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Campaign Update: Recent Events and Campaign News

Three-Star Circle of Distinction

- **Ms. Joyce Yamane and Mr. Steve Waite** joined the Three-Star level in honor of her father and mother as well as the Nisei Vets during World War II. Kazuo Yamane played a vital role in military intelligence as part of the 100th Infantry Battalion. The Kazuo and Mary Yamane Family is honored to support the National Museum of the United States Army with this gift. Her father always considered his service during WWII as the most important time of his life, as he and all the Nisei veterans proved their loyalty to their country.

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On June 6th, the Army Historical Foundation hosted its annual Major Benefactor Reception, and for the first time was able to hold it at the Museum site. The event was blessed by cool temperatures and clear skies following several days of unsettled weather that had everyone on edge, but all attending agreed that the evening was a huge success.

The event gave benefactors their first sneak peak inside the building, with attendees receiving guided hard hat tours through most of the building. Tour guides from the Foundation, Huffman Developments, and Clark Construction led donors through the building, showing them the galleries just beginning to take shape and the behind-the-scenes spaces that will support the operation of the world class museum that it will soon become. Guests were also treated to cuisine provided by Flik, the food service provider to the Museum when it opens in 2020.



Preserving the Nation: Westward Expansion

As the nation expanded westward across the continent, the Army was tasked with protecting the settlers and representing the federal government in areas where there was little or no other authority. The “Westward Expansion” display, located to the right of the Preserving the Nation Gallery, explores the history of the Soldiers who served on the frontier (1820s-1890s). Soldiers were faced with challenges as they defended pioneers from hostile American Indians while also protecting Indians who were abiding by treaty agreements from encroaching settlers.

The *Westward Expansion* display will be viewed solely from the Army Concourse. As the exhibit will span nearly a century, it will be divided into two parts—“Opening the West” and “Late Indian Wars.” In the “Opening the West” section, visitors will learn of the Army’s key role in exploring the nation’s frontier and aiding in the movement of settlers west. A large monitor will display an animated map that will feature a fast-paced two minute video that will show the connection between exploration, settlement, and the Army’s presence as the nation moved to the unsettled territory. Visitors will also learn that as miners and speculators reached the Pacific, Soldiers were called upon to protect and maintain order.

The “Late Indian Wars” section of the display will demonstrate how the Army returned to the western frontier to protect settlers following the Civil War. Within the display, visitors will see a life-size representation of a Buffalo Soldier in field dress wearing his overcoat and mounted on his horse. Interpretive panels will tell the stories of such Soldiers. Visitors will also learn about the Army’s role in establishing forts and posts. In addition, the displays will tell of the work of the Army to



Cast Figure of the Buffalo Soldier’s mount from the Preserving the Nation: Westward Expansion Exhibit

maintain order throughout the west, negotiate treaties with various American Indian tribes as well as to force these tribes onto reservations. Noted clashes between American Indians and Soldiers will include the Battle of Little Big Horn, the Wagon Box Fight, and the attack at Wounded Knee. As tensions grew between Indians and settlers, fighting occurred sporadically from the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean and from Mexico north to into Canada. By the 1890s, the more than century-long fighting came to an end and the Army would soon be tasked with service beyond the confines of the North American continent.

Overall, the exhibit serves to demonstrate the difficult task the Army undertook as the nation expanded westward. By working to maintain peace and order on the frontier, Soldiers proved to be a crucial part of the west’s settlement.





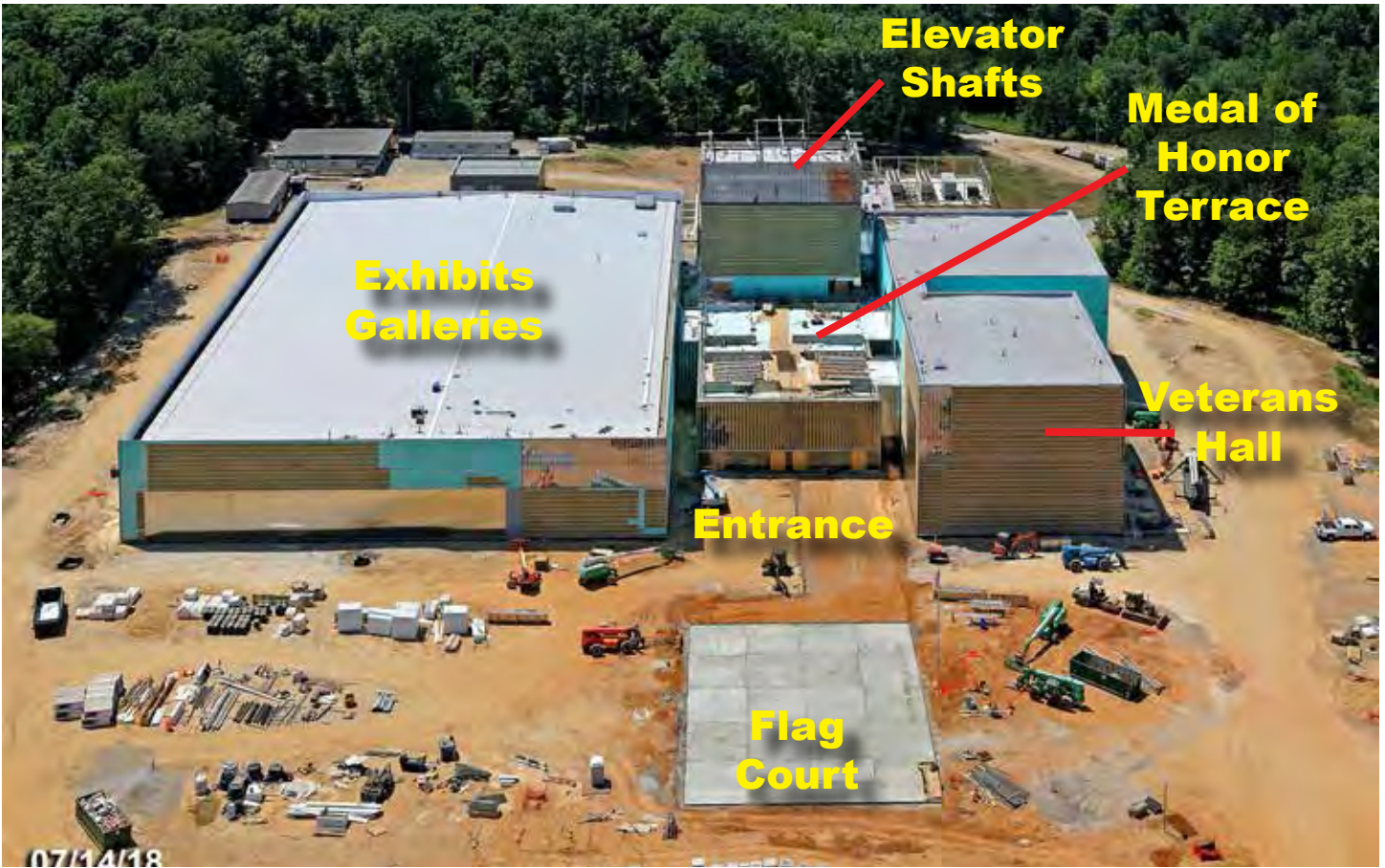
Aerial Photo of the National Army Museum Site-July 2018



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Medal of Honor Terrace-July 2018



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Finished Medal of Honor Terrace Rendering



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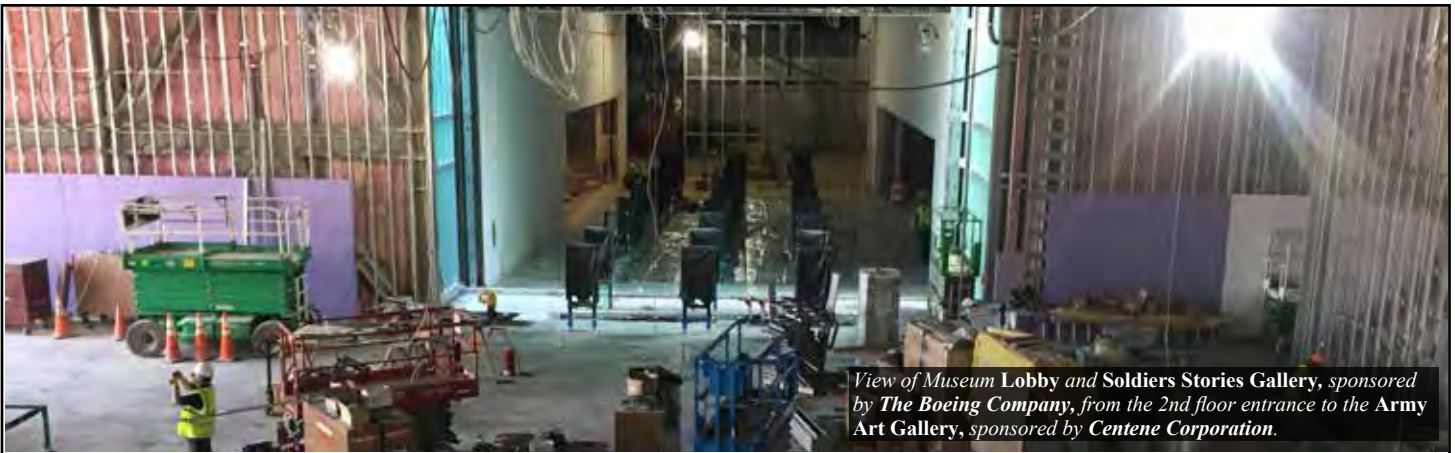
Experiential Learning Center (sponsored by Lockheed Martin Corporation) Training Center-July 2018



Finished Donor Wall Rendering—Flanked by Gift Shop (left) and Experiential Learning Center (right)



Finished Experiential Learning Center *Training Center* Rendering



View of Museum Lobby and Soldiers Stories Gallery, sponsored by The Boeing Company, from the 2nd floor entrance to the Army Art Gallery, sponsored by Centene Corporation.

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