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Eric Underkoffler, Jen Nevil, Jason Percoco, Dave Buceta, and Helen Musser are thanked by Col. Bobby Towery, deputy commandant, for their graphic art work and network support. The new digital information signs will alert residents, employees and visitors for safety, security and common interests. Photo by Thomas Zimmerman.

Oct. 30, 2009 -- Three new outdoor digital information signs became operational Oct. 29 at both entrances to post and outside Reynolds Movie Theater to update by-passers on safety messages, upcoming movies and other post information.

The signs, like those found at many other military installations, will welcome visitors and provide safety messages and information of community-wide interest. They will be operated with a safety-first consideration as the light will dim during darkness and will not distract drivers.

"The Carlisle Barracks Safety Office conducted a comprehensive risk assessment of the new post digital signage and has concluded that the signs pose no serious risks to either drivers or pedestrians," said Jim Aiello, post safety officer. "Over the next few days the signs will be adjusted to the appropriate brightness levels to ensure optimal visual conditions."

Others concurred that the new signs, like any new technology or dramatic change, need to be adjusted when they are first implemented.

"These signs are a significant change to the look and feel of the garrison and it may take some time to adjust to them," said Col. Robert Hoelscher, CIO.

Modifications to brightness and timing are underway to make the new information signs more effective for local use. Adjustments and evaluations will continue for several weeks.

The signs provide a notable benefit for quick dissemination of information, like safety messages in the event of an emergency or closure.

Additionally, the signs also provide another venue for residents and employees to learn about post events, like last night's trick or treating or the ability to list movies playing at Reynolds Theater for the upcoming weeks.

Organizations can request outdoor digital sign displays with a DA 3903 [on CBNet] graphics work order.

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