I hope each of you had an enjoyable summer. For those who had an opportunity to visit the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center (USAHEC), you would have seen how the campus continues to grow and how many of our fellow citizens are able to discover the contributions that our Soldiers and Army have made and continue to make to the Nation.

COL Dawson, in the USAHEC Director's update, details just how busy his staff has been during the past several months. In the Soldier Experience Gallery, they have installed a new Civil War 1863 exhibit and are now in the process of bringing new Soldiers' stories into the remainder of the gallery. The most visible change, however, is the entrance to the research and reading room which the USAHEC staff has transformed into an arrival airfield in Iraq and a unit command post. All that is missing from the exhibit is the aroma of jet fuel and the heat of the runway. If you have visited in the past, you should return to see these new displays. If you have not — please plan to come.

The most visible of the Foundation activities this summer included our partnership with USAHEC to commemorate the Army's birthday and the 60th anniversary of the signing of the armistice that ended major combat on the Korean Peninsula in July 1953. These two events showcased the contributions of our Army and its Soldiers, and we were pleased to have so many attend both events. We were also privileged to have the Consul General of the Republic of Korea and seven Korean War Veterans attend the commemoration and the opening of the Korean War Exhibit on the Army Heritage Trail.

The Foundation's educational programs that complement those of USAHEC continue to flourish. The Foundation's education department again will manage the National History Day in Pennsylvania (NHD in PA) program that Jeff has grown and now involves more than 12,000 students statewide. This is important because NHD promotes the study of history and the use of primary source materials. Jeff and Lucy will be hosting student and teacher workshops this fall that bring them to USAHEC to use the collections from the Center's archives. Additionally, they will continue the Foundation's oral history program that links high school students within our region and Veterans to help record their memories for the USAHEC collection.

As we look to the future, the Foundation's short term focus remains the construction of the next facility that USAHEC will use as a second gallery for additional exhibits and additional spaces to enhance growing educational activities. In addition, we will also be seeking support for other unfunded needs of USAHEC, as the federal budget declines. Please visit our website for details.

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We cannot do this without your sustained support. This fall, we ask that you attend our annual dinner and silent auction, renew your membership, and make a contribution to our fall campaign. If you are a federal employee, please consider making a Combined Federal Campaign contribution to the Foundation. Our CFC number is 44284.

These three actions will help sustain our efforts to raise funds to continue to grow the USAHEC campus and its programs that honor Soldiers and their Families, preserve their memories, and educate the Army and the public. Help us continue “Telling the Army Story . . . one Soldier at a time.”

Mike Perry
Executive Director

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I want to continue my support to Build on Success at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center. Please accept my new ( ) donation or ( ) pledge in the amount of $__________________.

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"I just love this stuff!" Jack Meikrantz exclaimed at the conclusion of his tour in the Conservation Facility at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center (USAHEC). The 9-year-old visited the facility with his 8-year-old brother, Connor, and parents, Elizabeth and Josh Meikrantz, to view materials donated to the Center by his family. The artifacts belonged to Jack's great-great grandfather Charles F. Manness, who served in the Headquarters Company, 107th Machinegun Battalion, 28th Division during World War I. Charles F. Manness' son and daughter donated the materials in late 2005, and this was the first time Jack and his family saw the pieces since the donation. After years of looking at photographs of the items, Jack begged his mom for a chance to visit the facility and see everything firsthand.

The family finally had the opportunity to spend an afternoon with several USAHEC staff members, learning more about World War I and the objects which belonged to Charles F. Manness. Jack and his younger brother Connor both agreed that seeing the materials was "cool because they were old," but even better because they belonged to members of their family. Their favorite? A World War I helmet brought home from overseas by their great-great grandfather as a souvenir.

In addition to learning more about World War I from Charles F. Manness' materials, Jack and his family had the opportunity to tour the Artifact Storage Areas. USAHEC uses these sections of the Conservation Facility to store the thousands of artifacts in the collection. The family viewed some of these materials, including paintings, swords, uniforms, helmets, maps, and military posters. Jack and Connor loved seeing the other items, especially the swords, but also witnessed the dedication the USAHEC staff puts into caring for the materials entrusted to them. Preserving history is a critical piece of the USAHEC mission, and even at the age of 9, Jack already understood, as he affirmed, "it is important to preserve history, so you don't lose it."

The USAHEC mission is to make historical materials available for use to support the U.S. Army, educate an international audience, and honor Soldiers — past and present. Donations like those from the Meikrantz family help USAHEC honor Soldiers, while allowing the facility to preserve the stories of their service and sacrifice to share with future generations.

Jessie Faller-Parrett
Assistant Operations Officer
Communications Synchronization Officer
U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center

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Development Update

COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN

We are excited to announce that the Foundation will participate in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC), for the first time this fall. After a rigorous review, the United States Office of Personnel Management admitted the Foundation into the Fall 2013 Combined Federal Campaign as a member of Military Support Groups of America. Our CFC charity identification number is 44284.

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This is a monumental achievement for the Foundation, and something we have sought to accomplish since 2008. To qualify for CFC, like other participating charities, we had to demonstrate that the services we perform impact a wide spectrum of U.S. citizens, not just a small segment of localized beneficiaries. The Foundation has worked hard to broaden its reach and is pleased to be among the Nation's elite charities authorized to appear within the CFC brochure.

Established in 1961, CFC is the world's largest and most successful annual workplace fundraising drive. Every fall, CFC solicits donations from Federal employees on behalf of participating charities vetted through an extensive selection process. Federal employees may choose to support a charity represented by CFC through payroll deductions beginning in January of the following year.

For those of you who are familiar with CFC, you know how powerful this fundraising engine can be for non-profits. We are hopeful that many new donors will see our work, value our mission, and assist our efforts to expand the public facilities of the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center.

ARMY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED

Thanks to all who attended, sponsored, or supported our inaugural Army Birthday Celebration on June 21st! For the first time, we were able to host a special event at USAHEC, treating our guests to the facility that they, and you, helped create. We are confident that future events at USAHEC will be equally entertaining.

Highlights of the evening's program were the Campaign Streamer Ceremony and cake-cutting that included our oldest veteran and most junior Soldier from our audience. The streamer ceremony is an honored tradition that reflects on the U.S. Army's long history. Every major battle that our Army has participated in from the American Revolution to the campaigns in Iraq and Afghanistan are represented by individual streamers affixed to the Army flag. Members from the audience assisted during the ceremony by retrieving those battle streamers as the narrator recognized each historical period of service.

Special thanks to our partners QinetiQ North America, VFW Post #477, Association of the U.S. Army, Humana, Nova Corporation, and Giant Food Stores for serving as event sponsors. We are also grateful for those of you who privately supported the dinner and to the Cedar Cliff JROTC Color Guard, for their assistance throughout the evening.

KOREAN WAR EXHIBIT DEDICATION

July 27, 2013 marked the 60th anniversary of the signing of
the Korean War Armistice. To commemorate the occasion, USAHEC formally unveiled the centerpiece to its new Korean War exhibit along the Army Heritage Trail — an eye-catching, tiger-striped M46 Patton Tank and accompanying Soldier stories.

MAJ (Ret.) David Teich, who served in the 6th Medium Tank Battalion, and BG (Ret.) James Herbert, then Captain of the 8th Ranger Company, provided harrowing recollections of their experience confronting a Communist offensive in the spring of 1951. Several Veterans from the 8th Ranger Company also attended the ceremony and shared their personal stories with visitors. Our distinguished guest, Republic of Korea Consul General Son Se-joo, spoke to the crowd about the lasting relationship between our two countries and stressed the Korean peoples’ admiration of American sacrifice on the peninsula.

USAHEC and Foundation staffs were glad to see such a massive turnout and outpour of public support for our country’s “forgotten” heroes. If you were unable to attend the ceremony, please come and see USAHEC’s newest trail exhibit.

2013 MEMBERSHIP DINNER & SILENT AUCTION

Don’t forget about the Foundation’s upcoming Membership Dinner & Silent Auction on Friday, November 8th at USAHEC. Invitations were mailed last month and we continue to accept RSVPs. This year’s honorees include Living Legend BG (Ret.) Anna Mae Hays, the Army’s first female general officer and Boots on the Ground recipients Hendrick Motorsports and the Family Readiness Group of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 109th Infantry Regiment of the Pennsylvania National Guard. Both are being recognized for their commitment to the Army, its Soldiers, and their Families. Finally, former Military History Institute staff members Dr. Richard Sommers, Mr. Randy Hackenburg, and Mr. John Slonaker will receive the Foundation’s MG John Armstrong Award for their role in developing USAHEC’s archives, photo collection, and patron services into a nationally recognized public resource. Please join us for what is sure to be another wonderful evening.

Silent auction items have started to arrive and there is sure to be something for everyone. We are eager to announce that VIP tickets to The Daily Show with Jon Stewart, Southwest Airlines tickets, Day passes to Walt Disney World, an American flag flown over the U.S. Capitol on the Army’s Birthday, and a copy of Saving Private Ryan autographed by Stephen Spielberg will be among the items up for bid. The Foundation continues to accept silent auction materials and dinner sponsorships. If you wish to contribute to the silent auction or want to serve as an event sponsor, please contact Amanda Neal at (717) 258-1102 or ahcfadmin@armyheritage.org for more information.

FALL APPEAL

In the coming weeks, you will receive the Foundation’s fall appeal letter requesting unrestricted donations to support the Foundation’s operations. We need your help!

As an IRS recognized 501(c)(3) charitable organization, the Foundation is an independent entity, altogether separate from the Federal government and the U.S. Army. Like any other non-profit, the Foundation depends on the generosity of private and corporate donors to operate and to accomplish its mission.

Since 2010, the Foundation has secured more than $12 million to build the first phase of the Visitor and Education Center and support infrastructure on the USAHEC campus. The Foundation accomplished this efficiently — serving as project manager to control costs. Today, we need your support to sustain our efforts to raise the funds to support the construction of the Soldier art gallery and multipurpose space that will allow us to present larger programs.

Much of the work the Foundation performs “behind-the-scenes” directly relates to the future growth of USAHEC’s campus. Promoting USAHEC through purchases of media (they cannot); traveling to speaking engagements; and hosting special events that honor Soldiers or expose USAHEC to the public are often overlooked but absolutely fundamental to the Foundation’s overall mission. Your gift to the operating funds campaign is tax-deductible to the full extent of the law and should be viewed as service to the continuation of the Foundation’s mission to expand USAHEC and its public outreach. We are confident that many of you will answer our plea and demonstrate your support. Remember, a gift in any amount makes a difference. Let’s make this a record fall campaign so the Foundation has the capacity to pursue a fully developed Visitor and Education Center in 2014!

Kristopher A. Ruth
Development Assistant
Education Program Update

On May 26, 1865, a Civil War Soldier, having just participated in the Grand Review, wrote to his fiancée from Washington, D.C.:

My Dear Anna

Many of my friends... leave for home this next week having served nearly 3 years. It seems hard to part with them I assure you. They are bound to me by nearer ties than could have formed in civil life shoulder to shoulder we have stood through all. It seems like separating with Brothers. God Bless Them & Guard them wherever they are... Every good noble feeling has been enlarged while in the army although as they will be very rough yet beneath that rough surface beats a hearts so warm & true as never beat beneath the breast of a stay at home rop...

Army has been a grand school to foster ones best impulses here he has learned the best & most useful lessons of life & we can go back to a citizens life feeling proud of our position in the years of 61-5...

Abial H. Edwards

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Edwards expressed a sentiment shared by all Soldiers: awareness that the strong bonds of loyalty and friendship that develop in the Army persist long after the hardships of service are forgotten. The Education Department is dedicated to telling the story of the Army so that students and the public will understand the Soldier’s unique perspectives on life, service, loyalty, and duty. Edwards’ story, along with the stories of dozens of other Soldiers, is included in the educational materials on the Foundation website and in the exhibits at USAHEC.

This past summer was marked by the departure of Education Assistant Paul Kurzawa. After two years with the Foundation, Paul is moving on to pursue a career in nursing. We wish him the best of luck and thank him for his outstanding service. We welcome our new Education Assistant Lucy Chubb, an experienced teacher and National History Day in Pennsylvania volunteer. Please join us in extending her a warm welcome.

Our Veterans Oral History Program provides students with a rare opportunity to learn about history directly from the men and women who served in uniform while history unfolded around them. The program, now entering into its fourth year, facilitates students’ face-to-face interactions with Veterans from World War II through the present. This year, we are focusing on Vietnam Veterans. Their stories will help the current generation of students understand the value of service and sacrifice and teach them timely and important lessons about the challenges faced by Soldiers returning home from war. Participating students and Veterans attended a training session on September 25th at USAHEC. The students were given a meal of MREs, and, as usual, about half of the students enjoyed the novelty, while the other half was less than enthusiastic about Army field rations.

The 2013 Ruth Fellowship was awarded to Clint Wayne Thompson from the University of Texas. Even though he is just beginning his graduate studies, he came highly recommended. Mr. Thompson spent three weeks at USAHEC researching the Colmar Pocket in World War II. Before leaving, he expressed his hope to return, stating “I could research my entire dissertation here.” The Ruth Fellowship is funded through the generosity of Foundation Board member, Mr. Chris Glason, in honor and memory of members of his family. Foundation members interested in contributing to the Ruth Fellowship Fund or in establishing a fellowship of their own are welcome to contact us to inquire further.

Website development continues with the upcoming addition of a photo gallery showcasing photographs of the 101st Airborne Division’s deployment to Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1957. Foundation members are invited to send in ideas and suggestions for additional materials they would like to see included on the education pages.

Due to the continued support of the Carlisle Barracks Spouses Club and the Cumberland Valley Chapter of the Association of the United States Army, the Foundation hosted the second annual Day at the Museum event for Carlisle Barracks youth. Attendees enjoyed a tour of the Army Heritage Trail, the Soldier Experience Gallery, and engaged in hands-on learning experiences.

We will soon begin offering night-time Lantern Tours of the Army Heritage Trail. Anyone interested in booking a tour should contact the Foundation.

National History Day in Pennsylvania remains our most far reaching program for engaging students. Each year, over 12,000 students participate throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. More than 1,100 students, teachers, parents, and volunteers attended the statewide competition on May 3 and 4 at Cumberland Valley High School. Judges
selected 64 students to attend the national contest. This year’s delegation was one of the strongest Pennsylvania has sent in years, resulting in a stellar performance. Pennsylvania students took one third-place award, one second-place award, and two first-place awards. The two first-place winners were both military history projects that the students researched at USAHEC. One of these, an exhibit about the Lewis and Clark expedition will be on display at our membership dinner in November and was selected for exhibition at the Smithsonian Institute’s National Museum of American History.

Through the NHD in PA program and other Foundation efforts, USAHEC is developing a national reputation as an outstanding archival resource for high school and middle school students and teachers. Students remain one of the most important audiences for *Telling the Army Story... One Soldier at a Time.*

*Jeff Hawks*
*Education Director*

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**USAHEC Director’s Update**

Colonel Matthew Dawson

Team, I was on temporary duty when the last newsletter was published, so it is good to be back with you. The U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center (USAHEC) continues to move forward, thanks to the hard work, dedication, patience, and professionalism of a great team — civilian government employees, non-profit employees, non-appropriated fund employees, interns, volunteers, service members (both active and reserve), and a host of ambassadors and supporters.

Like any organization, we have faced challenges over the past several months. We recently experienced U.S. Army War College staff assistance visits, a Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) staff assistance visit, a NATO inspection, a TRADOC accreditation visit, a Center of Military History museum certification visit, end of fiscal year close out, and so on. We also faced and overcame significant budget reductions and furloughs. With each hurdle, we got better and learned. I can tell you that the team has performed remarkably well through all of these challenges. Of note, the professionalism of the staff was highlighted in their response to furloughs. Work may have slowed, but positive attitudes won the day, and the team emerged stronger and more focused. As I write, we are facing another furlough situation at the end of this fiscal year. On top of all that has occurred and is likely coming, our teammates have not missed a beat — in fact, they excelled, creating more and better opportunities.

We are proud to announce that the U.S. Army War College Library (USAWC Library) is now part of our USAHEC team. This change gives us an opportunity to relook library, and other, functions and structure across the U.S. Army War College (USAWC) and USAHEC — it is full of opportunities. We have already started to learn from each other and find better ways to deliver services and support. The road ahead is long, requiring patience and understanding from all as we reexamine how we support varied customers, but it is a challenge we are happy and excited to face. The USAWC team is professional and skilled. We welcome them with open arms and hope you will find the time to acknowledge their great work and welcome them to the USAHEC family.

I’d like to take a moment to simply list a few of the recent or ongoing activities that highlight the great work ongoing at your Center:

- We opened up a new exhibit to commemorate the 1863 campaigns of the Civil War in the *Soldier Experience Gallery* this past May.
- The Korean War Commemoration in July was a joint effort, with the Foundation in the lead, and it was a huge success; the veterans and attendees, including the Korean Consul General of New York and seven veterans who participated in the action that our Army Heritage Trail exhibit commemorates, made it special.
- USAHEC is now the host for the USAWC Strategic Arts Film Program, in partnership with USAWC, the Army Heritage Center Foundation, and AUSA; I encourage you to join us for a film, moderated by the best USAWC has to offer.
- We added a Bradley Fighting Vehicle in August to the trail, and we converted a hallway in the building into...
an exhibit honoring service in Kuwait and Iraq for Operations IRAQI FREEDOM and NEW DAWN this past month.

- Our art gallery, mentioned in the previous letter, is still on track (literally, the track lighting has been installed); it will open in November with the Carl Holmstrom exhibit.

- Our fabrication and exhibit design teams continue to improve the quality and speed of their work (something I would have considered impossible, given the great work they have already been doing); the products include some new efforts to highlight improvised explosive devices.

- Processing and cataloging efforts are simply remarkable; it would take a full letter to just cover what the teams are doing — daily — to make materials available.

- Customer service remains world class, with researchers and global virtual customers demanding, and receiving, more and more of what we have to offer.

- Support being provided to the force — the Army, Services, and others — is stretching the team; the success of our efforts to rapidly provide information to work groups and leaders is remarkable.

- We have supported dozens of staff rides, visits, tours, and events over the summer — too numerous to mention — and each one of them was a team effort; all of them executed to standard and without one complaint (in fact, I continually receive notes thanking me for the great support and professionalism of our teammates).

- Our oral history with General Casey is in progress, done in partnership with the faculty of USAWC.

- We are working an initiative to publish an article or story in at least one publication in all 50 states.

- Our photo contest is ongoing. See our website for details.

- Oktoberfest is coming back to the USAHEC campus, led by the great MWR and Carlisle Barracks garrison team.

- We are within weeks of going live with our Digital Archives initiative.

- Our conservators continue to improve our processes and policies, working daily to protect and preserve the paper and artifacts that are at the very heart of why we are here.

- The staff and facilities team continues to work behind the scenes to keep us all on track and safe, synchronizing and executing hundreds of projects and events, large and small.

- Speaking of “behind the scenes,” there are three major initiatives ongoing that are worthy of mention. Given all that the team does, it is important for you to understand that we are working these initiatives:
  - A full library inventory is ongoing.
  - We are about to start our first archival assessment, in partnership with a Corps of Engineers program.
  - The museum “tiger team” is completely re-housing our entire collection.

These three long term projects are guaranteed to give us a better understanding of what we have, improve our efforts to prioritize work, and show us where we have gaps in the holdings. The work takes time and can be frustrating, but the team is committed to working together and finding solutions. We are learning and getting better every day.

In closing, I wanted to share a personal observation. Writing this newsletter was an eye-opener. I have always been proud to work with and for this team (the team includes our great Foundation partners), but capturing just the highlights of the last few months reminded me of all that this team does...and can do. We certainly owe thanks to the men and women of the Army Heritage Center Foundation, the USAWC team, TRADOC, the Center of Military History, and a host of volunteers and supporters to mention just a few, but you should know that your USAHEC team is pretty talented. Despite continued on page 9
the challenges and frustration of reorganizing, furloughs, inspections, shutdown, and the like, our teammates are capable and amazing. They remain committed to a positive, collaborative approach to all challenges, despite inevitable tension, disagreement, and frustration. It is an honor to be associated with a great team of teams here at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center.

So, please allow me just a moment to say -- Thank You! One Team, Army Strong.

COL Matthew Dawson
Director, USAHEC

USAHEC Collection Update

COLLECTIONS MANAGEMENT: RECENT ACQUISITIONS AND PROCESSED COLLECTIONS

In recent months, the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center received several donations of historical materials covering almost every aspect of the history of the U.S. Army.

USAHEC received in early September and is currently conducting the registration and initial processing of the Corporal Joseph Boskin collection. Corporal Boskin was assigned to the Transportation Arctic Group (TRARG), 9223d Technical Service Unit, Ft. Eustis, Virginia. Operations involved deployment to Greenland to conduct scientific and technical research, data collection, and experimentation from 1953 to 1954. Joseph Boskin is currently a Professor Emeritus of American social history and African American studies at Boston University and has authored many articles and books. The Boskin collection is comprised of archival, library, and museum materials. He has kindly donated a copy of his book Corporal Boskin's Cold War: A Comical Journey, Author’s notes, the Diary of Corporal David B. Van Dommelen, unpublished memoir of David B. Van Dommelen, TRARG unit papers, and excerpts from the final report, photos, maps, illustrations, and 150 slides of Thule Air Force Base, ice cap camps, personnel, and surrounding environment. The collection also includes uniform items worn by him, geological specimens, and artifacts collected by him during the expedition.

COL William McLaen received his commission from R.O.T.C. at St. Bonaventure University. After graduation in 1987, he was assigned to the 206th Military Police Company in the New York National Guard. In 1990, he and his unit were called to federal service as part of Desert Shield and Desert Storm. His first combat experience was being in the vicinity of the February 25, 1991 SCUD missile attack against U.S. barracks and facilities in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. His main duty was at an Enemy Prisoner of War Camp while serving in Saudi Arabia with the 206th MP Company. COL McLaen’s collection consists of a Veteran’s Survey and an artifact collection from his service during Desert Shield and Desert Storm. Some of the donated equipment used by McLaen and his men include his M.P. arm brassard, prisoner of war jumpsuit, sign, and megaphone.

Mr. Earl Swarner was a Medic assigned to Company C of the 14th Engineer Combat Battalion during the Korean Conflict (1953-1954). The 14th Engineer Combat Battalion served with the 25th Infantry Division and was crucial to the breakout of the Pusan Perimeter. Mr. Swarner’s donation consisted of 269 slides taken during his service in Korea with the 14th Engineer Battalion. In addition to the slides, Mr. Swarner completed a Veteran’s survey and donated a hand embroidered handkerchief that was used as an identifying marker for the location of the Company Aid Station.

The Ruth Rappaport Collection consists largely of photographs, but also of letters, travel documents, citations, and memorandums. Rappaport, who fled Germany as a teenager because she was Jewish, served as a civilian librarian for the U.S. Department of Defense in Vietnam from 1962-1970.

The Carpenter Family Collection is a family collection that spans U.S. Army military history from the Civil War to the Spanish-American War. Brigadier General Gilbert S. Carpenter, the patriarch of the family, offers first-hand accounts and insights of both wars. The collection also includes many decades of personal interactions between the generations of this Army family.

The Louis T. Kestner, Jr. Papers consists primarily of letters to his Family. The collection tells his story in his own words, describing his training, his friendships, his hopes, and his service. He trained for nearly two years as a bombardier
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during World War II in the 39th Bombardment Squadron but lost his life during his fourth mission in the Pacific Theater.

**ARMY HERITAGE MUSEUM: UPCOMING ART EXHIBIT — THE WORKS OF CARL HOLMSTRUM**

“Trapped in a German POW camp during World War II, Carl Holmstrom spent two years capturing prison life in his art. His drawings and watercolors depict the suffering and humor of confinement in Stalag Luft III.” Holmstrom, a Connecticut native, studied art and graduated from the Pratt Institute in New York in 1940. After enlisting in the United States Army Air Corps on March 6, 1941 and completing his training as a bombardier at Midland, Texas, he was commissioned a Lieutenant and sent overseas. On January 3, 1943, he was taken prisoner by the Germans in the Tunisian desert when his plane crash landed. He was shipped to Poland and then to the Stalag Luft III prison camp in Sagan, Germany, finally being liberated by General George Patton’s Third Army on April 29, 1945. When Mrs. Holmstrom donated the artwork to the Military History Institute in 1980, she remarked that her husband Carl mailed some of the drawings home to his mother and the rest he carried with him all over Europe, even during the forced marches. “He thought that he had something that he could give to this country.” The artwork of Carl Holmstrom, after being in storage for more than thirty years, will be the inaugural exhibition in the newly created “General Omar Nelson Bradley Memorial Art Gallery” in Ridgway Hall. The Carl H. Holmstrom exhibition will open on November 7 and will be on display until June of 2014.

**USAHEC CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Perspectives in Military History Lecture Series—Visitor and Education Center—7:15 p.m.**

- October 16, 2013 (Wednesday)
  Frank L. Jones
  **Title: Blowtorch: Robert Komer, Vietnam, and the American Cold War Strategy**

- November 20, 2013 (Wednesday)
  Rajiv Chandrasekaran
  **Title: The Longest War: A Discussion of U.S. Strategy in Afghanistan**

- December 18, 2013 (Wednesday)
  Dr. Michael D. Gambone
  **Title: Small Wars: Low-Intensity Threats and the American Response since Vietnam**

- January 15, 2014 (Wednesday)
  COL Gian Gentile
  **Title: Wrong Turn: America’s Deadly Embrace of Counterinsurgency**

- February 19, 2014 (Wednesday)
  Dr. William T. Allison
  **Title: Tet Offensive in the Vietnam War**

- March 19, 2014 (Wednesday)
  Steve Vogel
  **Title: Through the Perilous Fight: Six Weeks that Saved the Nation (War of 1812, Chesapeake Campaign)**

**Brooks E. Kleber Memorial Readings in Military History—Visitor and Education Center—7:15 p.m.**

- November 7, 2013 (Thursday)
  Richard Shawn Faulkner, Ph.D.
  **Title: The School of Hard Knocks: Combat Leadership in the American Expeditionary Forces**

- February 6, 2014 (Thursday)
  COL Peter Mansoor, Ph.D. (R)
  **Title: Surge: My Journey with General David Petraeus and the Remaking of the Iraq War**

**SPECIAL EXHIBITS and EVENTS**

- Current Exhibit, 2nd Floor, Ridgway Hall
  **Title: “America’s Last Five Star General”**
  An in-depth look at the life of “The Soldier’s General” General of the Army Omar N. Bradley

- Understanding War Through Imagery: The Civil War in American Memory
  Civil War Photographic Exhibit, 2nd Floor, Ridgway Hall
  This exhibit is a showcase of USAHEC’s Civil War photography collection.

- The Soldier Experience Gallery Exhibit, The Visitor and Education Center
  This exhibit is a showcase of USAHEC’s artifacts and Soldier Stories.

**UPCOMING EXHIBITS**

- Art Exhibit
  The Works of Carl Holmstrom, Grand Opening
  November 7, 2013
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