

NCOs Honor RDECOM, NASA Ties on Staff Ride

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More than 50 noncommissioned officers of the U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command gathered in October for Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development System training sessions at the Sgt. 1st Class Paul Ray Smith Simulation and Training Technology Center. Chief among the goals were making connections among their RDECOM peers for future project collaborations.

Also on the itinerary was a staff ride to John F. Kennedy Space Center.

RDECOM has been in a partnership with NASA since the inception of their space program, namely with the Communications-Electronics Research, Development and Engineering Center, Army Research Laboratory and Aviation and Missile Research, Development and Engineering Center, said Sgt. Maj. James P. Snyder, command sergeant major and senior enlisted advisor of RDECOM.

“A lot of the products and technology that are being developed are in conjunction with RDECOM,” Snyder said. “That’s where that tie comes in, and that’s why we went there to see that.”

The NCOs who attended the training sessions are assigned to either Headquarters, ARL or the

six research, development and engineering centers.