

HHC “Hawks” Hero of the Week SPC Carl Westlind



SPC Westlind - Recon Platoon
Stryker Driver

SPC WESTLIND IS ONE OF THE MOST DEDICATED INDIVIDUALS I HAVE EVER HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING WITH. HIS TECHNICAL EXPERTISE AS A DRIVER HAS MADE HIM AN INCREDIBLE ASSET. HIS EXPERIENCE AS A DRIVER IS CALLED UPON DAILY BY SUBORDINATES AND PEERS ALIKE.

THIS IS JUST ONE OF THE MANY QUALITIES THAT MAKES SPC WESTLIND STANDOUT AS A SOLDIER IN THE RECON PLATOON AND AS A TRULY DEDICATED SOLDIER WHO WILL ALWAYS PUT THE MISSION BEFORE HIMSELF WITH NO COMPLAINT.

SPC WESTLIND'S ATTENTION TO DETAIL AND FOCUS ON HIS VEHICLE AND THOROUGH CONDUCT OF PREVENTIVE MAINTANCE CHECKS AND SERVICES ENSURES HIS VEHICLE IS CONSISTENTLY PREPARED FOR COMBAT OPERATIONS ON A DAILY BASIS

THERE IS NO HESITATION IN SPC WESTLIND; HE IS A TRUE SOLDIER.



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Weekly Verification



Daily PMCS



HERO OF THE WEEK SPC (P) David Matthews

On Thursday, July 28 During a flash Traffic Control Point near the intersection of Sunset and Isuzu, SPC (P) Matthews displayed professionalism and Tactical expertise in finding and apprehending four detainees on the Brigades most wanted list.

As soon as 2nd squad stooped this vehicle, SPC (P) Matthews took immediate control of the situation. Using his tactical knowledge, he quickly had his men get the four individuals out of the vehicle and place them about 35 meters from the vehicle. He had two soldiers search the suspects while he and another soldier searched the car. The suspects acted very suspicious and the driver of the car would not open the trunk, he signaled as if it were broke. Realizing the car was a hatch back, SPC Matthews went into the car and pulled the back seats down. When he did he discovered an AK47 in the trunk,

The other soldiers searching the suspects were finding rounds inside the suspects pockets. They were pistol size rounds so SPC Matthews continued his search only to find three pistols cleverly hidden in and under the seats. The suspects were detained and denied knowing each other and knowledge of the weapons. Once at the detainee center, we learned of there status within the brigade.

SPC (P) Matthews attention to detail and quick reactions resulted in the arrest of four suspected terrorists without incident. Creating a safer environment for the Iraqi people and Collation Forces.



BN COIN RECOMMENDATION (SPC STRAUSS, JOSHUA)

ON 26 JULY 05, 3RD PLATOON, B CO CONDUCTED 3 SEPARATE RAIDS TO SECURE 2 TARGETS IN PALESTINE. SPC STRAUSS DISPLAYED TREMENDOUS LEADERSHIP. SPC STRAUSS FIRST WAS ABLE TO IMMEDIATELY PID THE FIRST TARGET DUE TO STUDYING THE INTEL HE RECEIVED BY HIGHER. ON THE SECOND TARGET HE WAS ABLE TO GATHER INFORMATION GIVEN BY CIVILIANS TO LOCATE THE SECOND TARGETS RESIDENCE, WHICH WAS LOCATED ACROSS THE STREET. SPC STRAUSS ALSO ASSISTED IN THE SSE OF ALL OBJ'S AND HELPED DETAIN A TOTAL OF 9 DETAINEES. SPC STRAUSS ACTIONS SET

THE STANDARDS DOR BEING AN RTO AND IS DEATHMASTER HERO OF THE WEEK.



PFC PATTERSON SHOULD BE THE HERO OF THE BATTLE BECAUSE OF HIS KNOWLEDGE AND SKILL AS THE PRIMARY DRIVER FOR FIRST PLATOON SECOND SQUAD. HE SPENDS COUNTLESS HOURS AT THE MOTORPOOL TO MAKE SURE THE STRYKER IS READY TO TAKE ON THE NEXT TASK THAT COMES DOWN FOR THE PLATOON. HE KNOWS ALL THE SIDE ROADS AND ALL THE MAIN SUPPLY ROUTES INSIDE CHARLIE COMPANYS AREA OF OPERATION. HE IS AN OUTSTANDING SOLDIER. HE IS EASY TO WORK WITH IF THERE IS A TASK TO BE DONE HE IS THE GUY TO GO TO GET THE JOB DONE TO STANDARD. HE IS THE PRIME EXAMPLE FOR ALL THE DRIVERS NOT ONLY IN THE PLATOON BUT THE WHOLE COMPANY.