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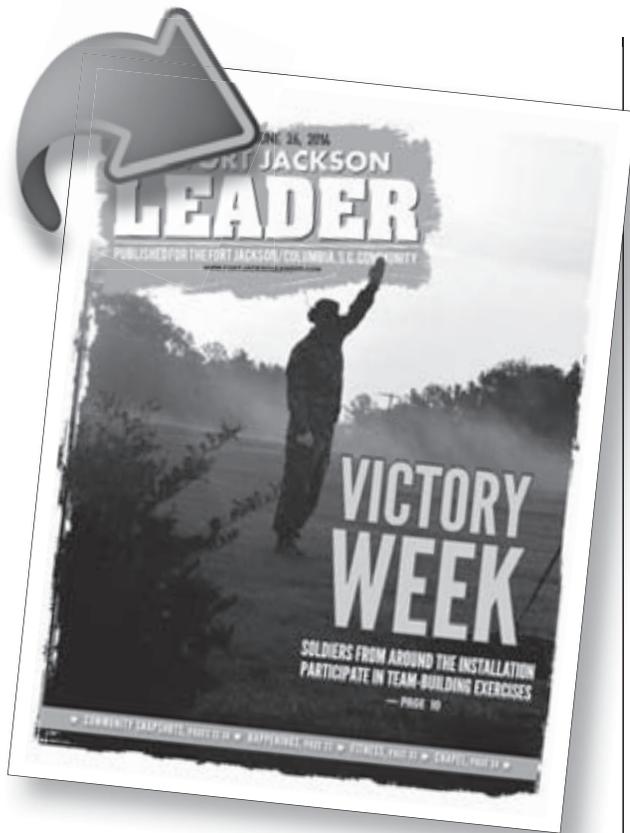


## VICTORY WEEK

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## ON THE COVER

Photo by ANDREW McINTYRE

Fort Jackson celebrated Victory Week with a series of events, beginning with a postwide run June 19. **SEE PAGE 10.**



## 171st welcomes new command team

Above, Brig. Gen. Bradley Becker, right, Fort Jackson commanding general, hands the colors of 171st Infantry Brigade to its incoming commander, Col. Clint Kirk IV in a ceremony Wednesday at Victory Field. Kirk previously served as the chief of the Collective Training Division for the Army Civilian Training and Leader Development Division. Kirk takes over for Col. Mark Bieger. Left, the 171st also welcomes its new top enlisted Soldier, Command Sgt. Maj. Christopher Menton, who replaces Command Sgt. Maj. Charles Cook.

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This year's Independence Day celebration will include a torchlight tattoo to salute the nation. Events start at 8 p.m., July 4 at Hilton Field.

# July 4 celebration scheduled

## Leader Staff Report

Fort Jackson's annual celebration of America's independence, the "Torchlight Tattoo" is scheduled for 8 p.m., July 4, at Hilton Field.

This year's formal ceremony features a cannon salute to each state and territory of the United States, music by the 282nd Army Band, and a 30-minute fireworks display.

The tattoo is deeply rooted in military history. The original tattoo was a military drum performance and signified the time of the musical call for civilian establishments to turn off the taps, and for soldiers to make their torch-lit walk back to their encampments to retire for the evening. In this usage, the word tattoo comes from the Dutch "doe den tap toe" meaning "to turn off the taps." This word was linked to the noise made by mallets used to shut the beer barrels. That noise sounded like a drum. Since then, the word was used to signify the last military call before curfews.

The public is invited to share in the evening's festivities. Visitors should plan to arrive early for the best seats

and parking. Access to the installation may be through Gate 2 (Forest Drive/Strom Thurmond Boulevard), Gate 4 (Percival/Boyden Arbor roads) or Gate 5 (Leesburg Road) Everyone older than 10 must possess a valid state or government issued identification card for entry. The vehicle driver must possess a valid driver's license, valid proof of insurance and a valid registration. Once entering the installation drivers should follow signs and the instructions given by traffic control personnel.

Motorcycle riders must also conform to Department of Defense regulations to enter post. Requirements include: wearing a DOT approved helmet, full-fingered gloves, over the ankle boots, long-sleeved shirt/jacket and reflective vest or clothing.

Anyone planning to attend the festivities should arrange to arrive early to ensure the best seating and to avoid being turned away at the last minute. Additionally, all visitors should be aware that random vehicle searches will be conducted at the gates. At 9 p.m. gates 1, 4 and 5 will become exit only to facilitate the timely exit of vehicles following

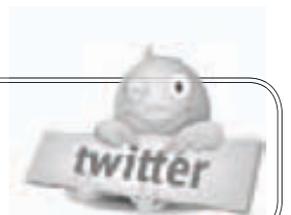
the fireworks. Gate 2 will allow entry to the post, but late arrivals will be directed to a parking lot where the fireworks display will be visible.

Food and drink concessions will be available at Hilton Field starting at 4 p.m. Pets, grills, alcoholic beverages, firearms, and personal fireworks of any type are not permitted, and coolers are not allowed in the bleachers. Any unattended items will be subject to confiscation and/or destruction by military police.

Bleacher and main grandstand seating are available and guests may bring lawn chairs and blankets for use on the field. There will be various activities open to families with small children. Activities will include games, crafts and rides.

The evening's festivities will conclude at approximately 10 p.m. On leaving Hilton Field, guests are encouraged to pay close attention to departure directions as traffic routes to the various gates will be tightly controlled and once on a specific gate route there will be no means to take a different route.

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# CYSS launches summer program

By **ANDREW McINTYRE**  
Fort Jackson Leader

Child, Youth and School Services staff and volunteers from the Boys and Girls Club of the Midlands greeted Fort Jackson parents and youth at C.C. Pickney Elementary School June 16, to launch their summer youth program.

“Mobile Rec is the CYSS summer program that is open to the Fort Jackson community for the families that are at home this summer and are looking for different adventures for their children to do Monday through Thursday,” said Cindy Andre-Noel, CYSS Outreach Services director.

The program offers a variety of activities for children of different age groups.

“Every week the activities are different,” said Natascha Gray, CYSS program assistant. “We have dramatic play. We also have activities for smaller kids or toddlers so that they can get better with their motor skills. We will have sports activities that will be different as well and we provide a snack.”

Families who participated in the summer program’s opening day spoke highly of the activities provided.

“I like to take the children to anything they offer on base because they are usually good things,” said Tara Lessard. “Also it’s free; you can’t beat that because it’s the summer. I plan to take my children every day. My children enjoy the arts and crafts.”

Mobile Rec is scheduled to take place from 9 to 11 a.m. Monday through Thursday. The events are at C.C. Pinckney Elementary School Monday through Wednesday and at the Balfour Beatty Community Center Thursdays.

Andre-Noel said families do not need to be registered with CYSS to attend the activities.

The youth summer program is set to end Aug. 8.  
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Photo by **ANDREW McINTYRE**

**Natascha Gray, second from left, Child, Youth and School Services program assistant, and junior staff members assist children in their science and arts activities at C.C. Pinckney Elementary School June 16. The children are participants in Mobile Rec, a summer program geared toward Fort Jackson families who are looking for educational and recreational activities for their children.**

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## SALUTE TO THE NATION

Fort Jackson’s Independence Day celebration is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m., July 4 at Hilton Field.

- ★ 8 p.m.            Concert with the 282nd Army Band
- ★ 8:30 p.m        Torchlight tattoo ceremony
- ★ 9:30 p.m        Fireworks display

The torchlight tattoo ceremony celebrates the 50 states, five territories and the District of Columbia with torches to symbolize torch-lit walks of Soldiers returning to their barracks at the end of a day.

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## FIREWORKS REGULATIONS

The use of personal fireworks is prohibited on Fort Jackson. For more information, call the Fort Jackson Fire Department at 751-5790.



*DoD photo by E.J. Hersom*

Retired Marine Corps Cpl. William 'Kyle' Carpenter receives the Medal of Honor from President Barack Obama in a ceremony June 19 at the White House.

# Lexington Marine receives MoH

By **MARINE CORPS LANCE CPL. ERIC KEENAN**  
*Defense Media Activity*

WASHINGTON — Lexington County native and retired Marine Corps Cpl. William "Kyle" Carpenter received the nation's highest military honor from President Barack Obama at the White House June 19.

Carpenter received the Medal of Honor for his actions while deployed in Marjah, Helmand Province, Afghanistan, in 2010. He became the third Marine and the 15th overall recipient of the medal for actions in Iraq or Afghanistan.

"With that singular act of courage, Kyle, you not only saved your brother in arms, you displayed heroism in a blink of an eye that will inspire for generations — valor

worthy of our nation's highest military decoration, the Medal of Honor," Obama said.

On Nov. 21, 2010, Taliban insurgents initiated an attack on Carpenter's squad, part of Company F, 2nd Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment. Carpenter, the squad automatic rifleman for his fire team, and Lance Cpl. Nicholas Eufrazio were holding a rooftop security position when a hand grenade was thrown their way.

Without hesitation, Carpenter reacted, rushing toward the grenade in an attempt to shield his brother-in-arms from the blast.

Carpenter and Eufrazio survived the attack but not without sustaining severe injuries. After two and a half years at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland, Carpenter was medically retired from the

Marine Corps July 30, 2013.

"You notice Kyle doesn't hide his scars. He's proud of them and the service they represent," Obama said.

Carpenter was born in Flowood, Miss., and resides in South Carolina. He is now a full-time student at the University of South Carolina in Columbia.

Carpenter's awards include the Purple Heart Medal, the Navy Marine Corps Achievement Medal, the Combat Action Ribbon, the Navy Unit Commendation Medal, Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with one bronze campaign star, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon with one bronze star, North Atlantic Treaty Organization Medal International Security Assistance Force, and now the Medal of Honor.



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# CID offers new way to report crime

U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command

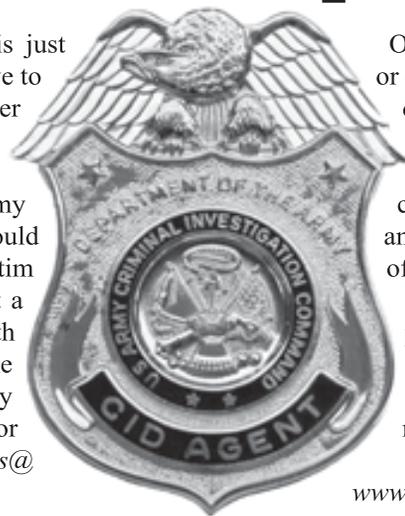
QUANTICO, Va. — The U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command, commonly known as CID, continues its campaign to combat crime in the Army by adding another way for the Army community to report a crime.

The recent addition to CID's reporting methods is a toll-free telephone number, 1-844-ARMY-CID (844-276-9243), designed to be easy to remember, allowing Soldiers, civilians and family members to report a crime around the clock.

"Crime doesn't happen in a bubble, especially in the Army because our population is so mobile," said Special Agent Vanessa Carrell, chief of investigative operations

for CID. "The toll-free number is just one more avenue for those we serve to contact CID and allows us to better serve the Army and our communities."

CID officials remind the Army community that anyone who would like to report a crime, is the victim of a crime, or would like to speak with a CID Special Agent, can call the local CID Office, call the Military Police, call 1-844-ARMY-CID or email CID at [Army.CID.Crime.Tips@mail.mil](mailto:Army.CID.Crime.Tips@mail.mil).



Officials also are reminding the public to 911 or contact the local Military Police for immediate assistance.

Carrell said Soldiers, civilians and family members can still contact their local CID office by visiting [www.cid.army.mil](http://www.cid.army.mil) and selecting the unit directory tab at the top of the page.

"Whether it's a crime that occurred in the past or if someone thinks a crime is being committed, that one tip can make or break an investigation, and help us bring those responsible to justice" she said.

For more information on Army CID visit [www.cid.army.mil](http://www.cid.army.mil).

## News and Notes

### 120TH CHANGES COMMAND



**BATES**

Lt. Col. Archie Bates III took command of the 120th Adjutant General Battalion (Reception) in a ceremony Tuesday at Victory Field. He replaces Lt. Col. Vincent Valley whose next assignment will be

at the Naval War College. Bates previously served as the White House fellow and special assistant to the first lady.

### TFM TO CHANGE COMMAND TEAM

The Task Force Marshall change of command and responsibility ceremony is scheduled for 9 a.m., July 1 at the McCrady Training Center parade grounds. Lt. Col. William Montgomery will replace Lt. Col. John Brown and Command Sgt. Maj. Lester Deans will replace Command Sgt. Maj. Elvis Byrd.

### ARMY FIELD BAND TO PERFORM

The rock ensemble of the U.S. Army Field Band, The Volunteers, is scheduled to perform at 7 p.m., today at Finlay Park in Columbia. The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, visit [www.ArmyFieldBand.com](http://www.ArmyFieldBand.com).

### GENERAL TO RETIRE



**JACOBS**

U.S. Army Reserve Maj. Gen. Jeffrey Jacobs will retire in a ceremony at 9 a.m., tomorrow at Victory Field. Jacobs last served as the commanding general of the U.S. Army Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations Command (Airborne) at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In civilian life, Jacobs is the legal counsel for the South Carolina Department of Insurance in Columbia.

*Information subject to change.*

### LEGAL NOTICE

Anyone with debts owed to or by the estate of Spc. Allison Leggett must contact Capt. Nathan Witherspoon, the summary court martial officer for the Soldier. Leggett passed away June 11 in Columbia. To contact Witherspoon, call 751-2157 or email [Nathan.T.Witherspoon.mil@mail.mil](mailto:Nathan.T.Witherspoon.mil@mail.mil).

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\*Movie times and schedule are subject to change without notice\*

Friday June 27  
**Blended** (PG-13) 7 p.m. 1h 57m

Saturday June 28  
**Godzilla** (PG-13) 1 p.m. 2h 3m  
**Neighbors** (R) 4:30 p.m. 1h 37m

Sunday June 29  
**Neighbors** (R) 1 p.m. 1h 37m

Wednesday July 2  
**The Amazing Spider-Man** (PG-13) 1300  
**Godzilla** (PG-13) 4:30 p.m. 2h 3m

Saturday July 5

**Blended** (PG-13) 1 p.m. 1h 57m

**X-Men: Days of Future Past** (PG-13) 4 p.m. 2h 14m

Sunday July 6

**X-Men: Days of Future Past** (PG-13) 1 p.m. 2h 14m

Wednesday July 9

**Maleficent** (PG) 1 p.m. 1h 37m

**X-Men: Days of Future Past** (PG-13) 4 p.m. 2h 14m

Friday July 11

**Maleficent** (PG) 7 p.m. 1h 37m

Saturday July 12

**Free Studio Appreciation Showing** 2 p.m.

Sunday July 13

**Maleficent** (PG) 1 p.m. 1h 37m

Wednesday July 16

**Maleficent** (PG) 1 p.m. 1h 37m

**X-Men: Days of Future Past** (PG-13) 4 p.m. 2h 14m

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*Photos by ANDREW McINTYRE*

Spc. Julian Poindexter, right, pulls Pvt. Mandy Klemp, both with Company A, 2nd Battalion, 60th Infantry Regiment, through the finish line at the Team Development Course Monday. Soldiers are required to complete obstacles at the course to build teamwork skills during Basic Combat Training.

# Training lens



Staff Sgt. John Berry, a drill sergeant with Company A, 2nd Battalion, 60th Infantry Regiment, instructs a Soldier on the proper technique for safely completing the cargo net obstacle at Victory Tower June 18.



Pvt. Lucas Purington, Company A, 2nd Battalion, 60th Infantry Regiment, navigates an obstacle at the Team Development Course Monday. Soldiers are required to find a way to complete each obstacle within a given time.



Photo by SUSANNE KAPPLER

Soldiers spread out across Hilton Field after exiting helicopters as part of an aerial assault exhibition during last week's graduation ceremonies.

# Up in the air

Soldiers display combat skills at graduation ceremony



Photo by SUSANNE KAPPLER

Above, helicopters arrive at Hilton Field last Thursday, kicking off an aerial assault demonstration for visitors at graduation ceremonies. Below, Soldiers battle mock enemies at ground level near the end of the event. The demonstration was part of Victory Week activities, which involved Soldiers from around the installation.



Photo by WALLACE McBRIDE



Photo by SUSANNE KAPPLER



Photo by WALLACE McBRIDE



Photo by WALLACE McBRIDE

Soldiers emerge from the smoke following an aerial assault exhibition during graduation ceremonies at Hilton Field last week.

## Events put focus on team work

Leader staff report

Soldiers, civilians and family members from across the installation were invited to participate in Victory Week activities June 19 and 20. The events included a postwide run, an ironman physical fitness competition, a free concert by country artist James Otto, an aerial assault demonstration during Basic Combat Training Graduation, a combat assault course competition as well as sporting events.

The postwide team-building event was the first of its kind in the history of Fort Jackson, said Brig. Gen. Bradley Becker, Fort Jackson commanding general.

Becker addressed Soldiers in training during the Victory Week closing ceremony Friday.

“We wanted to take a little break for the Army’s birthday to get out here on the sporting field and compete a little bit to build some cohesion and to build some team work,” Becker said. “And you’ll see down the road how important that cohesion and team work is when you’re out on the battlefield fighting.”



Photo by EARL JONES, FMWR

Country music artist James Otto performs a free concert at Hilton Field last Thursday evening.



Photo by ANDREW McINTYRE

Soldiers take part in a flag football game last week at Hilton Field.



Photo by ANDREW McINTYRE

Soldiers leave Hilton Field at sunrise last Thursday at the start of a postwide run involving hundreds of Soldiers from around the installation.



## Football camp

Young Fort Jackson athletes participate in a two-day football camp at the Youth Sports Complex last weekend hosted by NFL player Andre Roberts. Players could participate in drills for various positions, such as offensive lineman drills, left, and wide receiver drills, below. The Fort Jackson Commissary won a contest that brought the free camp to the installation.

*Photos by ANDREW McINTYRE*



## Hall of Fame

Brig. Gen. Bradley Becker, left, Fort Jackson commanding general, and Post Command Sgt. Maj. William Hain, right, induct three members to the first class of the Fort Jackson Hall of Fame during the Army birthday ball Saturday at the DoubleTree by Hilton. The inductees are former Fort Jackson Command Sgt. Maj. Russell Anderson, second from left; the late president of the Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce and civilian aide to the secretary of the Army Ike McLeese; and former commanding general of the U.S. Army Reserve Readiness Command Maj. Gen. George Goldsmith, second from right. Susan McLeese, center, accepted the honor on behalf of her late husband.

*Photo by DAVID SHANES, command photographer*



## Educators explore military careers

Participants in the Military Career Pathways 101 event learn about the Mine-Resistant Ambush Protected, or MRAP, vehicle June 18 at the 187th Ordnance Battalion Wheeled Vehicle Mechanic School. More than 60 teachers, counselors and administrators from schools across the state visited Fort Jackson to learn about military careers and military life. The event was hosted by the Army Recruiting Battalion Columbia in cooperation with Navy and Air Force recruiting and the South Carolina Department of Education.

*Photo by VERNETTA GARCIA, Army Recruiting Battalion Columbia*

# Army opens 33,000 jobs to women

By **DAVID VERGUN**  
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Secretary of the Army John M. McHugh signed a directive authorizing more opportunities for women to serve in a wider range of roles within the Army.

This authorization results in the opening of about 33,000 positions in units that were once closed to women, said Col. Linda Sheimo, chief of the Command Programs and Policy Division at the Directorate of Military Personnel Management, Army G-1.

The 30-day congressional notification required by law before implanting this change in policy was completed April 7, 2014.

“Soon, our formations down to company level will begin having female Soldiers arrive for duty to serve in positions once closed to women,” said Lt. Gen. Howard B. Bromberg, deputy chief of staff, Army G-1.

“However, this will not happen overnight. We will continue to incrementally fill these positions with Soldiers

who have the ability, are qualified and have the proven performance to complete the mission,” he said.

As a part of the incremental strategy, the directive states, “female leaders will be assigned first to provide a support network for junior female Soldiers and to offer advice to the unit's male leadership.”

“The decision to open these positions to female Soldiers was made after U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command completed extensive validation studies, including physical fitness requirements,” Sheimo said.

“Nevertheless, women as well as men who do not meet the standards will not be allowed into these MOSs (military occupational specialties),” she emphasized, explaining that the standards are fair and transparent.

“This initiative further aids Army leaders to select the best qualified Soldiers for each position within the Army profession,” Sheimo said. “The Army's efforts across various spectrums will also ensure all Soldiers have the opportunity to serve successfully.”

The deputy chief of staff, Army G-1 will issue additional personnel assignment guidance and unit

training requirements in follow-on military personnel messages, according to the directive.

This change in policy means there are no more units in the Army that are closed to women. A closed unit was one that was expected to see combat. Because of this, women could not serve in those units — even if they served in MOSs that were open to women.

With the change, women can serve anywhere in the Army — even in combat units — within an MOS that is open to women.

The new directive does not include changes to 14 Army MOSs that are closed to women. Those MOSs are: engineer (12B enlisted), field artillery (13B/D/F), infantry (11A/B/C/Z), and armor (19A/B/C/D/K/Z). Additionally, the new Army directive does not affect the special operations community.

More MOSs could be open for women in the future, Sheimo said. By Jan. 1, 2016, the Army will have completed validation studies for all 14 MOSs that are currently closed to women and will pass its recommendations on to the Office of the Secretary of Defense for review.



Photo by DAVID SHANES, command photographer

## Retiring from service

Fifteen Soldiers are honored for their service during Retirement Review Monday at the Post Theater. The retiring Soldiers are Staff Sgt. William Taylor; Lt. Col. Julie Rhen; Staff Sgt. Tiffany Lee; Staff Sgt. Aaron Spaulding; Maj. Daisy Wilson; Command Sgt. Maj. Dwight Dooley; Staff Sgt. Edwin Esmenda; Sgt. 1st Class Calvin Brown; Command Sgt. Maj. Albert McJunkins; 1st Sgt. Vinson Washington; Sgt. 1st Class Troy Barth; Sgt. 1st Class Marcus Lee; Master Sgt. Kenneth Harvey; Master Sgt. Lauren Billingsley; and Sgt. 1st Class Couretta Johnson



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# Wanat NCO to receive Medal of Honor

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — The White House announced that former Staff Sgt. Ryan Pitts will receive the Medal of Honor for his combat actions during an enemy engagement in Wanat in the Waygal Valley of northeastern Afghanistan, July 13, 2008.

President Barack Obama will place the Medal of Honor around Pitts' neck during a ceremony at the White House, July 21.

Pitts will be the ninth living recipient to be awarded the Medal of Honor for actions in Iraq or Afghanistan. The White House says Pitts and his family will join the president at the White House to commemorate his example of selfless service.

Pitts served with 2nd Platoon, Chosen Company, 2nd Battalion (Airborne), 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade.

The White House notes that Pitts' personal awards include the Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device, Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal with three Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Achievement Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal with Bronze Clasp and two Loops, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Two Campaign Stars, Global War on Terrorism Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon with Numeral "4", NATO Medal, Presidential Unit Citation, Valorous Unit Award, Combat Action Badge, Pathfinder Badge and Parachutist Badge.

In the summer of 2008, Pitts, then a sergeant, and his team were part of Operation "Rock Move," meant to transfer remaining forces and capability from Combat Outpost Bella to a new location on the outskirts of a village called Wanat. The new position was Vehicle Patrol Base Kahler. COP Bella was to be closed.

The mission was expected to be the last for the Soldiers before returning home — they had been in Afghanistan for 14 months.

On the morning of July 13, at about 4 a.m., Pitts was manning Observation Post Topside, which was positioned east of the main base, and east of a bazaar and hotel complex in Wanat.



Courtesy photo

**Sgt. Ryan Pitts takes a break from building a traffic control point northeast of Combat Outpost Bella, Afghanistan, in 2008. Pitts is scheduled to be awarded the Medal of Honor July 21 for his actions.**

Shortly after, Soldiers conducting surveillance identified potential insurgents. They put together a request for fire. But before that could happen, at about 4:20 a.m., Soldiers heard machine-gun fire from the north. After that, the valley erupted in enemy fire.

Soldiers at OP Topside were hit with small arms fire, rocket-propelled grenades and hand grenades. Pitts and six other paratroopers at OP Topside were injured in the initial volley of enemy fire. Two paratroopers were killed. Pitts took grenade shrapnel in both legs and his left arm.

For more than an hour after, Pitts continued to fight and defend his position and his teammates, despite his injuries.

Throughout the battle, despite the loss of blood and severity of his wounds, Pitts' incredible toughness, determi-

nation, and ability to communicate with leadership while under fire allowed U.S. forces to hold the observation post and turn the tide of the battle.

Without Pitts' ability to stay alert and fight while critically wounded, the enemy would have gained a foothold on high ground and inflicted significantly greater casualties onto the vehicle patrol base, and the enemy could have been in possession of the fallen Soldiers at the observation post.

Nine Soldiers — Spc. Sergio Abad, Cpl. Jonathan Ayers, Cpl. Jason Bogar, 1st Lt. Jonathan Brostrom, Sgt. Israel Garcia, Cpl. Jason Hovater, Cpl. Matthew Phillips, Cpl. Pruitt Rainey, and Cpl. Gunnar Zwilling — were killed in the battle.

## Army looking for new ways to provide training

By MIKE CASEY

Combined Arms Center — Training

FORT EUSTIS, Va. — Mobile devices have created new opportunities for the Army to deliver training and education materials to Soldiers around the world.

Now the Army is looking for ways to harness technology to make these materials more accessible.

The use of mobile devices for distributed learning was a topic of discussion at the Training and Education 2025 and Beyond Industry Forum that brought together Army officials and defense industry representa-

tives here, Wednesday and Thursday.

"The Army wants to establish a learning environment that will provide Soldiers with the right training and educational content at the point of need. Industry may be able to help us close the technological gap," said Helen Remily, director of the TRADOC Capability Manager — The Army Distributed Learning Program.

She led the forum's panel discussion about future Army training and education capabilities.

Panelists discussed how the Army is transitioning from a classroom-based approach to one that extends the classroom walls and makes information available

through mobile devices, e-books, games for training, simulations and other methods.

The Army faces some security and technical challenges, such as providing materials on devices that do not require a common access card.

Panelists said that to bring distributed learning materials to Soldiers, the Army needs:

- A network infrastructure and pervasive wireless connectivity;
- Content delivered to Soldiers on demand anytime, anywhere in a fully mobile environment while balancing security risks;
- A broad range of devices with full in-

teroperability and access to all forms of content at any security level;

■ Full access to information on military, interagency, intergovernmental, educational and social websites.

The Army is taking steps toward realizing those capabilities. Last year, the Army established the TRADOC Project Office for Mobile, which is working to resolve complex security and technical issues.

To learn more about the Army's effort to deliver training and educational materials to Soldiers at the point of need, visit <http://usacac.army.mil/cac2/CAC-T/Repository/FutureArmyTrainingandEducationCapabilities.pdf>

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# Fatigue compromises mission, risks lives

To steadfastly hold out against impairment, that's what it means to endure. This is an apt descriptor for a Soldier, especially one in today's harried world. Endurance is a necessity for everything Soldiers do. However, fatigue is, and always has been, a pervasive problem in the military. With multiple root causes, it is exacerbated by elements commonplace in an operational environment. Compromised missions

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## COMMENTARY

By **N. JOAN BLACKWELL**

*U.S. Army Combat Readiness/Safety Center*

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and senseless loss of life are both directly and indirectly attributable to fatigue.

Somewhere at this hour, a Soldier is suffering from the effects of mental and physical fatigue such as lapses of attention, slowed reaction time, inaccurate performance, poor judgment, substandard teamwork, and impaired situational awareness, to name just a few.

Leaving cherished loved ones behind, a Soldier has traveled across multiple time zones to a staging site on the side of a mountain, and, after a stint of restless daytime sleep, is about to take on an arduous night mission. Moments into the mission, that Soldier will end up as the next fatigue-related statistic in the U.S. Army Combat Readiness/Safety Center's accident database. Does this perfect storm of events happen every day? No. But it happens far too often.

Every leader, and in fact every Soldier, has a responsibility to protect against the dire impact of fatigue by realizing the true hazard it represents to safety and operational effectiveness. A soon-to-be released version of the Leader's Guide to Crew Endurance is greatly expanded with the aim of assisting leaders in meeting that responsibility. Originally developed to address crew endurance issues experienced by aviators, the updated version includes information for both ground and air assets. Essentially a treatise on fatigue and the dynamics that contribute to fatigue in an operational setting, it also provides specific information and tools — a prescription



of sorts — to help leaders at all levels recognize and circumvent problems associated with crew endurance.

As an illustration, the foremost cause of fatigue is total or partial sleep deprivation. Sleep is a physiological need like hunger and thirst, and inadequate sleep creates decrements in performance, increased safety risks, and adverse health consequences. It has been estimated that every 24 hours without sleep leads to performance declines of approximately 25 to 30 percent. A person can continue to work for only a limited time before the need for sleep overrides all else.

Under normal circumstances, sufficient, quality sleep can restore the human body and alleviate the symptoms and side effects of fatigue. In an operational environment, however, there are numerous factors that impinge on a Soldier's ability to get an undisturbed night of quality sleep. Among them are jet lag, shift lag

and stress — the latter of which can be further broken down to include environmental/physiologic issues and cognitive/emotional concerns. Add to that the need to function effectively at altitude, which in and of itself can directly cause fatigue, and you have a situation with potentially disastrous consequences that must be closely monitored and managed.

All Soldiers are susceptible to physical and mental fatigue. When the necessities of the mission make it impossible to avoid, however, leaders must be prepared to implement effective and validated countermeasures to ensure the success of the mission and the safety of their Soldiers. The information provided in the upcoming Leader's Guide to Crew Endurance will help commanders, training leaders and planners effectively manage crew endurance hazards for both ground and air personnel.



Photo by WALLACE McBRIDE

Soldiers taking part in last week's Combat Assault Course competition complete the 'mystery challenge,' which was to set up a portable radio antenna while judges timed their efforts.



Photo by ANDREW McINTYRE

Soldiers practice pushups before the run June 19.



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Victory Week activities officially began June 19 at Hilton Field with a postwide run involving hundreds of Soldiers from across the installation.

# Victory Week

## Highlights from last week's team-building events



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Hilton Field was a busy location June 19, as thousands of Soldiers took to the field to participate in soccer, volleyball and flag football.



Photo by WALLACE McBRIDE

Although most of last week's sports activities took place at Hilton Field, softball games were held at the Youth Sports Complex.



Photo by SUSANNE KAPPLER

Brig. Gen. Bradley Becker, Fort Jackson commanding general, and Post Command Sgt. Maj. William Hain present the 171st Infantry Brigade with an award at Hilton Field for winning Victory Week's cadre competition.

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## Calendar

**Friday**

**Victory Thunder motorcycle rally**  
9:30 a.m., Hilton Field

**Friday**

**Home buying seminar: "Steps in the home buying process"**  
11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Post Conference Room  
A light lunch will be provided. For more information and to register, call 751-9339.

**Saturday**

**Natural bodybuilding competition**  
6 p.m., Solomon Center  
For more information, call 751-5768.

**Thursday, July 10**

**Hazardous substance management class**  
8:30 a.m., 2563 Essayons Way  
For more information, call 751-4231.

**Tuesday, July 15**

**U.S. Army Soldier Show**  
7 p.m., Solomon Center

**Tuesday, July 29; Wednesday, July 30**

**Environmental compliance officer course**  
3240 Sumter Street  
For more information, call 751-5011.

## Announcements

### HEALTHY LIFESTYLE FESTIVAL

A healthy lifestyle festival is scheduled for today, Friday and Saturday at the Commissary. The event includes a case lot sale and farmers market sale from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The festival will also include an MWR fitness event, music, food samples, Zumba demonstrations, Exchange sidewalk sales and health and fitness information booths.

### PROFESSIONAL MENTORSHIP

The Professional Mentorship Network meets from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., the fourth Tuesday of the month at the NCO Club. The group seeks to empower, educate and mentor female service members and civilians.

Upcoming topics include building relationships within the professional mentorship network (July 22). For more information, call 751-8187.

### YOUTH TEAM SEEKS PLAYERS

Tryouts for a traveling Fort Jackson youth baseball team for players younger than 11 will be held at the end of June. The team needs 11 players to play in two tournaments per month in the Columbia area. Players must not turn 12 before May 1, 2015. For more information, call (910) 551-5056 or (864) 381-0665.

### CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT

Copies of the Palmetto State Utility Services, Inc., consumer confidence report are available at the Commissary, the Directorate of Public Works, the Main Exchange, the AAFES mini mall, the Post Office, the Strom Thurmond Building, the Welcome Center, the Gate 1 and Gate 2 Express, and at Palmetto State Utility Services.

### SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration for Pierce Terrace and C.C. Pinckney elementary schools runs through Aug. 14. Registration packets may be picked up at either school during office hours from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call Pierce Terrace Elementary School at 782-1772 or C.C. Pinckney Elementary School at 787-6815.

### JUNIOR GOLF PROGRAM

The Fort Jackson Golf Club will offer three golf camps this summer as part of its Junior Golf Program. Camps are scheduled July 14-18 and Aug. 4-8. The cost is \$45 for one camp or \$65 for two camps. For more information, call 787-4344 or visit [www.fortjacksonmwr.com/golf/](http://www.fortjacksonmwr.com/golf/).

### SPORTS SHORTS

- Intramural and recreational softball league play will begin July 9.
- Golf league play will begin Tuesday.
- Fourth of July 5K, 8 a.m., July 4, Twin Lakes.
- The Army Ten Miler qualifier is scheduled for 5:30 a.m., July 12. The make-up run is scheduled for July 19. The Army Ten Miler will take place Oct. 12.

For more information, call the Sports Office at 751-3096.

### FREE CAPTAIN AMERICA COMIC

The comic book "Divide and Conquer" featuring Captain America is available free at the Exchange and other AAFES locations.

### COMMISSARY NEWS

- Commissary gift cards may be purchased by anyone, but only authorized patrons are able to redeem them. Gift cards are available at commissaries worldwide and online at [www.commissaries.com](http://www.commissaries.com).
- The Commissary is offering special July sales event throughout the month. For more information, visit [www.commissaries.com](http://www.commissaries.com).

### SAT/ACT TESTING

The Education Center will administer SAT testing Oct. 30 and ACT testing July 31. Testing is available to eligible service members only. For more information and to register, call 751-5341.

### THRIFT SHOP NEWS

- The Golden Carriage Program provides free ball gowns for spouses of active-duty service members E5 and below.
- The Thrift Shop will be closed the first two weeks of July. It will reopen July 15.

*Information is subject to change. Visit the community calendar at [www.jackson.army.mil](http://www.jackson.army.mil) for a full listing of calendar events. Send your announcements to [ffleader@gmail.com](mailto:ffleader@gmail.com).*

## Off-post events

*The Fort Jackson Leader accepts only off-post announcements for those organizations or events that directly relate to service members and their families.*

### STEM YOUTH DAY CAMPS

Two STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) youth day camps for military children will be offered by Operation Military Kids. The camps are open to military children 12 and older. Camps will be from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., July 14-18 in Charleston or July 21-25 at McEntire Joint National Guard Base. For more information, call (864) 993-1711

## Housing happenings

### RENT CONCESSIONS

Receive a free family season pass to Palmetto Falls Water Park with your June move-in. The offer is valid for E1-E6 applicants and may be combined with other concessions. This offer is not valid with any previously-assigned or pre-leased homes. Retirees, DoD civilians, and geographical bachelors are not eligible. The offer expires June 30.

### SUMMER OPEN HOUSE

A summer open house is scheduled from 4 to 7 p.m., Saturday at the Community Center. Future and current housing residents are invited to participate in activities. Food will be provided. Several model homes will be set up for touring. Residents may also tour FMWR facilities. Special rent concessions will be available for accepting an offer of housing during the event. For more information, call 738-8275.

### HOME BUYING SEMINAR

A home buying seminar, "Steps In The Home Buying Process," is scheduled from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Friday at the Post Conference Room.

### CPAC CORNER HATCH ACT

The Hatch Act defines restrictions on political activity.

Although Army civilian employees are generally permitted to take an active part in political campaigns, there are limitations and restrictions on political activity. The penalties for violating Hatch Act restrictions are severe.

For more information, visit <http://cpol.army.mil/library/general/elections/> or [www.osc.gov/hatchact.htm](http://www.osc.gov/hatchact.htm).

The U.S. Office of Special Counsel has set up a hotline for direct support at 800-85-HATCH (800-854-2824).

Information on the Hatch Act's application to social media use can be found at <http://bit.ly/MsdYZI>.

## Training honors



**Capt. Angela Rogers**  
Distinguished honor graduate Captains Career Course Adjutant General School



**Afghan Army Capt. Muhebullah Hakimi**  
International honor graduate Captains Career Course Adjutant General School



**Sgt. 1st Class Adam Derrick**  
Drill sergeant of the cycle Task Force Marshall



**Staff Sgt. Moncia Aviles**  
Drill sergeant of the cycle Task Force Marshall



**Derrick Manuel**  
Civilian of the cycle Task Force Marshall



**Lester Williams**  
Civilian of the cycle Task Force Marshall

# Natural bodybuilding is the healthy way

Fort Jackson's fourth annual FMWR Natural Bodybuilding, Physique and Figure Competition is scheduled for 6 p.m., Saturday at the Solomon Center. Admission is free.

There are many types of body building shows, but one style gaining popularity is natural body building. Since its conception, the FMWR Natural Bodybuilding, Physique and Figure Competition has set the pace, encouraging competitors to see what their bodies can do with clean eating and balanced exercise.

## THE WEIGH IT IS

By PAMELA J. LONG

*Fitness programmer,  
Family and Morale, Welfare  
and Recreation*



DUSSIA



KENNEY

More and more bodybuilding competitors look at the potential harm their body could encounter from outside enhancements. Internal organ and muscle damage are real consequences bodybuilders could experience. Athletes can avoid this by using clean nutrition and exercise as the foundation and platform in building the body naturally.

Two of the athletes in Saturday's competition agreed that dedication to consistent training makes the difference. Sgt. Brandon Dussia, a returning competitor and physical therapist at Troop Medical Clinic, and Staff Sgt. Alexander Kenney, Moncrief Army Community Hospital, said they both find it challenging to exercise faithfully and consume foods void of ingredients that prompt weight gain. Both said the process was hard initially, but gradually became easier as their bodies transformed to leaner physiques.



*Leader file photo*

**This year's Natural Bodybuilding, Physique and Figure Competition is scheduled for 6 p.m., Saturday at the Solomon Center. Admission is free.**

Kenney said he is on an eating schedule of consuming lean proteins such as broiled chicken and steamed broccoli every three hours. The regimen of eating every three hours and executing well designed exercise plans are keys to achieving cuts and definition bodybuilders strive for.

As medical personnel, both Dussia and Kenney constantly read information about steroids and supplements. They said they know it is not hard to put on size if you have a helper and that clean eating does not play as big a

role if you are not a natural body builder. Aside from the workout, supplements typically are what transforms the body rapidly.

However, both competitors agree that when you eat wrong you are always trying to catch up. They said that building your body naturally is not the easy route but it is a better and more rewarding route.

"It shows more want", Dussia said. "Anyone can cheat and inject something to become massive quickly."

# W O R S H I P SCHEDULE

## PROTESTANT

### ■ Sunday

8:30 a.m. Daniel Circle Chapel Gospel service, Daniel Circle Chapel (first service)  
 9 a.m. McCrady Chapel (SCARNG), McCrady Training Center  
 9:30 a.m. Hispanic, Post Theater  
 9:30 a.m. Main Post Chapel  
 10:15 a.m. Daniel Circle Chapel Gospel service, Daniel Circle Chapel (second service)  
 10:45 a.m. Sunday school, Main Post Chapel  
 11 a.m. Memorial Chapel  
 11 a.m. Chapel Next, Bayonet Chapel

### Protestant Bible Study

#### ■ Monday

7 p.m. Women's Bible study (PWOC), Main Post Chapel

#### ■ Tuesday

9 to 11:30 a.m. Women's Bible study (PWOC), Main Post Chapel

#### ■ Wednesday

6 p.m. Gospel prayer service, Daniel Circle Chapel  
 7 p.m. Gospel Bible study, Daniel Circle Chapel

#### ■ Thursday

11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Fresh encounter Bible study, Chaplain Family Life Center

### Protestant Youth of the Chapel

#### ■ Saturday

11 a.m. Daniel Circle Chapel youth group, Dorn VA Hospital (first Saturday of each month)

#### ■ Sunday

5 to 6:30 p.m. Club Beyond youth group, Chaplain Family Life Center

## CATHOLIC

■ Monday through Thursday

11:30 a.m. Mass, Main Post Chapel

### ■ Sunday

7:30 a.m. Confessions, Solomon Center  
 8 a.m. IET Mass, Solomon Center  
 9:30 a.m. CCD (September through May), Education Center  
 9:30 a.m. Religious ed class for adults (September through May), Main Post Chapel  
 9:30 a.m. Religious ed class for children (September through May), Main Post Chapel  
 10:30 a.m. Reconciliation (after Mass or by appointment), Main Post Chapel  
 11 a.m. Mass (Main Post Chapel)  
 12:30 p.m. Catholic youth ministry, Main Post Chapel  
**■ Wednesday**  
 7 p.m. Rosary, Main Post Chapel  
 7:30 p.m. RCIA/Adult inquiry (September through May), Main Post Chapel

## ANGLICAN/LITURGICAL

### ■ Sunday

8 a.m. Anderson Street Chapel

## ISLAMIC

### ■ Sunday

8 to 10 a.m. Islamic studies, Main Post Chapel

### ■ Friday

12:45 to 1:30 p.m. Jumah services, Main Post Chapel

## JEWISH

### ■ Sunday

9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Worship service, Memorial Chapel  
 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Jewish book study, Post Conference Room

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

■ Sunday

11:30 a.m. Anderson Street Chapel

## LATTER DAY SAINTS

### ■ Sunday

9:30 to 11 a.m. Anderson Street Chapel

### ■ Wednesday

3 to 5 p.m. LDS family social, Anderson Street Chapel

### ■ Wednesday

7 to 8 p.m. LDS scripture study, Anderson Street Chapel

## ADDRESSES, PHONE NUMBERS

### Anderson Street Chapel

2335 Anderson St., 751-7032

### Bayonet Chapel

9476 Kemper St., 751-6322/4542

### Daniel Circle Chapel

3359 Daniel Circle, corner of Jackson Boulevard, 751-1297/4478

### Education Center

4581 Scales Ave.

### Chaplain Family Life Center

5460 Marion Ave (to the side of the POV lot), 751-4961

### Magruder Chapel

4360 Magruder Ave., 751-3883

### Main Post Chapel

4580 Scales Ave., corner of Strom Thurmond Boulevard, 751-6469/6681

### McCrady Chapel (SCARNG)

3820 McCrady Road (located at McCrady Training Center)

### Memorial Chapel

4470 Jackson Blvd., 751-7324

### Warrior Chapel (120th AG Bn.)

1895 Washington St., 751-5086/7427

### Installation Chaplain's Office

4475 Gregg St., 751-3121/6318