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## Redeployment Ceremony honors returning OIF/OEF Soldiers

A special ceremony took place in Tripler Army Medical Center's Kyser Auditorium Wednesday honoring more than 50 Soldiers who redeployed within the past six months after serving in support of the Global War on Terrorism in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Maj. Gen. Carla G. Hawley-Bowland, commanding general, Pacific Regional



**More than 50 Soldiers who redeployed within the past six months after serving in support of the Global War on Terrorism in Iraq and Afghanistan were honored Wednesday during a special ceremony in Tripler Army Medical Center's Kyser Auditorium.**

Medical Command and TAMC, addressed the more than 50 returning Soldiers. "As your commander, it is extremely important for me to personally convey to you that your

selfless-service, tireless efforts and dedication to excellence does not go

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unnoticed," Hawley-Bowland said. "I know that the rigors of war have changed your lives forever. It is a challenge for anyone to understand the challenges a Soldier faces -- let alone the demands of military medicine during combat operations. Your professionalism during combat operations has pushed military medicine to the forefront of media coverage."

As the commanding general emphasized in her remarks, deployment can be a life-altering experience in most cases.

"Being deployed to Afghanistan with the 14th Combat Support Hospital was the single most meaningful professional experience," said Maj. Ross Segan, surgeon, TAMC. "I was able to save lives, educate Afghan physicians and bring new technologies to the war-time medical mission. The people I worked with were among the Army's very best. Despite having to return by MEDEVAC due to injury, I have no regrets about my experience," Segan elaborated

Leis were presented to each Soldier by the Maj. Gen. Hawley-Bowland, and gift baskets, purchased from the Tripler Chaplain's Tithes and Offering fund, were presented by Command Sgt. Maj. Joel Jenkins, PRMC and TAMC.

"The gift baskets were a special blessing given from the hearts of the chapel community to the Soldiers in appreciation for their sacrifice to our great nation," said Chaplain (Col.) Paul Buck, chief, Department of Ministry and Pastoral care, TAMC.

Staff Sgt. Angela R. Robinson, respiratory technician, TAMC, said she thought she was a good RT before she left, but now she knows she's an 'Outstanding RT' from being deployed with the 47th Combat Support Hospital

"When I was at Tripler if I had a problem or question I could just go to another RT, but in Iraq I was expected to know my job and I relied on my own knowledge and what I had learned at Tripler," Robinson said. "I had to dig way down and what I realized is that I knew more than I gave myself credit for, and that's why I say I am coming back as an outstanding RT," she said.

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**Following are the Soldiers who were recognized during the ceremony:**

<b>Soldier</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Soldier</b>	<b>Unit</b>
COL James Breitweiser	10th CSH	CPT Mateo Pilly Morales	47th CSH
COL Thomas Crabtree	745th FST	CPT Leonardo Pascual, Jr.	47th CSH
LTC Michael Buckellew	MNF Iraq	CPT Steven Scatcherd	47th CSH
LTC Thomasine Howard	47th CSH	CPT Richard Stevens	47th CSH
LTC Thomas Curry	47th CSH	CPT Rosa Thompson	47th CSH
LTC Alec Eror	47th CSH	CPT Mary Tye	47th CSH
LTC Gregory Lee	47th CSH	CPT Sara Anderson	7/101 AV MD
LTC Veronica Rooks	47th CSH	CPT Jason Bothwell	47th CSH
MAJ Ilse Alumbaugh	801st CS BN	CPT Burke Bristow	MNF Iraq
MAJ Kyle Ewing	14th CSH	CPT Karen Gooden	47th CSH
MAJ Ryan Keneally	14th CSH	CPT Christopher Imes	249th CSH
MAJ Brian Lauer	249th CSH	CPT Torrey Lynch	47th CSH
MAJ Paul Morgan	10th CSH	CPT Denise McFarland	249th CSH
MAJ James Sellers	47th CSH	CPT John Murphy	14th CSH
MAJ Mark Thompson	14th CSH	CPT Marjorie Partridge	47th CSH
MAJ Michael Parker	10th CSH	CW4 Hector Rivera	MNF Iraq
MAJ Ross Segan	14th CSH	SSG Kariema Depina	10th CSH
MAJ Richard McCartin	47th CSH	SSG Kawika Maskell	47th CSH
MAJ Ronald Gagliano	14th CSH	SSG John Prew	47th CSH
MAJ Lori Fritz	101st CS Spt Com	SSG Angela Robinson	47th CSH
CPT Mary Edwards	126th FST	SGT Violet Daniels	47th CSH
CPT Mark Heard	10th CSH	SGT Mackneil Ramos	47th CSH
CPT Kari Burroughs	10th CSH	SGT Anjelica Tacda	47th CSH
CPT Marva Wilcox	10th CSH	SGT Dustin McCrary	47th CSH
CPT Marcy Bell	47th CSH	SPC Roman Frigge	21st CSH
CPT Trisha Bielski	47th CSH	SPC Hin Tak Liliem Liu	47th CSH
CPT Matthew Garrison	47th CSH	SPC James Hankins, Jr.	47th CSH
CPT Heidi Jorges	47th CSH	SPC Donald Brown	10th CSH
CPT Terry Mathews	47th CSH		