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On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Association of Army Dentistry, I wish each of our members and their families a Happy Holidays and a happy and healthy New Year.

2020 has been a year unlike any that we have experienced in the past with the global pandemic affecting our daily lives. However, there is optimism for a return to normal with development of vaccines and therapeutics for the virus. As the year draws to an end, it is also time to express gratitude for our many blessings.

On Veterans Day we honored all who served our Nation, particularly those who gave the ultimate sacrifice. At Thanksgiving, which commemorates the first harvest of the settlers who arrived in North America in 1620, we reflect upon the freedoms and opportunities that we enjoy by being citizens of this great country. And in the holiday season, we embrace our families and the many friendships that we have formed through our service to the Army and our Nation.

For those who would like to test their knowledge, links are provided to a Thanksgiving Quiz, a Veterans Day Quiz, and a Christmas Quiz.

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In honor of our young men and women serving around the world, "The Night Before Christmas," by Lance Corporal James M. Schmidt is reprinted below. God Bless America and those serving our Nation.

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Ronald J. Lambert, COL, USA, Ret
President and Chair, Association of Army Dentistry

"The Night Before Christmas" Lance Corporal James M. Schmidt

It was the night before Christmas, he lived all alone,
In a one bedroom house made of plaster and stone.
I had come down the chimney with presents to give,
And to see just who in this home did live.
I looked all about, a strange sight I did see,
No tinsel, no presents, not even a tree.

No stocking by mantle, just boots filled with sand,
And on the wall pictures of far distant lands,
With medals and badges, awards of all kinds,
A sobering thought came to mind.
For this house was different, so dark and so dreary,
The home of a Soldier, now I could see clearly.

The Soldier lay sleeping, silent, alone,
Curled up on the floor in this one bedroom home.
The face was so gentle, the room in such disorder,
Not how I pictured a United States Soldier.
Was this the hero of whom I'd just read?
Curled up on a poncho, the floor for a bed?

I realized the families that I saw this night,
Owed their lives to these Soldiers who were willing to fight.
Soon round the world, the children would play,
And grownups would celebrate a bright Christmas day.
They all enjoyed freedom each month of the year,
Because of Soldiers, like the one here.

I couldn't help wonder how many lay alone,
On a cold Christmas Eve in a land far from home,
The very thought brought a tear to my eye,
I dropped to my knees and started to cry.
The Soldier awakened and I heard a rough voice,
"Santa don't cry, this life is my choice;

I fight for freedom, I don't ask for more,
My life is my God, my country, my Corps."
The Soldier rolled over and soon drifted to sleep,
I couldn't control it, I continued to weep,
I kept watch for hours, so silent and still,
And we both shivered from the cold evening's chill.

I didn't want to leave on that cold, dark, night,
This guardian of honor so willing to fight.
Then the Soldier rolled over, with a voice soft and pure,
Whispered, "Carry on Santa, it's Christmas day, all is secure."
One look at my watch, and I knew he was right.
"Merry Christmas my friend, and to all a good night."

Membership

Congratulations to Jerry Strader, BG, USA, Retired, on the celebration of his 91st birthday on 12 December. Best wishes for many more!

The Association of Army Dentistry changed its renewal process in late 2018 to allow for on-line membership applications and renewals. The change also involved moving to a membership period based on when you renew. That is, if you renew in January, your membership year will run one calendar year from the date of your renewal.

Members receive membership renewal reminders in a series of emails, based on your expiration date. Automatically generated by our website are 0 – 45, 0 – 30, and 0 – 1 day notification emails. You may renew your membership in two ways. If you wish to pay by credit/debit card, visit <https://www.associationofarmydentistry.org> and log into your account to renew your membership. If you forget your password or are unable to log in, please notify the AAD at assoc.army.dentistry@gmail.com for assistance in generating a new password or assistance in logging in.

If you prefer to mail in a check, the form may be downloaded without logging into the site at the AAD's website address above. The mailing address is at the top of the form. Thank you for your continued support and involvement in the AAD!

Your dues and donations are indispensable in supporting our 501(c)(3) mission. Specific items supported by your contributions in the last year include recognition of deceased AAD members by providing a memorial at the U.S. Army Medical Department (AMEDD) Museum, support for Dental Corps Birthday Balls, mentorship, continuing education endeavors, and recognition of the Dental Corps Chief's Annual Awards Program awardees. Each year, the Corp Chief's Awards recognizes eight individuals for excellence in the following categories: (1) Senior Officer, (2) Junior Officer, (3) Senior Non-Commissioned Officer, (4) Junior Enlisted Soldier, (5) Dental Educator of the Year (Program Director, Mentor, etc.), (6) Senior GS Civilian, (7) Junior GS Civilian, and (8) recognition of an Army Reserve/Army National Guard Service Member. Additionally, the Association of Army Dentistry's memorial to the Army Dental Corps at the Army Medical Department Museum at Joint Base San Antonio (Fort Sam Houston) is a special project to honor the service of all who have served the Army Dental System. An update is provided immediately below.

The Monument to Army Dentistry Update

As the close of the year approaches, the **Monument Project** continues to gain momentum. This sculpture has been designed as a fitting commemorative to all who have served humanity as members of the Army Dental Care System (ADCS). In 2021, this long-anticipated dream is slated to become reality and a number of lines of effort have converged to deliver on that promise.

The Fort Sam Houston/Joint Base San Antonio (JBSA) Facilities Board approved our project on 24 September, the final step in the process for approval of the monument. Earlier this year, approval was granted by the Army Medical Department (AMEDD) Museum, the Army Medical Center of Excellence, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC), and the Department of the Army.

Mr. Nolan 'Andy' Watson, AMEDD Regimental Historian obtained approval to use the Medical Video TV (MEDVIDTV) studio at JBSA for recording the project videos that will be inserted in the monument pedestals. Additionally, MEDVIDTV has appointed a Project Producer who will shepherd us through the process.

Script writers and narrators have been engaged for the project. Their work will enable visitors to use their smart phones with QR Apps to obtain a written and/or video presentation that acknowledges and honors all members of the ADCS. Furthermore, Mr. Watson has facilitated what is called a landing site for more detailed information, which will be hosted on the U.S. Army Medical Department Office of Medical History website. As documents are completed, they will be posted to the website.

<https://history.amedd.army.mil/corps/dental/dental.html>

Proof of concept designs for the sculpture are pending from two foundries, as well as a proposal from a local monument company to provide granite pedestals/monoliths and benches that will honor all who have served, sacrificed, and supported the Army Dental Care System from its inception through today and into the future. At its December 1, 2020 Board of Directors meeting, the board unanimously approved an additional pedestal in recognition of our profound gratitude for the indispensable support volunteers and spouses of Dental Corps officers, non-commissioned officers, and enlisted Soldiers play in supporting the dental care team and delivering dental care to Soldiers.

COL (Ret) Theresa Gonzales is championing the funding campaign to support and build this monument, which will be the Association's gift to the Army, the AMEDD, the ADCS, and future generations.

Several levels of donations have been established for recognition.

Bronze Level - \$1,000

Founders Level - \$2,500



U.S. Army Veteran Honored for Leadership in Prosthodontics

Dr. Carl F. Driscoll recognized with the Federal Services Award by the American College of Prosthodontists

CHICAGO – The American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) is pleased to announce Carl F. Driscoll, DMD, FACP, as the recipient of the 2020 Major General Bill B. Lefler Federal Services Award. Dr. Driscoll was recognized during the 50th Annual Session of the ACP, held virtually Nov. 1-7.

Named for the late Maj. Gen. Bill B. Lefler, who had an active military career of over 34 years and was a dedicated member and Fellow of the ACP, the award recognizes excellence in leadership, patient care, mentorship, and service to community.

“Receiving this award is an incredible honor, especially for those of us lucky enough to have known and served with Dr. Lefler,” said Dr. Driscoll. “I met then Col. Lefler in 1978, and I remember that moment as if it were yesterday. As a young military dental officer, he made me feel as if I was the most important person in the world, that was his gift. In my career, I have tried to emulate his leadership skills, devotion to military service, and his love of prosthodontics.”

Dr. Driscoll spent over twenty years with the U.S. Army, retiring at the rank of colonel, and serving as Program Director of the Prosthodontic Residency at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center. He currently serves as a professor at the University of Maryland, School of Dentistry, where he previously served as the Director of the Prosthodontic Residency program for 21 years.

Dr. Driscoll has held many leadership positions within the prosthodontic community, including serving as president of the ACP in 2016. He is a Fellow of the ACP, a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, and a dedicated researcher, mentor and lecturer.

After receiving his DMD from Tufts University Dental School, Dr. Driscoll completed his residency and Certificate in Prosthodontics from the Letterman Army Medical Center. He also completed a fellowship in Maxillofacial Prosthodontics with the Naval Dental School at Bethesda, Maryland.

Active Component News

The AAD's primary conduit to the active component is through the Corps Specific Branch Proponent Officer (CSBPO) at the Corps Chief Office, US Army Dental Corps, Joint Base San Antonio, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. As the primary liaison with the Association of Army Dentistry, COL Peter Guevara attends AAD virtual board meetings as a non-voting member. At our last board meeting on 1 December 2020, BG Shan Bagby presented an update on the

current efforts of the Defense Health Agency (DHA) and the effects it will have on the AMEDD and on the Army Dental Corps. One of the most salient aspects of his briefing was that the Dental Corps is now projected to lose many fewer officer authorizations than originally projected earlier this year.

The November and December editions of *The Dental Corps Bulletin* have been added to our website since the last edition of the newsletter – thank you MAJ Alyson Lasater, who serves as the Executive Fellow. Each of the Bulletins is placed on our website when received from the Corps Chiefs office and can be found at the following link or under the *Home* or *News* headers on the AAD website. The link provides access to both Dental Corps Bulletins and the AAD Newsletters.

<https://www.associationofarmydentistry.org/the-dental-corps-bulletin-2/>

Additionally, newsletters and bulletins are posted on the AAD's Facebook Page and sent to members through Constant Contact.

Reserve Components News

COMPO 2/3 Working Group

The U.S. Army Compo 2/3 Dental Working Group conducted its first meeting in September 2020. Representatives from Army National Guard and U.S. Army Reserve Dental Corps assets [807th, 3rd, ARMEDCOM, Drilling Individual Mobilization Augmentee (DIMA)] took part in the virtual meeting.

Responsibilities of the working group include: (1) serving as mentors and subject matter experts for Compo 2/3 Soldiers, (2) assisting Soldiers transitioning in and out of uniform, (3) serving as friends/colleagues for life, (4) documenting the history of reserve component dental units, and (5) fostering esprit de corps and morale and support activities.

The Compo 2/3 Dental Working Group includes: COLs Mauri Thomas, 807th Medical Company (DS); Anna Lichelle Aldana, 3rd Medical Company (DS); Allen B. Queen, ARMEDCOM; Adam Rich, Drilling Mobilization Augmentee to the Chief, U.S. Army Dental Corps (DIMA); and Tina Jones-Faison, U.S. Army Reserve Command (USARC). Future meetings will also involve representatives from the ARNG, COL Steven Bogdanoff, and LTC Joel Bachman. COL Aldana serves as the Chair and point of contact (POC) for the Working Group. Retired COL Peter Tan serves as the non-voting liaison from Association of Army Dentistry (AAD) Board of Directors and facilitates communication between the Board and the Working Group.

Discussions at the initial Compo 2/3 Workgroup centered on possible interactions with the Association of Army Dentistry (AAD). The AAD is a non-profit entity consisting of active and retired uniformed and non-uniformed members and friends of Army Dentistry, with a focus on supporting Army Dentistry history, education, and morale/esprit de corps activities. As such, it

provides an additional venue for Compo 2/3 for communication, professional mentorship, and an opportunity for a lifetime of networking with colleagues who have had similar professional experiences.

Further dialogue included various ways of appropriately engaging and making Dental Officers, NCOs, and civilians within the dental community of the U.S. Army Reserves and Army National Guard (ARNG) aware of the AAD. COL (Ret) Tan discussed possible membership incentives that he could present to the AAD Board of Directors, including complimentary first year dues for Compo 2/3 members, mentorship, and the opportunity to connect with peers. The AAD's social media platforms and newsletters supply the Working Group and members more networking resources to encourage membership.

Colonel Anna Lichelle Aldana Biography

Colonel Anna Lichelle Aldana commissioned as a Captain in the U.S. Army Dental Corps in 2002. She currently serves as the Division Dental Surgeon for the 3D Medical Command Deployment Support at Gillem Enclave, Georgia. Her past assignments include serving as a dental officer for the 455th Dental Company (ASG) and the unit's Commander from 2011-2014. She was the dental OIC in Tikrit, Iraq with the 373rd Medical Company (DS) during Operation Iraqi Freedom as well as the dental OIC during Task Force Kout Men in Gonaives, Haiti with the 399th Combat Support Hospital. She also served as the Strategic Communications Planner and Public Affairs Officer for US ARE EUCOM from 2015-2019. Colonel Aldana received her Doctor of Dental Surgery degree in 1993 from Baylor College of Dentistry. She has been a general dentist for 27 years and has her private practice in Salem, MA.



Tell the Army Story

As prior service members, we have already proven to have a "servant's heart." Therefore, we often answer the call to volunteer wherever needed. I know many of us already spend time at food banks, provide dental care at clinics for the indigent, and support Veteran service organizations. I would like to highlight a worthy endeavor that supports the Association of Army Dentistry's mission, and that is capturing the stories of Veterans in their own words.

The U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center (USAHEC) is part of the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania, and includes the Military History Institute, Army Heritage Museum, Historical Services Division, Visitor and Education Services, the U.S. Army War College Library and Collections Management. USAHEC has a long history of surveying Veterans, focusing on those with combat experience, from the Spanish American War up until the Vietnam War era.

The recent Veterans Ambassador initiative aims to train citizens as volunteer oral historians to collect Army Veteran stories for inclusion in the Army's historical archives. USAHEC streamlined the previously used survey instrument and seeks to document any Army Veteran's experience, not just the combat Veteran. Based on the survey responses reviewed by USAHEC historians, some Veterans are selected to share their story in an oral history. Unfortunately, the Veteran Ambassador training has been put on operational pause primarily due to COVID-19 and budget issues. However, the effort to connect with Veterans through surveys continues. The surveys are considered historical documents and are added to the collections at USAHEC, enabling researchers to tell the Army's story more completely from the Soldier's point of view.

I was fortunate to participate in Veteran Ambassador training in 2018 and have been able to engage with several Veterans from World War II, Korea, and Vietnam. Listening to them tell their story has been a most humbling experience for me. We are losing WWII vets daily – many are in their late 80's and 90's. Korean War Veterans are also waning. Enough time has passed that Veterans from these eras are more circumspect and are willing to share. Vietnam vets tend to be very reticent. It takes time to gain their trust. Some Veterans do not bother to pursue completing the survey at all. I don't see this as a failure for I have made a connection to another Veteran and being a Veteran myself does open the door to communication.

How is this relevant to the Association of Army Dentistry? Amongst our ranks are Veterans who have a story to tell of their service even before they became Army dentists. It is also an opportunity to locate former Army dentists who may have served two or three year 'hitches,' then entered civilian life. They should be proud of their time in the service, but it may be a nearly forgotten chapter in their lives. This is a way of connecting with others in our profession and perhaps gain a few new members in the AAD.

When the pandemic eases and life resumes a sense of normalcy, consider seeking Veteran Ambassador training. If you know of an Army Veteran who would be interested in completing a survey, please contact me and I'll be happy to assist.

Respectfully,
Priscilla H. Hamilton, DMD, MHA, MSS
COL, USA (Ret)

Dental Corps History

MAJ Leo Abraham Fishman

It began with the goal of an 8 year-old to recognize his 102 year-old great-great uncle in the Guinness World Book of Records as the oldest U.S. dentist who served in World War II. He was born on 9 February 1918 in Brooklyn, NY. MAJ Leo Abraham Fishman entered the Army on active duty on May 7, 1943, and served in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater until April 1946. In his autobiography, MAJ Fishman describes his service as an Army dentist as "maybe the best job I ever had." He was assigned to the Air Transport Command, the airlift component of the U.S. Army Air Force. During his assignment in the South Pacific, which covered an area from the Philippines to Australia, MAJ Fishman was flown from island to island to provide dental care to Allied troops. He was serving in Australia on August 14, 1945, when Japan surrendered.

The Army Dental Corps rallied around the campaign to recognize MAJ Fishman and an Order of Military Medical Merit was approved. Additional plans included presenting Corps Chiefs notes, an AAD crystal to the family, and an AAD coin to Bobby, MAJ Fishman's great-great nephew. However, it is with a heavy heart that the AAD received word that MAJ Leo Abraham Fishman, the oldest Army dental officer to have served in WWII, passed away on the morning of 11 December 2020. Plans to honor MAJ Fishman are pending the family's wishes.

Pictured below are MAJ Fishman and his great-great nephew, Bobby



Top 4 Military Dentistry Facts

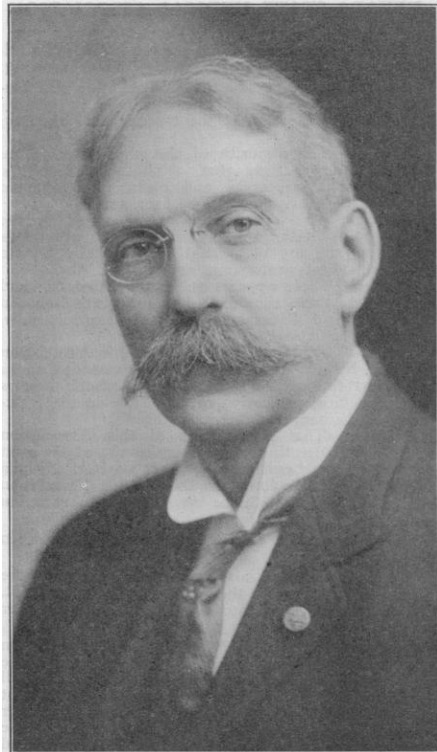
November 12, 2020

Kristin Hohman

Dental Products Report

Relevant Topics

Although the first U.S. Dental Corps wasn't established until the early 20th century, the military has a long history of dental service members. Prior to World War I, most service members received dental care from civilians and had to pay for the care themselves. It wasn't until the Civil War and the Spanish-American War that the need for oral healthcare for soldiers became apparent. To commemorate Veteran's Day, we've compiled a list of some interesting facts about the history of dentistry in the military.



1. John Sayre Marshall, MD.

Considered the father of the Army Dental Corp., Dr John Marshall was the first dental surgeon appointed to the US Army and the first commissioned officer in the Army Dental Corps in 1911.¹ Born in County Kent, England in 1846, Dr Marshall and his family immigrated to the US. He served in the 2nd New York Calvary during the Civil War and following his military service, Dr Marshall received his medical degree from the University of Syracuse in 1876.²

In February 1901, Congress passed an act authorizing the employment of dental surgeons in the Army, which also created the Board of Examining and Supervising Dental Surgeons.² The executive committee of the National Dental Association (the post-Civil War name for the ADA), recommended Dr Marshall for this board, and he served as president of the examining board that organized this newly authorized form of service.² It was during this time that Dr

Marshall wrote what is widely considered the most important reports of early military dentistry; *Organization of the Dental Corps of the United States Army, with Suggestions upon the Educational Requirements of Military Dental Practice* detailed educational requirements for military dental service and the broader organization of the Dental Corps, among other things.¹

It was this post that allowed Dr Marshall a unique perspective on the state of dental education in the United States. He reached this conclusion: "The result of these examinations, it seems to me, prove very conclusively that there is great need for raising the standard of entrance requirements of our dental colleges, and for lengthening the course of instruction to four years, so as to be able to devote more time to theoretical teaching." These standards did not change for nearly another decade, making Dr Marshall's observations ahead of his time.¹



2. U.S. Army Dental Corps

On March 3, 1911, the U.S. Army Dental Corps of commissioned officers was established with the passage of Public Law No. 453, *36 Stat, 1054*.³ This law stated that dental officers could not be above the rank of first lieutenant with less pay than military physicians.³ Civilian dentists lobbied to upgrade the rank and pay to be more comparable to military physicians. This had a major impact on dentistry as a profession. Before military dental corps authorization, the words 'dental profession', 'dentistry', and 'dental surgeon' had no recognition under the law. The U.S. government set precedent for the official recognition of dentistry as a profession.³



3. Military Central Dental Labs

In 1927, three Central Dental Laboratories were established to produce dental appliances and prostheses.³ They were located at the Army Medical Center in Washington D.C. (now known as Walter Reed Army Medical Center), Ft. Sam Houston in Texas, and Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco.³



4. Medal of Honor

Only 3 military dentists have won the Medal of Honor (MOH), the highest honor for military service personnel. Lt. Junior Grade Weedon Osborne (pictured) was a U.S. Navy Dental Surgeon who was awarded the MOH for trying to carry a wounded soldier to safety during a battle in France during World War I.⁴

Alexander G. Lyle was serving as a dental officer with the U.S. Marine Corps on the French front during World War I. He received a rare version of the MOH known as the Tiffany Cross for saving the life of a fellow soldier.⁴

Capt. Benjamin L. Salomon was a U.S. Army dentist during World War II. He served as a frontline surgeon in Saipan. When the medical tent was overrun with enemy soldiers, Capt. Salomon defended wounded soldiers as they escaped.

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Army – Navy Football Game

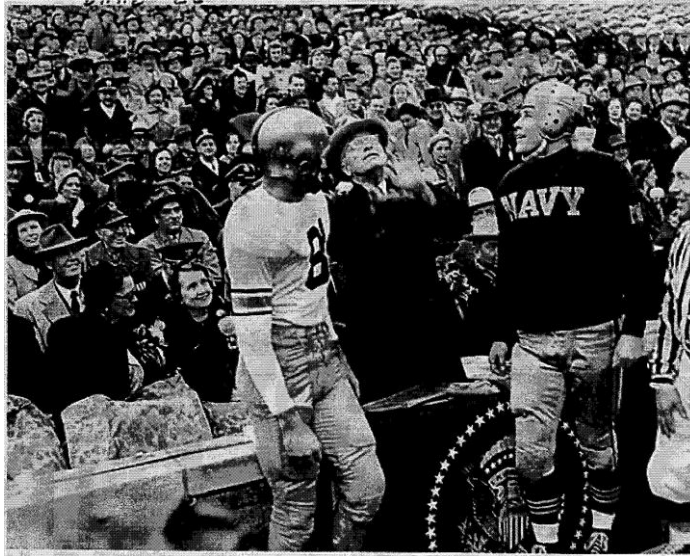
December 12, 2020, West Point, NY

Army 15 Navy 0

The Army Navy game played on Saturday at West Point represented the 121st time they have met on the gridiron. Reprinted below is an article from 2016, with updates provided throughout the article.

The Army-Navy game: 13 historical facts you probably don't know

By Carrie Mcleroy, Soldiers, Defense Media Activity December 6, 2016



On Dec. 10, 2020, the U.S. Military Academy and the U.S. Naval Academy met on the gridiron at West Point for the 121st time. A game that is steeped in tradition is bound to have some interesting details associated with it. Here are a few you may not know.

1. The Army and Navy have faced off a total of 121 times. To date, Navy has 60 wins, Army has 49. There have been seven ties.

Update: Through the 2020 game, Navy leads the series 61-53-7.

2. Cadets and midshipmen played the first Army-Navy football game Nov. 29, 1890 on "The Plain" at West Point. Navy had been playing organized football since 1879 and defeated the newly established Army team, 24-0.

3. The 271 members of the Corps of Cadets each contributed 52 cents to pay half of the Navy's traveling costs for the 1890 game.

4. Although today we know the game as an annual tradition (and it has been such since 1930), there have been 10 times when the Army-Navy game was not played.

It's said that the longest interruption, which lasted from 1894 to 1898, came about after an argument between an Army general and a Navy admiral almost resulted in a duel following the 1893 game.

The game also wasn't played in 1909. That year, Army canceled its remaining games after Cadet Eugene Byrne died from an injury sustained in an October game against Harvard.

Twice during World War I, in 1917 and 1918, games were canceled on orders from the War Department. And in 1928 and 1929, the academies could not reconcile player eligibility standards.

5. On Nov. 27, 1926, the game was held in Chicago for the formal dedication of Soldiers Field in honor of the American servicemen who had fought in World War I.

6. Going into both the 1944 and 1945 games, Army and Navy were ranked No. 1 and No. 2, respectively. Army won both games.

7. The tradition of mules as mascots for Army dates back to 1899, when a quartermaster officer decided the team needed a mascot to counter the Navy goat and chose a white mule used to pull an ice wagon.

However, the first "official" mule was a former U.S. Army pack mule named "Mr. Jackson" that arrived at West Point in 1936. Since Mr. Jackson, there have been 17 "official" Army mules.

"Buckshot," the only female of the bunch, arrived at West Point in 1964, a gift from the Air Force Academy. **Update: As of 2019, three mules serve as Army mascots: Raider, Ranger II and General Scott.**

8. Instant replay made its American debut in the 1963 Army-Navy game.

9. A 1973 episode of "M*A*S*H" referenced a fictional Army-Navy game that ended 42-36 Navy. To this day, no Army-Navy game has ended with that score. The radio announcer in the episode says the game is the 53rd Army-Navy game. That game was played in 1952; Navy won, 7-0.

10. The Rose Bowl is the only site west of the Mississippi River to host the Army-Navy game -- it did so in 1983.

11. Only six Army-Navy games have been held on the campus of either academy. Two of those games were during World War II, one in 1942 and the other in 1943. **Update: This year's game at West Point marked the seventh time.**

12. New York's Polo Grounds holds the record for the most games hosted outside of Philadelphia, although the last game played there was in the 1920s.

13. Following each game, players sing both teams' alma maters. The winning team joins the losing team and sings facing the losing team's students. Then the losing team joins the victors on their side of the field and sings the winner's alma mater to its students. This act is a show of mutual respect and solidarity.

Information for this article came from various Army Heritage and Education Center documents, West Point Athletics, and the articles "When Army and Navy meet, there is no other game with deeper foundations or greater prestige" and "The First Army-Navy Game."

Healthcare Corner

American Dental Association information on COVID-19

For the latest information on COVID-19 and guidelines for dental care, please go to the American Dental Association's website:

https://success.ada.org/en/practice-management/patients/infectious-diseases-2019-novel-coronavirus?utm_source=adaorg&utm_medium=covid-resources-lp&utm_content=virus-updates&utm_campaign=covid-19&ga=2.17447097.1293985743.1585452204-1741430929.1585452204

Website Administrator

The Association of Army Dentistry is in need of a volunteer with some basic tech skills to help with our communication requirements and website. Please contact the AAD at assoc.army.dentistry@gmail.com or call COL (Ret) Ron Lambert at the number provided at the end of the newsletter if you are interested in helping us out.

Social Media

Please visit the AAD's Facebook page to receive the latest posts and news from throughout the Army Dental Care System.

<https://www.facebook.com/AssociationofArmyDentistry>

In Memoriam

- H. Thomas Chandler, MG, USA, Ret 12/8/1933 – 11/28/2020

It is with a heavy heart that the AAD announce the passing of MG Tom Chandler on November 28, 2020. MG Chandler held a number of key leadership positions in the Dental Corps, culminating with his selection as the 19th Chief of the U.S. Army Dental Corps on 1 December 1982. A link to MG Chandler's obituary and the U.S. Dental Corps Chiefs' Oral History Interviews are provided below. MG Chandler's interview is in Volume 1, page 62.

<https://www.associationofarmydentistry.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Chandler%2C%20MG%20%20USA%20Ret%20H.%20Thomas%2012-8-1933%20%20-%20%2011-28-2020.pdf>

<https://history.amedd.army.mil/corps/dental/dental.html>

- James A. "Jim" D'Anna COL, USA, Ret 12/15/1949 – 12/2/2020

Sadly, the AAD announces the passing of COL D'Anna on 2 December 2020 of COVID-19 related complications. An obituary is unavailable at this time, but will be posted to our website when it is available. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the D'Anna family. As a member of the AAD, a memorial brick will be dedicated in his name at the AMEDD Museum at Joint Base San Antonio (Fort Sam Houston, TX).

- Philip Alan Woller, COL, USA, Ret 12/9/1947 – 6/28/2020

COL Woller proudly served in the Army Dental Corps for 22 years until his retirement in 1997. He then worked as the Dental Director for HealthNet in Indianapolis for 17 years. To read more about COL Woller's distinguished military career and his continued service after his retirement, please read his obituary.

<https://www.associationofarmydentistry.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Woller%2C%20COL%20Ret%20Philip%20Alan%2012-9-1947%20--%206-28-2020.pdf>

We post the obituaries that are brought to our attention; if there are others that you wish to share on our website, please forward them to the AAD. The link to all of the obituaries on our website is at the following web address:

<https://www.associationofarmydentistry.org/about/in-memoriam/?loggedout=true>

Conclusion:

With the arrival of winter and as the holiday season approaches, I would like to thank each of you for your service to our Nation, both while on active or reserve duty and into retirement and civilian life. Your life of service has made a difference for our country.

The AAD would like to thank each of you for your continued membership and support of our charitable mission. If anyone has an interest in serving on our board of directors or assisting in another capacity, please contact the AAD at assoc.army.dentistry@gmail.com

Please keep our men and women in uniform in your thoughts and prayers throughout the coming year. May God Bless America!

Best wishes for good health and new adventures in the year ahead.

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