on the M4 Carbine using the Engagement Skills Trainer at Sagami General Depot.**

**PACIFIC VOICE READINESS**





# 307th Expeditionary Signal Battalion



**SGT Inkster receives his PCS award for his hard work in S3.**



**Four HHC families were delighted to attend the Strong Bonds Training.**



**The Big Waves Platoon won the company's sword of excellence for the month of February.**

**LTC William Cherkauskas, Battalion Commander  
CSM Juan Calvillo, Battalion Command Sergeant Major**



**SGT Kaufmann graduates Jungle School.**



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**March Mission: HHC deploys on short notice to provide personnel support, sustainment and defense of tactical communications and personnel allowing secure and reliable expeditionary communications for Army, Joint & Combined forces in support of ULO.**



**SGT Guevara is presented the Combat Action Badge from her time deployed in Afghanistan.**



**SPC Deleon won the Battalion's Best Warrior Competition for FY21.**



**CPN Team 64632 recognized by 84th EN BN CMD Team for their excellent signal support.**





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
All of April: -516 <sup>th</sup> Poetry Submission -307 <sup>th</sup> SIG Virtual 10K run →	- SHARP ACFT Challenge - 516 <sup>th</sup> Virtual SHARP Skits (Don't be a bystander)	<b>30 (March)</b> T-Shirt Designs Due to BDE	<b>31 (March)</b> *T-Shirt Winner Announcement  24 hour walk/run into April (START)	<b>1</b> Teal Proclamation Signing  24 hour walk/run into April (END)	<b>2</b> <b>DONSA</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> <b>EASTER</b>	<b>5</b> <b>DONSA</b>	<b>6</b> Teal Boot Display 30 <sup>th</sup> Signal BN	<b>7</b> Teal Boot Display 307 <sup>th</sup> Signal BN	<b>8</b> Teal Boot Display 516 <sup>th</sup> Signal BDE  30 <sup>th</sup> Signal BN Scavenger Hunt	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> SHARP table set up @ Shafter PX 1130-1300	<b>13</b> Teal Talk Tuesday FB Live 30 <sup>th</sup> Soldiers	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 307 <sup>th</sup> Signal BN Escape Room	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> SHARP table set up @ Shafter PX 1130-1300	<b>20</b> Teal Talk Tuesday FB Live 307 <sup>th</sup> Soldiers	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 516 <sup>th</sup> Signal BDE Teal Run	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Denim Display 307 <sup>th</sup> Signal BN  SHARP table set up @ Shafter PX 1130-1300	<b>27</b> Denim Display 307 <sup>th</sup> Signal BN  Teal Talk Tuesday FB Live 516 <sup>th</sup> BDE Soldiers	<b>28</b> Denim Display 516 <sup>th</sup> Signal BDE	<b>29</b> Denim Day  "Sister in Arms" On TEAMS @1400	<b>30</b> Teal Culture Talk/AAR	

**TEAM 516th: April 1st kicked off Sexual Assault Awareness Prevention Month. Please join us in honoring survivors and pledging to protect our people. Not in our SQUAD! Not in our ARMY! Your BDE SARC SFC Ashley ([alise.m.ashley@mail.mil](mailto:alise.m.ashley@mail.mil)/808-497-6091) and BDE VA Ms. Paslay ([alyxandria.a.paslay.civ@mail.mil](mailto:alyxandria.a.paslay.civ@mail.mil)/ 808-321-7106) are on standby to engage your questions and dialogue. Our offices are located in Bldg 344 on Fort Shafter in the SHARP resource center.**

#### April 2021 SAAPM Event Highlights:

- Teal Proclamation Signing
- Teal Boot Display
- SHARP Table @ Shafter PX
- Teal Talk Tuesdays on Facebook Live
- Teal Run on Ford Island
- Denim Day
- Sisters in Arms



# Our team

## Unit Ministry Team: Chaplain David Rhee

With the rise in violence against Asian Americans recently, I felt it necessary to speak out. But what do I say? I'm not entirely sure, but I know that I cannot stay silent as I see different elderly citizens being assaulted for no other reason than because they are Asian.

Why are Asian Americans, especially the elderly, being attacked and targeted? For the life of me, I cannot come up with a good reason. Are we being blamed for the pandemic? How logical is that? Why is it right for others to tell us to go back to where we came from? Last I checked, everyone, except Native Americans came from somewhere else.

I understand that everyone is pandemic weary. But is the way to vent this frustration to find a scapegoat? Are Asian American's being scape-goated for the past year's troubles? While I think we can all agree that beating up on elderly people is categorically wrong (I'm hoping), I wonder if the need to blame and vent our frustrations on others is just something that modern people do.

Here's what I know. I did not join because I was over the top patriotic. Don't get me wrong, I love my country. I joined because I saw a need, and thought that my gifts and talents could be used to meet those needs. I was a civilian pastor for over 14 years before I joined. After being in for almost 8 years, I've met some of the best people. I am compelled to give all that I am and all that I have to those who sacrifice so much for this country. And I think typically what would follow after this is how, Asian Americans have been model citizens, or the model minority and how we deserve to be treated with respect and dignity. This is the message that we have been saying for generations. It has fallen on deaf ears.

It seems to me that these days, so much in society is driven by hate and anger. To be honest, I am angry after watching another viral video of an elderly Asian woman assaulted while onlookers did nothing. But my anger needs to be balanced by justice, which seems to be the key ingredient that many extremists are missing. We as a society need to intentionally move away from the patterns of hatred and anger that has been stirred. Otherwise, hatred without bounds within our society is a scary proposition. In the end who will be safe from it? Is this what we want for our country? I choose to live by the principles of love, peace, goodness and courage and not hate and anger. I would want the same for my country. I am tired of the country riding the waves of hate and anger. It starts with the individual. We need to look within and identify if we have any sources of hate and anger. And instead of keeping those inside and hidden, explore those feelings in a safe environment (behavioral health, Chaplain, mentor).

I am afraid for my parents. My parents were immigrants from Korea and have spent 50 years in this country as loyal, tax paying citizens. They are retired now. They go on daily walks. Part of my commitment to my country is to protect people like these. I am powerless to directly contribute to that protection. I am pleading with my brothers and sisters in arms to assist me in this endeavor. Let us stomp out hatred among our ranks. These are the people that we go to war to protect. We all need to be involved in the safety of all our citizens now more than ever.

And to all my Asian American teammates, if you are having a difficult time dealing with this like me; please feel free to reach out to me by phone or email. My hope is that we can look to each other for support through these troubling times.

If you would like to talk about this, or anything at all, I can be reached at the below contact information.

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## Brigade Military and Family Life Counselor

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**Congratulations to SFC Landrum and the Mighty Shoguns! First Battalion in the Brigade to complete all categories of the Retention Mission.**

**WINNING MATTERS!**



## **TEAM 516th,**

**Together - one team, synchronized, collaborating, communicating, leaning on each other.**

**Everyone - Soldiers which includes NCOs, Officers, Warrant Officers, junior Soldiers, Veterans, along with our Civilians and Family members.**

**Achieve - Get results, Make it happen, Accomplish the mission, Earn, Attain!**

**More - Not settle for less, seek improvement, make what you received better than how you received it, give 100%, strive for excellence!**

**As a TEAM this is what we do every day! We are proud of all of you. Continue to work hard, be the professionals that you are and take care of yourself, your families, and each other! March was a great month let's continue to achieve greatness and make everyday better than the last!**



**CSM KATRINA RICHARDSON**

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