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May 20, 2017
As part of its year-long centennial celebration, Team APG hosted a live fire demonstration that drew thousands of visitors from the local community who came for a glimpse into the proving ground missions and to see, hear and feel the firepower of the U.S. Army.

Oct. 28, 2015
After one of the two Joint Land Attack Cruise Missile Defense Elevated Netted Sensor System (JLENS) aerostats became untethered from its moorings on APG South Edgewood around noon and later grounded itself in northeastern Pennsylvania that same day, the APG Emergency Operations Center – along with numerous emergency response personnel from offices across the installation – was activated and operational within just five minutes.

May 6, 2010
The U.S. Army Environmental Command officially ended its 38-year stay at Aberdeen Proving Ground during a change of command ceremony that included the casing of the organization colors in preparation for its move to Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

August 2011
The 68-year history of the 143d Ordnance Battalion came to an end July 29, 2011, as the last Ordnance unit on Aberdeen Proving Ground cased its colors for a final time during a discontinuation ceremony at McBride Parade Field. This marked the end of 92 years of Ordnance Corps history on APG as training moved to Fort Lee, Virginia, as part of BRAC.

February 2012
Because of the expanding number of families on APG, the new Bayside Village housing was completed. The 210 new homes were comprised of 76 junior, 100 senior enlisted homes and 34 company grade officer homes.

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Discontinuation ceremony ends APG Ordnance era

Construction starts soon

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March 17, 2008
Army and state government officials broke ground on the eventual $477.5 million, nine-building complex now known as the C5ISR campus as part of Base Realignment and Closure 2005. The ceremony attracted about 400 participants and spectators, including more than 150 who came by bus from the activities on Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, who were relocating to APG.

Sept. 11-14, 2001
More than 1,100 members of the Aberdeen Proving Ground community came together Sept. 14 for the National Day of Prayer and Remembrance as the world was still reacting to the events of Sept. 11. Meanwhile, an inventory of excess respirators and filters stored in the Aberdeen Area by the Aberdeen Proving Ground Installation Safety Division were found to be old but still serviceable and then shipped from a staging area in New Jersey to first responders in New York by helicopter.

Sept. 25, 2000
Military officials, industry representatives and political leaders took part in a groundbreaking ceremony for the Aberdeen Test Center’s $37 million roadway simulator at Aberdeen Proving Ground. The planned facility was lauded as a unique and valuable national asset, not only for the Army and DoD, but also for other federal agencies, universities conducting research in automotive engineering and safety, vehicle manufacturers, and the state of Maryland.

March 8, 1994
The Defense Commissary Agency celebrated its grand opening at its current location on APG. The 82,000-square-foot facility started construction on April 24, 1992, and was completed Jan. 18, 1994. It replaced the older Aberdeen and Edgewood Area commissaries that were originally constructed in 1917.
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July 2, 1984: This date saw the implementation of a realignment at APG which consolidated the installation with the U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command headquarters. At that time, the TECOM Commanding General would also become the APG commander.

Jan. 21, 1988: Seven specifications of alleged misconduct in four separate charges were filed against Army Sgt. Daniel W. Richardson, who was accused by the FBI of espionage, theft of government documents and material and the wrongful disposition of government property. Richardson was serving as a tool room NCOIC with the U.S. Army Ordnance Center and School on post. He was convicted on June 3 and sentenced to 10 years in prison.

June 25, 1990: This date saw stories about standard hours for APG Soldiers and civilian employees not changing despite other tenants on post working under modified schedules. Also, residents and workers on APG North and South received a new emergency phone system that connected with fire, police and medical facilities.

June 23, 1971: The Ballistic Research Lab provided IBM Corp. in New York with historical files and photographs to mark the formulation of the Electronic Numerical Integrator and Computer (ENIAC) on APG in 1945 in response to the urgent need for rapid processing.

June 30, 1976: This issue marked the upcoming United States’ bicentennial celebration including a 50-gun salute to be held on APG. Stories also included a retired couple who planned to meet up at Valley Forge with other wagoneers, as well as an unrelated story about concern rising over the thefts of government paychecks from mailboxes on post.

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1984

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Yvonne Johnson was the longest serving APG News staffer, here more than 20 years from the mid 1990s until her retirement in 2020.
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July 1969

The APG Technical Library building, one of the oldest on APG with construction beginning in 1917 at a cost of $83,935, was vacated and eventually demolished to make way for new parking lots and driveways for the Command Headquarters building. The Technical Library moved to Bldg. 3002 at that time.

Feb. 15, 1968

The Army Test and Evaluation Command announced that materiel intended for use in the Vietnam War would take top priority at environmental test centers.

An undated photo shows two dozen grounded planes at Phillips Army Airfield on APG. A Defense Property Disposal Office official called it a “holding area” until someone requested to obtain them. The planes pictured include the famous B-29 “Flying Fortress” from World War II and the F-89 that saw action in the Korean War.

1960s-1970s Before APG News, there was the Aberdeen Proving Groundhog. An issue from the 1940s highlights how the bazooka was developed and tested at APG, while the November 1945 issue featured Edith Bowden of the Technical Information Branch. Bowden, who lived in Havre de Grace, was slated to marry Sgt. Harry Baker.

An undated photo shows the original Visitor’s House, a three-story wooden-frame structure that stood just inside the APG guard gate on Aberdeen Road during World War I. It contained a cafeteria and an information desk and was utilized as quarters for friends and relatives of service members visiting APG.

Throughout the years, papers serving APG have been named “Rapid Fire,” “Flaming Bomb,” and “The Groundhog” (get it - Aberdeen Proving Groundhog)!

Preceding APG News and the Aberdeen Proving Groundhog included publications named “The Flaming Bomb,” as well as “Rapid Fire.” Turn to page A6 to see one of the earliest newspapers published on APG.
DREAM OF SERVICE OVERSEAS KILLED BY RECENT ORDER

The last hope of some day going overseas, on April 4, 1918, died out last week; when it became known that, by order of the Chief of Ordnance, the men in this post are to remain at the Proving Ground for the balance of the war. There was considerable discussion of the order, and everywhere the opinion was expressed that the ruling was in a measure unfair to the men.

"Give us a chance!" was the cry most often heard. "We are all bodied men, and we'll enlist for service in France. There is no reason why exception should be made in our case, just because we happen to be stationed at the proving ground."

The order in question provides that all able-bodied men now on duty in this country and particularly in this area now in Washington, are to be examined for service overseas. The order as far as we can understand the boys, with fires in their eyes, read on. But there they struck a snag. It turned out that there were two exceptions mentioned, men on detached orders, and enlisted men, except those stationed at arsenals, and in general, who are under examination for foreign service.

Detachment commanders in the Ordinance Department of the command of enlisted units have been instructed to have each member of the first class to consist of those physically, mentally, and morally acceptable for any character of general military service, with the privilege of a factory for domestic and any but the heavier work in the third class, available for limited service.

All men of the first rating on duty in Washington or at ordnance depots or contract plants in the United States, excepting arsenal and proving ground, will be replaced on the first ninety days as possible by men of the second and third ratings. The first class, then, will be sent overseas for duty in the Ordinance Department.

The fact that we, so far as we know now, are not going overseas, we hope will not discourage us. In this connection the words uttered by Capt. W. S. N. Rodgers, the assistant ordnance command, in an interview for RAPID FIRE some time ago, should give us encouragement. He said: "Tell the men who are here that they are anxious to go to France as they are. But our duty here is to defend this territory."

PTT Corps in Spain last week visited the Aberdeen Proving Ground and are here to do it to.

HAND BADLY CRUSHED BY STRANGE ACCIDENT

Pvt. George Raynor, a recent addition to C Co., the victim of a rather strange accident. On Wednesday of last week the hospital ambulance, in giving aid to the patient from Aberdeen, picked up Pvt. Raynor in town. His hand was badly crushed. The pain incident to the injury was so great that the soldier was unconscious when the Medics arrived on the scene.

It was feared for a time that Raynor's hand would have to be amputated at the wrist, but a skillful and successful operation, performed by Mr. Briggs of the Post medical staff, has probably saved him the use of the hand, although the little finger and ring finger could not be saved.

Rapid Fire

19 ENLISTED MEN; 107 DEG. IN SHADE

The great heat wave reached its climax on Tuesday evening, leaving 107 degrees in the thermometer in the Ordinance Department, and these parts said it was the hottest day they had ever experienced. Old Sol blazed away upon man and animal alike, holding up much of the work on going here on.

At two o'clock the thermometer registered 107 degrees in the shade and 117 in the sun.

Front details were called in early in the afternoon and the garlic guards were ordered to watch their posts from a shady spot.

All drill was suspended until further orders.

Capt. White was caught out of the front in an ambulance, but left for his quarters after medical aid had been given him.

Although 19 enlisted men and five civilians were overcome by the terrific heat, there were no casualties. Ten of the men taken to the hospital by Cpl. "Hop" Griffin and his assistant, Sgt. H. S. Martin, who were kept hopping all day, went back to quarters in the evening.


ENTILLED MEN TO LOOK INTO POST EXCHANGE PRICES

It may have been the heat—or other things—that caused the men to have prevented it just the committee which was to investigate the matter of Post Exchange prices and report on Mon- day evening, but did not. and did not report.

In response to the great demand that something be done to protect the financial affairs of the exchange clear for the sake of the many men, a group met in the Post Exchange last week and ap- pointed a sub-committee composed of enlisted men, one from each company. A meeting was held and Sgt. Galland, who has been doing considerable work on the books of the establishment, submitted a report showing that the greater part of the profits have been invested in merchandise.

It was further shown in the report that owing to the absolute necessity of corralling on hand a large amount of merchandise, the exchange had been unable to "declare dividends" for the companies.

In discussing this matter the other day, Lt. Robert Kent, in charge of the exchange, said: "As is provided for in regulations, no post exchange can declare a dividend until it has been paid for and in position to liquidate all bills payable. That would be an impossible principle. That an exchange shall be able to advertise that it is in such a large and varied stock must be carried in the account and any profits made on these things is in- disputable. Our exchange has been faced with the problem of the point of view of profit. We have made $20,000.

The committee appointed to look into the prices and which so far has not investigated it, is composed of Sgt. Edwards, Sussman, Yaden, Be- rinier and Galland.

To Build Y. M. C. A. HUT

Plans for a Y. M. C. A., but at the Proving Ground are being prepared by the Army Architect's Office at Fort Custer, Bal- timore. It was announced yesterday.

The work of construction will begin shortly.

It is estimated that there are more than 200 Jewish men at the post. The mystery of the plan believe that a hut such as they contemplate erect- ing, would be made use of in co- operating with them in opposition to the Y. M. C. A.
By RACHEL PONDER, APG News

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. — A former APG News staffer reflects on her experiences as the print edition ends, digital era begins

She is sad to see the printed version go, but going all digital “saves a lot of trees,” she said. According to Blosse, the APG News website is a great resource to find out what is going on at the APG community. “I liked photographing events; everyone encountered was so nice and welcoming,” she said. “It was easy to meet people and have some interesting conversations. It felt like a tight-knit community. My co-workers were more like family, well, family you like. I enjoyed their company, and looked forward to coming to work. When I left for a job, closer to where I lived, I actually cried, I still keep in touch with [my former colleagues].”

Molly Blase served as a graphics designer by APG Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation. “I have never had a team as awesome as the one I’ve had since moving on to other positions,” she said. “Oh, APG News, how I’ll miss waving my editor’s entire office with your pages after reading you cover to cover. While we’ll still be able to find you on the web, the sight of your fresh stack of papers after a lot of hard work each week, and the crinkling sound you made when I turned the pages, will be sorely missed.”

Stacy Smith served as a staff writer for the APG News from 2014-2016. “APG News gave me my first job in journalism,” she said. “They took a chance on me and I’m forever grateful. I loved covering anything about military families and kids.”

APG News was the first virtual Monument to Monument Run to Honor on Sept. 20, 2020, hosted by Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation, will be held in honor of Gold Star Spouses Day, April 5. The cost to enter is $35. Participants will receive a long-sleeve performance T-shirt, a reflective backpack. Money raised through the event will be donated to the U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command. “My favorite thing about working for APG News was getting to know so many people in the APG community, to hear their stories and learn about their passions,” she said. “It was healing.”

Tracy Ritsa Karakanas, a logistics management specialist and weapons system manager for the U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command, participates in the first virtual Monument to Monument Run to Honor on Sept. 20, 2020, hosted by APG Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation. “As of today, we have more than 280 Gold Star family members,” she said. “We are proud to be the event to host it. It’s a special event.”

According to Blosse, the APG News website is “very popular for people to get introduced to the game.”

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ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. — With warm weather just around the corner, APG golf courses are opening up for a busy season.

Ruggles Golf Course, said the months ahead will be busy season. “The crickets sound you made when I turned the pages, will be sorely missed.”

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Ruggles Golf Course is an 18-hole golf course located on APG North (Aberdeen) and Exton Golf Course is a 9-hole golf course on APG South (Edgewood). Both golf courses use open space, trails, native vegetation, and green belts.

Gold Golf Ready

and private lessons

Hansinger said the “Get Golf Ready” program “is very popular for people to get introduced to the game.”

Starting in the middle of April, Ruggles Golf Course and Exton Golf Course will host workshops for teachers and parents to teach children, teens and adults.

You may not be ready for the Tour or even the Sunday morning, still you will certainly build your confidence through this great game with family and friends, the APG Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation.

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Monument to Monument virtual run set for April 9-11

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ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. — Teams APG, DOD, Army, and other beneficiaries of APG’s Living Legacy Forest Gold Star Memorial, will be held in honor of Gold Star Spouses Day, April 5. The cost to enter is $35. Participants will receive a long-sleeve performance T-shirt, a reflective backpack, and stories the week leading up to the event. He said these events raise awareness about the MOS program and the APG Living Legacy Forest Gold Star Monument, the “Fallen Star” Memorial and Gold Star Mothers statue and the Gold Star Monument to Monument Run to Honor virtual 5K run/walk, set for April 9-11. This event, hosted by Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation, will be held in honor of Gold Star Spouses Day, April 5. The cost to enter is $35. Participants will receive a long-sleeve performance T-shirt, a reflective backpack, and stories the week leading up to the event. He said these events raise awareness about the MOS program and the APG Living Legacy Forest Gold Star Monument, the “Fallen Star” Memorial and Gold Star Mothers statue and the Gold Star Monument to Monument Run to Honor virtual 5K run/walk, set for April 9-11. This event, hosted by Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation, will be held in honor of Gold Star Spouses Day, April 5.

Social media tribute to survivors

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Commander’s Corner
Digital-only APG News reflects Army modernization, APG evolution

As previously highlighted, this issue of APG News marks the final time the newspaper will appear in print. After 3.370 issues, the time has come for us to jump into the 21st century and let the hard-copy edition become another market in our constellation’s long and storied history.

While APG News as we now know it has been a fixture for over 60 years, a newspaper for Aberdeen Proving Ground has existed for a long, long time. The nation’s oldest active proving ground, has itself existed. The first newspaper was launched in August 1918 and went by the moniker Rapid Fire. It was also known as The Flaming Bomb and The Aberdeen Proving Ground News. Today we finally becoming APG News we know and love in face of the future.

Our installation has had many things in common, leaving the old is often the first step in making the new possible. That doesn’t mean, however, that this decision was easy. Like many of you, I enjoyed sifting through the pages and my coffee as a Thursday morning browse into the goings on of our community. I am saddened to see the end of the print edition of APG News, which was one of the last things I remember reading in the morning, but I am also excited for the new way we will be engaging with the community.

The reality of how news and information gets delivered, and read, means we can do so much more effectively and efficiently now than in the past. The good news comes when you realize that the same standard of bringing you the best of APG news, events and stories will continue seamlessly in our digital future. You will be able to bring things to make your days more successful. To that end, we encourage you to subscribe to the weekly digital edition of APG News. Stop the presses!

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GOLF

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Recreation website states.
Get Golf Ready will be held for five consecutive weekly classes:
• Tuesdays from 5:30 to 7 p.m. beginning April 13
• Thursdays from 8:30 to 10 p.m. beginning April 15
• Saturdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. beginning April 17
APG golf professionals are also available for private lessons at Ruggles seven days a week.

Family-friendly sport
For children and teens, Junior Golf is open to eligible Morale, Welfare and Recreation patrons. For more information, visit https://aberdeen.armymwr.com/programs/ruggles-golf-course, or call 410-278-4794.

COVID-19 restrictions
Hansinger said both facilities have implemented COVID-19 restrictions for the safety of guests and staff. These include:
• Masks are required at all times except during play when physical distancing can be maintained.
• Gathering in groups is prohibited.
• Scorecards and pencils will be issued individually and are not to be shared.
• Two riders per cart, both passengers must wear masks at all times while in the car unless they are family.
• Hand-washing is required prior to being housed a cart.
• Sharing of equipment is discouraged.

For more information
For more information, and fees for private lessons at Ruggles, call 410-306-2297.
For Exton Golf Course, visit https://aberdeen.armymwr.com/programs/exton-golf-course, or call 410-436-2213.

MONUMENT

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Community.
Farlow said the SOS program is “intended to give great command support.” He wants Gold Star family members to feel “at home” at APG.

“They are very supportive to the Gold Star community and the survivors in our area,” he said. “That’s why a majority of our Gold Star family members in the state of Maryland refer to Aberdeen Proving Ground as their home. Every time they come here, the red carpet is rolled out and they are treated like family.”

Military veteran Brian Lantz, a lead analyst with the U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command, said he plans to participate and will run the Monument Run to Honor online on post.

An avid runner, Lantz said he misses mass running events, but he believes the virtual event helps raise awareness.

“I, fortunately, have served in two combat tours during my 21-year Army career without having to experience the loss of any of my unit or team members,” he said. “I run in this event to shine light on all the families in the APG community that have suffered the loss.”

According to Lantz, it is crucial to support APG Gold Star family members.

“Despite historically low losses from our provincial involvement in primarily Iraq and Afghanistan for the past 17 years, there are families coming to him in the APG community that have some, daughters, sisters, brothers, mothers and fathers who gave their all in defense of this great country,” he said. “The Monument to Monuments run event is entirely focused on the Gold Star community.

For more information
To register for the 5K and 10K events, visit https://runsignup.com/monumenttomonument. Gold Star family members can contact Farlow to submit pictures and video clips about their loved ones. For more information, call 410-278-2435 or email michael.b.farlow.civ@mail.mil.
Think you know APG history? Test your knowledge with this trivia puzzle.

Across
1. Test Area is a U.S. Army facility located in Bel Air, Maryland. It is part of APG. 
2. One of the earliest rocket launchers tested at APG in 1943, that became known as the _______________. 
3. In the 1990s, the Officer’s fitness center was _________________. 
4. Phillips Army Air Field on APG North (Edgewood) was renamed Top of the Bay. 
5. Gym & Fitness Center is located on APG South (Edgewood). 
6. Dam was constructed in 1942 as a drinking water reservoir for the proving ground. 
7. Current APG senior commander. 
8. APG was established by order of this U.S. president on Oct. 20, 1917, 6 months after the U.S. entered World War I and operations began. 
9. APG was established by this U.S. president on Oct. 20, 1917. 
10. The APG Crossword. 
11. Dr. Edwin Hubble served at APG during World War II in the Ballistics Research Laboratory and developed the first ____________ wind tunnel. 
12. ________ Gym & Fitness Center is located on APG South (Edgewood). 
13. The ____________ Ground ____________ was printed. 
14. APG contributed to the testing of NASA’s Lunar _____________. 
15. In the early 2000s, testing vehicles against _____________. 
16. In October 1942, the first issue of the Aberdeen Proving Ground _____________. 
17. When World War I ended in 1917, APG’s peacetime mission _____________. 
18. In 1962, a new center of excellence was established called the _____________. 
19. A significant innovation tested at APG was the handheld rocket launcher, tested at APG in 1943, that became known as the _____________. 
20. The U.S. Army _____________. 
21. The ____________ Field reopened on Nov. 23, 2020 with new turf. 
22. By the Numbers. 
23. Several iterations of this vehicle were tested at APG from the 1940s into the 1970s. 
24. APG is located along the ____________ shore of the Chesapeake Bay near the city of Aberdeen, Maryland. 
25. APG South (Edgewood) was formerly known as Edgewood. 
26. APG is Harford County’s ____________. 
27. The Gunpowder Meetinghouse and ______ Meetinghouse are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. 
28. ___________ Island Lighthouse, located on APG, is the oldest lighthouse still standing in Maryland. 
29. A significant innovation tested at APG was the handheld rocket launcher, tested at APG in 1943, that became known as the _____________. 
30. By this week’s By the Numbers.

Down
1. Before the Army acquired the land which is now APG, the area was especially known for its _____________. 
2. One of the earliest developments at APG was the Aberdeen _____________. 
3. In 1999, the Officer’s _____________. 
5. The number of users subscribed to the APG News email newsletter. 
6. The number of photos on APG's Flickr page. 
7. A significant innovation tested at APG in 1943, that became known as the _____________. 
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9. APG was established by this U.S. president on Oct. 20, 1917. 
11. Dr. Edwin Hubble served at APG during World War II in the Ballistics Research Laboratory and developed the first _____________. 
12. Gym & Fitness Center is located on APG South (Edgewood). 
13. The ____________ Ground _____________. 
14. APG contributed to the testing of NASA’s Lunar _____________. 
15. In the early 2000s, testing vehicles against _____________. 
16. In October 1942, the first issue of the Aberdeen Proving Ground _____________. 
17. When World War I ended in 1917, APG’s peacetime mission _____________. 
18. In 1962, a new center of excellence was established called the _____________. 
19. A significant innovation tested at APG was the handheld rocket launcher, tested at APG in 1943, that became known as the _____________. 
20. The U.S. Army _____________. 
21. The ____________ Field reopened on Nov. 23, 2020 with new turf. 
22. By the Numbers. 
23. Several iterations of this vehicle were tested at APG from the 1940s into the 1970s. 
24. APG is located along the ____________ shore of the Chesapeake Bay near the city of Aberdeen, Maryland. 
25. APG South (Edgewood) was formerly known as Edgewood. 
26. APG is Harford County’s ____________. 
27. The Gunpowder Meetinghouse and ______ Meetinghouse are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. 
28. ___________ Island Lighthouse, located on APG, is the oldest lighthouse still standing in Maryland. 
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30. By this week’s By the Numbers.

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(Above) David Yeung performs research during an Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education internship at the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense. His work was sponsored by the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, as part of a pre- and post-graduate fellowship program.

**10 Years Ago: March 3, 2011**

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**15 Years Ago: March 2, 2006**

(Above) Warehouse specialists Zane Waldon, on forklift, left, and Marquise Moultrie move pallet loads of excess property through the garrison’s Logistics Readiness Center Supply Support Activity warehouse. The two were part of the team that processed a record $4.6 million in excess property in one month for the 20th CBRNE Command while serving regular APG customers.

(Right) Col. John Wright, APG garrison and deputy installation commander, explains warfighter apparel to youths at St. Joan of Arc Elementary School during the school’s Career Day activities. The background panels were part of a traveling exhibit used to educate visitors about Aberdeen Proving Ground.

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Yvonne Johnson served as a staff writer from 1999 to 2013. In 2013, she was promoted to assistant editor. She retired in 2020.

"With so much space at their disposal, the possibilities are truly endless and exciting," she said.

Johnson looks back on serving the APG community with fondness. "I have been in and around the U.S. Army since 1987, and to see APG in many ways is no exaggeration," she said. "It has been a honor and a privilege to serve this community."

Pat McGee worked as a public affairs specialist for the APG Public Affairs Office for four years, wrote articles for the APG News and served internationally as an editor. "What I liked about it most was the job done," she said. "I found that I was being assigned to the APG Public Affairs Office every week on the way to my office. As it turned out, it was a blessing. At age 44, I was to learn a great deal about writing, interviewing, taking photos, laying out newspaper pages, etc. I'd learned the basics at the Defense Information School in 1967, but the newspaper business had changed dramatically in the subsequent 20 years. That's one of the changes it kept changing."

"My job consisted of covering events on and off post, conducting interviews, photographing events, individuals, groups or objects; turning in 35mm film to the post photo lab for processing and photographs; working some weekends, holidays and overtime; and representing APG and photographs; working some weekends, holidays and overtime; and representing APG and photographs; working some weekends, holidays and overtime; and representing APG and photographs."

"I soon learned that a successful reporter..." Johnson learned that her role at APG News was to be the best of who I was and who I could be. "I felt the same way. Everyone was so dedicated to work, and I didn't care how long I had to stay. It was like a family life, success and failure, achievements and loss. Wandering around the installation was so deeply ingrained in my daily life that I'm still perplexed when I meet someone who works in APG North or South and has never or rarely visited the other area."