



## MILITARY CHANNEL APRIL 2007 HIGHLIGHTS

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### SPECIALS

**The War Tapes\*\***  
**Thursday, April 19**  
**9-11 PM**  
**[TV-PG]**

In March 2004, just as the insurgent movement strengthened, several members of one National Guard unit arrived in Iraq, carrying digital video cameras. The War Tapes is the film that they made. The soldiers were not picked by casting agents or movie producers. They selected themselves. 10 soldiers from Charlie Company carried cameras on IED-riddled roads and into combat—and into their own internal conversations. They learned how to choose and tell their stories in constant instant message and e-mail conversations with Director Scranton. They filmed under unbelievable conditions. The unit was based at LSA Anaconda in the deadly Sunni Triangle, under constant threat of ambush and IED attacks. They traveled, as a unit, 1.4 million miles during their tour, and lived through over 1,200 combat operations and 250 direct enemy engagements.

### SERIES

**WEAPONOLOGY**  
**Mondays at 10 PM**  
**World Premiere**  
**[TV-14(V)]**

Today's battlefield is dominated by hugely reliable, hyper-lethal, superweapons. Billions of dollars are spent on research and development, in a never-ending search for technological superiority. But how did

these weapons evolve? Who are the men and women that gave birth to these inventions? Each week, Weaponology takes a high-tech future weapon and unlocks its family tree, tracing the roots of its existence.

<p><b>Monday, March 26</b> <b>10-11 PM</b></p>	<p><b>FIRE WEAPONS</b> Weaponology takes you on a journey through time to see how Ancient Greek fire set seas alight, destroying naval fleets; how WW2 incendiary bombs unleashed a firestorm in Tokyo; and why napalm became one of the lasting images of the Vietnam War.</p>
<p><b>Monday, April 2</b> <b>10-11 PM</b></p>	<p><b>ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS</b> Weaponology takes you on a journey charting the development of some of the infantryman's best friends: dashing recon vehicles, armored personnel carriers, and bristling gun trucks to protect vital convoys.</p>
<p><b>Monday, April 9</b> <b>10-11 PM</b></p>	<p><b>TANKS</b> Weaponology reveals how the blazing forge of battle transformed the tank from the lumbering steel box of 1916 into today's swift and savage hunter and why, after nearly 100 years, tanks are still the unstoppable cutting edge of a modern army.</p>

**Firepower! Season 2**  
**Tuesdays at 10 PM**  
**World Premiere**  
**[TV-PG]**

From the cockpit of a supersonic jet high above the clouds to the deck of a missile-armed cruiser patrolling the vast expanse of the ocean, FIREPOWER! explains the complexities of military and aerospace technology in simple, layman's terms.

<p><b>Tuesday, March 27</b> <b>10-10:30 PM</b></p>	<p><b>BALLISTIC MISSILE</b> Examine how the U.S. operates its strategic missile force, and explore the new technologies, including airborne lasers and kinetic energy weapons, being developed to protect against missile threats.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday, April 3</b> <b>10-10:30 PM</b></p>	<p><b>RUSSIA'S AIR POWER</b> For decades, Soviet combat aircraft were hidden beneath a veil of secrecy, which was lifted with the collapse of the U.S.S.R. Russian-built fighter planes, including the MiG-29 Fulcrum, Su 27 Flanker, Mi-28 Havoc and others, are a popular choice today.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday, April 3</b> <b>10:30-11 PM</b></p>	<p><b>ON GUARD</b> Once derided as merely 'weekend warriors' the men and women of the United States' National Guard and Air National Guard are today recognized as a vital supplement to 'regular' Armed Forces.</p>

**COMBAT CLASSICS**  
**Military-Themed Classic Movies**  
**Saturdays at 9 PM**  
**Network Premiere**

<p><b>April 7</b></p> <p><b>Starring:</b> Harrison Ford, Barbara Bach, Carl Weathers</p>	<p><b>FORCE 10 FROM NAVARONE (premiere) -- 1978</b>          During World War II, several oddly assorted military experts are teamed in a mission to raid and destroy a bridge vital to enemy strategy.</p>
<p><b>April 14</b></p> <p><b>Starring:</b> Kris Kristofferson, JoBeth Williams, Sam Waterston, Brian Keith</p>	<p><b>WELCOME HOME -- 1989</b>          WELCOME HOME begins as Air Force pilot Jake Robbins (Kristofferson), declared a Vietnam War casualty in 1970, resurfaces in 1987. After 17 years in Cambodia, he is in for a shock upon returning home to his remarried wife and teenage son.</p>
<p><b>April 21</b></p> <p><b>Starring:</b> Richard Widmark, Sidney Poitier</p>	<p><b>The Bedford Incident (premiere) -- 1965</b>          Richard Widmark portrays the captain of a newly launched U.S. Destroyer who is obsessed with hunting down a particular Soviet submarine regardless of the great risks involved. His salty character clashes with a quick-witted journalist (Poitier) who is on board to cover the trip for a magazine.</p>
<p><b>April 28</b></p> <p><b>Starring:</b> Jack Nicholson, Randy Quaid</p>	<p><b>The Last Detail (premiere) -- 1973</b>          Two sailors are selected to escort a young emotionally withdrawn recruit from their Virginia base to a prison in Massachusetts for stealing from the polio charity box. Won over by the young recruit's bumbling ways and the difficulty of his plight, the two hardened sailors show him a good time before his long stay in the brig.</p>
<p><b>Saturday, March 3</b>  <b>9-11 PM</b></p> <p><b>Starring:</b> Leo Genn; Alan Ladd; Harry Andrews; Donald Houston</p>	<p><b>PARATROOPER (1953)</b>          Ladd stars as an American Army officer who resigns his commission after ordering a fellow officer to jump from a plane which is about to crash. Ladd manages to land the plane safely, but his friend dies when his chute fails to open. Determined to avoid life-or-death decisions, Ladd enlists in paratrooper training camp.</p>
<p><b>Saturday, March 10</b>  <b>9-11 PM</b></p> <p><b>Starring:</b> Glenn Ford; George Hamilton; Max Baer; Paul Peterson; Todd Armstrong; Marshall Reed; Harry Dean Stanton; Harrison Ford</p>	<p><b>A TIME FOR KILLING (1966)</b>          The Confederate Major and his comrades escape from union forces in Southern Utah, near the end of the Civil War, and are pursued by the Union Captain and his troops. The mission becomes personal for the Union Captain when his fiancée is taken by the rebels as a hostage. Based on a novel by Nelson and Shirley Wolford.</p>

<p><b>Saturday, March 17 9-11 PM</b></p> <p><b>Starring:</b> Gia Scala; Felix Aylmer; Jack Hawkins; Erik Schumann; Alexander Knox</p>	<p><b>THE TWO-HEADED SPY (1958)</b> A German army general during World War II is really a British spy who reports to London through a Swiss antique dealer. When the dealer is apprehended, a beautiful radio singer succeeds him, transmitting information through a musical code. This engrossing spy story is based on truth.</p>
<p><b>Saturday, March 24 9-11 PM</b></p> <p><b>Starring:</b> Anne Bancroft; Simon Ward; Robert Shaw; Jane Seymour; Anthony Hopkins; Robert Flemyng</p>	<p><b>YOUNG WINSTON (1972)</b> Winston Churchill was one of the titanic statesmen of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, as well as a talented and erudite writer of history and memoirs. The historical epic opens with Churchill's years as a junior officer in India and freelance war correspondent and follows him through his escape from a Boer War prison camp and his election to Parliament at age 26.</p>
<p><b>Saturday, March 31 9-11 PM</b></p> <p><b>Starring:</b> Ray Danton; Julie Adams; Karen Sharpe; Kerwin Mathews; Onslow Stevens; Russell Thorsen</p>	<p><b>TARAWA BEACHHEAD (1958)</b> The horrors of Guadalcanal become vivid in this poignant war drama about a Marine sergeant who witnesses the deliberate murder of a buddy by a glory-seeking Lieutenant.</p>

**ONGOING SERIES**

**AROUND THE SERVICES**

**Weekdays at 4 PM**

Providing up-to-date military news from top defense officials and military services from around the world, AROUND THE SERVICES, a half-hour news program from the Department of Defense, takes viewers directly to news conferences and press briefings, and allows current members of the Armed Forces, veterans, family members and loved ones to stay informed regarding current military affairs.

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