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SATURDAY

Centennial Concert
5:30 p.m. Celebrate 100 years of Fort Jackson with a free, open to the public, concert featuring Hunter Hayes and Kellie Pickler.

TUESDAY

Special Forces Recruiting
The Special Forces Recruiting team from Fort Bragg will be on Fort Jackson to answer questions regarding the selection process, the qualification course, and life as a Green Beret. For more information contact Staff Sgt. Al Soto at 785-200-7750, or via email at albert.soto.mil@gmail.com.

TUESDAY

Job Searching Strategies for Military Spouses
8:30 a.m.-noon, Army Community Service Center, Bldg. 9810, Lee Road (MG John A. Renner Building.) Topics include 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 e-mail sherry.majorcciv@mail.mil.

JUNE 9

Change of Command

JUNE 10

Jackson Centennial Birthday Ball
5-11 p.m., Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center, 1101 Lincoln Street, Columbia. Ticket prices for sergeant first class and civilians in pay grade GS7 and below are $16.74 each while master sergeant and GS8 and above are $27.24 each. The Centennial Army Birthday Ball is a formal event, and the attire for civilians is formal evening wear or black tie. Military uniform is the Army Service Uniform, Dress Mess/Dress Blues. Hours of operation for childcare will be from 4-11 p.m. For more information, contact Beverly Wedges with Military Spouses and Family Services, MG John A. Renner Building. Questions? Call 751-7045.

JUNE 10

Pride Challenge
Soldiers from the 369th Adjutant General Battalion held a Pride Challenge May 25 to help increase the esprit de corps of the unit. The challenge included low crawling and hand grenade toss, a tire flip and carrying heavy weights around a physical training track.
Happy birthday to Fort Jackson! For 100 years, this installation has served as a training facility for the U.S. Army.

Tomorrow is the installation’s big day.

In celebration of a century of supporting and uplifting the Army values, the Fort Jackson community will be hosting events all over post. Here’s a preview of what to expect for events around post.

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**FRIDAY**

**Cake Cutting**
9:30 a.m., Fort Jackson Golf Club

**Golfing Tournament**
10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Fort Jackson Golf Club. Cost: Members $45 a person, non-members $60 a person. Open to all golfers (four-person team). To register for the Centennial golf tournament a completed Entry form must be submitted with payment. For more information call the Fort Jackson Golf Shop at 803-787-4437

**Birthday Party**
11:30 a.m., Solomon Center. Cost: Free. Open to the entire Family. Join Fort Jackson’s 282nd Army Band as they celebrate the birthday of the installation.

**SATURDAY**

**Centennial Concert**
5:30 to 10 p.m., Hilton Field
Hunter Hayes and Kellie Pickler are the headliners taking the big stage on Hilton Field at 7 p.m. This birthday bash will include free rides for children as well as food and beverages for sale. The Golden Knights Parachute Demonstration Team will jump onto the field between 6 and 6:30 p.m. There will also be a fireworks display at 9:30 p.m.

**JUNE 8**

After completing 10 weeks of Basic Combat Training the centennial battalion takes to Hilton Field for graduation.
‘You have to get into survival mode,’ Fort Jackson’s Antiterrorism Officer Darren Woodland told the Special Troops Battalion after the active shooting drill May 25. Fort Jackson’s antiterrorism team performs an active shooter drill for each unit on Fort Jackson at least once a year.

‘Training is the key’
Post performs active shooter drill

By DEMETRIA MOSLEY
Fort Jackson Leader

The sounds of gunfire rings from the hallways of a building on Fort Jackson as Garrison Antiterrorism Officer Mark Mallach roamed the floors. As he approaches a closed door, Mallach places one hand on the knob while the other hand cradles the trigger on his gun.

“Let me in first sergeant! Let me in!” he yells as he shakes the door knob. “The shooter is out here! Let me in.”

Fort Jackson’s Special Troops Battalion participated in an Active Shooter drill May 25 lead by the Garrison Antiterrorism team.

Fort Jackson’s Antiterrorism team performs an active shooter drill for each unit on Fort Jackson at least once a year.

May 25 was the Special Troops Battalion’s turn.

“Don’t ever discount any noise that you hear,” Mallach told the unit after the exercise was over. “Some of the feedback we hear is that it sounds like fireworks, popcorn or banging bricks. Doesn’t matter, once you hear something run or get down.”

Staff Sgt. Mark Benney, of the STB, said that having to go through this kind of training is very beneficial to Soldiers.

“Training is the key to understanding what to do in the situation. Training is the only way we can prepare ourselves to know what to do when this situation arises,” said Benney.

Before the active shooter exercise, each unit on Fort Jackson gets classroom training on how to properly perform in different situations that might arise.

“It’s going to be a surprise when it happens and you have to be in survival mode,” Antiterrorism Officer Darren Woodland reminded the unit. “No active shooter is going to call you and say, ‘Can you wait a second? I’m at the light. I’ll be there in a few minutes to kill you.’”

Mark Mallach, Garrison Antiterrorism Officer, acts as the shooter in the active shooter drill for Fort Jackson’s Special Troops Battalion. During the drill, Mallach walked around the building firing and trying to get into doors. The drill is to help people prepare for situations like this.
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May 27-June 4
Add the 5th Family Member
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June 5 to the end of season.

Single memberships are also available.

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For questions, please call (803)751-5812.

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Help is available 24/7 by calling the Fort Jackson SHARP hotline at 543-3085 or the Department of Defense Safe Help Line at 877-955-5247.

Operation Falcon Thrust certifies 2-39 cadre

By CAPT. ANTHONY KEIM
2nd Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment

On April 27, cadre and staff from 2nd Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment gathered early in the morning at the battalion for Operation Falcon Thrust. Each participant, with great motivation and professionalism, prepared their gear for the operation.

Operation Falcon Thrust was a training event designed as a re-certification for battalion drill sergeants on their Warrior skill level I tasks, as well as to identify the best drill sergeant and platoon in the battalion.

Operation Falcon Thrust included several different events which consisted of land navigation, packing list layout, an 8-mile ruck march, group-zero-qualification, camouflage, radio operations, Military Operations in Urban Terrain, medical tasks, digging fox holes, setting up a perimeter, and buddy team blank fire.

At the conclusion of the training on April 28, everyone arrived back at the battalion, and after cleaning weapons and gear, gathered for the award presentation in which 1st Platoon, Delta Company, won the best platoon of the competition. The platoon cadre consisted of Staff Sgt. Akesa Knuckles, Staff Sgt. Christopher Carney, Fort Jackson’s Non-commissioned Officer of the Year, and Staff Sgt. Maxwell Totimech.

LEGAL ASSISTANCE: NOW PLAYING ON A COMPUTER NEAR YOU

The Fort Jackson Office of the Staff Judge Advocate provides Legal Assistance Services to active duty service members, eligible Family members, and retirees.

However, it may be difficult to obtain an appointment with a legal assistance attorney because of scheduling conflicts or personnel shortages. As a result, the Legal Assistance Office has developed five short, informational videos that aim to tackle some of the most common legal issues that our clients may encounter. These videos will be available on the Fort Jackson OSJA website, Facebook page, and the Fort Jackson OSJA SharePoint site.

Although these videos are intended to be informational, they do not provide individual legal advice so do not rely exclusively on the information presented in the videos. If after viewing one or more of the videos, you would still like to make an appointment you should contact the Fort Jackson Legal Assistance Office at 751-4287 to arrange a consultation.

Remembering the fallen


Photos by JULIA SIMPKINS

SHARP resources available for DA civilians

By SGT. 1ST TRULISSA L. MOORE
Installation Lead SARC

The Department of the Army published Army Directive 2017-02 Jan. 5 which states sexual harassment, assault response and prevention services for Department of the Army Civilians are available for a trial period of one year. The directive allows DAC appropriated and non-appropriated fund employees to report and seek services through the SHARP program. Prior to the directive, DAC employees in the continental United States were provided SHARP training and referral services only. DAC employees outside the continental United States had the unrestricted reporting option and were eligible for limited SHARP services.

DAC employees may now file either an unrestricted or restricted report for a sexual assault and receive assistance services.

Unrestricted report:
- Notification to the chain of command
- Law enforcement agency involvement
- Criminal investigation with possible prosecution of offender

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RUCK & ROLL

Soldiers in Training with 3rd Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment are just a few short weeks from graduating Basic Combat Training. In week eight, the Centennial Battalion completed Victory Forge and were the first battalion to conduct FM4 where they stopped at Range 1 to fire near the end of a foot march. For more photographs visit the Fort Jackson Instagram page at www.instagram.com/FortJacksonPAO or our Flickr page at www.flickr.com/photos/fort_jackson_pao.

Photos by ROBERT TIMMONS

Alpha Company led the battalion on the foot march departing at 3 p.m. and arriving at the range at 7:30 p.m. The company briefly paused a short way from the range to conduct a quick safety briefing and remove blank adaptors before marching the final way to the range where they received live ammunition and fired at stationary targets.
‘Mom! I’m bored!’

Every parent dreads those complaints of boredom every summer, or worse yet, their child constantly glued to mobile devices. From summer camps to events you can do as a family, there is no reason for boredom or low battery life on your phone.

**Thomas Lee Hall Post Library**
The Library has a summer packed full of fun things to do for the entire family.

**Put down the electronic devices and read!**
Win fun prizes with the Summer Reading Program. Kids (under 10) track and log the minutes that you read on the Summer Reading website. The goal is to have every child read 800 minutes this summer. For every 160 minutes that you read, you earn a prize. Teens (ages 11 - 17) and adults track and log the minutes that you read on the Summer Reading website (https://thomaslee-hall.beanstack.org). The goal is to have every teen and adult read 1290 minutes this summer. For every 430 minutes that you read, you earn a prize.

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**Arts & Crafts Day**, 2-4 p.m. July 5. Learn how to make scratch art, a bead wind chime, or pin buttons.

**Science Experiments Day**, 2-4 p.m. July 12. Come and discover how to make a balloon rocket, make a lava lamp, or test how strong spaghetti can be.

**Special Events at the Library**

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**Columbia Marionette Theatre presents “The Tortoise and the Hare,”** 2 p.m. July 22.
The race is on. The speedy Hare is confident that he can beat the slowly Tortoise in a race across the forest. But as this classic Aesop's Fable has taught us for thousands of years ... “Slow and steady wins the race.” The Tortoise has a few tricks up his shell, and he won’t give up so easily. Columbia Marionette Theatre uses short-strung

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‘Women can be heroes, too’

Student honors fallen Soldier at ‘Living History Museum’

By WALLACE McBRIDE
Fort Jackson Leader

There were a lot of familiar faces at C.C. Pinckney Elementary School last week. For two days, children lined the halls, gymnasium, library and cafeteria, dressed as famous figures from history. Prepared to share their life stories with visitors were former president Barack Obama, Robin Williams, Albert Einstein, Michael Jackson and Capt. Jennifer M. Moreno.

The latter received a few confused looks from children and parents, who stopped to hear student Ian Nunez, 8, tell Moreno’s life story. Moreno was one of four Soldiers killed Oct. 6, 2013, in Afghanistan, when her unit was attacked with an improvised explosive device. A nurse assigned to Madigan Army Medical Center in Washington, Moreno was with an Army Special Operations Command cultural support team on her first deployment at the time of her death.

Moreno and Ian’s mother, Raquel Coronado, had been friends since high school.

“Ian wanted to do Pat Tillman,” Coronado said. “I talked to some of the other moms, and found out their sons were doing Pat Tillman. I asked him, ‘What about my friend?’”

A primary care clinic at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, named in Moreno’s honor, she said, as well as bench outside Madigan Army Medical Center dedicated to her. Coronado asked the school if there would be any conflict with Ian choosing a less-visible hero to recognize.

“I also asked Ian if he would be uncomfortable portraying a female hero,” she said. “He said, ‘Why not?’”

The Family first discussed dressing him in hospital scrubs, but decided instead on Army fatigues because of the date of the event was so close to Memorial Day.

“We were looking for the current Army uniform, the OCPs, but all of the Clothing and Sales (stores) had ACU patterns,” she said. “We tried to get the badges and make it as realistic as we possible could.”

“Some people asked me if she was my sister,” Ian said. “I just wanted to make her proud.

“Women can be heroes, too,” he said.

Coronado and Moreno went to high school together for four years in San Diego. “We were in the JROTC program together,” she said. “We spent a lot of time together. We did competitions, we did summer camp, the cadet picnic ... we became a little family and just kept in touch.”

“We were proud of her. She came out of a really rough neighborhood, where guns and violence and drugs were very big. The chances of us going to a college, or even considering college, were very low.”
### ‘I BECAME A SOLDIER …’

**1ST BATTALION,**

**61ST INFANTRY REGIMENT**

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First Sgt. Jorge Lopez, from Alpha Company, 2nd Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment, 165th Infantry Brigade, and his family are the Yard of the Month grand prize winners for May. Pictured, from left, are Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. John P. Drawbond, Garrison Commander Col. James Ellerson, Jackie Lopez, and 1st Sgt. Jorge Lopez. The Family received a certificate of appreciation signed by Ellerson a reserved parking pass for the month of May at the PX and Commissary, and movie passes courtesy of AAFES. They also received a bag full of goodies from the Housing Services Office and housing mayors. As the grand prize winners, they also received a gift bag from Balfour Beatty.

**CYS offering free summer meals for kids and teens**

Fort Jackson Child & Youth Services Department is participating in a summer food service program, beginning today.

The kickoff event starts today from 1-4 p.m. at the Middle School and Teen Center, located at 5975 Chesnut Road. Meals will be served from June 5 until Aug. 18, 7:30-8:30 a.m. for breakfast, 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. for lunch.

Lunch will also be served at the SKIES Unlimited Family Center, located at 6100 Chesnut Road, from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., June 12 through Aug. 18.

Meals will be provided to all children without charge at both sites, which will both be closed July 4.

**Gaining confidence**

Students from the Chaplain Basic Officer Leader Course get ready to enter the gas chamber Tuesday during Initial Military Training. Soldiers are required to enter the chamber, which is filled with tear gas, and remove their masks for a period of at least 30 seconds as part of their instruction.

*Photo by SGT. 1ST CLASS TAMARA HORNBAKER, USACHCS*
Soldiers in Advanced Individual Training at the U.S. Army Chaplain Center and School planted flags at the Fort Jackson National Cemetery Friday in preparation for Memorial Day observance. USACHCS Soldiers plant flags every year.
Thomas Lee Hall Library conducted an overnight field trip for stuffed animals belonging to their young patrons. Children brought their stuffed animals to participate in such events as story time, singing, and craft making. After that, the stuffed animals stayed the night with the librarians to help them sort and shelve books, watch movies, have a book cart race and read bedtime stories.
The Army, Coronado said, offered Moreno a ticket out of that life. Coronado, who was brought to America illegally when she was just four years old, had to take a different path. Parole in Place allows spouses, parents and minor children of U.S. citizens to apply for adjustment of status and remain in the United States. For a time, it appeared that Coronado might be sent back to Mexico, a country she hardly remembers, but her husband’s military status bought them time.

“It was Juarez,” said Coronado’s husband, Staff Sgt. Yancey Nunez, a drill sergeant with Alpha Company, 2nd Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment. “It was the drug cartel capital of the world, and they were killing people night and day there. The Army wouldn’t let me go to that place, and she would have had to go for an indefinite amount of time. We couldn’t take that chance, so we applied for Parole in Place which let us do the interview in the U.S. We got her green card in seven years in Colorado.”

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Students at C.C. Pinckney Elementary School dressed as memorable characters from history as part of the “Living History Museum” event. Above, Roderick Davis presented visitors with the life of athlete Jackie Robinson. Below, from left, are D.J. Shattuck as Steve Irwin, Jaden Henton as Michael Jackson, and Chelsea Watlington as Rosa Parks.

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marionettes, and a wide variety of creative rod puppets to bring this wonderful story to life.

Palmetto Falls Water Park
Palmetto Falls Water Park is fun for the whole family and open Tuesday-Sunday. Season memberships for a family of four is just $99 until Saturday. Purchase by Sunday and you can add the fifth family member free. Enjoy the 800 linear foot lazy river, two speed slides, one loopy-loop slide, a family pool with dumping buckets, lap pool, kiddie pool spray park, playground, plenty of shade, and a snack bar.

Child and Youth Services Summer Camps
Send your child to camp.

Fishing Derby
Outdoor Recreation is hosting a Youth Fishing Derby, June 24, 9 - 11:30 a.m. at Heise Pond by Alpine Lodge and the game check station. The lake will be stocked with channel catfish prior to the derby. Once Heise Pond is stocked it will be closed for fishing until after the Youth Fishing Derby is finished. Outdoor Recreation is offering free fishing pole rental to all youth, but early registration is strongly encouraged as only 100 fishing poles will be available during the derby. To reserve a fishing pole please call Marion Street Station at 751-3484. This a free event but bait will be available for purchase during the derby. You are also welcome to bring your own bait and tackle if you wish.

Free Concert
Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation will present a Fort Jackson Centennial Celebration featuring country artists Hunter Hayes and Kellie Pickler, taking place at Hilton Field on Saturday. FMWR is proud to bring Hunter Hayes to Fort Jackson for the first time and Kellie Pickler for her second time entertaining Soldiers, Family members and civilians at Fort Jackson. Pickler last performed on post in 2011. The Fort Jackson Centennial Celebration will include the Golden Knights Army Parachute Team jump into Hilton Field, rides for children, and food and beverage for sale. This event is free and open to the public. For the safety of our Soldiers, guests and Military Working Dogs, Service Animals (for the blind, disabled, etc.) are the only animals allowed on Hilton Field. Please do not bring your pets.
National Guard Chief highlights force readiness, excellence

By LISA FERDINANDO
Army News Service

The Citizen-Soldiers and airmen of the National Guard stand ready to protect and defend the nation, thanks to the continued support from Congress, the Chief of the National Guard Bureau Air Force Gen. Joseph L. Lengyel told a congressional hearing, May 24.

The National Guard is the most capable it has been in its 380-year history, said Lengyel during a National Guard and Reserve budget hearing with the House Appropriations Committee’s defense subcommittee.

The National Guard focuses on three land mission and building enduring partnerships at the local, state, federal and international level, he said.

Lengyel outlined his first priority as providing ready forces for the president and state governors.

“As I talk to you today, we have 18,000 men and women deployed in every combatant command around the globe,” he said, adding that 4,000 men and women of the National Guard are serving in homeland defense and security missions.

The National Guard’s operational force fights seamlessly with the joint force, and the National Guard is more closely integrated than ever before with the Army and Air Force, the general said.

“Our interoperability with the joint force will deepen and evolve as we confront future threats – threats that are now global, emanate from all domains, and are adaptable and multi-functional in their forms,” he said in his written statement. “Only a well-integrated and well-trained force will keep our nation safe and secure our national interests.”

The National Guard is the nation’s primary crisis response force, he said, responding to natural disasters such as hurricanes, floods and snowstorms, as well as crises such as the Boston Marathon bombing and civil unrest in Baltimore and in Ferguson, Missouri.

The men and women of the National Guard use their skills and capabilities gained from combat to respond to domestic threats such as chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear attacks, large-scale natural disasters and cyberattacks, he said.

“What it’s fires or floods or winter snowstorms or terrorists such as bombs blowing up in Boston, the National Guard is there, and we’re trained and we’re ready because of the resources that this committee has chosen to give it,” he said.

Lengyel highlighted the State Partnership Program, in which the National Guard works with international allies to assure partners, deter adversaries and help transition nations from security consumers to global security providers. The program will comprise of 79 nations once the partnership with Malaysia is formalized, he reported.

Lengyel warned about the effects that sequestration and its arbitrary cuts would have on readiness and the force.

“Predictable and dependable funding is probably the single most important factor that we in the National Guard need so that we can plan to recruit our people, so that we can plan to train our people and so that we can maintain our equipment and recapitalize our equipment through the services as we normally do,” he explained to lawmakers.

The National Guard must ensure that every dollar counts, Lengyel said.

“Readiness is funding-related and (the president’s budget proposal submitted to Congress) begins to build some of that back, but it’s going to take a long time before all of the things, (including) the recapitalization and modernization of the force, is fully compete,” he said.

President Donald J. Trump’s fiscal year 2018 Defense Department budget request is $574.5 billion, with a $64.6 billion request for overseas contingency operations.
Saluting this BCT cycle’s honorees

DRILL SERGEANTS OF THE CYCLE. Photos by Demetria Mosley

Staff Sgt. Timothy Blair
Bravo Company, 1st Battalion, 61st Infantry Regiment

SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Pvt. Landon Fessler

SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Pfc. Jaron Hohertz

HIGH BRM
Pvt. Nathaniel Elix

HIGH APFT
Pvt. Aiyana Hi

Staff Sgt. Chad Johnson
Delta Company, 1st Battalion, 61st Infantry Regiment

SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Pvt. Trey Guant

SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Pvt. Jilian Stein

HIGH BRM
Pvt. Dalton Fleming

HIGH APFT
Pvt. Victor Lopez

Staff Sgt. Reggie Robinson
Echo Company, 1st Battalion, 61st Infantry Regiment

SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Spc. Craig Pendleton

SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Pvt. Curtis Camp

SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Pvt. Dejour Rozier

SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Pvt. Kendra Lynn

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Green Design

C. C. Pinckney students created objects using recyclables May 17 for ‘Green Design with a Twist,’ the school’s celebration of International Recycling Day. Above, third-grade students Summer, Elise, Alex and Dalton introduce their five foot ‘recycled’ people. Right, sixth-grade student Gabby presents her model of Fort Jackson and its buildings.
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June 3, 2017

Hilton Field, Fort Jackson
Gates Open 5:30 p.m.
(Rides for children: 4 pm)
Golden Knights Parachute into Hilton Field: 6-6:30 p.m.
Concert starts: 7 p.m.
Fireworks: 9:30 p.m.
(after last song)

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