

Transitions

GENERAL OFFICER CHANGES*

General: Michael Kurilla from commanding general, XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort Bragg, N.C., to commander, U.S. Central Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Fla.

Lieutenant General: Christopher Donahue from commanding general, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, to commanding general, XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort Bragg.

Major General: Curtis Buzzard from deputy chief of staff, G-3/5/7, U.S. Army Forces Command, Fort Bragg, to commanding general, U.S. Army Maneuver Center of Excellence and Fort Benning, Ga.

Kimberly Colloton from commanding general, Transatlantic Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Winchester, Va., to deputy commanding general for Military and International Operations, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Washington, D.C.

David Francis from commanding general, U.S. Army Aviation Center of Excellence and Fort Rucker, Ala., to director, J3 Operations/Cyber, U.S. Africa Command, Germany.

Brian Gibson from director, Air and Missile Defense Cross-Functional Team, Fort Sill, Okla., to commanding general, 94th Army Air and Missile Defense Command, Honolulu.

Donn Hill from deputy commanding general, U.S. Army Combined Arms Center/provost, Army University/deputy commandant, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kan., to commanding general, Security Force Assistance Command, Fort Bragg.

David Isaacson from chief of staff, U.S. Cyber Command, Fort Meade, Md., to director, J1, Joint Staff, Washington, D.C.

Scott Jackson from commanding general, Security Force Assistance Command, Fort Bragg, to chief of staff, U.S. Southern Command, Doral, Fla. Christopher LaNeve from deputy chief of staff, G-3/5/7, U.S. Army Forces Command, Fort Bragg, to commanding general, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg.

Dennis LeMaster from commanding general, U.S. Army Medical Center of Excellence/chief, Medical Service Corps, Joint Base San Antonio, to deputy commanding general (Support), U.S. Army Medical Command, Joint Base San Antonio.

Michael Morrissey from director for Test, Missile Defense Agency, Redstone Arsenal, Ala., to director, Plans and Policy, J5, U.S. Space Command.

Michael Place from commanding general, 18th Medical Command (Deployment Support)/Command Surgeon, U.S. Army Pacific Command, Fort Shafter, Hawaii, to deputy commanding general (Operations), U.S. Army Medical Command, Falls Church, Va.

Michael Talley from deputy commanding general (Operations), U.S. Army Medical Command, Falls Church, to commanding general, U.S. Army Medical Center of Excellence, Joint Base San Antonio.

Brigadier General: Steven Allen from commanding general, 19th Expeditionary Sustainment Command, Eighth Army, Republic of Korea, to director, J4, U.S. Forces Korea/deputy director, C/J4, U.N. Command/Combined Forces Command, Republic of Korea.

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Relationship With Academia Is Essential, AUSA's Brown Says

A key to preserving democracy is maintaining a relationship between the U.S. military and higher education, said retired Gen. Bob Brown, president and CEO of the Association of the U.S. Army.

In remarks during an event hosted by the University of North Georgia's Institute for Leadership and Strategic Studies, Brown said a "close, productive relationship" between the two entities "is really essential to our democratic way of life."

Unlike previous generations, Americans today are less likely to know a service member, Brown said, asserting that this deepens the civilian-military divide, a challenge the military and academia need to address.

"Broadening our understanding of war is difficult because of a second challenge: the growing military-civilian gap," he said. "In the United States on active duty, we have the smallest percentage of individuals serving in a peacetime era since between World War I and World War II."

Still, he said, the relationship between the military and higher education remains strong as programs like ROTC and the GI Bill have enabled millions to pursue an education and serve their country. "Army ROTC alone provides \$274 million in scholarship money to more than 13,000 students each year," Brown said during the event.

Additionally, the Department of Veterans Affairs has provided educational benefits to 773,000 veterans and their family members since the Post-9/11 GI Bill went into effect in 2009, and more than \$20 billion in other benefits, Brown said.

Partnering with academia has also helped the military with life-or-death matters in conflict zones.

"In Iraq and in Afghanistan, researchers from ... Human Terrain Teams helped our troops understand



Brown

100 YEARS AGO IN

INFANTRY JOURNAL

In June 1922, *Infantry Journal*, the forerunner of *ARMY* magazine, reported that Brig. Gen. Douglas MacArthur was leaving the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York, where he had served as superintendent since his return from France in 1919. "His has been a most difficult task. The measure of his success is to be found in the product of the institution which he has so ably commanded," the magazine wrote of MacArthur, who in 1903 graduated at the head of his West Point class.



other cultures," Brown said. "They accepted great risks to teach our soldiers more about local populations."

The military also has looked to higher education for help with some of the most pressing challenges faced by the Army and society, Brown said. For example, Army leaders have "leveraged the top universities in the nation to assist the Army in reducing suicide."

He added, "Some of our most successful programs have come from [academic partnerships]. For example, a resiliency program that came from [the] University of Pennsylvania [was] incredibly successful in ... helping to reduce some of these challenges. Many challenges are affecting our nation, and the military reflects that in society."

Looking ahead, Brown said it will be critical to continue to grow the partnership between academia and the military.

"The only way to achieve the most professional military possible and preserve the peace is if we improve this," he said. "We have to eliminate those unhelpful stereotypes that hinder relationships. It's not military versus the academic or vice versa."