

# NEWSLETTER

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51st Expeditionary Signal Battalion - Enhanced



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## Commander's Corner

October was a month of connection, growth, and celebration for the Mercury Battalion. While we saw a brief lull in support missions, we stayed busy with meaningful activities that brought us closer together and strengthened our team. We kicked the month off with Signal Regimental Week, which culminated in a Signal Ball—a night filled with tradition, camaraderie, and pride in our profession. We also launched the first iteration of the new SNN Academy, an exciting step forward in developing our Soldiers' skills and expertise. One of the highlights of the month was our Trunk or Treat event, where Families came together to enjoy a fantastic evening filled with laughter and community spirit. As the lack in appropriations continues, please don't hesitate to reach out to your chain of command if your Family needs support during the holiday season. I am honored to serve alongside each of you and grateful for the dedication and resilience you show every day. **ALWAYS CONSTANT!**



## CSM's Corner

October proved to be a busy and productive month, marked by rigorous training, professional development, and community building. The Battalion successfully completed the challenging 4x36 run and a demanding 12-Mile Ruck march, demonstrating exceptional physical resilience and teamwork. We congratulate SGT Encinas, SGT Gasque, SPC Chabot, SPC Eggers, SPC Palme, SPC Squillante, SPC Tate, and SPC Vasquez on their well-deserved recommendations for promotion! The NCOs participated in both Brigade and Battalion NCO Professional Development events reinforcing leadership skills and fostering a cohesive NCO Corps. Several Soldiers attended Mercury Academy, enhancing their leadership skills and capabilities. We executed the Battalion Newcomers Brief welcoming all new Soldiers, ensuring a smooth transition and integration. We welcomed back three teams returning from the IFTC mission – well done! We participated in a successful Signal Week and ended the month with a fun and engaging Trunk or Treat. The Bruins hosted our Battalion Quarterly Hail and Farewell honoring departing key leaders and welcoming new team members. As we look ahead into November, I encourage everyone to continue the momentum in prioritizing mission readiness, professional development, and team cohesion. **Always Constant!**



## XO's Corner

October was a busy and productive month for the Battalion. We began with a BN OPD session on Preparing for Interviews, offering valuable tips and best practices for those in the 26-02 Marketplace. Signal Week was a highlight, starting with a Golf Scramble where M6, M7, M5, and M3 proudly represented the Mercury team, and concluding with the Signal Regimental Ball. The staff also conducted HHC's Initial Command Inspection, enhancing the command team's understanding of their company's readiness. The BN Trunk or Treat, Hail and Farewell, and 1QFY26 Mercury Challenge were all resounding successes. As we approach the holiday season, the mission continues, and I remain inspired by the dedication and achievements of our Soldiers. **Always Constant!**



## S1's Corner

The 51<sup>st</sup> ESB-E would like to introduce SSG Lizette Ross as the new Soldier and Family Readiness Group (SFRG) Leader! SSG Ross also serves as the Battalion S1 NCOIC and is eager to start connecting with Mercury Families. The SFRG is a command-sponsored organization that builds readiness and resilience by supporting Soldiers and their families. It serves as a bridge between the command and Families, keeping everyone informed, connected, and empowered – especially during deployments and transitions. If you or your Family member is interested in receiving information from the SFRG, please reach out to SSG Ross at 51esbesfrg@gmail.com. **Always Constant!**



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## S3's Corner

This past month has been a busy and productive one for the team! We successfully recovered from our September FIELD Training Exercise (FTX), ensuring readiness and resilience. The 22d CSB's Signal Week was a great opportunity to showcase our capabilities and strengthen our expertise. Congratulations to SSG Morales for earning his Expert Soldier Badge (ESB)—a testament to his dedication and skill. NETOPs has been hard at work training six SNN teams in the latest iteration of the SNN Academy, enhancing operational proficiency. Additionally, SSG Beach has begun attending the Senior Leader Course (SLC) virtually, continuing her professional development. As we look ahead, the Battalion S3 shop is gearing up for the new year and the exciting Pacific Pathways missions. Thank you all for your hard work and commitment to excellence! Let's keep the momentum going strong! **Always Constant!**



## Chaplain's Corner

The Unit Ministry Team (UMT) continued its mission of strengthening the spiritual and emotional resilience of Soldiers throughout October. The team hosted multiple events, including the Suicide Prevention Awareness (ACE) Training led by 22d CSB Chaplin Alcivar and BN Chaplin Lee. Battalion Soldiers gathered at the COF to learn how to Ask, Care, and Escort one another during times of crisis. The event encouraged compassion, teamwork, and the pursuit of meaningful living. The UMT remains committed to fostering a culture of care, faith, and readiness within the 51<sup>st</sup> ESB-E family. **Always Constant!**



## Hounds...

Happy Halloween to the Families, friends, and Soldiers of Hound Company! Fall has arrived in full force, but training has not stopped. We started the month with Signal Week, which included a run, leadership development, and concluded with a Signal Ball. The company also participated in the Battalion's 12-mile ruck march. We ended with sore feet but high spirits, and every Hound that started the ruck finished all 12 miles within the Corps time standard. The month concluded with a hiking challenge for officers and an NCO run to build camaraderie. Throughout October we have been subject to many inspections to ensure the company is squared away, taking care of Soldiers, and ready to support the 51<sup>st</sup> in America's next war, whenever it may occur. While the Army is always going through changes, Hound company remains committed to a ready Battalion of ready Soldiers. **Raise Hell!**



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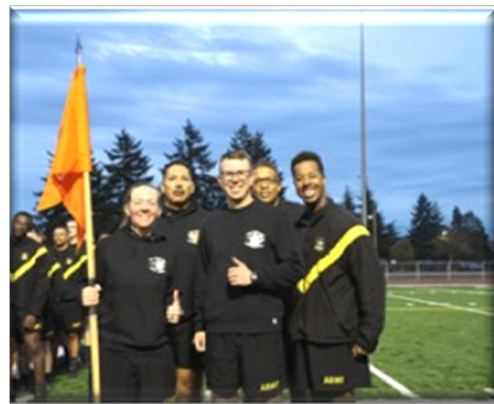
### Atlas...

In October, Atlas demonstrated their dedication to physical readiness, professional development, and facility improvement through the successful completion of several key events. During the Company 4-mile run, Soldiers worked to meet the I Corps standard of finishing the distance in 36 minutes, with the majority achieving this goal. The 51st ESB-E 12-mile foot march challenged Soldiers to carry 35 lbs in their rucks and complete the course within 4 hours, with all participants successfully meeting the requirement. In addition to these physical training events, Alpha Company undertook a thorough renovation of the Company Operations Facility. This effort included unbolting and relocating lockers, consolidating excess equipment, repainting hallways, and the break room, repairing drywall, and installing a television in the hallway to display an informative slideshow for Atlas Soldiers. These improvements have transformed our area into a modern and functional space, with increased open areas and plans to establish a downstairs gym. Furthermore Soldiers participated in the Battalion SSN Academy and provided support to the 593rd ESC, further showcasing their commitment to excellence in training, facility enhancement, and mission support. **Strong and Steady, this is the way!**



### Bruins...

October has been a month of focused training and significant achievements for Bravo Company. Our Soldiers sharpened tactical skills and refined communication during virtual convoy operations at the MTC, simultaneously boosting our readiness with the addition of Driver's Training targeting over thirty Soldiers. This dedication ensures we remain prepared for any mission. Additionally, we would like to shout-out 2LT Riley and PFC Tanner for their incredible performance at the Norwegian Ruck March, with both earning their bronze badges. 2LT Riley took 2nd place in the women's division and represented Bravo Company and the Battalion extremely well. Beyond training, the Bravo Company family grew by one with PFC Ramirez's recently born son, Marcelo Ramirez, being welcomed into the world! Congratulations! **"RISE ABOVE!"**



### Cobras...

Happy October to the Cobra Family! Over the course of the month Cobra Company focused on individual Soldier tasks and training and increasing individual lethality throughout the company. The unit conducted the 12 mile foot march with the BN, with all Cobra Company Soldiers passing! The Company took over ACP duties for Logistics Gate, conducted driver's training licensing 16 new drivers, welcomed 11 new Soldiers, and had new Soldiers attend the BN's SNN Academy. Additionally, the Company prepared to support our Brigade's Proof of Concept for the TAC as well as the BN's HSRL to TRILOS testing in the coming weeks. Finally, the Cobra community is excited to welcome Families as our BN celebrates Halloween with Trunk or Treat festivities on 29 October. C Co Soldiers are excited to welcome our Families, share the haunted COF experience, and decorate our vehicles for trunk or treating. **OSOKI!**



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Suicide prevention training



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PCF Tanner completes the Norwegian ruck march



2LT Riley completes the Norwegian ruck march



JBLM Signal Corps Run



B Co



SGT Shultz



CPL Begaye Reenlists



CPL Begaye with her Family

## Soldiers' Highlights November Soldiers' Birthdays

ABAD LLAYRA  
ALVAREZ ANTHONY  
BASE SETH  
BOUDREAUX BRADFORD  
BRADLEY TAYLOR  
CASEY AUBREY  
CASTRO ORLANDO  
CEDILLO DANIEL  
CHEVANNES DJON  
CHISM DOMINICK  
CORREA MODESTO  
CRUZ MATTHEW

DIAZ-MENDOZA  
EPPS DEREK  
FALVEY SETH  
GILES JR. CHRISTOPHER  
GRACE JOSHUA  
LINGAO NOAH  
MAIS GAVIN  
MAYA JULIAN  
MCNEIL JR. AVALON  
MEDRANO DIANA  
MERCER JEFFREY  
MITCHELL MARK

MORGAN BRANDON  
MYERS MICHAEL  
NGUYEN GIALOC  
PAEZ VARGAS  
SERRANO EDWARD  
SHOUSE JACOB  
SLAY JUSTEN  
SMITH ALEXIS  
SOTO DAMIAN  
STILLING IAN  
SWEENEY LEE



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SIGNAL BALL



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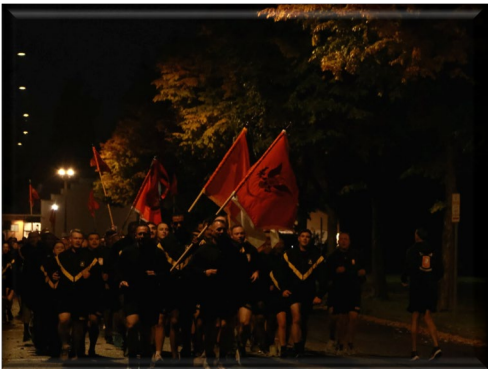


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SIGNAL RUN

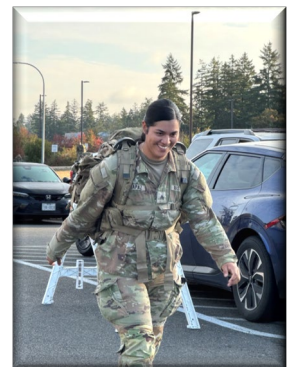
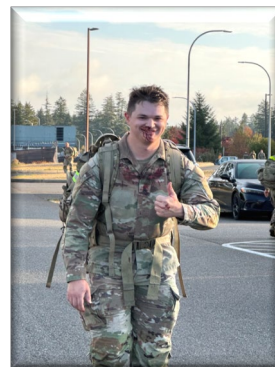
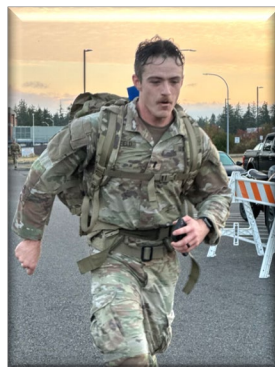
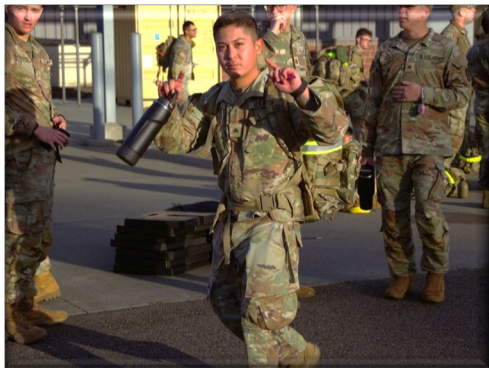
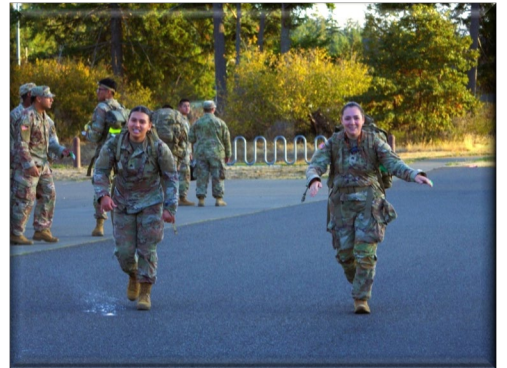
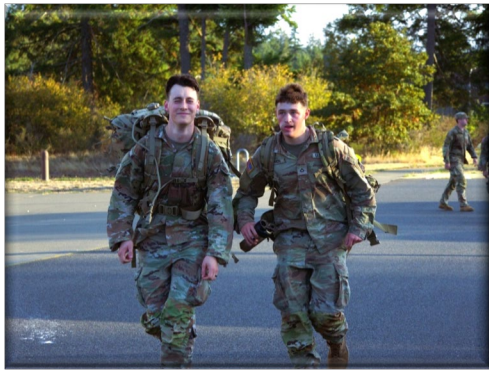


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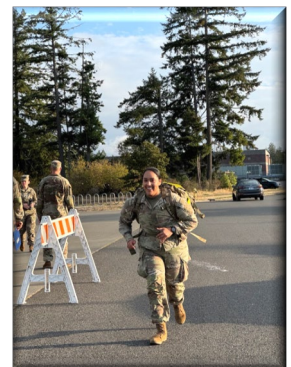
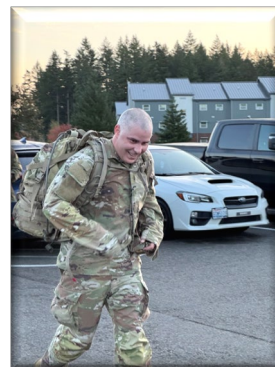
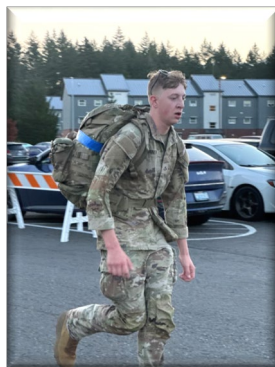
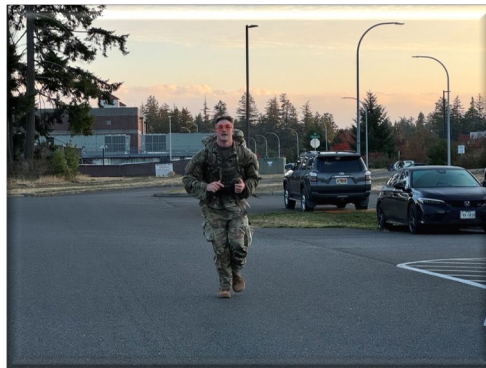
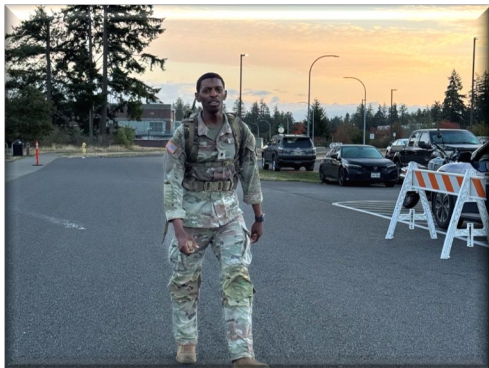
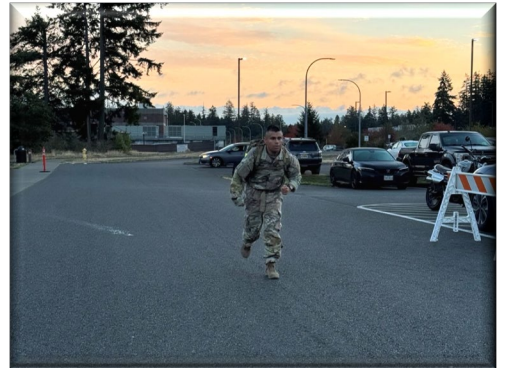


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**BATTALION TRUNK OR TREAT**



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51<sup>ST</sup> ESB-E UPCOMING EVENTS  
NOVEMBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
				Orange Call		Wear Blue: Veterans Day Run
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
					NCO Induction	
					AGSU	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		Promotion Board			BN NCOPD	
					BN Run	Holiday Assistance Program Turkey Shoot
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
			NCO Run			
			Unit Polos			

OFF DAYS   JBLM EVENTS   BN EVENTS

DECEMBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
				BN Holiday Party	Santa Castle Ruck March	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
			BN Fitness Challenge		BN NCOPD	
			Promotion Board		BN 4 Mile Run	OPPORTUNITY LEAVE
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
OPPORTUNITY LEAVE						
28	29	30	31			
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