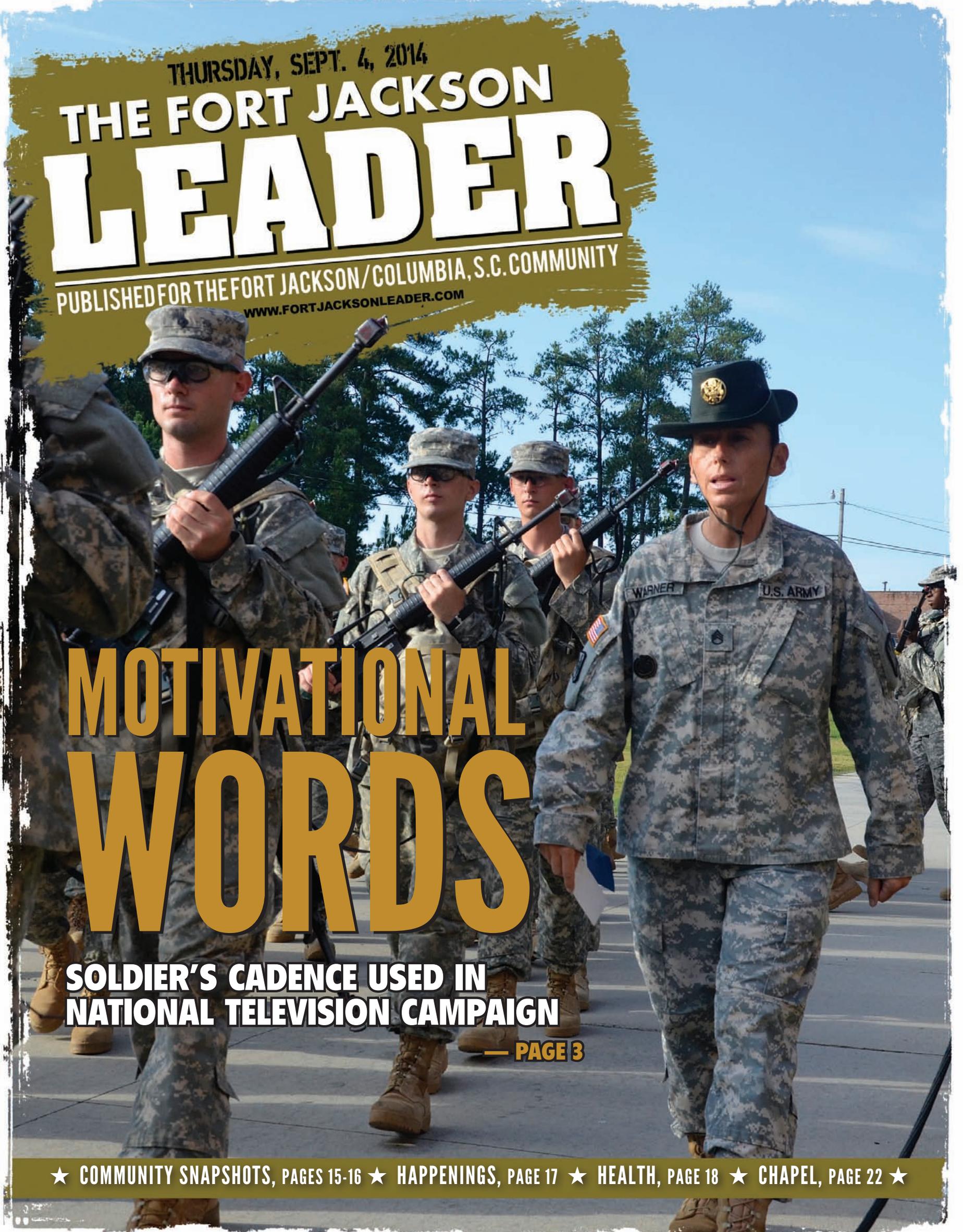


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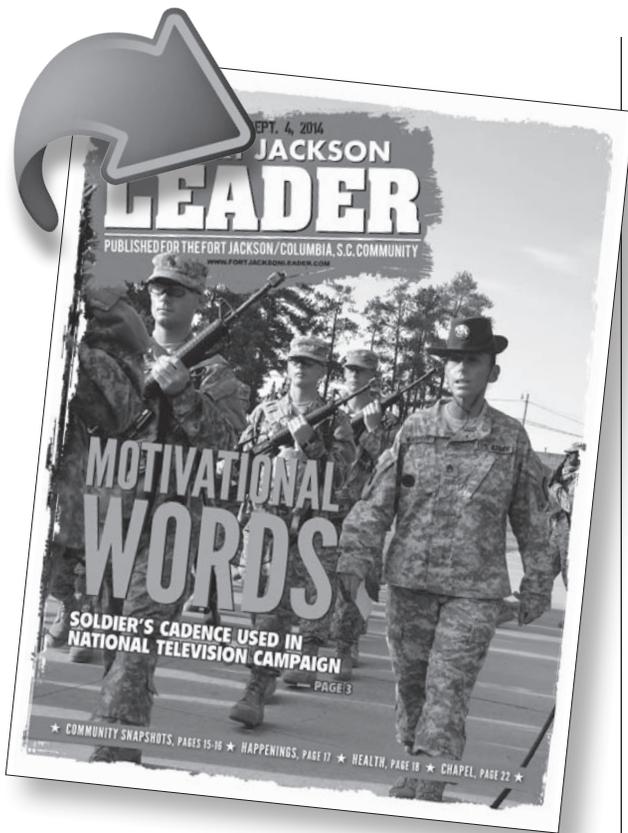
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Staff Sgt. Susanna Warner, a drill sergeant with Company E, 1st Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment, calls cadence while Soldiers in Basic Combat Training march. One Fort Jackson Soldier's cadence was used in a nationwide marketing campaign. **SEE PAGE 3.**

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Raising awareness

Command Sgt. Maj. Rod Celestaine, Fort Jackson garrison command sergeant major, and Access Control Officer Joseph Wright issue ACE cards to drivers Tuesday at Gate 2. ACE stands for 'Ask, Care, Escort,' and each card provides advice on how to recognize signs of possible suicidal behavior. The Army has designated September as Suicide Prevention Month.

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Hard Work

Soldier's cadence featured in advertising campaign

By WALLACE McBRIDE
Fort Jackson Leader

Command Sgt. Maj. Lamont Christian said he was surprised to hear a cadence he wrote more than a decade ago for sale on iTunes. He was even more surprised when it appeared on a recent television commercial for a sports drink.

Today, Christian, a native of Brooklyn, N.Y., is the commandant of the U.S. Army Drill Sergeant School. But, in 1984, he was participating in Basic Combat Training here, where he was first introduced to the "Hard Work" cadence theme.

"We were a basic training platoon set to go to Airborne School after basic training," he said. "My drill sergeants were airborne qualified, so all the runs we did, all the PT sessions, were geared toward getting us ready to graduate Airborne School after finishing basic training."

The original lyrics to the "Hard Work" cadence reflected this specialized training, he said.

"I took it with me through my career and used to sing it all the time during my time at Fort Bragg, (North Carolina)," Christian said. "When I became a drill sergeant in 1993, it was one of the cadences I'd sing to inspire the Soldiers."

Christian said he wrote new lyrics for the cadence to reflect overall Army values, and not the specific experiences of airborne Soldiers. He said the "Hard Work" theme lends itself to telling any story about the Army experience.

During his tenure as an instructor at the Drill Sergeant School at Fort Benning, Georgia, the cadence caught the attention of a company that documented the military's rhythmic pacing. A sound technician visited the post with a microphone and cassette recorder and captured the Soldiers as they used the cadence to keep pace around a parking lot at Sand Hill.

"Years later, my son was looking for cadences online to listen to while he worked out," Christian said. "He pulled up these cadences on iTunes and asked, 'Hey dad, who is this?'"

It was Christian's voice on the recording,

HARD WORK: excerpt

Everybody's doin' it right (hard work, work)

Hard Work, that's what they say (hard work, work)

Hard Work, to earn my pay (hard work, work)

Hard Work, do it everyday (hard work, work)

I get up 'bout a quarter to three (hard work, work)

Gotta go and earn my pay (hard work, work)

Put my boots on and lace 'em up (hard work, work)

I got another days work (hard work, work)

chanting his "Hard Work" cadence.

"A few months later, we see this ... commercial, and the cadence was sampled for it," he said. "My sister, who's stationed at Fort Sill, (Oklahoma), recognizes it right away as being me."

Christian said he had no interest in pursuing financial compensation for the lyrics, but wanted the company to recognize its origins.

"My sister called Pepsi Cola — Gatorade is a Pepsi product — and (the company) went on to tag the commercial as being a 'U.S. Army running cadence,'" he said. "I think they sent me some Gatorade, a towel and said, 'Thanks for your service.' But I wasn't looking for anything monetary."

Christian said the fast pacing of the cadence provides a lot of flexibility for workouts. The commercial was directed toward athletes, and drew a parallel between the discipline found in sports and the armed forces. He said the cadence also has found more than one use on post. While designed to be used for double time — 180 steps per minute — it's not unusual for drill sergeants to use the cadence for regular marching.

"Some people are familiar with the cadence being a marching cadence," he said. "But, it has a tendency to be used to be motivate Soldiers as they get the end of a good run."

Christian said he uses the cadence today at the Drill Sergeant School for instructor candidates as an example of the influence they have over students.

"They don't realize the impact they have on the Soldiers based on the things they do every single day as a drill sergeant," he said. "Their ability to inspire people has a far reaching impact."

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Photo by WALLACE McBRIDE

Command Sgt. Maj. Lamont Christian, commandant of the U.S. Army Drill Sergeant School, wrote lyrics for a cadence while a drill sergeant in the 1980s. His cadence was recently featured in a national television advertising campaign for a sports drink.



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Soldiers to receive Medals of Honor

By **DAVID VERGUN**
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — The White House announced last week that retired Command Sgt. Maj. Bennie Adkins and Spc. 4 Donald Sloat will receive the Medal of Honor for actions in Vietnam.

It was also announced that 1st Lt. Alonzo Cushing will posthumously receive the Medal of Honor for actions in the Civil War during the Battle of Gettysburg.

President Barack Obama will award the medal to Adkins during a White House ceremony, Sept. 15. At the same ceremony, William Sloat of Enid, Oklahoma, will accept the medal on behalf of his brother Donald, who died in battle. Details on Cushing's award will be announced separately, according to the White House statement.

COMMAND SGT. MAJ. BENNIE ADKINS

Then-Sgt. 1st Class Adkins was serving with Detachment A-102, 5th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces at Camp A Chau, Vietnam. In the early morning hours of March 9, 1966, the camp was attacked by "a large North Vietnamese and Viet Cong force," according to documentation.

Adkins, who manned a mortar, "received several direct hits from enemy mortars" and was wounded.

Despite his wounds, he ran through exploding enemy fire to drag other wounded comrades to safety.

Then, as the fighting intensified, members of the South Vietnamese Civil Irregular Defense Group defected to the enemy, according to documentation of the battle.

Fighting continued all day, and during the early morning



ADKINS

hours of March 10, enemy forces launched their main attack. Adkins purposely drew enemy fire to his position so that Air Force pilots could attempt to evacuate the other Soldiers.

By 6:30 a.m., Adkins was the only man left firing a mortar, the document continues. When the last mortar round was fired, Adkins poured "effective recoilless rifle fire upon enemy positions." Despite additional wounds, Adkins "fought off waves of attacking Viet Cong, eliminating numerous insurgents."

After being ordered to evacuate the camp, Adkins and a small group of Soldiers fought their way out to the extraction point, carrying their wounded. Upon reaching the landing zone, they found out that the last rescue helicopter had departed, so the group evaded the enemy until March 12, when the Soldiers were finally rescued by helicopter.

During the 38-hour battle and 48 hours of escape and evasion, it is estimated that Adkins killed as many as 175 of the enemy, while sustaining 18 wounds to his own body.

When asked how he could continue to help others evade the enemy with so many wounds, Adkins said, "You just don't quit. You don't know what the word quit means."

He said, however, that the medal doesn't really belong to him.

"I'm just a keeper of the medal for those other 16 people who were in the battle, especially the five who didn't make it," Adkins said.

SPC. 4 DONALD P. SLOAT

Spc. 4 Donald P. Sloat distinguished himself while serving as a machine gunner with 3rd Platoon, Company



SLOAT

D, 2nd Battalion, 1st Infantry Regiment, 196th Light Infantry Brigade, Americal Division, during combat operations near Danang, South Vietnam.

On the morning of Jan. 17, 1970, Sloat's squad was on patrol, moving up a small hill in file formation, according to documentation of the battle.

"The lead Soldier tripped a wire attached to a hand grenade booby-trap, set up by enemy forces," according to the document. As the grenade rolled down the hill, Sloat knelt and picked it up.

"After initially attempting to throw the grenade, Sloat realized that detonation was imminent" so he drew the grenade to his body and shielded his squad members from the blast, saving their lives, but sacrificing his own, the document concludes.

1st Lt. ALONZO H. CUSHING

Cushing distinguished himself during combat operations in the vicinity of Cemetery Ridge, July 3, 1863, while serving as a commanding officer of Battery A, 4th United States Artillery, Artillery Brigade, 2nd Corps, Army of the Potomac.

He was grievously wounded defending the Union's position during Longstreet's Assault, known as Pickett's Charge. He refused to evacuate, the White House said.

As the Confederates advanced, Cushing, who was 22 years old, manned the only remaining and serviceable field piece in his battery, the statement said.

"With the rebels within 100 yards of his position, Cushing was shot and killed during this heroic stand," the White House said. "His actions made it possible for the Union Army to successfully repulse the Confederate assault."



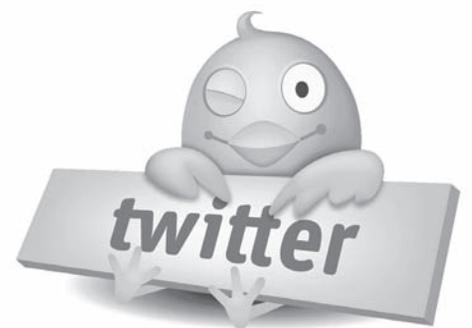
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Soldiers asked to take survey

Defense Media Activity

FORT MEADE, Md. — Soldiers asked to participate in a workplace survey over the next couple of weeks should take a few minutes to complete it, said Army Chief of Staff Gen. Ray Odierno.

“This volunteer survey is short, and it is important,” Odierno said in a letter to Soldiers selected to participate in the RAND study.

“This survey is critical to the Army’s efforts to monitor its performance over time, and to develop policies that improve the safety of our Soldiers,” Odierno said.

About 580,000 service members have begun receiving emails or letters inviting them to participate in the first RAND Military Workplace Study, Defense Department officials said. Active and reserve-component members in all military branches and the Coast Guard are being invited to participate.

“The survey is unprecedented in its scale and will influence policies that affect everyone in the services,” defense officials said.

The survey is voluntary and confidential. No one at the Defense Department will ever see how an individual service member responds, officials stressed.

“No service member may be ordered or pressured to complete the survey or not to complete it,” officials said.

However, Odierno also asked that leaders provide Soldiers an opportunity to complete the survey. He said it can be completed using a government computer during duty hours, answered on a home computer or even a smartphone.

Survey respondents can forward the survey to their personal email addresses and they can complete it whenever they have an opportunity.

The study will help commanders at all levels evaluate current military workplace relations, professionalism and



Photo by J.D. LEIPOLD, Army News Service

Soldiers can take the RAND Military Workplace Survey on their smartphones by forwarding the invite to their personal email accounts. The survey is voluntary and confidential.

personal safety, officials said. It will have important implications for how the military operates.

It can have implications on military training, justice and services.

The survey is being conducted independently of the De-

partment of Defense by experts at the nonprofit, nonpartisan RAND Corporation.

Results will be presented to President Barack Obama this fall and a full report of the RAND findings will be available to the public in May.

Capital City Classic

Maj. Gen. Bradley Becker, Fort Jackson’s commanding general, tosses the coin before the kickoff of the Capital City Classic college football game between South Carolina State University and Benedict College, Saturday at Charlie W. Johnson Stadium. The 282nd Army Band and the Fort Jackson honor guard were also present to support the game, which was attended by hundreds of Soldiers from Fort Jackson. SCSU beat Benedict, 63-0.



U.S. Army photo
by CAPT. KODY CONKEY

Program helps prospective business owners

By **BARBARA MARTIN**
Employment Readiness Program

Have you ever dreamed of having your own business? Do you think having your own business is out of the question? Turning your dream into reality could be more possible than you think.

The Army Community Service Employment Readiness Program has partnered with SCORE to bring a dynamic, interactive program called "Simple Steps for Starting Your Business" to Fort Jackson. This five-week series of two-hour workshops is designed to give participants the tools, information and advice they need to succeed. Each week, a new instructor will teach the essentials of a business startup, introduce action steps, and offer one-on-one mentoring.

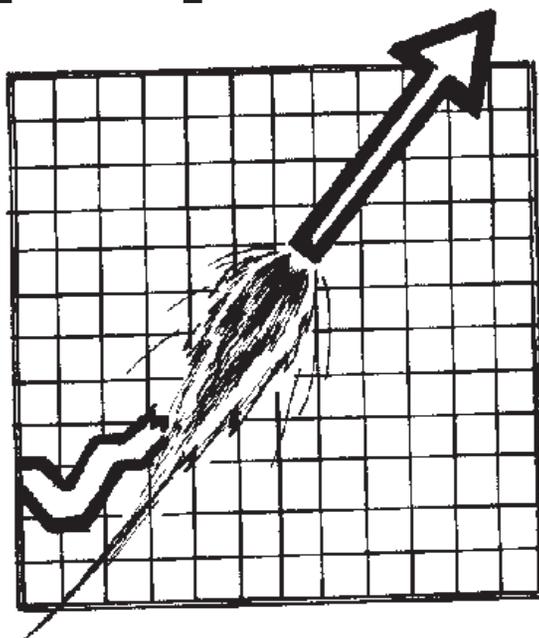
This program is free for all active service members, veterans of all branches, family members of both and DoD civilian employees.

To register, call 751-5256 or email barbara.martin@us.army.mil. Registration is required by Sept. 26. The first 10 people to register will receive a copy of the book, "Start Your Own Business and Hire Yourself."

Classes are scheduled for every Wednesday in October from 9 a.m. to noon in the Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222. Class dates are Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29.

IS A HOME-BASED BUSINESS RIGHT FOR YOU?

One of the most difficult things military spouses in transition have to deal with is re-employment at a new duty station. Working from home can be your solution whether



you're new to Fort Jackson or just looking for a change.

Working from your home is well-suited to the military lifestyle. It can provide flexibility, independence and, when the orders come, portability.

Suzette Francis, Army spouse, wanted to pursue a Masters degree and be at home to raise her child, but needed the additional income.

"After some extensive researching, I decided to start my own candle business," Francis said. "I am able to go to school in the evening and still be home with my daughter during the day."

Many military spouses have found self employment in a home-based business to be a good solution to the chal-

lenge of frequent moves.

LaDell Dwelley, retired Navy spouse, has worked in retail sales for 15 years.

"I needed a change," she said. "I enjoy making crafts, so I researched how to sell them on eBay. I have purchased my business license and hope to open my own business this fall."

"I own a successful portrait and lifestyle photography business," said Maryanne Wey. "I love my job and my clients. Starting my own small business was one of the best decisions I've ever made. However, I still remember how overwhelming the prospect of getting started was."

Wey said the most important thing to do for anyone considering starting a business is to make a business plan.

"Developing your business plan is similar to looking for homes — a skill I know most of us are experts in," Wey said. "You need a good foundation. You want something that will provide stability, not turn into a time and money vacuum. It will allow you to outline exactly what you want your start-up to look like and how it will function."

Wey attended the ACS small business class

"The SCORE instructors offered a phenomenal course to help me build a business and start up plan," she said.

These spouses have been successful in their business adventures, which have provided them a means of income met their individual needs.

Many people think that being their own boss and setting their own hours is an ideal work situation. If you are interested in managing your own small business, call 751-5256 to take the self-employment assessment to see if entrepreneurship is an option for you.

News and Notes

9/11 REMEMBRANCE

A wreath-laying ceremony to commemorate the lives lost during the 9/11 attacks is scheduled for 11 a.m., Sept. 11 in front of Post Headquarters.

FACEBOOK TOWN HALL MEETING

The next garrison Facebook town hall meeting is scheduled from noon to 1 p.m., Sept. 17. Community members may submit questions to garrison directors and staff via Facebook or via email. Log on to Facebook and search for "U.S. Army Garrison Fort Jackson, SC." Email questions to usarmy.jackson.93-sig-bde.list.jackson-dptms-townhall@mail.mil. Email questions will be accepted starting Tuesday.

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

A luncheon in observance of Hispanic

Heritage Month is scheduled from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Sept. 19 at the NCO Club. The theme is, "Hispanics: A legacy of history, a present of action and a future of success." Tickets cost \$10.50. For more information, contact your unit equal opportunity leaders or the Equal Employment Opportunity Office.

SESAME STREET PERFORMANCE

The Sesame Street/USO Experience for Military Kids will be on Fort Jackson for four shows. Performances are scheduled at 2 and 5 p.m., Oct. 5; and at 4:30 and 7 p.m., Oct. 6 at the Solomon Center. For more information, visit www.uso.org/sesame.

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Get On Up (PG-13) 4 p.m. 2h 19m

Wednesday September 10
Guardians of the Galaxy (PG-13) 1 p.m. 2h 1m
Lucy (R) 4:30 p.m. 1h 39m

Friday September 12
Step Up: All In (PG-13) 7 p.m. 1h 52m

Saturday September 13
Lucy (R) 1 p.m. 1h 39m
Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (PG-13) 4 p.m. 1h 41m

Sunday September 14
Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (PG-13) 1 p.m. 1h 41m
The Hundred Foot Journey (PG) 4 p.m. 2h 2m

Wednesday September 17
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Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (PG-13) 4:30 p.m. 1h 41m

Friday September 19
Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (PG-13) 7 p.m. 1h 41m

LEGAL NOTICE

Anyone with debts owed to or by the estate of Staff Sgt. Christopher M. Hall must contact Capt. Alex Creammer, the summary court martial officer for the Soldier. Hall passed away Aug. 9 in Greenville. To contact Creammer, call 751-0907 or email Alexander.J.Creammer.mil@mail.mil.



Photo by DAVID SHANES, command photographer

Soldiers with 1st Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment march during Basic Combat Training graduation Aug. 28 at Hilton Field. Overseeing Basic Combat Training is one of the ways in which TRADOC affects the future of the Army. Currently, BCT is offered at four installations in the United States.

Every Army career starts with TRADOC

TRADOC

FORT EUSTIS, Va. — Through U.S. Army Recruiting Command, U.S. Army Center for Initial Military Training and U.S. Army Cadet Command, TRADOC serves as the foundation for the “Start Strong” phase of every Soldier’s career. TRADOC transforms civilians into Soldiers and provides them the pathway into the profession of Soldiers, past and present.

For more than 40 years, TRADOC has provided millions of Soldiers not only with the skills to become professionals in their field, but also the expertise and experience to successfully transition out of the Army upon completion of service.

“Starting Strong” is critical to the individual success of Soldiers and officers and fundamental to the Army’s role in defending the nation.

FINDING THE 1 PERCENT

It’s a challenging mission — finding only the best, brightest and most qualified young men and women to become Soldiers to serve in the Army, but it’s one that recruiters assigned to U.S. Army Recruiting Command, or USAREC, do with passion.

Master Sgt. Steve McCartney, USAREC senior policy noncommissioned officer, who has worked in recruiting in some capacity since 1996, said USAREC has some tough competition.

“We’re trying to recruit the same students that all the colleges and universities are trying to recruit,” McCartney said. “In addition to being physically fit, we want those individuals who have clean police records, don’t do drugs, make good grades, and are leaders who are involved in community and student organizations, because young people who are assets to their community will be assets to the Army.”

The Army is well known for its success in mentoring young people to become responsible adults. This mentoring process, a critical element of the Army profession, begins once the future Soldier signs on the dotted line.

Sgt. 1st Class Jeffery Crane, 1st Recruiting Brigade, said some future Soldiers need help with physical training, leadership development or in simply negotiating a challenging final year of high school. Others need help socially or spiritually — they may come from broken or volatile homes where walking through the front door is the greatest challenge of each day. They turn to their recruiter, who mentors them just like active-duty Soldiers.

“The Army asks ordinary people to do extraordinary things. The ability to overcome adversity and challenges is a key part to making that possible for future Soldiers,” Crane said. “Recruiters have the immense responsibility of getting future Soldiers ready to be Soldiers physically, mentally, spiritually and emotionally. We’re really the first step in building the resilience of a Soldier.”

Recruiters also help set up future Soldiers for success by guiding them through the formal Future Soldier Training Program, or FSTP, which all future Soldiers are required to complete.

This program includes the Basic Training Task List, or BTTL — tasks critical to success in the future Soldier’s transition into the Army and completion of initial military training.

The BTTL includes Army values and history, customs and courtesies, rank recognition, basic first aid skills, basic land navigation, the use of military time and basic communication skills, and the memorization of the phonetic alphabet and general orders.

Future Soldiers are also required to complete monthly diagnostic Army Physical Fitness Tests. To prepare for this test, recruiters familiarize future Soldiers with physical training, which will condition their bodies for the rigors of Basic Combat Training. Just as in operational Army units, the physical training sessions develop and foster camaraderie and teamwork among future Soldiers.

The FSTP also helps shape future Soldiers’ values through training and education programs such as Sexual Harassment and Assault Response and Prevention and equal opportunity awareness.

Recruiters are also well versed in talent management,

or matching the talent and desires of future Soldiers with the right military occupational specialty, McCartney said.

“I always told young men and women to pick a job based on their wants, needs and desires, and most importantly, one that fits their personality,” McCartney said. “I’d ask them to think about what they would really like to be doing five years down the road and then work with them to develop a plan to help them achieve that goal.”

Once future Soldiers raise their right hand and depart for basic training, they are officially no longer the recruiter’s responsibility, but the relationship between recruiter and future Soldier often lasts for years, Crane said.

Noncommissioned officers speak proudly of Soldiers they recruited and mentored as future Soldiers, and of subsequent successful careers they have watched unfold.

BUILDING TOMORROW’S LEADERS TODAY

Thanks to the dedication and professionalism of staff and recruiters at USAREC, future Soldiers arrive well prepared for the rigors of the Army’s initial military training.

The U.S. Army Center for Initial Military Training is TRADOC’s lead for transforming civilian volunteers into Soldiers who are ready for their first unit of assignment. Drill sergeants and Advanced Individual Training platoon sergeants comprise the core of extended excellence at USACIMT. Approximately 2,200 drill sergeants and 600 AIT platoon sergeants transform nearly 120,000 civilian volunteers into aspiring professionals annually.

“Our drill sergeants and AIT platoon sergeants are disciplined, confident and inspirational leaders,” said USACIMT Command Sgt. Maj. Dennis Woods. “If that new Soldier feels compelled to say and think, ‘I want to be just like you,’ then that’s our mark on this path we call the Army profession.”

This is also where the new Soldier meets the very model of the Army profession for the first time face-to-face. Facial features set like steel, encircled by the brim of a drill sergeant hat, and a voice that carries a timbre

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of motivation — it's a visual that transports any Soldier back to the start of his or her Army career.

These trademarks of the drill sergeant inspire civilian volunteers to believe they are capable of serving honorably as Soldiers.

It's here in BCT or One Station Unit Training (where BCT and AIT are combined into one school), where Soldiers learn Army culture during three phases over 10 weeks, referred to as red, white and blue phases. This training takes place at four locations: Fort Jackson (BCT); Fort Sill, Oklahoma (BCT); Fort Benning, Georgia (BCT and OSUT); and Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri (BCT and OSUT).

Each phase builds upon the previous, emphasizing values and ethos as well as Warrior Tasks and Battle Drills — the skills needed to survive in combat. Warrior Tasks are individual Soldier skills, critical to survival; Battle Drills are team skills designed to make sure a unit correctly reacts and survives in combat.

After graduating BCT, Soldiers attend AIT at one of 22 installations across the United States to learn the technical skills of their job. Dependent on the MOS, the length of AIT ranges from four to 48 weeks.

At AIT, it's the platoon sergeant who carries on the mission of mentoring. He or she reinforces values and ethos while the Soldier learns the technical skills to perform within his or her specialty. AIT platoon sergeants set the tone for Soldiers' first unit of assignment.

Drill sergeants, AIT platoon sergeants and cadre use the Army Learning Model, an outcomes-based learning approach, to build Soldier confidence. Outcomes-based training focuses on critical thinking so that new Soldiers can understand the process of problem solving — “how” to think, not just “what” to think. This approach develops Soldiers who can adapt to changing tactical and strategic environments.

“Throughout history, the Army has adapted to changing battlefields,” Woods said. “Our new Soldiers must

come out of the IMT gate already adaptive — they are tomorrow's leaders.”

TRADOC's IMT provides Soldiers to first units of assignments who are agile, adaptive and competent; who are confident and capable of serving honorably as a Soldier and as a trusted member of a team; and identify professionally with others selflessly serving in the profession of arms.

DEVELOPING ADAPTIVE OFFICERS

In parallel to USACIMT, TRADOC's U.S. Army Cadet Command leads the mission to forge the world's finest commissioned officers. These officers are trained and educated to become critical thinkers and decision-makers who inspire strength in others. They learn how to negotiate demanding missions while ensuring the welfare, morale and professional development of the Soldiers entrusted to them.

The primary path for commissioning as an officer in the Army is through the ROTC program. The ROTC program includes recruiting, developing and commissioning individuals who exhibit character, proficiency and dedication — the foundation of the Army profession.

Available at 275 host universities and more than 1,000 affiliated campuses, ROTC offers leadership experience, education and training valuable in military and post-military professions. Upon graduation, ROTC cadets may receive a commission as an Army second lieutenant on active duty, in the Army Reserve or in the Army National Guard. After commissioning, these new officers receive specialized, branch-specific training.

Producing more than 70 percent of all commissioned officers, Army ROTC has been the largest source of officer accessions since World War II. However, noted Brig. Gen. Peggy Combs, commanding general of Cadet Command and Fort Knox, “the operational environment, technology and the learning sciences have all changed since Cadet Command stood up in 1986.

The Army's senior ROTC program is critical to acquiring the talent and developing adaptive officers who can effectively lead their Soldiers in complex environments while understanding the implications of their decisions and how it impacts the mission.”

Acquiring the right talent means Cadet Command

will focus on more “precision recruiting” of potential cadets, based on Army requirements. Recruiting — and Army ROTC's roughly \$250 million annual scholarship budget — will target science, technology, engineering and mathematics majors, nurses, and those with specific language skills.

As to the ROTC program itself, USACC has implemented a number of initiatives, to include revising the curriculum in an initiative called Basic Officer Leader Development, or BOLD, Transformation. The BOLD initiative supports the Army Leader Development Strategy in developing adaptive junior leaders who can operate and succeed in the complex environments the Army will face in the future.

This new Army ROTC curriculum has been researched, tested and refined to ensure new second lieutenants start their Army careers with the skills and ability needed to execute basic officer leader tasks. The curriculum has also been redesigned to improve critical thinking and problem-solving skills, and will offer a broader portfolio of summer internships, language training and other specialty training.

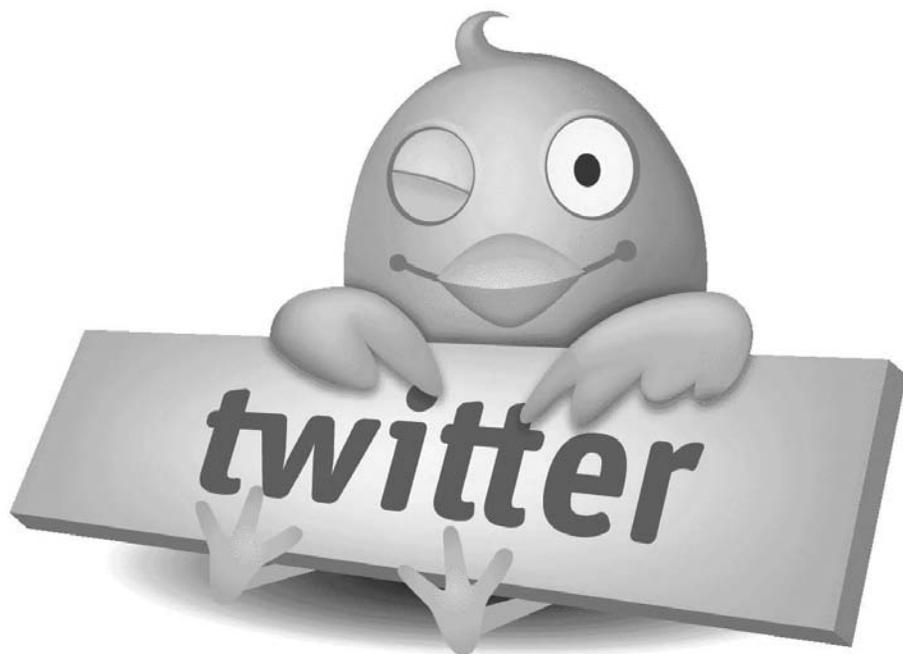
Finally, USACC has added more mandatory university/college-conducted classes as an essential part of every cadet's education. This new curriculum is expected to be integrated into ROTC college classrooms in academic year 2014-15.

BOLD Transformation encompasses more than curriculum changes. This summer, Cadet Command is consolidating the Leader's Training Course and Leader Development and Assessment Course, or LDAC, at Fort Knox, Kentucky. Among its many benefits, this consolidation will create opportunities for older cadets to lead and train underclass cadets during summer training, under the supervision of cadre.

In 2016, a new Cadet Initial Entry Training course will be required for all ROTC cadets. LDAC will transform and become the Cadet Leaders Course, providing multi-echelon squad- and platoon-level training events for all cadets following their junior year.

In the end, TRADOC's oversight of and USACC's focus on recruiting, developing and commissioning officers of character, capable of thriving in a variety of operational environments, will make sure the Army is led by the very best.

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Endangered species call post home

By **ANDREW McINTYRE**
Fort Jackson Leader

More than half of Fort Jackson's training areas are considered to be a part of what is called the longleaf pine ecosystem, which is also home to three endangered species.

"The longleaf (pine) ecosystem is one of the most imperiled in the world, with over 97 percent of it being destroyed, but it also has one of the highest diversity of plants in the world," said Nicole Hawkins, a wildlife biologist with the Directorate of Public Works.

The Wildlife Branch of DPW's Environmental Division has the responsibility of maintaining and improving the training grounds on post and protecting the endangered species in the area.

Hawkins said because of its mature trees and diversity in plants, the longleaf pine ecosystem is home to three types of endangered species — the red-cockaded woodpecker, the rough-leaved loosestrife plant and the smooth coneflower plant.

"The red-cockaded woodpecker depends on mature pine forest. (The birds) are unique in North America among woodpeckers because they excavate cavities into living pine trees," Hawkins said, explaining that a cavity is a hole that is dug into the tree by the birds for them to live in. "Most other woodpeckers excavate cavities into dead trees or they live where (a cavity) has already been created."

Hawkins said a study at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, showed that it takes woodpeckers three to 11 years to complete a cavity.

"Normally the trees need to be mature, which means we are probably talking about a 70-year-old tree," she said. "So you can see what type of burden that can be on a bird that is expected to live to be about 10 years old."

Hawkins explained that the endangered woodpecker not only requires the mature trees that the Fort Jackson training areas offer, but they also require a large living area for each family group.

"On Fort Jackson, we have about 200 acres per family group of birds, and a family of red-cockaded woodpeckers can reach up to five or six woodpeckers," she said. "If they are successful in nesting then they will have one nest per year. From that nest they'll usually fledge about two to three young per year. You can have more than that, but it's kind of unusual."

Currently, about 35 active clusters of red-cockaded woodpeckers call Fort Jackson home, said Stanley Rikard, wildlife biologist. He said the goal for 2016 is to increase the population to 126 clusters in accordance with federal guidelines.

Rikard said Basic Combat Training can be affected because of the large area needed for the endangered species.

"Soldiers are aware that each tree where the woodpecker lives has a 200-foot restriction buffer zone, labeled with signs, which means they can only train in those areas around the bird's home for no more than two hours," he said.

However, Hawkins said biologists on post have found



Photo by the **ENDANGERED SPECIES BRANCH**, Fort Bragg, N.C.

Fort Jackson is home to the red-cockaded woodpecker, which has been on the endangered species list since 1970. The bird relies on the longleaf pine ecosystem for its habitat.

the birds making homes in some of the most unexpected places.

"We have found the red-cockaded woodpeckers out behind the hand-grenade range," she said. "Apparently, the loud noise from the training does not affect them."

South Carolina has the second largest population of red-cockaded woodpeckers, trailing only Florida.

In order to maintain the training areas for Soldiers, animals and plants, the land requires habitat management.

"Habitat management can consist of herbicide treatments, thinning trees and monitoring wildlife and plants," Hawkins said.

Rikard explained that because these plants and the red-cockaded woodpecker are listed as endangered in the Endangered Species Act of 1973, the installation is required to conserve the listed species and to avoid jeopardizing and taking listed animals and plants.

The two endangered plants here on post were added to the federal endangered species list in 1987 and 1992. The red-cockaded woodpecker was listed in 1970.

Rikard said there is a very small population of the smooth coneflower in a training area on the eastern part of the installation.

"We think the area where the smooth coneflower plant

is found used to be an old home site where someone from many years ago — before World War II — may have planted the (flower)," Rikard said.

He said this plant normally likes open areas, but on Fort Jackson it is found on tank trail and hill sides in training areas.

The rough-leaved loosestrife is located in the northeast corner of the artillery impact area.

"The rough-leaved loosestrife is a wetland-dependent plant and is also found in several counties in North Carolina in isolated pockets," Rikard said. "The only other place in the world it's found is here on Fort Jackson."

Rikard said what Soldiers and all personnel who are in the training areas should keep in mind is that they should not disturb endangered plant sites, recognize the red-cockaded woodpecker buffer signs, know and follow the Army red-cockaded woodpecker activity restrictions, obey range operations guidance and do not harm rare animals.

In addition to the three endangered species on post, a number of rare animals can be found on post, such as the Rafinesque's big-eared bat, the Southern hognose snake, Bachman's sparrow and the Southeastern kestrel.

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www.fortjacksonleader.com

VA updates GI Bill Comparison Tool

Department of Veterans Affairs

WASHINGTON — The Department of Veterans Affairs launched an improved version of the GI Bill Comparison Tool, which has been online since February.

The GI Bill Comparison Tool is designed to make it easier for veterans, service members and family members to estimate their GI Bill education benefits and learn more about VA's approved college, university and other education and training programs across the country. It also provides key information about college affordability and value so beneficiaries can choose the best education program to meet their needs.

In the past six months, nearly 350,000 people have accessed the tool on VA's GI Bill website. The top schools searched by users include: American Public University, Harvard, University of Texas at Austin, Arizona State University, and University of Washington.

VA successfully trademarked GI Bill to prevent its fraudulent use for recruiting purposes and to protect this publicly-owned intellectual property.

"We are excited to see how veterans respond to the wealth of information now available on the updated GI Bill Comparison Tool" said VA's undersecretary for benefits, Allison Hickey. "We're grateful for the chance to work with our partners at the departments of defense and education to ensure beneficiaries are informed education consumers."

The updated version of the GI Bill Comparison Tool has new functionality, including a more robust GI Bill benefits calculator and additional information pertinent to the veteran population (e.g., identifies schools with student veteran groups, VetSuccess on Campus program, and those that have agreed to the "8 Keys to Success" program).

The GI Bill calculator provides a personalized estimate of Post-9/11 GI Bill tuition and fee, housing allowance and

POST - 9/11 GI BILL A NEW BILL FOR A NEW CENTURY



DoD graphic

The Department of Veterans Affairs has updated its GI Bill Comparison Tool, which educates eligible veterans, service members and family members about benefits and school choices. For more information, visit www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/.

book stipend benefits that would potentially be paid to the student.

The calculator prepopulates the tuition and fee estimates from the ED's Integrated Postsecondary Education Data

System. The veteran indicator section now contains new information on schools' student veterans groups, VetSuccess on Campus programs and Yellow Ribbon agreement status.

TRICARE switches to electronic notifications

TRICARE

To reduce cost and increase efficiency, the Department of Defense is moving away from mailing letters with update information. This means that instead of a letter, beneficiaries will get email notifications when there are important changes to your DoD benefits, including TRICARE. The email will link to milConnect, a secure DoD website, where your personal information will be posted.

The initial email beneficiaries will receive will offer the opportunity to "opt out" of receiving emails and continue receiving paper notifications. Those who have not provided an email address or those who opt out of receiving email notifications will receive a postcard stating that there is a change or update to their benefit. Even if you get a postcard you will still need to go to milConnect to read the letter because specific plan or protected health information will not be printed on the postcard.

Replacing paper mail with email will mean faster notification of important information as well as convenient access anytime, anywhere you have Internet access.



Visit <http://milconnect.dmdc.osd.mil> to sign up or update your email contact information. The milConnect website includes the most up-to-date account and DEERS

information. Once you sign-up, you will receive up-to-date benefit information, such as primary care manager changes, eligibility changes due to age (for certain family mem-

bers), and more. You can click on the "My-Profile" menu item to update your personal email preference. Please allow three days for revised settings to take effect.



Photos by KARA MOTOSICKY, Public Affairs Office

Staff Sgt. Denise Lewis, a drill sergeant with 3rd Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment, enjoys a moment with Battle of the Bulge veteran Tom Hoke during lunch Monday as Fort Jackson hosted the Veterans of the Battle of the Bulge organization for a wreath laying ceremony and visit.

Battle of the Bulge vets visit



Above, Maj. Gen. Bradley Becker, second from left, Fort Jackson's commanding general, salutes as taps plays. Joining him are, from left, the national organization's president Douglas Dillard; U.S. Army Deputy Chief of Chaplains Brig. Gen. Charles "Ray" Bailey; the organization's South Carolina chapter president Christopher Carawan; and Staff Sgt. Christina Stentiford, Fort Jackson NCO of the Year. Left, Pvt. Wendell Walker, 187th Ordnance Battalion, listens to Louis Cunningham talk about his service in the Battle of the Bulge during a visit to the Basic Combat Training Museum Monday.

Back to the basics

MACH Soldiers take Victory Tower

*Medical Company
Moncrief Army Community Hospital*

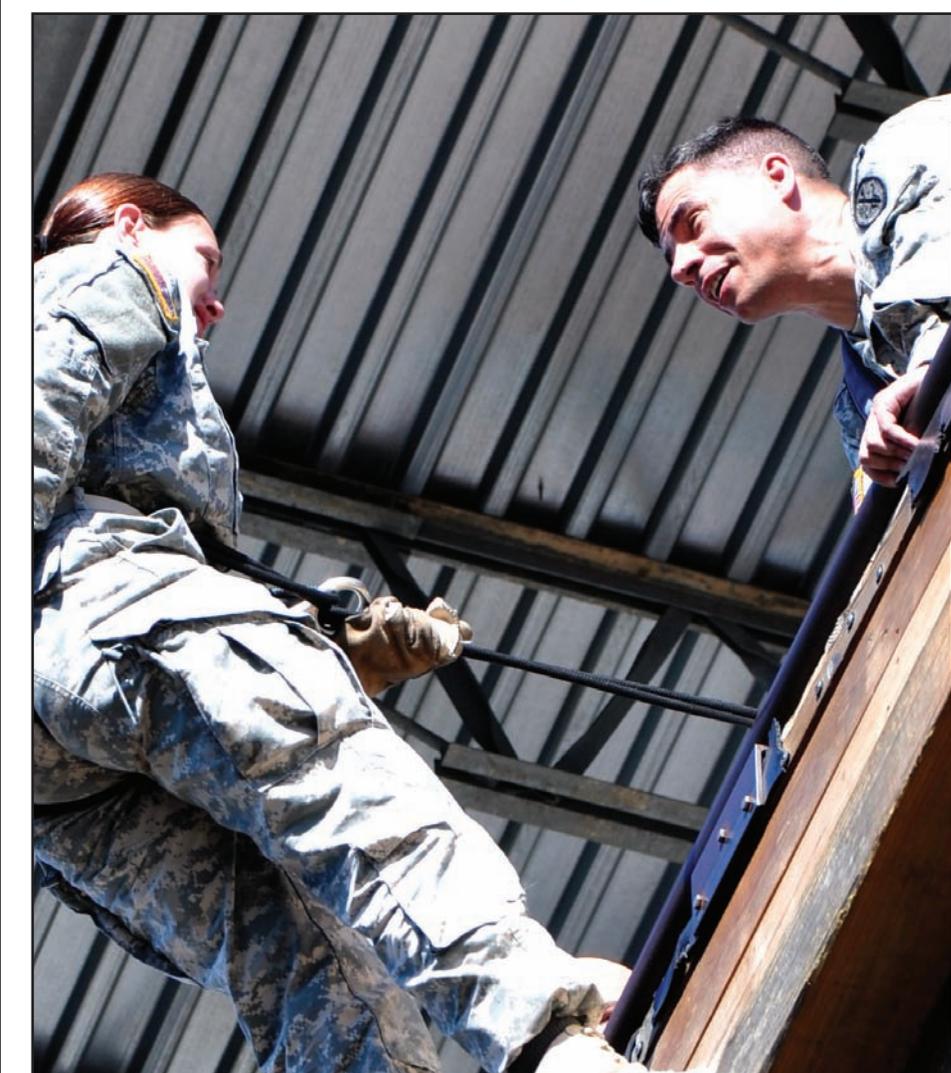
More than 30 MEDDAC Soldiers went back to the basics during a training exercise Aug. 21. The medical professionals took a break from patient care to re-experience the same training Fort Jackson's Basic Combat Training Soldiers receive at Victory Tower.

Victory Tower consists of several obstacles: a three-rope climb; a cargo net climb; the commando slide; a swing; a mini wall; and a 30-foot rappel tower. Many of the Soldiers have not done these obstacles since basic training.

The training was conducted by Moncrief Army Community Hospital senior noncommissioned officers.

"Training like this reminds us of the danger of our profession as Soldiers and gets us mentally tough," said 1st Sgt. Ricardo Gutierrez, Medical Company, MACH, who spearheaded the training.

The training is part of a quarterly training plan developed by the Medical Company command team. It is geared to get MEDDAC Soldiers proficient on basic Soldier skills, build confidence, increase morale, develop leaders skills and remind the Soldiers of the reasons why they wear the uniform. Next quarter's training will be at the Nuclear, Biological, Chemical Gas Chamber.



As part of a quarterly training and team building program, MEDDAC Soldiers conquer the obstacles at Victory Tower Aug. 21.

Sgt. 1st Class Sal Digaetano, right, provides words of encouragement to Spc. Chasity Cribbs before she rappels off Victory Tower.



Courtesy photo

AG breakfast

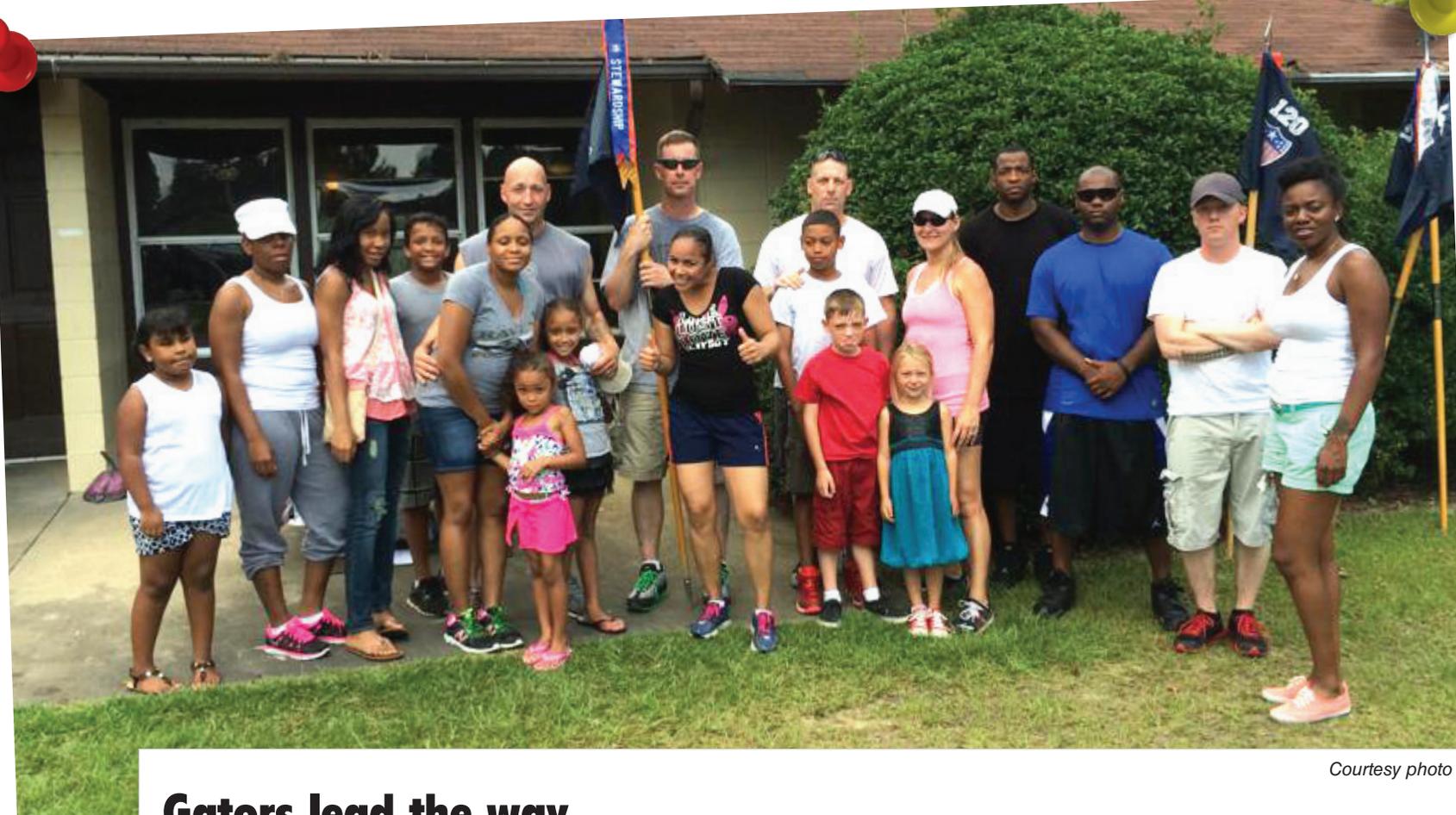
Maj. Randy Lefebvre, 369th Adjutant General Battalion, presents Sgt. Maj. Stephen McDermid, Evaluations Branch, Human Resources Command, with a gift from the Carolina Chapter of the Adjutant General's Corps Regimental Association. McDermid was the guest speaker at the Carolina Chapter's general membership breakfast Aug. 27 at the NCO Club. More than 450 people were in attendance. The topic of discussion was the New NCO evaluation report.



Off the trail

Sgt. 1st Class Yazmin Tull concluded three years as a drill sergeant with a de-hatting ceremony Aug. 25 at with Company A, 120th Adjutant General Battalion (Reception). Tull, pictured with her husband, Kai, will remain with the 120th.

Courtesy photo



Courtesy photo

Gators lead the way

Soldiers and family members with Company A, 120th Adjutant General Battalion (Reception) pose for a picture after winning the endurance challenge and tug-of-war contest during the battalion's organization day.

Calendar

Saturday, Sept. 13

Retired Officers Wives Club luncheon

Noon, Officers' Club

The guest speakers will be the authors Bill and June Bowen. RSVP is required by 3 p.m., Sept. 8. For more information and to register, call 788-1094 or 783-1220.

Thursday, Sept. 18 through

Saturday, Sept. 20

Case lot sale

Commissary

For more information, visit www.commissaries.com and click on "locations."

Saturday, Sept. 27

National Prescription Drug

Take Back Day

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

Saturday, Oct. 4

Fire Prevention Week carnival

10 a.m., Fire Station

Announcements

COMPUTER LAB CLOSURE

The computer lab at the Education Center will be closed Sept. 8-12 for computer and desk upgrades. The lab will reopen 7:30 a.m., Sept. 15. For more information, call 751-5341.

SSA CLOSURE

The Supply Support Activity will be closed for inventory Sept. 22-23. It will resume normal hours Sept. 24.

SPORTS SHORTS

■ Softball championship games will be played Monday at 6 and 7 p.m.

■ Letters of intent for flag football are due Monday. Active duty teams only.

■ 9/11 5K run/walk, 8 a.m., Sept. 13, Semmes Lake. To register, visit <https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil/webtrac103/>

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■ Competition for flag football, softball and cross country for active-duty battalion-level teams will start Sept. 30. Team meetings are scheduled for Sept. 29.

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

TRICARE WEBSITE CHANGES

The TRICARE website has been redesigned. A login button for quick access to services was added, and the navigation menu was simplified. Visit www.tricare.mil.

ACS NEEDS ASSESSMENT SURVEY

The Army Community Services needs assessment survey is under way through Sept. 15. The survey aims to measure usage and helpfulness of ACS programs and services. Its purpose is to identify emerging needs related to the Army way of life. To access the survey, visit www.armymwr.com/ACS-survey.

COMMISSARY NEWS

■ The Commissary rewards card allows shoppers to use digital coupons at any commissary. For more information, visit www.commissaries.com/rwards_subscribe.cfm.

■ The Commissary will mark September with National Breakfast Month food samplings and Oktoberfest celebrations. For more information, visit www.commissaries.com.

AMU SHOOTING CLINIC

The U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit at Fort Benning, Georgia, will host the seventh annual USAMU Action Shooting Junior Clinic Oct. 30 through Nov. 2. The clinic is an advanced workshop open to children and youth 9-18 with experience in action shooting disciplines. The deadline to apply is Oct. 1. For more information, visit www.usamu.com or call 706-545-9402.

ID CARD OFFICE HOURS

The ID card offices at the Strom Thur-

mond Building in rooms 109, 114 and 200 will continue to operate on an appointment-only basis. Limited walk-in slots are available Monday through Friday from 8 to 9:20 a.m. in Room 109. Once walk-in slots are filled, customers will be given the option to make an appointment or visit an alternate ID card facility for service. Appointment hours are from 9:40 a.m. to 4:10 p.m., Monday through Friday in rooms 109 and 200. To make an appointment, visit <https://rapids-appointments.dmdc.osd.mil>. For more information, call 751-6024.

SAT TESTING

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

THRIFT SHOP NEWS

■ The Thrift Shop will not accept summer clothes after today. Winter clothes will be accepted after Tuesday.

■ Halloween items will be accepted Sept. 23 through Oct. 16. They will expire Oct. 23.

■ Thanksgiving items will be accepted Oct. 14 through Nov. 13. They will expire Nov. 20.

■ Christmas items will be accepted Nov. 18 through Dec. 11. They will expire Dec. 18.

■ September through November are college months at the Thrift Shop. Customers wearing a college shirt or hat will receive a discount.

■ The Golden Carriage Program provides free ball gowns for spouses of active-duty service members E5 and below.

Information is subject to change.

Visit the community calendar at <http://jackson.armylive.dodlive.mil/> for a full listing of calendar events.

Send your announcements to fjleader@gmail.com.

Announcements are due one week before the publication date.

For more information, call 751-7045.

Housing happenings

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

A community yard sale is scheduled from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sept. 13. The registration deadline is Wednesday. For more information and to register, email emcdaniel@bbcgrp.com or call 738-8275.

OFFICE CLOSURE

Housing offices will be closed from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sept. 23 for professional development. For emergency maintenance, call 738-8275.

SATISFACTION SURVEY EVENT

Residents are invited to participate in the Resident Satisfaction Survey event from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday at the Community Center. The annual Resident Satisfaction Survey is an opportunity to share feedback with Balfour Beatty Communities. The event will include music, prizes, food and fun activities. Families that complete their survey before Sept. 8 will be entered into an early bird prize drawing. The deadline to complete the survey is Sept. 15. For more information, call 738-8275.

LIFEWORKS EVENTS

■ Tuesday, 10 a.m., teddy bear picnic

■ Sept. 19, 5 to 7 p.m., bunco night

■ Sept. 25, noon, neighborhood huddle for Howie Village and Mabry Manor, McLeod Court playground

All events take place at the Community Center unless otherwise noted. For more information and to register, email emcdaniel@bbcgrp.com or call 738-8275.

RENT CONCESSIONS

Current residents who refer a friend to live on post will receive \$600 when the friend moves in. Other concessions include reduced rent for non-renovated homes in PT5 if you move in during August; and free prorated rent for August for homes in PT5 and PT7. For more information, call 738-8275.

Going back to school with healthful lunches

Nutrition Care Clinic
Moncrief Army Community Hospital

A lot of planning goes into the start of the school year, but one of the most important items on the back to school list often gets the least amount of attention — lunch. As childhood obesity rates continue to climb, it has never been more important to focus on children's dietary habits. Some parents have time to prepare lunch for their children, but others must rely on the school lunch program to get their children to school on time.

School lunch programs have the difficult task of feeding children with varying taste preferences while still remaining on a budget. A lot of emphasis has been placed on these programs since the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act was passed in August 2010 as part of First Lady Michelle Obama's Let Move! initiative, which places emphasis on food and beverage items sold on school grounds.

Current U.S. Department of Agriculture guidelines state schools must provide 8 ounces of low-fat or fat-free milk, at least 2 ounces of meat, at least one serving each of fruits and vegetables, and all grains must now be whole grain.

Upon reviewing elementary school menus, parents can find food choices such as "whole wheat," "romaine lettuce" and "100-percent fruit juice," and most of the dessert items have been replaced with fruit. However, students in middle school and high school have a lot more lunch options.

Another option is to prepare your child's lunch. This practice has drastically decreased because of lack of time in the mornings. However, preparing a school lunch can be easy by starting with one serving of vegetables, two servings of whole grains and 3 ounces of lean protein. Once that part is prepared, add a serving of low-fat dairy and a serving of fruit, and lunch is ready.

There are two options for preparing your child's lunch. You can make it the day before or prepare it before the child leaves for school. Many parents prefer preparing meals the day before to help ease the morning routine. This can be easy to do if planned ahead of time.

For example, if a casserole is prepared for dinner that night, it can easily be divided into individual containers for lunch the next day. Some parents prefer to make low-fat turkey meatballs over the weekend and then freeze them in individual containers for an easy lunch throughout the week.

Another idea is to cook a whole chicken, shred it and keep it in the refrigerator for easily made chicken quesadillas, sandwiches, wraps, etc. All fruits, vegetables and dairy products are easy to divide during the weekend. For older children, making a large salad and topping it with different items throughout the week is another option. Fresh vegetables, mandarin oranges, walnuts, almonds and sunflower seeds all make healthful additions to any salad.

For the parents who prefer to make lunch before leaving for school, time can be of the essence, but the key is to keep it interesting by switching it up. Using whole wheat pita bread, sandwich bread of different varieties, sandwich thins and small bagels are all options for making sandwiches unique. For the "in between" parts, try peanut butter and jelly, peanut butter and honey, low-sodium deli

meats, rotisserie chicken, low-fat chicken, egg or tuna salad or anything else your child might like. Entice kids to eat sandwiches by cutting them into different shapes using a cookie cutter.

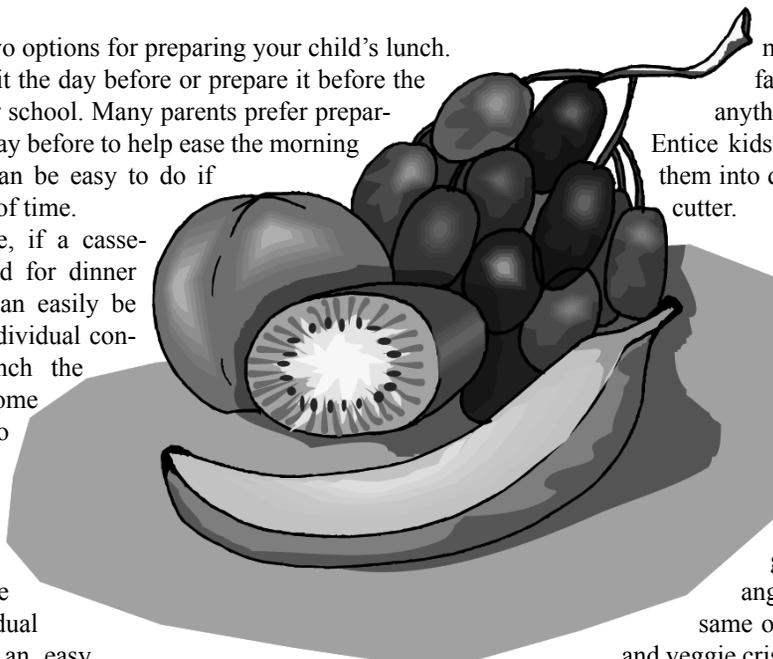
Always remember to include vegetables such as carrots, sliced bell peppers, cherry tomatoes and celery sticks as well as something to dip them in if your child prefers — hummus and low-fat dressing are always good ideas — and a serving of fruit, including kiwi, grapes, apples, bananas or oranges. If children get tired of the same old fruits and vegetables, apple and veggie crisps are also available as a treat.

Whether you make lunch the night before or right before you walk out the door, the key to keeping your child from trading items at lunch is to keep it interesting. Encourage your children to help you pack lunch, so they are invested in it and will pack items they like and enjoy.

At the grocery store, let your children pick out one fruit or vegetable they've never had before and pack it in their lunch so they are excited to try it.

Finally, celebrate the special days in their life. Pack an all red and pink lunch for Valentine's Day or cut their sandwich into football shape on game day to keep them guessing, interested and excited.

These are just a few ideas to get started. Numerous recipes, articles and ideas can be found online. Remember that developing healthful habits early in life can help lead to a lifelong improvement in overall eating habits.



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- Mail your prescription along with a completed mail order form to Express Scripts Inc., P.O. Box 52150, Phoenix, Az. 85072-9954.

The first shipment will usually arrive within two weeks.

Switching to home delivery can also save money — \$38 for every brand-name drug compared to using a network pharmacy. In addition, there is no copay for a 90-day supply of generic drugs. Express Scripts stocks all drugs on the TRICARE formulary.



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Saluting this Basic Combat Training cycle's honorees

DRILL SERGEANTS OF THE CYCLE



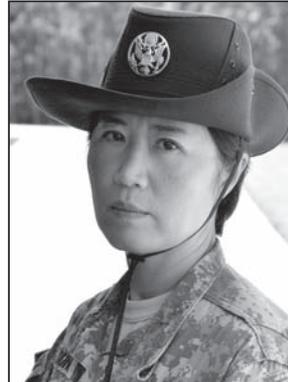
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September Promotions

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FOX, Michael W.	MAJ
MARIN, Lashawn M.	CPT
TAYLOR, Jeremy L.	CPT
HOLLOWAY, Douglas C.	MSG
KING, Alvin C.	MSG
KING, Lisa M.	MSG
McDAVID, Tywan A.	MSG
DAHL, Felicia M.	SFC
KENNEDY, Robert W.	SSG
MILLS, Shaneeka T.	SSG
SMITH, Tanja D.	SSG
CHAVARRIA, Jairo A.	SGT
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DRILL SERGEANT ANNIVERSARY

In celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Army's drill sergeant program, TRADOC will host several events Sept. 12 at the U.S. Army Drill Sergeant School. The Drill Sergeant School will host an outdoor social with catered dinner, various vendors, static displays and other activities. All past and present drill sergeants are asked to bring their campaign hats to the drill sergeant hat social. This event will be capped off with a mass formation photo, followed by a cake-cutting ceremony to officially celebrate the program's anniversary. A time capsule will be unveiled that allows drill sergeants to add their own piece of history. The time capsule will be sealed and won't be opened for 25 years. Drill sergeants may also purchase a personalized drill sergeant brick paver with their names and dates served on the trail engraved. The brick pavers will be placed near the drill sergeant time capsule. To register for the hat social, visit www.armydrillsergeants.com

- The events scheduled for Sept. 12 are:
- Run with the drill sergeants, 6 a.m., Drill Sergeant School
 - Breakfast, 7 a.m., NCO Club
 - Drill sergeant Hall of Fame induction ceremony, 11 a.m., Drill Sergeant School
 - Drill Sergeant School tour and history showcase, 1 p.m., Drill Sergeant School
 - Drill sergeant hat social and photo, 4 p.m., Drill Sergeant School





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, Magruder Chapel
 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/EPISCOPAL

■ 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