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51st Expeditionary Signal Battalion - Enhanced



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Commander's Corner

Team 51 had a productive July, balancing readiness with Family well-being. Our Organizational Day fostered camaraderie, while company FTXs and Battalion M249 and M320 ranges significantly increased our lethality. Looking ahead, August and September bring a heightened operational tempo. We're gearing up for deployments to Japan and NTC in support of I Corps and 7th Infantry Division, while simultaneously preparing for numerous support missions for I Corps enablers on JBLM. Additionally, we will conduct the first full-scale Battalion FTX in several years. These missions highlight our strategic importance to the Corps and demand peak performance. Please communicate upcoming requirements openly with your Families. Predictability and support at home are vital during deployments and training. I'm incredibly proud to be serving in this Battalion with each of you. Let's continue building on our successes, generating readiness and preparing for the challenges ahead. Remember, strong Families and ready Soldiers are key to our continued success. **ALWAYS CONSTANT!**



CSM's Corner

Greetings Team 51st! As always, it's been an excellent and exciting month. We started off the month with planning and executing our BN Organizational Day where we had an opportunity to bring the Team and Families together. During the event, the companies competed in several sporting events to win the CDR's Cup. Congratulations to A Co for winning the belt and thanks to everyone that assisted in making this event successful! Additionally, the team hosted both the BDE CDR and CSM for two excellent PRT sessions. As we moved forward in improving our craft, A Co and C Co executed their weeklong FTXs, and the BN executed another Mercury Academy, focusing on developing our junior leaders. The BN also had nine Soldiers attend and graduate BLC this month, congrats to our new leaders. Focusing on improving fitness and building cohesive teams, we had several Soldiers and leaders either assist or participate in the JBLM Down and Dirty Run. Lastly, we closed out the month by executing an NCO Corps run down to Solo Point and back. Excellent work Team 51st! **Always Constant!**



XO's Corner

Hello Mercury Family! It's officially been one month as the BN XO. The month of July has been all about inspections and exercising staff processes. The BN completed an Initial Command Inspection hosted by BDE staff from 14-18 July 25, which highlighted areas of improvement for the BN staff. The following week, 21-25 July 25, the BN staff conducted the Initial Command Inspections for A & C companies to provide the new company commanders with an initial assessment of their company systems and processes. The BN staff ended the month with a Staff Exercise synchronizing efforts for the FY26 Annual Training Guidance and conducting MDMP for the upcoming BN FTX in September 2025. Looking ahead, we have some critical tasks to achieve and missions to complete. Thank you all for your ongoing commitment to excellence. **Always Constant!**



S1's Corner

The S1 shop continues to work hard to support our Soldiers and families across all personnel matters. This month, we're excited to highlight some new tools and important updates to keep you informed and ready!

[Generative AI: Your New Resource for Efficiency.](#) You've probably seen our previous posts about generative AI, but here's a reminder: you now have unlimited FREE access to Ask Sage, a powerful generative AI platform designed to help you streamline daily tasks and enhance productivity. Not sure how to incorporate GPT or generative AI into your daily functions? No problem! Check out this helpful **[video](#)**. Army Continuation Pay Policy Update: The Department of the Army has released the CY 2026 Army Continuation Pay Policy under the Blended Retirement System (BRS). This updated policy, effective 1 January 2026, includes a financial literacy training requirement and applies to Soldiers in the Regular Army, Active Guard Reserve, Army National Guard, and United States Army Reserve. We encourage all Soldiers to review the policy and take note of any actions required. Staying informed is key to making the most of your benefits! As always, the S1 shop is open for customer service Monday through Friday. If you have any questions about these updates or other personnel matters, don't hesitate to stop by. We're here to support you! **Always Constant!**



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S3's Corner

This past month the entire Battalion S3 shop has been hard at work supporting the Battalion as it goes through a summer full of training. During the company FTXs at the beginning of the month, the Battalion NETOPs and COMSEC teams supported the teams as they trained out in the field. Shortly thereafter the NETOPs team, led by CW2 Matherne and CW2 Hernandez ran SNN teams through 51st's own SNN academy. While that was all going on the rest of the S3 shop was hard at work planning for the Battalion and Brigade FTX in September as the Battalion prepares to exercise its deployability and go to the field for ten days. **Always Constant!**



Chaplain's Corner

In July, the UMT had the privilege of officiating the wedding ceremony of SPC Tyler Edwards and SPC Dania Gonzalez at the Main Post Chapel on July 20th. Surrounded by fellow Soldiers, friends, and Families, the couple exchanged vows in a beautiful and meaningful service. It was a joyful reminder of the commitment and love that form the foundation of a strong Families. From July 25th to 27th, we also hosted the BSRT (Building Strong and Ready Teams) Couples Retreat in Bellevue. Eighteen couples, including several with children, spent the weekend engaging in sessions on communication, trust, resilience, and spiritual connection. It was a time of growth, bonding, and renewal for many of our military Families. The UMT remains committed to providing ongoing spiritual support to our battalion, wherever and whenever it is needed. **Always Constant!**



Highlanders...

Over the past month. The Highlander maintenance team has been exceptional. These Soldiers have been the quiet professionals who keep our formation moving forward and their dedication and skill have been on full display. During Cascade Eclipse, with no power and teams scrambling to ensure operations were maintained, our maintenance team stepped up without hesitation to ensure our BN CP was set up and worked the power distribution plan. Their contributions didn't stop there. As we prepared for the Change of Command ceremony, the maintenance section once again rose to the occasion. From coordinating equipment movement to ensuring every vehicle and generator was FMC, they played a key role in ensuring things went smoothly. On top of these accomplishments, the maintenance section recently supported both the Alpha Company and Charlie Company FTXs, ensuring their equipment was able to get back to mission readiness status in a timely manner.



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Atlas...

During our five-day field training exercise, A Co worked diligently to set up several SNN (Scalable Network Node) systems and establish communication lines that are essential for mission success in real-world scenarios. Despite long hours and challenging field conditions, Soldiers maintained high morale and demonstrated exceptional teamwork and resilience. A Co is currently hosting CDT Jones from Indiana University of Pennsylvania for her CTLT (Cadet Troop Leader Training) assignment. She has been a valuable addition to the unit, gaining hands-on experience supporting mission command, and enabling communication through a variety of systems. Her contributions include managing equipment and property, briefing the commander, writing OPORDs, and observing company level operations during field training exercises. **Strong and Steady, this is the way!**



Bruins...

This month, B Co stayed mission-ready and team-focused through a series of dynamic training and morale events. Our PT sessions were energetic, as we not only hosted PT with Eagle 6, but also participated in combat-focused PT, litter carry drills, team-building sessions, and a ruck march to prepare for the upcoming 12-miler. Technical readiness remained a priority with JBCP installation and hands-on training. Bruin Soldiers are also engaged in critical mission prep alongside I Corps for the upcoming Yama Sakura exercise. Everyone also enjoyed the Battalion Org Day, partaking in fun activities such as volleyball, basketball, and cornhole, building camaraderie across the ranks. Additionally, we'd like to congratulate SPCs Taing and Strobeck for their recent graduation from the Basic Leader Course. As Bravo Company, we continue to sharpen our physical, technical, and tactical edge, standing ready to execute the mission anytime and anywhere. **Rise Above!**



Cobras...

Greetings Cobra Family! Over the course of July Cobra Company conducted a Company FTX and validated 11 nodes for upcoming support missions. Congratulations to SGT Encinas and his team who set the BN standard for validation time, narrowly beating out SGT Wilkerson's team! Over the last two weeks Cobra Company also conducted our Initial Command Inspection, supported the BDE and BN with SNN teams during the ERRE and conducted the BN M249 Range. Looking forward through September the Company is poised to have eight SNN nodes supporting three different missions across the West Coast. During July Cobra Company has had the pleasure of welcoming three new Soldiers while saying goodbye to three of our own. Lastly, we would like to give a big congratulations to the newest member of our NCO ranks, as CPL Vega completed BLC and is poised and ready to lead an SNN team! **OSOKI!**



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Soldiers' Highlights
August Soldiers' Birthdays

AMAYA ALEXANDER
BEAT DYLAN
BUCKNER ANTONIO
BURTON RALPH
DANIELS DUSTIN
DE LA PAZ-MAXWELL
EGGERS ZACHARY
FREW MASON
GACON PAUL
GONZALEZ JOEY
HOLBROOK MARQUISE
HUNTER WILLIAM
JUAREZ RUPERTO

KAMARA ABDUL
KELLENBERGER TODD
KLAMROWSKI JONATHON
LUGO JR MIGUEL
MACCINI MICHEL
MARIN RITA
MORGAN JEREMY
NEAL KHANO
PALEN RYAN
PARTEL RIKHI
PHILIP RENARD
PIMENTA DE ALMEIDA

PRANDY JASON
QUINTERO JANICAANN
RAMOS HECTOR
RAYMORE CHRISTOPHER
RILEY KIMBERLY
SHULTZ YEISON
SOTOYODER ANGEL
STANLEY DYAMI
TELLEZ LEONOR
TRAN ERIC XUAN
WILLIAMS AMIR F
WOOLF RYAN



Team 460 from C Co, validated their SNN in 22 min and 13 secs



LTC Liley present CW2 Mack his PCS award



Several Soldiers support SPC Edwards and SPC Gonzalez Wedding



51st ESB-E BSRT Event



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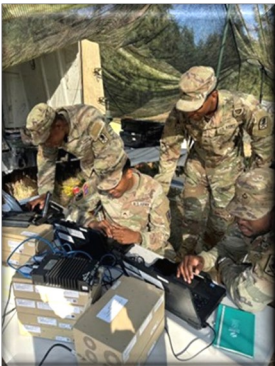
B Co Litter Carry PT



SPC Edward and SPC Gonzalez Wedding Ceremony



CDT Jones, PFC Young, PFC Hinds at A Co's FTX



PFC Young, CPL Tate, SGT Bell, SPC Hinds at A Co's FTX



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PFC Mosby, PFC Pierce, PFC Teeter at A Co's FTX



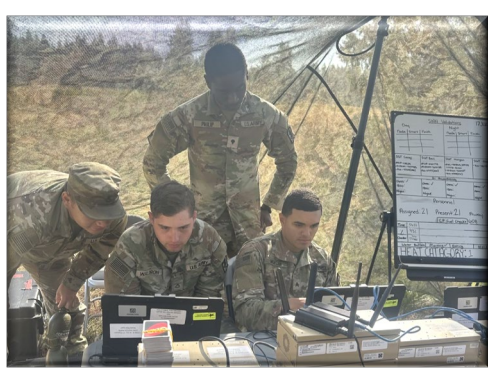
C Co conducting briefs during their FTX



A Co takes a group photo after their FTX



CPT Uher at the M17 Range



A Co troubleshooting during their FTX



CSM at the M17 Range



A Co Farewells 1SG Buza



A Co troubleshooting Hawkeye



BN CMD Team visits C Co during their FTX



C Co FTX Site



NETOPS providing support during C Co FTX



NETOPS providing support during C Co FTX



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51ST ESB-E UPCOMING EVENTS
AUGUST 2025

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|--------|--|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| | | | | Orange Call | AGSU Day | |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| | | 4 th Quarter Battalion NCO/Soldier of the Quarter | | | Single Service Members Day | |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| | | Promotion Board | | | BN BSRT (Single Soldiers) | Bach-to-School Beach Bash |
| | | | | | NCO Run | |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| | | | BLC Graduation | ACO Assumption of Responsibility | | |
| | | | | Unit Polos | | |

OFF DAYS JBLM EVENTS BN EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 2025

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|---|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| | | | | | Rock N' Glow Bowling | |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| | | | Battalion FTX | | | |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| | | | | | | JBLM Half Marathon & 5K/1K |
| | | Battalion FTX | | | | |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| | | | Promotion Board | | Commanders Cup 2-Miler | |
| | Battalion NCO/Soldier of the Year Competition | | | BN Fitness Challenge | Unit Polos | |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | | | | |
| | BLC Graduation | | | | | |



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