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IN THE MATTER OF THE ES-TATE OF

BETHENE J. LOCKMAN, Deceased.

> PRO. 13-20 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is given that on April 23, 2013, SHELLEY M. TRAMP, whose address is 701 Lytle Shore Drive, Abilene, Texas 79602, was appointed as personal representative of the estate of BETHENE J.

Creditors of decedent must file their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or their claims may be barred.

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Dated this 24th day of April,

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## Army Amputee Completes Air Assault School

Class Greg Robinson has become the first amputee to complete Army air assault school, a course so grueling his prosthetic leg broke twice over the 10 days spent rappelling down ropes, navigating obstacle courses and completing strenuous

Each year thousands of soldiers are physically and mentally tested at the Fort Campbell school. Instructors said Robinson accomplished everything other participants did and trainers cut him no slack even though he lost part of his right leg on a deployment to Afghanistan in 2006.

When Robinson joined teammates at a brief graduation ceremony Monday at the Sabalauski Air Assault School, others called his success a testament to what can be achieved by amputees. War wounds from Iraq and Afghanistan and the recent bombing at the Boston Marathon have highlighted the challenges amputee patients face in recovering.

An inspiration to the Boston bombing victims? Robinson, a 34-year-old noncommissioned officer from Elizabethtown, Ill., said his attitude was one of just wanting to grit it out and complete the same program he sends soldiers to who are under his command.

"Right now, I am a platoon sergeant," Robinson told reporters after graduating. "I have roughly 30 men in my platoon. As a leader, I didn't want to tell my soldiers that they needed to go to air assault school, if I am not air assault qualified."

On Monday, he had his followers: dozens of soldiers from his unit lined up to congratulate Robinson after he graduated. His 4-year-old daughter, Drew, and his wife, Amanda, gave him hugs and

The 34-year-old noncommissioned officer from Elizabethtown, Ill., toughed out Monday's 12-mile road march even after he had to repair his prothesis in mid-trek.

Robinson was wounded in 2006 during an attack while on a major military operation. But he said his traumatic injury wasn't going to prevent him from meeting some of the Army's toughest standards or finishing his career in the Army.

"It's not my job; it's my lifestyle," said Robinson, who has deployed four times in his 16 years in the military.

The 101st Airborne Division — unlike other airborne units in planes — uses helicopters to quickly drop troops into combat and move equipment on the battlefield.

Each day of the course began with run-

ning a couple of miles. Troops were expected to carry a 35-pound ruck sack as they complete their tasks. Though he ran with a noticeable limp, his boot and trousers covered his prosthetic leg and generally made him indistinguishable from the others. He also learned to rappel from a tower and maneuver past obstacles.

Robinson said he decided about six months ago to take on the program, though he had to get a doctor's approval. Now he hopes his accomplishment will encourage other wounded soldiers with their recoveries.

"It's not a disability if you don't let it slow you down," he said.

His instructor, Sgt. 1st Class Matthew Connolly, said there was some concern at one point whether he was going to make it through when a piston in his leg stopped working on the obstacle course.

"He got down and fixed it, reattempted the obstacle and went back on," Connolly said.

Capt. Greg Gibson, an Army nurse with Robinson's 2nd Brigade Combat Team, said his attitude was what pushed him to finish the course. Gibson said that in his experience treating amputees, attitude and will are critical to recovery.

Gibson worked with amputees at Walter Reed before coming to Fort Campbell and said many patients struggle at first with the loss of a limb, their own body

image and the pain of multiple surgeries. "Some of these guys never even learn to walk on a prosthesis, let alone go through the air assault course," Gibson

Gibson said Robinson is adept at using his prosthesis, which is below the knee, but the air assault course requires using muscles in a way Robinson would have found very difficult.

One part of the obstacle course, nicknamed "The Tough One," is a mandatory 3-meter rope climb in which participants wrap their feet around a rope and pull themselves up with their hands and feet. Gibson said completing that climb had to have been arduous for an amputee.

In light of the traumatic leg injuries suffered at the Boston Marathon, including several amputations, Gibson said Robinson's accomplishments translate beyond the military world.

"He's had this thing happen to him that most would see as a career ender," Gibson said. "He's a shining example that life can

## **Festival**

"The donation will go a long way to help cover expenses that are incurred with putting on the event, such as water bottles. backpacks, and snacks for the students," she said. "The MRWEF is pleased to have been chosen to receive funding from the foundation."

The Yankton Area Foundation is a local non-profit corporation, Kindle said. With its funding, the foundation benefits the social and economic well being of Yankton and the surrounding area. The foundation provides grants for community needs and

The Yankton Area Foundation Board felt the Missouri River Watershed Education Festival was a very worthwhile project to help support through a grant," he said. "This event is a great asset to our community and provides education to a number of students who will benefit from the festival."

The Yankton Area Foundation's donation came at a crucial time as the river festival's funding was running low, Robb said. Sponsors include local, state and federal agencies as well as private businesses. The federal sequester has created the need for changing some events.

"We were very glad when I got an email from Dr. Kindle saying they approved us receiving the grant," she said.

"With the quantity of students that we are getting now, we really need people to kick in. The festival is so big that none of (our sponsors) can stretch their budget this thin.'

Schools scheduled to attend this year's river festival are Lynch Public School, Lynch, Neb.; Sacred Heart Middle School seventh grade, Yankton; Yankton Middle School eighth grade; Vermillion Public School eighth grade; Andes Central, Lake Ändes; Elkhorn Valley School, Tilden, Neb.; Centerville Public School and Wynot/Newcastle,

When students arrive, they will be greeted by the re-enactor of a historical personality. Students will attend six 15-minute sessions covering environmental, historical and cultural topics.

Presenters range from endangered and invasive species to wetlands and kayaking to Native American culture and a steamboat clerk re-enactor. Students must have the presenter mark their "passport" to show they attended a session.

We are really stressing the interactive approach. I think the students learn more when they can actually see and touch exhibits," Robb said. "We added more presentations to keep the groups smaller, and we are staying with just the morning session. If we went to morning and afternoon sessions, that would

be really hard.' The festival has received a major boost from word of mouth,

"I think some of the teachers

ally excited about the event," she said. "I know we have gotten outstanding reviews from Vermillion, Sacred Heart School and the Yankton School District."

Students will receive backpacks filled with informational items and even pens made from 97 percent recyclable materials,

Festival sponsors include the: National Park Service (Missouri National Recreational River), South Dakota Game Fish and Parks, Nebraska Game and Parks Commission, Izaak Walton League, City of Yankton, University of South Dakota, Missouri River Institute, U.S. Army Corps

of Engineers, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Yankton Press & Dakotan, Keep Yankton Beautiful, KYNT Radio and Lewis & Clark Natural Resources District

The festival provides important facts that may not be known even by people living their entire lives along the Missouri River, Robb said.

"The students are made aware of the need to preserve the river, not only for boating and recreation," she said. "The water that comes to us for daily use comes through the river."

The festival will hopefully instill a sense of stewardship

among young people, Robb said. "If we take care of the river, it will take care of us," she said.

For more information on the river festival, contact Robb at MRobb@cityofyankton.org.

For more information on the Yankton Area Foundation, write to Box 36, Yankton SD 57078, phone (605) 665-9401 or visit online at www.yankton.sdcommunityfoundation.org.

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6. Your courage and bravery still inspire us all, and the memory of your Your courage and bravery smile fills us with joy and laughter. 7. Though out of sight, you'll forever be in my heart and mind. still inspire us all, and the 8. May the light of peace shine on your face for eternity. memory of your smile 9. May God's angels guide you and protect you throughout time. fills us with joy 10. You were a light in our life that burns forever in our hearts. 11. May God's graces shine over you for all time. and laughter. 12. You are in our thoughts and prayers from morning to night and from year to year. Dan, Ann & Sarab 13. We send this message with a loving kiss for eternal rest and happiness. 14. May the Lord bless you with His graces and warm, loving heart. 15. I have written my own message and it is included.

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My prayers will be with you until we meet again.

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