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## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### The Combined Federal Campaign celebrates its 50th this October

Written by Jocelyn Williams

With the changing of seasons comes the yearly opportunity to support one's favorite charity, right here on Blue Grass Army Depot.

The 2011 Combined Federal Campaign (CFC), running from October 10 to November 10, allows federal employees

and Armed Forces service members to donate to the charity of their choice, either by a one-time payment or through payroll deduction.

This year marks the 50th anniversary for this drive, originally founded by President John F. Kennedy in 1961.

Interested in donating?

Depot employees who choose to donate first determine how much he or she wishes to contribute, and then selects one of the many participating charitable organizations.

Payroll deduction allows employees to spread their contribution across the entire year. For example, if an em-



ployee contributes the minimum payroll deduction of \$26, and is paid twice a month for 26 pay periods throughout the year, only \$1 will be deducted from a pay check each pay period. Spreading contributions out over the year allows employees to make a larger contribution, which allows them to make a bigger impact on their chosen charity.

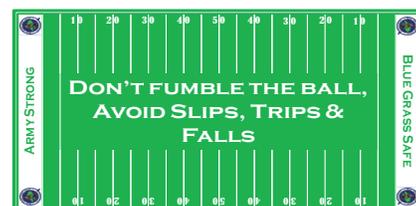
Even the smallest of donations goes a long way. To learn more about the CFC, talk to the CFC key workers who will be distributing the CFC charity list and pledge forms across the depot starting October 10. 🇺🇸

### Safety: avoid slips, trips, & falls

The Blue Grass Army Depot Safety team kicked off their 2012 Slips, Trips & Falls Safety Campaign this month. The one-year campaign was launched because over the last three years, slips, trips and falls have made up 31 percent of total injuries on the depot.

The safety campaign is focusing on education, situational awareness, and personal responsibility to reduce slips, trips, and falls on the depot by 50 percent in FY 12. To learn more about the

program, and to find out how you can help prevent these accidents in the workplace, read the full story coming out in the November Detonator! 🇺🇸



# You Asked, We Answered:

## September 15 Town Hall Questions and Answers

*Question 1: If workload drops off and we lose a job or a funding stream, will I have the opportunity to work somewhere else or will I be told to go home?*

Answer 1: As positions open up, for example someone retires, or someone finds a better job and goes somewhere else, what we do first is a blue sheet, and we try and announce it across the depot. Can we fill this thing internally and then potentially not backfill the person, so that we're not bringing more people in? We have a tremendous amount of talent on this depot.

If you haven't updated your resume yet, on Resumix, this is the time to do that, as we're talking about all these discussions.

It's not that I hate RIF, it's that I love working around people, so it's that same commitment that applies, when workload drops, (we'll decide) what we are going to do to make sure we're taking care of people.

*Question 2: How come we don't do promotion with blue sheets? We only do laterals, so could we then expand to promotions?*

Answer 2: (F)or the next fiscal year (FY), this is a real balance issue, transparency in our hiring and promotion practices, which all of us want and all of us seek. And it's a real balance then, once we start getting rid of...promotions without opening it up to a broader audience. At this point, the answer, is no, no ma'am, I'm not ready to go back to that.

We are going to keep down the path we are on. Our hiring practices are open and transparent.

*Question 3: Why did we choose fiscal year 2007 for our workload/workforce goal?*

Answer 3: Before (when) I said 2007, we put a mark on the wall...we had no idea what that FY13 workload was going to be, other than watching the Secretary of Defense and Congress struggle with money, so we knew it was going to be significantly less than what it is now. Everybody's acknowledging that in Army Materiel Command.

So we said, "How do we start downsizing without a goal, how do we start contracting when we don't even know what the number is going to be?" But we looked at where's a more comfortable level...that we could have a goal to go towards, without understanding the FY 13 workload. And there was a natural line of 2007. We also added ISD in 2007, so that skewed those numbers a little bit. But we also throughout that decade transitioned from our contract guards to our DA civilian guards and police and law enforcement, so that has skewed the numbers, too. So we needed a goal, so we shot at 2007.

By the time we developed our workload, the scenario for FY 13, it came out to pretty close, it was 850, so it was really pretty close. So it got us on the glide path to go that way.

... Congress has still not settled some of the debate yet that will leave us with the current cut, or even a bigger cut, we have to drive, we have to attrit our workforce, but we have to do it responsibly...

*Question 4: Other than VERA/VSIP, are they exploring any other programs before we get to the point where we have to RIF?*

Answer 4: In addition to VERA/VSIP, hiring freezes, and releasing term employees, we are also using other methods that include reorganization/reshaping efforts, aggressive pursuit of additional workload, revamping service contracts and curtailing discretionary spending.

*Question 5: Have we considered a voluntary lay-off or furlough (with a callback date) to absorb some of the operating expense?*

Answer 5: Not at this time. Congressional approval is required to initiate a furlough. Additionally, in order to enact a furlough for more than 30 consecutive days, RIF procedures would need to be initiated.

*Question 6: Where are we now, and where are we supposed to be for the fiscal year 13 workload?*

Answer 6: We're at a thousand (personnel) right now. So we're maybe

just a little shy, but not far. However, this next 35 in the VERA/VSIP will take us down, and that includes Anniston Army Ammunition Depot, one of our subordinate organizations that shares our AWCF funds, actually they took one of the VERA/VSIPs of the thirteen, they took one of them for this year, so they're also a part of this cost culture and driving down expenses. So I'll settle for a thousand now, going to 850 by May...(using) VERA/VSIP and normal attrition.

*Question 7: If you don't quite match the VERA/VSIP category, are there going to be additional incentives, additional broadening of the VERA/VSIP rules?*

Answer 7: Expanding the eligibility criteria to participate in VERA/VSIP, such as adding years or age is not a decision that can be made locally. Retirement eligibility is established by Congress; a change would require action by Congress.

I can tell you though, we're looking at some monumental changes as we drop down to these organizations across the Army Materiel Command and across the Department of Defense, so I would not be surprised if we see some monumental changes coming up, but apparently there's nothing now.

### Commander's Town Hall Quotes

"(We have) an incredible workforce. And this depot would be hollow, it would be nothing, without people, without the workforce we have, so I'm forever grateful as a taxpayer, as a colonel, as a guy who's been down the range a couple of times, to be working with you and serving with you, thank you for what you do."

"This organization is not here to support me and Mr. Sharp. Mr. Sharp and I are here to support this organization."

On the possibility of RIF: "How do we not do this? We have to balance the workforce with the workload."

"So it's a Herculean effort this year, we had a drastic decrease in workload this year. So the way we got here, is by a Herculean effort in driving expenses down, we just didn't drive them down far enough. So don't be discouraged that we didn't do enough; we did a lot."

# Hispanic Heritage Month

Written by Keith Justice

This year's Hispanic Heritage Month luncheon on Blue Grass Army Depot was a time for piñatas, a guest speaker, and of course, plenty of Hispanic food. The depot's Family, Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (FMWR) office provided a delicious array of chicken enchiladas and fajitas, Mexican dip, beef and bean burritos, refried beans, Mexican fiesta rice, chips and salsa, queso dip, churros, flan, deep fried jalapeño peppers, and delicious mini tacos. Sure, it is not exactly a diet your nutritionist would recommend, but in order to truly learn about other cultures, you must be willing to eat like other cultures.

The luncheon took place on Wednesday, September 28 at Lake Buck Lodge. About sixty depot employees attended the event.

During the lunch, guest speaker Dr. Ann Kingsolver spoke about the diversity of Latin America, its influence on the United States, and the history of today's Hispanic Heritage Month.

"National Hispanic Heritage Month goes back to 1968, when (our president asked our Congress) to start thinking about the Hispanic contributions to U.S. society and to honor five of our Central American neighbors, and those nations celebrate their independence in September, so that's why (the) national Hispanic celebration is in between September 15 and October 15," said Kingsolver.

The five Central American neighbors are Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua, said Kingsolver.

Kingsolver is the Director for the Appalachian Center and Appalachian Studies program at the University of Kentucky (UK). She grew up in Nicholas County, Kentucky, and received her Ph.D. in anthropology from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, where she later directed the Latin American studies program and chaired the anthropology department.

Her research in the United States, Mexico and Sri Lanka focused on how peo-



**Left:** Dr. Ann Kingsolver, a University of Kentucky professor, speaks about the diversity of Latin America to Blue Grass Army Depot employees at the Hispanic Heritage Celebration on Wednesday, September 28 at Lake Buck Lodge.

**Below right:** A depot employee attempts to break the pinata at the depot's Hispanic Heritage Celebration. Photos by Keith Justice.

ple make sense of globalization and how it affects their lives and their work. Her latest book, reflecting 25 years of research in her hometown, is called *Tobacco Town Futures: Global Encounters in Rural Kentucky*.

Kingsolver also spoke about how most people associate Latin America with the Spanish language, when actually, there are over 500 languages spoken there.

"So when someone comes into the Army and their background is from Latin America, they may be from one of a number of speaking groups, communities, and that's something I think in the U.S. we need to under-

stand a little bit more, about how diverse Latin America is," Kingsolver said.

Mary Parsons, a budget analyst who attended the event, learned some new things about Latin America from Kingsolver's presentation.

"(I came here) to learn more about Latin American countries. She touched a little bit on the mix of people that have immigrated. (What I got out of it was) what she said about how you

can't tell a person's citizenship status by looking at them," said Parsons.

Amanda Byron, special staff, and human resources intern Nichole Zimmermann coordinate and plan the depot's ethnic observances.

"The main purpose for all the heritage months is to spread the word about diversity and get people thinking about other ethnic cultures," said Byron.

"Each month we try different avenues (to invite a guest speaker) and for this one we reached out to UK and ECU (Eastern Kentucky University) and got lucky with Ann Kingsolver...she was perfect," Byron added.

The depot will host another ethnic observance in November.

"Our next (heritage program) is the Native American month in November and we are going to try to do a powwow (along with a guest speaker)...we try to incorporate something else with the heritage because it makes it more fun to bring people in," Byron said.

Depot employees are authorized to take a one-hour lunch break for attending Army ethnic observances, including Hispanic Heritage Month. 🌟

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- Dr. Ann Kingsolver, University of Kentucky professor



**Above:** Hispanic Heritage Month programs greet the 60 guests who attended the depot celebration on September 28. Photo by Keith Justice.

# Employees improve container management, take care of depot's most precious resource

Written by Mary Moses

Blue Grass Army Depot's mission is to support the warfighter. The depot cannot achieve its mission without its most precious resource—depot employees, especially the employees working directly to produce, renovate, and ship products to U.S. service members.

The depot's Continuous Process Improvement team, or CPI, is committed to helping these direct labor employees stay safe on the job and efficient in their workplaces.

"Continuous Process Improvement is very important because it puts the emphasis back on the employee," said Christopher Sweet, lead for the CPI team. "It's that direct labor employee that is the key to the success of Blue Grass Army Depot."

One of CPI's most recent achievements was a Lean Six Sigma Black Belt project improving container management in the restricted area. The project was led by CPI team member Anthony Miller, a process improvement specialist.

The project was initiated by Joint Munitions Command in April 2010. JMC gave BGAD funds to work on the project in anticipation of the depot receiving 15,000 containers in upcoming years, as a result of the drawdown in Iraq and Afghanistan. The depot currently has 1200 stored on the depot, and expects to receive 2400 containers a year in the future.

Representatives from four depot organizations—Equipment Support Division, the Quality Assurance Division, the Stock Management Division, and the Industrial Services Division—helped Miller examine the existing process for storing containers and to find ways to improve it.

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Above: Key team players of a Lean Six Sigma Black Belt project improving container management were honored by Blue Grass Army Depot commander Col. Brian L. Rogers during their close-out celebration Wednesday, August 10.

From left: Ryan Raider, Jimmy Sparks, Sheila Smith, Col. Brian L. Rogers, Keith Frank, Sandy Simpson, Tanya Morgan-Huff, Kevin Hilson, Sheila Blevins, and Anthony Miller. Raider, Frank, Simpson and Blevins received commander's coins for their efforts on a container management project. Photo by John Stephens.

Their goal was to improve accountability and align authority, responsibility and information flow for container management. Specifically, the team aimed to make accountability 100 percent, meet the Army standards for container storage, and set up timely input of inventory data within 48 hours.

Before the start of the Lean Six Sigma project, the depot had no standard inspection process and was not meeting JMC timelines for receiving and inspecting containers.

Beginning in June 2010, Miller and his team followed four steps to address these problems and achieve results: defining the problem, measuring and analyzing the process, improving the process, and controlling the process.

The four departments implemented simple, inexpensive changes in response to the project, which finished in June 2011. These improvements include a new standard operating procedure (SOP), standard inspector training, the switch from hand-carrying documents to using scanners, approval for handheld scanners, and a centralized way of tracking and accounting for containers.

As a result of the project, the depot can now process two additional containers a day and has lowered the amount of time spent on each container from 18 to 14 hours, said Miller. The team has also reduced time locating containers by 86

hours per year.

Although the container management project is complete, follow-on projects will make additional process improvements to the system.

Miller believes that the best way to make an organization more efficient and higher quality is to see "problems as an opportunity to improve."

Miller was honored along with his Black Belt team during the project close-out celebration Wednesday, August 10. Ryan Raider, Keith Frank, Sandy Simpson and Sheila Blevins received commander's coins from BGAD Commander Col. Brian L. Rogers for their efforts on the project.

CPI projects like the container management project are part of a "culture change" happening on the depot, Miller said.

"I think we're in the middle of a culture change, and a business transformation," said Miller. "We're out there doing these projects, talking this lingo about eliminating and identifying waste, using common sense, communication tools. If we stay on top of that... this is the way we're doing business."

## Want to learn more?

Check out the November Detonator to read more about the depot's Continuous Process Improvement team! 4

# Employee Test, Measurement, Diagnostic Spotlight: Equipment Support Center

Written by Mary Moses

As an Army hotspot for calibration, the Test Measurement Diagnostic Equipment (TMDE) support center on Blue Grass Army Depot is always trying to measure up.

TMDE, a tenant organization operating on the depot since 1993, calibrates, measures, and/or fixes all types of military equipment in support of U.S. service members.

"We basically measure anything that the Army has that needs to be measured. Whether it's from a simple torque wrench to the most up-to-date microwave-capable spectrum network analyzer, we can do it," said Bob Beese, Chief of TMDE.

TMDE is an element of U.S. Army TMDE Support Activity (USATA), which is responsible for the worldwide mission of all calibrations and measurements for the Army. TMDE and USATA are funded by Army Materiel Command.

The depot's TMDE support center is one of ten second reference labs worldwide, working under the Army Primary Standards Lab in Redstone Arsenal, Ala. As a secondary reference lab, TMDE's main responsibility is to calibrate the standards, or pieces of equipment, from Army transfer level teams when those teams need more accurate calibration. They also calibrate equipment from Fort Bragg, N.C., Fort Knox, Ky., and from National Guard units in 12 states.

TMDE's biggest customer is the depot. "(W)e really support 800 items from the depot itself, and BGCA (Blue Grass Chemical Activity) has pretty close to 300, and Lockheed Martin, we calibrate almost 500 pieces from them," said Beese.

The support center tests and calibrates all types of measuring equipment—thermometers, medical equipment, flow meters and masks from BGCA, Army fuel pumps, test kits for night vision goggles,



Above Left: Steve Fant, a TMDE technician, calibrates an aircraft weighing kit in the secondary reference lab on Blue Grass Army Depot.

Below Left: Above: A TMDE employee runs a calibration test in the secondary reference lab. Photos by Mary Moses.

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Chief of TMDE

the temperature controllers and pressure gauges from the washout facility, and even torque wrenches for helicopters.

What does calibration mean? A good civilian example is the meat scale at the grocery store. From time to time, those scales have to be calibrated, or corrected, so that customers can get an accurate weight reading on their meat. When it comes to calibrating military equipment like torque wrenches, an inaccurate reading can cause far more damage than buying too much meat at the supermarket.

"(W)e calibrate that torque wrench that's used to lock down those bolts on that helicopter blade, if it's not down properly, then something falls out of the sky," said Beese. "(T)hat's the type of safety stuff that we do."

"Somebody can get hurt if it's not right, and that's what this is all about. It's got to be right. (In our shop) there's no 'close enough for government work,'" Beese also said.

Beese said that TMDE directly supports the Army concept of "Shoot, move, and communicate."

"Well, in order to learn to shoot straight...the weapons have to be working properly, (they) have to have night-vision goggles, they have to have the equipment to move," said Beese.

Within the secondary reference lab, there are five measurement categories—physical/dimensional, microwave, DC and low (under 1 gigahertz), infrared, and radioactive.

The lab has a quality control program and strives to maintain ISO certification 17025. TMDE is also in full compliance with the nuclear regulatory commission in the radioactive category, Beese said.

TMDE has ten employees, three of whom work at Fort Knox, and six of whom are technicians.

Steve Fant, a TMDE technician in the physical and dimensional lab, demonstrated how to calibrate an aircraft weighing kit. Fant put varying amounts of pressure on the kit's transducer to test the accuracy of its measurements at different weights. He then realigned and recalibrated the items until the transducer's measurements came within tolerance again.

After finishing the calibration, Fant filled out paperwork and put a label on the aircraft weighing kit telling who did the calibration, when it was calibrated, and when it will need a new calibration.

"Our job's very important," said Fant about the calibration process. "We've got to make sure we get it right."

The technicians use a technical board during every calibration, and run automated procedures on equipment when possible. This month, a new system for the Instrument Master Record File will update the status of TMDE's equipment pieces to USATA every ten minutes.

In order to maintain the exacting level of quality in the lab, Beese conducts internal audits several times per quarter to check that his technicians are doing their jobs properly and accurately.

"We do it to make sure we maintain the accuracies within the Army, and we do it to make sure that people stay safe," said Beese.  5



# October 2011

## October 1-2

Boy Scout Camporee  
Blue Grass Army Depot

## October 1

Annual Scarecrow Festival, 10 a.m.  
Beech Springs Farm, Forest Grove, KY  
UK Football @Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, La., TBA  
UofL Football vs. Marshall  
Louisville, Ky., 3:30 p.m.

## October 8

Depot Appreciation Day at Kentucky Horse Park  
Free for depot employees all day  
EKU Football @Eastern Illinois 2:30 p.m.  
UK Football @South Carolina Columbia, S.C., TBA  
UofL Football @North Carolina Chapel Hill, N.C., TBA

## October 9

Walk/Bike Madison County on the

Battlefield, 2-4 p.m.  
Battlefield Golf Club

## October 13

Madison Co-Richmond Community Blood Drive, 12-6:30 p.m.  
Madison County Public Library

## October 15

BGAD and EKU Mini-Tailgaters Event, Outside EKU Alumni Coliseum, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
EKU Football vs Southeast Missouri, 3 p.m.

UofL Football @Cincinnati Cincinnati, Ohio, TBA

## October 16-21

National Drug Free Work Week

## October 22

EKU Football vs Tennessee State (HC), 3 p.m.  
UK Football vs Jacksonville State  
Lexington, Ky., TBA

## October 17-21

Teen Read Week, Madison Co. Public Library-Richmond

## October 22-31

Red Ribbon Week, 2011 Theme: "It's Up to Me to Be Drug Free"

## October 24

Trick & Treats Halloween Fun 6-7:30 p.m., Madison Co. Public Library-Richmond

## October 29

Halloween Hoe-Down, 2 -6 p.m.  
Main Street, Richmond

EKU football at Murray State, Ky. 2 p.m.

UK Football Mississippi State, Lexington, Ky., TBA

UofL Football vs Syracuse  
Louisville, Ky., TBA

## October 30

Adventure Falls Last Day Open, 1-9 p.m.

## Depot introduces new cash and prize incentive awards

Written by Amanda Byron

Good news everybody: the Blue Grass Army Depot Awards program is expanding this year to allow for more incentive awards. In fiscal year 2012, depot employees will now be eligible to receive incentive awards for four new programs:

- Total Employee Engagement (TEE) program awards
- Environmental Awards Program
- Programs of Excellence awards
- Beyond Expectation Peer (BXP) awards

Each program will publish a standard operating procedure (SOP) and pamphlet. Award calls will be sent out for each program to explain how to nominate employees and what criteria employees must meet to be eligible.

All four programs shown above can use the following incentives:

- On the Spot Cash awards – ranging from \$25 to \$250
- Special Act awards – ranging from \$25 to \$500
- Time Off awards – ranging from 1 to 10 hours
- Motivational incentive awards - mugs, pens, trophies, lunches, plaques, etc.,

The new individual incentive programs have not changed the Group Awards Program or the Group Safety Awards Program policies. All eligible Blue Grass Army Depot employees can still receive the GAP if we meet and/or exceed our FY12 planned net operating result (NOR). Each eligible employee will also be eligible to receive the GAP safety payout based on the safety performance of BGAD using the Lost Time Cases goals for FY12 as the metric. These Group awards are independent of each other.

More information about the new

incentive awards will be sent out using award calls, the Detonator, emails, the Command Information System (CIS), and flyers. 📄

## You're Invited!

What:

Total Employee Engagement (TEE) Kickoff and Fall Festival!

When: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Monday, October 24

Free food provided by MWR!

Come enjoy a guest speaker, door prizes, music, award program booths, and much more!

# They are here and they have Detonators

Written by Keith Justice

They're blue and green, about knee high, most of them are plastic and they contain the Blue Grass Army Depot's Detonators. It's too late to get scared now because the worst part is, they are already here. No longer will they be hidden in Family Moral Welfare Recreation's outdoor recreation building. No, now they are out in the open, waiting for you to walk by. Waiting for you to pick up the Detonators inside and walk out the door with it.

"As of now, there's no where to put the Detonator, except for in department inboxes and when I went out to the washout, there were some guys who said they never see the Detonator. So, (I) looked around, figured out, okay, why doesn't this base have any newsstands like the other newsstands, so I beat the bushes and got newsstands and put them out there," Samuel Hudson, BGAD public affairs officer.



Above: Lyan Hughes-Ingram, human resources assistant, poses near a newly recycled Detonator newsstand. Photo by Keith Justice.

Graciously donated by the Lexington Herald-Leader, newsstands are now located throughout the depot including in the golf shack, the Igloo Club and building 555 in the restricted area. Each newsstand will contain the latest issue of the Detonator newsletter, along with other depot-related material to keep you informed about what's happening around your depot.

"I called around to the different print mediums around, Richmond Register, also the Lexington Herald-Leader and both said they were be able to give us some, and I chose the best ones which was the Lexington Herald-Leader and they were free, which is always good," said Hudson. "Over fifteen were obtained, and I shared a few with BGCA and BGCAPP," Hudson added.

"I think it's great because it eliminates me putting the Detonator on the counters so it gives us more space to interact with our customers that come," said Lyan

Hughes-Ingram, human resources assistant for the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center or CPAC. "Then they can see that bright colorful newsstand and they just go and grab it right up, so I think it was a great idea to put those at different spots," Hughes-Ingram continued.

So, are the newsstands convenient? "Yes, and plus it's easier to see, so when they come in looking for it, they can see it, grab and go, if that is the only thing they were looking for," said Hughes Ingram.

Kathleen Washington, a staff worker for the golf shack, also mentioned the newsstands' convenience. "I think the convenience, besides the counter space, is just knowing where the locations are. I feel (when people are) coming here to eat, they might walk by it and order a sandwich and want to read it while having lunch and it's more visible."

While before, you could normally find the newsletter sitting alongside other reading materials at locations such as the MWR's front desk, CPAC, on the Igloo Club's dining room tables or on the golf shack's cash register counter, now with the newsstands, they will be more convenient and visible to give the Detonator an official touch.

"It does make it seem more official," said Washington. 🌟

## Madison County principals take special depot tour

Written by Mary Moses

Madison County Schools superintendent Tommy Floyd and more than thirty Madison County principals came to Blue Grass Army Depot for briefings and a tour Wednesday, September 14.

The principals began their day at Lake Buck Lodge with BGAD Commander Col. Brian L. Rogers, who gave them a state of the depot briefing. Rogers talked about the educational opportunities available on the depot, including school tours, the depot's student intern program, service projects, and a potential Science Technology Engineering and Math, or STEM, project.

"We need to make sure we reach out and touch our local community," said Rogers.

The principals received a driving tour of the depot's agricultural area, Lake Gem, the Industrial Services Division, and the Chemical Limited Area. The guests traveled via a Madison County school bus.

After the tour, the guests enjoyed a luncheon provided by the depot's Family Morale Welfare and Recreation department. 🌟



Left: Tommy Floyd, Madison County Schools superintendent, speaks with Col. Brian L. Rogers, Blue Grass Army Depot commander, during the Madison County principals' visit to the depot on September 14. Photo by Mary Moses.

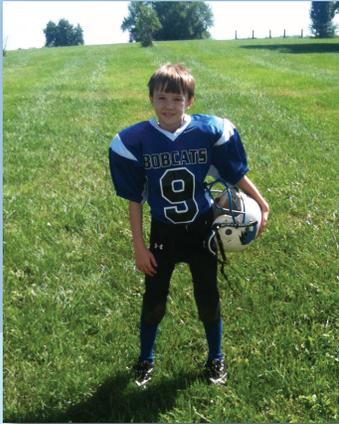
Right: The view from the windows of Lake Buck Lodge before the Madison County principals took a tour of Blue Grass Army Depot on September 14. Photo by Mary Moses.





# Depot Family Page

## Kids in Sports



**Aidan Foley**  
Football



**Brady Vaughn**  
Baseball, Crushers  
8U KY State Champions 2011



**Brianna Wilmot**  
Cheerleading  
Garrard Middle School



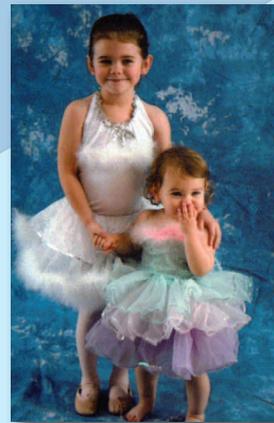
**Chase Morgan Harrison**  
12 years old, Football  
Estill County Middle School



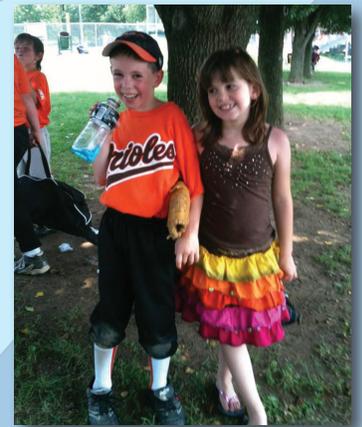
**Keara McCracken**  
7 years old, Upward Cheer



**LaTavia Campbell**  
Volleyball



**Madison and Emma Kelley**  
5 and 2 years old  
Dance lessons



**Malin and Sarah  
Abner-Mansfield**



**Drake Southwell**  
Soccer, Lafayette High School



**Ellie McCurry**  
7 years old, Soccer  
LYSA, Lexington



**Amelia McCurry**  
5 years old, T-ball,  
LYSA, Lexington

# Kids in Sports



**Tosha Cantrell (#26)**  
Volleyball  
Madison Southern High School



**Tiffany Lowell**  
Senior, Varsity Soccer  
Madison Central High School



**Trevor Sparks**  
7th Grade, Football  
Woodford County Middle School



**Ryan Wilmot**  
Baseball



**Veronica B. Thomas**  
7 years old, 2nd Grade  
Basketball  
Sand Gap Elementary



**Adrian Hall**  
Basketball,  
B. Michael Caudill Middle School



**Lillie Deprez**  
10 years old  
Swimming, YMCA Piranhas



**Lillie and Ellie Rose Deprez**  
5 and 10 years old  
YMCA



**Laura Gover**  
Fishing, Conservation Camp

## Boy Scout Camporee 2011 Wild Picture:

Keith Justice, Blue Grass Army Depot videographer intern, teaches Boy Scouts A.J. Ware and Nolan Bolland, Troop 1825, Blue Grass Council, how to operate a video camera for their Journalism Merit Badge at the 2011 Boy Scout Camporee on the depot Saturday, October 1.

Photo by Mary Moses.



## Welcome to the Depot!

Arnold C. Beland, BGCA  
Anne M. Marotti, USASOC  
David W. Moragne, Jr., BGCA



**Johan Williams**  
Football  
Clark Moore Middle School

# Letters to Blue Grass Army Depot

10 Aug 2011



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Letter from **Darrell and Linda Morefield**, parents of Adam Morefield, to BGAD Public Affairs Officer **Samuel G. Hudson**:

Sam-

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Please share this with your command as I'm not sure where to send one directly to him. Thanks.

Your kindness and sympathy are more deeply appreciated than any word of thanks can ever express