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## Academia, industry join Army at OIB Modernization Summit showcasing new technologies, processes



Subject matter experts from throughout the Army, industry and academia gathered both in person and virtually for the first Organic Industrial Base Modernization Summit Feb. 8-11 at Redstone Arsenal, Alabama.

Hosted by the U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command Logistics Center Industrial Operations Directorate, the goal of the event was to look at how emerging technologies are being implemented at

Letterkenny Army Depot in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, and Corpus Christi Army Depot in South Texas. In addition to emerging technologies, it also provided a forum for representatives from each of the depots to share ideas and lessons learned regarding modernizing their decades-old facilities.

The summit began with an OIB modernization overview presented by Col. Richard Martin, the deputy director for the U.S. Army Materiel Command OIB Modernization Task Force, who spoke more broadly about OIB modernization efforts taking place across the Army's depots, arsenals and...[READ MORE](#)

## G-2 educates workforce on continuous vetting process, urges employees to stay involved

The Department of Defense recently implemented a phased risk-managed approach to better protect national security, ensure the trustworthiness of the national security workforce and mitigate insider threat incidents.

Instead of reinvestigating secret security clearances every ten years or top secret clearances every six years, the DoD is now continuously vetting clearance holders.

Under the continuous vetting program, the DoD Consolidated Adjudications Facility randomly runs automated checks of commercial and government data sources. These sources scan for criminal activity, suspicious financial activity, public records, foreign travel and court activity on a daily, monthly, quarterly or annual basis. With all automated checks being conducted continuously, the need for six- and 10-year reinvestigations is now obsolete.

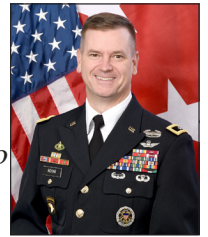
Security clearances are evaluated against 13 adjudicative standards ranging from criminal conduct to financial considerations to use of information technology. It is imperative holders of security clearances take an active role in protecting their security clearance.

How do you do this? Remember those questions about finances, drugs, alcohol and criminal activity when you last completed a SF-86 via the electronic security questionnaire known as eQip? Avoid those issues if at all possible!

The leading adjudicative standard that places security clearances...[READ MORE](#)

## Remembering

*This past month, CSM Smith and I had the opportunity to visit AMCOM employees and those units we support in Europe. While there, we also had the chance to visit a memorial for an aviation accident.*



*In 1971 near Pegnitz, Germany, a CH-47 Chinook on the way to the Grafenwoehr training area crashed and tragically killed all four aircrew members and 33 passengers. Last June, the town of Pegnitz and the U.S. Army 12th Aviation Brigade held a ceremony on the 50th anniversary of the event.*

*Visiting the memorial and reading about the incident reminded me of several important lessons:*

*- It is important to remember those who have sacrificed all. I contend that we are in their debt for helping maintain our freedom and way of life.*

*- Our allies and partners will stand with us in times of adversity. It was the German town of Pegnitz that spearheaded the memorial and its annual commemoration.*

*- What we do in AMCOM makes a difference every day. The cause of this particular incident was corrosion leading to fatigue failure of an aircraft component.*

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## Remembering

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*Your professionalism is what enables the Army to operate safely every day.*

*Standing at the memorial was solemn as we thought about those Soldiers and their families. But it also made me appreciate all the more what every part of AMCOM does because I also remember that others rely upon us to get it right.*

*Army Strong!*

Maj. Gen. Todd Royar  
AMCOM commanding general



Alan Jacoby, AMCOM logistics support team representative, and David Field, AMCOM senior command representative, visit at the Pegnitz Memorial.

## G-1 hopes for successful year at BEYA career fair

For more than three decades, BEYA – Black Engineer of the Year Award and Becoming Everything You Are – has played a significant role in recruiting minorities into STEM careers.

But it's so much more than that.

While the U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command's involvement in the conference is relatively new, the military is one of BEYA's largest science, technology, engineering and math employers.

The BEYA STEM Conference brings together professionals and students from all over the country for three days each year to share experiences, career information and to network. And though it's marketed as a recruiting event for minorities interested in STEM careers, ethnicity does not exclude anyone. It is open to existing Department of Defense employees, high school graduates, students enrolled in college or technical/vocational programs, recent graduates, 30% disabled veterans and those who are reinstatement-eligible. There are also positions available in non-STEM disciplines.

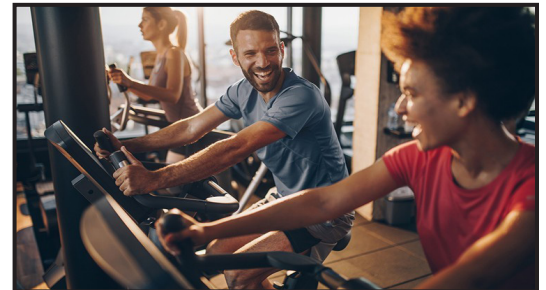
At the 2021 conference, AMCOM made 15 tentative job offers and ultimately hired 10 people.

Kiran Zeedar was one of them. [READ MORE](#)

## Fitness, Health Promotion Program details unveiled; employees encouraged to participate

As we enter the month of February, keeping that New Year's resolution to get physically fit may seem like a distant memory – especially as the pandemic lingers on and life isn't quite back to the old normal.

Employees at the U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command have a little extra motivation in the form of a new and improved Civilian Fitness and Health Promotion Program. Based on guidance from the Army, the revised program removes the six-month, once-in-a-career limitation on using administrative leave for up to three hours of physical fitness



and health activities each week. The updated policy allows employees to use administrative leave for up to three hours a week and up to 80 hours a year to participate in command-sponsored fitness and health promotion programs.

The new policy also expands the definition of fitness and....[READ MORE](#)

**P2P** Performance-to-Promise is a measurement of how an organization holds itself accountable to the commitment to meet worldwide customer-required delivery dates.

Letterkenny  
Army Depot

90.8% 1.2%

Corpus Christi  
Army Depot

88.9% 1.1%

Missile SA

77.0% 1.4%

Second pass

Aviation SA

90.0% 1.5%

Second pass

**SA**

Supply availability is defined as the percentage of demands placed on the wholesale echelon of supply that are not backordered, excluding future material obligations.

Aviation Center Logistics Command

Mission-capable  
aircraft

71.2%

5.9%

Non mission-capable  
supply

Jan. 16 - Feb. 16



## Helping Soldiers, civilians execute mission driving force for G-6 employee



With nearly 35 years of federal service under her belt, Adrienne M. Wilson admits her retirement from federal service is on the horizon.

Wilson has been with the U.S. Army Aviation and Missile

Command since 2002 after working in a variety of positions at military bases around the world. She has had deep ties to the Army for most of her adult life and married her high school sweetheart, who joined the Army as an enlisted Soldier and served until his retirement. Two of her brothers also retired from the Army, as did her father-in-law. She also has a sister-in-law who served in the Army.

“I was fortunate to begin my civil service career during my husband’s first tour of duty in Germany,” said Wilson. “We had two young children when I started to work as an operations clerk at the child development center. We were having a hard time making ends meet and I was extremely thankful to get a job as a GS-4.”

She currently serves as the contracting officer’s representative for AMCOM G-6 and oversees the command’s information management and information technology service contracts. Wilson monitors and ensures performance is in compliance with the work statement and contract; coordinates with government customers; reviews, approves and rejects deliverables and invoices; monitors and coordinates customer funding requirements; and supports budget planning for G-6 contract support.

During her career, Wilson never stopped progressing professionally or academically - which was...[READ MORE](#)

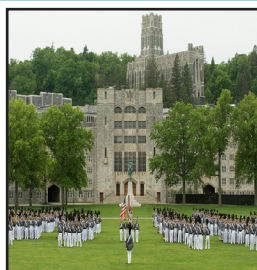
## This month in history



March 3, 1931: “The Star-Spangled Banner” was adopted as the official U.S. national anthem. Francis Scott Key penned the poem Sept. 14, 1814, after witnessing the attack on Fort McHenry by the British Royal Navy during the war of 1812. More than 100 years after it was written, President Herbert Hoover declared in 1916 that the song should be played at all official events and it was adopted as the national anthem 15 years after that.



March 12, 1964: The Francis J. McMorrow Laboratories at Redstone Arsenal, Alabama, were dedicated in memory of the first U.S. Army Missile Command commander, Maj. Gen. Francis J. McMorrow, who died suddenly after only serving as MICOM commander for a little more than six months. McMorrow Laboratories is home to the U.S. Army Development Command Aviation & Missile Center – formerly the U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Research Development and Engineering Center or AMRDEC.



March 16, 1802: President Thomas Jefferson signed legislation establishing the U.S. Military Academy for the purpose of educating and training young men in the theory and practice of military science. The first military school in the United States was built at the site of a Revolutionary-era fort overlooking the Hudson River and is located in West Point, New York. The academy is the oldest of the five federal service academies.



March 20, 2003: A U.S.-led coalition launched a ground invasion of Iraq after the deadline for Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein to step down expired, kicking off Operation Iraqi Freedom. Hussein was believed to possess or be in the process of building weapons of mass destruction. Baghdad fell April 9, ending Hussein’s 24-year rule; the dictator was captured in Dec. 14 of the same year.



March 31, 1958: The U.S. Army Ordnance Missile Command was established at Redstone Arsenal. AOMC’s subordinate elements included the U.S. Army Ballistic Missile Agency – which had been established a year before – and the U.S. Army Rocket and Guided Missile Agency. AOMC became the U.S. Army Missile Command in 1962 and again reflagged as the U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command in 1997, as it remains today.



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