

GOVERNMENT PURCHASE CARD NEWS

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WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOUR ACCOUNT BECOMES DELIQUENT

GPC CARDS IN THEATER

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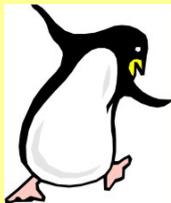
TRADE FAIR

PURCHASING SUPPLIES

FY 04 YTD

Rebate Earned:
\$325,128.76

Interest Penalties:
\$451.22



Tell us how we are doing:

http://ice.disa.mil/index.cfm?fa=card&service_provider_id=91124&site_id=249&service_category_id=14

HOURS OF OPERATION

MONDAY - FRIDAY: 0730-1130, 1200-1600
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WHAT MAKES AN ACCOUNT DELINQUENT?

Billing officials or Alternate Billing Officials must certify their GPC statements in a timely manner. IAW the Army SOP dated 31 Jul 02 and located at our DOC website, cardholders must approve their statements within 3 business days of the statement closing date and billing officials must certify within 5 business days of the statement closing date.

If your GPC account is **NOT**

certified within 5 business days of the closing date, your accounts will be automatically temporarily suspended until you are in compliance with the Army SOP and your statement is certified. After 30 days have past and your account is still not certified it becomes delinquent and interest begins to accrue. The GPC office sends a delinquent report to the Corps RM office. The

Corps RM office then sends out the listing to the Major Support Commands. Commanders are required to assist in ensuring billing officials and alternates certify the account. Accounts that are 180 days delinquent will cause the entire Fort Bragg Program to be suspended.

ENSURE YOU CERTIFY YOUR ACCOUNT TIMELY

TRADE FAIR



There will be 2 Government Purchase Card (GPC) briefings at the upcoming trade fair on 25 August 2004. The briefings will be held at 1000 and 1400 at the Fort Bragg Officer's Club Sink Room. Billing Officials and Cardholders are highly encouraged to attend one of these briefings. The Exhibits will open at 0900.

NO GOVERNMENT PURCHASE CARDS IN THEATER

After further planning and research, and consulting with Corps Command Group, the general rule for Bragg-based FORSCOM units is that we will not deploy to OIF with Fort Bragg-funded GPC credit cards. To codify this, look for matching language in future OPORDs and FRAGOs as appropriate.

This includes: 82d, COSCOM, DRAGON BDE, CORPS STAF, 525 MI, 35 SIG, 44 MED, 229 AVN, 18 AVN, CARTY, 20 ENG, 18 SSG

Be Alert of Fraudulent Emails regarding US Bank activities

Billing Officials and Credit Cardholders be on the alert for any scam or fraud contact to obtain credit card account information. Official US Bank reps will have the account information and would not need for the credit card official to provide account number or expiration date of the account.

US Bank - will NEVER ask for your user id, password or other sensitive information in an email and never give it out.

Palmer Earns The Money Frog



Mattie Palmer proudly displays "Jade" the Chan Chu the Money Frog

The XVIII Airborne Corps IG officer awarded the "Money Frog" to Ms. Mattie Palmer, a member of the Fort Bragg DOC GPC team. The *Money Frog* or *Chan Chu* is a three legged toad presented to top inspectors for their professionalism and for bringing great enrichment to the units as an Organizational Readiness Assessment Inspector. Members of the Fort Bragg DOC, GPC team inspect the files of Major Support Commands in accordance with the organizational readiness schedule. Ms. Palmer inspected 25 accounts within a one-week period to support this activity. We are very proud to recognize Ms. Palmer's accomplishments--A Job Well Done!

THIS BULLETIN IS AUTHORIZED

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Back to School---- Means training

Billing Officials, Alternate Billing Officials, and Cardholders are required to complete government purchase card training every two years. If your training certification is near expiration please bring in a new certificate to your account manager ASAP to avoid a temporary suspension of your account. For training details click here.

<http://www.bragg.army.mil/www-doc/GovUser/GPC/GPC-OLT.htm>



Do I have to use the BPA'S? You bet you do--It's the Law.

Even if the price is cheaper cardholders must purchase their office supplies and products thru the local source of supply (SSSC) or thru the DoD email. The Army has awarded replacement Blanket Purchase Agreements (BPAs) for the purchase of office supplies. New BPAs will become effective and appear on DoD E-Mail on 1 September 2004. <https://email.prod.dodonline.net/scripts/EMStoresRelatedSites.asp>



TAXES

Having a problem with taxes---Government credit cards fall under the tax-exempt status. Your first four digits of your card serve as the tax-exempt number. Merchants who have questions should go to the North Carolina Department of Revenue web site for assistance

<http://www.dor.state.nc.us/index.html>



[Government Purchase Card Website](#)

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR THE LATEST UPDATED INFORMATION REGARDING FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS, REGULATIONS, AND FORMS

A WARM WELCOME FOR...

Ms. Shelia Young. Ms. Young joined our team in June of 2004. Ms. Young was former active duty Army operations sergeant. You can contact Ms. Young at 910-396-4362 ext 281, or via Email, at youngsl@bragg.army.mil. We are excited to have her on our team and know she'll be a great asset to Fort Bragg's GPC Program! Welcome Shelia!