



# Director's Comments

By Al W. Moran, Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Army

These are exciting times at the Military Training Network (MTN) and as you can imagine many changes have occurred since your last newsletter. On 14 July 2006 I assumed the Director's position at the MTN and inherited a stable program. I look forward to working with each and every one of our 335 Training Sites, 525 training programs, and almost 1,400 satellite training facilities.

As an appointed and recognized American Heart Association (AHA) Regional Training Center and as an American College of Surgeons Region 13 Program Coordinator, we are entrusted to administer and ensure compliance for our resuscitative and trauma medicine programs. With that trust comes the responsibility to ensure we are meeting the highest standards allowing us to provide AHA/MTN course completion cards to eligi-

ble personnel via our Training Sites.

In support of this goal, the MTN will be increasing our annual Staff Assistance Visits in FY07 from our traditional 10% to between 15-20% of our Training Sites. Together we can partner to provide the best resuscitative and trauma medicine programs possible.



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# The Newsletter

For the last several years most of you knew the MTN bulletin as the Scoop. With some research I discovered copies of MTN bulletins dating back to 1988. The MTN bulletin was originally known as "The Newsletter" and carried that

name for a number of years before recently becoming known as the Scoop. The name will revert to *The Newsletter*.



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# Hail and Farewell

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Hello and welcome! A full-sweep occurred within the Military Training Network leadership positions this summer. We paid fond farewells to our Director, Lt Col Ryan Shercliffe, Deputy Director of Operations, LTC John Garrity, Deputy Director of Budget, Ensign Walter Young, HMI David Heath (who also was promoted to Chief Petty Officer) as they move to new and challenging assignments. Additionally we saluted our Senior Non-commissioned Officer, SFC Susan Boylan, on her retirement after 21 years of dedicated service. All of these individuals were wished the very best and thanked for their dedicated contributions.

Five new staff members have joined the MTN. SSgt Rachel Broussard, U.S. Air Force, came onboard April 1st as the PALS Program Manager, from the USU Health Center.

SFC William Vernon, U.S. Army, Combat Medic, arrived April 10th as the incoming Senior Non-Commissioned Officer and ATLS Program Manager, having previously been with the 261st ASMB, 44th MEDCOM, Fort Bragg, North Carolina with service in Iraq.

LTC Al Moran, U.S. Army, Medical Service Corps, assumed the Director position July 14th after previously serving for 42 months as the Senior Military Advisor of Teaching, Research, and Support at the Uniformed Services University.

CPT Cassandra Robinson, U.S. Army, Medical Service Corps, came onboard July 25<sup>th</sup> as the Deputy Director of Budget, from the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division, FT Drum, New York with

service in Iraq.

And, HM1 Joe Monsivais, arrived August 15<sup>th</sup> having transferred from the USU Laboratory Animal Medicine directorate.

Lastly, I'll be transferring mid-December after five and half years of USU service to the Navy Bureau of Medicine and Surgery. My relief, CAPT Jaime A. Luke, NC, USN, will be reporting from the Navy Manpower, Personnel, Training and Education Command, Bethesda, MD. MTN will continue to place customer service first and maintain the highest education and training standards. It has been a distinct and valued honor to be part of the Military Training Network. I wish you all continued success in your education efforts supporting medical readiness.

## Annual Meeting Held

The MTN partnered with the Emergency Cardiovascular Care (ECC) International Education Conference & Exposition to hold the 2006 MTN ECC Regional Committee meeting on June 26<sup>th</sup>.

The following new National Faculty Advisors were nominated and ratified by the MTN based upon their out-

standing scientific credentials and accomplishments:

CAPT Francesca Cariello, Navy BLS

CDR Renee Jaskow, Public Health Service BLS

LTC Kirk Milhoan, Air Force PALS

LTC Michael Mulreany, Army PALS

LTC Ryan Shercliffe, Air Force ACLS

LCDR Bradford Smith, Navy PALS

National Faculty currently serving include:

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***The Military Training Network is the premier source of resuscitative and trauma medicine training programs for the DoD.***

The Department of Defense Health Council established the MTN in 1982 to provide training, registration, coordination and centralized record keeping for resuscitative and trauma medicine training programs. The administrative staff is organized under the Office of Continuing Education for Health Professionals at the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences.

Programs include:

Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS)  
Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS)  
Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)  
Basic Life Support (BLS)

## 2006 Roll Out

The MTN conducted roll out sessions in support of the 2005 AHA Guidelines for CPR and ECC. The new guidelines form the basis of the BLS, ACLS, and PALS training programs. The monumental task of updating 12,000 instructors with the adoption of new teaching and test-

ing methods was a visceral challenge that with group effort was accomplished. For any questions you may have please contact your respective Program Manager located in the sidebar of the *Newsletter*.