

The logo for MILSPACE is presented within a dark, textured rectangular banner. The word "MILSPACE" is written in a large, bold, black, sans-serif font, centered horizontally. Below it, the tagline "CONNECTING LEADERS IN CONVERSATION" is written in a smaller, all-caps, black, sans-serif font, also centered.

MILSPACE

CONNECTING LEADERS IN CONVERSATION

A leader learning and social- networking platform

LTC Pete Kilner

Center for Company-level Leaders

Center for the Advancement of Leader
Development & Organizational Learning (CALDOL)

Roundtable Introductions

- Mixed tables
- Introductions:
 - Your name
 - Where you're coming from
 - How you contribute to Army KM
 - Something you have learned in the last month

A Question Worth Reflecting Upon

- How have you, over the course of your career, continued to learn and develop expertise in your professional practices?
 - How do you meet your needs for new knowledge?
 - How do you find information to solve problems?
 - How do you articulate what you have learned and make it available to the profession?
 - Looking at the micro level, what affordances help us to learn at this conference?

A Tale of Two Commands

- Pete Kilner
 - CCC DHG
 - 100% to current job
 - No notice before cmd
 - Little sharing of ideas with peers
 - “Rites of Passage” mentality
- Tony Burgess
 - Professional reading and discussion
 - Solicited ideas and stories from experienced Cdrs
 - Evening conversations on the Lanai w/ peer
 - Created email distro of Cdrs, one idea/month

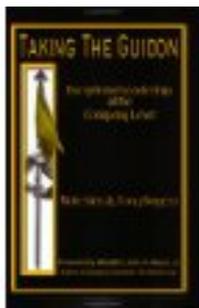
- Problem: Knowledge lost through revolving commanders, undermining combat readiness.
- Solution: “Wouldn’t it be great if EVERY company commander could learn from more experienced commanders and from each other the way Tony and Nate did?”
 - Create a Lanai for all company-level officers.
- What problem does *your* team address, and what is your strategic approach to overcoming it?

Fostering professional reading and discussion

- The CC Pro-Reading Challenge
- The AOKM Pro-Reading Challenge:
 - What three books/articles would you recommend to someone who seeks to become an Army KM expert?
 - Which ones, and why?



Leveraging technology to support the vision



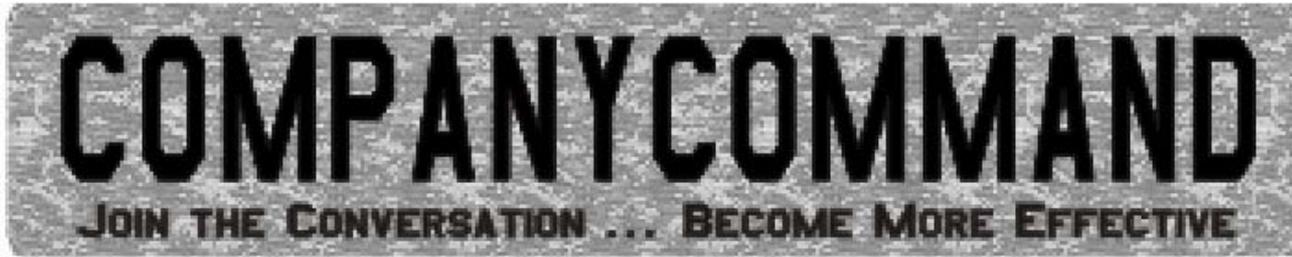
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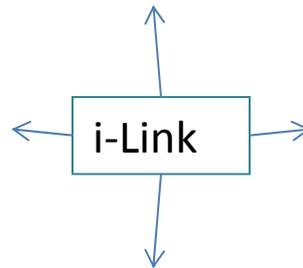
- An maturing software platform that supports individual and collective learning within a professional practice—e.g., company command or platoon leadership.
- A proof of principle for all of DoD.
- Software upgrades available to BCKS and others in DoD.



Leveraging Technology to Accelerate Learning



Professional Reading



Leader Challenge



See who's here; See examples

Who's online/status updates

Newest documents/videos

 **Kristen Plassmeyer** ▾
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 **Israel Velez** ▾
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 **John Hollein** ▾
John is amazed at how many Soldiers come in already in debt.
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 **Jason Schuerger** ▾
[View more](#)

 **Heidi Bredlow** ▾
Heidi is working on a tribute to honor our fallen comrades
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 **Tom Morel** ▾
Tom is a bit woozy from the beating my Red Sox took last night. Incoming!
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 **Mike Seats** ▾
Mike is at Ft. Riley getting ready to train for MiTT mission.

 **Company Change of Command Inventory Resource for Incoming Commanders/Executive Officers**
by Samuel Fitzpatrick Created Yesterday 5:03 PM in [Prep for Command](#) ▾

 **Daniel Rausch** ▾
by Michael Schmidt Related Monday 11:28 AM in [Dan Rausch \(C/2-23 INF Stryker\)](#) ▾

 **Dan Rausch (C/2-23 INF Stryker)** ▾
by Michael Schmidt Created Monday 11:21 AM in [CC Sessions \(Interviews\)](#) ▾

 **MCCC 03-08 (Yearbook)** ▾
by Michael Schmidt Created Friday Last Week 10:51 AM in [MCCC Yearbooks](#) ▾

 **Brittany Meeks** ▾
by Michael Schmidt Featured member Wed, Oct 1, 12:03 PM

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Latest Members to Join

 **Scott Greco** ▾
by Scott Greco Joined Today 9:58 AM

 **Luis Mendoza** ▾
by Luis Mendoza Joined Today 9:57 AM

 **Jeffrey Meador** ▾
by Jeffrey Meador Joined Today 9:56 AM

 **Christian Durham** ▾
by Christian Durham Joined Today 9:55 AM

 **Scott Greco** ▾
by Scott Greco Created Today 2:08 AM in [Scott Greco](#) ▾

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Can't find what you are looking for? Ask the community a question.

[More Info:](#)

Listen in on/ engage in conversations



CC is company commanders. It is where we connect. It is our HMMWV hood gathering place. Join the conversation...become more effective [\[read more\]](#)

Upcoming Changes-of-Command Next up: 12 Oct A/1-14 IN (Stryker), 2nd Bde, 25th ID. Kurt Pressell takes the guidon from Chris Loftis at a company JSS north of Baghdad. Chris gives up command after 2 1/2 years in A Company! **13 Oct B Co (Maint)/225 BSB, 2nd Bde, 25th ID.** Jeff Walker takes the guidon from Jeff Hannah on Taji.

CC Publications & Special Features *[Taking the Guidon, CC Newsletters, ARMY Mag articles, etc.]*

CC Insider Newsletter (October 2008): Quickly connect to the latest & greatest conversation, documents/videos, and other "insider" information.

Latest Discussions [Add...](#)

Topic/Content	Title	# Replies	Last Post
Company Command	PT failures while deployed	2	15-Oct-2008 1:49 PM Nicole Dean Go->
Warfighting	Seeing Your OBJ as a Crime Scene	1	15-Oct-2008 12:56 PM John Hollein Go->
EN Commander	ECCC Electives Module	0	14-Oct-2008 9:15 PM John Carey
Warfighting	Importance of FRG while deployed	6	14-Oct-2008 8:40 AM Michael

Featured Member [Add](#)

[Brittany Meeks](#)



178th MP DET
89th MP BDE
(Fort Hood)

Listen in as she talks about her motivations for becoming an Army Officer, her pre-command experiences, and her thoughts about the positive effect members of the CC community are having on the profession.

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Active Members



[Bryan Robinson](#)
(98 items)



[James McConnell](#)
(84 items)



[Christopher Swickard](#)
(52 items)



[Anaela Johnson](#)

Stay in touch with people you value

Connect with them privately/publicly

The screenshot displays a web interface for a military social network. At the top, there are navigation tabs: Dog Tag, Blog|Wall, Files, **Members I Value**, My Bookmarks, My Participation, and Private Messages. On the left side, there is a sidebar with a list of categories: Force Protection, Maintenance, Supply, Soldiers & Families, Pro Reading, Cdrs' Log, Rally Points, CC Welcome Center, On Fire! CC Team Blog, Hall of Honor, and CC Sessions (Interviews). Below this is a 'shortcuts' section with a list of links like CommandPost, Leadership, Platoon Leader, etc. At the bottom left, there is a 'community Tags' section with tags like afghanistan, air_ground_integration, army_magazine awards, and books.cern.

The main content area is titled 'Members I Value Activity Feed' and shows a list of activity items:

- Tony Burgess** Asked Burgess SITREP Today 1:24 AM
- Raul Rovira** Replied to BZ Major List - 26 AUG Monday 1:05 PM
- Heidi Bredlow** Blogged about 'Tony is hanging out with Travis Shain (CO), Jake Sweatland (XO), Dan Yun (FSO), Ashish Patel (Chemo turned PL), John Ardiente (PL), Brian Rieser (PL), Bob Teets (PL), & Tom Allen (PL)' Today 1:06 AM
- Heidi Bredlow** Blogged about 'Heidi is wow there are a lot of emails in my inbox' Monday 12:55 PM
- Heidi Bredlow** Bookmarked Hall of Honor Monday 12:49 PM
- Heidi Bredlow** Highlighted 2LT Andrew Caldwell (Hall of Honor) Monday 12:49 PM
- Heidi Bredlow** Added 2LT Andrew Caldwell (Hall of Honor) Monday 12:46 PM

On the right side, there is a 'Members I Value' list showing profiles of several members:

- Ryan Neely** On 5 MIV lists Edit Delete Email PM
- Eric Rahman** On 3 MIV lists Edit Delete Email PM
- Richard Chudzik** On 1 MIV list Edit Delete Email PM
- Brenna Rice** On 2 MIV lists Edit Delete Email PM
- Jason Wayne** On 2 MIV lists Edit Delete Email PM
- Alexandra del Moral** On 2 MIV lists Edit Delete Email PM
- Brittany Meeks**

Reflect upon what you've done/blog

Accumulate a knowledge base

Up to top Up one level

- Company Command
 - Leadership
 - Warfighting
 - Training
 - Fitness
 - Force Protection
 - Maintenance
 - Supply
 - Soldiers & Families
 - Pro Reading
 - Cdrs' Log
 - Rally Points
 - CC Welcome Center
 - On Fire! CC Team Blog
 - Hall of Honor
 - CC Sessions (Interviews)

 **Pete Kilner**

What is Pete doing/learning today?
Pete is finished reading LTC Sassaman's book Warrior King. Good book, flawed leader.
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Dog Tag **Blog! Wall** **Files** **Members I Value** **My Bookmarks** **My Participation** **Private Messages** ...

My Blog | Wall [Add](#)

Pete is talking with cadets about the moral justification of killing in war ▼ **Posted:** Tuesday Last Week 5:32 PM

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Pete is reveiwng some great tactical-decision case studies developed by LTs in 2-327 IN ▼ **Posted:** Wed, Oct 1, 10:23 AM

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Pete is inspired after approving PL forum memberships--great folks are participating. ▼ **Posted:** Mon, Sep 22, 8:34 PM

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Pete is screening Soldiers of Conscience, a film about the decision to kill in war. ▼ **Posted:** Mon, Sep 22, 7:51 AM

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Shortcuts

-  [Command Post \(remove\)](#)
-  [Leadership \(remove\)](#)
-  [Platoon Leader \(remove\)](#)
-  [Forum Support Team \(remove\)](#)
-  [Company Command \(remove\)](#)
-  [FRG Leader \(remove\)](#)
-  [1-24 IN \(remove\)](#)
-  [Platoon Leader Challenges \(remove\)](#)
-  [BOLC-Unit Arrival \(remove\)](#)
-  [PL Team Space \(remove\)](#)
-  [On Fire! CC Team Blog \(remove\)](#)
-  [Reflections of a user: PlatoonLeader.army.mil \(remove\)](#)

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Read, discuss, and recommend books relevant to your profession

Up to top Up one level

- Pro Reading
 - Author Interviews
 - Journals & Magazines
 - Member Created Publications
 - Pro Reading Challenge
 - Publications & Special Features
 - Reading Lists
 - Staff Rides

Shortcuts

- Command Post (remove)
- Leadership (remove)
- Platoon Leader (remove)
- Forum Support Team (remove)
- Company Command (remove)
- FRG Leader (remove)
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Community Tags

army_magazine books
 challenge coin combat
 compilation into_the_storm jeapes
 korea leadership oman
 prep_for_command pro
 pro_reading_challenge
 professional_development ranger
 reading regiment sas
 soldiers_still taking_the_guidon
 training vietnam

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Private Message Center



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Welcome to the Pro Reading Forum, the professional forum by and for us—Army Company Level Leaders: Platoon Leaders, Executive Officers and Commanders. This is OUR forum—it is voluntary, grassroots, and is focused like a laser beam on Pro Reading. By participating, you are gaining access to an amazing community of professionals who love Soldiers and are committed to building combat-ready teams.

Keywords

Professional Reading; News; Articles; Journals; Books

Highlights

October 2008 Author Interview COL (Ret) Ralph Puckett ▼
 Kelly Jones ▼ wrote "

This months author interview is with COL (Ret) Ralph Puckett. Author of Words for Warriors. An informative look at leadership in the Army, from 1950 onward.

Kelly
 " created Mon, Sep 29, 7:13 PM

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September 2008 Author Interview MG (Ret) Tony Jeapes ▼
 Kelly Jones ▼ wrote "

This months incredible interview is with MG (RET) Tony Jeapes, former SAS Rgimental Commander. He was one of the key architects to the successful Counterinsurgency Campaign fought in Oman. Truly a great warrior, scholar and gentlemen. I hope that you find the interview as informative as the book providing you with insight.... If you have any suggestions for interviews. Please feel free to email the PR Team @ Pro.reading@us.army.mil

Kelly
 " created Wed, Sep 3, 9:31 PM

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August 2008 Author interview CPT Michael Burgoyne and CPT Albert Marckwad ▼

Active Members

- Ryan Visconti** ▼
(4 items)
- Adam Ropelewski** ▼
(1 item)
- Jacob Becker** ▼
(1 item)
- Robert Smith** ▼
(1 item)
- Christopher Swickard** ▼
(1 item)

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Top Documents and Video

- Enduring the Freedom - HHC/1-32 Infantry Professional Development** ▼
- Taking the Guidon** ▼
- October 2008 Author Interview COL (Ret) Ralph Puckett** ▼
- C/1-72 Armor Pro-Reading Challenge (Book: "Into the Storm")** ▼
- CompanyCommand: Unleashing the Power of the Army Profession** ▼
- CC Publications & Special Features** ▼
- Army Magazine Articles [2007]** ▼

Current:

- Pro-Reading Challenges
- Book/article Discussions
- Author interviews

Forthcoming:

- A member-generated, sortable Recommended Reading List

“Leader Challenge” virtual simulations

Preparing the apprentice; Enabling the experienced leader to reflect

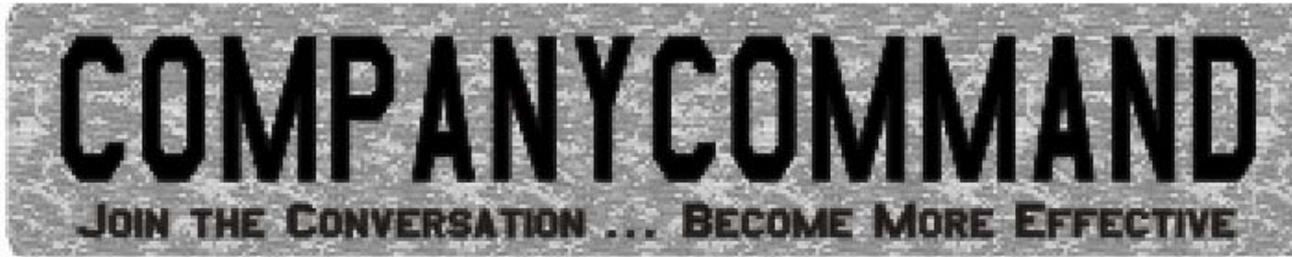
The screenshot shows a web-based interface for a virtual simulation. On the left is a navigation sidebar with sections: 'Up to top Up one level', 'Leader Challenge' (with sub-items 'Current Leader Challenge "White 3 is..." and 'More Leader Challenges'), 'Shortcuts' (a list of various roles and teams like 'Command Post', 'Leadership', 'Platoon Leader', etc.), 'Community Tags' (tags like 'emotions_in_combat', 'ethical_decisions'), 'Private Message Center' (indicating 23 messages), and 'Pending at This Location' (listing pending memberships, knowledge, and questions).

The main content area is titled 'Current Leader Challenge "White 3 is Down"' and includes an 'Edit Topic' link. Below the title are tabs for 'Welcome', 'Documents & Videos', and 'Conversation'. The central focus is a yellow document titled 'Challenge #14 White 3 is Down' by 'PlatoonLeader'. The challenge text reads: 'Watch the video and read the text below. Decide what you would do and enter it in the text box below.' Below the text is a video player showing a man in a U.S. Army uniform. The video player has a play button and a progress bar showing 00:28. Below the video is the text: 'Stream Video'.

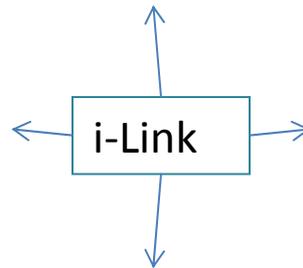
The challenge text continues with a narrative: 'We were on patrol and white 3 was hit. His RTO reported that he was unconscious. SSG Martinez was in the lead truck – he was White 3. After those explosions hit our patrol, we started to receive small arms fire. My driver came back and told me SSG Martinez was dead... We rolled back to the FOB. I had been on about 160 missions with SSG Martinez. He and I had about the closest bond that you could have between a LT and an NCO. After seeing him back at the FOB and realizing how important he was to me, I was hit by a sudden wave of grief that I had never been hit with before in my life. Earlier that night when we were headed out on mission, there were little streamers hanging across the streets that had Iraqi flags hanging on them. One of the streamers and flags got stuck on my vehicle and was still on my vehicle when we were back in the FOB.'



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