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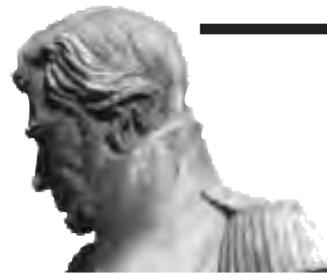
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Postwide party

Fort Jackson's 94th birthday set for Friday

By CURSHA PIERCE-LUNDERMAN
Fort Jackson Leader

Dust off your party hats and dancing shoes because it is birthday time at Fort Jackson. The post will celebrate its 94th birthday with a community event 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Friday at the Solomon Center.

"This is only the second time that families and the whole community have been encouraged to take part in the celebration," said Lewis Kellam, operations officer for Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security. "In the past it was out on

“ We are working hard to make this a fun event for everyone. ”

— Lewis Kellam
Fort Jackson DPTMS

Darby Field and reserved primarily for service members.”

This year's festivities will take place indoors and involve several children's activities.

"We will have a cake decorating activity in honor of the birthday, along with birthday (temporary) tattoos and a big birthday card the kids can sign," said Cindy Andre-Noel, Child, Youth and School Services outreach coordinator. "There will also be a candy buffet and large inflatables; lots of things geared around fun for the young ones."

Family life was a missing element on the post back in 1917 when Fort Jackson, then Camp Jackson, was established. The main purpose of the post was for World War I training of Soldiers. Throughout the years,

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Winning ride



Photo by CURSHA PIERCE-LUNDERMAN

Sgt. 1st Class Jeff Kimbrough and his wife, Lissett, check out the inside of their new 2011 Jeep Rubicon at the Fort Jackson PX Wednesday. Kimbrough won the Jeep after entering an AAFES giveaway while deployed in Balad, Iraq. The family just arrived at Fort Jackson, where Kimbrough will attend the Drill Sergeant School.

Community crucial to post's success

During our recent Torchlight Tattoo event — which, by the way, was again a tremendous success — I was reminded about something that we dare not take for granted: Our neighbors from Columbia and the surrounding communities are very important to the Fort Jackson family.

It's easy to forget that fact because we get so caught up each day on post in trying to execute our various missions to perfection and dealing with the feelings that we could always use a little more time. When we are not on the Army clock, we are catching up on family time.

But, every now and then, we need to extend outward and show our friends in the community just how much we appreciate them. We are proud of what we do, and we want our neighbors to share in that pride. They have supported us throughout the years, and we have supported them. It's truly a great relationship that is nearly 100 years old and still going strong.

Torchlight Tattoo is, of course, our crown jewel of events that are open to the general public, but there are other ways visitors can experience some of the hospitality that we serve up all year round.

One of the best opportunities for the general public to get to know us is our "Come See Your Army" tours. By the way, the next tour is just around the corner on July 28. These tours serve as an invitation for our friends and neighbors to view first-hand some of what we do in the

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Fort Jackson Commanding General



training of new Soldiers.

The "Come See Your Army" tours are conducted several times a year. The six-hour tour shows some of the highlights of day-to-day operations in Basic Combat Training. Visitors attend a graduation, receive an informational brief about the fort, observe Soldiers training, learn to shoot an M16A2 in a simulator and eat in an Army dining facility.

We've always had good response to the tours, and that's definitely a big plus. The tours tend to attract a mix of people, including veterans who may have been through Fort Jackson in the past, young men and women considering the Army as a career choice, and curious citizens who just want to learn a little more about one of the largest employers in the greater Columbia area.

Local residents should have a basic understanding of

what goes on here. We have been turning civilians into Soldiers for nearly a century, and we want our neighbors to share in the pride that we have in that ongoing mission.

Anyway, at the end of the tour, visitors leave with an appreciation of the Army, its men and women. BCT relatives leave with an idea of the training their Soldiers undergo, as well as an image of how and where they live. Veterans leave with a new understanding of the changed training methodology, equipment and the role that technology plays.

Everyone leaves with a sense of pride and good feeling about our place. What makes these tours so great is the connection that so many visitors establish with our Soldiers. It's amazing how a little bit of time and willingness to answer a few questions can go such a long way in building the trust and goodwill that are vital in maintaining support for our Soldiers.

When you build connections, you build community. And that's perhaps the most interesting bottom-line byproduct to this. The tour initiative falls in line with the goals of the Army Community Covenant, which is designed to foster state and community partnerships with the Army and improve the quality of life for Soldiers and Families. The final tours for 2011 are July 28, Sept. 22, and Oct. 27. Tours begin at 7:45 a.m. and advanced reservations are required. For reservations call 751-1474.

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Volunteers demonstrate patriotism

In an era where war seems to be a constant fixation, American patriotism is the mere fabric that knits our country together. Patriotism emulates an ideology that reminds us of those men and women who have paid the ultimate sacrifice all in the name of duty and country.

Moreover, it simply reminds the nation of those who have courageously deployed to war-torn countries and of those who consistently stand ready to defend and preserve our rights, freedoms and liberties.

Most importantly, patriotism is a message of love, loyalty and allegiance we have for our country and nothing exemplifies it more than the spirit of altruism that abides in the hearts of those who unselfishly volunteer their service and support to America's Armed Forces.

The Fort Jackson community, including McCrady Training Center, reigns as a prominent community that clearly demonstrates a high level of patriotism for America's troops, especially the Task Force Marshall Navy individual augmentees. Sailors slated to deploy to countries such as Iraq, Afghanistan, and Djibouti are greeted by volunteers from all across the Midlands at the Eagle Aviation Hangar.

More than 40 organizations including, but not limited to, the Military Order of the Purple Heart, the Patriot Guard Riders, the American Legion Riders, the South Carolina Army National Guard, the Blue and Gold Star Mothers of America, the Retired Enlisted Association, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Disabled American Veterans, provide these deploying Sailors with a

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Commander, Company C, Task Force Marshall



"sendoff" packed with a lot of excitement, hugs, handshakes, prayers, well-wishes, assorted foods, books and even "dang-it" dolls — small handmade stress dolls.

Retired Command Sgt. Maj. Carl Lopez, an avid volunteer and president of the Military Order of the Purple Heart Gamecocks Chapter 402, former Fort Jackson command sergeant major, said, "It doesn't matter the time, we're always here for them (Sailors). We want them to know that we care about them and are always thinking of them."

When asked why she volunteers, Carol Davis, an organizer and the creator of the "dang-it" dolls, replied, "Why shouldn't I do it? Look at what they are doing for us. This is how we all can serve. We are genuine supporters and there is no political agenda. We are always here for them. We are emotionally attached to (these) Sailors. These Sailors are our family members who hold a special place in our hearts and we endeavor to give them the best sendoff possible."



The Leader welcomes letters to the editor. All letters should include the name and hometown of the writer. The Leader reserves the right to edit letters for grammar, style, spelling and brevity. Send your letter to FJLeader@conus.army.mil. Call 751-7045 for information.

USC baseball coach visits WTU

By **SUSANNE KAPPLER**
Fort Jackson Leader

Soldiers with the Fort Jackson Warrior Transition Unit welcomed a back-to-back College World Series champion at their town hall meeting Monday. Ray Tanner, head coach of the University of South Carolina Gamecocks baseball team, spent almost two hours with the Soldiers answering questions, signing autographs and posing for photos.

“I always talk to groups about adversity and realism and perspective and those kinds of things. You guys know far more about that than I do,” Tanner told the Soldiers.

Before answering questions about the Gamecocks championship run and other topics, Tanner shared stories with the Soldiers to explain his approach to coaching and life in general.

He recalled an event during the 1993 Pan American Games in Nicaragua that he said changed his outlook on baseball and life. Tanner, who was a coach for Team USA then, said that during the semifinals the team got caught up in the political unrest that besieged the country during that time.

“It was the only time in my life that I was pretty happy about losing a baseball game,” he said. “(The fans) started yelling stuff at us ..., and there were guys on the dugout with machine guns.”

The team was escorted to the hotel and kept sequestered there before being able to leave the country.

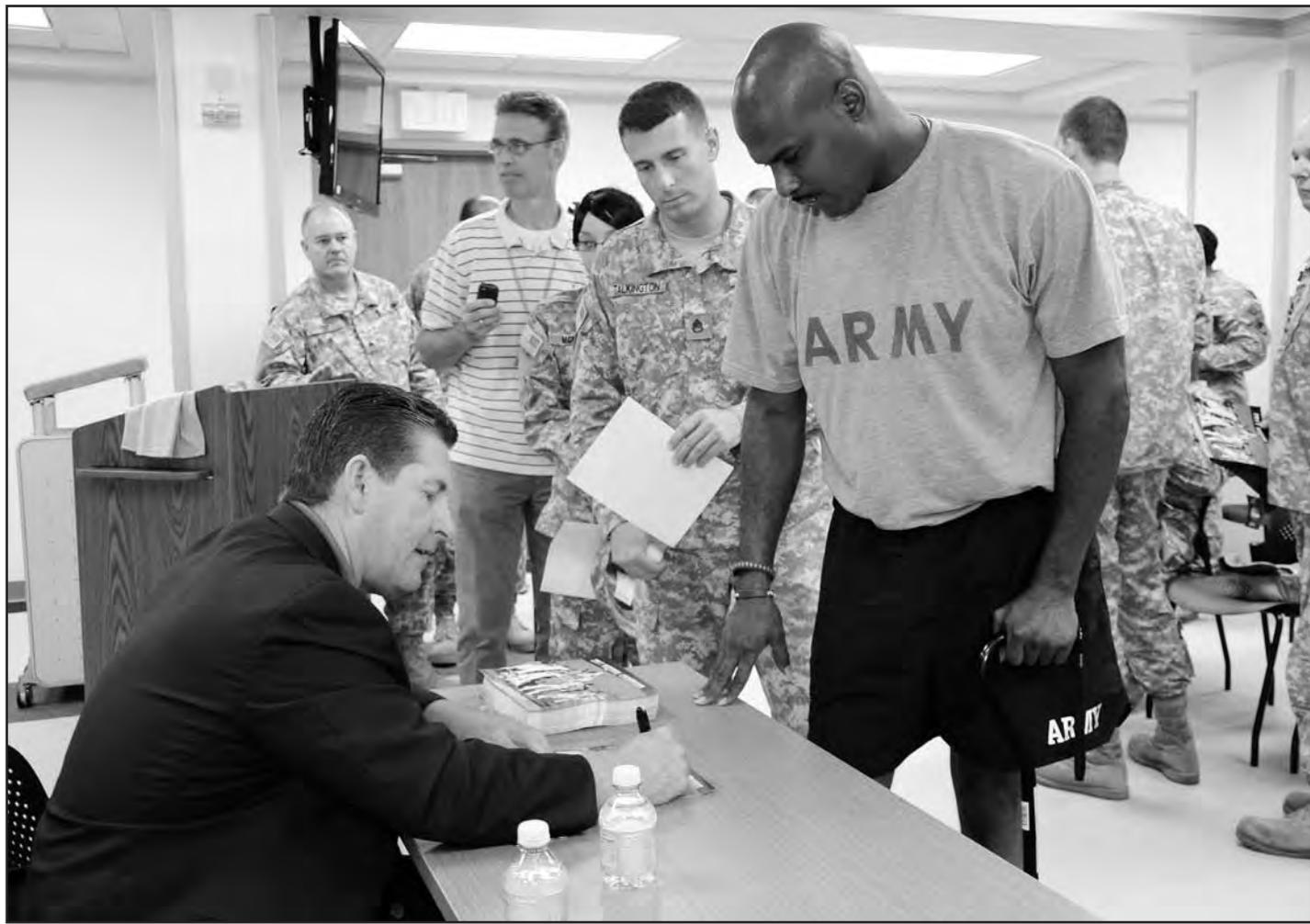
“That gave me an opportunity to grasp a little bit about perspective. There were some questions there for a few hours on how this thing was going to go down, if we were safe or not, if we had enough protection and those kinds of things,” Tanner said. “I sort of made a pact at that time that every day is a good day. And every day when I wake up, it’s going to be a beautiful day. There are going to be some choices to make, and I’m going to make some good ones.”

He also told the Soldiers how his upbringing shaped him as a person.

“I grew up in a very modest family situation. My dad was an alcoholic. We were middle class to poor, probably closer to poor than anything else. My dad had a sixth grade education; my mom didn’t graduate from high school either,” Tanner said. “I sort of grew up in the real world. I felt like that experience was better than what a lot of my friends had at the end of the day. ... I had a little bit more maturity and understanding and discipline than maybe some of my counterparts.”

Staff Sgt. Brian Talkington, a WTU squad leader, said that even though he is not a big baseball fan, he thought Tanner’s words were very motivational.

“I think it’s great he takes the time. I’m sure he’s a very busy man after (winning)



Photos by *SUSANNE KAPPLER*

Ray Tanner, head coach of the University of South Carolina baseball team, signs an autograph for Sgt. Todd Nimons, Warrior Transition Unit, during his visit to Moncrief Army Community Hospital Monday. Tanner’s team won its second straight national championship in June at the College World Series in Omaha, Neb.



Tanner shows off a shirt he received as a gift from the Warrior Transition Unit as Sgt. 1st Class Walter Fuller applauds the coach.

two (championships) in a row,” Talkington said. “I got a lot out of his speech. (His upbringing) makes you think anybody can do something.”

Sgt. Addison Brown, a WTU Soldier who was involved in organizing the event, said that, as a Soldier, he could relate to Tanner’s attitude.

“It’s never about him. It’s never about what he’s accomplished. It’s the bigger

picture,” Brown said. “You can relate to that more as a Soldier, because when you go on a mission, it’s not about you.”

Brown said that he knows from experience that visits like Tanner’s can have a positive effect on Soldiers.

“When I was wounded (in 2007) we had different people coming to our unit. I didn’t know them (all), but just to have someone who is a celebrity in the com-

munity or outside the community come and boost the morale — that’s what it’s all about,” Brown said.

Col. John Nerges, Moncrief Army Community Hospital’s deputy commander for nursing, shared a similar sentiment.

“These (Soldiers) today will remember the day they got to meet Coach Tanner, and it’ll mean so much to them,” Nerges said. “You can’t buy it with money. This is an irreplaceable experience. (What) it does for morale in these Soldiers, you can’t measure it.”

Nerges said he was surprised about how similar Tanner’s approach to leading his team is to leadership in the Army.

“He talked about developing people, trust, commitment to the organization. He talked about the Army values in a different language. ... He called them different things, but they were the same as our values.”

Tanner said after the event that he appreciates the opportunity to spend time with Soldiers.

“I’m honored and humbled to be in any Soldier’s presence,” he said. “I know that in the world we live in there’s a lot of admiration and excitement and enthusiasm for sports. But, people in my arena admire men and women who serve our country. They’re really the heroes and the superstars to us.”

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Photo by DAN MAIELLA, TRADOC

Vicki Brown, chief of the Army's Civilian Training and Leader Development Division, briefs Civilian Education System Advanced Course students.

Army pushes civilian education, training

By SKYE MARTHALER
TRADOC

FORT BELVOIR, Va. — Training and education is a crucial part of the Army way of life. From the first day of Initial Entry Training and throughout their Army careers, Soldiers will be trained and educated to gain the skills and abilities not only to perform their current duties but also to give them the foundation to grow in leadership ability and future roles.

For one part of the Army though, training and education opportunities are at times an afterthought. More than 300,000 dedicated men and women from all walks of life comprise the Army Civilian Corps. At times, training or education for the civilian workforce is overlooked.

Vicki Brown, the Army's chief of Civilian Training and Leader Development Division, took the opportunity July 1 to address students of the Civilian Education System Advanced Course at the Army Management Staff College on Fort Belvoir, Va., and provide them with an update on current and future civilian education and training opportunities.

"One of my goals is to motivate Army civilians to be proactive with their own personal and professional development, to show what programs are out there for them, but also for them to understand the impact they have on their organization and the people that they lead, or the peers that they associate with," Brown said.

Brown showcased a variety of programs,

including the Army Civilian Education System, Competitive Professional Development, and several Department of Defense Civilian Leadership programs. Many of the education and training opportunities for Army Civilians, both internal to the Army and through the Department of Defense, are centrally funded, although commands can fund their people as they see fit.

Leo McArdle, the host and director of the Advanced Course at AMSC, emphasized the importance of raising awareness on civilian education and training opportunities.

"Our Army Civilian Corps is heading into an era where we have limited resources, a diverse workforce, and increased technological capabilities. We need to develop partnering and entrepreneurial skills all the while trying to meet a mission that is more complex than ever before," McArdle said. "The education system and the training programs are moving in the right direction, they provide situational awareness not only for self development, but allow us to go back to develop our peers and subordinates to make sure they are on track to meeting the goals to where the Army wants to go in the future," said Les Hell, doctrine chief at the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Information on the programs mentioned above and other civilian opportunities can be found on the Army Civilian Training, Education, and Development System. Information on AMSC and CES can be found on the Army Management Staff College Web site and Facebook page.

Post training program under way

Don Busbice was recognized earlier this month as the first person to complete the first three phases of the Fort Jackson Army Training Center's newly implemented Civilian Workforce Development Training program, earning a Civilian Achievement Medal, among other incentives.

The program is governed by a Fort Jackson regulation adopted in May.

"I looked at it like, 'I can learn something,'" Busbice said of the program, the first three phases of which are mandatory for ATC personnel. Busbice is a specialist in the Safety Office. "They really did a great job. I really enjoyed the training."

Sean O'Brian, post safety director and point of contact for the CWDT, said the program is about ensuring civilians get the same level of leadership training as their military counterparts.

"I think we have the obligation to our civilians to further their education and careers," he said. "Our Civilian Workforce Development program pulls it down to the ATC level."

The program includes some Army-wide Civilian Education System courses, as well as some that are Fort Jackson specific. Participants receive time-off awards for completing the first two phases and upon completion of Phase III receive a time-off award, USATC diploma, commanding general's coin and a Civilian Achievement Medal. Phases IV and V are considered advanced training; Phase V is for civilians GS-13 and above.

"I'm going to keep on going with this and I'm going to see how far I can go," Busbice said. But he warns that the courses do require hard work. "It's not something you can click your way through. You need to study, you need to live it, you need to learn it."

Individual supervisors should be contacted for information on how to register for courses.

— Reporting by Crystal Lewis Brown



BUSBICE

News and Notes

187TH CHANGES COMMANDERS



DANIELS

Lt. Col. Darrell Aubrey relinquished command of the 187th Ordnance Battalion to Lt. Col. Michael Daniels during a ceremony Friday at Darby Field. Daniels's last assignment was as the department chair and professor of military science at the University of Washington in Seattle. Aubrey will attend the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

LEISURE SURVEY SET TO BEGIN

IMCOM will administer its leisure needs survey on post at key locations, such as the Commissary and the Exchange, beginning Monday. The survey will be administered to active duty military, spouses, retired military, civilian employees and 12 to 18-year-old family members. The results of the survey will influence how funding is allocated to each installation. The survey will run through July 22. Call 751-6990 for more information.

CYSS PROGRAM REGISTRATION OPENS

The Child, Youth & School Services before and after school program registration is now open. Registration is open to kindergarten age through 12th grade. All CYSS-eligible patrons (military, DA civilians, contractors, etc.) can register. Registration hours are: 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday; and 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday at CYSS Parent Central in the Joe E. Mann Center. Call 751-4865/4824 for more information.

CHAPELNEXT HOSTS CONFERENCE

ChapelNEXT is hosting a "Call to Purity" spiritual resiliency conference July 22-23 at Bayonet Chapel. The purpose of the conference is to strengthen spiritual resilience by helping those struggling with sexual addictions and to train leaders to help others out of sexual addiction. Dave Mozdin and Tim Finlay of Disciples for Purity Ministries will be presenting. Registration is 6-7 p.m. at Bayonet Chapel. Call (912) 844-4898 or email ChapelNEXT.FJSC@gmail.com for more information.

SCHOOL REGISTRATION BEGINS

Summer registration for the 2011-2012 school year is 8 a.m. to noon, Tuesday through Thursday through Thursday; and July 26 to Aug. 10.

There will be no registration from July 18 to July 22. Registration will resume 9 a.m., Aug. 16. Students registering that day will begin school the following day. For more information, call 787-6815 or 782-1772.

Documents required for new registration include:

- Copy of certified birth certificate
- Current orders and military sponsor ID card
- Proof of immunizations
- Housing lease agreement or letter from housing, verifying family is on waiting list
- If sponsor is a step-parent, marriage license, spouse's ID card or verified DEERS form is required.



Columbia Recruiting Battalion photo

A group of future Soldiers listen to a briefing at the Confidence Course during a mock Basic Combat Training exercise with the Columbia Recruiting Battalion Thursday.

Future Soldiers get taste of BCT

By CHLOE RODGERS

Columbia Recruiting Battalion

More than 20 young men and women from the Columbia area visited Fort Jackson Thursday for a mock basic training exercise.

U.S. Army Recruiters from the Dentsville Recruiting Station in Columbia chaperoned the future Soldiers in an effort to orient them to and dispel some the myths about Basic Combat Training.

Sgt. Kyle Busby, manager of the Future Soldier program, explained the importance of this particular Future Soldier orientation: "The purpose of this event was for the future Soldiers to face their fears and adversities about Basic Training."

"Two weeks ago, I had the future Soldiers fill out a survey about basic training — what their biggest fears were and what they were most excited about," Busby said. "The biggest fears across the board were the gas chamber, Victory Tower and the Confidence Obstacle Course."

The orientation began with a briefing about Army benefits such as the G.I. Bill, which provides educational benefits to veterans and their family members; Service members Opportunity Colleges Army Degrees Agreement, which governs a network of institutions selected by the military Services to deliver specific associate and bachelor's degree programs to

service members and their families; as well as other financial and health benefits.

At the Confidence Obstacle Course, recruits experienced some of the challenges they would face in an actual basic training environment.

"I think what I'm worried about most is the obstacle course," said 19-year-old Julianne Sevier. "I think I'll be OK with the tower because you can work with a team, but I'm worried about the rope climb."

Another portion of the orientation focused on the importance of chemical warfare. The team got to experience the gas chamber, where they learned how to use a gas mask and received a lesson in confidence building and trusting equipment in an emergency situation.

Also included in training was a visit to a replicated Forward Operating Base much like the sites in Iraq. Here the group saw what it was like to live and operate in a wartime environment — from dining to sleeping to hygiene.

The next stop, Victory Tower, was listed as one of the most feared parts of Basic for the future Soldiers. It is an obstacle used to reinforce the skills and confidence of the individual Soldier.

"Orientation is going great because it's so hands-on," said Sgt. 1st Class Kevin Simpson, a recruiter at the Dentsville Recruiting Station.

"A lot of the (future) Soldiers thought we were exaggerating about basic training, especially with the obstacle course.

"They are getting to see that we weren't exaggerating; this is what will be expected of them. They see that they have to work together to make it in basic training."

After lunch at a BCT unit's dining facility, the future Soldiers toured the barracks, where they got to see the living conditions to expect.

"I've learned a lot about things I didn't know about, like FOB," Sevier said. "My favorite part was definitely the gas chamber. I'm excited (she said about beginning her Army career)...a little scared, but mostly excited."

"We exposed the future Soldiers to a lot today and showed them that Soldiers do these things every day," Busby said. "Many barriers and fears were alleviated today."

The Future Soldier Orientation ended on a high note with participants posing questions to drill sergeants about the rules for contacting family and friends and attending religious services during BCT. Capt. Karen Roxberry, Columbia company commander, thanked the group and commended them on their dedication and courage.

"We are so close to Fort Jackson it would be doing a disservice to our future Soldiers to not expose them to the training," Busby said. "Now they can go into basic training with a better mental focus and really succeed."

Busby said he will begin scheduling the event every quarter. "This event will continue to get better each time we execute it."

Housing Happenings

COMMUNITY UPDATES

- ❑ Congratulations to Spc. Calvin Cherry and family, the comment card winners for June. Fill out a card when you interact with Balfour Beatty or Housing Office staff for a chance to win \$100. Winners are drawn monthly at random.
- ❑ Nominate any well-kept yards for Yard of the Month. Send nominations to Alana at 738-8275 or email ayoungblood@bbcgrp.com. Self-nominations are also welcome.
- ❑ Pets are permitted to be outside unattended for short periods of time and in fenced areas only. They must have proper food, water and shelter. If you see a pet outside for long periods of time, report it to the Community Management Office immediately.
- ❑ Residents who would like to have a satellite installed must obtain an alterations request form from the Community Management Office and dig permit from the Directorate of Public Works in advance. Upon filling out the alterations request, the CMO will provide instructions where the satellite dish can be installed.
- ❑ A portion of Imboden Street will be closed through Friday. All work will be done 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., with lane restrictions only during those hours. Flagmen will direct traffic during that time.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

- ❑ To date, 407 homes have been completed.
- ❑ A total of 876 homes have been demolished to date.
- ❑ Families living in the senior noncommissioned officer housing area are asked to enter and exit via Capers and/or Owens roads. Mills Road to Brown Avenue is also accessible.
- ❑ Residents can expect some electrical and water outages, as well as pavement installation/resurfacing. Residents are asked to be patient during any outages.



- July 14 — 5 p.m.**
The Conspirator PG-13
- July 15 — 7 p.m.**
Judy Moody and the Not Bummer Summer PG
- July 16 — 3 p.m.**
Free movie screening PG
Tickets/title at Food Court
- July 17 — 2 p.m.**
Kung Fu Panda PG
- July 18 — 2 p.m.**
Furry Vengeance PG

Adults: \$4.50
Children (12 and younger): \$2.25
Visit www.aafes.com for listings.



Leader file photos

Soldiers line up for cake during last year's Fort Jackson birthday celebration at Darby Field.

Birthday celebration a family event

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Fort Jackson has continuously trained Soldiers for combat, and the mission continues today.

Units on the post train 50 percent of all Soldiers who begin Basic Combat training each year, which translates to more than 36,000 Soldiers. Jackson is home to 3,500 active duty Soldiers and their family members who are assigned to the post; a large increase in population that has occurred on throughout the years. This growth in the community is part of the reason why the birthday celebration is more inclusive, Kellam said.

"We are working hard to make this a fun event for everyone," Kellam said. "We'll be cutting a birthday cake for everyone to enjoy, having door prizes and remarks from the commanding general."

The post commander, Maj. Gen. James Milano, said this is a time for the Soldiers and families to gather and celebrate past achievements with future endeavors.

"Celebrating Fort Jackson's birthday is a way to remember the history of this great installation, as well as honoring those Soldiers who choose to serve our country," Milano said. "We pride ourselves on 94 years of tradition, training and transformation."

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A family member plays a round of golf during last year's Fort Jackson birthday celebration. This year's indoor event will feature several children's activities.



NEC Signals

Fort Jackson's email users should implement the following tips to ensure a smooth transition as the Network Enterprise Center begins migrating to Enterprise Email. The transition is slated for the end of August.

CHECK MAILBOX SIZE

Email accounts need to be reduced to less than 50 MB in size and fewer than 2,000 email items. If mailbox contents exceed the 50 MB and 2000 item threshold, there is a greater risk of data loss and possible unsuccessful migration to EE services.

To check mailbox size use the fol-

lowing steps within Outlook:

- ❑ Click "Tools"
 - ❑ Select "Mailbox Cleanup..."
 - ❑ Click on "View Mailbox Size..."
- The total size (including subfolders) will show in kilobytes (KB) for example 70000 KB = 68.359375 or approximately 70 MB

REDUCE MAILBOX SIZE

If your mailbox size exceeds 50 MB, you should create a Personal Storage Table (.pst) file that will be saved on your local system hard drive (C:\Drive). Please follow the steps below:

- ❑ Click "File"

- ❑ Select "New" then, "Outlook Data File..." then, click "OK"
- ❑ You will provide a new file name in Outlook and then, click "OK"
- ❑ Click "OK" on the very next screen (Do not enter a password.)

After this, you will notice your new Personal Folder on the left hand side of your Outlook screen. You are now ready to start creating folders and organizing your email for reducing your mailbox from the exchange server.

Contact the NEC Customer Management Branch at 751-4298 or *Lashanda.howard@us.army.mil*.



Discipline is key for drill sergeant dad

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Staff Sgt. Luis Torres

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Hobbies
Spending time with his children

Throughout his six years in the Army, Staff Sgt. Luis Torres has made his family and Soldiers top priority. The Bronx native saw life in the Army as new opportunity for himself and his children.

“I needed a change of venue and my kids needed a better life,” Torres said. “The Army was a way to provide that for all of us.”

The single father of three consistently works to balance his time as a drill sergeant and father.

“Being here on the trail has caused us all to work together to get things done as a family,” Torres said. “My oldest son (16 years old) has really stepped up to the plate to make things happen, and that’s what we have to do, because it’s just the four of us.”

While on the job, Torres said he strives to instill discipline into the Soldiers of 2nd Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment.

“Discipline is the key, and I stay on that because I see such a lack of discipline when they first come in,” Torres said. According to his commander, Torres sets an example of discipline and initiative for his Soldiers.

“He always does a solid job, but one day in particular, he came in to do (physical training) with the Soldiers, left on funeral detail and returned to finish out the



Photo by JAMES ARROWOOD, command photographer

Staff Sgt. Luis Torres, a drill sergeant with the 2nd Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment, said he plans to pursue Officer Candidate School.

day training Soldiers,” said Capt. Jeffrey Holycross, Company A commander. “Drill Sergeant Torres adds his positive attitude and initiative to everything he does here.”

Torres admits that his attitude was not always so positive.

“When I came to Jackson five years ago for basic training, I had a tough time because I had a very big chip on my shoulder and didn’t like people yelling at me,” Torres said. “It was my drill sergeant who told me not to let pride get in the way of the

bigger picture, and that’s what I share with my Soldiers.”

Torres will be ending his time as drill sergeant soon and plans to pursue Officer Candidate School.

“I would like to become a commissioned officer and continue to lead Soldiers,” Torres said. “It would be great to lead my own battalion or brigade one day. I still have at least 14 years left, so I will just keep trying and see how far I can go.”

— Reporting by Cursha Pierce-Lunderman

The NCO Creed



No one is more professional than I. I am a Noncommissioned Officer, a leader of Soldiers. As a Noncommissioned Officer, I realize that I am a member

of a time honored corps, which is known as “The Backbone of the Army.”

I am proud of the Corps of Noncommissioned Officers and will at all times conduct myself so as to bring credit upon the Corps, the Military Service and my country regardless of the situation in which I find myself. I will not use my grade or position to attain pleasure, profit, or personal safety.

Competence is my watchword. My two basic responsibilities will always be uppermost in my mind — accomplishment of my mission and the welfare of my Soldiers. I will strive to remain tactically and technically proficient. I am aware of my role as a Noncommissioned Officer. I will fulfill my responsibilities inherent in that role.

All Soldiers are entitled to outstanding leadership; I will provide that leadership. I know my Soldiers and I will always place their needs above my own. I will communicate consistently with my Soldiers and never leave them uninformed. I will be fair and impartial when recommending both rewards and punishment.

Officers of my unit will have maximum time to accomplish their duties; they will not have to accomplish mine. I will earn their respect and confidence as well as that of my Soldiers.

I will be loyal to those with whom I serve; seniors, peers, and subordinates alike. I will exercise initiative by taking appropriate action in the absence of orders. I will not compromise my integrity, nor my moral courage. I will not forget, nor will I allow my comrades to forget that we are professionals, noncommissioned officers, leaders!



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Potter conjures up magic at early movie screening

By **SUSANNE KAPPLER**
Fort Jackson Leader

More than 700 Fort Jackson muggles took the Hogwarts Express to the post movie theater Saturday for a free advance screening of “Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, Part 2,” which will open nationwide Friday.

Fans of the teenage wizard started forming lines for the 3 p.m. show at 11:30 a.m. despite the blistering heat, said Bill Wood, manager of the post theater.

“The military community loves it,” Wood said. “It brings them all out. It’s a chance for them to get together and do something that’s free.”

To prevent pirating of the movie by dark forces, the post theater was almost as heavily secured as Azkaban, the infamous wizard prison, with nine security guards — not dementors — in place.

The extra security did not deter Tiffany Lopez, 11, who said she was a big fan of “The Boy Who Lived” and has

read each of the seven books in the series seven times. Lopez said that even though the plot will not be a surprise to her, she was looking forward to “a lot of action” in the movie.

Javier Ortiz, a Navy retiree, said he has seen the previous seven movies and did not want to miss out on the last installment in the series. Ortiz said he thinks it is great that service members get to see the movie first.

“I came from Norfolk, Va. and (theaters there) always do a free movie for all the Sailors and Marines,” Ortiz said. “It boosts morale. I think it’s a great deal.”

Pfc. Dakotah Fletcher, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 120th Adjutant General Battalion (Reception), said he was surprised to find out that the Fort Jackson theater would show the movie before its official opening.

“I think it’s really cool that they’re doing that for the Soldiers,” said Fletcher, who pointed out that he was not related to one of the wizards in the series, Order of the Phoenix member Mundugus Fletcher.

Pvt. Andy Wells, Company C, 187th Ordnance Battalion, said he likes the series because of its blend of action and mystery and has read all of the books and seen all of the movies. When asked what house he would be in if he attended Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, Wells did not hesitate.

“Slytherin,” he said. “They’re ambitious and have a little bit of a wild side.”

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FREE SCREENING

The next free advance movie screening is scheduled for 3 p.m., Saturday at the post theater. Doors will open at 1 p.m. The movie is rated PG-13. Free tickets can be picked up at the Main Exchange food court.

Recurring meetings

WEEKLY

Fort Jackson Boy Scouts

Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8 p.m., 11559 Jenkins Road (next to Victory Tower), 917-1869.

Walking away stress

Mondays and Fridays, 9 a.m., at the pecan orchard near the post office on Early Street, 751-6325.

Play group

Mondays, 10 to 11:45 a.m., Room 8, 5615 Hood St., for children 4 and younger, 751-1071/6304.

Range control briefing

Mondays and Fridays, 1 p.m., Education Center, Room 302, 751-7171.

Columbia Composite Squadron (Civil Air Patrol)

Mondays, 6:30 p.m., Owens Field, main conference room. E-mail Tom.Alsup@gmail.com or visit www.scwg.cap.gov.

Helping Everyone Reach Optimum Strength

Tuesdays, 5 to 6 p.m., Moncrief Army Community Hospital, seventh floor. Open to combat veterans and their family members.

Protestant Women of the Chapel

Tuesdays, 9 a.m. to noon, Main Post Chapel, Bible study and fellowship. Home schoolers are welcome. Free child care is available. E-mail jackson.pwoc.org.

American Red Cross

Volunteer orientation is every Wednesday, 1 to 4 p.m., and every Thursday, 9 a.m. to noon. Only one session is required. Additional training is necessary for those volunteering in a clinical setting. Call 751-4329.

MONTHLY

Fort Jackson Cub Scouts

First Sunday of the month, 5:30 to 7 p.m., 11559 Jenkins Road (next to Victory Tower), 917-1869

Fort Jackson Bass Club

First Monday of the month, 7 p.m., Joe E. Mann Center. Open to active duty, retirees, DoD civilians, reservists, veterans and family members. Visit www.jacksonanglers.com.

Disabled American Veterans Woodrow Wilson Unit 4

Second Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m., 511 Violet St., West Columbia, 788-1836 or 791-4422.

Weight Loss Surgery Support Group

— Second and fourth Monday of the month, noon, Weight Management Center, 180 Laurel St.

— Second Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m., Palmetto Health Baptist Breast Health Center, 1501 Sumter St., ground level, Meeting Room 2.

Seabees

Second Monday of the month, 7 p.m., West Metro Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center, 755-7792 or 755-0300.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 641

Second Monday of the month, 7:30 p.m., 534 S. Beltline Blvd., 782-5943 or 782-0148.

New Parent Support breastfeeding support group

Fourth Monday of the month, 5:15-6:30 p.m., Room 8, 5615 Hood St., 751-6868/6304/1071.

Sergeant Audie Murphy Club

First Tuesday of the month, 11:30 a.m., Post Conference Room, www.jackson.army.mil/360/SAMC/home.htm.

American Legion Post 182

First Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m., Officers' Club, 351-2333.

Adjutant General Corps Regimental Association

Second Tuesday of the month, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., NCO Club.

National Federation of Federal Employees

Second Tuesday of the month, 11:30 a.m., 4405 Forney St., first floor, 751-2622 or NFFE@conus.army.mil.

Disabled American Veterans Chapter and Auxiliary, Woodrow Wilson Chapter #4

Second Monday of the month, 6 p.m., 511 Violet St., West Columbia, 467-8355 or gblake12@sc.rr.com. The groups do not meet in July and August.

Fleet Reserve Association Unit 202

Third Tuesday of the month, 1 p.m., 2620 Lee Road, 482-4456.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Gandy-Griffin Post 4262

Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., 5821 North Main St., 754-1614 or 447-2320.

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 303

Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., American Legion Post 6, 200 Pickens St., 312-4895.

Purple Heart #402

Fourth Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., American Legion Post 6, 200 Pickens St., 351-2333.

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers

First and third Wednesday of the month, 1:30 p.m., 4405 Jackson Blvd., 751-1148.

Victory Riders Motorcycle Club

First and third Thursday of the month, 5 p.m., Magruder's Club. E-mail sec@ffvictoryriders.com.

The Rocks Inc., James Webster Smith Chapter

Third Thursday of the month, 5:30 p.m., Post Conference Room.

American Legion Riders Motorcycle Group

Third Thursday of the month, 7 p.m., American Legion Post 6, 200 Pickens St., 360-3830.

Society of American Military Engineers

Fourth Thursday of the month, 11:30 a.m., 254-0518 or 765-0320.

MEDPROS training

Third Friday of the month, 1-4 p.m., Moncrief Army Community Hospital, Room 9-83. E-mail Erica.Aikens@amedd.army.mil.

Retired Enlisted Association

Third Friday of the month, 5:30 p.m., Moncrief Army Community Hospital, third floor, 740-2319 or e-mail jrodgers11@sc.rr.com.

92nd Buffalo Chapter 20 DAV

Third Saturday of the month, except July and August, 11 a.m., DAV Headquarters 511 Violet St., West Columbia, 260-1067.

Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post 641

Second Sunday of the month, 3 p.m., 534 S. Beltline Blvd., 782-5943 or 782-0148.

Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post 4262

Second Sunday of the month, 5 p.m., 5821 North Main St., 754-1614.

Combat Vets Motorcycle Association

Third Sunday of the month at noon, (774) 451-7504, e-mail armyaguair@yahoo.com or visit www.combatvet.org.

Sergeants Major Association

Last working Thursday of the month, 4:30 p.m., Magruder's Pub, 338-1904. Open to active-duty and retired E-9s and E-8s. E-mail William.huffin@us.army.mil.

SUBMISSIONS

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Saluting this Basic Combat Training cycle's honorees

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34th Infantry Regiment

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Spc. Matthew Lyons

SOLDIER OF THE CYCLE
Spc. Gregory Kresge

HIGH BRM
Pvt. Corey Anderson

HIGH APFT SCORE
Spc. Ashley Basilicato



Sgt. 1st Class William Thomsen
Company B
1st Battalion,
34th Infantry Regiment

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Spc. Anthony Elfering

SOLDIER OF THE CYCLE
Pvt. Adolfo Gabriel

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Pvt. Charles Chandler III



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HIGH APFT SCORE
Pvt. Raymond McKnight Jr.

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STAFF SUPPORT
Spc. Rebecca Reyna

SERVICE SUPPORT
Shelia Harris

DFAC SUPPORT
Silas Bolton

FAMILY SUPPORT
Patricia Moffitt

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Staff Sgt. Jeffery Capalar
Cadre of the cycle
187th Ordnance Battalion



Mr. Ernest Williams
Instructor of the cycle
187th Ordnance Battalion

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Program gets post teens HIRED!

By **THERESA O'HAGAN**

Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation

Finding a first job can be a daunting task for today's youth as even traditional "teen jobs" are harder to find in this economy. Since May 2009, Child, Youth and School Services, as part of the Army Family Covenant, has empowered more than 130 of Fort Jackson's Youth ages 15-18.

"As coordinator, my main objective is to mentally prepare the teens for their apprenticeship experiences," explained Cory Dwyer, workforce preparation specialist, HIRED program. "HIRED also prepares them for life after high school."

Prerequisite training begins Saturday, from 1 to 4 p.m. The HIRED Fall 2011 session is scheduled for Aug. 22-Nov. 13.

HIRED is an apprenticeship program in which teens are exposed to and experience different career fields by completing a 12-week apprenticeship with a Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation activity.

Before placement with an FMWR mentor, the teens are required to complete six prerequisite training sessions.

"After completing the prerequisites, the teens are then



placed at an FMWR facility where they will complete their 12-week apprenticeship experience," Dwyer explained.

During the 12-week experience the teens are required to commit to a 12 to 15-hour workday schedule and attend weekly workforce preparation training. Training is usually held on Mondays. After completing a minimum of 180 hours during the 12-week term and successfully attending the weekly workforce preparation training workshops, the teens qualify for cash rewards. Qualified teens can work up to two terms per calendar year for a maximum of six total terms.

The HIRED! Apprenticeship Program is a workforce-preparation and paid apprenticeship enterprise designed to meet the employment and career-exploration needs of Army, and DoD Civilian teens ages 15 to 18 years. The

HIRED program participants also attend college tours.

Qualifications:

- Teens must be family members of Army (active or retired) or DoD civilians (parents work on post).
- Teen is 15 to 18 and currently in high school.
- Currently registered with Child, Youth & School Services. (Free registration at Parent Outreach Services)
- Possess and maintain a 2.0 grade point average or better.
- Complete the required six prerequisite trainings, mock interview and satisfactory local background check.

If interested, please contact the Fort Jackson Hired! Coordinator at 803-751-1136, or for more information and Hired! documents (criteria/checklist, application, and contract of understanding) please visit our website at <http://fortjacksonmwr.com/cyss/hired/>.

FMWR calendar

THURSDAY

- Visit **Century Lanes** for food, fun and bowling.
- Victory Bingo**, 2 to 11 p.m.
- Sleepy Storytime at the **Post Library**, 6:30 to 7 p.m. Come in pajamas and go home ready for bed.
- Magruder's Pub and Club** happy hour, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Appetizers are available, while they last.

FRIDAY

- Look what I can do, **Thomas Lee Hall Library**. Call 751-5589 for more information.
- Visit the **Officers' Club**, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for the seafood buffet.
- Victory Bingo**, starts at 2 p.m.
- Friday night special at **Ivy Lanes**. Games and shoe rentals cost \$2 each, 5 to 10 p.m. Open to all permanent party service members.
- Dance to a variety of music provided by

DJ Randall at **Magruder's Club**, 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. Magruder's Club is located in the back of Magruder's Pub. Cover charge is \$5 for civilians and \$3 for military. Every other Friday, sing along to Linda's Carraoke Karaoke. Be early for happy hour, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Appetizers are available, while they last.

Every Friday is Artistic Expression with Jake at 6:30 p.m. in the Teen Room at the **Youth Services Center**.

SATURDAY

- Victory Bingo**, starts at 1 p.m.
- Step Team practice, 2 p.m., dance room at the **Youth Services Center**.
- Classic Soul Saturday, 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m., Excalibur Room at the **NCO Club**. Cover charge is \$5 for civilians and \$3 for military.

SUNDAY

- Try the new Sunday Bistro at the **Of-**

icers' Club, which includes breakfast favorites and prime rib, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Special pricing starts at \$3.

- Victory Bingo**, starts at 10 a.m.
- Every Sunday is Family Day at the **Youth Center**, 2-6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

- Magruder's Pub and Club** happy hour, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Appetizers are available while they last.
- Victory Readers Club**, 6 to 8 p.m., **Post Library**.
- 4-H Club** meets 4 to 5 p.m. For grades 1-5. Call 751-1136 for information.

ONGOING OFFERS

- The NCO Club breakfast buffet is 6 to 9 a.m., Monday through Friday. The cost is \$6.50 for adults and \$3.75 for children 4 to 10 years old. Lunch is 11 a.m. to 1:15

p.m. and is \$8 for adults.

- The **Officers' Club** specializes in wedding receptions, anniversaries, promotions and other special occasions. For more information, call 782-8761.

Child, Youth and School Services provides child care and youth programming on Saturdays at no cost for active-duty parents who must work to meet mission requirements. Others requiring care may sign up, but will pay the usual hourly rate. For more information, call 751-4865.

- The **Officers' Club** is open for lunch Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

For a full calendar of events, visit www.fortjacksonmwr.com.



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Summer fun starts with sun safety

By JENNIFER DAVIS

U.S. Army Public Health Command (Provisional)

Summer means more swimming pools, more beach time, more outdoor activities and best of all, more sunlight. While some exposure to sunlight can be enjoyable, too much can be dangerous. Sunlight contains ultraviolet rays that can be harmful to our skin, cause redness and sunburn and even cause skin cancer.

To ensure your summer sun safety, consider adopting a few simple sun safety action steps endorsed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's SunWise School Program, a health education program that teaches children and parents how to protect themselves from overexposure to the sun.

Action steps for sun safety:

❑ Do not burn: Sunburns significantly increase one's risk of developing skin cancer, especially for children.

❑ Avoid sun tanning and tanning beds: UV light from tanning beds and the sun causes skin cancer and wrinkling.

❑ Generously apply sunscreen: Generously apply sunscreen — about one ounce to cover all exposed skin 20 minutes before going outside. Sunscreen should have a Sun Protection Factor, abbreviated "SPF," of at least 15

and provide protection from both UVA and UVB rays. Reapply every two hours, swimming or sweating.

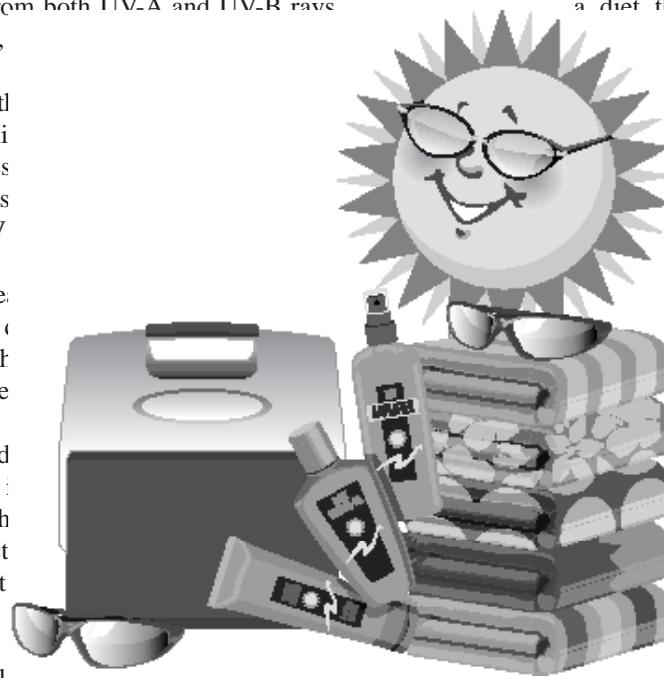
❑ Wear protective clothing such as a long-sleeved shirt and sunglasses, when possible.

❑ Seek shade: Seek shade between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

❑ Use extra caution near snow and sand: Snow and sand reflect the damaging rays of the sun, which can increase your chance of sunburn.

❑ Check the UV index: The UV Index provides important information to help you plan your outdoor activities in ways that prevent sun overexposure. The UV Index forecast is issued daily by the National Weather Service and EPA. Visit www.epa.gov/sunwise/uvindex.html to determine the UV index for a given day.

❑ Get vitamin D safely: Get Vitamin D safely through



a diet that includes vitamin supplements and foods fortified with vitamin D. Don't seek the sun.

Remember all sunlight is not bad. Small amounts of the UV contained in sunlight is essential for the production of vitamin D in people; however, overexposure may result in short- and long-term negative health effects. Adopting one or more of these action steps could help ensure that you and your family can enjoy the pool, the beach, and many other outdoor activities all season long.

For more information on protecting yourself from harmful UV rays:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, <http://www.epa.gov/sunwise/actionsteps.html>; World Health Organization, <http://www.who.int/uv/en/>

TRICARE supports National Prevention Strategy

TRICARE Management Agency

Recently, the U.S. surgeon general and members of the National Prevention Council released the first National Prevention Strategy. The strategy provides a plan to shift the nation from a focus on sickness and disease to one based on wellness and prevention.

The goal of the National Prevention Strategy is to increase the number of Americans who are healthy at every stage of life. The strategy provides recommendations that are essential to improving the nation's health:

❑ Building healthy and safe community environments. Prevention of disease starts in communities and at home; not just in the doctor's office.

❑ Expanding quality preventive services in both clinical and community settings. When people receive preventive care, such as immunizations and cancer screenings, they have better health and lower health care costs.

❑ Empowering people to make healthy choices. Policies and programs can make healthy options the easy and affordable choice. When people have access to easy-to-understand information and resources, they are empowered to make healthier choices.

❑ Eliminating health disparities. By eliminating disparities in achieving and maintaining health, we can help improve quality of life for all Americans.

To help achieve these goals, the strategy identifies recommendations to reduce the leading causes of preventable death and major illness. The strategy's seven priorities are:

- ❑ Tobacco-free living
- ❑ Preventing drug abuse and excessive alcohol use
- ❑ Healthy eating
- ❑ Active living
- ❑ Injury and violence-free living
- ❑ Reproductive and sexual health
- ❑ Mental and emotional well-being

"For years, TRICARE has promoted healthy lifestyles by educating beneficiaries and providing tools and resources for making good decisions about healthy living," said Ginnean Quisenberry, director, Population Health, Medical Management and Patient Centered Medical Home Division of TRICARE. Quisenberry played a key role in preparing the Department of Defense's input to the National Prevention Strategy. "These efforts come not just from within the health system, but are also becoming a focus in areas such as our child care centers, schools, commissaries and fitness centers. Making our communities healthier is a great step toward improving the health of individuals as well."

TRICARE already has several efforts in place for beneficiaries to get healthy and stay healthy. The "Get Fit" campaign, www.tricare.mil/getfit, was started to increase obesity awareness and get beneficiaries and their families

moving. Programs and resources, as well as information on treatment coverage for alcohol problems, are available at www.tricare.mil/alcoholawareness.

TRICARE has numerous resources for beneficiaries seeking assistance with quitting tobacco including brochures and toll free smoking help lines, (go to www.tricare.mil/healthyliving/tobaccocessation/ for more information). Another quit smoking resource is the Department of Defense's www.ucanquit2.org website, which offers tools a 24/7 online chat, support message boards and a quit smoking program called "Train2Quit".

TRICARE's mental health resource center, www.tricare.mil/mentalhealth, provides confidential access to mental health resources for beneficiaries and their families.

TRICARE also covers clinical preventive services which are available for all beneficiaries. Beneficiaries can visit TRICARE's website, www.tricare.mil/preventiveservices, for more information on covered services.

The National Prevention Strategy is supported by the Advisory Group on Prevention, Health Promotion, and Integrative and Public Health. The council is composed of the heads of 17 federal agencies and chaired by the U.S. Surgeon General. More information on the National Prevention Strategy and the National Prevention Council can be found at www.HealthCare.gov/center/councils/nphp-phc.

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On-post cell phone use, driving targeted

Special to the Leader

Fort Jackson officials are cracking down on drivers who use their cell phones on post. According to Fort Jackson regulation, vehicle operators on Fort Jackson and operators of government-owned vehicles may not use mobile / cellular phones unless the vehicle is safely parked or unless they are using a hands-free device.

The wearing of any other portable headphones, earphones, or other listening devices (except for hands-free cell phones) while operating a motor vehicle is prohibited.

Drivers may continue to use navigation systems, but must be safely parked while inputting data. Drivers are allowed to use single ear-piece hands-free phone devices, and motorcycle driver/passenger intercom devices.

A personal electronic device is defined as:

- Any cellular telephone
- Any personal data assistant
- Any device that performs com-



Leader file photo

Using electronic devices while driving is prohibited on Fort Jackson.

- puter functions
- Any device that sends or receives electronic mail
- Any device that plays a video game
- Any device that plays videos of any kind
- Any device that transmits televi-

sion images

- Any other electronic device that allows the user to view or transmit data while operating a vehicle

These restrictions apply to all service members at all times, on or off-duty and on or off-post. The restrictions also apply to civilian employees, government contractors and civilian visitors who:

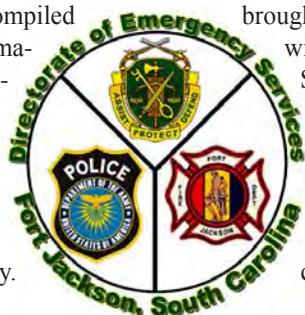
- Operate a privately owned vehicle of any type while on the installation.
- Operate a GOV at any time.
- Operate a non appropriated-fund vehicle at any time.
- Operate a rental vehicle paid for by the U.S. government at any time.

Although civilian employees are not prohibited from using cellular telephones, electronic devices, headphones, earphones, or other listening devices while operating personal vehicles outside the installation, they are encouraged to refrain from their use in the interest of personal safety.

Restrictions do not apply to personnel reporting emergencies to appropriate authorities or vehicle passengers.

The following are incidents compiled from reports, complaints or information received from the Fort Jackson Provost Marshal Office.

The incidents reflected are not an adjudication attesting to the guilt or innocence of any person and are provided for informational and reflective purposes only.



brought onto post must be registered with the Directorate of Emergency Services.

A Soldier was charged with driving in a physical training zone during restricted hours, MPs said. PT zones are closed from 6 to 7 a.m.

A civilian was charged with shoplifting in connection with the theft of two video games from the PX, MPs said. He was issued a one-year post bar letter and released.

Sgt. Maj. Glen W. Wellman III
Provost Sergeant Major

Bill Forrester
Fire Chief

CASES OF THE WEEK

A civilian was denied access to post after attempting to enter the installation with a handgun, Military Police said. All weapons

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The conspirators of the Fort Dix plot chose five military installations and one military event across three states before finally selecting Fort Dix as the location to attack.

One of the conspirators was a pizza delivery person who used his access to the installation as a means of obtaining maps and locating large concentrations of Soldiers and critical facilities on Fort Dix.

The conspirators worked to obtain a large amount of weapons both through legal and illegal means.

The conspirators trained with weapons numerous times at remote outdoor ranges in Pennsylvania while also rehearsing actions on the objective through the use of paintball weapons close to their residence.



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Ways to collect child support available

By 1ST LT. ALANA HINES

From the Legal Assistance Office

The issues of garnishment and involuntary allotment most frequently appear regarding child support enforcement. Below is a list of questions that are often asked by Soldiers and their dependents.

Q: A Soldier or former spouse has been ordered by the court to pay child support. How do I collect if the Soldier/spouse fails to pay?

A: There are two methods of collecting unpaid child support: garnishment and involuntary allotment.

Q: What is garnishment?

A: Garnishment is instituted by going to court to get direct payments of support from a person's employer deducted from his or her paycheck each month (just like taxes and Social Security). All pay after taxes is garnishable.

That includes basic pay, hazardous duty pay, severance pay, sick pay, cash awards, pensions, retirement, etc. However, allowances, such as Basic Allowance for Housing, Basic Allowance for Subsistence and Family Separation Allowances cannot be garnished. Garnishment may be used to enforce a Soldier's or spouse's obligation to pay child support (and/or alimony if state law allows it).

Q: Can I use garnishment proceedings in all states?

A: Yes. All states allow garnishment of pay or property to enforce a parent's obligation to pay child support. Overseas, however, it may be another matter. For example, if you have a German court order and the Soldier/spouse returns to the United States, the pay is usually still within reach of the German courts, with only a little bit more effort. There are a few states that require a new action to be brought in that state's courts, but they are the exception.

A German court order must be obtained and forwarded to the U.S. court nearest where the person is living. The U.S. court will decide whether there is sufficient evidence upon which to hold the person liable for payment of support. Some states allow the German prosecutor to file the action on its own, while other states require written consent from the parent who requested the garnishment. If the court accepts the German court's decision, it will honor the German court's support order and will require

the garnishment of the person's wages.

Q: How do I start a garnishment proceeding for child support against a Soldier?

A: You must first have a court order requiring the Soldier to pay child support. Next, you will probably need to hire a civilian attorney (or visit the child support enforcement agency or CSEA) to obtain a garnishment order from the local court.

Once the garnishment order is obtained from the local court, it must be served on the Defense Finance and Accounting Service. The order should name DFAS as the garnishee and should contain enough identifying information to enable the garnishment order to be processed.

The following identifying information about the individual owing child support (the other parent) is requested: full name, date of birth, Social Security number, military component (Army, Air Force, etc.) official duty station or worksite, and status of other parent (active-duty military, civilian, civil service, etc.)

Q: How much of an individual's pay may the court garnish?

A: There are state and federal limitations on the amount of pay that can be garnished. Unless state law provides a lower maximum garnishment limitation, the maximum amount subject to garnishment will not exceed 50 percent of disposable pay if the person is remarried and supporting a spouse and/or dependent child; or 60 percent if the person is single.

An additional 5 percent will apply to each maximum limit if the order states that the person is behind 12 or more weeks in support payments.

Q: Can the Soldier/spouse do anything to stop garnishment?

A: The only way a person being garnished can stop

garnishment is to go to the court that issued it and ask the court to remove or reduce it. The person who requested the garnishment must be notified if he or she tries to do this so that they have the opportunity to object.

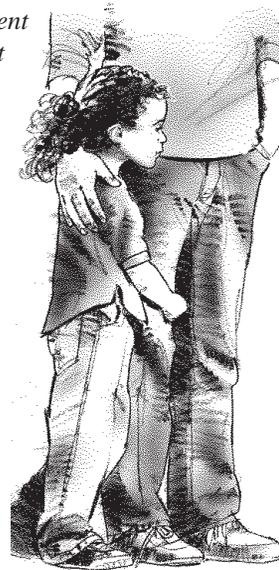
Q: Can the Army withhold money from a Soldier's pay check without garnishment?

A: Yes. The process is called involuntary allotment, which can be initiated if the Soldier is at least two months behind in court-ordered child support and/or alimony payments, but only if the payments were payable through a state official, such as a clerk of court or SCEA.

Q: How can I request an involuntary allotment?

A: To start an involuntary allotment, DFAS must receive a certified copy of the court order and written notice from an authorized person, agency or court that the Soldier is at least two months behind in the support payments. DFAS must provide notice to the Soldier and the Soldier's commander.

The Soldier may consult with a lawyer about the legal and other factors involved with respect to the Soldier's support obligation and the failure to make payments under the obligation. The involuntary allotment will take effect 30 days after notice is given to the affected Soldier, regardless of whether the Soldier has consulted with a lawyer. If the order so provides, the amount may include arrearages (child support payments past due) as well as the amounts for current support.



Fort Jackson Legal Office

The Fort Jackson Legal Office provides legal services — including powers of attorney, living wills and health care powers of attorney — to eligible people.

For more information, or to schedule an appointment to speak with an attorney, call 751-4287. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Walk-ins for living wills, health care powers of attorney and durable powers of attorney are accepted 9 to 11 a.m., Thursdays. Appointments are required for wills. The office is closed on federal and training holidays. The office is located at 2600 Lee Road.

Post junior golfers hone their game

By **CURSHA PIERCE-LUNDERMAN**
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Fifteen children are playing outside, but it is whisper quiet. They are occupied with putters and golf balls instead of water balloons this summer. The Junior Golf clinic at the Fort Jackson Golf Club is under way with the focus of introducing youngsters to the game of golf.

“It's all about family. This is a new way for parents to relate to their kids and for kids to spend time with their parents.”

— **Paul Tabor**
Assistant golf professional

Throughout the course of the five-day clinic, young golfers are taught the basics of golfing such as putting, chipping and golf course rules and

etiquette. Twelve-year-old Johnathan Kaus said he was pleasantly surprised at his first experience with golfing.

“It's fun. So far I'm actually liking it.”

Approximately 50 young golfers, from novice to seasoned veterans, are in the program.

Jordan Rochelle is one of the more experienced players.

“I've been playing golf since I was 5 years old,” said the 10-year-old. “I like coming to the clinics because it's fun, and it really helps me become better at golf.”

Junior golfers at Fort Jackson learn and hone their skills under the instruction of trained professionals. The clinics and lessons are taught by certified Professional Golf Association instructors who have completed at least six years of training. Many of the instructors have decades of golfing experience.

“I've been at this for about 20 years and I enjoy spending time out here at the clinics,” said Mike Casto, director of golf and general manager for the Fort Jackson Golf Club.

The golf club staff members said they have seen how golf instruction brings families together.

“It's all about family. This is a new way for parents to relate to their kids and for kids to spend time with their parents,” said Paul Tabor, an assistant golf pro. “I have memories of spending time out on the golf course with my dad when I was younger, and we offer that opportunity to the families here.”

Junior Golf clinics are held only during the summer, but lessons are available for children and adults throughout the year.

Fort Jackson families can also spend time at the golf club for free.



Above, Johnathan Kaus, 12, positions his ball for a putting exercise as Zac Smith, 12, watches and waits his turn during the Junior Golf clinic at the Fort Jackson Golf Club Monday. Right, Jordan Rochelle, 10, receives putting instructions from Eric Wilson, assistant golf professional at the Fort Jackson Golf Club. Jordan has been playing golf for five years and participates in the Junior Golf clinics to enhance her skills.

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“We have a par 3 course here with three holes available to play free of charge. We provide all of the equipment here,” said Kurt Sokolowski, golf pro. “We want families to come take advantage of this great course, and when they would like to extend their game to other parts of the course, we can help them with that also.”

The course has 36 holes that include views of downtown Columbia, ponds and lakes.

“We have one of the best courses of all Army installations right here,” Tabor said. “This is a great place for families to come. It's also a great place to bond.”

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