

## News From Nate!

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I heard from Nate today. He is in Afghanistan. He said they are getting ready to head out to a FOB in the mountains about ten hours away from his current location. He said they will have a fun ride in the heat inside the [Stryker APC](#). He said he is doing well. He has not had much of a chance to journal because they are kept pretty busy and he is only averaging about 4-6 hours sleep.

Nate said they have been preparing their equipment and training before they deploy into the mountains. The area he is in is inside a section of a DOD map listed as High Risk. "Our FOB can't even support us right now so we will be living in a patrol base moving around the mountains" said Nate. When asked if his unit has seen action yet he replied "no, just rocket attacks on the FOB were in now, but that is it."

I informed him that every day at noon my alarm goes off and I say the Lord's Prayer and a Prayer for him and his friends. He says they have a prayer session every day too. He also said they have an Infantry creed they recite daily.

Nate informed me he has leave set up for September 20th to October 11th. He did express interest in going to the [Texas Renaissance Festival](#) while he is home. I told him we would do what we can to see about going.

Nate said his mom has his current address and he has received one letter from her so far. If you would like to donate anything for a care and comfort package for Nate and his buddies (he issued an ongoing plead for Skittles), please contact me at [scott@ryanzone.com](mailto:scott@ryanzone.com)

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