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Brig. Gen. John P. Johnson, Fort Jackson commander, hands the colors to Post Command Sgt. Maj. Lamont Christian during a June 24 change of command ceremony. **SEE PAGE 3.**

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Community Calendar

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Deadline for events to be included in the calendar or Happenings is one week before publication. Include the time, date and place the event will occur, as well as other necessary information.

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

4th of July 10K and 5K.

8 a.m., Hilton Field, late registration 6:45-7:45 a.m. Arrive no later than 7:45 a.m. to sign in; the pre-race briefing begins at 7:50 a.m. Register online at <https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil>. Online registration ends noon July 1. The event is free, but there is a \$20 fee to participate in the 10K event.

3 on 3 Basketball Tournament

The event is open to all children ages 9-18. Trophies will be awarded to the top three teams in each division. To register, call the Youth Sports Office at 751-7451. The event begins at 9 a.m.

Torchlight Tattoo and Fireworks

4-11 p.m., Hilton Field. This year's event includes a cannon salute to each state and territory, music by the 282nd Army "Victory" Band, and fireworks. The field opens at 4 p.m. and the Tattoo begins at 9 p.m. Lawn chairs and blankets are welcome. Bleacher and grandstand seating is available. No pets, coolers, alcohol, or personal fireworks. Food vendors are available at 5 p.m.

JULY 7

Captain's meeting for softball

5 p.m., Hilton Field Softball Complex.

JULY 11

Intramural and Men's Softball

League games begin

The first games of the season take place 6 p.m., 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. at the Hilton Field Softball Complex.

JULY 12

Resume Writing and Interviewing Skills

9 a.m.-noon, Room 222, Strom Thurmond Building. Learn how to prepare your resume for corporate America. Presented by SC BlueCross BlueShield.

JULY 14

Support Military Spouses Job Fair

9 a.m.-1 p.m., 730 Polo Park Road, Columbia. The job fair is open to all spouses, veterans and active-duty service members. To register, visit www.supportmilitaryspouses.org.

JULY 16

Fort Jackson's Army 10 Miler

5:30 a.m., beginning at the corner of Kershaw and Dixie streets. Register for the event in advance at the post's sports office, or register between 4:45-5:15 a.m. the day of the event. The run is open only to active duty Soldiers. This is a qualifying event that will be used to determine the teams that will represent Fort Jackson in the Army 10 Miler in Washington, D.C. in October.

JULY 19

Steps to Federal Employment for Military Spouses

Steps to Federal Employment for Military Spouses, 9-11:30 a.m. Strom Thurmond Bldg., Room 222. Information on civil service and NAF employment. Targeted to military spouses, but open to all military and DOD ID card holders. To register call 803-751-9460/5452 or email sherry.r.major.civ@mail.mil.

JULY 21

Neighborhood Huddle

Noon, playground on McLeod Court for residents of Pierce Terrace 1-7. Housing residents are invited to meet the housing staff and Garrison leadership to discuss housing-related concerns.



By Demetria Mosley



Photo by DEMETRIA MOSLEY

Brig. Gen. John 'Pete' Johnson, Fort Jackson commander, receives the colors from Maj. Gen. Anthony C. Funkhouser, commander for the Center of Initial Military Training, during a change of command ceremony June 24 at Victory Field on post. During the ceremony Johnson took command of the installation from Maj. Gen. Roger L. Cloutier.

'We are in great hands'

Post welcomes new commanding general

By DEMETRIA MOSLEY
Fort Jackson Leader

Fort Jackson's new Commanding General Brig. Gen. John "Pete" Johnson wants the installation to continue being the "premiere training post for our Army."

"Team Jackson, I'm ready to ruck up with you and reinforce the great work you do everyday to train America's Soldiers and further hone in the skills of the NCOs and officers who rely on Fort Jackson to make them better," he said during the change of command ceremony June 24 at Victory Field.

In the ceremony, Johnson took command of the post from Maj. Gen. Roger L. Cloutier, Jr. Johnson is the 49th Commanding General of Fort Jackson. He was the director of training at Headquarters, Department of the Army in Washington, D.C. prior to arriving at Fort Jackson. While there, he developed a training sustainment model that will be implemented throughout the Army.

"Pete wears the mantle of command as

naturally as we wear a jacket," said Commanding General of the Center for Initial Military Training, Maj. Gen. Anthony Funkhouser during the ceremony. "His dedication of taking care of Soldiers and their Families is (a part of) who he is. We are in great hands."

Johnson is married to his wife Sheila and has three children: Justin, Sarah and Daniel.

"Sheila and I already feel at home. We feel extremely welcomed and we very much look forward to getting to know this great community and all the people who make a difference in the community, not just for the community, but for the soldiers who are in training here at Fort Jackson," he said.

Johnson graduated with a bachelor's from the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, where he was commissioned as a second lieutenant of Infantry. He holds two masters; one in operational analysis from the Naval Postgraduate School and another in strategic studies from the Army War College.



Photo by JENNIFER STRIDE

Brig. Gen. John 'Pete' Johnson, right, Fort Jackson commander, looks toward Maj. Gen. Anthony C. Funkhouser (not pictured) as he speaks during the June 24 change of command ceremony at Victory Field.



Independence Day FAQ

Everything you need to know about Fort Jackson's July 2 celebration

By **ROBERT TIMMONS**
Fort Jackson Leader

Fort Jackson's annual Independence Day celebration will kick off Saturday morning. There will be events for everyone, with musical entertainment provided by the 282nd Army Band, the Root Doctors (who will kick off the night's entertainment) followed by Mýa Marie Harrison, an American singer-songwriter. The night will culminate with a Torchlight Tattoo and fireworks.

The Torchlight Tattoo will start at 9 p.m. followed by the fireworks display at 9:30 p.m., and the evening's festivities will conclude at approximately 10 p.m.

Fort Jackson officials recommend anyone planning to attend the festivities should plan to arrive early for the best seats and parking, and to avoid being turned away at the last minute. Additionally, all visitors should be aware that random vehicle searches will be conducted at the gates.

Below are a list of the most frequently asked questions.

What time will the gates open?

Events start at 7 a.m. with an open house at the Fort Jackson Golf Course.

Access to the installation for non-military affiliated people may be through Gate 2 (Forest Drive/Strom Thurmond Boulevard), or Gate 4 (Percival and Boyden Arbor roads). Everyone older than 16 must possess a valid state or government issued identification card for entry. The vehicle driver must possess a valid driver's license, valid proof of insurance and a valid registration. Once entering the installation drivers should follow signs and the instructions given by traffic control personnel.

What other things besides music and fireworks will be taking place on Fort Jackson that day?

- 7 a.m., Fort Jackson Golf Course Open Play
- 8 a.m., 5/10K Run/Walk Semmes Lake
- Softball Tournament
- 9-11 a.m., Music & Movement Activities Culminating in a Patriotic Marching Band
- 9 a.m. to Noon, 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament (ages 9-18) Youth Center and Imboden School Age Center
- Spa Day (Skin Care and Nail Care), Middle School & Teen Youth, Youth Center
- Games room tournaments (Checkers, Connect 4 and other Tabletop Games)
- 10 a.m. Bowling
- 11 a.m. Miniature Golf
- 11 a.m. Palmetto Falls Water Park opens

- 11 a.m. Beach Volley Ball (3 on 3 tournament)
- Noon Community Party (Balfour Beatty Communities)
- 4 p.m. Kiddie rides open at Hilton Field
- 6:30 p.m. Military aircraft fly over
- 9 p.m. Torchlight Tattoo
- 9:30 p.m. Fireworks display begins

What is a Torchlight Tattoo?

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

Will any roads be closed?

Yes. The entrances to Owens Road, Capers Road, and Parker Lane off Chesnut Road will be closed July 2 from 3 to 10 p.m. to keep non-housing occupants out of the housing areas during the Independence Day Celebration at Hilton Field.

Is there a fee for admission to the events?

It is free to watch the fireworks and musical entertainment on Hilton Field, but it may cost money to partake in other events such as bowling, miniature golf, and the water park. The costs for these vary.

Will there be handicapped parking and seating?

All Fort Jackson venues are handicapped accessible. There is handicapped parking at Hilton Field. Handicapped parking is limited. Patrons should arrive early to get the best seats and parking.

Can I bring a motorcycle?

Yes, you can bring a motorcycle, but riders must also conform to Department of Defense regulations to enter post and requirements include: wear of a DOT approved helmet, full-fingered gloves, over the ankle boots, long-sleeved shirt/jacket and reflective vest or clothing.

Fort Jackson Movie Schedule

3319 Jackson Blvd.
Phone: 751-7488

FRIDAY

Angry Birds (PG) 7 p.m.

SATURDAY

Angry Birds (PG) 1 p.m.
Alice: Through the looking glass (PG) 5 p.m.

SUNDAY

Alice: Through the looking glass (PG) 1 p.m.
Angry Birds (PG) 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Alice: Through the looking glass (PG) 1 p.m.
Angry Birds (PG) 2 p.m.

TICKETS

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

3-D TICKETS

Adult: \$7.50 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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Fort Jackson Gate Operation Hours

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.

GATE 4

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

GATE 5

- 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.



INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

AND FREE CONCERT

FEATURING GRAMMY
AWARD WINNING ARTIST

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At Hilton Field • Saturday, July 2
Gates open at 4 p.m. • Concert opens
with **The Root Doctors** at 7 p.m.

Fireworks at dark. Food and beverage
concessions will be available.

Concert hosted by
Greg Henderson.



No coolers. No pets. No items prohibited by
post security.

Chairs & blankets may be brought in for seating.

Open to the public.



Photo by JACQUELINE WREN, 81ST REGIONAL SUPPORT COMMAND

Col. Caryn 'Suzie' Heard, former Legislative Liaison assigned to the 81st Regional Support Command, bonds with retired military working dog Beno at the Fort Jackson kennel. Heard adopted Beno through a military adoption program that places retired working dogs with owners.

EmBARKing on new adventure

Retired Soldier, military K-9 ride off into sunset

BY MICHAEL MASCARI
81st Regional Support
Command Public Affairs

A Soldier reunited with her battle buddy at Fort Jackson and they will face one more mission together: retirement.

Recently retired Col. Caryn "Suzie" Heard adopted a hard charger she knew when she served as Garrison Commander of Fort Buchanan in Puerto Rico. That hard charger was Beno, a German Shepherd, who was retiring from service as a military working dog. Heard knew Beno and his handler, Officer Efrain Laureano.

Heard relinquished her command at Fort Buchanan for a final assignment as the Legislative Liaison assigned to the 81st Regional Support Command on the same day as Beno's retirement. They would both arrive at Fort Jackson about the same time where Heard was able to complete the adoption process.

"MWD adoption is an opportunity to

show our appreciation to the MWD for his service to our country by providing a loving home where he can relax during his retirement," Heard said.

Beno's final mission was to support the Pope's visit to Philadelphia before he was officially retired. Once he completed his duties, his handler brought him to the Fort Jackson kennel to wait for the final processing of the adoption paperwork.

Sgt. Weston Reeves, plans non-commissioned officer for the 208th Military Working Dog Detachment, first met Beno in Philadelphia and was one of the Soldiers working with Beno during the process at Fort Jackson. He said Beno has an excellent personality and that this is a great match.

"Beno is very friendly," Reeves said. "When we pulled him out for exercise, he just loved to play and he perked up even more when Heard came by. They have a great bond and you could definitely tell whenever she came to visit and when she came to pick him up. It's a great occasion

for both, a warrior that's able to go home."

"While he was in transition at the Fort Jackson kennel, I was able to visit and start bonding with him," said Heard. "The kennel master and handlers took great care of him until I was able to pick him up and take him home. The most difficult part of the process was waiting to get the paperwork processed."

Heard said military working dogs are prized upon their retirement from active service because they are already trained and disciplined and said she would probably adopt another one.

Those interested in adopting MWDs generally must go through an adoption process where the prospective adopters must fill out paperwork, become familiarized with the dog, and pass a screening

process. The handler gets first priority, but Laureano was unable to adopt Beno and asked Heard if she was interested. Her prior familiarization with Beno and their ability to bond assisted in the process. She was able to visit him regularly once they were both at Fort Jackson.

Heard and Beno are now embarking on their new life journey together.

"He is still trying to figure out the retirement life. He still wants to smell everything whenever we are out of the house. He enjoys playing ball the most. He is doing great. Now he can teach me how to be retired. I plan on doing nothing for as long as I can. Beno and I do some traveling and relax

will probably for a while."



**ADOPT A
WORKING DOG**

To find out more about Military Working Dog adoption, email mwd.adoptions@us.af.mil or call 210-671-3153.



Photos by DEMETRIA MOSLEY

Roy Walls with the Army Research Laboratory helps Fort Jackson SHARP specialists get familiar with the program. He takes the feedback he receives on the application to help improve it. 'I'm just a tech guy not a SHARP specialist. I need your help to make this better,' he said.

SHARP training gets interactive

By DEMETRIA MOSLEY
Fort Jackson Leader

Fort Jackson's Sexual Harassment Assault Response and Prevention Specialists got interactive June 22 with a new application designed to help train Army command teams on their responsibilities in the SHARP program.

With the help of a virtual Sexual Assault Response Coordinator named Sgt. Davis, the new laptop based application uses realism to train command teams on actions to take after a sexual assault incident happens.

Lead SARC Master Sgt. Lori Faircloth said Fort Jackson might start using the program within the next quarter. The decision when to start implementing the training is up to each individual SHARP Specialist's plan for their commands.

"Anything that will help us get better at dealing with our victims I think is great," said Staff Sgt. Andrea Myers, a Moncrief Victim Advocate. "Finding better ways to help them is always important."

The new application will challenge users to select the best choice in an interactive virtual scenario with digital characters. Before selecting a response, users not only have to pay attention to what the person is saying, but their body language as well to come up with the best solution.

The program was developed by the University of Southern California's Institute for Creative Technologies and the Army Research Laboratory. It was funded by the Army G1 and the Army's SHARP program management office.

The content for the program was developed by using documents from real cases.

"SHARP is such a big cloud and what might work for one person might not work in another situation," said Roy Wall with Army Research Laboratory who trained the specialists in the use of the program.

"You guys are the specialists! You might not agree with all of the solutions and that's okay. We want you to use this program as if it's just one tool on your toolbox," he said.

During the training, Fort Jackson SHARP specialists got to offer feedback on the program. Wall said he plans on traveling to every Army installation and listening to the feedback from SHARP specialists to try to incorporate it into the program.

Tom Seely, Program Manager at Army SHARP PMO, said they have spent well over a million dollars incorporating some of the feedback given to them about the program.

"We want this [application] to grow. Our goal is to keep updating it and making it better," said Seely.



Fort Jackson SHARP specialists interact with new virtual training program designed to train new command teams on SHARP during elite training on June 22. The program uses realism to give command teams a better understanding of how to make the best decisions in sexual harassment incidents.

COMMUNITY UPDATE

Housing Services Office (HSO): The HSO office is here to make your transition as fluid and smooth as possible by providing you the tools and services to assist in the relocation process. We can assist with house hunting, lease review, landlord tenant disputes (on and off post), and inspections upon request. We provide a welcome packet with valuable information on South Carolina laws and renting in a civilian community. We are located at 4514 Stuart Ave. Office hours are Monday – Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Balfour Beatty Hours: New hours for Balfour Beatty Community Center hours are: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Wednesday 8 a.m. to – 7 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Sunday noon to 4 p.m.

Home Away From Home: If you are going to be on leave for an extended period of time, please call the work order desk at 803-787- 6416 and let them know your leave dates. If you'd like, we can check on your house while you are away.

PCS Rewards: Save time and money by staying with Balfour Beatty Communities! It's simple. Our residents are #1, and we want to reward our loyal customers. If you are a current resident relocating to a community where Balfour Beatty Communities manages the housing, choose to stay with us and we'll offer you a \$100 reward. Contact our office for details and to view our other locations!

Preparing for PCS: Pre-inspections are available upon request, call the office at 803-738-8275 to schedule your pre-inspection. Pre-inspections should be scheduled approximately 30 days prior to your termination appointment.

Stay Connected! Don't miss out on the latest news. Please contact Balfour Beatty to update your phone numbers and email addresses in order to receive voice broadcast notifications. You may also visit our Facebook page Fort Jackson Family Homes and "like us". For updates, call 738-8275.

Reminder: Balfour Beatty Communities encourages residents to complete a comment card with each interaction with a Balfour Beatty representative). This automatically qualifies residents to be entered in a \$100 monthly drawing.

Mayors Needed: The Mayoral Council is looking for energetic volunteers to serve as Mayors for the Fort Jackson Housing Communities. Being part of the Council allows you to be a voice for your community. Your voice can bring ideas and suggestions for improving the quality of life while residing on Fort Jackson. In addition to receiving credit for volunteer hours, you will meet new people and receive valuable training. Child care is provided at no cost while performing Mayoral duties. Positions are currently available in: PT1, PT2, PT3, PT4 and Howie Village housing areas. Interested residents should contact Vickie Grier at usarmy.jackson.imcom-atlantic.mbx.fort-jackson-dpw-housing@mail.mil.



Photo by DEMETRIA MOSLEY

Maj. Gen. Roger L. Cloutier Jr. presents a medallion to Fort Jackson Hall of Fame inductee retired Col. Kevin A. Shwedo during the June 23 ceremony at the Officer's Club. The other inductees were William Couper (posthumous), Daniel Hennigan, and Cheryl F. Leysath. Hall of Fame members have their picture permanently displayed in Post Headquarters.

Post inducts 4 into Hall of Fame

By DEMETRIA MOSLEY
Fort Jackson Leader

Fort Jackson honored a quartermaster who was beneficial during the construction of the institution posthumously during this year's Hall of Fame Ceremony.

Maj. William Couper oversaw the development of the property, then called "Camp Jackson," in June, 1917, and was responsible for housing and feeding more than 10,000 civilian workers. In six months, construction was complete and the camp was able to house about 32,000 Soldiers.

Couper, as well as Daniel Hennigan, Kevin Shwedo and Cheryl F. Leysath, were inducted in the Fort Jackson Hall of Fame during a ceremony June 23 at the Officer's Club, joining eight other members.

"It kinda knocked me off my feet," Leysath said about

finding out she has been inducted. "First I thought he was kidding, and I said 'What,' he said 'Yeah' and I said 'Oh my Lord.'"

Leysath said she and her husband, retired Lt. Col. Caesar Leysath, were in the middle of moving to Florida, but decided to come to the ceremony because it was too big of an honor to miss.

"Our car is all packed and we're heading down there when this is over," she said.

Fort Jackson Hall of Fame inductees received a medallion presented by Maj. Gen. Roger Cloutier, former post commanding general, and will have their picture permanently displayed in post headquarters.

"It's a tremendous honor," said Shwedo. "It's one you don't think you deserve because you are just doing the kind of things that you love. But it was unexpected and was appreciated."

EXCHANGE ADDING LAPTOPS, TABLETS TO LAYAWAY PLAN

The Army & Air Force Exchange Service is extending its layaway program to include computers and tablets.

From July 1 to Aug. 31, just in time for back-to-school season, Fort Jackson Exchange shoppers can use layaway to hold computers, notebooks, tablets and iPads – items that are not typically eligible for the program.

"Having up-to-date technology can be vital to succeeding in the classroom, and the Fort Jackson Exchange is making it easier for military families to manage expenses to get the tools students need to succeed," said Fort Jackson Main Store Manager, Terry Veney. "The

extended layaway program helps parents and students stick to their back-to-school budgets."

A \$3 service fee and a deposit of 15 percent are required to hold items on layaway. Items must be picked up by Aug. 31. Shoppers can visit customer service at the Fort Jackson Exchange for complete details.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT

Copies of the Palmetto State Utility Services, Inc., Consumer Confidence Report will be made available after July 1 at the Commissary, the Directorate of Public Works, Main PX, Mini-Mall, Palmetto State Utility Services, Post Office, Shopette – Gate 1, Shopette – Gate 2, the Strom Thurmond Building and the Welcome Center.

Sleeves can now be rolled up

By **DAVID VERGUN**
Army News Service

Effective immediately, commanders may authorize Soldiers to roll up the sleeves on Army combat uniforms, according to a memorandum signed by Lt. Gen. James C. McConville, deputy chief of staff, G-1, Tuesday.

The new policy pertains to the universal camouflage pattern, operational camouflage pattern and Operation Enduring Freedom camouflage pattern ACUs.

“We’re going sleeves up, camo out,” said Sgt. Maj. of the Army Daniel Dailey.

The sleeves will be rolled above the elbow, right-side out with the camouflage pattern showing. They should be rolled no more than three inches above the elbow, according to the memo, and this method will be used primarily in Garrison.

In addition, during field training exercises or operations, upon approval of the commander, sleeves may be opened and cuffed inward above the wrist on the forearm.

“It’s often referred to as a Delta roll or SF roll,” Dailey said.

This second method of staying cool is specifically for Soldiers in a field or deployed environment, he emphasized.

Soldiers have to remember, though, that these authorizations are only good when not precluded by safety, Dailey said. “Like when you’re in a combat vehicle, the sleeves have to go down.”



Photo by DEMETRIA MOSLEY

‘You are my sister’

‘I want you all to get up and tell two women in the room that you are my sister,’ said Yolanda Goins, this month’s guest speaker during the Professional Mentorship Network – Female Forum Luncheon at the NCO club June 28. Goins is the wife of Fort Jackson Chief of Staff Col. Morris Goins. The goal of the program is to build a network of women who are inspired to successfully navigate through the Army community by fostering relationships with future leaders.

NATURAL FITNESS



Family Morale, Welfare and Recreation's Fitness Department hosted its annual Natural Body Building, Physique and Figure Competition Saturday at the Solomon Center, a competition that featured Soldiers from Fort Jackson and surrounding military installations. Above, Pamela James-Long, FMWR fitness and wellness coordinator, introduces the winners in the Men's Physique category. Above right, Alice Hernandez and Emily Schroeder were winners in the Figure Division, while Brooke Brown won the Bikini Division.



THIS YEAR'S WINNERS

FIGURE DIVISION

1st place short height: Emily Schroeder
 1st place medium height: Alice Hernandez
 Overall Figure Winner Alice Hernandez

BIKINI DIVISION

1st place: Brooke Brown

MASTER'S DIVISION

1st place: Geraldo Cruzado

WOMEN'S PHYSIQUE

1st place A class: Emily Schroeder
 1st place C class: Jessica Carey
 Overall Women's Physique: Jessica Carey

MEN'S PHYSIQUE

1st place B Class: Clifford Desselee
 2nd place C Class: Kenneth Johnson
 3rd place C Class: Geraldo Cruzado
 1st place C Class: Kurtis Brown
 Overall Men's Physique: Kurtis Brown

MEN'S BODY BUILDING

1st place light weight: Daniel Malubag
 1st place heavy weight: Jonathan Reid
 2nd place heavy weight: Kurtis Brown
 3rd place heavy weight: Matt Rando
 4th place heavy weight: Evan Marion
 Overall Men's Bodybuilding: Jonathan Reid

Courtesy photos



Photos by SGT. 1ST CLASS BRIAN HAMILTON

SYMBOLS OF EXCELLENCE

SOLDIERS TRAIN TO BECOME DRILL SERGEANTS

Drill sergeant candidates at the United States Army Drill Sergeant Academy get instruction June 17 on how to teach negotiating the wire obstacle on the fit-to-win endurance obstacle course.

Candidates from the U.S. Army, Army Reserve and National Guard spend 63 training days in the course preparing to become drill sergeants for the Army's four basic combat training posts.



Above, Drill Sergeant candidates at the U.S. Army Drill Sergeant Academy take a moment to cool down in the arms immersion tank after negotiating the Fit-to-Win endurance obstacle course. Left, Soldiers negotiate the log obstacle.



Leading by example, drill sergeant candidates at the U.S. Army Drill Sergeant Academy tackle the mud pit obstacle on the Fit-to-Win endurance obstacle course.

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FAQ

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Can I bring a stroller, or a diaper bag?

Yes. Strollers will be hand-searched at the security checkpoint prior to entry onto Hilton Field. All bags will be searched and everyone will go through metal detectors.

Are pets allowed?

Pets are not allowed, with the exception of properly identified service animals.

Can I bring a beach chair, blankets and coolers for my drinks?

Yes, you are encouraged to bring a beach chair and blankets to the Independence Day event at Hilton Field. You cannot bring coolers or other large items with you. There will be food and drinks available for purchase at Hilton Field.

Will there be food?

Food and drink concessions will be available at Hilton Field starting at 4 p.m.

What am I prohibited from bring-



File photo

Initial entry training Soldiers sit in formation waiting for last year's festivities to begin. Soldiers were brought to Hilton Field to watch fireworks, listen to music and eat pizza – which they don't always get a chance to eat.

ing with me?

Prohibited items include: pets (service animals are allowed), grills, alcoholic beverages, firearms, any type of explosive and personal fireworks of any type, clothing or signage with offensive or vulgar language, laser pens and

pointers, noise-making devices such as horns and whistles. Coolers are not allowed in the bleachers. Any unattended items will be subject to confiscation and/or destruction by military police.

Can my family sit in the bleach-

ers or do we have to sit on the grass?

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

Will I be able to see my Soldier in Training?

Soldiers in Training will watch the fireworks display and Torchlight Tattoo, but will be in an area sectioned off from civilian and permanent party Service members. Family members will not be allowed to visit with their Soldiers.

Are restroom facilities easily assessable?

Yes, portable restrooms will be located throughout Hilton Field.

What happens if it rains?

The show will continue despite inclement weather.

What types of medical services will be available?

First aid only will be provided such as oral hydration, treatment of minor cuts and bruises, and application of emergency medications (ex. Epi-pens). Medical personnel will stabilize and coordinate transportation to higher levels of care for all other injuries or illnesses.



Photo by DAVID SHANES

June retirees

The monthly retirement ceremony was held Tuesday at the post theater to recognize the service of 15 members. Retirees were: Col. Katrina K. Dowis, Army Sustainment Command- Army Reserve Element, Fort Bragg Detachment; Lt. Col. Leo F. Caballero, the Citadel Military College of South Carolina; Lt. Col. Charles R. Lenoir, Jr., USARCENT, Shaw Air Force Base; Capt. Nicole L. Johnson, HHC, 369th Adjutant General Battalion, Fort Jackson; Capt. Nick L. Beach, USAMEDDAC, Fort Jackson; Master Sgt. Heath Y. Blackmon, 428th 2nd Brigade, Fort Sill; Sgt. 1st Class Brenda L.

Williams, 2nd Brigade, 98th Training Division, Fort Jackson; Sgt. 1st Class Cassandra J. Scott, 310th AG Group, Fort Jackson; Sgt. 1st Class Stevie R. McCall, Academy Battalion, Joint Base San Antonio; Sgt. 1st Class Marcus J. Rodriguez, 369th AG Battalion, Fort Jackson; Sgt. 1st Class Alma J. Jennings, 120th AG Battalion, Fort Jackson; Sgt. 1st Class Andrew J. Landrum, USACHCS, Fort Jackson; Sgt. 1st Class Kevin A. James, HHC 369th AG Battalion; Staff Sgt. Leroy Williams, 1st ID, Fort Riley; and Staff Sgt. Nathan R. Speck, 610th Contracting Team, Fort Jackson.

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“(Fort Jackson) will remain a premier training post for our Army and we eagerly accept that responsibility. That sacred responsibility entrusted to us by our nation to prepare its sons and daughters to join unit and be ready for the call,” he said.

“And we must assume, as it has been for much of our Army’s history, that that call will come. And when a soldier or NCO or officer who is trained at Fort Jackson gets that call. We want them to say ‘I’m ready, send me.’”

“We tend to categorize leaders in three buckets. There’s a leader that says I have to come to work. Their those guys who feel like they’ll get into trouble if they don’t show up on time ... There’s a leader that says I need to come to work, they feel like the unit will fail if they’re not there,” said Funkhouser.

“Roger is that leader that says I get to come to work. He gets to come to work and serve the Army, the community and our soldiers. He selfishly strives to only get the best from his team and makes this the best installation he can.

Cloutier’s next assignment is in Germany as the Chief of Staff of U.S. Africa Command, or AFRICOM.

“Here at Fort Jackson we make Soldiers. Our nation gives us our most precious resources, their sons and daughter,” said Cloutier. “It’s our sacred responsibility to give them our very best so that no Soldier ever cries from the grave, ‘If only I’ve been trained. If only someone had trained me.’”

While commanding at Fort Jackson, Cloutier increased rigor in Victory Forge, reach out to to the local colleges such as University of South Carolina to develop partnerships , and worked with the S.C. National Guard and the Training Applications Group to build a better relationship.



Photo by DEMETRIA MOSLEY

Brig. Gen. John ‘Pete’ Johnson, Fort Jackson’s new commanding general, and wife Shelia, chat with people following last week’s change of command ceremony. Johnson is the post’s 49th Commanding General.



Courtesy photo

Military Career Pathways 101

Lt. Col. Robert Garbarino, left, commander of the Columbia Recruiting Battalion, spent lunch June 22 with guest speakers Sam Charles, a South Pointe High School, in Rock Hill, S.C., and Dr. Nicholas Holland, an associate director of bands at Charleston Southern University, during last week's Military Career Pathways 101 event. More than 60 educators from around South Carolina visited Fort Jackson last week as part of the program, which allowed them to observe the Confidence Course, the Engagement Skills Trainer 2000, and talk with Soldiers about their Army careers.

AIT Graduation Honorees

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



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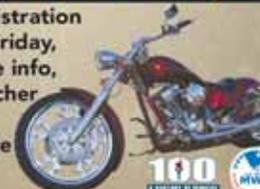
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