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## 82nd medics save mall shooting victim

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4th BCT PAO

Army medics are trained to treat a full spectrum of wounds, from gun shots to minor bumps and bruises, Soldiers may suffer while fighting in combat operations. Rarely do they expect to have to use their skills while enjoying their free time.

However, two paratroopers from the 82nd Airborne Division were able to put their training into action and responded to save the life of a Krystal Anderson of Carolina Lakes at a local mall Sunday evening.

"We just happened to be at the (right) place and the (right) time," said Pfc. Donald E. Clark.

Spc. John D. Terhune and Clark, both medics with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Abn. Div. were shopping for birthday gifts at Cross Creek Mall when they heard what sounded like a gun shot.

"When we heard the loud bang, Terhune and I looked at each other and thought to ourselves, 'that didn't sound right,'" Clark said.

The two Soldiers then exited the store to see what was going on, he said.

"When we walked out of the store, we noticed a pistol lying on the ground and a small group of people standing around the entrance to the

store next door," Terhune said.

Terhune and Clark said they ran over to see what had happened and whether they could provide any assistance. As they got closer, they saw what looked like a young girl lying on the floor with blood on her shirt and pants and a woman kneeling next to her holding her head.

Informing a security guard trying to keep the crowd back that they were medics and could help, they moved forward to aid the woman, Terhune and Clark said.

"When we saw the victim we just went into 'medic mode,'" said Terhune. "It was all muscle memory, we didn't even think about it."

"I immediately started exposing the

areas that had blood on them," Terhune said. "I found a small hole on the left side of her chest and began checking for an exit wound as Clark cleared the displays that were in the way."

"Terhune found the exit wound on the victims left shoulder and covered it with a shirt given to him by a bystander," Clark said.

At this point Terhune said he called out that he needed "a plastic bag and some tape" to treat a sucking chest wound, meaning the victims lung had been punctured and she could not breathe.

"A lady standing nearby emptied

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## Special Forces Soldier dies in Afghanistan

USASOC PAO

An Army Special Forces Soldier died Oct. 11, in southern Afghanistan while deployed in support of combat operations.

Chief Warrant Officer 2 Scott W. Dyer, 38, an assistant detachment commander, assigned to 3rd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, died from injuries suffered in support of combat operations.



Dyer

He deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in August 2006.

A native of Titusville, Fla., Dyer enlisted in the Army Nov. 11, 1987, as a cavalry scout. After completing basic and advanced individual training at Fort Knox, Ky., he was assigned to the Joint Readiness Training Center at Fort Polk, La. In 1993, Dyer volunteered for Special Forces training and upon completion of the Special Forces Qualification Course he was assigned to 3rd SFG as a Special Forces engineer. He served with the 3rd SFG until January 2002 when he was assigned to the 96th Civil Affairs Battalion, as a civil affairs engineer.

In 2003, Dyer volunteered to attend Warrant Officer's Candidate School and graduated in June of that year. He was reassigned to the 3rd SFG in February 2004 as an assistant detachment commander.

His awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Combat Infantry Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Military Freefall Jumpmaster Badge, Military Freefall Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Ranger Tab and the Special Forces Tab. His posthumous awards include the Bronze Star Medal for valor, and the Purple Heart.

Dyer is survived by his wife Jodi, son Casey, daughter Sidney, mother Sandra Miller and stepfather Steve Miller of Tequesta, Fla., father Carl Dyer of Alexandria, Va., and sisters Tawnia Peterson of Orlando, Fla., and Dawn Hill of Rockledge, Fla.

## Riot control

American, British paratroopers practice techniques in training exercise

by Pfc. Jaime Avila

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Burning Molotov cocktails surrounded the British paratroopers as they attempted to take control of the potato-throwing crowd of rioters.

As the troopers attempted to put out the flames, the rioters advanced with a bombardment of punches and kicks. The troopers, in defense, put up their shields and began to swing their foam padded-batons.

British paratroopers were at Fort Bragg as part of a reciprocal unit exchange for much of September conducting field training with their American counterparts in order to prepare paratroopers for upcoming deployments.

Lt. Col. Mark Stock, commander of 2nd Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, requested the riot-control training to better prepare American paratroopers for upcoming deployments.

"These guys come with a lot of experience," Stock said.

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## Rockin' at Womack



photo by Joe Harlan/WAMC PAO

**Gene Simmons**, famous bass player of the rock group Kiss, trades songs with Sgt. Douglas Nordberg at Womack Army Medical Center Monday. Simmons also visited other patients, including returning Soldiers from Iraq and Afghanistan, on the surgical recovery ward at the hospital. He was at Fort Bragg promoting his new fragrance lines 'Kiss Her' and 'Kiss Him' at the North Post Exchange. Soldiers had the opportunity to receive an autograph or have their photograph taken with Simmons if they bought the products. At the event, Simmons stepped onstage and joined the 82nd Airborne Division's rock band, Riserburn, in playing the Kiss anthem, "Shout It Out Loud."

## Soldier pleads guilty to charge of absent without leave

by Casey Nelsen

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A Fort Bragg Soldier pled guilty and was sentenced Oct. 12 for going absent without leave.

Sgt. Walter R. Clousing, a human intelligence collector, formerly of Company B, 313th Military Intelligence Battalion, 82nd Airborne Division, left Fort Bragg early morning on June 23, 2005 and spent nearly 14 months AWOL, before turning himself in to military authorities at Fort Lewis, Wash. on Aug. 11.

At the beginning of the court martial, Clousing declined a jury allowing military judge, Col. Patrick Parrish, to determine his sentence.

"You understand that you can stand up right now and plead not guilty, but there's no deal?" Parrish asked Clousing, referring to a pre-trial agreement, before allowing him to plead guilty.

Clousing deployed to Iraq in



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**Sgt. Walter Clousing** walks away from the courtroom Oct. 12 after pleading guilty to going absent without leave in June 2005.

December 2004 as part of a three-man tactical human intelligence team responsible for interrogating detainees. His team was attached to the 2nd Bn., 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment, 82nd Abn. Div. The bat-

alion was sent to provide additional security for the Iraqi elections in January 2005 and spent more than four months in Iraq.

"The first few days proved to be a pattern for my time in Iraq," Clousing

testified. He said his experience there was the reason he went AWOL.

He said his experiences in Iraq, included witnessing the wrongful killing of an Iraqi, unlawful detention of civilians and destruction of civilian property. Clousing reported the incidents to his command, but said he found no resolve in their actions taken in Iraq or the eleven weeks after he returned to Fort Bragg.

"My experiences in Iraq forced me to reevaluate my ethics and beliefs. I ultimately felt that I could no longer serve," he said.

Maj. Richard Wagen, assigned to investigate whether Clousing's claims were true and if he had in fact reported them to his chain of command, said some of the information was "hard to corroborate" because Clousing did not "remember very many details."

However, in all cases he did inform his chain of command,

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