

# NEWSLETTER

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51st Expeditionary Signal Battalion - Enhanced



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## Commander's Corner

Welcome back from holiday block leave, and Happy New Year! I hope you all had the chance to recharge and spend time with loved ones. As we begin 2026, I want to thank you for returning ready to tackle the challenges ahead.

This quarter, we will focus on supporting Operation Pathways and Courage

Lethality—missions that will test our readiness and expertise. This is what we have been preparing for, and I have full confidence in this team's ability to deliver excellence, as you always do. Your dedication and professionalism continue to set us apart.

As members of the Oldest and Finest Signal Battalion in our Army, we carry forward a proud legacy of service and excellence. It is an honor to serve alongside each of you, and I look forward to what we will accomplish together this year. Let's make 2026 a year of success and pride! **ALWAYS CONSTANT!**



BRUINS



COBRAS



## CSM's Corner

As December comes to a close, I hope each of you had the opportunity to decompress and enjoy some well-deserved time off during the holiday break. First, I would like to extend my congratulations to the 13 junior leaders who attended and graduated from the Basic Leaders Course on December 9th. A special acknowledgment goes to SPC Roman and SPC Phillips for their outstanding achievement in making the Commandant's List—excellent work! I also want to express my gratitude to everyone who assisted in preparing and executing the M17, M249, M320, and M4 ranges. These training events have significantly increased our readiness levels throughout the Battalion. Congratulations to Charlie Company for being crowned the new champions of our Battalion Fitness Challenge! Your dominance in this event is commendable—great job! Lastly, I would like to congratulate SGT Bell from Alpha Company and PFC Kane from Charlie Company for being selected as the NCO and Soldier of the Quarter for the Battalion during our first quarter competition. They will represent the Battalion at the 22d CSB quarter board in January. As we return in January, I ask everyone to be prepared to ramp up for our upcoming missions and to be ready to support any customer at a moment's notice. Thank you all for your hard work and dedication. **Always Constant!**



## XO's Corner

December was an eventful and productive month for the Battalion. The BN kicked off the month by re-establishing the SFRG with a Town Hall led by the BN CDR and CSM. Despite the busy schedule leading up to holiday block leave, the BN successfully completed exercise preparations, weapons range operations, and a BN PAI. The unit celebrated its achievements at the BN Holiday Party, welcomed new members and bid farewell to departing personnel during the BN Hail and Farewell and Newcomers Brief. Additionally, the BN demonstrated its commitment to the community by organizing a ruck march to Santa's Castle on JBLM and donating toys to support those in need. I'm excited for the New Year and the incredible opportunities and achievements the BN will accomplish together. **Always Constant!**



## S1's Corner

This month the S1's focus has been Soldier Readiness as we gear up for this year's missions. We want to share a quick update regarding updates to the STPs on IPPS-A, information such as phone number, HT/WT information, AFT and weapon qualification score/hits are now available on the STP to make the STP more accurate, user friendly, and valuable for career development. We will continue to push updates as we receive them and are excited for the upcoming year!



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## S3's Corner

As we wrapped up December and prepared for the holidays, the S3 shop stayed focused on mission success and readiness. The BN NETOPs team worked closely with the SNN teams deploying to Cobra Gold in Thailand and Keen Edge in Japan, supporting their COMMEEX and ensuring they are prepared for upcoming operations. CPT Michaelson and CPT Corabo led a successful Battalion M17 range, providing an excellent opportunity for Companies to increase their ACP numbers and enhance marksmanship proficiency. This month, we also bid farewell to CW2 "Disco Dave" Matherne, who is heading off to serve as a 255S. His expertise and leadership will be greatly missed, but we wish him the best in his next chapter. Thank you to everyone for your hard work this month—enjoy the holidays, and let's gear up for a strong start to the new year! **Always Constant!**



## Chaplain's Corner

During a rainy December training day, Soldiers spent long hours at the range conducting live-fire training. In the midst of the cold and wet conditions, the UMT prepared hot cocoa and visited the range to spend time with the Soldiers. The UMT hosted the Santa's Castle Ruck March, bringing together Soldiers for a meaningful time of connection and celebration. Toys were given to children, and the UMT provided Starbucks coffee and hot cocoa while spending time with Soldiers and their Families. Both event strengthened unit morale, fostered family readiness, this simple act of care provided warmth, encouragement and created a joyful space where the spirit of service, gratitude, and community was shared by all. **Always Constant!**



## Hounds...

Happy Holidays Hounds! It's been a very busy couple of weeks to start the month of December. Despite the ceaseless rain and cold temperatures, HHC has run two successful ranges, rehearsed our command post establishment, planned and executed a Battalion Holiday Party, and conducted other training to keep our Soldiers ready. Now we end the year with two weeks of well-earned block leave. While many are returning home to spend time with their families, others are using the low tempo weeks to organize and prepare for the second quarter and make it home while the sun is up. We will hit the ground running with convoy operations, communications and command post exercises, and more ranges and tactical training in January and February. Until then, take time to connect with family and friends, recover physically and mentally, and enjoy your holidays. **Always Constant!**



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### Atlas...

In December 2025, Alpha Company executed several initiatives aimed at enhancing readiness, improving facilities, and fostering esprit de corps. The company organized a 3.2-mile foot march, accompanied by the Unit Ministry Team (UMT), to Santa's Castle to donate toys to the local community, contributing over 50 new toys. Soldiers actively participated in the State of the Brigade town hall and honored the memory of Sergeant Riley K. Jorgenson by attending a memorial service. Additionally, Alpha Company Soldiers showcased their physical prowess in the Mercury Fitness Challenge. SGT Bell and PFC Bolanos demonstrated exceptional leadership and performance in the Soldier of the Quarter competition. The company also conducted a 100% Personnel Accountability Inspection (PAI) for the battalion, which included thorough dress uniform inspections. Furthermore, SNN teams successfully completed a COMME to ensure communication readiness for upcoming missions.



### Bruins...

Bravo Company has demonstrated exceptional commitment to readiness and professional development over the last month. Soldiers successfully qualified on the M4, M249, and M17 platforms, showcasing their tactical proficiency and lethality. Further enhancing the unit's technical capabilities, two TRILOS teams trained on and validated their systems, ensuring critical communications readiness. In the field, 2nd Platoon honed their defensive skills by executing vital survivability training in the training areas. Finally, please join us in congratulating our newest leaders who recently graduated from the Basic Leader Course: SGT Burke, SPC Terwilliger, SPC Bowen, and SPC Graham. These accomplishments highlight Bravo Company's dedication to excellence at every level. Rise Above!



### Cobras...

A warm Holiday Greeting to the Cobra Family! Cobra Company is gearing up for a dynamic February training schedule following a successful finish to the year. February's training events include the Joint Pacific Multinational Readiness Center (JPMRC) exercise in Alaska, which will test arctic operational capabilities, and Exercise Cobra Gold in Thailand, a multinational event focused on interoperability and joint operations. Locally, the Battalion Communications Exercise (BN COMME) and the 555th Engineer Brigade COMME will refine communication coordination with our aligned MSC, while the 201st and 502nd Command Post Exercise (CPX) will continue to build our relationship with the supported MSC as they refine the command and control. Additionally, a Company Field Training Exercise (FTX) will compare PHX-E FDMA and TDMA throughputs, advancing our communication technology expertise. Over the month of December Cobra Company completed HSRL to TRILOS mapping, improving the Battalion's ability to extend the network using Line of Sight systems. Cobra Company led the Battalion M4 Range density, with 68 Soldiers qualifying. Finally, five Soldiers graduated from the Basic Leader Course (BLC), with SPC Roman earning a spot on the Commandant's List. Cobra Company also dominated the Battalion Fitness Challenge, winning by a landslide. As Cobra Company prepares for upcoming missions, the unit extends heartfelt holiday greetings to the Families and friends who support our outstanding Soldiers. Your encouragement is vital to their success and readiness. With a strong foundation built over the last few months of readiness focused activities and with a robust training plan ahead, Cobra Company is poised for continued excellence as we prepare for a busy quarter of mission support.



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C Co BLC Graduates

## Soldiers' Highlights January Soldiers' Birthdays

AMAR CHRISTOPHER  
BABBITT EVAN MARTIN  
BELDIMAN ALEX  
BROWN JAMEAL  
CABRERA FERNANDA  
CONSTANTIN SAIGE  
COOPE CALEB  
FOXWORTH LANE  
FRAZIER CHRISTIAN  
GASQUE JALEEL

GRACE LAUREN  
HARCROW DEREK  
KERSTELL KAITLYNN  
LITCHFIELD TYLER  
MARTINEZ ADRIAN  
MCBRIDE TYLER  
MURPHY SHANE  
NAZARIO MARC  
PIERRE RASHAWN  
PORTER DAWSON

RICHTER DALLAS  
ROOSA TRISTEN BLADE  
SAM B SERIGNE  
SCOTT LINDSAY  
TATE ETHAN  
THAYER RASHOD  
UHER RYAN  
VILLANUEVA ALAN  
WALDRON ADAM



B Co Camouflaged in Hide Site



51<sup>st</sup> Santa Ruck



51<sup>st</sup> ESB-E Santa Ruck



51<sup>st</sup> ESB-E Santa Donations



NCO/Soldier of the Quarter Board



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Hail and Farewell



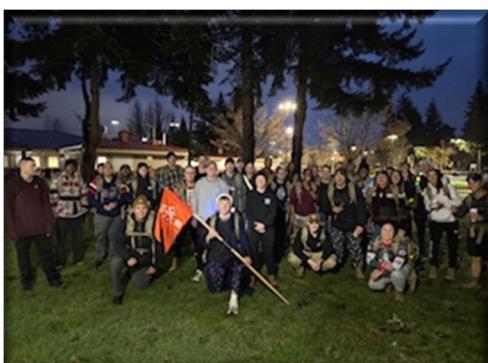
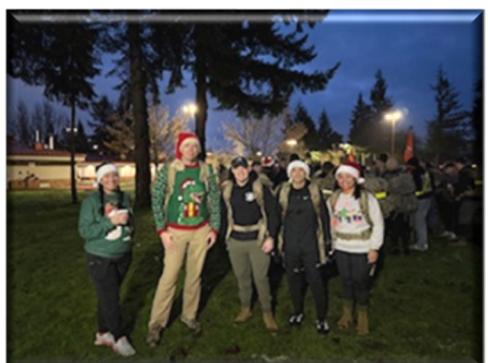
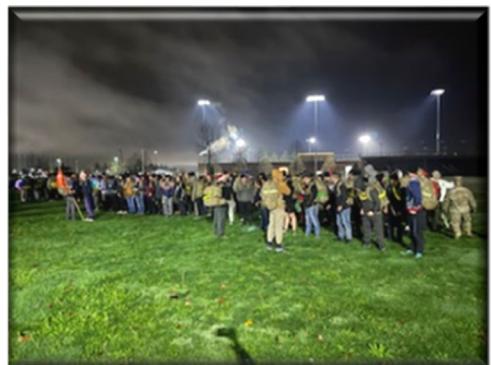
Hail and Farewell



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Santa Castle Ruck



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Battalion Fitness Challenge



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

January 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		NAF Job Fair		BDE Quarter Board		Fitness Fair Leavenworth Lights
11	12	13	14	15 Leaders Call Corps 108 <sup>th</sup> Birthday	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23 NCO Run JBLM Arctic Plunge	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 BN Polo Day	31
			Mercury Academy			

OFF DAYS

JBLM EVENTS

BN EVENTS

February 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5 Orange Call Prayer Breakfast	6	7
		NAF Job Fair				
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
			Battalion FTX			
	BLC Graduation					
15	16	17	18	19 CSM's Farewell Leaders Call	20 NCOPD	21
		BN Promotion Board				
22	23	24	25	26 Hail and Farewell	27 BN Polo Day	28
					NCO Run	
1	2	3	4	5	3	7



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