FORSCOM’s Gen. Garrett: 
On right path to success


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FORT BENNING, Ga. – U.S. Army Forces Command’s Commanding General, Gen. Michael X. Garrett, emphasized the mastering of fundamentals as key while discussing FORSCOM’s priorities and sustained efforts in providing ready and globally responsive combat forces during the final day of the 2019 Maneuver Warfighter Conference at the Maneuver Center of Excellence here Sept. 12.

Garrett has been the FORSCOM commander for just under six months.

“I’m really excited with the direction we’re going - winning matters, and we can win by mastering tasks from the bottom of our formations,” he said.

This year’s conference theme, “The Brigade Combat Team: Ready for Large Scale Combat Operations,” provided Garrett a platform to highlight FORSCOM’s focus on training and preparing brigade combat teams that are well led, disciplined and trained to win.

Readiness challenges and progress were also elaborated on. Challenges he described included building and maintaining readiness with limited resources, stress on the force and time management.

“We can improve in all this by clarifying what our priorities are, starting at the company, troop and battery level,” Garrett said.

As for progress, Garrett said training, equipment and personnel were right on track, although he said looking to the future, the force will need to learn the Army’s upcoming modernization goals.

“Our Army of 2028 must be a dominant, modernized Army,” he said. “We must all understand the upcoming modernization strategy.”

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FORSCOM in the news

The XVIII Airborne Corps headquarters recently landed back at Fort Bragg after more than a year-long deployment to Iraq and Kuwait.

The Joint Readiness Exercise (JRE) 2019 allows the Army to train transportation units. The JRE started in Alaska and recently culminated in Mississippi.

Fort Polk Soldiers with the 524th Engineer Detachment (Firefighter), 46th Engineer Battalion, recently returned from Romania in support of Operation Atlantic Resolve.

Soldiers from a company in the 10th Mountain Division, recently cased their colors in preparation for their deployment in support of Operation Inherent Resolve.

The 1st Security Force Assistance Brigade had the opportunity recently to train their military advisors during exercise Advisor Forge at Fort Benning, Ga.

Meet your Army

Pfc. Coy Hunt
A Company, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, recently won the battalion’s Soldier of the Month board. Hunt, a 19 year old from Texas, joined the Army in July of 2019, and has already shown much potential for a bright and successful career. (U.S. Army photo by 2nd Lt. Jordan Kelley)
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Above Maj. Gen. James Mingus (left) and Command Sgt. Major Cliff Burgoyne, the 82nd Airborne Division commanding general and command sergeant major, lay a wreath during the Market Garden 75th Anniversary Commemoration Ceremony in Groesbeek, The Netherlands, Sept. 17, 2019. (U.S. Army photo by Master Sgt. Alexander Burnett)


Left Sgt. Jesse Teniente (left), and Pvt. Aiden McFarland, both with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 16th Infantry Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, drag a simulated casualty during a live-fire exercise at Novo Selo Training Area, Bulgaria, Aug. 15, 2019. (U.S. Army photo by Staff Sgt. True Thao)

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