

**MANEUVER CENTER OF EXCELLENCE**

**HENRY CARO**

**NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER ACADEMY**

# **Armor Advanced Leader Course**



**GRADUATION CEREMONY**

**CLASS 001-25 91A/91M**

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**“STANDARDS AND DISCIPLINE”**

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## **U.S ARMY MANEUVER CENTER OF EXCELLENCE**

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SSG PETER P. ZAPATA

FIRST SERGEANT  
91A/M SENIOR INSTRUCTOR

## **SMALL GROUP INSTRUCTORS**

### **ABRAMS TRAINING DIVISION**

SFC FIGUERPENAD (SSGL)  
SFC CHAPMAN (SGL)  
SSG MAXION (SGL)  
SSG SANTARLASCI (SGL)

### **BRADLEY TRAINING DIVISION**

SFC LEWIS (SSGL)  
SFC RAINS (SGL)  
SSG ACFALLE (SGL)  
SSG WASZCYSZAK (SGL)  
SSG BELT (SGL)



## **HENRY CARO**

### **NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER**

### **ACADEMY**

## **ARMOR ALC FIRST SERGEANT**

### **1SG JESSE A. BOELL**

First Sergeant Jesse A. Boell hails from Schleswig, Iowa, and graduated from Kearney High School in 2007. After graduation, he attended One Station Unit Training at Fort Knox, KY, earning the Military Occupational Specialty of M1 Armor Crewman.

First Sergeant Boell has held every position as an Armor Crewman on the M1A2 Abrams and the Stryker Mobile Gun System Platforms. He has served in multiple units including the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, Camp Casey, South Korea, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 35<sup>th</sup> Armor Regiment, Fort Bliss, Texas, 5<sup>th</sup> Squadron, 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Regiment, Fort Wainwright, Alaska and the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 16<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, Fort Riley, Kansas. He held the positions of Platoon Sergeant and Company First Sergeant in with Bandido Charlie Company, 1-16 Infantry Battalion, with whom he deployed to eastern Europe in support of Operation Atlantic Resolve to Bulgaria, Romania and Greece.

First Sergeant Boell has also served in multiple broadening assignments, to include recruiting with the Columbus, Ohio Recruiting Battalion as well as an instructor for the Mobile Gun System Commander Course at Fort Benning, GA. Most recently, he held the position of the 19K Career Management NCO with the Office of the Chief of Armor.

His military education includes all levels of PME up to Master Leaders Course. He is also a graduate of M1A2 SEP Master Gunner Course. First Sergeant Boell holds an Associate of Science Degree in Business Marketing from Post University and is currently studying Human Resources Management at Troy University.

His awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal (7<sup>th</sup> award), Army Achievement Medal (5<sup>th</sup> award), Army Superior Unit Award, Overseas Service medal (3<sup>rd</sup> Award), Master Gunner Identification Badge and the Recruiting Badge Silver. He has been inducted into the Order of St. George, Bronze Medallion and the Order of St. Maurice.



## **5<sup>TH</sup> SQUADRON 15<sup>TH</sup> CAVALRY REGIMENT COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR**

### **GUEST SPEAKER CSM ANDREW J. PITMAN**

Command Sergeant Major Andrew J. Pitman is a native of Murfreesboro, Tennessee. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in September of 2003, as an Armor Crewman (19K). He attended One Station Unit Training in Ft. Knox, Kentucky.

CSM Pitman's previous assignments and leadership positions include: Tank Gunner, 2nd Battalion 70th Armored Regiment, 1st Armored Division, Fort Riley, KS; Tank Commander, and Sniper Section Leader, 1st Squadron, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Irwin, CA; Tank Commander and Company Master Gunner, 3rd Battalion 69th Armored Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, GA; Drill Sergeant, 1st Battalion 81st Armored Regiment, Fort Benning, GA; MGS Platoon Sergeant and Battalion Master Gunner, 1st Battalion 24th Infantry Regiment, 25th Infantry Division, Fort Wainwright, AK; Senior Enlisted Advisor for the Department of Military Instruction at the United States Military Academy, West Point, NY. First Sergeant, Banshee Company and Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion 37th Armored Regiment, Ft. Bliss, TX; Chief Instructor and Operations Sergeant Major, 1st Battalion 81st Armored Regiment, and Command Sergeant Major of the 5<sup>th</sup> Squadron, 15<sup>th</sup> Cavalry Regiment, Fort Benning, GA. CSM Pitman has deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom II and Operation New Dawn.

CSM Pitman's professional military and civilian education includes Basic Leader Course, Advanced Leader Course, Senior Leader Course, Sniper School, M1A1 Master Gunner Course, Drill Sergeant School, Mobile Gun System Crewman's Course, Sharp Certification Course, Air Assault Course and the Sergeant Major Academy Resident Course, Class 73. CSM Pitman is also a graduate of the Benavidez Leader Development Program at Columbia University and holds a bachelor's degree in project management from American Military University.

CSM Pitman's awards and decorations consist of the Meritorious Service Medal (2 OLC), Army Commendation Medal (8 OLC), Army Achievement Medal (1 OLC), Meritorious Unit Award (1 OLC), Army Superior Unit Award, Army Good Conduct Medal (6th award), National Defense Service Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal (2 Stars), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (5th award), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Ribbon (Numeral 3) Combat Action Badge, Drill Sergeant's Badge, Air Assault Badge, and the Drivers Badge (wheel/track).



# **SPECIAL HONOR AWARDS**

## **INSTRUCTOR OF THE CYCLE 91A**

SSG JASON C. MAXION  
ABRAMS SMALL GROUP LEADER

## **INSTRUCTOR OF THE CYCLE 91M**

SFC RYAN W. RAINS  
BRADLEY SMALL GROUP LEADER

## **DISTINGUISHED HONOR GRADUATE 91A/ IRON AWARDEE 91A**

SSG TYLER J. NICHOLS  
CHARLIE COMPANY, 3-73 ARMOR CAVALRY SQUADRON  
FORT BRAGG, NORTH CAROLINA

## **DISTINGUISHED HONOR GRADUATE 91M**

SSG AUSTIN A. LONG  
HUNTSVILLE RECRUITING COMPANY, MONGOMERY RECRUITING  
BATTALION, CULLMAN ALABAMA

## **IRON AWARDEE 91M**

SGT ANGEL M. ORTIZ BAEZ  
ECHO FIELD SUPPORT COMPANY, 588<sup>TH</sup> BRIGADE ENGINEER BATTALION  
FORT CARSON, COLORADO

## **LEADERSHIP AWARDEE 91A**

SSG MICHAEL B. SALAS  
CHARLIE COMPANY, 3-73 ARMOR CAVALRY SQUADRON  
FORT BRAGG, NORTH CAROLINA

## **LEADERSHIP AWARDEE 91M**

SGT KAOHUOHANA J. ATAY  
GROUND MOBILITY DIVISION, 1<sup>ST</sup> BATTALION  
FORT BENNING, GA

## **COMMANDANT'S LIST**

SSG TYLER J. NICHOLS  
SSG ROBERT N. SLIVER

SSG AUSTIN A. LONG  
SSG BRYAN S. SIRMANS

# CLASS 001-25 GRADUATES

## 91A CLASS 001-25

SSG RICHARD S. ABREUALMONTE  
SSG CHRISTOPHER A. FLEEMAN  
SGT WILLIAM R. MCGLYNN  
SSG JACOB G. MILA  
SSG TYLER J. NICHOLS  
SSG JUAN R. PENIA  
SSG MICHAEL B. SALAS  
SSG AUSTIN J. SCHWING  
SSG ROBERT N. SLIVER  
SSG BAILEY J. WALLACE

## 91M CLASS 001-25

SGT KAOHUOHANA J. ATAY  
SSG MARK J. BUTIER  
SSG BRANDON E. COOPER  
SGT VICENTE D. CORONADO  
SSG JAMYIS T. EDWARDS  
SSG RANDY N. JOHNOFF  
SSG AUSTIN A. LONG  
SSG CRISTIAN F. MARTINEZ  
SSG JORDAN L. MORGAN  
SSG BRYAN S. SIRMANS  
SGT ANGEL M. ORTIZ BAEZ  
SSG JASON P. STAPP  
SGT DAVID K. TYREE  
SSG JACOB S. WOODALL

# Creed of the Noncommissioned Officer

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**N**o one is more professional than I. I am a Noncommissioned Officer, a leader of Soldiers. As a Noncommissioned Officer, I realize that I am a member of a time-honored corps, which is known as "The Backbone of the Army". I am proud of the Corps of Noncommissioned Officers and will at all times conduct myself so as to bring credit upon the Corps, the Military Service and my country regardless of the situation in which I find myself. I will not use my grade or position to attain pleasure, profit, or personal safety.

**C**ompetence is my watchword. My two basic responsibilities will always be uppermost in my mind—accomplishment of my mission and the welfare of my Soldiers. I will strive to remain technically and tactically proficient. I am aware of my role as a Noncommissioned Officer. I will fulfill my responsibilities inherent in that role. All Soldiers are entitled to outstanding leadership; I will provide that leadership. I know my Soldiers and I will always place their needs above my own. I will communicate consistently with my Soldiers and never leave them uninformed. I will be fair and impartial when recommending both rewards and punishment.

**O**fficers of my unit will have maximum time to accomplish their duties; they will not have to accomplish mine. I will earn their respect and confidence as well as that of my Soldiers. I will be loyal to those with whom I serve; seniors, peers, and subordinates alike. I will exercise initiative by taking appropriate action in the absence of orders. I will not compromise my integrity, nor my moral courage. I will not forget, nor will I allow my comrades to forget that we are professionals, Noncommissioned Officers, leaders!



# **THE ARMY SONG**

**March along, sing our song, with the Army of the free.**

**Count the brave, count the true, who have fought to victory.**

**We're the Army and proud of our name!**

**We're the Army and proudly proclaim:**

**First to fight for the right,**

**And to build the Nation's might,**

**And the Army goes rolling along.**

**Proud of all we have done,**

**Fighting till the battle's won,**

**And the Army goes rolling along.**

**Then it's hi! hi! hey!**

**The Army's on its way.**

**Count off the cadence loud and strong;**

**For where'er we go,**

**You will always know**

**That the Army goes rolling along.**

**A special thanks to the family and friends here to support their Soldiers and their achievements while in the Henry Caro NCO Academy.**

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