



# Army Heritage Center Foundation

# Update

Fall 2019 Newsletter

## Letter from the Executive Director, AHCF

Our spring and summer at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center (USAHEC) has been busy, but no complaints—we want visitors, and we want researchers who can spread the news of the great exhibits and programs in the galleries and the outstanding collections available for research in the reading room.

This newsletter is a bit different from others. More photos and, more importantly, a better description of the roles of the USAHEC staff members are highlighted. This is an important focus, for many of our guests do not get to see the great work done behind the scenes by the catalogers in the Library and by the curators and conservationist staff and in the Conservation Center. While the effort to digitize the collection is visible—boxes on pallets ready for transfer to the digitization site—the curatorial and conservationist staffs are busy preparing for future exhibits highlighting Desert Shield and Desert Storm and the Wars of the Western Frontier. Please read the reports of the USAHEC Director, Mr. Geoffrey Mangelsdorf and his staff to learn more.

The Foundation's spring and summer was highlighted by special events and youth camps. Always an all hands on deck effort, the Foundation, with the Education Department in the lead, held another statewide National History Day in PA contest in May selecting more than 60 students to attend the national competition in June at College Park, Maryland. In



*Clean Up detail, Colorado; painting by Frederick Counsel currently on display at USAHEC.*

June, the Foundation hosted the Army's 244<sup>th</sup> Birthday Dinner with MG Kem, Commandant of the U.S. Army War College, serving as our keynote speaker. Then, the summer was consumed by three sessions of the Soldier Experience Living History Adventure Camp and finalizing the plans for the construction of the event pavilion. At the same time, the Foundation's board of directors began a

systematic review of our mission, our vision, and our objectives as we seek to improve our support to USAHEC.

If you have not visited lately, please come! This past summer the USAHEC staff opened two new exhibits. The first—*Where the Hell is Korea*—is dedicated to our Soldiers who fought during the Korean War. The second, in the General Omar N. Bradley Art Gallery, displays the watercolors of Frederick Counsel, a Pennsylvania native, who captured camp life in the states during World War II.

As always, we thank you for your support and hope that you will continue to appreciate the Foundation's efforts to support "Telling the Army story . . . one Soldier at a time." Only with your assistance can we grow and enhance USAHEC.

Have a great fall and Holiday Season and please visit!

**Mike Perry**  
*Executive Director*

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**NOVEMBER 2, 2019 BEGINNING AT 6 PM**  
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# Development Update



## EVENT PAVILION

Construction for the new event pavilion on the Army Heritage Trail is slated to begin soon. This project is in conjunction with R.S. Mowery and Cumberland Perry Area Vocational and Technical School. R.S. Mowery is donating design services and Cumberland Perry Vo-Tech's carpentry students will assemble the structure. The project is expected to be completed in early November.

The event pavilion, located adjacent to the Visitor and Education Center, will replace the tents used for events that are currently in place on the Army Heritage Trail. These tents have only been available from April through October and must be taken down by USAHEC staff in the event of severe weather. The new permanent pavilion structure, designed to resemble a Quonset hut, will have optional side walls, which will allow the structure to be used year round.

We thank the Stabler Foundation, the Lucinda Gossett Trust, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion posts that contributed funds toward the construction of the project. We would also like to thank R.S. Mowery and Cumberland Perry Area Vocational and Technical School for the donation of their expertise, time, and labor that have made this project possible.

## WAYS TO GIVE

We appreciate our members' generous contributions that allow us to continue to grow the USAHEC campus and provide meaningful programming to the community. We would also like to remind our members that while we appreciate their cash contributions, we can also accept donations in the form of marketable securities, bequests, beneficiary designations under revocable trusts, life insurance policies, commercial annuities, retirement plans, charitable remainder trusts, and charitable lead trusts. Please also consider pledging a gift sum that is spread out over a period of more than one year.

## LEGACY GIVING

If you support the Foundation's mission and programs and would like to help see that they continue into the future, please consider our Legacy Giving program by including the Army

Heritage Center Foundation in your will or estate planning. If any of these other options appeal to you, please contact the Foundation offices for more information on how to give.

We want to thank those supporters that have advised us that they plan to use their estate to support us. Those individuals include Board member Joseph Capita, historian and Council of Advisor member Carol Reardon, BG(R) Domenic Rocco, *Board Emeritus* and Tracy Sommers, spouse of historian Dr. Richard Sommers.

## FOUNDATION SPECIAL EVENTS

### ARMY BIRTHDAY DINNER



We would like to thank everyone who attended our seventh annual Army Birthday Dinner on June 1. This event marked the 244<sup>th</sup> Birthday of the U.S. Army and was held at USAHEC.

The highlight of this wonderful evening was our guest speaker, Major General John Kem, the Commandant of the U.S. Army War College. He previously served as the first Provost of the Army University, Deputy Commandant of the Command and General Staff College, and Commanding General, United States Army Corps of Engineers, Northwestern Division.

This annual event allows the Central Pennsylvania region to honor the Army, its Soldiers, Veterans, and their families.

We would also like to thank our sponsors who made this wonderful evening possible. Event sponsors included Verizon, United Concordia, Highmark, Listrak, UPMC Pinnacle, M&T Bank, VFW Post 477, George and Heather Fischer, and Julie Germany.

### MEMBERSHIP DINNER

On November 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:00 p.m., we will celebrate our 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Membership and Recognition Dinner. This year, we will be honoring the contributions of Chinese-American Soldiers to the U.S. Army during World War II. Accepting **the Living Legend Award** on behalf of all World War II Chinese-American Veterans will be Mr. Harry Jung, a veteran who served as sergeant of the 414<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, 104<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division.

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Harry Jung during  
World War II

The Foundation will also be presenting the American Overseas Memorial Day Association with our **Boots on the Ground Award**. For almost one hundred years, the Association has honored the sacrifice of United States service members who lost their lives in WWI and WWII and are buried in cemeteries throughout Europe.

We hope that you can join us at what will be a truly great event!

**AOMDA** "Lest We Forget"  
American Overseas Memorial Day Association

### COMMEMORATIVE BRICK PROGRAM

Please consider honoring either your own military service or the service of a loved one with a commemorative brick to be placed on our Soldiers Walk. In addition to the brick, you will also receive a certificate suitable for framing. Not only are commemorative bricks a great way to honor your own service or that of a loved one, they also help to fund Foundation programs.



### HOLIDAY SPECIAL:

What better way to commemorate your military service or the service of a loved one than a commemorative brick placed on the Soldiers Walk at USAHEC. In addition to the tasteful commemorative brick you will also receive a certificate suitable for framing. For orders received before November 1, you are eligible to buy a ½" thick 4" x 8" replica brick for just \$10.00. These replica bricks have a \$40.00 value. These bricks make a truly unique and memorable gift for the holiday season. For more details, please contact the Foundation offices.

For more information about our brick program, please visit our website or contact the Foundation offices.

*Jevin Orcutt*  
*Development Specialist*

## Education Program Update

### FOUNDATION EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The Foundation's Education Department had a busy spring and summer. In our last newsletter, we were just gearing up for the 2019 National History Day Competition. That program was completed with great success. This summer's camp program also grew significantly. Then as we moved back into the school season, our Walk with a Veteran Program again brought students and Veterans together.

The **2019 NATIONAL HISTORY DAY IN PENNSYLVANIA STATE PROGRAM** concluded with outstanding results. Sixty students placed first or second at the NHD in PA State Contest in May, thus qualifying for the National Contest at the University of Maryland, College Park in June. There, the students distinguished themselves remarkably, winning one National Championship Gold Medal and two Silver Medals. Another ten students reached the final round and finished in the top ten in their category. An additional eleven students earned an Honorable Mention by finishing second in their category in the first round. In all, twenty-four out of sixty students (40%) earned honors at the National Contest.



From left to right: NHD National Champion Harry Murphy with his teacher Marian Gibfried from St. Peter's School, Philadelphia; Silver Medalist Taryn Flaherty from Masterman High School, Philadelphia; and Silver Medalist Taylor Barton from Donegal High School, Mount Joy.

Students at Cumberland Valley High School collected ten oral histories through their participation in the **VETERANS ORAL HISTORY PROGRAM**. Veterans this year served during Vietnam, Desert Storm, and the Global War on Terror. One veteran witnessed the 9/11 attack on the Pentagon. This year, we explored the use of online technology to conduct interviews with veterans unable to travel to the area with great success. This new capability will enable us to expand the scope of VOHP to include a much broader pool of Veterans.

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Veterans and students from the 2018-19 VOHP. From left to right: Sharon Duke (Air Force, 9/11) and Neeraja Sundara; Goutham Lakkaraju, Mark Spridigliozzi (Army, Vietnam), and Ethan Berkey; and John Hull (Army, Vietnam) with Cassandra Richwine (his granddaughter) and Jasmine Chhoeung.

The **SOLDIER EXPERIENCE ADVENTURE CAMP** concluded after a remarkable run this year, seeing 100% growth in attendance over 2018. More than 50 campers attended three sessions. Larger sessions enhanced the experience for the campers by creating the opportunity to form them into multiple squads. Our third session had 22 attendees, enabling the formation of an entire platoon.

The campers engaged in a hands-on educational program to learn about military service through activities based on Infantry training manuals from the 1980s. Conducted on the Army Heritage Trail using the living history facilities, the campers engaged in realistic drills and exercises in a simulated tactical environment. Through a series of exercises and games, campers learned teamwork, problem solving, and leadership and planning skills, while learning about Infantry tactics of the late Cold War period.



Campers practice teamwork and exercise leadership skills on patrol looking for signs of OPFOR activity on the Army Heritage Trail.

The campers were joined by Counselors in Training (CITs) recruited from past campers and the JROTC program at Cumberland Valley High School. These individuals enhanced the program through their volunteerism. We are particularly grateful to the following: veteran CITs Cadet Michael Hickey, who is starting his junior year at the Virginia Military Institute, Matt Hickey, a junior at St. Joseph's High School; and Matt Coulston, a junior at Valley Forge Military Academy. First time CITs from Cumberland Valley were: Andrew Casher, Owen Clifford, James Payne, Lauren Murphy-Sweet, Jillian Maher, and David Wardle. We would especially like to thank COL (Ret.) Frank Hancock, who volunteered his time to share his knowledge and experience with the campers.

On September 19, the Foundation hosted the **3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL WALK WITH A VETERAN** program. Over 400 students from local schools attended to tour the Army Heritage Trail accompanied by local veterans. Students completed a biographical "scavenger hunt" with their veterans while touring the Trail and interacting with reenactors. The program concluded with a ceremony to mark National POW/MIA Day with special guest Mr. Bill Dangro, who spent almost three years as a prisoner of war during the Korean War.

The **VETERANS' CAFE** returned from our summer hiatus with an event at Claremont Nursing and Rehabilitation. Moving forward, we will host free breakfasts for veterans at Cumberland Crossing in Carlisle on Saturday, October 26, and at Country Meadows in Mechanicsburg on Thursday, November 7. For more information about the Veterans Cafe program or to see our schedule of events, please visit [www.vet-cafe.com](http://www.vet-cafe.com).

2019's schedule of **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS FOR TEACHERS** continued with a well-

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West Perry Middle School Students with veterans at the Walk With a Veteran Event.

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attended workshop about the NHD in PA program on September 13<sup>th</sup>. Our final offering for the year will be a workshop on October 18 to prepare teachers for the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm. Presenters for the program will include Desert Storm veteran COL (Ret.) Frank Hancock and USAHEC Curator Ms. Molly Bompane. Education Director Jeff Hawks is also a veteran of Desert Storm.

**THANK YOU TO OUR PROGRAM SPONSORS.** These programs would not be possible without the support of our donors. We would like to thank our 2019 sponsors: **Universal Health Services of Delaware, M&T Bank, FNB Bank, Humana, United Concordia, Avalon Insurance, and Hoffman Funeral Home** for their support.

*Jeff Hawks*  
*Education Director*

## USAHEC Director's Update

Mr. Geoffrey Mangelsdorf

### CHANGE AND ANCHOR POINTS

The leaves are starting to change here in Carlisle, as I write this. Change is a wonderful thing...whether it is seasons, rotating exhibit galleries, or the evolution of the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center. You know, 20 years ago, Cumberland County transferred the land to the Army that grew into the Center we have today. We continue to expand opportunities to engage, inspire, and inform audiences about their Army—both physically and virtually.

I'm excited about another sign of change: two exhibits that we unveil this fall. Your generosity, and the Army Heritage Center Foundation, made both exhibits a reality. A local Boy Scout is orchestrating a fantastic exhibit "Liberation Pointe" which educates visitors on the sacrifices of soldiers who conducted the D-Day invasion. The exhibit depicts two service members behind a hedgehog accompanied by seven educational boards featuring photography, statistics, objectives, and individual stories from the participating soldiers. As you can imagine, he drew upon material in the rich collection at the Center.

The "American Friendship Came Across the Ocean" exhibit captures American generosity during post-World War II reconstruction, through a unique story of sister cities Albany and Nijmegen. Inspired by the actions of Lieutenant General James M. Gavin, this visiting exhibit travelled across the Atlantic for display at the Center. We're showcasing it in our conferencing space primarily to connect with different audiences. And, candidly, we're running out of space to tell the Army Story, one Soldier at a time.

I'm also looking forward to seeing construction of the new event pavilion, funded by the Foundation. The Secretary of the Army just approved the gift proffer, and construction begins soon. Looking at the design drawings evokes recollections of Quonset huts prevalent across the Army from the 40s to the 90s. In an instant, it took me back to my very first platoon in Korea. The pavilion will be perfectly suited for schoolchildren, educational programs, promotion ceremonies, and family picnics.



In a sea of change, some things remain constant—like the care we give to material in the collection or the expert services we provide our patrons. I recently spent some time with two of our experts, Ashlee Vandewater and Kiana Brown, to better understand how we maintain the archival material in the collection. Boy was I impressed. They enthusiastically spoke about their recent work organizing the World War II veterans' surveys. "We want to make this easier to use; now!" Ashley declared. Their passion was evident as they described organizing over 800 boxes of soldier surveys around Stanton's order of battle, which most researchers use for reference. Ashlee and Kiana immediately improved discoverability of the collection to our patrons.

At the same time, they prepared the veterans' surveys for the Army's ongoing digitization program, which makes our holdings available to anyone with a network connection. Expanding access to veterans' surveys keeps the memory of their extraordinary deeds alive. "We love this field!" Kiana said, as she envisioned a future that highlights more of the collection through digital curation "like a physical exhibit, but better. The internet lets you show so much more." That's the kind of thinking we need to lead us into the future.

Change and growth are exciting, and I love how the Center and the Foundation work together and lead change. It is a model of public-private ventures. One look at the last 20 years of change at the Center tells the story. We've literally grown from a corn field to a thriving campus populated by experts focused on engaging, inspiring, and informing people about our Army. Our results are only possible by donations from you and others like you. Come by and see us soon—bring a friend, and show off what we are accomplishing together.

I look forward to chatting with you in November, at the Foundation's Membership and Recognition Dinner. – *Geoff*

# USAHEC Divisions Updates

## ARMY HERITAGE MUSEUM (AHM)



VII Corps Commander GEN (R) Fred Franks with Curator of Arms and Ordnance, Molly Bompane.

Ms. Molly Bompane, USAHEC's Curator of Arms and Ordnance, is currently working on the Center's next exhibit: *This Will Not Stand: The U.S. Army's Road to Victory during Operation Desert Storm*. With the help of the Foundation's Director, Mike Perry, Ms. Bompane was able to interview GEN (R) Frederick Franks about his time as VII Corps Commander during Operation Desert Storm and its famous "Left Hook". Ms. Bompane also discussed

GEN (R) Franks' leadership style, his strength and triumph through adversity, the importance and role of Army spouses in wartime, as well as the U.S. Army post Vietnam and its subsequent renaissance and renewed focus on training, to the development and application of its Airland Battle doctrine.

Ms. Bompane was also fortunate to speak with LTG (R) Paul E. Funk and his son GEN Paul E. Funk II, current Commanding General of the Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC), about their service during the Gulf War, deploying as a family, and the importance of family, leader development, and the current challenges that face the Army. As USAHEC's mission is "Telling the Army Story ... One Soldier at a Time", the Operation Desert Storm exhibit will highlight Gen (R) Franks' and both LTG (R) and GEN Funk's Soldier stories along with numerous other Soldiers of different Military Occupational Specialties, rank, gender, and race – including both officers and enlisted.

The exhibit will draw on, utilize, and showcase the vast artifact and archival collections held here at USAHEC in order to tell the story of Operation Desert Storm through the Soldiers that served during that time. As USAHEC moves into the future with its very ambitious digitization program to bring our collections to a worldwide audience and help inform Army leaders, the exhibit will begin to include digitized collections and artifacts related to Operation Desert Storm as these resources become available.

The exhibit will replace the current World War I exhibit and open in the spring of 2020 in the Hall of the American Soldier which was generously funded, built, and donated by the Army Heritage Center Foundation. Ms. Bompane is currently talking to veterans of Operation Desert Storm. If you would

like to share your experience with her, she would love to speak with you. She can be reached at [molly.a.bompane.civ@mail.mil](mailto:molly.a.bompane.civ@mail.mil). We look forward to your visit!

## COLLECTIONS MANAGEMENT (CM)

Fantastic work continues within our Collections Management Team! If you have walked through our exhibits, then you've seen the tremendous work performed by Objects Conservator, Cynthia Blechl. She is responsible for conserving the museum objects at USAHEC which means she cleans, stabilizes, and sometimes repairs the artifacts before they go on exhibit. One artifact, in particular to highlight is the Chaplain's Field Organ in our recently opened exhibit, *Where the Hell is Korea?: Warfare in the Land of Sorrow*.

After examining the field organ, she proposed various conservation treatments to the Curator. Cynthia's recommendations were quickly accepted, and she immediately initiated the detailed work. The primary consideration was how to support the body of the field organ during treatment and exhibit as the original support equipment was missing. Our very talented Exhibit Fabrication Department constructed the Plexiglas support that is currently displayed with the field organ. Once the field organ was properly supported and in the correct position, the repair of loose or detached material could proceed. While adhesives were curing, the entire surface of the field organ was cleaned. Not only was the surface soiled but the lacquer barrier on the outer surface of the field organ had yellowed with time. The surface soiling was removed since dust not only changes the appearance of the object but it also attracts moisture and pests. The lacquer that had yellowed was removed as it was felt this detracted from the visual experience of the field organ.



Chaplain's Field Organ before conservation treatment.



*Cynthia Blechl (on the right) is cleaning the bellows using deionized water and cotton-tipped applicators in our state of the art facility. April Berry (on the left) is adhering the loose strap to the back of the pedal.*

The conservation treatment of the field organ was carried out over the course of three months with the invaluable help of Cynthia's colleagues, April Berry, Objects Conservator, Center for Military History, and Jordan Ferraro, Paper Conservator, USAHEC.

A photograph of the Chaplain's Field Organ after conservation treatment is not included because we hope you will visit USAHEC and see it in person!

## **HISTORICAL SERVICES DIVISION (HSD)**

“Offering hard-hitting investigative reports, interviews, feature segments, and profiles of people in the news”—not (quite) a description of HSD, but of an entity the HSD team recently supported: CBS's *60 Minutes*. On April 4, the team was asked to compare casualty figures for the World War II Battles of Attu and Iwo Jima, for a *60 Minutes* segment on Attu which aired April 7. Dr. Michael Lynch, Senior Historian, and Frank Smiley, an intern from the University of Denver, produced the study, which concluded that the ratio of American to Japanese casualties at the lesser-known Battle of Attu were nearly equal to that of Iwo Jima. This action exemplifies the expert services of HSD and their proven reliability as a source of authoritative knowledge.

Another major endeavor for the HSD team was support to the incoming Chief of Staff of the Army (CSA), GEN James McConville. The team provided “Passing the Colors: Leadership Transitions of U.S. Army Chiefs of Staff” to his transition team, who immediately handed off the study to GEN McConville. The study looked at issues CSAs from 1972 (GEN Creighton Abrams) to 2019 (GEN Mark Milley) have faced— budget, end strength, force structure, relations with Congress, and more. Each HSD team member and two interns (Sophia Nee, Dickinson College, and Evan Adams,

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign) contributed in a variety of ways to the updated study. A major addition in 2019 was an analysis of how the Army has looked at readiness during war and the challenges created by sequestration.

HSD's most important future endeavor will be continuing to furnish studies and historical materials to Task Force Talent Management as the Task Force develops plans to reform the Army's personnel system.

## **VISITOR AND EDUCATION SERVICES (VES)**

As we stood in the field watching the first flyover, one of the staff overheard an elderly gentlemen behind them say to a family member, “I jumped out of one of those on D-Day.” Of course that caught the staff's attention and just as we began to engage him about his experiences another WWII vet wheeled up to let the first know that he was one of the ground crewmen that supported the C-47s at the British airfields. What an opportunity to meet these two American heroes, both well into their 90s! With more than 8,500 visitors over two days, beautiful weather most of the time, and a Huey helicopter landing in our front yard, you could not have asked for a better event.



*The Douglas C-47 roars overhead while paratroopers of the 506<sup>th</sup> PAR prepare for a jump into D-day as part of the Army Heritage Days program at USAHEC.*

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It is safe to say that this year's Army Heritage Days was one of our best yet. The event marked the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of D-Day, the invasion that was a pivotal moment for Allied troops fighting in the European Theater during World War II. Of course, one of the best ways we could illustrate the complexity of that operation was to have period airplanes in the sky and a paratrooper display on the ground. We were able to feature a Douglas C-47 and a P-51 Mustang, two of the planes that helped the Allies achieve victory in WWII. Another aspect of the program was the paratroopers of the 506<sup>th</sup> Parachute Infantry Regiment Reenactment group with a ground display of gear, including a WWII-era parachute.

A significant accomplishment for the Center this spring was reaching more than 60,000 downloads of our podcasts. Three years ago, we entered into the digital world with our lectures through different streaming media outlets. Nearly all of our lectures are recorded and have been made available through our website and YouTube for many years. Adding in podcasts took the lectures to a whole different level of exposure worldwide!

This past spring, our USAHEC Educator, Karl Warner, in conjunction with our crack team of Volunteer education aids (Pete LaFata, Joe Boslet, Mike Zang, and Dave Calhoun) hosted more than 2,900 school aged children on the Army Heritage Trail to participate in our revised school aged educational program. Mr. Warner took over the program entirely this year and redesigned the program into a fixed stations-style program where the schools guide themselves around to the different stops and encounter living history personnel along the trail. Reenactors provide the students with a story of the particular military time period they are representing and the skills that a Soldier or Army civilian from that time period would need to employ to do their job successfully. The change in program allowed USAHEC to handle more kids in the program at one time and allowed the teachers and students to focus more on information that was relevant to what they were currently learning in school. The reviews are in, and overall, the teachers and students really enjoyed the program change.

We have an extensive calendar of events planned for the fall and winter months. USAHEC is supporting Carlisle Barracks' Oktoberfest with educational programs. We will have some of our historical interpreters on the Army Heritage Trail October 5 and 6 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm each day. On October 16, we are hosting the National Park Service Superintendent, Mr. Brandon Bies, Manassas National Battlefield Park. His lecture, "Broken Lives and Shattered Bones," will review the 2014 dig of a field hospital site at Manassas and describe how it changed how we think about field surgeons and hospital care during the Civil War. On November 7, we will host Mr. Peter Stark for a discussion of his book "Young Washington: How Wilderness and War Forged America's Founding Father", and how little



*A Traditional Native American Dancer of the Red Blanket Group performs before a packed house at the 2018 Native American Heritage Month event.*

we know about the history of our first President. In addition, we will host the Red Blanket Dancers for Native American Heritage Month on November 15. If you have not seen this performing group express Native American history through dance, you are in for quite the treat! In addition, we will host the Carlisle Town Band Christmas Show on December 15 and our Reenactor Recruitment Day program on February 8.

If you would like to find out more about any of our events and programs, please visit the USAHEC website at [www.usahec.org](http://www.usahec.org) or call 717-245-3972 for more information. And don't forget to follow USAHEC on Facebook and Twitter for exciting updates!

### U.S. ARMY WAR COLLEGE LIBRARY



*Mr. Thomas Moss leads a seminar through a hands-on library database exercise.*

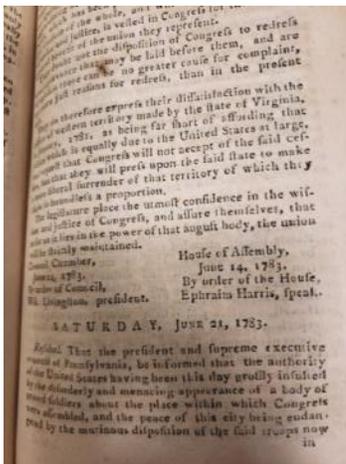
Our expert Library team introduced the entire body of resident students to Library programs and services during Zero Week – preparing them for the upcoming Academic Year. The team conducted intense hands-on instruction providing the necessary foundational knowledge of Library collections and a detailed overview of all the available research tools offered to support academic inquiry.

Library Technicians Ms. Lana Ingram and Ms. Justine Melone initiated a project to enable greater access to the nearly 7,200 books, many of them unique holdings only found in a very



Ms. Lana Ingram and Ms. Justine Melone in the rare books section

small number of libraries, that comprise the Library's rare book collection. Much of this collection has been closed to research since late 2017 upon the discovery of mold and was also uncatalogued and unsearchable. After the mold was remediated and the materials were cleared for release back into the Library collection, they developed a plan to catalog and process approximately 1,800 previously uncatalogued items in addition to the existing collection so the entire rare book collection will be searchable and available for use by visiting researchers. It is a tremendous effort that will greatly enhance access and research capability.



Title page and proceeding of June 21 referencing the mutiny.

A treasure in this collection is the *Journal of the United States in Congress Assembled* (1783)—a daily record of the proceedings of the Congress. There are only 24 known copies. 1783 is especially interesting because it is the year of the Pennsylvania Mutiny, when Congress was forced to flee Philadelphia after 400 mutinous Continental Army soldiers demanding back pay mobbed the State House on June 20. Congress reconvened in Princeton the next day.

Between April and July, the Library team also developed and published five LibGuides, providing selected resources on key topics critical to the U.S. Army War College curriculum and research, but also of far-reaching importance to our external audiences.

## MILITARY HISTORY INSTITUTE (MHI)

MHI maintains primary focus on the huge Army Digitization initiative. The Army has provided funding to digitize USAHEC's entire collection of manuscripts and photos in a projected five-year project. The new digital system will make every page of every document and each photo within USAHEC's collections available to the general public online. The team will soon complete the base year's goals and will quickly transition to the 2<sup>nd</sup> year's effort. A lot of lessons learned over the past year will greatly enhance our abilities through the overall effort.

The Harold R. Bull Papers are uploaded in the new archival digital system. Bull was Eisenhower's G-3 at Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces (SHAEF). This effort was a one-person show by Ms. Jessica Walker, one of our new Archivist Technicians. Jessica took a collection of physical papers and transformed them into multiple types of digital files to make them viewable on the world-wide web. Besides creating the digital images for every page, she created the metadata files that are the heart of true digitization. She came to us from the Non-Appropriated Fund (NAF) side of civil service, having worked the Bradley Collection.

Over the last few months, MHI engaged diverse audiences, domestic, civilian, military, and international, about our rich holdings in multiple media and how those materials relate to them. These efforts directly support the Army's focus on both strengthening its alliances and building partnerships. These visits consisted of Senior Leaders from the United Kingdom, New Zealand, Germany, and some of our own Pennsylvania Representatives.

Highlighting USAHEC's educational expertise and engagement with joint Reserve Components, MHI's Division Chief led battlefield staff rides for the 105<sup>th</sup> and 109<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wings, NYANG, in Boston in August, demonstrating historic mindedness within their theme of "Adaptive Leadership." The former fly the C-17 and the latter fly the only ski-mounted C-130s left in the world. The week included strategic perspective after a Navy-led tour of the U.S.S. *Constitution*, "road to war" for the American Revolution, and staff rides of the Battles of Lexington, Concord, and Bunker (Breed's) Hill.

# USAHEC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## FOUNDATION

**October 18, 2019:** Teacher Workshop, Desert Storm, USAHEC

**October 26, 2019:** Veterans' Café, Cumberland Crossing

**November 2, 2019:** 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Membership Dinner and Silent Auction, USAHEC

**November 7, 2019:** Veterans' Café, Country Meadows

## USAHEC

### Perspectives in Military History Lecture Series — Visitor and Education Center

**Wednesday, October 16 2019; 7:15 p.m.**

**Title:** Archaeology and the Civil War

**Lecturer:** Mr. Brandon Bies

### Kleber Lecture – Visitor and Education Center

**Thursday, November 7, 2019; 7:15 p.m.**

**Title:** Young Washington: How Wilderness and War Forged America's Founding Father

**Lecturer:** Mr. Peter Stark

**Thursday, February 6, 2020; 7:15 p.m.**

**Title:** LTG Almond in World War II and Korea

**Lecturer:** Dr. Michael Lynch

**November 15, 2019; 7:00 p.m.**

**Red Blanket Drum and Dance Troupe,**  
Native American Heritage Month program

## SPECIAL EXHIBITS

**The Soldier Experience Gallery Exhibit, The Visitor and Education Center**

**Where the Hell is Korea? Warfare in the Land of Sorrow, The Soldier Experience Gallery**

**Good-Bye Broadway, Hello France (World War I), Hall of the American Soldier Gallery**

**On Patrol (Current Operations)  
Ridgway Lobby**

**The Making of An American Army: The World War II Artwork of American Regionalist Frederick Counsel, Bradley Art Gallery**

**A Call to Arms: The Story of the U.S. Army Reserve, Hall of the American Soldier**

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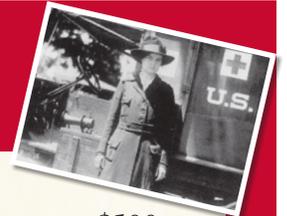
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