MG John B. Morrison Jr., commanding general of the U.S. Army Cyber Center of Excellence and Fort Gordon; U.S. Army Cyber Command and Second Army Command Sgt. Maj. William Bruns; Secretary of the Army Eric K. Fanning; LTG Paul M. Nakasone, commander of U.S. Army Cyber Command turned the first shovels of earth in a ceremonial groundbreaking marking the start of construction on the Army Cyber Command Complex at Fort Gordon, GA.

The ceremony marked the start of an estimated two-and-a-half-year project that draws together the Army’s cyber operations, capability development, training and education in one location – the U.S. Army Cyber Center of Excellence and Fort Gordon.

Morrison welcomed the more than 100 leaders and guests who attended the ceremony and lauded the project as a landmark for the Army, ARCYBER, the U.S. Army Cyber Center of Excellence and Fort Gordon, and their many military, civic, industry and academic partners.

“Today’s ARCYBER facility groundbreaking ceremony is a culmination of more than five years of hard work to integrate the planning, design and development of an operational headquarters that will not only enhance the Army’s capabilities for cyberspace operations, but also enhance the partnerships with industry, academia, and the local Central Savannah River Area communities,” MG Morrison said.

Nakasone said the groundbreaking represents a series of investments that will yield "unparalleled opportunities" for the Army and the nation; an investment in national security, in future readiness, in Fort Gordon’s future as the center of gravity for Army cyber operations, and an investment in building Army capabilities that ensure the Army remains an “elite force in cyberspace.”

We send a powerful message that the US Army is ready, willing and able to defend our nation and our national interests, to defeat our adversaries in land and in cyberspace.”

**Upcoming events**

- The 101st Signal Battalion Association Annual Signal Ball is scheduled for 25 Feb 17, place to be determined.
- 139th NGAUS General Conference & Exhibition September 7-10, 2017 Louisville, Kentucky
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OCT 2016 IDT TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS

Operations and Current Training: 101ST ESB had a productive IDT from 21-23 October 2016. This weekend’s focus was on IWQ, the road portion of driver’s training, signal crew training, CLRT preparation, deployment planning, and other individual training and administrative tasks such as SSD, OER/NCOERs, ETS counseling, and Comprehensive Soldier Fitness (CSF).

Individual Weapons Qualification (IWQ): 101ST ESB successfully completed their annual IWQ at Fort Dix, qualifying Soldiers on the M4 and 6 on the M9. The total percentage of the Battalion qualified on the M4 at this time is 84% and on the M9 is 85%.

Command Logistics Readiness Team (CLRT): HHC (Yonkers), Bravo (Orangeburg), and Charlie (Yonkers) Companies of the 101ST ESB were set to receive an NGB guided CLRT inspection on 14-18NOV16. The CLRT covers six areas including GCSS-A, MOB Logistics, Food Program, CSDP, Physical Security, and Maintenance. The Battalion reviewed the CLRT readiness status of the respective Companies in preparation for the inspection.

NOV 2016 IDT TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS

Operations and Current Training: The 101ST ESB performed a WIN-T Signal Exercise at HS armories with a focus on platoon-level training. Concurrently, staff conducted best warrior competition planning for December IDT, holiday party (December) and signal ball (February) planning, mission analysis for March IDT (Initial Task Force Break Down) at Ft. Drum, ETS counselings, APFT, height/weight, NCOER and OER completion, change of command inventory for A Co, sensitive items inventories, CLRT recovery, military funeral honors brief, and Promotions.

Platoon Level WIN-T Training: 101ST ESB successfully conducted the HS platoon level WIN-T Training. Companies established and operated WIN-T network nodes to include 3 CPN, 1 SSS, 1 Phoenix Terminal, and 4 STTs from all companies with a focus on platoon level training. C Co sent an IRF package to Orangeburg Armory to include 1 CPN and 1 STT. Additionally, SM from the NETOPS section trained with the C Co SSS team.

CLRT Inspection: 101st ESB and its two units HHC and B CO successfully passed the intense NGB Command Logistics Readiness Training (CLRT) Inspection on 15 NOV 2016. The battalion received high accolades from the State chain of Command for our performance on the inspection scoring Noteworthy (96% and above) in most areas.
Operations and Current Training: The units completed numerous administrative tasks such as APFT, height and weight, BC Top 10(+), ETS counseling’s, weapons maintenance, staff mission planning, Signal Ball planning, SINCGARS training, and mandatory briefings. Additionally, 101st EBS Soldiers successfully conducted two major events for IDT weekend; Best Warrior Competition and the holiday party.

Best Warrior Competition: 101st ESB SM participated in the Battalion Best Warrior Competition (BWC) hosted at Peekskill Armory. Competitors were assessed on their knowledge of Signal and Army Warrior Tasks and basic Soldier skills through written assessment and hands on application and formal board appearance. The board was chaired by the BN CSM, Ops SGM and 1SGs. SSG Jones from C Co won the NCO portion and SPC Forde won the Soldier portion.

The Holiday Party: 101st ESB conducted annual holiday party / FRG event at H.S. armories. Feedback received from various leaders indicates morale was considerably high after the event.
BN Best Warrior Competition Winners
SSG Jones, C CO, PFC Forde C Co
3 DEC 2026

Holiday Party
Yonkers
4 DEC 2016