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TACOM CG visits Anniston



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Warren Turner, left, value stream manager for the Weapons Division, outlines the processes used at Anniston Army Depot to overhaul and repair small arms for the U.S. military as he and Depot Commander Col. Brent Bolander guide Maj. Gen. Gwen Bingham, commanding general of TACOM Life Cycle Management Command, through the Small Arms Repair Facility July 22.

Alabama native took command of higher headquarters in June

by Jennifer Bacchus
ANAD PAO

TACOM Life Cycle Management Command's newly installed commander, Maj. Gen. Gwen Bingham toured Anniston Army Depot and its major tenants July 22 and 23.

Bingham, a native of Troy, Ala., and a graduate of the University of Alabama, took command June 25.

She is currently touring the industrial base installations under her command. The first stop was Watervliet Arsenal in New York and her second stop was here in her home state.

"Being back in my birth state

of Alabama was heartwarming! The men and women of TEAM ANAD were absolutely outstanding. Their zeal and passion were evident in the enormous pride they exuded in their workstations," said Bingham.

At ANAD, Bingham viewed repair and overhaul operations in the Small Arms Repair Facility, Combat Vehicle Repair Facility and the Powertrain Flexible Maintenance Facility.

"Many employees communicated how they had been employed at Anniston Army Depot for five, 10 or 20 years and more," she said. "I beamed with great joy, knowing they were professionals committed to our

mission."

Depot Commander Col. Brent Bolander provided the commanding general with the depot overview prior to touring the facilities and accompanied her on the tour.

"It was great to have her here with us," said Bolander. "She brings a lot of energy, which will help push us forward as we continue to support the warfighter. Our reputation has preceded us and it is because of the dedication of our great workforce."

The second day of Bingham's visit was reserved for the

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Photo by Jennifer Bacchus

ANAD training National Guardsmen

Nineteen members of the Georgia National Guard trained at Anniston Army Depot July 14-22, learning to disassemble, repair or overhaul, and reassemble artillery. See article and additional photos on page 3.

DOIM introducing zero clients at ANAD

by Geoff Freeland

ANAD DOIM

For many years, computer users have been told to back up files and data.

There is a good reason for this. In the Directorate of Information Management's Service Center, it is very difficult, if not impossible, to obtain a user's files and data from a computer that has crashed.

In the very near future, some users will no longer have to back up their files and data.

The reason is an ultrathin server-based thin client, known as a zero client.

A zero client does not have an operating system or software installed locally. The device connects to a virtual desktop, enabling the computer operating system and all software to be hosted by the server.

What does this mean for the end user?

When the user logs out of the zero client and goes to another zero client, their files and data will follow.

The idea behind this is to move computing away from the desktop and to the data center, making software easier to deploy, easier to manage, less expensive and much more secure.

Zero clients are a new approach for delivering virtual desktops. There is a significantly lower cost and twice the performance compared to types of desktop computers and thin clients currently deployed on depot.

Software installs quicker - usually in a matter of minutes, instead of hours.

Here is a comparison of zero clients to thin clients:

They are both small, having a monitor, keyboard and mouse at-

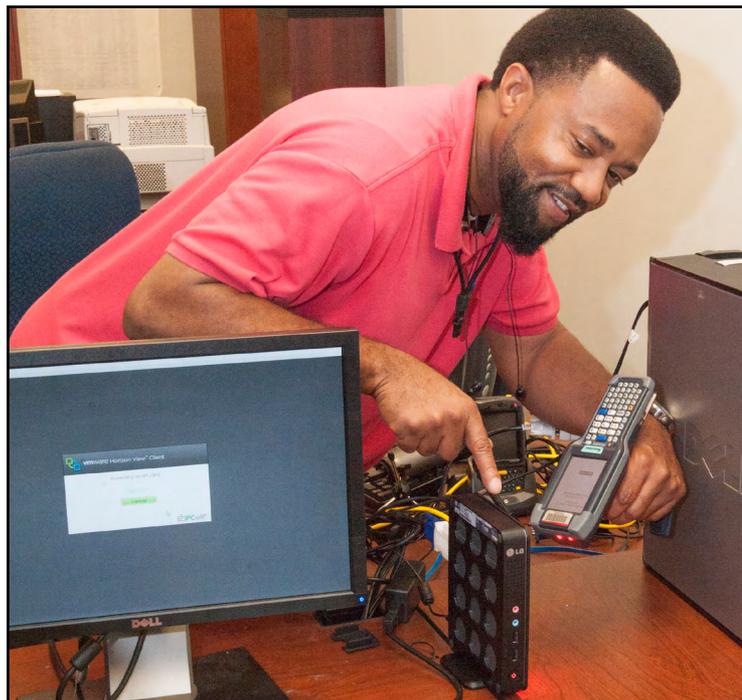


Photo by Jennifer Bacchus

Michael Sanders sets up a zero client for testing in the depot's Directorate of Information Management.

tached to the back. The small size frees up desk space.

They both are simple to install, not requiring a lot of time loading the software during installation.

Thin clients have an operating system, such as Linux or Windows, which is stored in flash memory.

Zero clients do not have an operating system. Instead, they have a processor designed to run a specific protocol.

All files and software for the zero client are located on the host server and only the keystrokes and raw pixels are transmitted.

This reduces the bandwidth on the network, making the zero client offer exceptional video performance.

Zero clients also rarely require software updates or patch-

es, making them immune to viruses.

The DOIM leadership was skeptical at first about the depot's ability to use zero clients because of problems users experienced in the past with the thin clients currently deployed around depot.

So, we decided to let some users test the zero clients.

After an easy set-up in the DOIM Service Center, the server was installed. We gave users a few days to test the zero clients, unsure as to what their reaction would be.

To our surprise, we heard it was faster in many areas. Most users who tested the zero clients said the equipment was faster than their home computers.

DOIM is currently working on a timeline for the deployment of zero clients across depot.

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installation's major tenants, DLA Distribution Anniston and Anniston Munitions Center. She learned about their missions and how they support and are supported by ANAD.

During Bingham's visit to the area, she was also able to meet several community leaders through the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce.

"Our community leaders outside the gates are very definitely a part of our greater team. I thank them for their warm welcome and hospitality," said Bingham. "We could not do what we do on our depot without the full support and partnership of our neighbors and I am mighty grateful for their devoted friendship."

ANNOUNCEMENTS IN BRIEF

Group Award Program payout update

from ANAD DRM

Measurement for Anniston Army Depot's Group Award Program payout includes five areas.

For eligible personnel to receive the maximum GAP payout, all five metrics must be met. Everyone must do their part each day to achieve these goals. These goals are attainable and are important in executing ANAD's mission. Current status indicates a payout of \$1,050.

Productive Yield

Direct labor hours. \$150
Indirect labor hours. \$0

Quality Defect Improvement

ISO certification. \$150
Quality improvement. \$0

Safety Efficiencies

Recordable injury rate. \$75
Lost time rate. \$150

Performance to promise.

. \$300

Material/Excess Inventory

Inventory turns. \$75
Excess material. \$150

Current total. \$1050



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ANAD provides howitzer training for Georgia National Guard

by Jennifer Bacchus

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A group of 19 Soldiers, comprised of members of the B and G Companies from the 148th Brigade Support Battalion, Soldiers from the Combined Support Maintenance Shop at Fort Stewart, Ga., as well as individuals from other Georgia National Guard units, trained at Anniston Army Depot July 14-22.

Sgt. 1st Class Russell Dinkins, who works for the CSMS, said the Soldiers chosen for this training are often tasked to maintain and repair National Guard equipment for the state of Georgia.

Dinkins said the CSMS hopes to send additional technicians to the depot for training in the future.

“Hopefully we can get this training on a regular basis,” he said.

For most of the men and women, their time at ANAD was the first opportunity to see the equipment they repair disassembled to individual components.

“This is the first time I have had training this in-depth,” said Sgt. Justin Burch, who serves in direct support for M119 howitzers in the field. “Here, I’m working with experts who are experienced with all of the problems which can occur. It helps to be able to build a howitzer from the beginning and see the mechanics that go into it.”

Primarily, the National Guardsmen trained on the M777 and M119 howitzer lines - learning to disassemble, repair and rebuild the artillery.

“It’s a little more knowledge than we already have,” said Sgt. Kevin Cohrs. “We have never disassembled this equipment to this extent before.”



Photos by Jennifer Bacchus

Tim Baldwin, left, assists Spc. Anjelina Henderson, center, and Spc. Chantze Wingfield with measurements on a traverse track for a M777 howitzer. The track must be measured at various points to ensure it is completely within specifications.



Spc. David Mitchell, left, and Spc. Steadson Wallace, right, learn to assemble parts on a M777 howitzer from depot mechanic Timothy Staples.



Inside a clean room where exposure to dust is limited by protective equipment and procedures, Staff Sgt. Walter Wolff applies gaskets to the equilibrators of a M777 howitzer.



Spc. Milton Brown and Spc. Joseph LeGras Jr. were part of a group of Soldiers from the Georgia National Guard who trained at Anniston Army Depot July 14-22. The Soldiers learned to disassemble, reassemble and repair M119 and M777 howitzers. Here, Brown and LeGras assemble part of a M119.

Scenes from Employee Appreciation Day

Anniston Army Depot showed appreciation for the employees who fulfill the installation's mission and the families who support them July 24 at Capron Field.

Col. Brent Bolander, the depot's commander, and Keith Colbert, director of community and family activities, started the afternoon off by detailing the activities to be enjoyed during the afternoon.

Hot dogs and chips were given to employees free of charge, while a selection of other food items - ranging from funnel cakes to cotton candy - were sold by DCFA staff members.

And there were games to

play.

A tent of tables filled with cards, dominos, checkers and other board games awaited patrons near the laser tag arena, which was popular with the children.

Inflatables dotted the outfield at Capron Field - slides and bounce houses for kids to enjoy.

Face painting and balloon animals also drew a lot of children to the Kids' Zone.

If you attended Employee Appreciation Day July 24, DCFA wants your input to make the next event better.

Go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2014EAD> to fill out a survey.

EAD WINNERS' CIRCLE

Best of Bama BBQ Contest

Beef: Gary Geier

Chicken/Pork: Ken Ingram

Arts and Crafts Display

Michael Fuller

Commander's Cup

1st place: David Funderburg
1969 Chevelle SS

2nd Place: Wayne Presson
1939 Plymouth

Tune in to The Morning Show Aug. 6 for a drawing to determine winners in the grand prize drawings.



Photos by Mark Cleghorn

Lindsay, Cohen and Joshua Welch chose a nice, sunny spot to enjoy lunch at Employee Appreciation Day.



Emergency personnel were on duty and close at hand throughout the day to assist if needed.



Nevaeh, right, and Jayla Jackson take a defensive posture in the laser tag arena.

For more photos, see the depot's Flickr page at www.flickr.com/photos/101336510@N02/



Royalty Coats plays on the playground at Capron Field.



Keith Colbert, director of community and family activities, reacts to a rain storm.



Depot Commander Col. Brent Bolander, right, and Sgt. Maj. Debra Buie salute the flag during the national anthem.



Belle Brooks starts down a slide.



Paul Williams plays a hand of cards.



Ken Ingram, right, won the chicken/pork barbecue competition.



Unfortunately, the rain dampened the spirits of many EAD participants.

Buie followed father in Army career

by Jennifer Bacchus

ANAD PAO

Sgt. Maj. Debra Buie grew up wanting to be in the Army.

“Initially, I wanted to join to have an additional bond between me and my father, a Korean War Veteran,” said Buie.

But, as she got older, her father encouraged her to pursue other careers - either go to college or get a civilian job.

After two years of college, though, the pull to wear an Army uniform was still strong. So, she visited a recruiter one afternoon and 27 years later is still happy with her decision.

Along the way, she completed her degree, a bachelor’s degree in interdisciplinary studies from Columbia College in Missouri, and has been able to see the world.

Tours of duty have taken her to Korea three times, giving her the ability to figuratively walk in her father’s footsteps; Germany twice; and numerous duty stations throughout the U.S.

Buie began her military career in the ammunition field and, through training, has spent time in Alabama - mostly at Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville.

Currently, she views the depot as her final duty station, the place from which she plans to retire with 30 years of ser-



Photo by Jennifer Bacchus

Sgt. Maj. Debra Buie looks over paperwork in her office. Buie became the ANAD sergeant major July 10.

vice.

But, until that day comes, Buie plans to pass on everything she learns about the Army’s industrial base in general, and Anniston specifically, to her fellow Soldiers.

“I want to pull together what the workforce does here and take that back out to the Soldier level, so they understand what the employees here go through to give the Soldiers the equipment they need,” she said.

Learning about the work

done here and at other installations like ANAD is eye-opening for Buie.

“Soldiers are used to having these weapons in their hands for use, but don’t know what goes into them,” she said. “These are things we, as Soldiers, take for granted.”

Buie encourages employees to speak with her whenever she is in their work areas and to contact her.

“I want to make sure I understand your wants, your likes, your needs,” she said.

New chief warrant officer begins work at ANAD

by Jennifer Bacchus

ANAD PAO

Chief Warrant Officer 3 Adrian Pubill joined the ranks of Anniston Army Depot July 15.

“I’m here to know and understand the industrial side of the Army and apply that knowledge to a division and its brigade combat teams to enhance their readiness and the readiness of the Army,” he said.

Pubill comes from a long family history of military service and has spent roughly 14 of his 16 years in the Army as a member of special forces support.

He has served seven combat tours, totaling 52 months in the Middle East.

As Pubill rose in the warrant officer ranks, he was

nominated for this position at the depot and was interviewed and ultimately selected by TACOM Life Cycle Management Command, ANAD’s higher headquarters.

“As a warrant officer, I have to know everything from technical to tactical,” said Pubill, adding that this time at the depot will further his understanding of the technical aspects of equipment he and other Soldiers use.

Pubill is still learning his way around the installation and through the various repair and overhaul processes, but hopes to be able to assist in making the depot a more efficient and proficient work site. To do that, he will often be found in the shops.

“I’m here to support,” said Pubill.



Photo by Jennifer Bacchus

Chief Warrant Officer 3 Adrian Pubill watches as a mechanic performs final inspections on a M1 Abrams tank.

AOD Federal Credit Union ATM removal

On Aug. 1, the AOD Federal Credit Union ATM located at the West Station Diner (Bldg. 371) will be permanently removed.

AOD Federal Credit Union apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause. Thursday, July 31, is the last day the ATM will be functional at this location.

Customers may visit one of AOD’s other ATMs, located at their various branches. For a full list of ATMs in the bank’s co-op network, visit <http://co-opatm.org/>. You may also visit <https://www.aodfcu.com> or call 800-637-0299 for more information.

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August is Antiterrorism Awareness Month

from Staff Reports

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The Army has proclaimed August as Antiterrorism Awareness Month to instill heightened awareness and vigilance to protect Army critical resources from acts of terrorism.

Terrorism is an enduring, persistent, worldwide threat to Army forces. Extremist ideologies and separatist movements continue to have an anti-western and anti-U.S. orientation, which threatens our nation.

Our Army must sustain a strong defensive posture to prevent terrorist acts and protect its people, critical infrastructure and sensitive information.

Antiterrorism is the defensive element of the Army program to combat terrorism. Effective measures integrate a multitude of security programs.

Antiterrorism Awareness Month is a reminder for everyone to take antiterrorism seriously and know what actions to take to keep yourself, your family and your teammates on Anniston Army Depot safe from acts of terrorism.

To highlight AT Awareness Month, employees should review their AT awareness training to increase terrorism awareness and vigilance across the depot and throughout the community to prevent acts of terrorism.

Additionally, this should be a time to strengthen relationships with local civilian emergency response agencies, such as police, fire and medical emergency response agencies, to hone responses to acts of terrorism and other dangerous events.

Review the Army awareness posters located on bulletin boards and IPTV. Remain vigilant and continue to report suspicious activity through the depot's iWATCH program.

iWATCH's goal is to heighten public sensitivity to indicators of possible terrorist activity, while encouraging people to report suspicious behavior to military or



civilian law-enforcement agencies. In addition, it creates a partnership between on- and off-post organizations.

The iWATCH program promotes antiterrorism awareness and leverages every member of the Army community as a sensor to identify and prevent potential terrorist acts. An essential component of iWATCH is ensuring everyone knows how to report suspicious activity.

Remember, iWATCH isn't a neighborhood program with volunteers roaming the streets armed with flashlights and radios. Instead, it raises community awareness of what to look for and whom to call when something is out of place. The types of activities and behaviors everyone should be aware of include:

- Strangers asking questions about security or building security procedures
- Briefcases, suitcases, backpacks or packages left behind
- Cars or trucks left in no-parking zones in front of important buildings
- Chemical smells or fumes
- Personnel taking unauthorized photographs

Indeed, iWATCH works by encouraging individuals to report any unusual or suspicious behavior.

Be alert at all times for suspicious activity. Maintain situational awareness of your sur-

roundings. Familiarize yourself with the iWATCH awareness tools. Review the iWATCH Army posters on bulletin boards and iWATCH Army public service announcements.

We can all make a difference by recognizing what to report and reporting it to security forces and/or law enforcement.

Law enforcement officials are not able to be everywhere. We need the eyes and ears of installation members and the community to assist in quelling terrorism.

Antiterrorism Awareness and iWATCH products are available through the ANAD Intranet via the Antiterrorism Link under Programs and Services.

If you see something, say something by reporting suspicious activity to the ANAD Directorate of Emergency Services Security Forces at 256-235-6222 or, for emergency assistance, 911.

For additional information, view the Army Antiterrorism Enterprise portal on the Army Knowledge Online website at https://west.esps.disa.mil/army/sites/APP/OPMG/OPS/antiterror/ATEP/_layouts/viewlsts.aspx.

Sources for this information include: HQDA Antiterrorism Branch, ALARACT2014-109, HQDA EXORD 107-14 2014 and 2014 iWATCH Army Brochure.



Photo by Mark Cleghorn

Two Soldiers and their military working dogs from Fort Benning, Ga., inspected various Anniston Army Depot facilities July 17-18. The dogs are trained to detect narcotics and other controlled substances.

Working dogs inspect ANAD work areas for contraband items

from Staff Reports, PAO

Two military working dogs and their handlers from Fort Benning, Ga., inspected several buildings at Anniston Army Depot July 17-18.

The dogs and Soldiers were used to detect the presence of narcotics and other controlled substances during inspections of incoming and outgoing traffic on the installation as well as in various buildings and other facilities.

Military working dogs are used to deter contraband items, such as illegal drugs, on military installations and assist in apprehension of offenders.

They were here at the request of the depot's command group to ensure the health, welfare and safety of the workforce.

ANAD has worked with Fort Benning the last five years, using the working dogs to periodically inspect vehicles and work areas for prohibited items.

reducing our tracks

DRK issues updated Red Book

by Jacob Craft, DRK

The Directorate of Risk Management, or DRK, maintains and publishes the Anniston Army Depot Red Book: Hazardous Waste Emergency Response and Environmental Guidance.

The ANAD Red Book is the go-to guide for environmental issues and requirements on depot.

DRK recently revised the ANAD Red Book. The current version is June 2014. Per the ANAD Environmental Management System, all ANAD shop supervisors who manage operations with environmental impacts are required to have an ANAD Red Book in their shops.

New ANAD Red Books may be picked up from the ANAD Document Library in Bldg. 128.

The ANAD Red Book is a controlled document and distribution is maintained by the ANAD Document Library. If you have previously been issued an ANAD Red Book, you must bring the old version in order to be issued the current version.

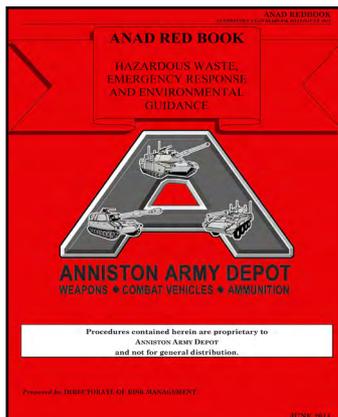
The ANAD Red Book gives general shop guidance on environmental compliance issues such as solid waste and hazardous waste accumulation, wastewater and stormwater guidance, Clean Air Act guidance, the Environmental Management System, hazardous materials and emergency response guidance.

Significant changes were made to the hazardous waste aerosol can procedures and a wastewater acceptance section was added to the current edition of the Red Book.

Operations generating waste aerosol cans must now turn them into the Hazardous Waste Storage Facility, located in Bldg. 466, instead of dropping them off at Bldg. 409.

Operations generating wastewater should refer to the Wastewater Acceptance Criteria section to verify the wastewaters produced by their operations are in compliance with the criteria specified.

If you have areas generating hazardous waste aerosol cans or industrial wastewater, please review these sections and take note of changes. For questions regarding the ANAD Red Book, contact me at Ext. 3660.



fmwr happenings

from DCFA



File photo

Recycling containers are each designated for a particular type of material.

Recycling Reminders

from Recycling Management

Recycling is nothing new to this installation. The Recycling Division has been in place since the early 1980s and has evolved from its humble beginnings to a very structured operation capable of handling the massive volume of recyclable items produced on an installation of this size.

We collect, sort and process millions of pounds of recyclable materials each year. We strive daily to keep the installation clean and clutter-free by picking up all recyclable materials from designated pick-up locations.

For the most part, the workforce does a wonderful job of segregating the eligible recycling materials and following proper recycling procedures. We do, however, still have some areas with room for improvement.

Here are a few reminders to make the recycling process flow smoothly for both you, the customer, and the recycling employees.

If you have a container at your building for paper recycling, only paper should go in that container. Some people still use these paper containers as trash cans.

Recycling employees find food waste, tobacco product waste, aluminum cans, plastic bottles and other items mixed in with the paper in the containers. There are separate containers available for each recycling stream produced. Please do not mix them. Also, if you have shredded

paper, please bag it and place next to (not in) the recycling container. It will be picked up by a recycling employee.

We strive to make sure each building has the proper containers for their individual recycling needs and that those containers are monitored and emptied in a timely manner. We ask that everyone please take an extra minute to make sure you place the recyclable item in the proper container.

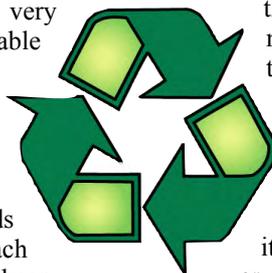
For those of you who utilize our recycle-from-home trailers for your personal recyclable items, we ask you to be courteous with the items you drop off.

These trailers are for recyclable items only. We repeatedly find household garbage in them, which creates a safety hazard, as it has to be removed by hand.

We ask employees to bag all loose paper, plastic and cans separately, before placing these items in the trailers. These trailers have to be emptied by hand in a very labor-intensive process.

Keeping these reminders in mind will help the recycling team be more efficient and will improve the recycling efforts of the installation. As always, if you have any questions or need recycling services, call us at Ext. 6838.

Thank you for all your recycling efforts. Let's work together to make sure that we are doing things the right way every time.



SHARP creates healthy, respectful work environment

The primary goal of the Sexual Harassment Assault Response and Prevention Program is to create an environment where all Soldiers, Family members and civilian employees are treated with dignity and respect.

SHARP aims to eliminate sexual harassment and assault from within the ranks and reinforces the Army's core values of loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity and personal courage.

All reports of sexual harassment and assault will be taken seriously, victim's privacy will be protected, offenders will be held accountable, and bystanders are encouraged to intervene to prevent these behaviors before they occur.

There are several different forms of sexual harassment including verbal, nonverbal and physical contact and sexual harassment is considered to be a form of gender discrimination.

Reporting sexual harassment behaviors at the lowest level is critical to prevention of future occurrences and may avoid a situation which could escalate to sexual assault.

Early reporting reduces the impacts and devastating effects on the individuals involved, units and work sections, the community at large, and even the overall mission.

Sexual assault is defined as rape, sodomy or attempts to commit these acts. Sexual assault typically involves some level of physical force, verbal and physical threats. In some cases, an abuse of authority can also be considered sexual assault.

The victim of sexual assault does not, or cannot, consent.

Sexual assault occurs without respect to gender, spousal relation or age.

If you have been the victim of a sexual assault, it is critical to remember evidence preservation is very important and medical treatment should be sought immediately.

For more information regarding SHARP or to report an incident, contact the SHARP Sexual Assault Response Coordinator at 256-624-8510.