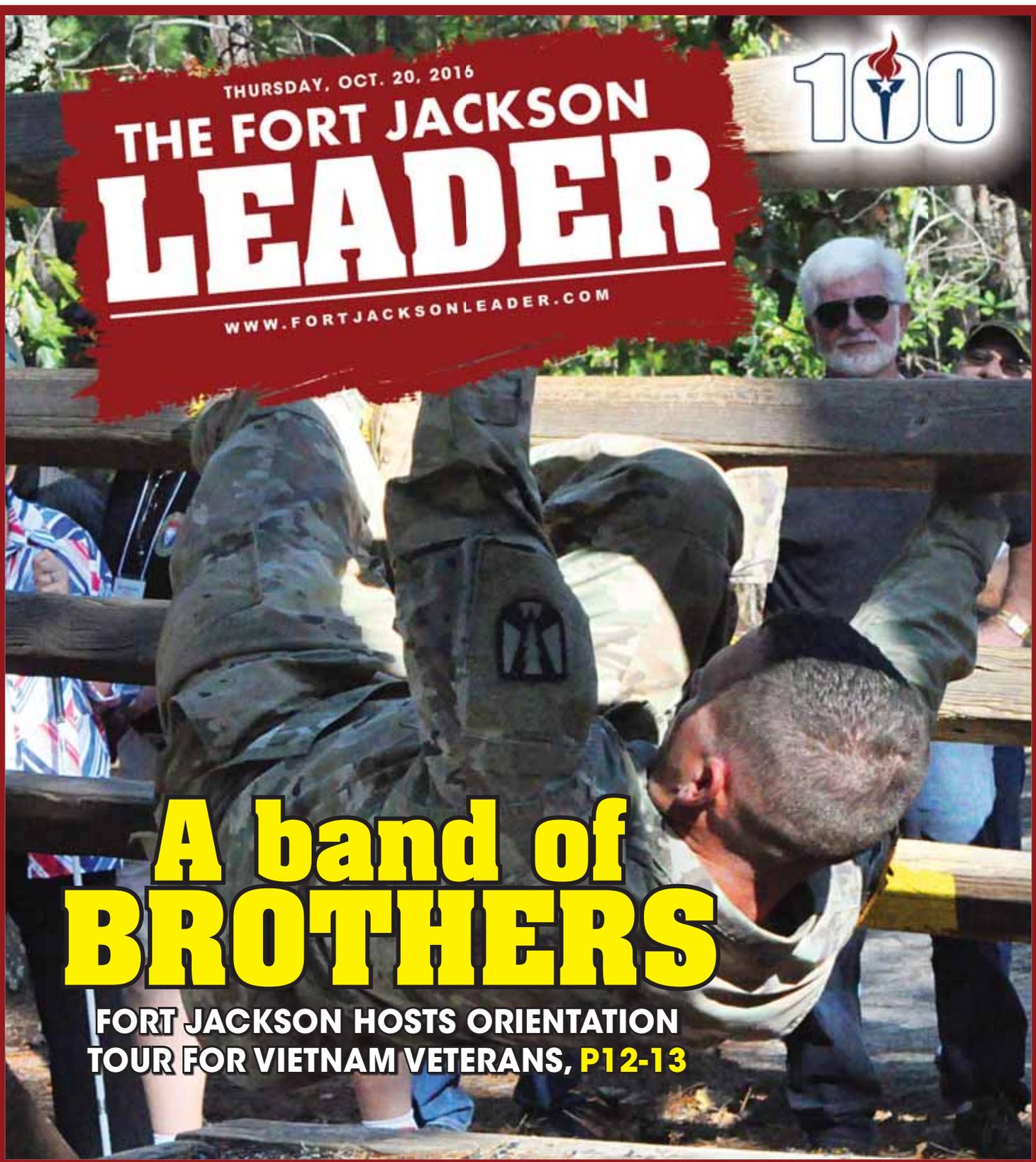


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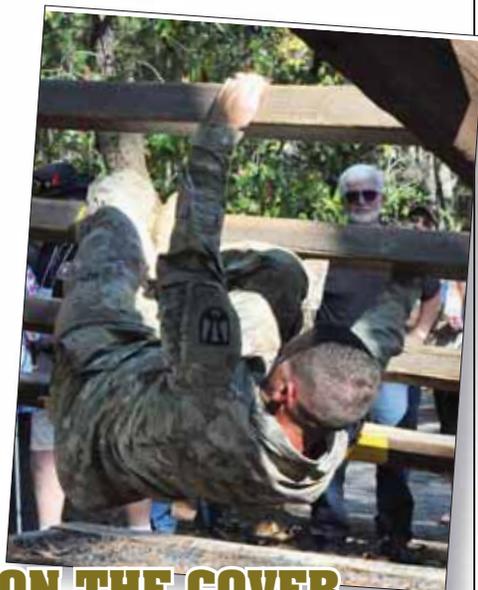
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ON THE COVER

Vietnam veterans of the 4th Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment, 9th Infantry Division, look on as a drill sergeant demonstrates how to traverse 'The Weaver' on the confidence course.

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Photo by VERAN HILL

Community Calendar

TODAY

Victory Spouses Club

11 a.m., NCO Club. Victory Spouses' Club is open to spouses of all ranks, retirees, DOD civilians, all services, male and female. For more information, e-mail vcsmemberships@gmail.com or visit www.victoryspousesclub.org.

FRIDAY

Drug Take Back

10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Fort Jackson Main Post Exchange. Moncrief Army health Clinic Pharmacy is helping the Fort Jackson Community fight back against the dangers of unneeded, unused, and expired drugs by participating in the National prescription Drug Take Back Day. For more information, visit www.tricare.mil/drugtakeback.

SATURDAY

Stop Domestic Violence Bikeathon

10 a.m.- 1 p.m., Solomon Center special events area. Information booths, door prizes and refreshments will be available. To register, call Pam Long at 741-3700 or Annette McLeod at 751-6325. For more information, visit www.fortjacksonmwr.com/fitness.

MONDAY

Domestic Violence

Awareness Luncheon

11:30 a.m., NCO Club. The theme for this year's event is "Speak up: Be a

part of the solution!" Guest speaker Dale Wells will tell his story of survival. Cost is \$10.50 per person.

TUESDAY

Job Searching Strategies for Military Spouses

8:30-12:00 Strom Thurmond Bldg., Room 222 Topics: Military spouse job searching skills, resume writing and interviewing. Targeted to military spouses, but open to all military and DOD ID Card holders. To register, call 751-9460/5452 or sherry.r.major.civ@mail.mil

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study

Noon, 4580 Scales Ave. POC is Gloria Dawkins at gloriaddawkins@gmail.com. Please include "Bible study" in the message's subject line.

Transitioning to Retirement

11 a.m., 10th floor Moncrief Army Health Clinic Pre-retirement briefing to help with transitioning from active duty to retirement. Know your options for healthcare after retirement. Spouses are encouraged to attend.

OCT. 28

'Monster Mash'

5K/10K Fun Run/Walk

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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.

located at 3900-E Hampton Pkwy. The race begins at the Twin Lakes recreation area. Online registration ends noon Oct. 28. Costumes are welcome, but children will be in attendance so scary or inappropriate costumes will not be permitted.

NOV. 5

Family History

10 a.m. - 1 p.m., 4440 Jackson Blvd. The Columbia Family History Center will host a family history activity centered on preserving stories and photos onto your family tree using familySearch.org. There is no charge for this activity. Bring your own laptops and any photos you may wish to add to your family tree. For more information, contact Charles Walton at 803-782-7141 or 803-319-4072



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Photos by DEMETRIA MOSLEY

Pvt. Robert 'Robbie' Pollard III joined the Army 20 years after his father Robert 'Eddie' Pollard Jr, left, and 40 years after his grandfather retired 1st Sgt. Eldon Granger, right. All three of the men attended Basic Combat Training at Fort Jackson.

Three generations of Soldiers

40 years separate grandfather's, grandson's graduations at Fort Jackson

By **DEMETRIA MOSLEY**
Fort Jackson Leader

A cool breeze sweeps over Fort Jackson Oct. 12, as a tall, heavysset man makes his way through the crowd of Families gathered at Hilton Field.

Just like everyone else here, Eldon Granger is anxious for the moment to get a first glimpse of his Soldier after 10 long weeks. Although his goal is the same as the people around him, his long gray beard – falling around the sides of his mouth like a wishbone – and stocky frame make Eldon stand out in the crowd.

In his pursuit toward the bleachers to find a seat, he watches as the colors of the U.S. states and territories flags dance in the air and glances at the sculpture of

Andrew Jackson towering in front of a massive sign announcing that “Victory Starts Here” at Fort Jackson.

Eldon thinks to himself: “I don’t remember any of this. None of this looks familiar.”

“It couldn’t have been prouder moment when he said he was going to join.”

— Eldon Grange

It’s been nearly 40 years since Eldon’s been on the cantonment that help transform him from a civilian into a Soldier. His reunion with Fort Jackson was brought on by his grandson, who attended Basic Combat Training at the same place Eldon did in 1977.

“It couldn’t have been a prouder moment, when he said he was going to join,” said Eldon. “The cost of the joining the military is tough, but I know he’s strong enough to do good.”



‘Is that your battle buddy over there?’ Eldon Granger asked his grandson before handing his partner a challenge coin.

See **FAMILY:** Page 14



Army News Service photo

Katherine Hammack, assistant secretary of the Army for installations, energy and environment, speaks Oct. 5 at the Association of the United States Army Annual Meeting and Exhibition.

Cyber infiltrating installations - in a good way, experts say

By DAVID VERGUN
Army News Service

Cyber, a term used for sensors and other electronics in buildings and even in the environment, is the future for Army installations, said Katherine Hammack and other experts.

Hammack, assistant secretary of the Army for installations, energy and environment, spoke at the Association of the United States Army Annual Meeting and Exhibition, Oct. 5.

Sensors in "smart buildings allow a lot of the things to run themselves," said Hammack, whose background is in mechanical engineering.

"We have it in some buildings where you might see window shades come down at certain times by themselves at certain times of the day and dimming sensors along the perimeter," she continued. "And, a lot of times they're autonomous, not necessarily linked into other systems. But they sense what's going on in their own environment, and, respond accordingly."

Not having them linked into other systems, she implied, means there's less chance for hackers to get in.

Cyber resiliency

Dr. Patrick McDaniel, a professor at the School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at Pennsylvania State University, said "cyber is key to resiliency" of structures and the environment.

While the Army uses the term "resiliency" to usually denote the resiliency of Soldiers to overcome stress and improve readi-

ness through such things as sleep, activity, nutrition and mental well-being, engineers use the term to refer to anticipating problems before they become problems, he said.

For example, sensors placed in the ground can detect if the ground is too saturated. If the ground is sloped, that would anticipate a possible mudslide, he said.

Sensors installed in buildings might be able to predict structural problems months before they become potential catastrophes, he said.

Sensors are just one component of cyber, McDaniel explained. The other components are the transmission of the data to installation commanders and others who need it, and the hardware and software that analyze the data and provide meaningful results.

Life-changing technology

McDaniel compared cyber to computing 30 years ago when Internet access was limited, as cyber on installations is now likewise limited. Then the explosive growth of Internet access occurred and, in the same way, he predicted cyber will as well.

He also compared cyber to smartphone usage 25 years ago that soon allowed people "to divorce themselves from their geography."

Cyber will become so pervasive on installations, McDaniel further predicted, that post commanders "will see who is on their installation, how much water and energy is being utilized and how many Soldiers at what particular time are using various facilities."

“We owe it to our men and women to ensure we have the best resources available for them.”

— Katherine Hammack,
Assistant secretary of the Army for installations, energy and environment

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SATURDAY

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Bridget Jones's Baby (R) 5 p.m.

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Storks (PG) 1 p.m.

Bridget Jones's Baby (R) 5 p.m.

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On the GO

Children walk to raise awareness of breast cancer



More than 100 pre-school students and staff members at Scales Child Development Center took part in breast cancer awareness walk Oct. 14. Carrying banners and signs (many of them wearing pink, the international symbol of breast cancer awareness), the group made a lap around the neighborhood, where they were met with waves from children in nearby child care centers.



Photos by ROBERT TIMMONS



Above, University of South Carolina's women's basketball coach Dawn Staley signs autographs for two of her smallest fans during the Basketball Madness exposition. Right, Men's basketball coach Frank Martin shakes the hand of Fort Jackson commander Maj. Gen. John 'Pete' Johnson.

Go Cocks

Fort Jackson driven 'mad' by USC basketball team



University of South Carolina's Hassani Gravette, a redshirt sophomore guard from Villa Rica, Ga., dunks the ball Oct. 14 during the school's Basketball Madness event at the Solomon Center.

By ROBERT TIMMONS
Fort Jackson Leader

The nearly 900 Soldiers were loud when they responded "Right here" to Fort Jackson's commander Maj. Gen. John "Pete" Johnson's shout of "Victory starts here."

But they were even louder when half would cheer "Game," before the other half screamed "Cocks!"

The chants reverberated through Fort Jackson's Solomon Center during the Oct. 14 University of South Carolina Basketball Madness celebration for the post community. The Gamecocks' men's and women's basketball teams interacted with Soldiers during shooting competitions, teamwork drills and had to perform push-ups as the troops graded their form.

"I am proud to welcome the Gamecocks basketball teams – both men's and women's – into our house," Johnson said while kicking off the event. He told the Soldiers in Training attending the event that the players "are doing

the same thing that you are doing. You are preparing to build a team; you are trained and you are ready now to join our Army. They are training so they will see victory when they meet their first opponent."

While the teams were training for their first games they understood there is more to basketball than just the game.

The teams headed to Jackson "to enjoy it with people who are their peers," said men's basketball head coach Frank Martin. He acknowledged there was a "greater calling" than basketball while also pointing out the team can use the platform to help others. "If all we talk is basketball with that platform than shame on us."

Dawn Staley, the women's head basketball coach, was thankful the teams could be on post to "give you a bird's eye view of what we do" at practice.

I hope "our team can embody" the spirit of the U.S. Army, she added.

HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

For young children, Halloween night is one of the best of the year. But trick-or-treating can be dangerous if kids and parents aren't careful. The Fort Jackson Police Department would like for you to take a look at some vital trick-or-treating tips before you accompany your child in the housing areas on Oct. 31, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

WHEN IT COMES TO COSTUME SAFETY, CHILDREN SHOULD:

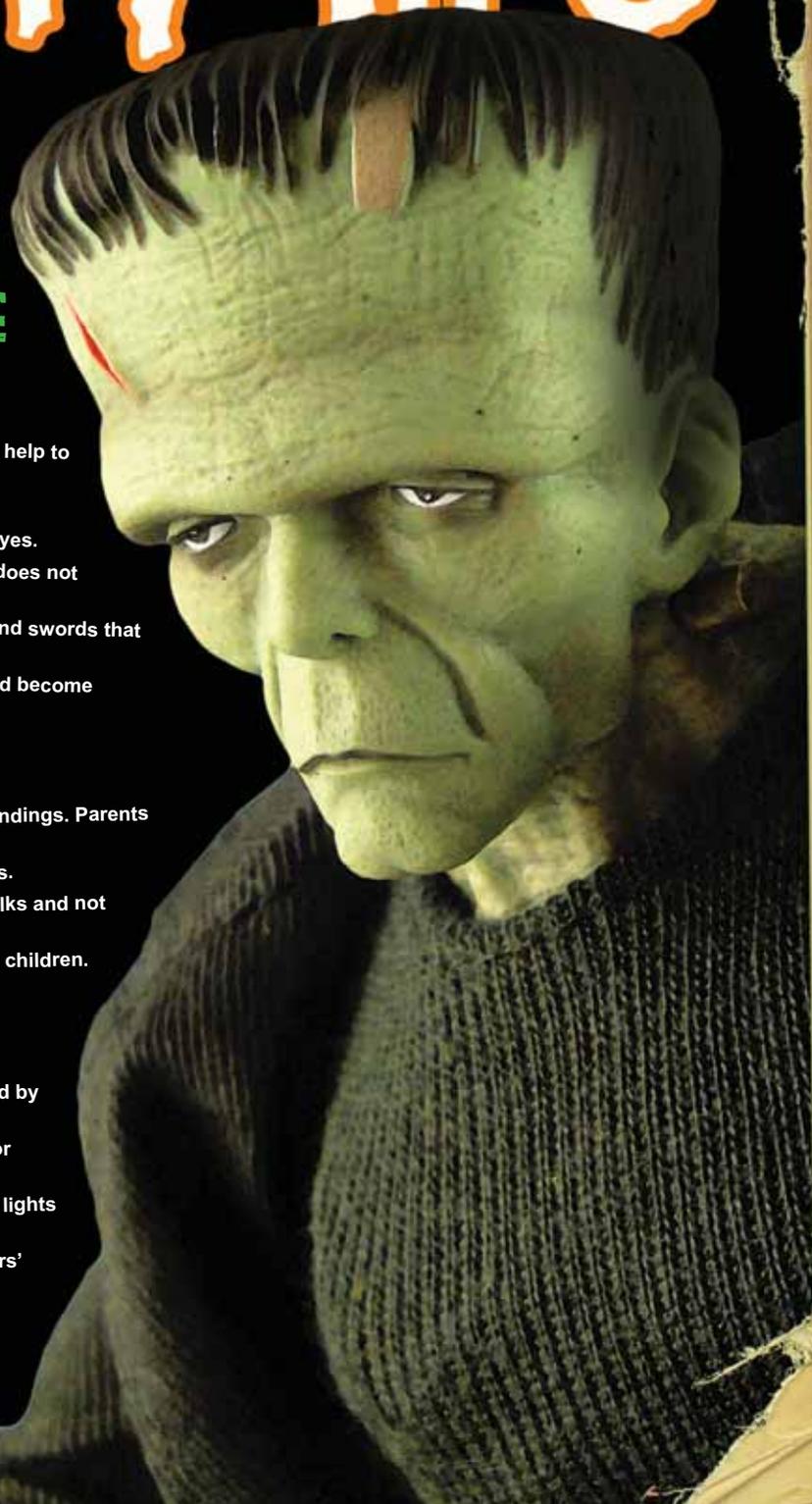
- ☹️ Wear clothing that is bright, reflective and short which will help to prevent tripping.
- ☹️ Wear sneakers or comfortable shoes.
- ☹️ Avoid wearing floppy hats or wigs that can slide over the eyes.
- ☹️ Wear a face mask that allows you to see well through and does not obstruct your child's vision
- ☹️ Try to avoid toy weapons. If desired, use costume knives and swords that are flexible, not rigid.
- ☹️ Stay away from pets. Pets might not recognize the child and become frightened.

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY!

- ☹️ Children should stay within familiar areas and surroundings. Parents should establish a route for children.
- ☹️ Children should use flashlights and stay on sidewalks.
- ☹️ Children should cross the street at corners / crosswalks and not between parked cars.
- ☹️ Motorists should drive slowly and watch carefully for children.

GENERAL SAFETY!

- ☹️ Children should travel in small groups and be accompanied by parents or an authorized adult chaperone
- ☹️ Children should never go into homes – stay on the porch or stoop when asking for treats.
- ☹️ Children should avoid homes that don't have their outside lights turned on.
- ☹️ Children should never talk to strangers or get into strangers' cars.
- ☹️ Children should bring home treats before eating them so parents can inspect them. When children get home, parents should inspect all candy and other treats before they are eaten. Discard all unwrapped or loosely wrapped candy or fruit.
- ☹️ Parents should cut into fruit, such as apples, to make sure they do not contain foreign objects.



Cyber

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Also, installation commanders will be able to react in moments when a particular system on their post is under attack from the weather elements or people, he said. Right now, everything is done manually and is prone to failure.

But McDaniel had a warning about cyber on installations. Cyber, which is largely autonomous, will be “making decisions on our behalf.” You would want to control that to some extent by programming how cyber’s ability to reason is structured.

Building for cyber

Lt. Gen. Todd Semonite, P.E., chief of engineers and commander of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, said the question he asks of his folks is, “How do we as smart engineers think ahead of cyber? Because there’s no way we’re going to be able to predict exactly what’s going to happen 10, 15, 20 years down the road.”

For example, he asked if buildings being built now will be able to handle new cabling, sensors and other infrastructure that goes with cyber, or will the structure need to be torn down and replaced.

The Corps has just put \$40 billion into new buildings since the last 2005 round of base realignment and closure, he said. Those buildings are going to be around for the next 40 years or so, and there won’t be enough money to tear them down and rebuild.

Semonite said he and the Corps don’t have all the answers to what the future holds for structural design, so he

said he’s appealing to industry partners to provide answers since they try to anticipate technologies that don’t yet exist.

The Corps’ current strategy, he added, is to design structures for multi-usage. For instance, a large building might have a few large offices, but it will mostly be open space for cubicles. This open space inside the building’s shell allows rearranging the interior in ways not yet anticipated for cyber.

Industry partners are already designing multi-use buildings, he continued. For example, workers might only need to come into work one day a week and telecommute the rest. So, office space is being designed accordingly.

Funding challenges

The big challenge, Semonite said, is funding. U.S. Army Installation Command took some “drastic cuts” and so it’s been hard for them to put the money into these new cyber technologies that would eventually pay for themselves.

Hammack agreed: “We’re struggling to find some of the funding for that,” she said, adding that buildings are now literally falling apart for lack of funding to maintain them.

Lt. Gen. Gwen Bingham, assistant chief of staff for installation management, said “we’re trying to balance sustainment of existing infrastructure even as the Army builds new facilities” such as for U.S. Army Cyber Command, but it’s hard when the budget to do that dropped from \$4.7 billion in 2010 to \$1 billion today.

If sequestration continues, she added, that will only “accelerate facility degradation.”

Energy Awareness Month

That cyber was a big topic at this year’s AUSA meeting



Army News Service photo

Lt. Gen. Todd Semonite, chief of engineers and commander of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, speaks Oct. 5 at the Association of the United States Army Annual Meeting and Exhibition.

is particularly noteworthy, Hammack said, since October also happens to be Energy Awareness Month.

Over the past 20 years, \$2 billion in energy-performance contract savings were realized, with \$1 billion of that just over the last five years, she noted.

Also, Strategy 2025 was released this month, which is a guide for future energy savings and readiness initiatives. Hammack said her office is already working on the outline for Strategy 2035.

She noted that Congress can play a positive role in energy savings by allowing the Army to divest itself of failing, under-utilized or unused infrastructure.

“We owe it to our men and women to ensure we have the best resources available for them,” she added.

'I BECAME A SOLDIER ...' 3RD BATTALION, 13TH INFANTRY REGIMENT

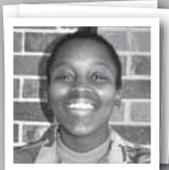
PVT. CHANIQUE T. HARDY, 17

Washington, D.C.

"I joined the Army because I wanted to represent and fight for the country I love, because someone has to defend it and I want to be a part of a team that does."

"The drill sergeants were the best part of basic training because they push you to limits you never thought you could reach."

My MOS is "25L – Cable Systems Installer Maintainer. I picked it because it's a communications job, and IT based. It also comes with a clearance which is really beneficial to me."



PVT. DAVID CARD JR., 20

Fairfax, Virginia

"(Team) Red, White and Blue, and support from my Family influenced me to join the Army."

"Basic training has helped me change. The most challenging part is getting through it mentally."

"I look forward to seeing my Family in the Army as a Soldier, and them being amazed at the new me. Basic changed me a lot and I welcome the change."



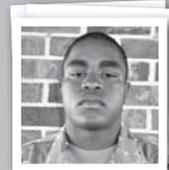
PVT. TRACIE A. WATLEY, 18

Bogolusa, Louisiana

"I was influenced into joining the Army after seeing my mother struggle all my life. I wanted to better my life and my Family's."

"It was the mental challenges that were the hardest for me about Basic Combat Training."

"I see myself as becoming an officer in the military and making a difference."



PVT. CRYSTAL LOPEZ DELARA, 18

Merrillville, Indiana

"I joined the Army to better my perspective on life and to become stronger."

"The mental aspect of basic training is very complex and I like that because it inspires me to improve."

"I am a 92G. I chose to be a cook because I love to cook and found that I can use that skill in the real world."

"My Family was excited when I told them I wanted to join the Army."



PVT. ABIGAIL S. KETTELHAKE, 18

Salem, Missouri

"I joined the Army to gain discipline, knowledge, and to better my understanding of selflessness."

"Basic Combat Training has taught me that working as a team will get you the farthest. If you give your best effort and push yourself you will only better yourself."

I am a "25L- Cable Systems Installer Maintainer. I chose that specific MOS because I want to expand my knowledge of electronics, plus my grandfather was electrician."



PVT. ANGEL ROJAS-QUINTANA, 18

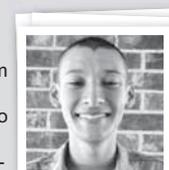
Claremont, Florida

"Joining the Army is a dream I wanted to come true ever since I was little, and wanted to protect my country."

"The best part of basic training for me was bonding with my battle buddies and learning more about the military and its concepts."

I am an "88N – Transportation Coordinator. It caught my attention and I was interested."

My Family was "very happy about my decision, they didn't agree at first, but decided to not go against me and agreed with me."



Job skills class can give you a competitive edge

By **BARBARA MARTIN**
ACS Employment Readiness Program

Employability skills are the traits and talents that make you an attractive candidate for a job. Improving your employability skills through education, training and practical applications can give you an upper edge in the job market. In addition to giving you an advantage in your job search, these employability skills may also position you for higher-earning roles with greater growth potential. The more versatile you are in your skill repertoire the more valuable you become to an employer.

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All of these classes are free and excellent opportunity to add more skills to your resume as well as to increase your employment opportunities. Classes are available to military spouses seeking employment. For more information call the Employment Readiness Program at 803-751-5452/9460 or email barbara.L.martin10.civ@mail.mil.



Photo by DEMETRIA MOSLEY

Professional development

'The American population wants a fit force,' said Command Sgt Maj. Michael L. Gragg, of the U.S. Army Center for Initial Military Training, during an Oct. 16 non-commissioned officer professional development seminar at the Post Theater. 'They expect you to be lean, trim, fit and ready to fight at a moment's notice, ready to run a million miles for the sake and defense of this constitution in this nation.' During the development, Gragg discussed a new combat readiness test which will pilot in October of next year. The test will be gender neutral and based on MOS and grade.



Vietnam veteran Phil Mock and Pvt. Jerod Anderson, Soldier in training with Delta Company, 1st Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment, discuss their training experiences during lunch Oct. 14.

A band of BROTHERS

Photos by VERAN HILL

Fort Jackson hosted an orientation tour Oct. 14 for Vietnam veterans who were assigned to 4th Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment. The veterans who are affectionately known as "A Band of Brothers" and Family members observed confidence and weapons training, shared combat experiences with blue phase Soldiers during lunch and received instructions by the Warrior Training Area cadre on the state-of-art Virtual Battlespace 3 System.



Vietnam veterans of 4th Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment, 9th Infantry Division, watch as Soldiers with Alpha Company, 1st Battalion, 61st Infantry Regiment were trained on U.S. Weapons at Bastogne on Oct. 14. The Soldiers learned how to load, fire, and correct a malfunction on the M203 Grenade Launcher.



Vietnam veterans from a group calling themselves the 'A Band of Brothers' listens to drill sergeants explain how Soldiers traverse the various obstacles at the Fort Jackson confidence course Oct. 14. The group was on a tour of the post to see how basic training is conducted today.



Vietnam veterans of 4th Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment, 9th Infantry Division, look on as Soldiers with Alpha Company, 1st Battalion, 61st Infantry Regiment practice techniques to load, fire, and correct a malfunction on the M249 Squad Automatic Weapon.

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Family

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Eldon's grandson, Pvt. Robert "Robbie" Pollard III, announced he was going to join the Army last year after performing in the marching band at his final high school home football game. His grandparents came to Tennessee from Colorado to watch him play.

"It wasn't a surprise to anyone that I was going to join," said Robbie. "I've been talking about doing it forever."

His grandmother, Camie Woodard, remembers the first time Robbie mentioned wanting to join the military.

"He had to be about 7 or 8 and he says I want to join the military, but not the Army," she said. "He said my dad is in the Army and I want to do something better than him."

But Robbie ending up joining anyway, making him the third man in the family to become a Soldier while navigating through the hot, humid weather that Fort Jackson is known for.

Robbie's father, Robert "Eddie" Pollard Jr., is proud that his son is following in his footsteps.

"I couldn't be happier," he said.



Photo by DEMETRIA MOSLEY

'You made a good decision joining the Army. Thank You!' said retired 1st Sgt. Eldon Grange as he shakes hands with his grandson's battle buddy.

Saluting this BCT cycle's honorees

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



Staff Sgt.
Michael Graves
Alpha Company
3rd Battalion,
13th Infantry Regiment



Staff Sgt.
Alberto Alvarez
Charlie Company
3rd Battalion,
13th Infantry Regiment



Sgt. 1st Class
Christian Nooney
Delta Company
3rd Battalion,
13th Infantry Regiment



Staff Sgt.
Michael Christian
Echo Company
3rd Battalion,
13th Infantry Regiment

HONOR GRADUATE OF THE CYCLE
Spc. Uriah Rogers

HONOR GRADUATE OF THE CYCLE
Pvt. Crystal Delara Lopez

HONOR GRADUATE OF THE CYCLE
Pvt. Caleb Grenon

HONOR GRADUATE OF THE CYCLE
Pfc. Howard Henry

SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Spc. Tauren Byrd

SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Spc. Kristin Kennedy

SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Spc. Trevor Funk

SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Pfc. Michael Daniels

HIGH BRM
Pvt. David Terhorst

HIGH BRM
Pvt. Thomas Kennedy

HIGH BRM
Pvt. Nicholas Poladian

HIGH BRM
Pvt. David Mills

HIGH APFT
Pvt. Joshua Shields

HIGH APFT
Spc. Tabitha Vermillion

HIGH APFT
Pvt. Huy Luu

HIGH APFT
Pvt. William Church

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Maximize your social media privacy settings.
"Friend" only those you know and trust.

*Source: NextAdvisor

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Virtual Career Library available to job seekers

By **BARBARA MARTIN**
Employment Readiness Program

The Fort Jackson Army Community Services Employment Readiness Program has joined the digital revolution with the addition of the Virtual Career Library to its full range of career guidance and employment services. This innovative career information service is available at no cost to all military personnel, family members, surviving spouses and DOD civilian employees.

The Virtual Career Library features a talking librarian avatar which guides site users through a digital library which includes career and education e-books, digital employment guides, hundreds of career expert videos, school and college finder, virtual career classroom, e-learning courses, virtual job data cards, employer news, and more.

Visitors can get help with exploring careers, job search guidance and education planning by logging on to the Virtual Career Library anytime, anywhere from any device. To get started go the Fort Jackson Employment Readiness Virtual Career Library website at <http://virtualcareerlibrary.com/jackson/>. Click on "First Time Registrants to apply for a username and password.

For more information about the Virtual Career Library or employment resources contact ACS at 751-5452/9046.

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Military shoppers at the Fort Jackson Exchange can get a jump on their holiday shopping with an extra discount on first-day purchases with a new MILITARY STAR card through the Army & Air Force Exchange Service.

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Myriam Torres, director of the Consortium for Latino Immigration Studies for the University of South Carolina, teaches U.S. Army Central Soldiers about the differences between Latin and Hispanic cultures. Hispanic Heritage Month has been observed annually by U.S. Army Central. During this year's observance, Soldiers were able to learn about the contributions and history of Latino American citizens who have ties and descendants from the Caribbean, Central and South Americas, Mexico, and Spain.

U.S. Army Central observes Hispanic Heritage Month

By SGT. VICTOR EVERHART JR.
USARCENT Public Affairs

U.S. Army Central took time to observe National Hispanic Heritage Month with a presentation from guest speaker Myriam Torres, Ph.D., MPSH, at Patton Hall, October 12.

During the presentation Torres, director of the consortium for Latino Immigration Studies for the University of South Carolina, explained to U.S. Army Central Soldiers about the differences between Latin and Hispanic cultures.

She also explained the growth of the Hispanic population within the United States and the demographics of the Hispanic population by state and numbers associated with the births of Hispanics within the U.S.

Torres stated the observation grew to be what it is today by highlighting how in 1968 the observation of Hispanic Heritage Week was enacted under President Lyndon Johnson.

Two years later, Hispanic Heritage Week was expanded to a month starting September 15 and ending October 15. It became public law Aug. 17, 1998.

Since then, Hispanic Heritage Month has been observed annually by U.S.



Lt. Gen. Michael Garrett, commanding general, U.S. Army Central, presents Myriam Torres, director of the Consortium for Latino Immigration Studies for the University of South Carolina, a gift from the Soldiers of U.S. Army Central.

Army Central. During this year's observance, Soldiers were able to learn about the contributions and history of Latino American citizens who have ties and descendants from the Caribbean, Central and South Americas, Mexico, and Spain.

"I just wanted to bring new facts to the attention of the Soldiers who may

not have known how dedicated and numerous Hispanic service has been dating back to the Civil War," said Torres. "The history of Hispanic service runs deep and it's good to inform audiences of the good works that the Hispanic community has made in the service of our country and throughout history."

Reserves building an energy-secure future

Army News Service

According to the Global Energy Statistical Yearbook 2016, the United States is one of the leading consumers of energy in the world, and the Federal government is the leading consumer of energy in the United States. Furthermore, the Department of Defense is the leading consumer of energy in the Federal government, and the Army is the leading consumer of installation energy in the Department of Defense. In fact, the Army consumes 34 percent of the Department of Defense's installation energy at a cost of over \$1.2 billion annually.

For the United States Army Reserve, energy touches almost every aspect of the mission. From the power required to operate its facilities to the fuel required to operate its vehicles, the Army Reserve's battle rhythm – both at home and down range – is dependent upon this crucial asset. Without energy, life would come to a halt.

However, threats to energy are constantly on the rise. The increasing worldwide demands for energy, the political and economic instabilities in oil-producing regions, the impacts of attacks against oil infrastructure and the effects of natural disasters all endanger invaluable resources.

Since the Army Reserve has a global "footprint," energy crises across the world

could create conflicts that have the potential to influence military objectives. Energy affects the welfare of our Soldiers, too. Fuel convoys are among the most dangerous duties for war fighters. The Center for Army Lessons Learned estimates that, historically, fuel and water transport missions are responsible for nearly 10 percent of Army casualties in theater.

If a disruption of our energy supplies did occur, what would happen to the military, its infrastructure and its mission? Could the enterprise survive "off the grid?" The Army Reserve hopes that those questions will never need an answer. Nevertheless, the Army Reserve Energy Program is striving to ensure its energy security.

The International Energy Agency defines energy security as the "uninterrupted availability of energy at an affordable price." For the Army Reserve, energy security also means that its Installations, Regional Support Commands and Mission Support Command are ready to answer the nation's call – even in the face of a local, national or global energy emergency.

To that end, the Army Reserve Installation Management Directorate developed the Army Reserve Energy Security Implementation Strategy.

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Do your part for ENERGY SECURITY



- Extinguish lights in vacant rooms.
- Use natural light where possible.
- Replace incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent lights or light emitting diodes.

- Power down computer monitors and peripherals at the end of each duty day.

- Unplug electronics that are not in use for extended periods.
- Use the 'energy saver' modes on office copiers and printers.



- Close doors and windows to conditioned spaces.
- Ensure that vents are unobstructed.
- Change your air filters regularly to ensure that your climate control system operates at its peak efficiency.

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The strategy creates a vision, mission and goals that, when accomplished, will ultimately achieve energy security for the enterprise.

The first ARESIS goal is to promote energy conservation, or the reduction of the Army Reserve's energy use, to ensure that resources are resilient and that the enterprise directs supplies to the most critical aspects of missions. Education and awareness initiatives create an informed, conservation-minded culture of Soldiers, Civilians and Families.

The second ARESIS goal is to increase energy efficiency through diverse projects. For instance, several sites throughout the Army Reserve have significantly reduced their energy consumption – by as much as 85 percent – by replacing fluorescent lights with light emitting diodes. Over 780

meters monitor energy consumption at 410 Army Reserve facilities, thus allowing Energy Managers and project coordinators to identify trends in energy use and areas where energy efficiency can be improved. With automated controls for applications such as thermostats and lights, buildings are operating at their peak efficiencies.

The third ARESIS goal is to leverage alternative and renewable energy through solar, wind and other sources of clean power.

As of the third quarter of fiscal year 2016, 62 Army Reserve renewable energy projects were reporting in the Army Energy and Water Reporting System. Fort Buchanan and Fort Hunter Liggett – both Reserve-funded installations – are top performers in this area, generating 45.3 percent and 43.4 percent of their energy from renewable technologies, respectively.

The fourth ARESIS goal is to build a sustainable energy program foundation. The Army Reserve is engaging senior leaders in the development and deployment of energy policies, and it is building valuable

partnerships with agencies that support sustainability within and beyond the fence lines. The Army Reserve is also securing human and financial capital. Energy Managers, Resource Efficiency Managers and Building Energy Monitors act as the “eyes” and “ears” of the Army Reserve Energy Program in the field. Energy professionals across the enterprise implement energy projects with appropriated funds from the Federal government and funds from third-party programs such as Energy Savings Performance Contracts, which pair Federal agencies with energy service companies. Agencies have used the ESPC contracting vehicle since 1998 to reduce energy costs and meet Executive Orders toward sustainability with no initial capital costs.

Moreover, the Army Reserve is working to produce as much energy as it consumes over the course of one year, at as many of its sites as economically feasible. Ten Army Reserve Centers and three Army Reserve-funded Installations (Fort Hunter Liggett, Fort Buchanan and Parks Reserve Forces Training Area) are actively pursu-

ing this ambitious target.

Because of all of these initiatives, the Army Reserve as a whole reduced its energy use intensity (energy consumption divided by gross square footage) by nine percent in only one year, from fiscal year 2014 to fiscal year 2015. According to AEWRS data, this reduction in energy use intensity saved just over \$2 million, or the equivalent to the level of funding required for two and a half additional Army Reserve training exercises.

The Army Reserve has already achieved many successes, but it will not simply rest on its past victories. Instead, it will continue to lead the Department of the Army's charge toward energy-conscious communities and an energy-secure enterprise with a mission that endures – now and for generations to come.

For more information about the Army Reserve Energy Program, visit usar.army.mil or usarsustainability.com/energy. Like us on Facebook at [facebook.com/USAR-Sustainability](https://www.facebook.com/USAR-Sustainability) and follow us on Twitter @[USARGoGreen](https://twitter.com/USARGoGreen).

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A problem that cannot be ignored

Intimate partner violence and it's unwelcome bedfellow: sexual assault

Domestic violence is a serious problem in the United States and is especially troubling in the context of intimate partner violence and sexual assault. Abusers seek to establish power and control over their partner through intimidation, threats, physical violence, financial abuse; and emotional or psychological abuse.

Abusers who engage in physical violence and other forms of abuse toward their intimate partner are often sexually abusive as well. According to the National Coalition against Domestic Violence, between 40 and 45 percent of women in abusive relationships will be sexually assaulted during the course of the relationship. Intimate partner sexual assault and rape are used to intimidate, control and demean victims of domestic violence.

The existence of a relationship, even a marriage, does not in any way make it acceptable for a person to force another's participation in sexual acts through threats, violence, coercion, or other means lacking freely given consent. A study by the Center for Disease Control determined that 10 to 14 percent of married women are raped at some point during the marriage. Even more alarming, it found that only about 36 percent of all rape is ever reported, and the reporting of marital rape is even lower, making it the most under-reported form of sexual assault.

Intimate partner violence occurs among both heterosexual and same sex couples, in any community regardless of age, economic status, race, religion, orientation, or education.

If you have been a victim of intimate partner violence you have rights and options. There are dedicated advocates here at Fort Jackson, ready to help anyway we can. The Army Community Services Family Advocacy Program has a team of professionals and a wealth of resources. They can be reached 24 hours a day at: 803-429-4870. You can also call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233 (SAFE)

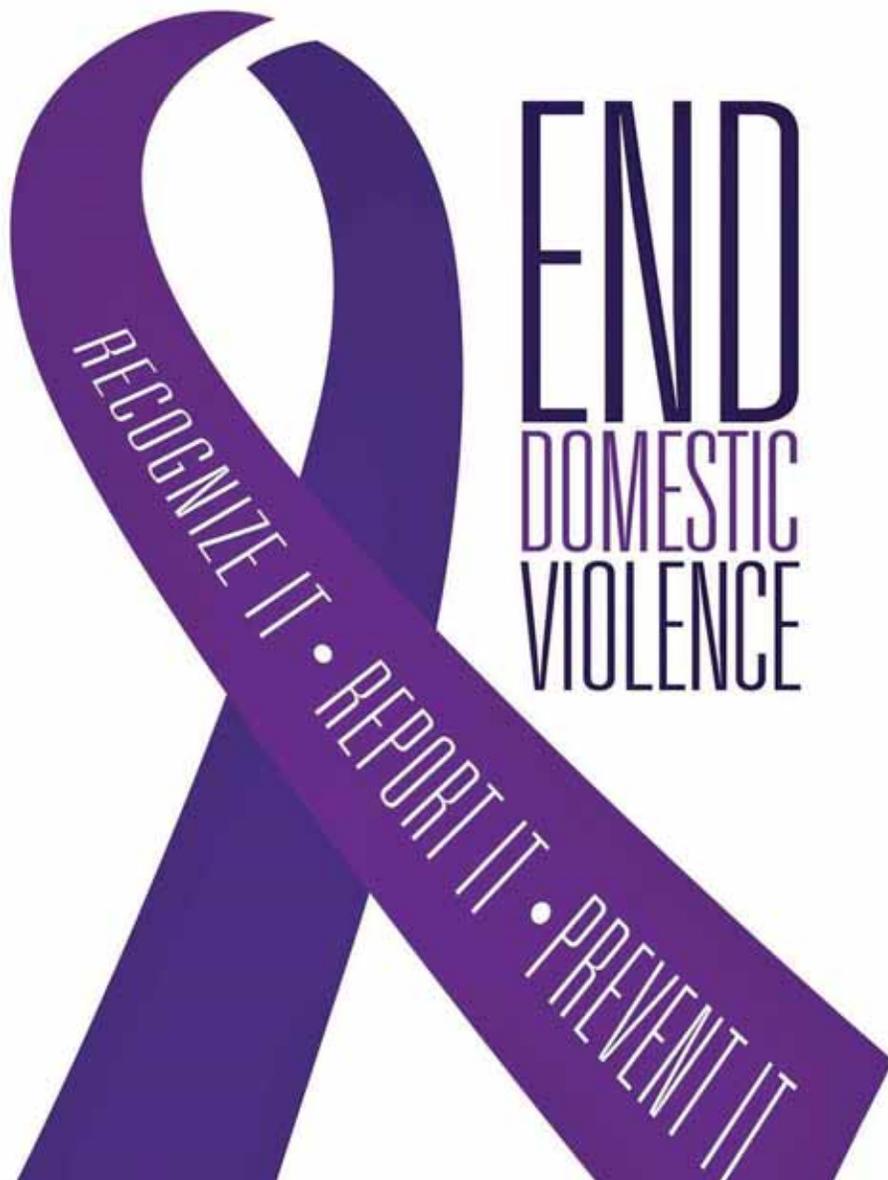
If you have been, or believe you may have been, the victim of sexual assault (weather or not related to intimate partner violence), the Special Victims Counsel at the Legal Assistance Office can answer your questions about sexual assault confidentially. The SVC can be reached at: 803-751-5159 or 703-347-4288.

Another excellent local resource is Sexual Trauma Services of the Midlands, a private non-profit organization that provides support for survivors of sexual assault and abuse in Richland, Lexington, Newberry, and Sumter counties. STSM can be reached at 803-771-7273 (RAPE) or 1-800-491-7273.

The Department of Justice reports that victims who are both physically and sexually abused are more likely to be injured or killed. Intimate partner violence accounted for 14 percent of all U.S. homicides in 2007. This is a problem that cannot be ignored, and will not fix itself.



By **CAPT. BRAD LEWIS**
Judge Advocate,
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'Speak up. Be part of the solution'

ACS Family Assessment Program

Victim advocates often hear the following statements and questions from victim:

- "I didn't know Fort Jackson had victim advocates."
- "You can help me with an order of Protection?"
- "I have rights as a spouse of a Soldier experiencing domestic violence."
- "You offer help to male victim of domestic violence?"

Fort Jackson Family Advocacy Program has victim advocates. These advocates are here to support and advocate for victims of domestic violence, as well as offer crisis intervention. The victim advocates seek to be proactive by providing domestic violence materials that help to educate and bring awareness to this serious problem.

"Everyone plays a role in upholding the Army val-

ues and standards that support safe, healthy relationships for everyone in the military community," said Col. James Ellerson, Fort Jackson's garrison commander. "Without every one of us doing our part, we cannot say our Army is fully ready to meet the mission of preventing domestic violence.

"Speak up," he said. "Be part of the solution."

Victim Advocates empower victims of intimate partner violence to make decisions that can improve their quality of life. They provide victims with information on their rights, provide emergency shelter, safety planning, assist with child care costs, filing for protection orders and accompany victims to court proceedings and/or meetings with lawyers, police officers, and command. They also make referrals to local resources for a variety of needs. Victim Advocates are not attorneys and cannot provide legal advice. Information on obtaining an attorney can be provided.



Photo by ROBERT TIMMONS

Soldiers in Training check the form of basketball players from the University of South Carolina during the Basketball Madness exposition.

Ball

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That spirit includes the creation of a close bond between Soldiers which the event helped strengthen.

“I love the camaraderie,” said Pvt. Zachariah Kirkham, with Delta Company, 3rd Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment, and Prattville, Alabama native. “I know the guy to my right will have my back, and the guy to my left will have my back, and they both know I have their backs.”

The basketball madness “is a lot of fun. I can’t say I am a fan of basketball, but I am enjoying it,” he added while watching fellow Soldiers interacting with players. “They are lucky guys. They are all good folks.”

The interaction between Soldiers and players affected everyone who attended.

“The interaction between players and Soldiers is really special,” Johnson said. The event allowed Soldiers in Training to “take off a little while from basic training and be able to enjoy a little” fun.

“It’s great to see the single Soldiers come out and have fun,” said Tia Harris, who works with Fort Jackson childcare, as her two sons Daderion, 5, and Jay-eyn, 2, posed for a picture with Staley after the event.

The event was one of many partnership events the post has with the Midlands.

“Columbia, Fort Jackson and the university are incredible partners,” Martin said. “And we want to ensure that is always the case. We have an unbelievable amount of respect for what you do for us every single day.”



Above, University of South Carolina basketball players, and Soldiers in Training from Fort Jackson conduct agility drills. Left, a Soldier in Training, with 3rd Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment, launches a free throw. Gamecocks men’s and women’s teams held the event to recognize the work Fort Jackson does for the community.