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## New beginnings and birthdays

January traditionally marks a new beginning, full of resolutions, great intentions, and a "clean slate." We look forward in January to what the New Year will bring us, both personally and professionally. We make our lists of what we plan to accomplish and anticipate all the promises of a new year.

However, it serves us well to also look back and remember those great leaders who have helped shape our nation. In particular, this month marks the birthdays of two great Americans who made major contributions to our history: Benjamin Franklin and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. They were men of different times. But both were exactly what our Nation needed at that time and place in our history, and both found greatness in their time.

Benjamin Franklin's courage and vision helped us through the Revolutionary War. His literary contributions helped our Founding Fathers think through what kind of new nation this would be. His diplomatic skills ensured that we had allies in our quest for independence. When we needed him, he was there.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream put our Nation on the road to equality and freedom. His leadership of the civil rights movement was the beacon that lit the Nation's way. His commitment to nonviolence helped bind together all the parts of America—and kept us from ripping apart at the seams. When we needed him, he was there.

As we look forward to a promising and fresh new year, don't forget to stop for a moment to remember the many Americans who have contributed so much to our great Nation.

**Maj. Gen. Keith B. Alexander**

## Fast Facts

- The USCENTCOM web page has the latest information about operations in their Area of Responsibility. For news releases, photos, videos, information about exercises and operations, and a host of other information, visit the web page at http://www.centcom.mil

- *"The Power of Fourteen."* The U.S. Intelligence Community now has a public web page. Check out http://www.intelligence.gov for information on the IC.

- Do you need an image of the Army seal? Want to hear a chorus of the Army Song? Need to check your knowledge of the 174 streamers attached to the Army Flag? Then you need to visit http://www.army.mil/ArmySeals.htm

## *INSCOM Commander Visits the 902nd MI Group*

**by Tina Miles**
902nd MI Group Public Affairs

The 902nd Military Intelligence Group's Counterintelligence Integrated Analysis Center (CIIAC) has been in full swing since it merged with the Group's operational staff and the Army CI Center (ACIC) at the end of Fiscal Year 2002. This new organization, combined with the 902nd's subordinate battalions, allows the 902nd MI Group to shape the future for Army counterintelligence in the 21st Century.

Maj. Gen. Keith B. Alexander, INSCOM Commander, visited the CIIAC in December 2002, to award coins to military and civilian personnel of the 902nd MI Group and its subordinate units, for outstanding performances. During his visit, the General was given the grand tour of the recently renovated Operations Center, hosted by Colonel Michael D. Bisacre, Group Commander. He then attended a special CIIAC briefing.

Global events have made all of us in the intelligence community examine the way we conduct business particularly in the areas of force protection and combating terrorism. Through the CIIAC the 902nd can now rapidly fuse information, create comprehensive situational awareness products for the Major Army Commands, Army Service Component Commands, and Army Operational Forces worldwide; rapidly disseminate these products and share the information with DoD and a myriad of other agencies. The Group is continually developing processes to improve its ability to predict where and when terrorists might strike again in CONUS and foreign intelligence services are attempting to commit espionage. The 902nd uses the CIIAC to meet the new requirements of information fusion, situational awareness and predictive intelligence.

**Maj. Gen. Keith B. Alexander shakes hands with coin recipient SPC Williams while visiting the 902nd MI Group recently. (U.S. Army photo by Tina Miles)**

## 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion (Aerial Exploitation) SEREX '02

**by CW3 Alan Dalton and Capt. T. Alan Nesbitt**
3rd MI Battalion

**Members of the 3rd MI Battalion undergo SERE training (U.S. Army photo)**

The 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion (Aerial Exploitation) located at Camp Humphreys, Pyongtaek, Korea, provides real-time combat information and intelligence to tactical and operational war fighters through responsive communications intelligence (COMINT), imagery intelligence (IMINT), and electronic intelligence (ELINT) airborne collection, processing, analysis, and reporting. The 3rd MI Bn (AE) is one of the most critical elements of the 501st MI Brigade and is a major player in reconnaisance missions directed by the Joint Chiefs of Staff. It provides daily indications and warning (I & W) support to the United States Forces Korea (USFK) command with one of the most aggressive mission and flight hour programs within the Department of Defense. Because of its uniqueness as an Aerial Exploitation unit in the Military Intelligence organization, additional training emphasis must be placed to ensure the air crews are well prepared in the event hostile threats to their mission force them into a survival situation.

On Oct. 17 and 22, Air Foce SSgt. Christopher R. Flamm, USAF SERE (Survival, Evasion, Resistance, and Escape) Instructor from the 51st OSS/OSCTL (Osan Air Base, Korea) conducted training at the 3rd MI Bn headquarters, Camp Humphreys. The SERE and Level B Code of Conduct training was presented using a series of ten CD-ROM interactive discs. The entire class (with discussion) lasts approximately 10 hours. The training covered survival and evasion techniques, food and water procurement, sheltercraft, firecraft and resistance to exploitation/ interrogation. The CD based program was designed by the Department of Defense to be a stand-alone package to fill the gap between A Level (Basic training) and C Level (Hands on) SERE training. SSgt Flamm conducted discussions, gave real-world examples, and tailored the training to fit the needs of our audience. Once completed, the aircrew members gained a stronger base of SERE knowledge and gave many of the experienced pilots some thoughtful refresher training.

On Oct. 25, participants departed Camp Humphreys by CH-47 helicopter to a remote field location. This portion of the training emphasized the hands-on skills of fire building, shelter construction, food and water procurement and signaling principles. Lessons included techniques developed for use in both combat and non-combat environments. Additionally, the effectiveness of selected aircrew survival equipment and communication devices was evaluated. The field portion lasted approximately 3 ½ hours.

The 3rd MI Bn (AE) is the most heavily tasked unit of its kind in the United States Army and is the most critical element to early warning of hostilities on the Korean peninsula. This organization is a key player on the dedicated team of reconnaisance assets tasked to collect communications, imagery, and electronic intelligence against real targets 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The battalion's organic collection and analysis element disseminates this valuable information to commanders of all services on the Korean peninsula, as well as abroad.

***Special thanks to SSgt. Christopher R. Flamm, U.S. Air Force, SERE Instructor, 51OSS/OSCTL (Osan Air Base, Korea).***

## 49 States, Territories, 100 Countries Honor King

**By Rudi Williams**
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WASHINGTON — More than 100 countries, 49 states and U.S. territories honor Martin Luther King Jr., said Steve Kline of the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change in Atlanta.

"Every major city in America has a street, building, park, plaza, library, hospital, school and other public facilities name in Dr. King's honor," Kline said. "The same is true in many foreign countries."

There's an 11-foot bronze statue of King near the main entrance to City Hall in San Bernardino, Calif., he noted.

A letter from King's widow, Coretta Scott King, was read during the unveiling on Nov. 8, 1981. She stated in part: "More than ever, our society and particularly our young people, need nonviolent role models. Your statue will undoubtedly serve as a reminder of this responsibility."

Raleigh, N.C., boasts the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Gardens with a life-sized statue of the national civil rights leader. The statue is encircled with a colorful variety of trees, shrubs and flowering plants. The King Wall surrounds the statue and includes 2,500 bricks inscribed with the names of supporters.

At Atlanta's Morehouse College, a statue of King sits in front of the Martin Luther King Jr. International Chapel. On the marble walls of the chapel foyer and on the base of the bronze statue are engraved quotations from King's speeches that keep before students and other observers the ideas and ideals of Dr. King.

"From Morehouse College he launched his humanitarian pilgrimage to create the beloved community and for that purpose he moved out from the classroom and his pulpit to march his way into immortality," is inscribed on the base of the statue.

King received a bachelor's degree in sociology from Morehouse in 1948 at the age of 19.

"Birds in Flight" is the title of a memorial to King at Boston University where he received his doctorate of divinity in 1955. The piece is composed of 50 birds in flight signifying peace throughout the nation. There is also a multicultural center for students of all races and ethnic groups on the university's campus.

In 1968, Sweden dedicated Martin Luther King Jr. Plaza opposite the University of Uppsala, which dates back to the 1500s, said Ann-Marie Brisbois, an information assistant at the Swedish Embassy in Washington.

"In April 1978, a monument was unveiled in the plaza to commemorate the 10th anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr.'s death," said Brisbois. "The bronze sculpture, entitled Befrielsen, or 'Liberation' is the creation of Sweden's Olof Hellstrom. It portrays two gigantic hands pulling apart two equally large prison bars."

Kline said, "When Daddy King (the late Martin Luther King Sr.) visited Hungary a few years ago, he was flabbergasted to find six churches named after his son. "There is also a big Martin Luther King Jr. town square in Russia. In Mexico City, there is a park, statue and street bearing Dr. King's name. And there's a King museum in New Delhi, India.

He said many countries are creating postage stamps in honor of Dr. King — Liberia, Venezuela, Republique du Congo, Ecuador, India, Chad, Paraguay, Niger, Virgin Islands, Senegal, Yemen Arab Republic, Samoa. The United States produced a Martin Luther King Jr. stamp in 1979.

King's speeches and sermons have been translated into every major language, Kline noted. "The King legacy is a growing phenomenon," Kline said. "People fighting for human rights sing 'We Shall Overcome' all over the world — Poland, Hungary, the Philippines, China, the Palestinians. The solidarity movement in Poland studied the Selma to Montgomery film. Pro-democratic and freedom movements around the world, including China, draw from Martin Luther King Jr. and Ghandi and they're achieving results."

## *January 17th is the birthday of Benjamin Franklin*

### *A Man with A Keen Sense of Humor—and Spy Craft*

**By Karen Kovach**
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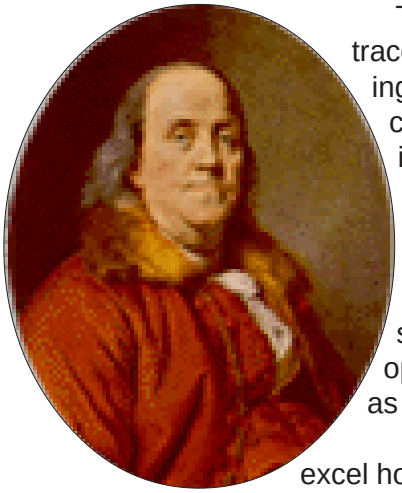

The practice of American intelligence in its various forms is readily traceable to the earliest days of the nation's existence. George Washington was an adroit spymaster. Over the course of his long military career, he directed numerous agent networks and used their intelligence effectively when planning and conducting military operations. Another of the Founding Fathers—Benjamin Franklin—born on January 17, 1706, was a genius of his day and an inspiration for all generations thereafter. He excelled as a printer, author, philanthropist, inventor, statesman, diplomat, and scientist. For all his fame, Franklin's starring role as an intelligence operative is less well known; yet, his efforts in what is today termed as covert action were wide-ranging and usually successful.

One career in which Franklin was perhaps adequate, but did not excel however, was that of a military man. He served for a short time on the Pennsylvania frontier during the French and Indian Wars (1754-1761). Counted as an accomplishment during this period was his service to the unit's chaplain. After the chaplain had complained that attendance at worship services had fallen off, Franklin suggested that the weekly liquor ration be issued at the conclusion of the Sunday morning service. Church attendance picked up dramatically, leaving little doubt that the men received as much inspiration from the spirits as they did from the spirit.

It was said that he was not entrusted with the writing of the Declaration of Independence for fear that he might conceal a joke in the middle of it. But if he was denied a hand in that endeavor, he did use his sense of humor to cool hot tempers during those anxious days of July 1776.

During the Revolutionary War period, Franklin engaged in propaganda operations and agent-of-influence activities to aid the American cause. In September, congress, hoping to secure economic and military assistance, asked Franklin to head a commission to France. Arriving in Paris just before Christmas 1776, he became engaged in secret negotiations, enormously complicated by cloak-and-dagger intrigue, with spies and informers everywhere. In his private dealing with influential French individuals, Franklin displayed wit and social grace as he lobbied to build French support for the American colonies' struggle for independence. On numerous occasions he was able to convince the French authorities not to reduce secret aid nor prevent American privateer ships from using French ports, despite British protests and threats. Very considerable loans were obtained for the United States, and without French military and naval aid the final victory at Yorktown in 1781 might not have been achieved.

Then, as now, it was clear to the country's decision makers that skilled and dedicated intelligence personnel, led by people of vision and courage, are essential to America's security.

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## *Annual Intelligence Community Awards recognize people, units*

Intelligence Community awards are intended to recognize people or organizations within the Intelligence Community for exceptional achievement or duty performance in support of the larger U.S. Intelligence Community mission. Nominations are due in April and November for these prestigious awards.

Intelligence Awards include the following:

**The National Intelligence Distinguished Service Medal (NIDSM)** is awarded for distinguished meritorious service or achievement in a duty of great responsibility within the IC that distinctly benefits the interests of the United States and constitutes a major contribution to the foreign intelligence mission of the U.S. Intelligence Community. This award normally will be awarded on a very selective basis. It is intended to recognize sustained superior service or achievements rather than one-time contributions.

**The National Intelligence Medal of Achievement (NIMOA)** is awarded for especially meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service by a member of the Intelligence Community. Recognizing performance of an especially difficult duty in a clearly exceptional manner, the service must relate directly to the U.S. Intelligence Community's mission to provide the intelligence required for national security policy determinations. This award is to recognize achievements that do not warrant the NDISM. The achievements must clearly have benefited more than just the army, and the nomination must reflect this fact.

**The National Intelligence Certificate of Distinction (NICD)** is awarded for sustained superior performance of duty of high value by a member of the Intelligence Community or for a significant single act of special merit. This award is to recognize achievements on behalf of the larger U.S. Intelligence Community that do not warrant the NDISM or NIMOA.

**The National Intelligence Meritorious Unit Citation (NIMUC)** is awarded for collective performance of a unit or group that has resulted in accomplishments of a clearly superior nature and of significant benefit to the larger U.S. Intelligence Community. This award recognizes achievements by a unit whose collective performance deserves special recognition because it achieved excellence while supporting the larger Intelligence Community.

**The Intelligence Community Seal Medallion (ICSM)** is awarded for sustained superior performance of duty of high value, which distinctly benefits the interests of the United States and is directly related to the mission of the Intelligence Community. This award recognizes achievements by contractors or consultants, or other U.S. government officers, on behalf of the Intelligence Community or member agencies, who do not qualify for any other Intelligence Community award. The achievement must have made a vital and unique contribution to the successful accomplishment of an Intelligence Community mission.

Nominations for Intelligence Community awards may be initiated at any level in any component of the Intelligence Community. They are intended to bestow specific recognition for services of particular benefit to the United States in the execution of an Intelligence Community mission and do not replace any awards for which provision is made in executive orders or departmental regulations. Service that exclusively supports the Army is not appropriate for recognition by award of an Intelligence Community award.

Nominations should be send to
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# Bad Aibling soldiers take on Bavarian mountaineering

**By Major Mike Mestan**
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**A German pioneer traverses the "rock garden" (U.S. Army photo by Maj. Mike Mestan)**

From Nov. 8-10, seven Bad Aibling Station soldiers experienced an adventure-filled mountaineering weekend on the Wendelstein, hosted by the 761st Pioneer Battalion ("Die Besten"), a reserve mountain combat engineer battalion from nearby Brannenburg. We were invited to attend a weekend drill analogous to what our own National Guardsmen do back in the States. Having spent two years in college in the Texas National Guard drilling at North Fort Hood, I can attest that those weekends were never as fun or exciting as hiking the snow-covered Bavarian Alps.

On Friday, we departed Brannenburg by van and drove up to Sudelfeld, where the walking commenced. Our German hosts led us up into the mountains by way of a road that eventually gave way to hiking trails covered with about a foot of snow. As we climbed higher, the drifts got deeper as we made our way through the white backwoods. An hour into our hike, we were well above Sudelfeld on the opposite side of the valley, enjoying the sunshine and breaking into quite a sweat. We topped the crest and followed a ridge ascending to the upper Wendelstein train station before dropping down into a rocky bowl containing the *Soinhütte*, our shelter for the weekend. The *Hütte* faces Southeast overlooking Brannenburg and the Inn River beyond. We were shown to our rooms, ate dinner, and spent the rest of the evening in the dining room talking with our hosts. One food note—the Battalion cook owns and operates a local restaurant, and cooked filling Bavarian dishes. Consequently, we all slept soundly with full stomachs.

Saturday morning was gray, gloomy and overcast. We spent the morning in the dining room with the Battalion members as the Commander, Oberlieutenant (Lieutenant Colonel) Peter Maier briefed everyone on reconsolidation efforts within the Bundeswehr. He also briefed on an upcoming exchange program by which his Battalion will travel to America and train with U.S. Guardsman combat engineers in Meridian, Miss. this coming summer.

Oberlieutenant Maier asked us to give an information briefing explaining how the U.S. National Guard works and complements the Total Force. Capt. Scott Stephens (108th MI) and Second Lt. Brian Waksmunski (TF Keystone) did a great job with one of the Pioneer Hauptman's (Captain) translating. We received a block of instruction on mountaineering by Oberstabbfeldwebel (Command Sergeant Major) Peter Voss. We soon gained the greatest respect for this man. He spent 36 years on active duty and earned the credentials of a combat diver, *Fallschirmspringer* (paratrooper), and mountaineer instructor. Throughout his career, he spent 20 years as a Bundeswehr Special Forces instructor and trained many 10th U.S. Special Forces teams from nearby Bad Tölz. This morning, he instructed us on how to wear our body harnesses that we'd depend on later that afternoon.

After a quick lunch, we assembled outside in the blowing wind and snow and hiked up to the start point of the "rock garden", consisting of a vertical rock face approximately 30 meters high and about 60 meters in length. Traversing the "rock garden" is a *Klettersteig*, or rocky path supported by protective cabling held to the wall by pitons. We clipped into the cabling using our harness D-rings

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and scampered across the icy, frozen rock wall like squirrels. To describe the "rock garden" is to compare it to a movie setting for the movie "Terminal Velocity" or "Cliffhanger." At the end of the lateral traverse, Oberstabbfeldwebel Voss was waiting to supervise us as we rappelled down an icy 25 meter high vertical wall. Once down, we enjoyed the rush of adrenaline gained from this experience. The light was fading as we went back inside the *Soinhütte* and got out of our wet clothes and waited for another awesome Bavarian dinner to be served.

After dinner, one of the Captains gave a video presentation documenting his company's August 2002 deployment to a northern German village near Dresden devastated by this past summer's severe flooding. It was apparent how these German guardsmen were really no different from our own U.S. Guardsman who regularly react and restore our own cities after our tornadoes and hurricanes. After the video, the Battalion Commander, Oberstlieutenant Maier, presented us with the prized Edelwiess hatpin, the unique emblem of German Alpine troops. We stayed up late into the night talking with our hosts, with most of us understanding enough English or German to communicate effectively. Oberstabbfeldwebel Voss kept the conversation interesting with his tales of 36 years of military service. I came away with a greater appreciation of the German military and their Cold War role.

We awoke Sunday morning and cleaned up the *Hütte* before making our descent back down to the Sudelfeld parking lot. Command Sergeant Major Possel and Oberstlieutenant Maier met us back at the Brannenburg Kaserne and toured us through the Pioneer museum within, which depicted the Battalion's supporting role in the Dolomite Mountains during WWI fighting the Italians, through their role in WWII, and up to present United Nations Peacekeeping missions in Africa and the Balkans. We then went over to the Kaserne Officer's Club for a parting coffee and *Kuchen* before thanking our hosts and departing.

Special thanks to the 401st MI Commander, Capt. Helmut Riepl, for making the arrangements through Bundeswehr Command Sergeant Major Possel and Oberstlietenant Peter Maier for this exceptional weekend.

## *Nominations due to Headquarters INSCOM For Commander's Operational Achievement Plaque*

Nominations are due Feb. 28, 2003, for the Commander's Plaque for Operational Achievement. This award is presented annually to the nonsupervisory individual (military or civilian) who made the single greatest contribution to the operational effectiveness of the U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command during the preceding calendar year.

The commander representing the winning organization will receive a plaque bearing the rank, name, and organization of the winner. The commander may prominently display the plaque until the following year's competition. The winner will receive a smaller plaque as a personal memento of his or her achievement.

INSCOM Regulation 672-3 provides guidance for submitting nominations, which should include a narrative justification, a brief biographical sketch (if military, include all awards and decorations) and a photograph (optional). Nominations should be forwarded to the following address:

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## 66th MI Group tabs soldier, NCO of the year

**By Staff Sgt. Eric Reinhardt**
66th MI Group Public Affairs

DARMSTADT, Germany – Soldiers representing Company A, 105th Military Intelligence Bn. took top honors in both categories of the 66th MI Group's Soldier and NCO of the Year Board.

The Group's 2003 NCO of the year is Sgt. Talca Dawson. The Group's Soldier of the Year is Spc. Jamie Materne. Both are signals intelligence analysts based at the European Security Center in Bad Aibling, Germany.

The competition, which took place in Darmstadt Dec. 5 and 6, combined testing in hands-on soldiering skills, physical training and a formal board. Though it was a competition, both soldiers said they were impressed by the teamwork all the participants displayed throughout.

**Spc. Jamie Materne, 66th MI Group soldier of the year, dons chemical protective gear during the soldier-skill portion of the Group Soldier and NCO of the Year Board. (U.S. Army photo by Staff Sgt. Eric Reinhardt)**

"They didn't stop being soldiers," Dawson said. "Even though we were all competing, you still had people helping and encouraging each other."

**Sgt. Talca Dawson, Group NCO of the Year, shoots an azimuth at the start of the land navigation portion of the 66th MI Group Soldier and NCO of the Year board. (U.S. Army photo by Staff Sgt. Eric Reinhardt)**

"It was good to compete with people who know what they were doing," Materne said. "People overcame a few obstacles to compete, like balancing study with mission requirements."

Also competing in the NCO and Soldier of the Year Board were: Spc. Roosevelt Cooper Jr., Sgt. Kateri McIntire, and Spc. Charity Phillips.

The two-day event kicked off with rigorously graded PT test. With only a few minutes until the next event, participants had to forgo the "personal hygiene" time that usually follows a regular PT session.

After a quick change into BDUs, the soldiers put their knowledge to the test on such soldier skills as weapons maintenance, map reading, radio communications, and nuclear, biological and chemical protection.

The practical-exercise phase culminated in a land-navigation course on Training Area 6910, near the Dagger Complex. Soldiers were given two hours to negotiate the course. For added pressure, participants weren't allowed to wear watches.

"We've added a little stress to keep them on their toes," said Group Command Sgt. Maj. Steven K. Faucette.

Soldiers ended the first day's events by writing essays describing their military careers and goals. The competitors donned their Class A uniforms to appear before a board of the Group's senior NCOs. It ended in a tie for the three Soldier of the Year candidates, a quandary resolved with another round each.

Dawson, who has appeared before company-level boards, said the hands-on evaluations made the competition a good training experience.

"You do all this preparation and study for a board," she said. "But getting dirt under your fingernails is really what it's all about." As a signals intelligence analyst, Materne said the soldier-skill testing was a refreshing departure from the technical nature of her military occupational specialty.

"The hands-on part was great," she said. "I think doing something like [the board] makes you a better soldier."