

## Global conference to honor former Service Chief

Frances “Fran” Kelly holds the record for having served the longest period of time as a Service Chief for Voluntary Education within the Department of Defense.

On Dec. 4, 2008, Kelly will be inducted into the International Adult and Continuing Education Hall of Fame in Budapest, Hungary.

Kelly served from 1976-1998 as the first Director of U.S. Navy Education Plans and Policy with specific responsibility for Navy’s Voluntary Education Program.

Kelly earned her Ph.D. with a dual specialty in Occupational Sociology and Higher Education. She also served as Project Officer in the Title III, Developing Institutions Program, U.S. Office of Education in Washington D.C.

Kelly was recognized nationally as a consultant for the development of community colleges. This nationwide experience prepared her to embrace the Navy’s requirement to consolidate all aspects of voluntary education into a comprehensive program.

Her responsibilities encompassed not only what was known as off-duty voluntary education, but also officer accession programs, the Naval Postgraduate School and the Naval War College.

At the same time, she worked to bring military educational programs in line with accreditation standards and quality assessment procedures so there would be greater acceptance of military programs in the civilian academic community.

Coincidentally, this effort paralleled the work of Steven Bailey



M. Frances Kelly

and his critical report on voluntary education programs on military bases.

Kelly was able to convince Navy leadership that the report, while not very flattering to existing programs, was a valid assessment.

The Navy was the first Service to give official endorsement to the report and led to program improvements over the years.

Kelly worked to increase educational access for Sailors. During her tenure, she implemented a number of initiatives that increased Sailor participation in college degree programs.

As a former university professor, administrator and national consultant, Kelly brought a fresh and sometimes controversial perspective to the educational policymaker’s table in Washington.

She defended educational resources throughout very difficult budget periods and was able to maintain and grow the Navy’s

### Ceremony will be held in Hungary

The International Adult and Continuing Education Hall of Fame will conduct its second European induction ceremony on December 3 in Budapest, Hungary.

The ceremony will be held as part of a regional UNESCO conference on “Adult Learning for Equity and Inclusion in a Context of Mobility and Competition” to be held December 3-5.

Organized by the Hungarian Institute for Culture on behalf of the Hungarian government, it is one of five regional conferences being held in preparation for UNESCO’s 2009 CONFINTEA VI global conference in Brazil and will feature scholars and practitioners from Europe, North America and Israel.

CONFINTEA is an inter-governmental conference that provides a platform for policy dialogue and advocacy on adult learning and to promote the recognition of adult learning and education as elements of international education and development goals.

Voluntary Education program.

#### Contributions within the Navy:

❖ Kelly merged disparate educational elements like Tuition Assistance, PREP, Instructor Hire, SOC, Program for Afloat College Education (PACE) and the GI Bill into one program element, focusing attention on the role of education in the military.

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# Quick guide to selecting a college major, career available

What comes first: choosing a college major or choosing a career?

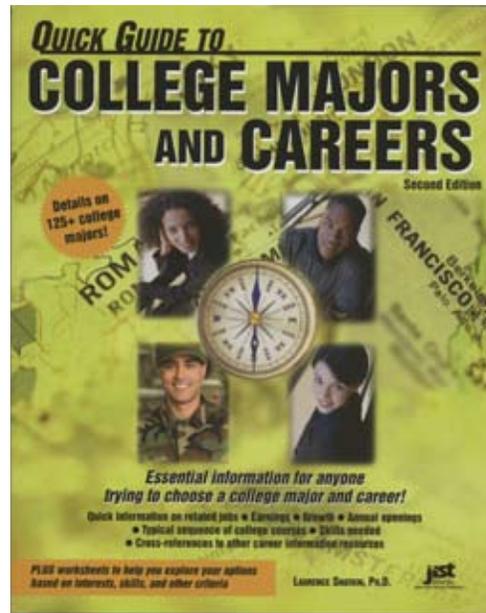
Some people say that you should first decide what career you want to pursue, then choose a major that helps you prepare for it.

Others say you should first decide on a major you really love, then choose a career that can take advantage of what you've learned.

The Quick Guide to College Majors and Careers (DANTES Stock #2438) lets you choose a four-year college major and a career simultaneously. It links 127 majors to 263 careers.

It informs you what the career is like, as well as what you would study in the major. It also tells you what careers are commonly associated with each major.

Each college major has a definition; career snapshot; related specialties; related job titles, earnings, projected



growth, and openings; typical sequence of college courses; and personality type.

This book is ideal if you are a young person choosing a major or a career who doesn't have a clear idea what might be best for you; if you're not sure you even want to go to college after all; you have a major in mind but are not certain about it; if you are a midlife career changer; or you are making the transition from college to a career.

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❖ In 1984, the Navy was the first Service to apply educational technology to the delivery of off-duty education at remote or difficult to serve sites.

Kelly's efforts with the PACE program were recognized by the Smithsonian Institution and Computer World magazine when she was named an international Smithsonian Scholar for innovation in educational technology in 1997.

Before her retirement in 1998, the Navy could report that access to educational programs was available on every ship and submarine in the Navy.

❖ As early as 1978, Dr. Kelly made Navy leadership aware of a significant gap between Sailors who were ready for college and those who were not.

She also completed a comprehensive study of the basic skill levels of active duty personnel and worked

with recruiting commands to determine literacy rates for incoming recruits.

This led to the establishment of a designated "remedial" or basic skills program which evolved into the establishment of Academic Skills Learning Centers worldwide.

Nearly two dozen of these survived and currently operate as Navy College Learning Centers.

### Contributions within DoD:

❖ Kelly always worked for more collaboration among the Services in support of voluntary education.

She was an early champion of a stronger role for Servicemembers Opportunity Colleges (SOC) and MIVER and worked with the Marine Corps to establish the SMART transcript.

She also helped initiate SOCNAV, which is designed to streamline college degree planning for Sailors.

❖ She established the first

Service section devoted to the implementation of the GI Bill and prepared a comprehensive GI Bill Instruction – leading to better implementation of the program.

Additionally, she took a proactive role in liaison with the House Veterans Affairs Committee to support legislative initiatives that gave a stronger voice for the education of military personnel.

❖ Her pioneering use of technology encouraged other Services to explore and implement such means, and her quick grasp of the possibilities offered by these new approaches resulted in the application of such technologies.

Her efforts on behalf of Navy learners and the community of education providers were recognized by the American Council on Education (ACE) when she received the James F. Nickerson Medal of Merit upon her retirement in 1998.



## DANTES TRIVIA

This is the sixth in a series of trivia questions commemorating DANTES 35th anniversary, which will be celebrated July 29, 2009, at DoD's Worldwide Education Symposium in Atlanta. Be the first person to submit the correct answer to [pubs@navy.mil](mailto:pubs@navy.mil) for a chance to win a special prize and be recognized at the Symposium.

Congratulations to Larry Cousins, Education Technician, Navy College Office, Everett, Wash., who was the first to answer that the DANTES acronym stands for Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support.

### Question #6:

As a result of Congressional budget cuts, what "Institute" was streamlined by DoD in 1974 to become DANTES?

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## CA ACME continues making progress

The California Advisory Council on Military Education (ACME) Steering Group continues to make progress in establishing a state-wide organization.

During the most recent meeting at West Hills College at Lemoore, the group decided to divide the state into regions – San Diego, Greater Los Angeles, High Desert, Central California and Northern California. Regional ACME boards will be established to address local needs.

Efforts are being taken to electronically link active and reserve bases and other agencies that support the education needs of military personnel.

The Steering Group expects to finalize bylaws and sign the document at the Council of College and Military Educators Symposium in Jan 2009.

In the future, members will be recruited to serve on the regional or state ACME council to promote and support quality education programs.

The next organizational meeting will be held at Fort Irwin National Training Center.

## GED tests require demographic forms

GED Testing Service is issuing new demographic forms that must be used with any GED Battery given beginning January 1, 2009. The new forms will be easy to distinguish at first glance, as their color has changed.

Forms in English are green and forms in Spanish are dark blue. Other changes include new title formats and the addition of the GED logo on the first page.

The demographic forms have been slightly modified to verify that the examinee has read and agrees to the GED policies. This modification appears in box 50.

The new 2009 GED Battery shipments will contain the new demographic forms. These shipments will begin in early January 2009. Test sites need to dispose of old demographic forms as of January 1. Please do not send them back to GED Testing Service.

## ACEG annual conference set for March

The American Counseling Association (ACA) is hosting its annual Conference & Expo in Charlotte, N.C., in March 2009.

This is the largest expo dedicated to professional counseling resources and is the premier source for professional development across all counseling specialties/work settings.

In advance of the general sessions, the Association for Counselors and Educators in Government (ACEG) – a division of ACA – is sponsoring a Professional Development Institute (PDI) titled Supporting and Advocating for Our Service Members: Pre, In and Post Service. The Institute will focus on education, mental and physical health, legal, career development and vocational rehabilitation services available to Service members. Registration information for the institution is available at [http://www.dantes.doded.mil/dantes\\_web/organizations/aceg/PDI.htm](http://www.dantes.doded.mil/dantes_web/organizations/aceg/PDI.htm).

The ACEG was originally established so members could encourage, deliver and participate in meaningful guidance, counseling and educational programs for all members of the Armed Services and their families (active duty or retired) and government employees.



## Testing Calendar

### December 2008

- 6 – LSAT (U.S./Puerto Rico/Canada)
- 7 – LSAT (Australia/New Zealand/Asia)
- 8 – LSAT\*\* (Europe/Africa)
- 12 – ECE Extended Response (essay)

### January 2009

- 10-14 – Praxis Series\*  
(2009 ASE test dates not yet available)

### February 2009

- 9 – LSAT (U.S./Puerto Rico/Canada)
- 13 – ECE Extended Response (essay)

#### Notes:

– Overseas test sites send orders six weeks before the test date. CONUS test sites send orders four weeks before the test date. Contractors ship tests to arrive just before the planned test date.

\*Choose only one day to administer. Submit separate Prometric order forms for GRE Subject and Praxis.

\*\*Saturday Sabbath observers

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Prometric has developed three new products to promote DSST exams. The new brochure “It’s Your Life, Take Credit for It” highlights the benefits of taking DSST exams to accelerate paths to degree completion.

A new DSST exam list sheet provides complete descriptions for the 37 unique subject exams. Also available is a large, colorful DSST poster that can be displayed to make customers aware of the DSST paper-based and Internet options. These products are at [www.dantes.doded.mil](http://www.dantes.doded.mil) under the Order Materials menu option.

DANTES-Sponsored Test Sites may now take advantage of providing these new DSST products to Service members. To order this material, send your request to [dist@voled.doded.mil](mailto:dist@voled.doded.mil). Please include your DANTES ID number, the stock number of the item and the amount you wish to request.

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Thirty five years  
of DANTES



1974 — 2009



Looking back  
to the year:

1993

In this year, the Troops to Teachers program was authorized by Congress in the Defense Authorization Bill. In 1994, DANTES took over management of the program.



### SHARON BEAUDOIN

Sharon has been with DANTES since September 2007 as Training and Outreach Manager for the Education Support Department. She is responsible for coordinating the DoD Worldwide Education Symposium and is an information liaison to ACME programs across CONUS.



“I felt privileged in the past just to be able to attend DoD Worldwide and to learn so much from being there,” said Sharon. “Now, I have the privilege of watching this event take shape from the ground up – what fun!”

Prior to her assignment at DANTES, Sharon worked in Voluntary Education and Technical Training as an Air Force civilian. She has served in several locations, including an assignment in the United Kingdom.

## Congratulations to Nov. trivia winner

Congratulations to the Navy team for claiming their first 100-point prize. Larry Cousins, education technician, Navy College Office, Everett, Wash., correctly answered that nine\* U.S. Presidents did not attend college.

**Team standings are as follows:** Army 585; Marine Corps 400; Air Force 195; Schools 190; Navy 175; National Guard 145; Coast Guard 100 and others 20.

\*Reference sources didn't agree on nine, so eight also was accepted.

\*\* A winner for the October trivia question was overlooked after his reply was misfiled. MSgt Michael Caracoglia, ANG Education Program Manager, submitted a correct answer before the declared winner. The October contest was ruled a tie.

## WW09 trivia question for Dec.

The first correct response sent to [dantesWW@navy.mil](mailto:dantesWW@navy.mil) earns 100 points toward the WW09 Team Spirit Award. All correct responses received after the winner will earn 10 points for their team. The top winner also will receive a limited-edition WW09 T-shirt. Questions are posted in the DIB and online the first of every month at <http://www.ww09Atlanta.com>. Contest rules also are available on the WW09 Web site.

**QUESTION:** Excluding DANTES employees, name two Service/Institutional representatives who currently serve on the Worldwide Symposium Planning Committee.

*\* And for a holiday bonus to double your points: Which two WW09 committee members have served for three DoD WW Symposiums?*

## Don't be left out!

Only 10 months remain until DoD's Worldwide Education Symposium. From now until July 2009, the DIB is counting down the Top 10 reasons you should attend.



**#10:** Host hotel Atlanta Marriott Marquis, just finished a \$300 million renovation and is ideal for large conferences. Getting to exhibits, general sessions and breakouts requires no more effort than an elevator ride.

**The WW09 host hotel still has openings!** The Atlanta Marriott Marquis IS NOT SOLD OUT on sleeping rooms for July 26-31, 2009. When calling Marriott reservations directly at (800) 228-9290 or (404) 521-0000 you must specifically request the "DoD WW09" group block. Otherwise, you may be incorrectly advised that the hotel is full.

## DANTES Catalog of Nationally Accredited Distance Learning Program news

### New school affiliated with DANTES:

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# Winners of scholarships for injured veterans announced

Sessions Online Schools of Art and Design, recently announced winners for the Louis H. Schilt Memorial Scholarship program. Twenty students have been awarded places in the program whose inaugural class began Oct. 1, 2008.

The \$1 million program was created to help physically and mentally injured Service members or their spouses build new careers in the graphic and Web design fields. Scholarship winners include veterans with physical injuries from current conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan, mental injuries such as PTSD, spouses of veterans, veterans with noncombat injuries and others from previous conflicts.

The program represents a bold effort to use online education to provide career training for an injured veteran community that Sessions believes can benefit from its unique project-based, one-to-one mentoring educational model. The scholarship

covers full tuition for the Sessions Graphic Design or Web Design Foundation I programs and provides students with state-of-the-art Apple iMac computers and professional-level graphic and Web design software.

Student profiles can be viewed at the Louis H. Schilt Memorial Scholarship winners' page: <http://www.sessions.edu/scholarship/military/winnersOct2008.asp>.

Initially, students will be mentored by school administrators in live chat sessions to help them identify their creative learning goals. All students are able to study at their own pace, enabling them to structure their program around work and family.

"There is no more challenging journey than that of the severely injured service person who must create an entirely new life, physically, emotionally and professionally," said Louis J. Schilt, Sessions Executive Vice President and Board Member.

"A career in design is vibrant and exciting, as well as financially rewarding. Because Sessions offers on online learning environment that is both nurturing and mentoring, we offer an ideal educational experience that will help these men and women heal and flourish."

The scholarship was created in partnership with the Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America (IAVA), a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to improving the lives of Iraq and Afghanistan veterans and their families, to champion the program and build awareness for the scholarship among the tens of thousands of enlisted personnel and veterans in its network. The program is named for the late Louis H. Schilt, a decorated World War II Marine veteran who was blinded in battle but who rebuilt his life and counseled numerous severely injured veterans during the course of his life.

## Military spouses thankful for career advancement benefits

In November of last year, a joint proposal by the Department of Labor and Department of Defense resulted in the Military Spouse Career Advancement Initiative, which also is known as Military Spouse Career Advancement Account (CAA).

At the one-year anniversary of the program's inception, participating spouses are flourishing at the U.S. Career Institute:

*"As the wife of a Marine and the mother of a six month old, I am so glad I found U.S. Career Institute. My husband and I are constantly moving and once I decided to go back to school, we had a baby. I needed to find something I could do at home so I could be with my daughter. That's why U.S. Career Institute was perfect for me. I looked at some other*

*schools, but since we're living off only a military income, they were too pricey. U.S. Career Institute is well-priced and has allowed me the opportunity to be a stay-at-home mom. It has also given me the chance to further my education without having to worry about credit transfers should we have to relocate again because of the Marine Corps. I don't know what I'd do if I hadn't found this place. Thanks so much U.S. Career Institute."*

– Holly, Carneys Point, N.J.

*"I did quite a bit of research for an online college for Medical Assistant. I found U.S. Career Institute to be the best for me. Not only do they offer the course I wanted with no interest, they also offered a discount for military spouses. Being a woman in my 50s, and my husband now retired from the military, this discount was a blessing for me. If any military wife would like*

*to extend their knowledge or study for a new career, I highly recommend U.S. Career Institute. The big plus is that there is always someone at the other end to help."*

– Judy, Sun City, Calif.

*"Being a military wife, I have experienced several job interruptions that have often left me without employment or underemployed because I have moved with my husband on military assignments. The civilian job sector does not always look favorably at hiring military spouses because of frequent military moves. With my training as a legal transcriptionist from U.S. Career Institute, I will be able to take my career with me, no matter where the military may take my husband. Military spouses will greatly appreciate the mobility of U.S. Career Institute's many training programs."*

– Jessica, Colorado Springs, Colo.

# New GI Bill brochure available

The brochure for the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008 or “new GI Bill” is now available from DANTES (DANTES Stock #2413).

This tri-fold brochure, published by the VA, explains the new education benefit program for individuals who served on active duty on or after September 11, 2001.

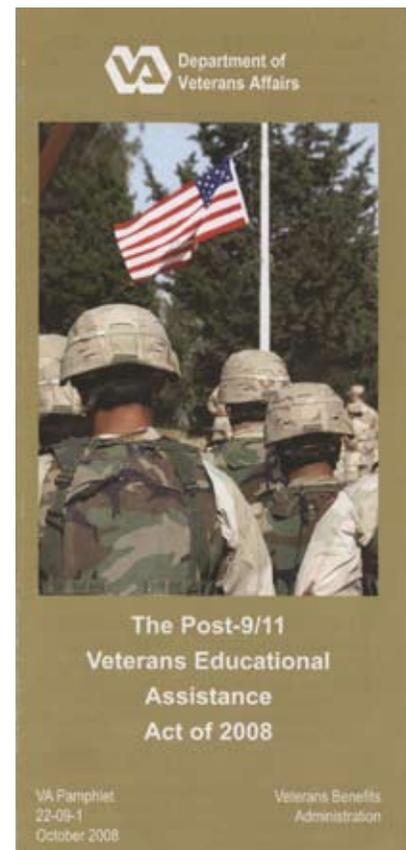
Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits are payable for training pursued on or after August 1, 2009. The brochure answers these questions:

- \* When can I receive benefits under the Post-9/11 GI Bill?
- \* Am I eligible?
- \* How much will I receive?
- \* How many months of assistance can I receive?
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