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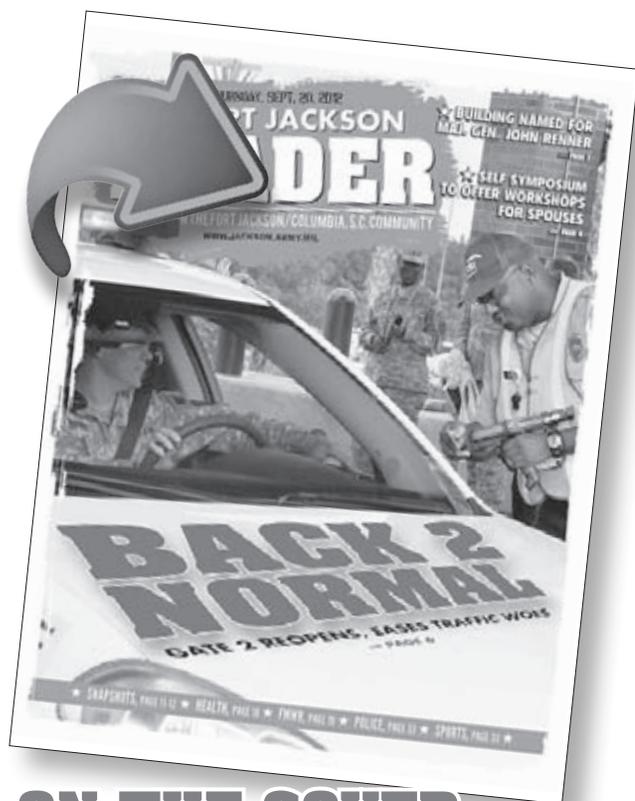
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Sean Hardy, a Fort Jackson security guard, checks the ID card of Maj. Bradford Fisher, Fort Jackson provost marshal, after Gate 2 reopened Wednesday. **SEE PAGE 6.**

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COMMANDER'S CALL

Focus stays strong on Army health, discipline

Health of Soldiers, Families, civilians a priority

Our endeavor to ensure that we are building the best Army training center is a battle that takes place on and off the field each day. As I reflect on our progress, I think of our ongoing efforts to address the health of our force through medical, social and environmental enhancement programs that will enhance the well-being of our Soldiers, Family members and civilians.

"Health of the Force" is an Armywide initiative to address the total health care of Soldiers, Family members and civilians. The initiative includes not only the physical health, but also transition assistance, suicide prevention and combating issues such as hazing and drug or alcohol abuse.

A powerful Army community is one that is informed of the support services available, and one that is continually improving the mental, physical and social quality of life.

The commitment to present our community and the Army with the best we have to offer through all of our resources is about taking care of our Soldiers and Families from their first to their last days in boots.

The life of a Soldier and Drill Sergeant is one that only some truly understand. They are committed to maintaining the highest standards and discipline, living the Army Values every day and ensuring they always remain trained and ready to accomplish the mission.

Drill Sergeants and Advanced Individual Training Platoon Sergeants participate in a nine-day resiliency program designed to help them cope with stress, improve their life skills and help them make the most of their time with their Families.

Drill Sergeants' Families are also important factors to our effort to maintain a ready force. Spouses of Drill Sergeants receive support through Army Community Service to maintain their highest level of support. A drill sergeant spouses program is available for new spouses who seek information about resources and resiliency skills.

Soldiers' spouses can also participate in the Sponsor a Spouse program. The program focuses on welcoming, acclimating and developing relationships within the Family Readiness Group, which ultimately increases resiliency, as well.

Strong Soldiers with strong Families produce great results; it is that simple. Soldiers who feel their Families are provided with the right information are empowered to build better communities because they know of the right places to go to receive assistance. This standard is one that is supported by spouses and Families as well.

Services that promote self reliance, resiliency and stability for Soldiers, Families

and civilians empower us to create strong bonds that will help increase and maintain our force.

The fundamental makeup of our Soldier and Family support includes the support of our Army civilians who have the knowledge and experience to improve the services provided for us all. Their commitment to present the Army with the most physically and socially adept personnel speaks volumes of their abilities.

In recent months, we have received a large number of

new Army Substance Abuse Program and Moncrief Army Community Hospital counselors who assist those in need of help with substance abuse and post traumatic stress disorders. A Dual Diagnosis Program was recently implemented to treat both substance abuse and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder. This type of growth and improvement for our community provides

more care for Soldiers, Families and civilians who seek help within our community and from surrounding areas.

These programs are an essential part of how we maintain our force. As we move forward, we will continue to strive to be a strong, tightly woven and a highly skilled Army Family.

Together I expect us to continue to enforce the high standards for the programs that bring about an improved and resilient community. I commend each of you for ensuring that our force is ready to meet new challenges. Let us continue to make it our duty to ensure we are an example to other Army Families everywhere.

We are an Army team and a family who believes that a shared bond in the Army Values and our purpose for this post will only get better over time because of our investment in our Soldiers, Families and our civilians.

Army Strong and Victory Starts Here!

By **BRIG. GEN. BRYAN T. ROBERTS**

Fort Jackson
Commanding General



Photo illustration by STAFF SGT. MARY S. KATZENBERGER, 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team

A Soldier from the 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team completes a survey designed to determine his attitudes and opinions about mental health treatment, Aug. 17, on Fort Stewart, Ga.



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Photos by WALLACE McBRIDE

Soldiers unveil the sign Tuesday in front of Building 9810, which is now named after the late Maj. Gen. John Renner. Renner served as Fort Jackson's commanding general from 1989 to 1991 and died in early 2011.

'Great man, great Soldier, great dad'

Fort Jackson building named after former commanding general

By WALLACE McBRIDE
Fort Jackson Leader

Building 9810 on Lee Road was formally christened Tuesday morning.

The address of the Army Substance Abuse Program, the Soldier Family Assistance Center, American Red Cross and Warrior Transition Unit is now known as the MG John A. Renner Building, named for the 35th commanding general of Fort Jackson. Friends and family of Renner were in attendance Tuesday morning at the site as the new name was unveiled for the public.

"He held himself to the highest standards, both as an officer, and as a contributing citizen," said Brig. Gen. Bryan Roberts, Fort Jackson commanding general. "If you had asked a Hollywood casting agent to send you a general, it would have been John Renner. But he did not only look the part of a general, he lived it."

Renner passed away in early 2011. He began his Army career as a second lieutenant in 1962 after graduating from the University of Arizona with a Bachelor of Science in business administration. He later received a Master of Science in international relations from George Washington University, and received his Parachutist Badge, Expert Infantryman Badge and Ranger Tab at Fort Benning, Ga.

Renner served two tours in Vietnam, first as a company commander with the 25th Division in CuChi, and then as a district senior adviser in the Mekong Delta. His career included several notable assignments such as deputy commander of Allied Land Forces for Southeastern Europe in Izmir, Turkey; assistant commander of the 1st Infantry Division; commander of the 1st Infantry Division Forward in Germany; and commander of the 1st Brigade, 1st Infantry Division.

"On behalf of my sister, Renner, and our entire family, thank you so much for this wonderful tribute to a great man, a great Soldier and a great dad," Renner's daughter Heather Ligon said during Tuesday's ceremony.

She said Renner's assignment as commanding general of Fort Jackson was "fitting."

"And how proud my mom was to be the first lady here at Fort Jackson," she said. "How important each graduation was to her. She was the quintessential Army



From left, retired Col. Angelo Perri, a friend of Renner; Fort Jackson Commanding General Brig. Gen. Bryan Roberts; Renner's daughter Heather Ligon; and Post Command Sgt. Maj. Kevin Benson unveil a photo of the late Maj. Gen. John Renner during a building dedication ceremony Tuesday.

wife ... this is an equal tribute to her, as well."

Renner's community service work included service on the Salvation Army Board of Directors; counseling and mentoring homeless men in the Salvation Army Uplifting Life Program; membership on the South Carolina State Museum Board, service on the Columbia Chamber of Commerce, and Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee; service on the Richland 2 Schools Budget Review Committee; service as chairman of the Fort Jackson Retiree Council; and membership in the Spring Valley Rotary Club.

"His life touched the lives of so many," Roberts said. "He constantly gave back — counseling and mentoring homeless men, serving on the Chamber of Commerce, Richland 2 schools budget committee, and the Fort

Jackson Retirement Council. He set the foundation for the relationships our community partners have with Fort Jackson today."

His many decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, two Silver Stars, the Bronze Star with a V device, two Purple Hearts, the Air Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal and the Combat Infantryman Badge.

"Maj. Gen. Renner embodied the attributes of a successful Army officer," Roberts said. "That's what Maj. Gen. Renner stood for. That's why we're standing here today dedicating building formerly known as 9810 to this legendary hero who left an indelible mark on Fort Jackson and this community."

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SELF Symposium scheduled

By **SUSANNE KAPPLER**
Fort Jackson Leader

Fort Jackson spouses, and other interested community members, will have the opportunity to “embrace life fully,” during the installation’s second annual SELF Symposium, which is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sept. 28 at the Solomon Center.

During the free SELF Symposium — SELF stands for Spouses Embracing Life Fully — participants will attend workshops that relate to the five components of the Comprehensive Soldier and Family Fitness Program — physical fitness, social fitness, family fitness, emotional fitness and spiritual fitness. In addition, free lunch will be served.

“We(the organizers) just feel that the five components make up a well-rounded person. If you have some elements of the five components in your life, you’re on your way to building a happier, healthier you,” said Marilynn Bailey, Fort Jackson’s Army Volunteer Corps Coordinator.

Participants can choose up to five of the 15 workshops offered. Bailey said the presentations will be interactive and fun and cover topics such as leisure activities, self defense, biofeedback and networking. Some of last year’s presenters will be back as well.

“Maria Currey is going to come back to offer the Teamed Family class, which was a hit last year,” Bailey said. “Don Jackson with Victory Travel will offer ‘Family Enjoyment.’ That was one of our most popular classes last

year. Our nutritionist, Madge McNaboe, will be joining us again. (That will be) just a real dynamite presentation on nutrition, titled, ‘Is Your Diet Killing You?’”

The only class that will exceed one hour will be “Breaking Issues,” presented by Melissa Seligman, which Bailey described as a workshop that can help with overcoming emotional issues.

“(Seligman) is going to do a presentation on how when you have an issue inside of you to best let it go,” Bailey said. “At the end of the workshop, participants are going to break dishes, which represent their issues, and then make some kind of art form with the broken pieces.”

Bailey said she encourages those interested in attending to make reservations soon because class sizes are limited. To register, visit www.fortjacksonmwr.com/self. Free child care will be available at Hood Street Child Development Center. Reservations should be made as soon as possible.

“This is going to be a day of fun,” Bailey said. “It could be a day of networking for you to get to know various people in the community. It could be a day for you to work on you. That’s why we’re offering free child care. It’s a day for you to come and just let go and have fun, but also work on yourself.”

Bailey said that she hopes to duplicate last year’s success.

“I’m excited,” she said. “Last year was highly successful. We had about 80 participants in the workshops. We’re looking forward to a successful event again this year.”

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SELF SYMPOSIUM WORKSHOPS

PHYSICAL FITNESS

- Is your diet killing you; 11 a.m. to noon
- Self defense and fun; 1 to 2 p.m.

SOCIAL FITNESS

- Hobby connections; 11 a.m. to noon
- The entrepreneurial spouse; 1 to 2 p.m.
- Speed connections; 1 to 2 p.m.

FAMILY FITNESS

- The teamed family table experience; 9 to 10 a.m.
- Family enjoyment; 1 to 2 p.m.

SPIRITUAL FITNESS

- Making spirits bright; 1 to 2 p.m.

EMOTIONAL FITNESS

- Breaking issues; 9 a.m. to noon
- Hunt the good stuff; 9 to 10 a.m.
- How to recharge your batteries; 9 to 10 a.m.
- The roller coaster of emotions; 10 to 11 a.m.
- How to fill the relationship bank; 10 to 11 a.m.
- Keeping your sanity; 11 a.m. to noon
- Anger/stress busters; 1 to 2 p.m.

To register, visit www.fortjacksonmwr.com/self.

Maude lecture

Lt. Gen. Howard Bromberg, Army deputy chief of staff for personnel, addresses Soldiers and civilians Tuesday at the Solomon Center. Bromberg’s address was part of the Adjutant General School’s Maude Leadership Lecture series, which is conducted in honor of Lt. Gen. Timothy Maude, who died in the 9/11 attack on the Pentagon while serving as the Army deputy chief of staff for personnel.

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From left, Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. Ernest Lee; Brig. Gen. Bryan Roberts, Fort Jackson commanding general; and Col. Michael Graese, garrison commander participate in the ribbon cutting for the newly renovated Gate 2. The gate reopened Wednesday after being closed for renovations.

Gate 2 reopens after 11-week renovation

Leader Staff Report

After more than two months of being closed for renovation, Gate 2 reopened for traffic Wednesday.

The upgrades were part of an effort to accommodate traffic and commercial vehicles. The gate received additional lanes, existing lanes were widened, and a new sign was built.

“The garrison team appreciates the patience and understanding of the entire community as Gate 2 was upgraded and enhanced,” said Col. Michael Graese, Fort Jackson garrison commander. “I know it was a huge inconvenience, but operationally and aesthetically, it needed to be completed.”

More changes at Fort Jackson’s access points are on the horizon. Operating hours for some of the post’s gates are scheduled to change beginning Oct. 1. This is a result of the transition of security guards from contractors to federal employees, which was mandated by Congress. The transition period, which includes training of new security guards, requires adjustment to gate hours, said

Patrick O’Connor, deputy director of emergency services. The new hours are as follows:

- ❑ Gate 2 will be open around the clock.
- ❑ Gate 4, which was open around the clock during the Gate 2 renovation, will be open from 5 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Friday, and will be closed on weekends.
- ❑ Gate 5 will be open from 5 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Sunday.
- ❑ Gate 1 will be open from 5 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The gate will be closed on weekends.

“The Directorate of Emergency Services has been planning for these changes for a year,” O’Connor said. “These adjustments will allow the garrison to efficiently balance our security requirements with available resources.”

O’Connor said that as the full complement of federal employees is hired and trained, hours at Gates 1 and 4 will be adjusted accordingly.

“We ask the community for the same patience during the security force transitions; as soon as we can expand the access hours, we will,” Graese said.

ADJUSTED GATE HOURS

Beginning Oct. 1, Fort Jackson gates will be open as follows:

- ❑ Gate 2 — open around the clock.
- ❑ Gate 4 — 5 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Friday; closed on weekends.
- ❑ Gate 5 — 5 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Sunday.
- ❑ Gate 1 — 5 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Monday through Friday; closed on weekends.

The new gate hours are temporary and a result of the transition of security guards from contractors to federal employees, which was mandated by Congress.

News and Notes

DOG PARK OPEN TO COMMUNITY

A dog park is now open from dawn to dusk on Chesnut Road, next to the SKIES facility. The dog park is open to ID card holders.

SPIRIT OF AMERICA CONCERT ON TAP

The 2012 Spirit of America schedule will bring more than 300 active duty Soldiers from the U.S. Army Military District of Washington to Columbia, Friday and Saturday. The Soldiers will perform four shows at the Colonial Life arena. For more than 30 years, Spirit of America has told the story of the Army through each American generation. With a combination of music, historical narration and live action dramatization, Spirit of America presents the true story of men and women who have left friends and families behind to protect and defend the United States. Although Spirit of America is free, tickets are required. Tickets are available at the Colonial Life Arena box office or online at www.coloniallifearena.com.

GATE 2 EXPRESS CHANGES HOURS

The new hours for the Gate 2 Express are as follows: Monday through Thursday, 5 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 5 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Sunday, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

CHANGES OF COMMAND AND RESPONSIBILITY

Friday — Soldier Support Institute: Command Sgt. Maj. Annette Weber will assume responsibility from Command Sgt. Maj. Thomas Brown; 9 a.m.; Officers' Club.

To announce a battalion level or above Change of Command/Responsibility, call 751-7045 or email fjleader@gmail.com.

On-post schools receive passing grades in review

By **WALLACE McBRIDE**
Fort Jackson Leader

Fort Jackson schools received favorable marks following a Quality Assurance Review conducted earlier this year.

AdvancED reviewed C.C. Pinckney and Pierce Terrace elementary schools in April, evaluating seven categories ranging from administrative policies to communication with parents. AdvancED provides accreditation, research and professional services to 23,000 schools in 65 countries, serving 15 million students.

"For both schools, communication has been listed as an opportunity for improvement," said Samantha Ingram, superintendent for the Fort Stewart/South Carolina/DoDDS-Cuba District schools. "We realize that's an area we need to continue to focus on."

Teachers, students, support staff and parents were interviewed as part of April's Quality Assurance Review. In addition, school documents and student performance data were reviewed. AdvancED evaluated these areas using seven criteria: vision and purpose; governance and leadership; teaching and learning; documenting and using results; resource and support systems; stakeholder communications and relationships; and commitment to continuous improvement.

Pierce Terrace was operational in all seven categories, while C.C. Pinckney was graded as operational in six categories,

with stakeholder communication and relationships graded as "emerging."

The school has already taken steps to correct this issue by planning regularly scheduled forums to gain input from "stakeholders" in the school, according to C.C. Pinckney Elementary School principal Annie Crandle. The goal is to engage stakeholders to commit to a "shared purpose and direction."

C.C. Pinckney Elementary was commended for its students' ability to share in the responsibility of their own success, and for how the staff actively promotes and provides "exemplary" activities for students.

"Students shared in the responsibility of their own success," Crandle said. "If you asked any of our students what the objective was in their class that day, they can tell you in student-friendly terms."

Pierce Terrace was commended for staff members having allotted time to create measures for gathering reliable, bias-free information, and for having the "necessary elements of a high-performing school." Still, the review concluded there was room from improving communication standards at the school.

Pierce Terrace has been tasked with investigating opportunities to create new processes to communicate with the school's various stakeholders, which include staff, students, parents and anyone else involved with making the school a success.

"We've already started addressing

these," said Pierce Terrace principal Brian Perry. "We have to give a report (on these actions) within two years of the visit."

Among the school's proposed solutions are creating an electronic newsletter sent to parents, sending home a daily "parents communication folder" with students, and scheduling monthly forums with the principal.

Perry said it is important to let students "in on the secret of how they're doing."

Communication will be the primary focus of staff at C.C. Pinckney Elementary this year, Crandle said.

"I'm not saying we're not focused on teaching and learning, but we're determined to make sure we partner with our stakeholders so we truly build lasting relationships and improve communications," she said. "We have what it takes to be a high-performance school at Pinckney Elementary, but we need to work on communication. It has to be a community. The school can't do it alone. It takes all of us."

"We have to ensure we have effective communication at both schools that's both current and consistent," Ingram said. "One of the things (the reviewers) strongly encourage is that when we have parents who are concerned, we meet with those parents and let them know we want to hear them and discuss with them what we can do to make it better."

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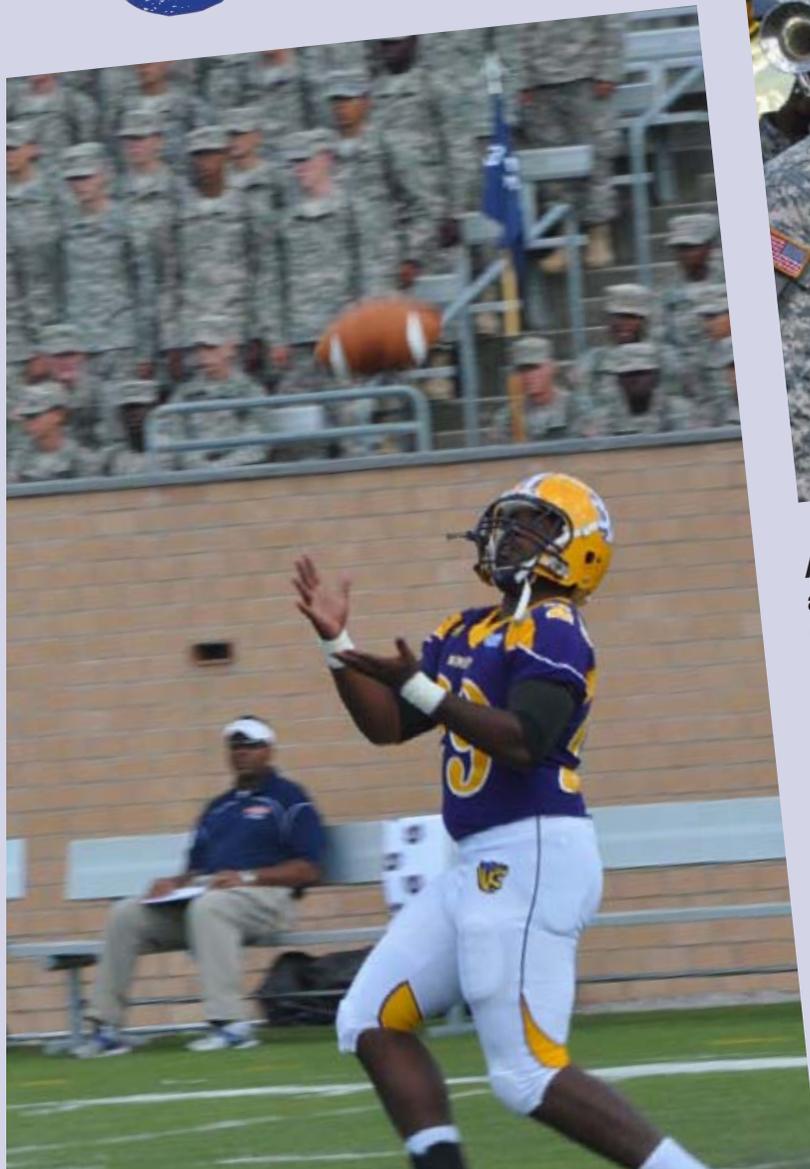
Suicide prevention

Helen Pridgen, South Carolina area director for the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, speaks Tuesday at the Post Theater about suicide prevention. The event is part of Fort Jackson's Suicide Prevention Month efforts. Pridgen will speak again next Tuesday at 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. at the Post Theater.

Photo by ANDREW McINTYRE

SOLDIERS TURN OUT FOR PALMETTO CAPITAL CITY CLASSIC

The annual **Palmetto Capital City Classic** attracts fans from across the Southeast for a weekend of fun and football. Soldiers from FORT JACKSON were invited to attend Saturday's game, which pitted Benedict College against Virginia State University.



Photos by ANDREW MCINTYRE

Above, Sgt. Brian Mackie, Sgt. Joel Scharnhorst and Spc. Christopher Condon, and Staff Sgt. James Risset (pictured below), all with the 282nd Army Band, perform at the start of last weekend's Palmetto Capital City Classic football game. Left, Benedict fullback James Peterson hauls in a pass before the game.





Above, Brig. Gen. Bryan Roberts, Fort Jackson commanding general, prepares to toss the coin at the start of the Palmetto Capital City Classic at Benedict College last weekend. Left, the Color Guard from the U.S. Army Drill Sergeant School at Fort Jackson presents the colors at the start of the event. Virginia State defeated Benedict, 30-20. The Palmetto Capital City Classic's mission is to generate revenue for scholarships and financial support for Historically Black Colleges and Universities by highlighting educational and athletic endeavors.

COMMUNITY SNAPSHOTS



Photos by WALLACE McBRIDE

Quad DFAC opens

Above, Lt. Col. Edward Chamberlayne, commander of the Charleston District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; Col. Michael Graese, Fort Jackson garrison commander; Brig. Gen. Bryan Roberts, Fort Jackson commanding general; and Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. Ernest Lee cut the ribbon to the Quad Dining Facility Friday. Initially, the facility will serve three Basic Combat Training units — the 3rd Battalion, 60th Infantry Regiment; the 3rd Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment; and the 3rd Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment. At right, Soldiers enjoy a snack after the ribbon cutting. The DFAC has space for 5,200 Soldiers.



Photo by DAVID SHANES,
command photographer

USO opens new center

The USO opens a new service center at Columbia Metropolitan Airport Friday. Cutting the ribbon are, from left, Maj. Gen. Robert Livingston, South Carolina National Guard Adjutant General; Richland County Sheriff Leon Lott, the local chapter president of AUSA; Brig. Gen. Bryan Roberts, Fort Jackson commanding general; USO volunteer Vicki Todaro; Silvia Butler; retired Maj. Gen. George Goldsmith; and Ike McLeese, president of the Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce and civilian aide to the secretary of the Army.

COMMUNITY SNAPSHOTS

Responders recognized

Photos by ANDREW McINTYRE

Col. Michael Graese, garrison commander, recognizes emergency responders and representatives of the housing offices for their reaction to a fire in the housing area that displaced two families in July. The ceremony took place Sept. 13 at the Directorate of Emergency Services.



National Anthem Day

Photo by SGT. 1ST CLASS NICHOLAS SALCIDO,
Third Army/ARCENT

Col. Marty Vannatter, Third Army/ARCENT deputy chief of staff for personnel, speaks to the crowd gathered on the steps and lawn of Patriot Hall in celebration of the National Anthem Project in Sumter, Sept. 13. The event was started by the National Music Association when it was revealed that two-thirds of Americans did not know the words, nor history of the Star Spangled Banner.



RRS overhauls courses for recruiters

By **JULIA BOBICK**
U.S. Army Recruiting Command

In a move to embrace the new Army Learning Model, or ALM 2015, the Recruiting and Retention School has redesigned the Army recruiter and recruiting center commander courses. The changes include curriculum and facilitation, number of students, students' duty uniform and physical appearance and layout of the classrooms.

During a recent training accreditation team visit to the Soldier Support Institute, of which the RRS is a part, several TRADOC evaluators went through the Army Recruiter Course, or ARC, classrooms to view how ALM 2015 is being implemented.

"What we saw, and even participated in, was real student immersion — new Army recruiters faced with and solving real job-related problems in a simulated but very realistic work environment," said John Harrington, a senior instructional systems specialist for the TRADOC team. "ALM 2015 is all about effective learning. This is what we saw in the new ARC."

The first phase of the new ARC still has students in a large group classroom setting learning basic recruiting knowledge and doctrine. After that, however, the traditional dress-right-dress desks in rows have been replaced with rooms set up like recruiting centers, where students are broken down into groups of 16 and desks are pushed together facing one another in team formations. On rotating days, students attend class in civilian clothes to role play for the day as an applicant, counselor, teacher or parent. In the final three weeks, they are joined by students from the Center Commander Course, and they train together just as they would operate in a recruiting center.

"The training environment is chaos because that's what the recruiting world is like. It reflects the dynamics of the command and still ensures students learn the critical tasks," said Lt. Col. Douglas Bunner, the former RRS deputy commandant. "We create stress in training so they can get it wrong in a 'safe' environment, learn from their mistakes and still be successful in the school."

The RRS launched the first redesigned ARC pilot in June 2011, six months after the TRADOC published ALC 2015 (TRADOC Pamphlet 525-8-2). Although far from perfect, the first pilot was a great success, according to Don Copley, RRS director of training, who led the four-man team that embarked on a holistic review of recruiter training. As a result, the RRS commandant approved for the team to move forward with incorporating lessons learned into a second pilot in August 2011. Daily after-action reviews led by students helped the team continue to refine the course schedule, content and facilitation.

"We were very diligent to document every day the things that could be improved," said Sgt. 1st Class Mark More, who not only



Photo by **JULIA BOBICK**, U.S. Army Recruiting Command

Center Command Course student Sgt. 1st Class Yanitza Betances-Leger, left, works an enlistment packet with Army Recruiter Course student Sgt. Aaron Hills, right, and 'applicant' and fellow ARC student Sgt. 1st Class Shawn Burns at the Recruiting and Retention School. Sgt. 1st Class Rex Allen, a course facilitator, observes.

participated on the redesign team, but also conducted the first ARC pilot.

The course evolved again before being fully implemented in October 2011. The Center Commander Course was integrated in February. All of this was accomplished with no additional people or funding, Bunner said.

Recruiters now leave the schoolhouse better prepared for the complexities of recruiting, Copley said.

"We used to teach about three skills in great detail: building packets, making phone calls and conducting interviews — we spent two weeks alone on the Army Interview," Copley said. "Now we cover so many more topics — not in as much detail, but in a way that gives the NCOs more opportunities to practice the skills and expose them to the synergy and realism of being a recruiter."

In addition, the courses are less instructor-directed and more learner-focused — a key component of ALM 2015 — encouraging greater collaboration among students using realistic experiences and problem-solving guided by a facilitator, who merely fosters the environment for students to learn from each other and teach themselves, Copley said. Facilitators avoid directly answering questions and instead ask questions to engage the entire class in a discussion that will result in the answer — or answers.

"One of the hardest things to adapt to as an NCO was not just giving students all the answers," More said.

Copley said course facilitation is "not about giving students the answer, it's about ensuring they know where to go get it and creating an environment that encourages

their peers to jump in and help them find the answer and solve problems together — exactly as a team should operate."

"In the same amount of time, we are doing more, because we are putting the responsibility on the students to be more actively engaged in their training," Bunner said. "Students are free to use their own techniques and explore how they best learn."

The curriculum for all seven weeks of the ARC — about 50 lesson plans in all — was dismantled and rewritten to align with ALM 2015. Lessons are now more engaging, hands-on and outcome-based, less slideshows. More live-fire training in a group setting provides students with practical, usable and realistic learning experiences. After-action reviews are also a daily occurrence during which students talk through the topics they covered and identify the key learning outcomes.

"All the students benefit from the collaboration; we are trying to get to the point where the whole class is learning from one another and learning from each other's mistakes," said More, a recruiter in Minneapolis for six years before coming to the schoolhouse in January 2011. "It ultimately creates better, more effective recruiting teams."

The Army Learning Model will be "elastic" for some time, according to Bunner.

"How ALM is applied will be different for every branch, center and school. This is what we think ALM is for us. We started with what we wanted the end result to be — we had to identify what the command needs from its recruiters and first-line leaders, and then we built the courses to meet those needs within the established time constraints."

Although there was some initial resistance from longtime recruiters and instructors, nearly a year later the changes are overwhelmingly celebrated as a much-needed and long-overdue overhaul of recruiter training. Neither the curriculum nor the method of teaching recruiters had changed much in several decades; yet recruiting has changed a great deal through the years.

"We've been taught a certain way in Army schools throughout our careers — it's tough to make the switch to a different style of teaching and learning," said Sgt. 1st Class Richard Reifsnnyder, who, like many instructors, was at first skeptical of the changes.

"We felt like it was so much information, we didn't see how students were going to be able to teach themselves all the material," said Reifsnnyder, who became a recruiter in 2004 and started teaching at the schoolhouse about six months before the course changes were implemented. He added that as instructors they really had to change their mindset about what Army institutional training looks like.

Reifsnnyder said he now feels he makes a greater impact on the students.

"At the end of the day, I want to make them better. I feel like I give them the wisdom to be successful when they leave here," he said.

Protect yourself from West Nile Virus

By **CAPT. LISA PHILLIPS**

Moncrief Army Community Hospital,
Environmental Science and Engineering Office

West Nile Virus, a mosquito-borne disease, has been in the news media lately. It was first discovered in 1999 in the United States.

Since that time, more than 1,200 deaths and 30,000 infected people have been reported in the United States. This year alone the virus has reappeared, and more than 1,500 cases of West Nile report with 66 deaths confirmed across the country. South Carolina has confirmed cases in Lexington and Richland counties.

People become infected with the West Nile Virus when they are bitten by a mosquito infected with the virus. Mosquitoes are more active in the early morning or late evening hours. You can protect yourselves from mosquito bites by doing the following:

- ❑ Eliminate standing water around your house, barracks, quarters or living areas. Mosquitoes breed in standing water and are found largely in these areas.
- ❑ Wear long sleeves and long pants when working or playing outside.
- ❑ Wear insect repellent on exposed skin when going outside for long periods of time, especially at dawn and dusk.
- ❑ Call a pest control office if you have a large number



of mosquitoes in your area so that appropriate pesticides can be applied.

About 80 percent of people will not display any symptoms after being infected with West Nile Virus, whereas about 20 per-

cent will have mild flu-like symptoms within three to 14 days of a mosquito bite. Mild symptoms do not need to be treated, but people who develop severe headaches and confusion should seek medical treatment immediately.

A mosquito surveillance program in the Army was implemented in 1990.

An ongoing weekly surveillance program is in effect on Fort Jackson, and as of today no mosquitoes have tested positive for West Nile Virus. For more information, visit the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control website at www.scdhec.gov or the Centers for Disease Control website at www.cdc.gov.

West Nile virus is a risk you can do something about.

West Nile virus is now in most of the United States.

The most important way people become infected is through the bite of an infected mosquito. You can reduce your chance of getting infected by avoiding mosquito bites.



Adults are at highest risk.

People over age 50 and people who have ever received a solid organ transplant are more likely to develop serious symptoms of West Nile virus if they do get sick and should take special care to avoid mosquito bites.

What happens if I get infected?

A small number of people (about 1 in 150) who get infected with West Nile virus develop severe disease, called West Nile encephalitis or West Nile meningitis (inflammation of the brain or the area around the brain). Symptoms of severe illness include headache, high fever, stiff neck, mental confusion, muscle weakness, tremors (shaking), convulsions, coma, and paralysis. These symptoms may last several weeks, and neurological effects may be permanent. **See your health care provider** if you develop these symptoms.

Some people who become infected have symptoms such as fever, headache, body aches, nausea, vomiting, swollen lymph glands or a skin rash on the chest, stomach and back. Symptoms can last for a few days to several weeks. **Call your health care provider** if you have questions about your symptoms.

Most people who get infected with West Nile virus do not have any symptoms. There is no specific treatment for West Nile virus infection. There is no vaccine available for people.

for more information

www.cdc.gov/westnile

800-CDC-INFO (232-4636)

in English, en Español



Department of Health and Human Services
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



Three steps you can take to reduce your risk...

Avoid mosquito bites!

1 **Apply insect repellent** on exposed skin and clothing when you go outdoors. Use an EPA-registered insect repellent such as those containing DEET, picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus. Permethrin sprayed on clothing provides protection through several washes. Products with a higher percentage of DEET as active ingredient generally give longer protection. *Don't spray repellent on skin under clothing. Don't use permethrin on skin.*



For details on when and how to apply repellent, see www.cdc.gov/westnile, and look for **Insect Repellent Use and Safety** in the **Questions and Answers** pages.

Cover up! Wearing long sleeve shirts, long pants and socks sprayed with repellent while outdoors can further help prevent mosquito bites.

Avoid mosquitoes! Many mosquitoes bite between dusk and dawn. Limit time outdoors during these hours, or be especially sure to use repellents and protective clothing.

Mosquito-proof your home!



Screens: Keep mosquitoes outside by fixing or installing window and door screens.

Drain standing water. Don't give mosquitoes a place to breed. A small amount of standing water can be enough for a mosquito to lay her eggs.

Look around every week for possible mosquito breeding places. Empty water from

buckets, cans, pool covers, flower pots and other items. Throw away or cover up stored tires and other items that aren't being used. Clean pet water bowls weekly. **Check if rain gutters are clogged.** If you store water outside or have a well, make sure it's covered up. Encourage your neighbors to do the same.

3 Help your community!

Dead birds help health departments track West Nile virus. **Check with your local or state health department** to find out their policy for reporting dead birds.

SYMPTOMS

Most people who are infected with West Nile Virus do not get sick, but a few experience severe symptoms. People older than 50 appear to be at greater risk of becoming sick.

❑ Serious symptoms in a few people (West Nile Virus Neuroinvasive Disease) — Approximately one in 150

people infected with the virus will get really sick. They may develop inflammation of the brain (West Nile encephalitis) or inflammation of the area surrounding the brain and spinal cord (meningitis).

Symptoms could include headache, high fever, neck stiffness, stupor, confusion, coma, tremors, convulsions, mus-

cle weakness and paralysis. Symptoms may last several weeks, and effects on the nervous system may be permanent.

❑ Milder symptoms in some people (West Nile Virus Fever) — About one in five people infected with West Nile Virus will have milder symptoms lasting several days.

Symptoms can include fever, headache, body aches, and, occasionally, a skin rash on the trunk of the body and swollen lymph glands.

❑ No symptoms in most people — About four in five people infected with West Nile Virus will not get sick or have no symptoms at all.

Talk like a pirate? Aye, aye!

By **THERESA O'HAGAN**

Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation

Avast, me hearties! Celebrate "Talk Like a Pirate Day," Friday with Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation's Outdoor Recreation Division, the Richland County Library and Balfour Beatty Communities with "Pirates, Pizza and Popcorn."

The event starts with pirate crafts even landlubbers can master at 6:30 p.m. at the Balfour Beatty Community Center. The movie, "Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides" will be shown on a large inflatable screen starting at 7 p.m. Pizza, popcorn and drinks will be served until the last bit o' food is gone.

All attendees are encouraged to dress in their best pirate gear and join Cap'n Black Flint Tess in the pirates' parade. Audience members can vote for their favorite pirates, and the winners will be awarded lots of pirate's treasure.

Winners will be selected for the best boy pirate, best girl pirate, best adult pirate and best family or group of pirates.

"Pirates, Pizza and Popcorn," is a family outreach event aimed at bringing Family and MWR events to the community.

"Alana (Youngblood, LifeWorks Coordinator, Balfour Beatty Communities) and I realized that we serve the same cus-

tomers and have the same mission, to provide quality of life programs for Soldiers, family members, retirees and civilians," said Dot Com, FMWR superhero and spokesperson. "We, in Family and MWR, also noticed that families and other eligible housing residents weren't taking full advantage of the programs that are offered and available to them. We decided if the families and residents won't come to us, we'll come to them."

Several events through the end of 2012 are already lined up.

"We hope to have at least one program or event each month at the Balfour Beatty Community Center. It is our hope and intention that folks will have so much fun with us that they will start coming to our facilities and activities and participate there as well," Dot Com said.

Two events are planned for October.

"In October, we are teaming up with Century Lanes Bowling Center for fun games of bowling on the lawn, bowling pin crafts, and Wii Bowling inside," she said. "We also have a bingo event set for the end of October."

On Nov. 15, Balfour Beatty and the Arts and Crafts Program

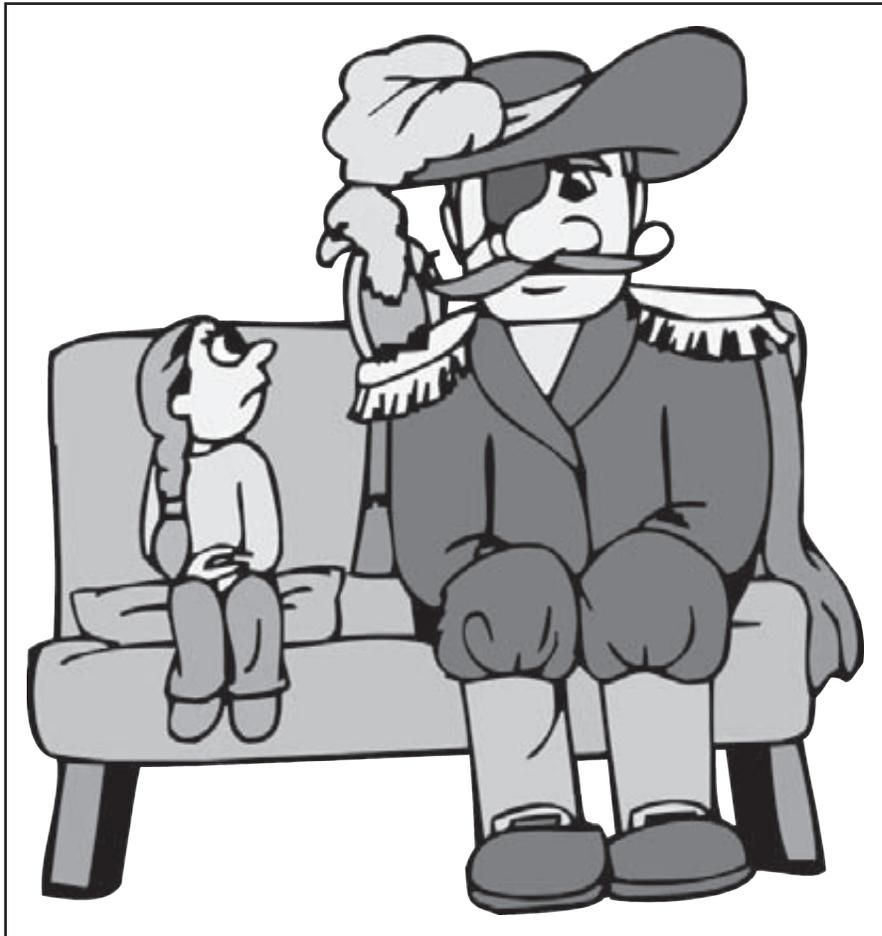
will be making eco-friendly wrapping paper and a "Make It Take It" ornament.

"One to take home and one to decorate the tree at the community house," Dot Com said.

To teach children the importance of giving, FMWR's family outreach will host an "It's Better to Give" event. The wrapping paper from the Nov. 15 event will be used to wrap gifts to fill gift bags for children at Epworth Children's Home, Youngblood said. Each child will fill one gift bag for a child in Epworth Children's Home. The gift-giver will then be rewarded with a gift of his or her own. There will be plenty of cookies

and hot chocolate, too. All would-be helpers can drop in from 3 to 5 p.m., Dec. 6 to lend a hand and have some fun.

In February, family outreach will celebrate "National Fake Mustache Day." There will be fake moustaches for all, moustache cupcakes, free signed copies of the book, "Moustache Mayhem and Other True Stories," by Josh Vassallo as well as signed pages from his upcoming new comic book featuring some very unusual moustaches and the havoc they wreak on a small town.



FMWR calendar

THURSDAY

- ☐ Visit **Century Lanes** for food, fun and bowling.
- ☐ **Victory Bingo**, 2 to 11 p.m.
- ☐ Sleepy Storytime at the **Post Library**, 6:30 to 7 p.m. Come in pajamas and go home ready for bed.
- ☐ **Magruder's Pub and Club** happy hour, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Appetizers are available, while they last.

FRIDAY

- ☐ Look what I can do, **Thomas Lee Hall Library**. Call 751-5589 for more information.
- ☐ Visit **Thomas Lee Hall Library** for Mommy and Me, a lapsit program. It starts at 11 a.m.
- ☐ Visit the **Officers' Club**, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for the seafood buffet.
- ☐ **Victory Bingo**, starts at 2 p.m.
- ☐ Dance to a variety of music provided by DJ Randall at **Magruder's Club**, 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. Magruder's Club is located in the back of Magruder's Pub. Cover charge is \$5 for civilians and \$3 for military. Every other Friday, sing along to Linda's Carraoke Karaoke. Be early for happy hour, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Appetizers are available, while they last.
- ☐ Every Friday is Artistic Expression with Jake at 6:30 p.m. in the Teen Room at the **Youth Services Center**.

SATURDAY

- ☐ **Victory Bingo**, starts at 1 p.m.
- ☐ Step Team practice, 2 p.m., dance room at the **Youth Services Center**.

SUNDAY

- ☐ Enjoy a traditional Sunday brunch buffet at the **Officers' Club**, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- ☐ **Victory Bingo**, starts at 10 a.m.
- ☐ Every Sunday is Family Day at the **Youth Center**, 2-6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

- ☐ Victory Readers Club, 6 to 8 p.m., **Post Library**.
- ☐ **4-H Club** meets 4 to 5 p.m; for grades 1-5. Call 751-1136 for information.

ONGOING OFFERS

- ☐ The Officers' Club specializes in wedding receptions, anniversaries, promotions and other special occasions. For more information, call 782-8761.
- ☐ The Officers' Club is open for lunch Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- ☐ Child, Youth and School Services provides child care and youth programming on Saturdays at no cost for active-duty parents who must work to meet mission requirements. Others requiring care may sign up, but will pay the usual hourly rate. All users must be signed up with Child, Youth and School Services. Registration is free at the Central Enrollment Office in the Joe E. Mann Center. For more information, call 751-4865.

For a full calendar of events, visit www.fortjacksonwr.com.



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BATTLE FOR THE BADGE

Soldiers test their mettle in Expert Infantryman challenges



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Dozens of Fort Jackson Soldiers vie for the coveted Expert Infantryman Badge this week, taking part in extensive field tests. The challenges push both mind and body as Soldiers are asked to apply first aid, participate in live fire scenarios, conduct routine security procedures, read maps and illustrate their knowledge of infantryman skills across a variety of areas.

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Calendar

Saturday

Do it in Pink aerobathon

10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Solomon Center
Aerobathon in support of breast cancer awareness.

Sunday

Gospel choir concert

3 to 5 p.m., Daniel Circle Chapel
Twelve guest choirs are scheduled to perform in celebration of the 37th anniversary of the Daniel Circle Chapel Gospel Choir.

Tuesday

How to make the job fair work for you

9 to 11 a.m., Education Center
To register, call 751-1732.

Tuesday

Time Warner job fair

10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222
To register, call 751-4862.

Friday, Sept. 28

SELF Symposium

9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Solomon Center
To register online, visit www.fortjacksonmwr.com/self. For more information, call 751-5444.

Friday, Sept. 28

EFMP talent show

6 p.m., Joe E. Mann Center
For more information, call 751-5256.

Saturday, Sept. 29

Gold Star Mother's Day observance

7 p.m., Semmes Lake
For more information, call 751-4867.

Sunday, Sept. 30

Prescription drug take-back day

10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Main Exchange

Tuesday, Oct. 2

Job fair

9 a.m. to noon, Solomon Center
View participating employers at http://www.fortjacksonmwr.com/acs_emp/.

Friday, Oct. 26

Domestic Abuse Awareness Month event

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Officers' Club
The guest speaker will be Mildred Muhammad. Tickets cost \$9.50. For more information and to register, call 751-6325.

Announcements

DPTMS CLOSURE

The Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security and the Garrison Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment will operate with reduced staff from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Friday for the organizational day.

Range Control personnel will be available to accomplish all scheduled missions. The Emergency Operations Center will be fully operational. Normal operations will resume Monday.

DENTAC CLOSURE

The Fort Jackson Dental Activity will be closed Sept. 27 for suicide prevention training. Only emergency cases will be seen at Caldwell Dental Clinic.

DENTAC will be closed Oct. 4 for organizational day activities. Sick call will be available from 7:30 to 10 a.m. Patients with serious emergencies that arise after 10 a.m. should report to the Urgent Care Clinic at Moncrief Army Community Hospital. Normal hours will resume Oct. 5.

DHR CLOSURE

All Directorate of Human Resources offices, including the ID card offices, will close at 10:30 a.m., Oct. 19 for organizational day activities. For ID card emergencies, three alternate locations are available: The Soldier Family Assistance Center, 751-1198; Shaw Air Force Base, 895-1596; and the South Carolina National Guard Center, 806-2078. Normal hours will resume Oct. 22.

BLACKHAWK BALL

The 171st Infantry Brigade will host its annual Blackhawk Ball at 6 p.m., Nov. 2 at the DoubleTree hotel in Columbia. The guest speaker will be TRADOC Command Sgt. Maj. Daniel Dailey. Tickets cost \$40. To RSVP, call 751-3319 or 751-3301.

MACH WEIGHT MANAGEMENT

The Pathway is a free weight management program provided by Moncrief Army Community Hospital's Nutrition Clinic. Introductory classes are offered 10 to 11 a.m. and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., the first Wednesday of the month at MACH, Room 8-85. Support group meetings take place 6:15 to 7:15 p.m., the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at MACH, fourth floor dining facility. For more information, call 751-2489.

RECYCLE DAY CONTEST

Help celebrate Recycle Day Nov. 15 by submitting items made from recycled materials to the Environmental Management Branch. Prizes will be awarded to the best items submitted. For more information, call 751-5971 or email lisa.a.mcknight11.ctr@mail.mil.

VETERANS DRIVER'S LICENSE

South Carolina residents who served honorably in the armed forces can now get a driver's license identifying them as a veteran. Veterans are required to provide proof that they were honorably discharged and must pay a \$1 service fee.

SPEED LIMIT CHANGES

In order to allow for Soldiers crossing

the street during physical training hours, the speed limit on a portion of Marion Avenue will change from 35 mph to 20 mph between Semmes Road and Early Street from 5:30 to 7:30 a.m.

CLOTHING STORE

The Military Clothing Store is now closed Mondays.

THRIFT SHOP NEWS

- ❑ The 2012 Fort Jackson cookbooks are now available at the Thrift Shop.
- ❑ The Thrift Shop will hold a weekly football drawing throughout football season.
- ❑ The Thrift Shop is accepting Halloween items through Oct. 18.

ASAP HOURS

The Army Substance Abuse Program clinical hours are Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

CIF IN-AND-OUT PROCESSING

Personnel required to in-and-out process at Central Issue Facility must schedule an appointment. Soldiers clearing CIF are required to have their post clearing papers. To schedule an appointment, call 751-6524, 751-2870 or 751-2739.

Visit the community calendar at www.jackson.army.mil for a full listing of calendar events. Send your announcements to fjleader@gmail.com.

Community announcements may be edited to comply with Leader style and Public Affairs regulations. Announcements are due one week before the publication date. For more information, call 751-7045.

For information about classified advertising, call 432-6157. Classified ads may also be sent by fax to 432-7609 or by email to sbranham@ci-camden.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.

SPIRIT OF AMERICA TOUR

The Army's Spirit of America tour will perform at the Colonial Life Arena Friday and Saturday. Tickets are free and available at www.soa.mdw.army.mil.

345TH BOMB GROUP REUNION

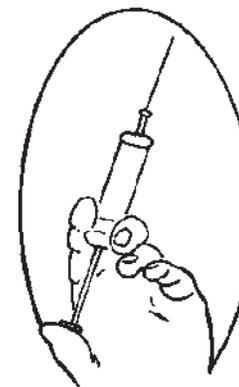
A reunion commemorating the 70th anniversary of the activation of the 345th Bomb Group is scheduled for Nov. 9-12 at L.B. Owens Airport in Columbia. World War II airplanes will be on display for the public on the afternoon of Nov. 9. For more information, call (785) 647-7541.

FLU SHOTS

Moncrief Army Community Hospital will begin offering free influenza vaccines to military ID card holders Oct. 15. Flu shots will be offered at the following locations:

- ❑ **MACH, Room 6-20:** Sept. 20-21, 24-28; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- ❑ **Solomon Center:** Oct. 15, 22 and 29; 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Nov. 5, 19 and 26, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- ❑ **Commissary:** Nov. 13, 15, 20, 27 and 29, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- ❑ **Exchange:** Nov. 16 and 30, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Vaccines for children younger than 4 will be available at MACH, Room 6-39.



Friday, Sept. 21 — 6:30 p.m.
The Campaign R

Saturday, Sept. 22 — 4 p.m.
Ice Age: Continental Drift PG

Sunday, Sept. 23 — 2 p.m.
The Campaign R

Wednesday, Sept. 26 — 1 p.m.
Ice Age: Continental Drift PG

Wednesday, Sept. 26 — 4 p.m.
The Campaign R

For more listings, visit www.aafes.com or call 751-7488.

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Saluting this Basic Combat Training cycle's honorees

DRILL SERGEANTS OF THE CYCLE



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Pfc. Lewis Nicholson

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Pvt. Michael Yarrington

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Announcement submissions are due one week before publication.

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Send your submissions to FJLeader@gmail.com.

For more information, call 751-7045.

Recurring meetings

WEEKLY

Fort Jackson Boy Scouts

Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8 p.m., 11559 Jenkins Road (next to Victory Tower), 917-1869.

Walking away stress

Mondays and Fridays, 9 a.m., at the pecan orchard near the post office on Early Street, 751-6325.

Play group

Mondays, 10 to 11:45 a.m., Room 8, 5615 Hood St., for children 4 and younger, 751-1071/6304.

Range control briefing

Mondays and Fridays, 1 p.m., Education Center, Room 302, 751-7171.

Columbia Composite Squadron (Civil Air Patrol)

Mondays, 6:30 p.m., Owens Field, main conference room. E-mail Tom.Alsup@gmail.com or visit www.scwg.cap.gov.

Helping Everyone Reach Optimum Strength

Tuesdays, 5 to 6 p.m., Moncrief Army Community Hospital, seventh floor. Open to combat veterans and their family members.

Protestant Women of the Chapel

Tuesdays, 9 a.m. to noon, Main Post Chapel, Bible study and fellowship. Home schoolers are welcome. Free child care is available. E-mail jackson.pwoc.org.

Toastmasters International

Wednesdays, 11:40 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., Main Post Chapel, 629-7696 or (910) 224-8307

Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting

Wednesdays and Fridays, 9 to 10 a.m., 9810 Lee Road. For more information, call 751-6597.

American Red Cross volunteer orientation

Wednesdays, 1 to 4 p.m., and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to noon. Only one session is required. Additional training is necessary for those volunteering in a clinical setting. Call 751-4329.

MONTHLY

Fort Jackson Bass Club

First Monday of the month, 7 p.m., Joe E. Mann Center. Open to active duty, retirees, DoD civilians, reservists, veterans and family members. Visit www.jacksonanglers.com.

Disabled American Veterans Chapter and Auxiliary, Woodrow Wilson Chapter #4

Second Monday of the month (September through June), 6 p.m., 511 Violet St., West Columbia, 467-8355 or gblake12@sc.rr.com.

Weight Loss Surgery Support Group

□ Second and fourth Monday of the month, noon, Weight Management Center, 180 Laurel St.

□ Second Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m., Palmetto Health Baptist Breast Health Center, 1501 Sumter St., ground level, Meeting Room 2.

Seabees

Second Monday of the month, 7 p.m., West Metro Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center, 755-7792 or 755-0300.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 641

Second Monday of the month, 7:30 p.m., 534 S. Beltline Blvd., 782-5943 or 782-0148.

Sergeant Audie Murphy Club

First Tuesday of the month, 11:30 a.m., Post Conference Room, www.jackson.army.mil/360/SAMC/home.htm.

American Legion Post 182

First Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m., Officers' Club, 351-2333.

Fort Jackson Homeschoolers

Second and fourth Tuesday of the month. For time and location, call 419-0760 or email johnlazzi@yahoo.com.

Adjutant General Corps Regimental Association

Second Tuesday of the month, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., NCO Club.

National Federation of Federal Employees

Second Tuesday of the month, 11:30 a.m., 4405 Forney St., first floor, 751-2622 or NFFE@conus.army.mil.

Fleet Reserve Association Branch and Unit 202

Third Tuesday of the month, 12:30 p.m., 2620 Lee Road, 647-0040 or turner6516@gmail.com.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Gandy-Griffin Post 4262

Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., 5821 North Main St., 754-1614 or 447-2320.

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 303

Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., American Legion Post 6, 200 Pickens St., 312-4895.

Purple Heart #402

Fourth Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., American Legion Post 6, 200 Pickens St., 351-2333.

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers

Adopt-A-School program

Second Wednesday of the month during the school year, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., meeting at the Single Soldier Complex, Building 2447, for transportation to Forrest Heights Elementary School, 751-1148

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers

First and third Wednesday of the month, 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., Single Soldier Complex, Building 2447, 751-1148

Victory Riders Motorcycle Club

First and third Thursday of the month, 5 p.m., Magruder's Club. E-mail sec@ffvictoryriders.com.

The Rocks Inc., James Webster Smith Chapter

Third Thursday of the month, 5:30 p.m.,

Post Conference Room.

American Legion Riders Motorcycle Group

Third Thursday of the month, 7 p.m., American Legion Post 6, 200 Pickens St., 360-3830.

Society of American Military Engineers

Fourth Thursday of the month, 11:30 a.m., 254-0518 or 765-0320.

Sergeants Major Association

Last working Thursday of the month, 4:30 p.m., Magruder's Pub, 338-1904. Open to active-duty and retired E-9s and E-8s. E-mail William.huffin@us.army.mil.

MEDPROS training

Third Friday of the month, 1-4 p.m., Moncrief Army Community Hospital, Room 9-83. E-mail Erica.Aikens@amedd.army.mil.

Retired Enlisted Association

Third Friday of the month, 5:30 p.m., Moncrief Army Community Hospital, third floor, 740-2319 or e-mail jrodgers11@sc.rr.com.

92nd Buffalo Chapter 20 DAV

Third Saturday of the month, except July and August, 11 a.m., DAV Headquarters 511 Violet St., West Columbia, 260-1067.

Fort Jackson Cub Scouts

First Sunday of the month, 5:30 to 7 p.m., 11559 Jenkins Road (next to Victory Tower), 917-1869

Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post 641

Second Sunday of the month, 3 p.m., 534 S. Beltline Blvd., 782-5943 or 782-0148.

Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post 4262

Second Sunday of the month, 5 p.m., 5821 North Main St., 754-1614.

Gold Star Wives, Palmetto Chapter

Second Sunday of the month, 3 p.m., Moncrief Army Community Hospital, Third Floor conference room, 695-5345.

Combat Vets Motorcycle Association

Third Sunday of the month at noon, (774) 451-7504, e-mail armyaguiar@yahoo.com or visit www.combatvet.org.

Ladies Auxiliary Louis D. Simmons Post 215

Fourth Sunday of the month, 3 p.m., 2432 Chappelle St., 765-0175.

American Legion Louis D. Simmons Post 215

Fourth Sunday of the month, 5 p.m., 2432 Chappelle St., 765-0175.

To submit a recurring meeting, email the name of the group, when and where the meeting takes place and contact information to fjleader@gmail.com.

SPORTS

Sports shorts

FOOTBALL SIGN UP

Flag football league play for active-duty teams begins in October. Letters of intent are due Tuesday. For more information, call 751-3096.

HALLOWEEN HOWL

The Halloween Howl 5K/10K is scheduled for 8 a.m., Oct. 27. Registra-

tion begins Oct. 9. The event is open to all ID card holders. Pets and bikes are not allowed. For more information, call 751-3096.

SQUARE DANCING

Square dancing at the Solomon Center will begin Sept. 29. For more information, call 751-5768.

FALL GOLF STANDINGS

Active duty		2-39th	Recreational
120th	1118.0		170.0
3-34th	873.0	Heavy Hitters	827.5
2-60th	751.0	DPW	802.5
1-34th	666.0	Sand Baggers	705.5
The Hood	636.0	Hack Attack	577.0
TFM	550.0	Hit Squad	569.5
1-61st	534.5	FMS	390.5
4-10th	501.5		
187th	376.0		
MEDDAC	248.5		

Standings as of Tuesday

FALL SOFTBALL STANDINGS

RRS	3-0
120th/187th	2-1
4-10th	2-1
1-61st	1-1
2-60th	1-3
MEDDAC	0-3

Standings as of Tuesday



SAND VOLLEYBALL STANDINGS

Black league		Gold league	
Blackhawks	2-0	MEDDAC, Team 2	1-0
Gurlz Rule	1-0	MEDDAC, Team 3	1-1
MEDDAC, Team 1	1-0	1-61st, Team 2	1-1
BOSS	0-2	2-60th	1-1
1-61st, Team 1	0-2	1-34th	0-1

Standings as of Tuesday

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FIRST RESPONDER

Know the rules when riding on post

From the Directorate of Emergency Services

The following rules apply to all bicycle riders on Fort Jackson:

- All riders must wear a bicycle helmet approved by either the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) or the Snell Memorial Foundation.
- All riders must wear a reflective device, such as a wristband, belt, sash or vest.
- During hours of limited visibility, bicycles must be equipped with a white light visible to 500 feet to the front and a red reflector visible 200 feet to the rear.

- All riders must obey traffic laws applicable to motor vehicles.
- Cycling is permitted on approved routes only.
- Ride as far to the right as safely possible.
- Use appropriate hand and arm signals for slowing, stopping and turning.
- Groups must ride with no more than two riders abreast.
- Bicycle races and rallies must be approved by the garrison commander.

The listed rules are part of Fort Jackson Regulation 385-10: Safety and Occupational Health Program.

LEADER DEADLINES

Article submissions are due two weeks before publication.

For example, an article for the Oct. 4 Leader must be submitted by today.

Announcement submissions are due one week before publication.

For example, an announcement for the Oct. 4 Leader must be submitted by Sept. 27.

Send your submissions to FJLeader@gmail.com.

For more information, call 751-7045.

