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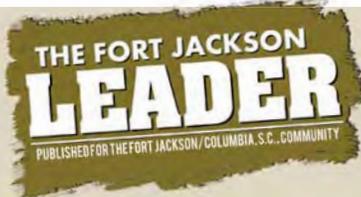
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Staff Sgt. Brian Dolan applies camouflage to his face and equipment during the third day of testing at the Expert Infantry Badge qualification. **SEE PAGE 11**



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If you submit an article on an event that already has taken place, please send it as soon as possible. Tuesday is the last day we will be able to accept an article for publication the following Thursday. Include the date and place of the event, as well as a description of what took place. Please include quotations, if possible. With any photo you submit, include IDs — rank, unit, and first and last names.

Questions? Call 751-7045.

SATURDAY

Big Day Out

Fort Jackson Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation will host a Big Day Out/Earth Day celebration 8 a.m. Saturday at Patriots Park, located in front of the Robert B. Solomon Center. Registration for the run can be completed online until noon Friday. Late registration is between 6:45 - 7:45 a.m. The run will start at 8 a.m. Online registering is easy, just visit <https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil> and add to race to your cart and continue as guest. No webtrac account required. For more information call 751-4177.

Boy Scout Pinewood Derby.

11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the 81st Regional Support Command building, 81 Wildcat Way. Fort Jackson Boy Scout Troop 89 conducts annual Pinewood Derby.

APRIL 19

Safety Symposium

The Installation Safety Office will be hosting the 2016 Safety Symposium 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 19 at the Solomon Center. There will be prizes, games and safety information available at the symposium. For more information call David Peters at 751-8063.

Career Awareness Event

10 a.m. until 1 p.m., Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222. Open to military spouses and surviving spouses. Pre-registration is not required for this event. For more information call 751-9460/5452.

APRIL 22

165th Infantry Brigade SHARP Run: 6-7 a.m., Patton Field.

APRIL 26

Professional Mentorship Network-Female Forum

11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m., NCO Club. The guest speaker is Dr. Treva Anderson, lead Master Resilience Trainer-performance expert, and a certified sport psychology consultant.

Senior Leader Lecture; 3:30-4:30 p.m., Post Conference Room. The event's topic is "Motivated Logic of a Predator."

APRIL 27

Is Business Ownership Right for You?

9 a.m. until 3 p.m., Education Center Room B-205. Open to all military personnel, spouses, DOD civilians. To register call 1-888-896-9444.

Denim Day (all day). An event in which people are encouraged to wear jeans in order to raise awareness of rape and sexual assault.

APRIL 29

2nd Annual Child Abuse Prevention Month and Month of the Military Child Walk

In 1986, April was designated the Month of the Military Child. Since

MONDAY

What Would You Do: Engaging Bystanders;

11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Post Exchange. SHARP specialists will participate in live scenarios to encourage bystander intervention when witnessing sexual harassment/assault.

TUESDAY

Fort Jackson's James Webster Smith Chapter of The ROCKS, Inc.

Re-instatement interest meeting. 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Fort Jackson NCO Club. Those interested in attending should respond no later than April 7. For more information, contact Tianna Grey at Tianna.s.grey.ctr@mail.mil, or 751-8630.

APRIL 14

Garrison SHARP Awareness; 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., NCO Club. Information tables manned by SHARP specialists.

APRIL 15

OSJA Tax Day 10 Miler

6 a.m.-8 a.m., using the Army 10 Miler tryout route. The OSJA will provide personnel to support water stations, finish and start.

then, military installations, organizations and communities have created special events to pay tribute to these little military heroes. This year's walk takes place from 1-3 p.m. and begins at Pierce Terrace Elementary School. For more information, contact 751-5256.

SSI SHARP Pledge Day (all day). SHARP specialists will set up around the command footprint to encourage individuals to pledge to take a stand against sexual harassment and sexual assault.

APRIL 30

National Prescription Take Back Day

10 a.m. until 2 p.m., Fort Jackson Main Exchange. Members of the Fort Jackson Community can dispose of unused or expired prescription drugs.

JUNE 3

The 2016 National AG Corps Regimental Ball

5 p.m. until midnight, at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center, 1101 Lincoln St. Columbia. For more information, visit agnationalball.org.



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Photo by SGT. 1ST CLASS BRIAN HAMILTON, 108th Training Command

Staff Sgt. Tobias Henry, Special Troops Battalion, 171st Infantry Brigade, uses a three-second rush to bound to an alternate firing point while reacting to direct fire during Expert Infantryman Badge testing March 31 at Fort Jackson. Soldiers vying for the coveted infantry qualification were given 30 timed Army Warrior tasks to complete in addition to being tested on Army Physical Fitness, and day and night land navigation.

Task Masters: 22 Soldiers earn coveted skills badge

By **ROBERT TIMMONS**
Fort Jackson Leader

It wasn't an April Fool's joke.

After some of the toughest testing in the Army, including a 12-mile forced march during a thunderstorm with torrential rains, 22 infantry Soldiers on Fort Jackson were awarded the Expert Infantryman Badge in a ceremony April 1 at the Post Theater.

Once the rain-soaked Soldiers sloshed through the rain and successfully navigated Objective Bull, where they would treat and move a simulated casualty, they would be assured of earning the coveted badge.

"It's a different experience every time," said Sgt. 1st Class Troy Cochran, an infantryman with Special Troops Battalion. "Last year the road march got me at Fort Bragg, but this year I came down and did it fine at (two hours, 46

minutes)."

During the week-long testing infantrymen had to complete the 12-mile march in under 3 hours. They also had to pass an Army Physical Fitness Test by scoring at least 80 in each category, successfully complete day and night land navigation, and pass weapons, medical and patrol tasks. If a Soldier received a no-go during lane testing they could retest the task, but they wouldn't be allowed a third.

Some Soldiers already had two no-gos they retested and passed but when it came to the hand grenade portion they were "blade running." The term refers to Soldiers not being able to have another no-go.

"For those guys who are blade running, who come up to the hand grenade station, (they) have the weight of the world on their shoulders," said Master Sgt. Aaron Smith, the patrol lane non-commissioned officer-in-charge from

the 193rd Infantry Brigade. "This is a tough station and the pressure is on."

First Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment's senior enlisted leader, Command Sgt. Maj. Christopher Barnard said EIB testing is one of the toughest challenges in the Army even though it has changed in recent years.

"The process for the last few years has been changing," he said. "The Army has been looking at different techniques on how to conduct the tasks and this year it has gone back to the EIB testing in the late 1990s, early 2000s where it has been by event. What I mean by this you have an individual task where NCOs and Soldiers go up and study that task, conduct that task and be graded on it."

Cochran completed the EIB testing with all first-time gos earning the title of "true blue."

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It's a different experience every time.

— Sgt. 1st Class
Troy Cochran
Special Troops Battalion

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Photos by MAJ. MICHELLE LUNATO

Ruth Branham, a volunteer with the River Alliance Organization, sets the scene of this particular location at Congaree Creek Heritage Preserve in Cayce, S.C. to Army Reserve Soldiers from the 108th Training Command (Initial Entry Training) on March 24. The educational tour was part of the 108th's combined Best Warrior and Drill Sergeant of the Year competitions at Fort Jackson.

Applying history to the future

Soldier competitions take a detour through America's past

By MAJ. MICHELLE LUNATO
98th Training Division

In today's evolving environment, Army Reserve Soldiers must take fervor for the job and combine it with complex and diverse training.

Traditional skills of shooting, moving, and communicating are still important, but today's Citizen-Soldiers must also know their history, and how it applies to their futures, said Maj. Gen. Mark McQueen, commander of the 108th Training Command, as a group of Soldiers gathered at the Congaree Creek Heritage Preserve in Cayce, South Carolina on March 24.

"History really helps us understand that dimension of leadership," he said.

Testing and building on leadership was exactly why the Soldiers stood at the historical site.

For four days preceding their tour to Congaree Creek, Soldiers of the 108th had been competing in a combined Best Warrior and

Drill Sergeant of the Year competition at Fort Jackson, a competition that included everything from weapons qualification to essay writing to a 12-mile ruck march. Their final task was the historical tour and a lesson on how battles of the past apply to today's Army.

Allen Skinner, Command Historian, 81st Regional Support Command, said adding applied history as an element to the competitions helps our future leaders learn from the past.

"These are already the best and the brightest who will turn into our future sergeant majors and command sergeant majors," he said. "It's our job to develop them."

As the Soldiers walked through the site, volunteers from the River Alliance Organization, most whom were veterans themselves, explained the historic battle's tactical details. They pointed out topographical challenges, passed around civil-war ammunition shells discovered in the area, and held up displays of weapons from that time period.



Command Sgt. Maj. James P. Wills, interim command sergeant major of the Army Reserve, and Maj. Gen. Mark McQueen, commander of the 108th Training Command (Initial Entry Training), thank Cayce Mayor Elise Partin for greeting Soldiers at a tour of Congaree Creek Heritage Preserve.



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ARMY BIRTHDAY
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Save the Date

Army to mark 241 years of service this summer

The Army will celebrate its 241st birthday June 18 this year at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center.

Active and retired service members and Army civilian employees who want to celebrate the Army's 241st birthday with an evening of dining, dancing and entertainment, should purchase their tickets as soon as possible.

There are a limited number of seats, and tickets are sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

The ball is being hosted by the Association of the United States Army and will be held at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center, located at 1101 Lincoln St., Columbia.

Tickets are available online at <https://armyball16-fortjacksonpalmettochapter.eventbrite.com>. Ticket prices are \$25 for GS-7/E-7 and below and \$40 for GS-8/E-8 and above.

The Army Birthday Ball is a formal event, and attire for civilians is formal evening wear or black tie. Military uniform is the Army Service Uniform; Mess Dress/Dress Blues.

Childcare will be available at the Hood Street Child Development Center. Children must be registered with CYS in order to take advantage of the program. Cost is \$20 per child; additional children from the same Family are \$18 per child. Children will be served dinner and have an Army Birthday party as well. Hours of operation for childcare will be from 4–11 p.m.

Registration with CYS must be submitted no later than 27 May for screening/approval.

C.C. Pinckney students accept egg drop challenge

C.C. Pinckney Elementary School will be holding an Egg Drop Challenge at 8:30 a.m. April 13. During the challenge students will build a "home" for an egg to protect it from drops of more 15 feet. The "homes" can be built from any material, but cannot have a volume greater than 1 cubic foot.

The Fort Jackson Fire Department will help with the testing phase of the egg drop challenge. We will begin dropping the egg "homes" from about 15 feet and proceeding higher until the last failure (or 100 feet whichever comes first.) Parents are welcome to attend, but are asked to park at the Teen Center SKIES parking lots and walk over to the school.

The deadline for egg drop containers to submitted tomorrow.



Photo by ROBERT TIMMONS

A Soldier stands ready to begin the 193rd Infantry Brigade's run to support the Army's Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month. 'Sexual assault and sexual harassment is a cancer within our ranks,' said Col. Milford Beagle, the 193rd commander. 'We have to eliminate that cancer.' The run is just one of many events taking place on post this month.

Not on my post

Soldiers kick off awareness month

By ROBERT TIMMONS
Fort Jackson Leader

There is no better place to teach Soldiers that sexual assault and sexual harassment are not compatible with Army life than Basic Combat Training.

The 193rd Infantry Brigade aimed to teach the Soldiers in Training in its ranks how harassment needed to be stamped out during a brigade run April 5 as part of the Army's Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month.

This year's theme is "Sexual Assault. Sexual Harassment. Not in Our Army."

"Sexual assault and sexual harassment is a cancer within our ranks," said Col. Milford Beagle, the 193rd commander. "We have to eliminate that cancer."

"The Sergeant Major of the Army has an initiative called 'Not in my Squad,'" he added. "To eliminate that cancer we have to expand on that initiative for it's not only not in my squad, it's not in my platoon, it's not in my company, it's not in my battalion, and it is certainly not in my brigade."

During the run, Soldiers were asked to reflect on how they can be part of the solution to the sexual assault and harassment problem.

"All over the Army April is Sexual Assault Sexual Harassment Prevention Month," said Maj. Gen. Roger Cloutier, Fort Jackson commander, to the assembled brigade before the run. "We cannot be bystanders in this problem. People talk about it all the time and I see

reports of it every day and as your brigade commander said, it is a cancer. Yet it occurs every day all over our Army and it undermines the readiness of our formation. You can't be a bystander. If you see an incident or you see something, you have to have the courage to act."

Sexual assault and harassment takes many forms, Cloutier said.

"It's not just male on male, male on female, female on female," Cloutier said. "It comes in many forms and it is not based on gender. We have to keep our eyes open and have it become part of culture as we transform from civilians into Soldiers. It sounds like everyone in the formation will do the right thing."

He added Soldiers must look out for each other because "We are our brothers' and our sisters' keepers."

It's imperative for Soldiers, especially those on Fort Jackson, to fight harassment.

"Bottom line is that what we do here at Fort Jackson is create readiness for the Army. We build Soldiers who can go out and fight our nation's wars. Anything that detracts from combat readiness has to be removed from our formations."

The post's SAAPM events began Monday with Fort Jackson SHARP specialists handing out educational materials at the gates and will continue throughout the month with various events such as live scenarios at the Exchange, the Garrison SHARP Awareness program at the NCO Club April 14, a senior leader lecture April 26, and a Denim Day April 27.



Photo by JENNIFER STRIDE

The scenic route

Columbia City Manager Teresa Wilson and 12 members of her team came Wednesday to Fort Jackson for briefings and a post tour. Garrison Commander, Col. James Ellerson Jr., hosted the event to identify new opportunities and continue bolstering important partnerships.

Army mulling ‘grass roots’ bystander intervention program

By **C. TODD LOPEZ**
Army News Service

Master Sgt. Jeff Fenlason asked about 25 people to close their eyes and imagine a fictional scenario involving somebody they care about.

“Imagine a party. You’re not at the party, but you can see it. Like they removed the roof of the house and you are looking down at it. And you think about the person you love most in the world. The party is getting late and they are getting ready to leave. And they go to the back room to get their coat and they are followed there by a person who begins to assault them. And as the assault goes on, a third party opens the door, looks in, then closes the door and walks away.”

Fenlason is with Division Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia and serves as the noncommissioned officer-in-charge of their “bystander intervention program” — a program he helped create and which might right now be the only one of its kind in the Army.

Two questions followed the scenario Fenlason posed during his April 4 presentation at the Pentagon, a shortened version of the one he offers to Soldiers around the Army.

The first of those questions: “How do you feel about the person assaulting your loved one?”

“I want to stop them,” was one answer. “I want to hurt them,” was another answer. “I want to kill them,” was the most extreme.

And a second question: “How do you feel about the person that did nothing to stop it?”

“Angry” and “they are worthless,” were two answers. A more detailed answer: “I was thinking that the person being assaulted was my niece, who is in college now. And I was thinking what if the third party was my daughter. Well maybe my daughter would be at risk if she tried to do something. But there comes a point where you have to be brave and do something.”

How bystanders to crimes or other emergencies behave, whether they identify a situation as one that needs to be intervened on, and whether they are themselves willing to intervene or choose instead to do nothing, was the focus of Fenlason’s presentation.

What he discussed is the result of nearly three years now of practice and development that was kicked off in the spring of 2013 when he was part of 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, and was asked to look at how things could be done differently in his brigade when it comes to stopping sexual assaults.

“We went looking if we could make a difference and end sexual assault in my brigade,” he said. “We started looking at how SHARP training was done, and what their data said. But it was sort of a SHARP light.”

Where they were headed, he said, “wasn’t really much different than the current SHARP training.”

Bystander intervention is a sociological word, not a brand or a title.

— **Master Sgt. Jeff Fenlason**

Division Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 3rd Infantry Division

ACS plans finance seminars in April

In support of Financial Literacy Month, the Army Community Service Financial Readiness Program will conduct a series of “Lunch & Learn” seminars throughout April. Each event takes place from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at the NCO Club.

This month’s seminars include:

April 5: Budget Development Seminar: Living within a budget is an important skill to master. Having an established budget creates balance in your life, improves marital relationships while realizing your financial goals. This seminar will explain not only how to build your budget and set financial goals, but will also provide you with creative ways to decrease your spending.

April 12: All About Credit Seminar: This seminar will teach you techniques to establish credit, impact of negative/positive items on your credit reports & scores, choosing credit cards & loans and how to properly utilize your credit so you are not swimming in debt.

April 19: Out of Debt Seminar: Learn how to reduce your spending, calculate your debt to income ratio, techniques to eliminate debt and what to do when the debt gets out of control.

April 26: Identity Theft Seminar: Identity thieves can drain your bank account, run up charges on your credit cards, open new utility accounts, etc. Learn how to minimize your exposure and the steps to follow if you become a victim of this continually growing crime.

For more information contact Shawn M. Smith at 751-5256.



Photos by SGT. 1ST CLASS BRIAN HAMILTON, 108th Training Command

Soldiers vying for the coveted infantry qualification were given 30 timed Army Warrior tasks to complete last week, and were required to complete the Army Physical Fitness test and a variety of land navigation challenges. This year, 22 Fort Jackson Soldiers earned the coveted skills badge.

Badge

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He said it was an “outstanding” honor because “this year when I got looked at for master sergeant they just clicked next. To actually having the EIB now is a lot of weight off my shoulders.”

Even though the testing is difficult Soldiers must push through it.

“Keep driving. You’ve got to get it as an infantry Soldier,” said Cochran, a 13-year infantryman. “I mean all your junior Soldiers are going to look up to you – it’s going to be hard for them to look up when you don’t have that badge too.”

Earning an EIB also helps create a well-rounded Soldier.

“When I was a young private the EIB was tough, challenging and really makes you focus on the tasks at hand,” Barnard said. “It really does strengthen your skill level tasks so you can be the best infantryman you can be.”

Even though he got through passing every challenge Cochran said the EIB testing wasn’t easy.

While Cochran felt the most difficult

part “was the attention to detail – absolutely,” others had trouble with land navigation and the weapons lanes he called a “blood bath.”

The EIB is notoriously hard to earn with Soldiers being disqualified for failing the ruck march by seconds.

Command Sgt. Maj. Lamont Christian, Fort Jackson’s senior enlisted leader recalled a time when one of his Soldiers struggled through the EIB testing but came out on top.

“There was a Pfc. Walker, who was my Soldier when I was a platoon sergeant, who basically went through the testing preparation and everything needed to be done to become an expert infantryman, but he had to take the foot march twice,” he said. “About mile six of the second foot march he looked me and said, ‘I don’t think I can make it Sgt. Christian.’ I said you have to because you don’t want to have to try to do this again.”

“He went on to finish the foot march that day. Now Pfc. Walker, who is a Green Beret at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, emails me once a year to say two words: thank you.”

Christian said infantrymen who have earned the badge say: “I know when I got mine” and “I’m glad I don’t have to do it again.”



The infantrymen earning EIB this year are:

- Sgt. 1st Class Troy Cochran, Special Troops Battalion
- Staff Sgt. James Bolish, Special Troops Battalion
- Sgt. Mitchell Carrion, Special Troops Battalion
- Sgt. 1st Class Casey Coombs, Special Troops Battalion
- Staff Sgt. James Davis, Special Troops Battalion
- Sgt. Mason French, Special Troops Battalion
- Staff Sgt. Tobias Henry, Special Troops Battalion
- Staff Sgt. Brian Dolan, Special Troops Battalion
- Staff Sgt. William Winstead, Special Troops Battalion
- Staff Sgt. Nicholas Birk, 1st Battalion, 61st Infantry Regiment
- Staff Sgt. Bruce Simonsen, 1st Battalion, 61st Infantry Regiment
- Staff Sgt. Brett Mensink, 3rd Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment
- Staff Sgt. Johnny Kawakami, 1st Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment
- Sgt. 1st Class Dennis Henning, 2nd Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment
- Staff Sgt. Chad Fields, 2nd Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment
- Staff Sgt. Alan Allosada, 3rd Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment
- Staff Sgt. Joshua Lokan, 2nd Battalion, 60th Infantry Regiment
- Staff Sgt. Andrew Kelly, 2nd Battalion, 60th Infantry Regiment
- Staff Sgt. Rick Baca, 2nd Battalion, 60th Infantry Regiment
- Staff Sgt. Juan Salgado, 3rd Battalion, 60th Infantry Regiment
- Staff Sgt. Christopher Bunnell, 3rd Battalion, 60th Infantry Regiment
- Staff Sgt. Joseph Quigley, 3rd Battalion, 60th Infantry Regiment



Left, Sgt. 1st Class Dennis Henning, Bravo Company, 2nd Battalion 13th Infantry Regiment, uses a three second rush to bound to his next firing point while taking direct fire during last week's Expert Infantry Badge testing. **Above**, Staff Sgt. Jonathan Martin, Charlie Company, 1st Battalion, 61st Infantry Regiment, performs rescue breathing on a simulated casualty during the second day of round robin testing. **Top**, Staff Sgt. Brian Dolan, Bravo Company, Special Troops Battalion, 171st Infantry Brigade, rushes to his next position while taking direct fire on the third day of testing.

Photos by SGT. 1ST CLASS BRIAN HAMILTON, 108th Training Command

'I BECAME A SOLDIER ...' 3RD BATTALION, 39TH INFANTRY REGIMENT

PFC. TAEHOON YOON, 22

Portland, Oregon

"I joined the Army because I wanted to serve the United States."

"Basic Combat Training helped me to have better physical and mental ability."

"My military occupational specialty is 92G – Food Service Specialist. I love to cook and enjoy when people feel good about my food."

"BCT was a great experience to me. There are amazing and highly motivated drill sergeants, and it made me an ultimate super Soldier."

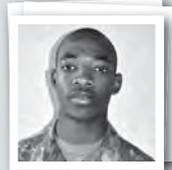


PVT. DONNIE D. DIXON, 20

Memphis, Tennessee

"I joined the Army because my father was a role model. He was an active duty infantry Soldier. Being the son of a father who served, I learned about what it would be like to serve. My father died while deployed in Iraq in 2007, and it is on me to remember my father."

"My military occupational specialty is 13D – Field Artillery. I picked it because I'm going to be hands on and involved in action."



PVT. CHEYENNE N. ABBOTT, 21

Fort Myers, Florida

"I joined the Army for camaraderie, benefits and travel."

"In Basic Combat Training I am learning many new and exciting skills."

"My MOS is 25B – Information Technology Specialist. I picked it because I thought it would guarantee me a promising career path."

"I have learned so much throughout basic training from my drill sergeants and (non-commissioned officers) and I love the Army lifestyle. I look forward to having a career in the Army."



PVT. LEXUS RAE STUART, 19

Highland, California

"It has been my dream since I could remember to be a United States Soldier. I have never want to do anything else with my life. Sometimes it doesn't feel real, like I'm living a dream."

"Basic Combat Training has taught me a lot about teamwork, which I needed."

"I'm normally very independent so it has been good for me to learn how to work as a team."



PVT. RUBY MARIA VARGAS, 20

Brooklyn, New York

"I joined the Army because I wanted to travel, meet people from around the country, world and to grow more as an individual."

The best part of Basic Combat Training was "learning how to become a Soldier and getting to know my fellow battle buddies and drill sergeants."

My MOS is "a parachute rigger. I chose to become a parachute rigger because of the thrill and excitement I will get from jumping out of the plane. Also because I get to pack parachutes for Soldiers."



PVT. MARQUET D. HARLEY, 22

Triangle, Virginia

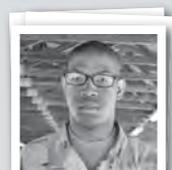
"I joined to better my life and serve my country."

The best part of basic training was "getting into good shape and being more disciplined."

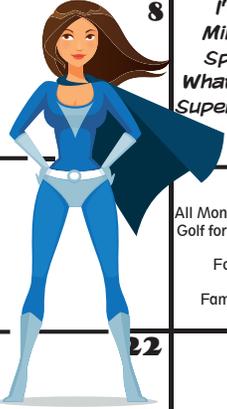
"I am a 92G – Food Service Specialist. I picked it because I want to be a chef and learn to cook."

"My Family loves me doing something for our country."

"The military basic training has a lot of ups and downs, but it is a great experience. I look to do 20 years or more and retire from the military."



MILITARY SPOUSE APPRECIATION — MAY, 2016

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1 All Month 50% off Golf for all military spouses Fort Jackson Golf Club Family & MWR 787-4437	2 Thank a Military Spouse 	3 ACS Create a Professional Image seminar* Learn how to sharpen your professional image 1 spouse will win free makeover Strom Thurmond Bldg Rm 222 10-11:30 am.	4 Military Spouses stop by ACS today & pick up a FREE copy of Military Spouse magazine Strom Thurmond Bldg, Rm 222	5 ACS Newcomers Orientation NCO Club 8 am Spouse attendees eligible for door prize	6 Spouse Appreciation Day Cake Cutting Ceremony Door Prizes Fashion Show 11 am - 1 pm Fort Jackson Post Main Exchange Food Court	7  Have you kissed your military spouse today?
8 	9 I'm a Military Spouse What's your Superpower?	10 ACS Supercharge You-Renew Mind, Body & Soul seminar* Strom Thurmond Bldg, Rm 222 10 am - 12 pm	11 All Month 50% off Golf for all military spouses Fort Jackson Golf Club Family & MWR 787-4437	12 Military Spouse Employment www.msejobs.org	13 Military Spouses Rock! Military Spouses Get 50% off Golf Fees all Month	14 Victory Bingo Military Spouses \$20 off Reg. Games 4:30 - 7:30 pm 12500 Huger St. 751-3411
16 All Month 50% off Golf for all military spouses Fort Jackson Golf Club Family & MWR 787-4437	17 ACS Coupon Craze seminar* Learn to double & triple coupon values. Bring coupons to swap. Strom Thurmond Bldg, Rm 222 10 am - 11 am	 www.sos.army.mil	18 Total Wellness Workout 10 am - 12 pm Solomon Ctr. Aerobics Rm Bring a towel	19 ACS Jeopardy* 10 am - 12 pm Test your ACS Knowledge! Strom Thurmond Bldg, Rm 222 Fun, snacks, laughter	20 ACS Jeopardy* 10 am - 12 pm Test your ACS Knowledge! Strom Thurmond Bldg, Rm 222 Fun, snacks, laughter	21 Buddy Bingo Bring your spouse, friend, etc. & BOGO! Reg. Games 4:30 - 7:30 pm 751-3411
22 Century Lanes Bowling & Food Special Offer 1-7 pm See May 28 for details 751-6138	23 	24 Family & MWR Military Spouse Clothing Swap Bring your gently used items to swap for "new." 1-4 pm. Community Center Fort Jackson Family Homes 520 Brown Ave	25 Spouse Education & Career Opportunities (SECO) www.militaryonesource.mil/education-and-employment	26 PROUD to be a military spouse it doesn't get EASIER you just get STRONGER	27 All Month 50% off Golf for all military spouses Fort Jackson Golf Club Family & MWR 787-4437	28 Century Lanes 50% off bowling for military spouses or couples. Includes game & shoe. Free 16 oz soft drink for spouses. 10% off all food orders. 12 - 8 pm
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But then he had a chance discussion with a professional at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, who he said was dealing with a similar set of young people there, with a similar set of problems as the Army when it comes to sexual assault.

There, he said, he heard this for the first time: “we have to empower the good people in the world to step up,” Fenlason said. “And that made all the change in the world. Then we started looking at bystander intervention.”

“Bystander intervention is a sociological word, not a brand or a title,” Fenlason said. “It speaks to the phenomenon of why people involve themselves, or don’t involve themselves in a variety of situations. Once we understood the science behind that, we were able to put it into the Army culture.”

The Bystander Effect

The bystander effect, Fenlason said, “refers to the phenomenon in which the greater the numbers of people that are present, the less likely those people are to help a person in distress.”

One explanation for that phenomenon, he said, includes the diminished level of personal responsibility that is felt when there are more people around.

Fenlason cited a July 4, 2015, situation on the subway in Washington, D.C., to illustrate the bystander effect. Then, a man was killed after having been stabbed 30 to 40 times, and there were plenty of others on the subway, Fenlason said.

But nobody responded or offered assistance, Fenlason said. Quoting a newspaper story regarding the incident, Fenlason said that one man reported he had felt he could have done something, because he thought he was big enough to, and felt confident that if he had acted others would have assisted too – but he then opted to do nothing. He didn’t take the first step.

“Then you drop down three paraphrases in the story,” Fenlason said. “It says law enforcement showed up and told them they’d done the right thing, because the perpetrator had a knife. You let the professionals handle it. We’ve gotten to a culture where you always let the professionals handle it? So that makes it somebody else’s problem.”

But he confirmed that no matter how many others are present – an individual, including a Soldier – always maintains 100-percent responsibility for their own choice to do the right thing. Increased numbers of bystanders doesn’t decrease their personal responsibility, he said.

Fenlason said Soldier intervention to stop a sexual assault, for instance, might be a tough call, especially if by intervening the Soldier feels he might get himself in trouble. Intervention could lead to a fight, he said. And a fight could lead to the police being called. And a Soldier in a fight who has been drinking underage might find himself arrested and in trouble with his command. Fear of that, Fenlason said, might prevent a Soldier from trying to do the right thing.

To get Soldiers to feel confident enough to value stopping a rape or an assault over the repercussions they might face personally for intervening requires that Soldiers have confidence that their leadership has their back.

“If I don’t trust that my chain of command will hear me out and will listen and invest in me, then I won’t get involved,” Fenlason said.

Another explanation for the bystander effect, he said, is that bystanders feel the need to “behave in correct and socially acceptable ways.” When other observers fail to react, he said, individuals often take that as a signal that a response is not needed or appropriate.



Army News Service photo

Master Sgt. Jeff Fenlason, Division Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Ga., discusses bystander intervention during an April 4 briefing at the Pentagon.

“Everybody wants to be on a team,” he said. “The problem is we have to figure out how to tell them what the team means, at the local level. It has to be about what does it mean to be a member of this squad, this platoon, this company. How do we do business? Who’s setting the norms?”

That answer has to come from the team leader or the squad leader, Fenlason said.

“In a safety brief on a Friday, instead of telling Soldiers not to do the things they already know not to do, we can instead lay things out in scenarios,” he said, offering up one of the scenarios he uses in training.

“You’re at a party and you see a couple go upstairs,” he said. “A couple minutes later you see three other dudes going upstairs laughing and giggling. You go up to see what’s going on and they have got her across the bed. One dude says ‘hey man, you can either stick around or go back downstairs. She’s giving up turns for the deployment. What are you going to do?’”

Discussion of that scenario, he said, happens at the unit. “You do it on Friday afternoon. You do it out loud. You do it at formation.”

There are a lot of different “right” answers about how to intervene, he said. Men and women, for instance, will react differently.

“There are four dudes in there already intending on raping a girl,” he said. “A female may leave and call somebody for help – she doesn’t want to be victim No. 2. A guy may go in and start a fight. Somebody else may call the cops. Somebody else may pull the plug on the stereo, or do anything to create a distraction. They are all fine answers. They are all okay. They are all doing something.”

“I often tell people if I was in charge of a unit today, I wouldn’t tell you what to do. I would expect, I would demand intervention. When it’s an emergency, you intervene.”

That conversation that starts Friday afternoon before the weekend continues the following week, he said, throughout the unit. “In the motor pool, it’s ‘maintenance Monday,’ and somebody says ‘hey first sergeant, Johnny’s full of crap, that’s not what he would have done.’”

And the first sergeant, Fenlason said, takes that as a cue to continue the conversation there on the spot. In that way, he said, the conversation on how to intervene, and

the expectation of the unit that Soldiers will intervene, is ongoing.

“It becomes part of the fabric of that unit. It’s full-time work. It takes an invested chain of command a lot of time if they want to have that positive effect,” Fenlason said. “They have to reclaim defining what it means to be a member of that organization. If you don’t do it, the kid in the barracks will do it for you. We need leadership to spend a lot of time talking about what it means to be ‘Manchu,’ or whatever that unit label is.

“We want to educate at the lower level what it means to be a member of this organization,” he said. “This organization treats women how? This organization treats people of color how? Or, this organization treats people with different sexual orientations how?”

Fenlason’s presentation was condensed down from about the three hours or more that’s presented to Soldiers at units across the Army, and it was put on at the Pentagon as part of Sexual Assault Prevention and Response month here.

Sgt. 1st Class Genita M. Ruffin, with the Army’s Inspector General, and Staff Sgt. Kris Campbell, with the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, both attended the presentation and say they found it to be more engaging and more effective than training they have had in the past.

“This goes completely against the standard ‘check-the-block’ training,” said Campbell, who is an infantryman by his military occupational specialty. “This is the total opposite of that. It’s a complete breath of fresh air. It’s not cover-your-ass training. It’s what needs to be said, no matter how uncomfortable or taboo it is. This right here would completely change everything.”

Ruffin, who is a petroleum supply specialist by her MOS, was also on board with what she heard.

“This here was awesome training,” she said. “I think this training should go to the units, to be an eye-opener to everybody. I think this right here, with the new generation of Soldiers coming into the Army? They need to hear this. That’s how I feel.”

Fenlason said that the bystander intervention training he and his team at 3rd Infantry Division have developed is spreading across the Army – and they are the ones making that happen.

'There are no barriers'

Army opens infantry, armor roles to women

By **DAVID VERGUN**
Army News Service

As of April 1, all positions in 19 series armor, 11 series infantry, and the 13F forward observer specialty are open to women.

Women who enlist for the newly-opened specialties beginning Friday will ship to basic combat training later this year.

What it means, though, is all of the traditional combat-arms branches are now open to both female officers and enlisted.

The only remaining military occupational specialties not yet open to women are Rangers and Special Forces.

Brig. Gen. Donna W. Martin, deputy commanding general for operations, U.S. Army Recruiting Command, Fort Knox, Kentucky, said she anticipates that Special Forces will soon follow.

As it did with the other combat-arms specialties, the Army wants officers and noncommissioned officers in place before new female Soldiers head to infantry and armor units, Martin said. With this "leaders first approach," the Army will have women to serve as role models as well as mentors for new female Soldiers in the unit.

That approach affects the training timeline.

Female officers will go through their combat arms basic courses later this fall and then they'll head to their units, she said.

Women who enlist for the newly-opened MOSs will ship to their basic combat training locations "after we get the female leaders in place," Martin said.

That buys time to get new infrastructure and cadre in place for the women.

Last year, the 12B combat engineer and 13B and 13D artillery MOSs opened to women.

"We haven't seen a flood of young women who want to join the combat arms," but this is about the opportunity and women understanding there are no barriers stopping them from selecting any career they choose in the Army, Martin said.

Although she couldn't forecast the future, Martin said she suspects that over time, the trend could change as women enter combat arms specialties and serve as role models.

"Look at the three female Rangers who completed Ranger school. I think young girls are saying 'if they can do it, I can do it too,'" she said.

They inspired not just Soldiers, but women across

America, she added.

The culture is changing and in many ways has already changed with regard to women in combat arms specialties, Martin said.

Over the last 15 years, multitudes of women have deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan, where the traditional front line was blurred, she said.

"Women have held their own in combat and proven themselves over and over again. Our operators have seen that for many, many years. So, they're ready for this," she said.

"As I speak to our recruiting force, they welcome it as well," she added. "They don't see this as a big deal. They believe that as long as the standards don't change -- and they won't -- everyone should have the same opportunities. When you put on our uniform and when you join our family, it doesn't matter what gender you are."

Martin said when she asks Soldiers if they have daughters, a good number say "yes."

She said she then challenges them. "How would you feel if someone told your daughter she could not do something? They all agree that if their daughters wanted to do something, they should have the opportunity. What an exciting time this is for our Army and for the United States."



Fifi, an 11-year-old miniature poodle shows off one of her many spring outfits Sunday during the April Foolish Dog Show at Fort Jackson.

Dog Day Afternoon

Fort Jackson's best pets strut their stuff at 'April Foolish' event

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Fifi, an 11-year-old miniature poodle, and her owner Oracio Saiz, take a break Sunday, between events during the April Foolish Dog Show at Fort Jackson.

This year's categories included best kisser, vocal performance

By JENNIFER STRIDE
Fort Jackson Leader

A variety of dogs, attended by their owners, paraded around the youth sports complex Sunday, showing off their best canine attributes during the April Foolish Dog Show at Fort Jackson.

The canines competed to see who the best kisser was and who was the hairiest; who had the prettiest eyes, the longest tail, and the longest ears; who could do the coolest trick and who could give the best vocal performance; who was most diva-like and who was least obedient; who looked most like a celebrity or their owner and who was the cutest puppy.

Simba, a five-year-old Collie, "won longest tail, hairiest, who looked most like a celebrity (Lassie), and best vocal performance," said his owner, Cindy Martinez.

Awards were also given for best senior, most

mysterious heritage, cutest puppy and best costume.

Prizes up for grabs were gift baskets containing a litany of festive dog bowls, balls, chew toys and other pet essentials.

Oracio Saiz, looking at the multiple prizes his 11-year-old toy poodle Fifi had won, said, "All the extra stuff I can't use, I'll donate it to the S.P.C.A."

The final category was 'Ya Gotta Love Me,' where the pets gave their best smiles, barks, wags and wiggles, trying to outshine one another.

All of the dogs won prizes, but more importantly had a good time, got some exercise and were able to enjoy a beautiful spring day outside with other dogs and their owners.

"We were happy to see all the dogs," said Theresa O'Hagan, one of the event coordinators. "If they're happy, we're happy."

The next show, followed by time for the dogs to frolic in the water at the post water park, will be held at Patriot Park Sept. 10.

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We were happy to see all the dogs. If they're happy, we're happy.

— Theresa O'Hagan
Fort Jackson FMWR



Simba, a five-year-old collie, looks around the field after winning first place for hairiest dog.



Callie, a one-year-old lab mix, rests with her owners, Terrell Murphy, Miyun You and baby Jaeyun Murphy, after the dog's antics earned her first place in the 'cutest puppy' category.

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HONORS

Saluting this BCT cycle's honorees

DRILL SERGEANTS OF THE CYCLE. Photos by OITHIP PICKERT, Public Affairs Office.



**Staff Sgt.
Nathan Teasley**
Alpha Company
3rd Battalion,
39th Infantry Regiment



**Sgt.
April Turner**
Bravo Company
3rd Battalion,
39th Infantry Regiment



**Sgt.
Tanya Carroll**
Charlie Company
3rd Battalion,
39th Infantry Regiment



**Staff Sgt.
Regina Lawe**
Delta Company
3rd Battalion,
39th Infantry Regiment



**Sgt.
Natalie Clark**
Echo Company
3rd Battalion,
39th Infantry Regiment

**HONOR GRADUATE
OF THE CYCLE**
Pvt. Adrain Oliman

**HONOR GRADUATE
OF THE CYCLE**
Pvt. Adam Rhodes

**HONOR GRADUATE
OF THE CYCLE**
Pvt. Eric Coleman

**HONOR GRADUATE
OF THE CYCLE**
Pfc. Devin Purvis

**HONOR GRADUATE
OF THE CYCLE**
Pvt. Akheem Riley

**SOLDIER LEADER
OF THE CYCLE**
Pvt. Noah Mock

**SOLDIER LEADER
OF THE CYCLE**
Spc. Olivia Lacroix

**SOLDIER LEADER
OF THE CYCLE**
Pfc. Joshua Franguero

**SOLDIER LEADER
OF THE CYCLE**
Pvt. Ruby Vargas

**SOLDIER LEADER
OF THE CYCLE**
Pvt. Brian Woolford

HIGH BRM
Pvt. Adrain Oliman

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Pvt. Ryan Larson

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Pvt. Anthony Tate

HIGH BRM
Pvt. John Lombardo

HIGH BRM
Pvt. William Holguin

HIGH APFT
Pvt. Adrain Oliman

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Pvt. Kyle Butzine

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Pvt. Josie Thuman

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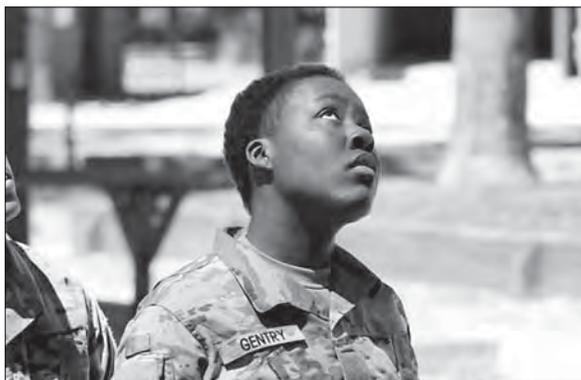
Photo story by **ROBERT TIMMONS**

The Confidence Course is an element of training that has remained virtually unchanged since World War I.

Fort Jackson's course is made up of 24 individual and team obstacles such as the Slide to Victory, the Skyscraper, the Belly Buster, and the Wall Hanger. Fueled by encouragement from their teammates, Soldiers must persevere to conquer these obstacles designed to test their strength, endurance, and problem solving abilities.



Pvt. Kaytlin Potter, a Soldier in Training with Delta Company, 1st Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment pulls herself over the inclining wall obstacle at the Fort Jackson Confidence Course, April 5. To navigate the obstacle Soldiers approach the underside of the wall, jump up and pull themselves over. Some SITs were having trouble navigating the wall until drill sergeants explained the easiest way was to grab the top of the wall and push themselves up with their arms and then swing their legs over.



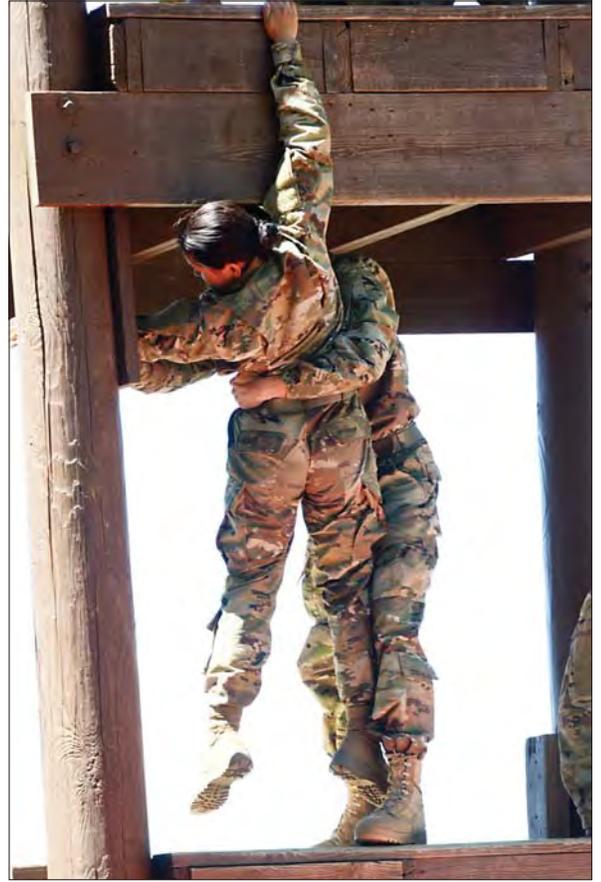
Pvt. Shanta Gentry, a Soldier in Training with Delta Company, 1st Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment, looks nervously up at the inverted rope descent obstacle.

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It's a long way to the top

Above, Staff Sgt. Arienne Gower, a drill sergeant with Delta Company, 1st Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment and safety for the confidence climb obstacle, watches a Soldier in Training safely navigate the obstacle. In the climb, Soldiers climb up a large ladder with rungs of various distances using their arms and legs to pull them to the top. At the top, the troops would slide their legs over and climb down the other side. **Right**, Soldiers team up to complete the Skyscraper task.





Building teamwork, character

Having a successful military career requires self-confidence and team work. Soldiers in Training from Delta Company, 1st Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment help each through the Skyscraper obstacle, left, and the Five Walls obstacle, right, at the Fort Jackson Confidence Course April 5. Drill sergeants mentor and guide Soldiers in Training through the obstacle ensuring the confidence course is navigated safely.

HAPPENINGS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AER SCHOLARSHIPS

The application period for the Army Emergency Relief scholarship is open until May 1. AER supports the Spouse Scholarship Program – for full- or part-time students – and the Maj. Gen. James Ursano Scholarship Program for dependent children who are full-time students. Applicants must provide grade transcripts, the Student Aid Report from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid and a Soldier's Leave and Earnings Statement. AER awards needs-based scholarships of varying amounts. Information on both scholarships is available at www.aerhq.org or by contacting Angela Crosland at 751-5256.

MACH SICK CALL

The Moncrief Army Community Hospital sick call – in the Urgent Care Clinic/Integrated Medical Health Home waiting room – is for only permanent-party members on active duty whose primary-care managers are at the hospital or Moncrief Medical Home. Soldiers in training will be seen at McWethy Troop Medical Clinic. Sick call is for acute care only. Appointments for routine care will not be made during sick call hours. Patients may sign in from 5-7 a.m. Monday through Friday (excluding training/federal holidays), or call in for appointment at 751-4464. The sick call appointment line will not schedule appointments after 7 a.m. Prospective patients must be signed in or call before 7 a.m. to schedule a same-day appointment. For other appointments, call 751-CARE (2273) between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.

24/7 TRICARE NURSE HELPLINE

TRICARE's Nurse Advice Line provides instant access to a team of registered

nurses who can answer urgent and acute health-care questions, giving TRICARE beneficiaries assessments of their symptoms and suggesting what next steps to take. For toll-free assistance with urgent medical needs 24/7, call 1-800-TRICARE (874-2273) and press option 1.

PERSONAL VEHICLE SAFETY

Soldiers and Department of Defense civilians should be aware that some of their personal vehicles are subject to manufacturers' safety recalls. Vehicle owners may see whether their vehicles are subject to recall by visiting vinrcl.safercar.gov/vin/.

FOR FAMILIES

■ Army Community Service will offer citizenship classes from 6-7:30 p.m. Monday evenings, at the Sandhills Branch of the Richland County Library and 8:30-10 a.m. Fridays in Room 222 of the Strom Thurmond Building on post. Classes will prepare permanent legal residents for citizenship. For information, call 751-5518.

■ The Foreign-Born Spouse Group is an opportunity for those from different cultures to meet and get to know one another, and to become more familiar with life in America. For information, call 751-1124/9770.

■ Those needing to brush up on their English may attend classes on English as a Second Language. Classes and materials are free to ID cardholders and DOD employees. For information, call 751-1124, or email Miranda.O.Broadus.civ@mail.mil.

■ The Hearts Apart support group aims to help Families who are separated from their Soldiers. For information, call 751-9770/1124.

■ On-post mothers are invited to "No

Excuses, Mom" weekly exercise sessions. Those living in the Balfour Beatty communities meet at 8:30 a.m. Tuesdays at 520 Brown Ave. Residents of other communities meet at the SKIES building at 6100 Chesnut Road. Participants should provide their own water, towels and mats.

HOUSING NEWS

■ Hours for Balfour Beatty Community Center are 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

■ If you will be on leave for an extended period, call the work-order desk at 803-787-6416 to ask housing personnel to check on your house while you are away.

THRIFT SHOP NEWS

■ The Thrift Shop, located at 413 Lee Road in the Mini Mall, is now accepting summer clothing. Call 803-787-2153 for information or visit 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, or 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday.

■ Consignment hours are 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays and bookkeeping hours 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

■ Family Readiness Groups are encouraged to participate in the Thrift Shop's Adopt-A-Day program to earn money. For more information call 803-787-2153.

SPORTS NEWS

Fort Jackson's youth soccer, track and field, and baseball teams need knowledgeable coaches willing to give up evenings and Saturdays this spring. Those interested in coaching – and having their own children play for free – may contact Darius Lane,

youth sports and fitness director, at 751-7451.

EVENTS OFF POST

OFFICER CANDIDATE REUNION

Alumni are invited to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Army Officer Candidate School April 24-28, at the Double Tree Hotel, 5321 Sidney Simmons Blvd., Columbus, Georgia. The event will include tours, a memorial/monument walk, a Hall of Fame induction ceremony and an award dinner. Cost is \$111 per night. For reservations, call 706-327-6868. Members and those who wish to become members may attend. For further information, call Nancy Ionoff at 813-917-4309 or visit www.ocsalumni.com.



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Friday
Race (PG-13) 5 p.m.

Saturday
Race (PG-13) 2 p.m.
Eddie the Eagle (PG-13) 5 p.m.

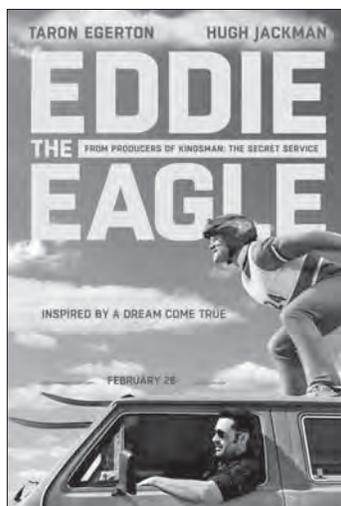
Sunday
Eddie the Eagle (PG-13) 2 p.m.
Gods of Egypt (PG-13) 5 p.m.

Wednesday
Closed

April 15
Triple 9 (R) 7 p.m.

April 16
Triple 9 (R) 2 p.m.
London Has Fallen (R) 5 p.m.

April 17
London Has Fallen (R) 2 p.m.
Whiskey Tango Foxtrot (R) 5 p.m.



TICKETS
Adult: \$5.50
Child (6 to 11): \$3

3-D TICKETS
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Child (6 to 11): \$5

● Ticket sales open 30 minutes before each movie.
● Movie times and schedule subject to change without notice.

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Teachers of the year announced

Two C.C. Pinckney Elementary School teachers took home prestigious honors, the school announced Tuesday. Lisa Reed was named the 2017 South Carolina/Fort Stewart/DoDDS Cuba District Teacher of the Year, while Amy Watford, a special education self-contained teacher at the school was named C.C. Pinckney's 2017 Teacher of the Year.

Dr. Kerrie Ammons, last year's teacher of the year for the school, said parent testimonials described Reed's classroom as "as a place not about desks and blackboards and hours of lecture but a place for children to believe in themselves and realize their dreams are attainable."

Watford's teaching style has been described as differing from the norm.

According to Ammons, school faculty have said, "What would be chaos in another classroom is 'active and engaged learning' in Mrs. Watford's room. Her ability to connect with a diverse group of learners and learning styles further enhances student success. We are proud of the work she does on behalf of our military children."

Alcohol awareness briefing set for April 25

Fort Jackson will conduct an alcohol awareness briefing at the Solomon Center 9-10 a.m. and 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. April 25 in observance of Alcohol Awareness Month to educate community members and loved ones about the dangers of alcohol abuse.

During the month of April, Directorate Human Resources, Army Substance Abuse Program, and Fort Jackson will observe Alcohol Awareness Month to help prevent alcohol abuse in our community. Mothers Against Drunk Driving and the South Carolina Highway Patrol will be guest speakers at the event.

For more information call Ernestine Richardson at 751-7938 or via email at Ernestine.richardson.civ@mail.mil.

Distinguished Honor Graduates

Bravo Company, 369th Adjutant General Battalion, Soldier Support Institute



AIT Platoon Sergeant of the Cycle
Sgt. 1st Jason Martin



Instructor of the Cycle
Sgt. 1st Class Diane Noggin

Distinguished Honor Graduates

■ **Spc. Justin Hallett,**

36B CLASS 006-16

■ **Spc. Dong Zee,**

42A CLASS 028-16

■ **Pvt. Rose Hernandez,**

36B CLASS 006-16

Iron Soldier

Pvt. Brandyn Howard,

36B CLASS 006-16

Distinguished Leadership
Awardees

■ **Pvt. Quenisha Whitlock,**

42A CLASS 026-16

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

ANGLICAN/LUTHERAN

Sunday
8:30 a.m., liturgical, Bayonet Chapel

CATHOLIC

Sunday
■ 7 a.m., Confessions, Solomon Center
■ 8 a.m., IET Mass, Solomon Center
■ 10:30 a.m., Reconciliation (after Mass or by appointment), Main Post Chapel
■ 11 a.m., Mass, Main Post Chapel

Monday through Thursday, first Friday
11:30 a.m., Mass, Main Post Chapel

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday
11:30 a.m., worship, Anderson Street Chapel

JEWISH

Sunday
■ 9:15 a.m., worship, Memorial Chapel
■ 10:15 a.m., fellowship, Post Conference Room

LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Sunday
9:30 a.m., worship, Anderson Street Chapel

MUSLIM

Sunday

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

Friday
12:45 a.m., Jumah services, Main Post Chapel

PAGAN

Sunday
11 a.m., Pagan Circle Sacred Well Congregation worship and study, Magruder Chapel

PROTESTANT

Sunday
■ 9 a.m., service, McCrady Chapel (SCARNG), McCrady Training Center
■ 9 a.m., Hispanic service, Magruder Chapel
■ 9:30 a.m., service, Main Post Chapel
■ 10 a.m., worship, Daniel Circle Chapel
■ 10:45 a.m., Sunday School, Main Post Chapel
■ 11 a.m., service, Memorial Chapel
■ 11 a.m., Chapel Next, Bayonet Chapel
■ 5 p.m., youth group, Chaplain Family Life Center

Tuesday
9 a.m., Protestant Women of the Chapel Bible study, Main Post Chapel

Wednesday
■ 7 p.m., gospel Bible study, Daniel

Circle Chapel

■ 7 p.m. Protestant Men of the Chapel, Bible Study, Chaplain Family Life Center

Thursday
11:45 a.m., Fresh Encounter Bible study, Chaplain Family Life Center

ADDRESSES, PHONE NUMBERS

Anderson Street Chapel, 2335 Anderson St., 751-7032

Bayonet Chapel, 9476 Kemper St., 751-4101/4542

Chaplain Family Life Center, 751-4961

Daniel Circle Chapel, 3359 Daniel Circle, 751-1297/4478

Education Center, 4581 Scales Ave.

Fort Jackson Garrison Chaplain and Religious Support Office, 4475 Gregg St., 751-3121/6318

McCrady Chapel, 3820 McCrady Road at McCrady Training Center, 751-7324

Magruder Chapel, 4360 Magruder Ave., 751-3883

Main Post Chapel, 4580 Scales Ave., 751-6469/6681

Memorial Chapel, 4470 Jackson Blvd., 751-7324

Warrior Chapel (120th Adjutant General Battalion), 1895 Washington St., 751-5086/7427

Fort Jackson

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GATE 1

Open 5 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Monday through Friday for inbound and outbound traffic.

GATE 2

Open around the clock daily.

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Open 5 a.m. to 6 p.m.
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Open 5-10 a.m. Monday through Friday for inbound and outbound traffic.
Closed 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Reopened 4-6 p.m. for outbound traffic only.

Open 5 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

History

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The combination of visuals and discussion helped paint a picture of how we have advanced as a society; leading to a better understanding and appreciation of technology, said Spc. Antony Palmer, the 98th Training Division's Soldier-level winner of the Best Warrior Competition. "Learning how things were done in the past, makes me appreciate our progress and technology now."

Skinner said building each generation is exactly why history, and tours like this are so important because "we are here to develop you as leaders."

The differences between the Civil War Soldier's tools and disciplines to today's Army Reserve Soldier's, was explained even further when the Soldiers met with Joe Long, curator of education, at the South Carolina Relic Room and Military Museum. Long showed the Soldiers why leadership matters even more today with all our advanced gadgetry.

"Leadership principles don't change. If we are not careful, all the new technology will just allow us to make the same mistakes faster."

Getting the tour from fellow veterans made it more interesting, said Sgt. 1st Class



Photo by MAJ. MICHELLE LUNATO

Army Reserve Spc. Antony Palmer, the Soldier-level winner of the Best Warrior Competition for the 98th Training Division, listens to volunteers from the River Alliance Organization during a March 24 tour of the Congaree Creek Heritage Preserve in Cayce, S.C.

Ethan Feldner, Best Warrior competitor from the 95th Training Division.

"I really liked all the graphic aids and how they applied to our jobs as Soldiers today."

Douglas Patterson said, breaking down the facts of the battle to Soldiers was an enjoyable assignment. He is a senior volunteer and Army veteran who served time in both the active and Reserve Army.

"The military side of me likes to see Soldiers. I can relate to them and they can relate to me," he said.

Teaching them history was not just for fun though. Patterson, a passionate history buff, said knowing where we came from is critical for our future generations to avoid the same mistakes.

"If we don't learn from our past, that old adage, history repeats itself, can be very true," he added.

Elise Partin, City of Cayce mayor, agreed.

"Our Soldiers give so much to us, there are not enough ways to give back, so it's important to do so every opportunity we can," Partin said while greeting the Soldiers.

Her appreciation for Soldiers, particularly drill sergeants, comes from family and community.

"My father and father-in law both did their basic training at Fort Jackson, so I'm thankful for all those who helped to make them the great men they are," she said.

"History can tell us so much, even what mistakes we don't want to make again. If we understand our history well, for what it is and what it isn't, it can help us to have an even better future," she added.

Molding future generations is a responsibility for all leaders, said McQueen to the Mayor and other volunteers.

"Your investment in our Soldiers means a lot," he told the volunteers as the group departed.



BIG DAY OUT

»»» SATURDAY, APR 9 «««
8 A.M. - 2 P.M. • PATRIOT'S PARK
(IN FRONT OF THE SOLOMON CENTER)

Featured events:

» 5K FUN RUN/WALK

Registration: 6:30 a.m.
Race Start Time: 8:00 a.m.



» INFO & ENTERTAINMENT

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. featuring crafts, children's activities and rides, vendors and recycling open for personal e-waste drop-off. Plus Karate, Zumba, Soccer, & Dance Team demonstrations.

» RECYCLE DERBY 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Register at Marion Street Station by Apr 4. For more info, call 751-3484.

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Upcoming Events

- » Biking at Harbison (Cost - \$10)
Tuesday, Apr 5 (5:30 - 8:30 p.m.)
- » Hiking at Saluda Shoals (Cost - \$5)
Tuesday, Apr 12 (5:30 - 8:30 p.m.)
- » Biking at Forks Area Trail System Augusta, GA (Cost - \$18)
Saturday, Apr 23 (7 a.m. - 3 p.m.)

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Outdoor Recreation's COYOTE CHALLENGE

Saturday, May 14: 5 am. - 2 p.m.
At Alpine Lodge in Heise Pond

» Event Information:

Join us for hunting, breakfast and an awards luncheon with chili and dessert.

» Event Cost - \$10

Please note: purchase of award luncheon ticket does not guarantee hunting access.

» Contact Information:

For more information call 751-8707. Open to all Active Duty Soldiers and ID card eligible hunters. Fort Jackson and State permits are required.

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