



From the Command Sergeant Major

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I would like to welcome you to another great issue of the *Maneuver Support Magazine*. This publication helps keep our forces informed on current and emerging developments and serves as a tool for enhancing your professional development.

The successes of the past will not be sufficient to meet the challenges of the future unless we are a well-trained, disciplined force committed to prevailing against the tragic events of 11 September 2001. That one, solitary act by the enemies of freedom and democracy serves only to strengthen our resolve and focus our efforts to ensure that we—as Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, and Marines—are fully prepared to defend our communities and our Nation against all enemies, both foreign and domestic.

Our professional competence, leadership abilities, and initiative have been the primary reasons that America's armed forces are the best in the world. Given our increasing involvement in the demands of this war, it's even more important that we attain the highest possible level of professional skill and help our junior noncommissioned officers (NCOs) and enlisted personnel become World-Class in All They Do.

It is critical that as leaders and mentors we seek opportunities for professional development . . . but sometimes it is challenging to do so because of irregular schedules, deployments, reassignments, and Family commitments. Professional publications like the *Maneuver Support Magazine* knock down all those barriers and keep you informed on the latest technologies and efforts in fighting the War on Terrorism.

One thing that's important to the Army leadership, from the Chief of Staff on down, is Soldiers being able

to reach out and touch training—and that's what's provided within the pages of this publication. Here, subject matter experts and individuals with combat experience gather to provide you the latest information on training and professional development that has the potential to touch every Soldier and Civilian in the Army today.

As an NCO, I encourage you to mentor the Soldiers and Civilians entrusted to your care. Look for those individuals who have been where you want to go in your career and are willing to act as

guides and friends. Learn from them by reading about their experience and draw from the knowledge provided to you. A mentor's task is to take individuals under his wing and direct them toward the next step in their career, or to teach them a better way of soldiering. Even the brightest members of an organization will

stagnate unless someone higher up the ladder mentors and trains them to become world-class performers.

The Army's best Soldiers are leaders who are organized, trained, equipped, and ready to deploy, fight, and win—today and in the future. Success in today's military is making a positive difference in the lives of others and doing the best you can with the talent you have, wherever you are.

In closing, I am pleased with the way our NCOs continue to maintain high standards and lead the way as we fight the War on Terrorism together. I am proud to be serving as a Soldier in this great Army. I ask that each of you remember the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, and Marines who are away from homes and Families. May God bless our fallen comrades and keep watch over our sons and daughters as we continue the fight. Stay safe, and may God bless you, your Families, and our Soldiers.

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