

17th Signal Bn participates

Partnership celebration held

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KOBLENZ, Germany (FbF) -The 17th Signal Battalion's Partnership unit, the 310th Fermeldebattalion (Signal Battalion) recently celebrated its 25 year anniversary. On October 2, 36 soldiers from the 17th Signal Battalion joined with over 300 German, French and Belgian soldiers in a parade and ceremony in celebration of the 310th's anniversary at Falkenstein Kaserne in Koblenz.

Military parade

The day's activities began with a military parade, in which the 17th Signal Battalion was represented by the battalion color guard and a 32-man marching unit from "B" Company. The parade and formal ceremony took place on the battalion parade field and included the reading of the battalion's history, an awards ceremony and the promotion of approximately 25 soldiers.

Upon completion of the official ceremonies, the soldiers of the 17th Signal were treated to a German lunch and a sampling of German beer and wine. The afternoon brought a tour of the German Kaserne and a chance to see the battalion's equipment in operation.

Briefings

Briefings were provided on all of the unit's major pieces of communications equipment, highlighted by a look at the battalion's telephone and switchboard system. Demonstrations were held in the use of its weapon system and NBC equipment. The battalion also provided a briefing of its maintenance operations.

17th Signal Dining Facility is most improved

The 17th Signal Battalion Dining Facility has been selected the 22nd Signal Brigade's most improved dining facility for the 3rd and 4th quarter, FY82. Members of the facility are: SSgt.s Rickey Myers, Reefers Ousley, Richard Sladge, Sp5.s Henry Vonner, Thomas Sneed, Michael Koss, Wayne

Rhymer, Nelson Martinez, David Nelson and PFC Roberta Lucero.

The day's activities truly were enjoyed by all who attended", an official said. (Maj. Lindhorst is the 17th Signal Battalion S-3 Officer and CSM James is the 17th Signal Battalion Command Sergeant Major.)



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