

## A Salute to Nurses

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# DUNHAM NURSES



Left to right: Becky Lowe, LPN; Joe Wilde, LPN; Missi Holly, LPN; Stephanie Snyder, LPN



Left to right: Amanda Lamason, LPN, RN; Lea Kirk, LPN; Hannah George, BSN, RN; Sunny King, LPN



Left to right: Hillary Barrick, LPN, Immunizations; Tammy Knepper, LPN Health Specialist FMTS/EFMP; Cindy Lee, RN; Naci Samento-Yocum, RN, Nurse Case Manager

How would we have gotten through the past year without nurses?

Throughout the pandemic, these health professionals were on the frontlines providing life-saving care and mobilizing vaccine efforts. They did all this in addition to their normal duties.

The Army War College salutes the nurses of the Dunham Army Health Clinic and the Army nurses in the USAWC resident class of 2021 – on the job during the COVID-19 days, and every day.

“[Nurses] know the true meaning of ‘Service to Others’ and live that every day. I feel honored to be part of the Dunham Nursing team,” said Betsy Davis, Nursing Supervisor at Dunham Clinic.

“Life doesn’t get easier or more forgiving while being a nurse during the COVID-19 pandemic, we get stronger and more resilient,” said Becky Lowe, LPN.

## Army Nurses USAWC Students



Left to right: Col. Greg Frazier and Col. John Amen

"The experience at the Army War College helps connect Military Medicine and its support with the overarching US Military's strategy and future endeavors, whether they are domestic or abroad." said Army Col. John Ament who will be going to the 32<sup>nd</sup> Hospital Center at Fort Polk, LA after graduation.

"This year at the AWC has been a year of tremendous growth," said Army Col. Greg Frazier. "As a clinical person we are not often exposed to some of the concepts taught here.? I think the education and understanding of the military from the strategic level has broadened my perspective and will make me a better leader and Army Nurse Corps officer.?"

"I feel very blessed for this experience and excited about my next assignment of brigade command," said Frazier.

During Nurses Week, many of the 27 RNs and LPNs at Carlisle spoke up about their career, their professional development, and this exceptional year.

- "My career as a nurse is ever-changing and adapting. This past year was no different in that sense. Nurses adapt and rise to meet the challenge." –Hannah George, BSN, RN
- "Working during COVID is stressful but rewarding." –Hillary Barrick, LPN, Immunizations
- "I was inspired by my grandmother who was a nurse. After watching how much she loved caring for others, I was inspired to do the same." –Amanda Lamason, LPN
- "I get by with a lot of help from my friends and coffee." –Joe Wilde, LPN
- "After a childhood illness, I knew I wanted to be a nurse because I saw them as people who brought hope and strength when times seemed dark." –Stephanie Snyder, LPN
- "Nursing is a work of the heart." –Missi Holly, LPN
- "I was in the 4th grade when my grandmother died. At such a young age, I remember the impact my grandmother made on those around her through her career and even after her retirement. I followed in her footsteps and strive to ensure everyone I encounter feels valued and important." –Cindy Lee, RN

- “I became a nurse because I wanted to make an impact in others’ lives, and I knew I could do that by being an advocate for my patients.” –Lea Kirk, LPN
- “I am a 3rd generation nurse, and I enjoy caring for civilian employees in Occupational Health.” –Sunny King, LPN
- “I grew up wanting to be a nurse and now, after 35 years, it has been rewarding and satisfying.” Tammy Knepper, LPN Health Specialist, Family Medical Travel Screening/Exceptional Family Member Program
- “My position as nurse case manager is so rewarding. I am blessed to work with an exceptional team of professionals who each uniquely contribute toward the overall delivery of healthcare, working together to ensure the best possible outcomes for our patients.” —Naci Samento-Yocum, RN, Nurse Case Manager