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Fall 2021 Newsletter

## Letter from the Executive Director, AHCF

Welcome to our Fall UPDATE highlighting the activities and programs at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center (USAHEC) and the Army Heritage Center Foundation (AHCF). Seems like light years have passed since the last UPDATE in March, when we were still in the grips of COVID related closures and limited access to USAHEC.

Though open on a limited basis to the public during much of the past year, the USAHEC staff used the time wisely, continuing their focus on the digitization process and developing products that support the Army, U.S. Army War College, and the public. Their efforts will, over the long term, facilitate research and use of the collection. Significantly, their efforts also are raising the visibility of USAHEC, its collections, and products with senior Army leaders. They are demonstrating that the preservation of Army history and its appropriate use by historians and staffs allows our current leaders to understand past decisions as they chart the future Army. I would ask that you spend some time and read the reports of the USAHEC divisions to see highlights of their efforts. To see some of their focused products, I would invite you to visit USAHEC's website, but especially https:// ahec.armywarcollege.edu/AnalysisandResearch.cfm that makes available some of the products of the Analysis and Research Team.

Since our last UPDATE, the Foundation has continued to focus on preparing to build out the final phase of the Visitor and Education Center's Hall of the American Soldier. In June, with the support of the USAHEC staff and Carlisle Barracks Public Works, we finalized the design of the expansion to meet the evolving needs of USAHEC to support exhibits and educational programs. At the same time, our Resource Development team has focused on building the capacity of the Foundation to engage potential donors and supporters on a National basis, to support both USAHEC and the Foundation's strategic plan. They established several internal and external committees to better define our "case for support"



for growth and to facilitate outreach events both regionally and nationally. Key programs include the development of the Corporate Leadership and Business Leadership Councils and promoting the growth of the Washingtonburg and monthly giving societies. Highlighting our activities are two upcoming events – our attendance for the first time in many years to AUSA's Annual meeting in Washington, DC and our Membership and Recognition Dinner on October 30th. We hope you can attend one of these events.

Our Education Department continues its efforts to promote the study and use of history. For the 14th year, they managed and coordinated the National History Day in PA program that engaged more than 12,000 students and 300+ schools in an effort to make history exciting and relevant. Forced by COVID to hold the state contest "virtually", they look forward to in-person events for 2022. They also continue to develop and make available programs and materials to support researchers, teachers, parents, and students, that highlight the contributions of our Soldiers and Veterans. Please see their

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update for details of their activities.

Of all the activities at USAHEC, the Foundation's museum store staff was most pleased to see the return of families and group visits to the store. Though their efforts to build an online store catalog has grown sales, they missed the personal touch of meeting with visitors and customers, and with the roll out of the COVID vaccine in the Spring, USAHEC's hallways again echoed with voices and families. If you cannot travel to USAHEC this fall, do visit our website that highlights some of our store's products including the recently developed "DD214 Alumni" T-shirts and USAHEC inspired puzzles.

We do need your support. Though COVID restrictions have eased, our ability to engage with potential donors and supporters has been limited. Many of our supporters remain concerned with meeting face to face for updates, and many of our potential corporate sponsors staffs are still working remotely. We have also been limited in our public outreach events –again having to cancel our Army birthday celebration this past summer.

I ask that when you receive our appeal letter in the coming weeks, please give and support our efforts to honor our Soldiers, preserve their memories, and educate both the Army and the public about what our Soldiers mean to our Nation.

Thank you,

Mike Perry Executive Director

## Development Update



## ASSOCIATION OF THE U.S. ARMY ANNUAL MEETING 2021

For the first time in many years, we will be attending the AUSA annual meeting this year in Washington D.C. from October 11-13. AHCF staff and board members will operate a booth to spread the message of the national treasure we have at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center (USAHEC). If you happen to make it to AUSA this year, please stop by our booth (811) to say hello and learn about the exciting things we are planning for our partnership with USAHEC!

In addition to the booth, we are proud to be hosting an exciting exclusive panel discussion and reception titled "An Evening in the Ia Drang." The event will feature Colonel Joe Marm, Colonel Tony Nadal, Colonel George Forrest, Colonel Robert Edwards, Colonel John Herren, and SFC Earnie Savage who were company commanders under the leadership of then Colonel Hal Moore during the Battle of Ia Drang in Vietnam, as depicted in the book by Joe Galloway and General Hal Moore *We Were Soldiers Once ... Young* and the film "We Were Soldiers". The event will be moderated by Vietnam Veteran, Colonel Tom Vossler, USA Ret. This should be an amazing event that will continue our work of "Telling the Army Story... One Soldier at a Time."

## 14TH ANNUAL RECOGNITION DINNER AND AUCTION

Please join us on October 30th for our Annual Recognition Dinner and Auction. This event will be held in person at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center and virtually. The evening will feature online live and silent auctions with the

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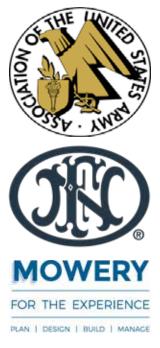


award ceremony live streamed so that those who can't make it to Carlisle in person are able to participate in what promises to be an exciting evening.

This year's honorees are General Richard A. Cody, U.S. Army Ret. and Members of the 1st Battalion, 327th Infantry Regiment, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) during Desert Shield and Desert Storm. Please help

us celebrate the service of these patriots by participating in this event. In person and virtual registration is required and can be found at *https://event.gives/2021armyheritage*.

#### FORMATION OF THE CORPORATE AND BUSINESS LEADERSHIP COUNCILS



We would like to take a moment to thank AUSA and FN America for becoming the first members of our Corporate Leadership Council. This council will be made up of corporations who find value in the missions of the Foundation and the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center and who seek to help us honor the contributions of the men and women who have served in the United States Army.

We would also like to welcome R.S. Mowery and Sons as the first member of our Business Leadership Council. Mowery has served as our construction partner for the public facilities of

the USAHEC campus, and we cannot thank them enough for the support they continue to give us in helping tell the stories of the Soldiers and Veterans of our Nation.

## THE WASHINGTONBURG SOCIETY – THE FOUNDATION'S LEGACY GIVING PROGRAM

We hope that you have received the mailing highlighting our Legacy Giving Program, The Washingtonburg Society. This exclusive group of individuals have shown their devotion to preserving the memories of our Soldiers by including the Army Heritage Center Foundation in their wills or



estate planning. It is not too late for you to join their ranks. If you would like to join this esteemed group or would like more information on bequests and charitable gift annuities, please visit our website *www.armyheritage.org* or contact us.

#### SOLDIERS WALK – HONORING A VETERAN'S SERVICE



Soldiers Walk at USAHEC is the perfect place to honor your military service or that of a loved one or ancestor. Located prominently along the walkway leading to the Hall of the American

Soldier, Soldiers Walk is open to Veterans and Soldiers of all eras and branches of service.

Your donation will not only create a lasting commemoration to a patriot's military service but also helps to fund continued construction of the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center.

In addition to your brick, you will also receive a certificate suitable for framing. For more information on our commemorative brick program, please visit our website or contact our office.

#### Tim Nelson and Jevin Orcutt Chief of Development and Development Specialist

## **Education Program Update**

The **Education Department** is forging ahead with both online programming and preparing for a return to face to face events later this year. Keep an eye on our emails for announcements about commemorations, interactive programs, and opportunities to help us honor Soldiers, preserve their stories, and educate the public about their service and sacrifice.

The NATIONAL HISTORY DAY IN PENNSYLVANIA STATE PROGRAM (NHD in PA) successfully concluded the annual contest cycle with a bang. More than 500 students competed in the State Contest, and fifty-eight qualified for the National Contest. At the national level, the Pennsylvania Delegation distinguished themselves by winning a total of seven medals, including two national championships and three special awards.

As an additional highlight for this year's program, Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf spoke at the State Contest's online opening ceremony. Appearing via Zoom, Governor Wolf praised the students and teachers for their perseverance, highlighted the importance of history education, and thanked the judges and volunteers for helping make the program possible.

The 2022 NHD in PA State Contest will take place on May 7 and 8 at the University of Scranton. We are currently planning an in-person contest. Foundation members interested in volunteering to judge student projects can contact Jeff Hawks at eddirector@armyheritage.org for more information.

This year's **SOLDIER EXPERIENCE ADVENTURE CAMP** saw significant growth with over 80 attendees. In addition to the three regular sessions, the youth session for campers in grades 4-6 filled completely, and JROTC cadets from Cedar Cliff High School attended for a three-day program. Seven Counselors-in-Training assisted with the management of the program, receiving valuable leadership training and experience in the process.

Our fall offerings include after school and weekend programs twice a month through December. For dates and information, please visit the Foundation website or contact Jeff Hawks.



Campers making plans prior to the start of a free-form game.

The VETERANS ORAL HISTORY PROGRAM (VOHP) returns to face-to-face format for student conducted interviews at Cumberland Valley High School, while online interviews with Education Department staff remain an option. This year, we are focusing on Cold War Veterans in preparation for our commemoration of the fall of the Soviet Union and end of the Cold War in December (see below). As always, we are looking for Veterans willing to share their stories. Anyone interested in being interviewed should contact Education Director Jeff Hawks at 717-258-1102 or eddirector@armyheritage.org.

The **VETERANS' CAFÉ** program continues to offer Veterans opportunities to meet and share their stories with friends and families. Over the Memorial Day weekend, we held a Watchfire event on the Army Heritage Trail. Over 70 Veterans, friends, and family members attended, representing conflicts from World War II to the Global War on Terror. Together, they braved unseasonably cool weather to enjoy a barbeque dinner hosted by Mission BBQ and Humana.



Unseasonably cold weather does not stop Veterans, they just grab their winter coats and drive on. Here, some of the Veterans pose with Humana representatives in front of the Mission BBQ 2 ½ ton truck.

Cedar Cliff High School JROTC students with the M-18 Hellcat on the Army Heritage Trail.

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Fall plans include coffee and doughnut events and a Veterans' Day Watchfire. We are also making plans to continue our tradition of visiting Veterans in elder care facilities and nursing homes around Veterans' Day and the holidays to spread holiday cheer. Although the pandemic will likely require these visits to be virtual again this year, we are hoping some can be in person. Nevertheless, these events continue to be well-received in the community, especially in this time of limited visitation.

**SAVE THE DATE!** Following up on the success of our program to commemorate the 30th anniversary of Operation Desert Storm, we have scheduled a program entitled **GLOBAL VICTORY: THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION OF THE END OF THE COLD WAR** for December 9, 2021. December marks 30 years since the dissolution of the Soviet Union and the final lowering of the Soviet flag over the Kremlin on December 26. The program will feature recollections of Cold War service from Veterans, and our keynote speaker, GEN (R) George Joulwan, whose service includes two tours in Vietnam and final assignment as Commander in Chief of U.S. European Command and Supreme Allied Commander, Europe.

**WEBINAR/LECTURE PROGRAM.** The Foundation is celebrating the first anniversary of its online webinar/lecture program. Over the past year, we have hosted more than 45 online programs that have reached both a national and international audience. We have accomplished this with the support of historians and academics across the country. Thank you to those who have presented and viewed our programs.

If you wish to view past webinars/lectures, they are available on the Foundation's YouTube Channel at *https://www.youtube.com/user/AHCFoundation/videos.* 

Want to know about our future programs? Signup up for our email list on the Foundation's homepage at *www.armyheritage.org*.

THANK YOU TO OUR PROGRAM SPONSORS. Our education programs would not be possible without the support of our donors. We would like to thank our current sponsors: Universal Health Services of Delaware, M&T Bank, First National Bank, Humana, United Concordia, and Avalon Insurance for their support.

Jeff Hawks Director of Educational Programs and Veteran Outreach

## USAHEC Director's Update

What a year this has been!

As we reflect on the challenges of the past year, we have much to be grateful for. Our creative staff, with generous support from patrons and donors like you, continues to enrich our community through interactive exhibits and creative educational programs. I am incredibly proud of the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center. Every part of our outstanding organization has worked tirelessly to ensure we deliver our rich collections to all of our patrons in multiple venues and mediums.

The rich holdings of knowledge, memory, and connections within the Collection afford patrons and visitors an unparalleled perspective and ability to draw upon past lessons and apply them towards future challenges. Our work is transforming in ways to better understand and anticipate the evolving needs, expectations, and requirements of our patrons—now and in the future. The pages ahead capture some of the specific changes we are making.

As we transform, we continuously measure and assess our impact. We meter and adapt our work processes based on the results of these assessments. Customer feedback determines if we are providing the right services at the right time. This cycle

#### Mr. Geoffrey Mangelsdorf

informs our practices, products, and service, and empowers us to better anticipate our patrons' needs. Your feedback is critical to future success, and I hope you will participate alongside us.



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. Those things will never change, and the pages ahead really bring that out loud and clear. Even in the worst of the pandemic, we kept our doors open to scholars and researchers while expanding online access to our materials and programs. Your feedback overwhelmingly tells us you approve.

The most extraordinary part of this pandemic was the dedication and support we received from you, our patrons and donors. I cannot thank you enough for the letters, emails, and outpouring of support we received from you this year. Thank you for keeping us strong.

I thank you all for being part of our shared future, and look forward to seeing you soon. **-geoff** 

## **USAHEC Divisions Updates**

#### ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP DIVISION

The Academic Scholarship Division created a well-received Arctic & Extreme Cold Weather bibliography for the academic year 2022 to support the research needs of faculty and students. This bibliography also supports the planning of an Arctic Wargame at the Army War College and contains resources pertaining to the history of military operations in extreme cold weather situations, publications of national and international organizations and NGOs, research institutions, and think tanks that study the Arctic, USAHEC studies related to the Arctic and cold weather operations, and more! This bibliography was compiled by Heather Goyette, Jay Graybeal, and Dr. Michael Lynch and can be found at *https://usawc.libguides.com/arctic.* 



Staff members meet to discuss current research projects.

Developing studies that have impact for senior Army leaders and ongoing senior Army Level Staff planning efforts are a continuous effort of the Division. Studies recently completed include: the use of landpower during World War II in the Pacific and medical and theater logistics capabilities for large scale combat operations.

In September, Dr. Crane and Dr. Lynch provided an historical overview for an Army G1 TTX on Manpower policies in major wars. Dr. Crane will also be leading a seminar on strategic leader dissent for the Joint Flag Officer Warfighting Course at Maxwell Air Force Base.

The Instruction team collaborated with the War College's Applied Communication 82 Learning Lab on a new development faculty session preparing our become to faculty advisors and/or to support students as they



Heather Goyette briefs new USAWC faculty on research and support at USAHEC.

begin their Strategic Research Requirement. This is just the start of this year's "Bring Your Own Coffee" tutorial series for our USAWC students, faculty, and staff. Topics for the year include "How to Do Research in Ridgway Hall," "eBook and eAudiobook access," and "USAHEC's Innovation Lab Resources."

Patron Support has begun to receive USAWC student researchers at both Root Hall and Ridgway Hall. Additionally, Ridgway staff are working with the Collections Division to achieve a reordering of the archival collections that will improve access and efficiency in retrieving materials for patrons in the future.



Ridgway Scholar from the Naval Postgraduate School prepares archival document for photos.

#### **COLLECTIONS DIVISION**



Museum Specialist Michael Mira photographs a Spanish-American War-era artifact, enabling an Army Museum Enterprise effort to modernize and streamline collection management processes.

multidisciplinary А team involving Museum Specialist Michael Mira, Museum Technicians Mark Harris and Kaitlin Garman, and Library Technicians Sarah Chrismer and Lana completed a Ingram to add over project 14,000 photographs to artifact records. This facilitates the ongoing Army Museum Enterprise effort to refine and streamline artifact collections across the Army, providing a visual identification capability

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enabling artifact inventory decision-making and directing individual pieces to the appropriate repository for preservation and exhibition.

Led by Supply Specialist Rob Smith and Library Technician Paul Huerta, the second half of FY21 saw a number of procurement actions that enabled USAHEC to gain additional capabilities and promote innovation efforts across the enterprise. Their efforts facilitated the acquisition of computer hardware to modernize and make accessible born-digital materials in legacy file formats so that this history is not lost to the Army and the Nation. Additionally, their acquisitions positioned USAHEC to develop an inhouse digitization capability for physical collections, further advancing our efforts to make 100% of collections available online.

The team also staged a drive-thru textbook issue for USAWC Academic Year 2022 International Fellows. Over 1,900 textbooks were provided in support of strategic leader education for our international military partners.

To facilitate research, Security Manager David Crider, Archivist Melissa Wiford, and Archives Technician Beth Shaffer, plan to conduct a review of all unpublished USAHEC produced oral histories. The goal is to ensure both online and physical access to these invaluable first-person accounts from Army senior leaders such as former Chief of Staff of the Army GEN George W. Casey, CENTCOM commander GEN H. Norman Schwarzkopf, and the first Commander, Military Operations-Afghanistan, LTG David Barno. The review provides the opportunity for these resources to be incorporated into the USAWC curriculum in support of strategic leader education.

Our processing team, including Archivist LeAnn Fawver, Librarian Erica Taylor, and Archives Technicians Jessica Walker, Joanne Lamm, and Trevor Herman, continues to enhance USAHEC digitization efforts. The team is engaged with our contractor to assess and refine procedures and workflows to maximize digital archival materials available via our online search interface. Additionally, Archivist Shannon Schwaller initiated a pilot project to facilitate access and retrieval of archival materials and to establish more granular relationships between distinct collections through application of standardized subject terms. Both efforts are aimed at enhancing and evolving the online experience for our users.

These current and future efforts demonstrate USAHEC's culture of collaboration and innovation and our commitment to expanding access to our rich collection of books, artifacts, and archival materials for our users, in the time, place, and medium of their choosing.

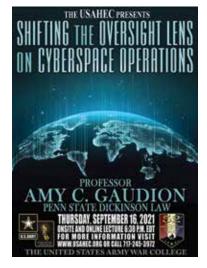
#### EDUCATION AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISION

During Summer and Fall 2021, the Education and



LTG Charles Flynn, Commanding General, U.S. Army Pacific, visited USAHEC in April to receive a briefing led by the Academic Research Team on the case studies created by the branch as well as USAHEC's digitization and innovation program and how it can be applied to Army VR/AR initiatives.

Engagement Division (EED) has worked tirelessly to expand and develop programs, exhibits, and engagements for each of our audiences. On the engagements front, the EED team welcomed numerous dignitaries, including the Commanding General of the U.S. Army Pacific, LTG Charles Flynn, and representatives from the Sergeant Major of the Army's office to explore and understand the wide range of resources USAHEC directly provides to the Army's top leadership. Upcoming engagements include leadership from the National Park Service and Soldiers from all over the United States.



For programs, the team successfully wrapped up the Spring 2021 lecture series with the "Ethics theme of in Warfighting." Dr. David Danks of Carnegie Mellon University kicked off the season with a discussion about the ethics surrounding artificial intelligence in the military. He was followed by lectures on the historical development of the law

of war and the ethical dilemmas faced by the Allied Supreme Command as they approached Berlin at the end of World War II. This Fall's lecture series started in August with the new theme of "Cyberwarfare." USAHEC audiences have already engaged with Dr. Peter Campbell of Baylor University to argue the benefits of a strong cyber defense in the U.S. as opposed to concentrating on a "cyber offensive." September's lecture featured Professor Amy Gaudion of Penn State Dickinson Law, as she presented her talk entitled, "Shifting the Oversight Lens on Cyberspace Operations."

USAHEC continues to support the USAWC Heritage Month programs, as well. The 2022 Heritage Month programs are under development to provide both virtual and on-site cultural experiences. In the past several months, the team enjoyed a round-table discussion with MG Mari K. Eder, USA Ret. and several subject matter experts from around USAWC and Carlisle Barracks based on her book, The Girls Who Stepped Out of Line: The Untold Stories of the Women Who Changed the Course of World War II. In August, in honor of Women's Equality Day, USAHEC welcomed retired U.S. Air Force Lt Col Jen Griswold as she presented a talk about her book Mission Entrepreneur: Applying Lessons from Military Life to Create Success in Business Startups. The EED team is always developing interactive virtual and onsite programs for all audiences in support of the USAHEC strategic plan. Be sure to check out our Upcoming Events page (https://ahec.armywarcollege.edu/events.cfm) and social media pages to learn more.



Refreshed Army Heritage Trail signage

On the Exhibits side of the team, upgrades and refreshes are in the works! The Army Heritage Trail has been getting a facelift over the last several months, including sign replacement, overhauls on some of the largest outdoor exhibits, and updates to interactive experiences like Redoubt #10 (Battle of Yorktown) and the World War II obstacle course. Inside, the team is working on the plans for the next five years for both virtual and physical historical exhibits, expanding the reach and accessibility of USAHEC's collections both online, in the classroom, and in person. New content and artifacts have been added to the indoor special exhibit, "Where the Hell is Korea," and the team has been promoting the Desert Storm exhibit through partnerships and outreach. In August, Exhibits teamed up with AHCF and the 1st Division Museum at Cantigny Park for a Virtual Date With History, via Zoom. USAHEC curator Molly Bompane and AHCF Educator Jeff Hawks, discussed the development of the USAHEC exhibit This Will Not Stand: The U.S. Army's Road to Victory During the Persian Gulf War and its historical context. This new exhibit has eight different sections, laid out in chronological order with two vignettes and covers the history of the Persian Gulf War

and individual Soldier stories. View the exhibit introduction (*https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=igF\_S22HVPQ*) for more information. Also, keep an eye on USAHEC's website over the next 6 months to see new interactive exhibits, expanded views of the onsite exhibits, and educational materials for audiences of all types.

#### **INNOVATIONS**

Over the past 6 months, our Innovations Team has been working on bringing in new technologies to help update our *Soldier Experience Gallery*. This includes new projectors, touchscreens, lighting, and other exhibit updates that will be coming soon! These updates will help bring more elements of our vast collection to the fingertips of our patrons while exploring the exhibit.

Our Innovations Lab has found a home in the USAHEC Reading Room! That means our USAWC students and faculty have another resource available to them at USAHEC. The Lab will be available for the students to experiment with the new technologies and create projects for their schoolwork that will incorporate our collection in all new and exciting ways. Our staff will also be heavily involved in assisting them in utilizing the equipment available to them in the Lab as well as running their own projects. This includes the use of 360 cameras, VR devices, 3D printer, and future tech like robots, and 3D scanners. We will be expanding on the equipment as we discover other useful items and hope to bring new innovative and interactive products to our patrons.

An augmented reality (AR) M4 Sherman Tank contract was recently awarded and the project kicked off at the beginning of September. This will be a first in USAHEC history as we transform one of our large macro artifacts into an AR model that will be accessible for all to experience with their favorite devices. Combined with pictures, videos, and stories from our collection, visitors can use a smartphone or tablet to bring the M4 Sherman Tank from the Heritage Trail to life in their own living room.

As we continue to create the broader Innovations network, we have paired up with USAWC's Center for Strategic Leadership - Experience the Future Lab. This lab shows War College students what new and current technologies are being implemented and will become part of the future Army. As we continue our relationship and build a bigger Innovations network across the greater Carlisle community, the Army War College will establish itself as the lab for innovative thought and encourage innovation in the U.S. Army's Senior Leaders.

In the next 6 months, the Innovations Team is looking to begin development of a proof of concept for our instilment into the Army's efforts in VR training modules with the HoloLens and IVAS technology. This project will show how our unique collection here at USAHEC can be used in a virtual environment to help train new and current Soldiers, give them experiences, and create staff rides that will help prepare them

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for real life scenarios. This will be a large scale project that will reach across all of USAHEC and USAWC to help collaborate on products that will be able to show senior Army leadership the benefit of using the USAHEC collection, our experts, and VR/AR technology to further improve the future of training Soldiers.

#### **ENGAGEMENT CHIEF**

USAHEC has connected with several new external partners over the past few months. Jack Leighow, Engagement Chief, has joined the American Association of State and Local History's (AASLH) Military History Affinity Committee. AASLH is a national organization and this committee supports the preservation and interpretation of United States military history through answering questions, developing workshops, and having a program at the annual meeting. Participation in these types of groups allows us to highlight USAHEC's resources and capabilities and expand access to the collection.

Connecting with the National Archives and Records Administration, USAHEC participated in a 9/11 commemorative program held in New York City on September 10. Dr. Conrad Crane, Senior Historian, participated in a panel discussion about Selfless Service and Sacrifice. The focus was on the story of COL Rescorla, former Army War College graduate and Veteran of the Battle of the Ia Drang, who is credited with saving the lives of 2,700 fellow employees of Morgan Stanley and inspiring all those around him. Dr. Crane used the Hal Moore Collection at USAHEC, which contains information that defines Rescorla as a leader.

USAHEC supplied a key photograph to the Berlin Wall Foundation (BWF) to support an online exhibit they were developing. Following up, Mr. Leighow connected the Army Heritage Center Foundation with a scholar from BWF who will participate in AHCF's commemoration of the fall of the Berlin Wall this coming December.

Planning is underway for USAHEC, with Foundation support, to collaborate with the United Kingdom's National

Army Museum in January 2022. Dr. Kevin Weddle, USAWC Faculty and Mr. Andrew Robertshaw will discuss the Saratoga Campaign of 1777 in the January Program.

#### SENIOR RESEARCH HISTORIAN

USAHEC developed and provided tailored support packages of primary sources for the first three AY22 resident core courses. These came from the William J. "Wild Bill" Donovan Papers, head of Organization of Strategic Services (OSS) in WWII; senior staff officers from General Eisenhower's Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces (SHAEF); and former Chiefs of Staff of the Army Gens. Frederick Weyand and Edward "Shy" Meyer. These USAHEC sources analyze a range of diplomatic, informational, military, and economic issues.

Staff rides of Revolutionary War battlefields Lexington, Concord, and Bunker Hill were conducted in August. Participants were the 109th Airlift Wing, New York Air National Guard (NYANG), 105th Airlift Wing, NYANG, and 201st Red Horse Squadron, PAANG. Included were a discussion of the tensions leading to the American Revolution as "road to war" and events in 1775, along with a closing dialogue that summarized the war's end.

Future focus continues with the integration efforts with the academic departments but will expand to all USAWC Centers, Institutes, and Programs. First will be the USAWC Enterprisewide AY22 Research Priorities, working in conjunction with Academic Scholarship Division (ASD) within USAHEC. Next will be case study development for the Center for Strategic Leadership (CSL) and their new Theater Army Staff Course.

In addition, we will continue packaging of USAHEC holdings for the last two AY22 resident core courses, AY22 Electives, and selected AY22 resident student research. This audience will serve as a focus group to train how to access the increasing number of sources available through digitization.



## 2021-2022 USAHEC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### FOUNDATION

(Registration links for webinars can be found on our website, under events.)

**October 22, 2021, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm** The Nuremburg War Crime Trials Teacher Workshop

**October 27, 2021, 7:00 pm** The Great War and the Digital Humanities

**October 30, 2021, 6:00 pm** 14th Annual Recognition Dinner and Auction

#### November 3, 2021, 7:00 pm

Mazar-e Sharif: The First Victory of the 21st Century Against Terrorism with William Knarr, Mark Nutsch, and Robert Pennington

November 10, 2021, 5:00 pm Veterans' Watchfire Ceremony

#### December 8, 2021, 7:00 pm

Facing the Mountain with Daniel James Brown - The journey of four Japanese-American families and their sons, who volunteered for 442nd Regimental Combat Team and were deployed to France, Germany, and Italy

**December 9, 2021, 7:00 pm** 30th Anniversary – End of the Cold War Commemoration

**January 19, 2022, 7:00 pm** The War for the Common Soldier: How Men Thought, Fought, and Survived in Civil War Armies with Dr. Peter Carmichael

#### February 2, 2022, 7:00 pm

The Cold War Wilderness of Mirrors: Counterintelligence and the U.S. and Soviet Military Liaison Missions 1947– 1990 with Aden Magee

February 16, 2022, 7:00 pm Black Soldiers of the 92nd Infantry Division in Italy with Professor Robert Jefferson

March 16, 2022, 7:00 pm Forging the Grand Alliance: The British and American Armies, 1917-1941 with Dr. Tyler Bamford

#### AFTER SCHOOL AND WEEKEND CAMP PROGRAM

**October 8, 2021, 4:00 - 6:00 pm** After School Session (Grades 7-10)

**October 23, 2021, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm** Weekend Session (Grades 7-10)

**November 4, 2021, 4:00 - 6:00 pm** After School Session (Grades 7-10)

November 27, 2021, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Weekend Session (Grades 7-10)

**December 15, 2021, 4:00 - 6:00 pm** After School Session (Grades 7-10)

**December 28, 2021, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm** Weekend Session (Grades 7-10)

#### USAHEC LECTURES AND PROGRAMS

**October 14, 2021, 6:30 pm** Tower of Skulls: A History of the Asia-Pacific War, Volume 1: July 1937 - May 1942 with Richard Frank

November 4, 2021, 6:30 pm Perspectives Lecture Series with Dr. David Hatch, NSA Historian

**November 17, 2021** Red Blanket Native American Drum and Dance Troop

#### SPECIAL EXHIBITS

The Soldier Experience Gallery Exhibit - The Visitor and Education Center

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

On Patrol (Current Operations) - Ridgway Lobby

Carved in Stone, Cast in Bronze - Bradley Art Gallery

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

This Will Not Stand: The U.S. Army's Road to Victory During the Persian Gulf War - Hall of the American Soldier





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