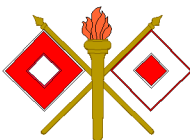




LIBERTY CHAPTER



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A Message From
The President
MG Joseph P. O'Leary (Ret)



The October meeting of the Liberty Chapter, SCRA was held at the cabin restaurant in White Plains NY on 14 Oct. It was well attended and seems to be a popular arrangement for many of our members. We have held several like meetings as a sit down lunch meal at the Cabin It gives all a chance to sit in a relaxed atmosphere, enjoy a good meal and each others company.

It gives us all an opportunity to bring each other up to date with the latest news from our contacts. Even with the internet and other means of rapid communications there is nothing like sitting face to face talking. Our quarterly meetings serve the same purpose.

We hold four meetings a year and everyone is invited -urged- to attend. The dates and places may be found at our web site or in our newsletter which is published four times a year just before our scheduled meeting. We are always looking for items of interest, including photos to be published in the newsletter.

We also welcome any input you may have in regard to meeting times schedules etc., Organizations such as the Liberty Chapter are always looking for members who wish to serve as officers of the association, all ranks, officer & enlisted are welcome. New blood brings new ideas, new ways of doing business. I believe that the Liberty Chapter and similar organizations are worth while efforts to help keep Veterans connected and recognized.



A small team of 17 Soldiers from the 101st ESB are deploying in advance of the Battalion main body to support a Special Forces mission. A farewell ceremony will be held in Yonkers, NY on 19 Jan at 1100 hrs. A flyer for this ceremony has been posted to www.nysignal.org web site.



Winter 2018

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

Tuesday
9 Jan 2018
1930 Hrs
Orangeburg
Armory

Tuesday
10 Apr 2018
1930 Hrs
Yonkers
Armory
Annual
Elections

Tuesday
10 Jul 2018
1930 Hrs
Yonkers
Armory

Saturday
13 Oct 2018
1300 Hrs
Cabin
Restaurant
White Plains

ANNUAL DUES ARE
\$12.00 E6 & Up
\$2.00 E-1 to E-5
Due in April
Each Year
Check Your
Mailing Label
In Apr 2017 for
Expiration Date

Upcoming events

Annual Signal Ball sponsored by the 101st ESB is cancelled until further notice. A flyer will be published at a later date.
Also a flyer announcing the date and place of a farewell ceremony to be held for the 101st ESB main body will be published and posted at a later date.



140th General Conference & Exhibition
August 24 - 27 2018
New Orleans, Louisiana



Photo and article provided by PEO C3T (Aberdeen Proving Grounds)

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico -- In the aftermath of the monster hurricanes that hit the U.S. mainland and its island territories, the Army is providing the network communications needed to help get these storm ravaged areas back on their feet.

Obituaries

SFC (Ret) Robert Joseph Bolak SR of Co D 101st Sig Bn Orangeburg, NY passed away on 20 Oct 17. He was transported to Georgia National Cemetery, Canton GA, where he received full Military Honors. He was a Liberty chapter member and will be missed.

101st ESB Quarterly Activities Oct 2017 to Dec 2017

Provided by MAJ Bernie A. Novoa, BN XO

October 2017 IDT Training Highlights

"Sound of Liberty"



IDT Training (20-22 OCT): The 101ST ESB conducted mandatory Briefing for mobilization to all forward deploying Soldiers at Fort Dix, NJ. This included individual Soldier briefing and Senior Leaders briefing of E5s and above. Additionally, a Distant Learning Center was established where Soldiers could accomplish their mandatory online training for Mobilization. Over 300 10st ESB Soldiers completed Mandatory briefings and online training.

Leader's PMT (23-29OCT): 101ST ESB conducted Leader's Pre-Mobilization Training for 40 PAX at Camp Smith, NY. The battalion successfully completed PMT for key leaders of the battalion in order to command and control effectively the main body PMT in November 2017.

1st Army Validation(23-27OCT): The Battalion completed its final validation on the rest of its WIN-T equipment with 1st Army representatives at Fort Drum, NY. Equipment validated included the JNNs, the SSSs, the TROPO systems, the SMART-Ts, and the Phoenix satellite systems. The validation of systems and teams was essential for preparation for our wartime mission.

CompTIA Security Plus course (28OCT-1NOV): The battalion successfully trained 16 personnel on Security Plus. The certification earned from successful completion of course and test will allow the battalion to perform its wartime mission.



101st ESB Leader's Pre-Mobilization Training (PMT) Camp Smith Training Site 3-29 OCT 2017

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November 2017 IDT Training Highlights

IDT Training (3-5 NOV): The 101ST ESB focus for November IDT was preparation at Home Station for Main Body Pre-Mobilization Training(PMT). All units conducted inventory of Soldier OCIE, PMCS vehicles in preparation for movement, and conducted rehearsal of for PMT classes assigned to units. Additionally, the 101ST ESB conducted ETS counselings, APFT, height/weight, NCOER and OER completion, Blended Retirement Briefing, and other administrative tasks.

Main Body PMT (5-19NOV): 101ST ESB conducted Main Body Pre-Mobilization Training for 270 Soldiers at Fort Indiantown Gap, PA. The battalion successfully completed all their 14 and 4 Army Warrior Tasks and Battle Drills. Conduct make-up mandatory briefs and online training. Successfully conducted Individual Weapons Qualification (IWQ) on M4s, M9s, and M249s for day/night/NBC. Also completed Crew Serve Weapons Qualification for the M2 50 cal machine gun and MK19 40MM machine gun. Additionally, conducted other Pre-MOB requirements such as HEAT Roll over and Combat Life Saver Course.

MOB Site Visit (31OCT-3NOV): Selected key leaders and staff from the battalion conducted a MOB site visited to Fort Hood, TX. Operational requirements were captured in order to prepare the battalion for the mobilization. Successfully completed our Mid-Event Planning with 1st Army for our Culminating Training Event at MOB station which will prepare the battalion for its deployment.

NOV 2017



*101st ESB Pre-Mobilization Training (PMT)
Fort Indiantown Gap (FTIG)
5-19 NOV 2017*



*MOB Site Visit
Fort Hood, TX
31OCT- 3NOV 2017*



*Holiday Party
2 DEC 17
Yonkers, NY*



December 2017 IDT Training Highlights

DECEMBER Highlights

IDT Training (2 DEC): 101st ESB conducted their annual holiday party / FRG event at H.S. armories. Feedback received from various leaders indicates morale was considerably high after the event. This was the last family oriented event since there is no plan for the battalion to host the Annual Signal ball due to the OPTEMPO of the upcoming deployment.

CompTIA CISSP course (28OCT-1NOV): The battalion successfully trained 15 personnel on CISSP. This high level certification allows access to higher systems access required for the battalions overseas mission. PDSS (10-17DEC): Selected key leaders and staff from the battalion conducted a Pre -Deployment Site Survey(PDSS) to Kuwait . The battalion successfully gathered important information from their counterpart in the 115th ESB. The knowledge gained and contacts acquired will ensure a successful Relief-in-Place (RIP) between the 101st ESB and 115th ESB.

SRP II TF Liberty (20 DEC): The small team of 17 Soldiers officially named, Task Force Liberty, which is deploying ahead of the Main Body in support of a SOCOM mission completed its final medical screening in Watervliet, NY. They were a 100% GO!



*SGM Ramadhin Retirement
Congratulations on over 37 year of Service!
7 DEC 17
Yonkers, NY*

Farewell Ceremony
101st Expeditionary Signal Battalion
-Task Force Liberty -
19 January 2018
1100hrs
Yonkers Armory
Yonkers, New York 10701
Military: ACU/OCP
Civilian: Casual Attire
"Lightning Strikes"
"Sound of Liberty"