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COMMANDER'S CALL

Sprucing up your lawn can have added benefits

Yard of the Month Award recognizes families whose yards exemplify the vision of the Fort Jackson community

Too often, the little things go unnoticed. These little things can have a positive effect without us even realizing it, which is why I want to take this opportunity to personally thank all of you who help make the Fort Jackson housing community a more beautiful place to live.

Many of our Soldiers and their Families who choose to call Fort Jackson home go above and beyond in creating a scenic display around their homes. During the spring and summer, we honor the best of those yards with the Yard of the Month Award.

The overall goal of the Yard of the Month Award program is to recognize families whose yards exemplify the vision of the Fort Jackson community. It takes more than Brasso and shoe polish to present a positive image of the Army. Those of us with Families know that our spouses and children are often asked to sacrifice comforts that civilian families occasionally take for granted. It might even seem silly to them that we take pride in maintaining beautiful yards that, technically, are government property. But we know better.

Although only one yard is chosen each month, I am extremely proud of each Family that chooses to add a little something to the surroundings. Each of you, in your own personal way, helps make Fort Jackson a more attractive place to live.

Whether you live on or off post, making the extra effort to spruce up your lawn can have added benefits. It's a great opportunity to spend some quality time with your Family while teaching the pride of ownership, as well as skills your children will use later in life when they have their own homes.

For those who live off post, it's a way to demon-

strate your pride in being an Army Family in your neighborhood. Like it or not, how we present ourselves — from our personal appearance to the appearance of our homes and yards — is a reflection on our Army.

Involving your children with a simple project such as creating a flower garden can also help instill in them a number of values which will carry over to all areas of their lives. The care needed to maintain a garden can teach them responsibility, discipline and consistency.

It can also instill in them a sense of accomplishment and satisfaction, and as time passes they will see the fruits of their labor.

As we continue to make renovations throughout our family housing areas, those improvements are much more appealing when you take a little time out of your busy schedules to add a little of your own personality to your yards.

Let's all make Fort Jackson not only a Center of Excellence for Basic Combat Training, but for neighborhood beautification as well.

Thanks again for all the little things you do!
 Victory Starts Here and Victory 6

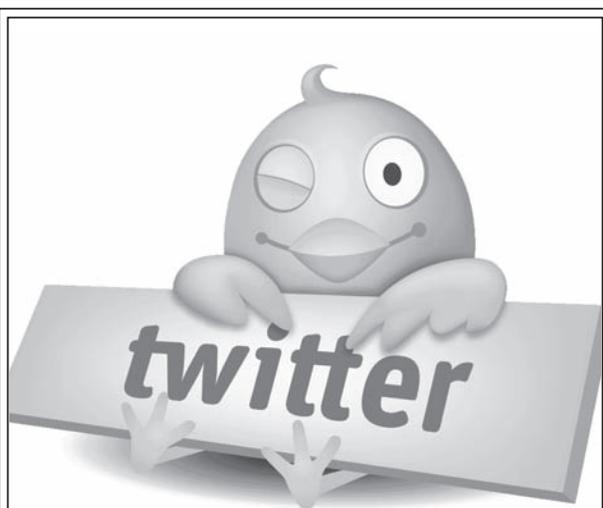
By BRIG. GEN. BRYAN T. ROBERTS

Fort Jackson
 Commanding General

GET INVOLVED!

The Self Help Center at the Facilities Maintenance Office on Ivy Road has available lawn and garden tools to aid in beautification projects. The center, open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, also has red garden mulch, seed and fertilizer.

To learn more about the Yard of the Month program, what improvements you can make to your yard, or to nominate a yard that you think is outstanding, call the folks at Balfour Beatty at 738-8275.



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Photos by ANDREW McINTYRE

Above, Col. Michael Graese accepts the colors of the U.S. Army Garrison — Fort Jackson from Davis Tindoll Jr., director of IMCOM — Atlantic Region, during a change of command ceremony Friday in front of Post Headquarters. Graese takes over for Col. James Love.

New garrison commander takes charge

Col. Graese ready for 'great' opportunity at Fort Jackson

By ANDREW McINTYRE
Fort Jackson Leader

Col. Michael Graese assumed command of U.S. Army Garrison – Fort Jackson from Col. James Love in a ceremony in front of Post Headquarters Friday, June 29.

He most recently served at Headquarters, Department of the Army, in the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations and Plans, Air and Missile Defense Directorate as the Air and Missile Defense Integrator. Love heads to Fort Hood, Texas, to serve as III Corps, Deputy Chief of Staff.

“Out of all the great opportunities and assignments throughout the years by far I am most amped for the opportunity to command the garrison here at Fort Jackson. I am excited because I understand the value of strong garrisons to Soldiers, families, and partners on and off post,” Graese said.

“To the people of Fort Jackson, the surrounding community warriors’ families and civilians, I promise to give you all I have on a daily basis to ensure myself and the garrison team do everything in our power to provide a unsurpassed quality of life for you to thrive,” Graese said. “I want each of you to truly believe, if you don’t already, that Fort Jackson is the best place in the entire Army to train, live and work. Victory Starts Here, Army Strong.”

His previous assignments include a history of command positions as an Air Defense Artillery Officer while assigned stateside and serving in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom, Operation New Dawn.

He has served as a Garrison Commander at Fort A.P. Hill, Va., and Deputy Secretary of the General Staff, Fort Bliss, Texas.

“Garrison Command is the centerpiece for Army Installation Management Command and our garrison

commanders are crucial to successful mission accomplishment,” Davis Tindoll, Jr., director, IMCOM-Atlantic Region said.

“Col Graese, I am confident that with your demonstrated leadership you will build upon the capabilities and success of previous garrison commanders and bring new energy and excellence to the Fort Jackson team,” Tindoll said.

“We have been particularly blessed to have Col. Michael Graese, his wife, Fracie, and their sons, Corey, Taylor and Evan join the Fort Jackson team,” Brig. Gen. Bryan Roberts, Fort Jackson commanding general said.

“Michael is the right man for the job. He comes with a sterling record, and previous garrison command expertise. Michael is a seasoned officer with a breadth of joint, command, and staff experience that will serve him well. I want to welcome you and your family to the greater Columbia community and the Fort Jackson team where victory truly starts here,” Roberts said.

3-34th NCO named top drill sergeant

By **STEPHANIE SLATER**
TRADOC

FORT EUSTIS, Va. — Fort Jackson's Drill Sergeant of the Year, Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Heilman, was selected by the Army as the 2012 active duty U.S. Army Drill Sergeant of the Year. Staff Sgt. Jarod Moss, representing the 95th Reserve Division, won the 2012 Army Reserve Drill Sergeant of the Year honors.

Heilman was a drill sergeant with 3rd Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment before winning the Fort Jackson Drill Sergeant of the Year competition in April.

Winners were announced in a military ceremony at Fort Eustis Friday, hosted by Command Sgt. Maj. John R. Calpena and reviewed by Maj. Gen. Bradley W. May, deputy commanding general for Initial Military Training, TRADOC. Both Drill Sergeants of the Year were awarded the Meritorious Service Medal.

The winners were among six of the Army's top drill sergeants who competed for the prestigious award. Four active duty and two Army Reserve drill sergeants were recognized as the Drill Sergeant of the Year for their respective installation or division.

The competitors endured physical and mental challenges during a four-day competition, June 25-28, which tested their knowledge of warrior tasks and

battle drills and their ability to teach these tasks to new Soldiers. The selection process concluded with each drill sergeant appearing before a board of command sergeants major to evaluate their knowledge of leadership and drill sergeant training tasks.

Heilman will receive the Stephen Ailes Award, initiated in 1969 and named for the Secretary of the Army from 1964 to 1965 who was instrumental in originating the first Drill Sergeant School at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. The Army Reserve winner will receive the Ralph Haines Jr. Award, named for the commander of the Continental Army Command (forerunner of TRADOC) from 1970 to 1972. The awards will be presented in a special ceremony in Washington at a later date.

Drill sergeants are the cornerstone of Army readiness, entrusted with the task of preparing new Soldiers to fight and win our nation's wars. Only the Army's best and brightest can serve as drill sergeants. Approximately 2,000 drill sergeants train 160,000 new Soldiers each year.

Drill sergeants are located at four TRADOC installations: Fort Jackson, Fort Benning, Ga.; Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.; Fort Sill, Okla. Reserve component drill sergeants represent training divisions located across the United States.



Photo by SENIOR AIRMAN WESLEY FARNSWORTH

Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Heilman, left, representing Fort Jackson, and Staff Sgt. Jarod Moss, assigned to the 95th Reserve Division at Fort Sill, Okla., sit with their non-commissioned officer swords after being named active-duty and reserve Drill Sergeants of the Year Friday at Fort Eustis, Va.



Photo by STEPHANIE SLATER, TRADOC

Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Heilman, Fort Jackson's Drill Sergeant of the Year, explains to a squad of Soldiers how to enter and clear a room June 27, at Fort Eustis, Va. The exercise was part of the 2012 Drill Sergeant of the Year competition. Heilman won the title of best active duty drill sergeant in the Army.

It's not too late to prepare for retirement

If you are in the workforce, there is time to save for retirement. The earlier you start the better, but it's not entirely too late if you are still working. There are many different options that can add to your financial security.

The Thrift Savings Plan is a retirement savings and investment plan for federal employees and members of the uniformed services. It is a defined contribution plan, meaning that the retirement income you receive from your TSP account will depend on how much you (and your agency, if you are eligible to receive agency contributions) put into your account during your working years and the earnings accumulated over that time.

Another popular option are Individual Retirement Accounts. IRAs provides you with a valuable opportunity for tax-advantaged savings. It's important to evaluate your situation before making a decision. Compare the benefits of both traditional and Roth IRAs before making a decision. Knowing what lifestyle you want to have and the financial obligations you will have plays a huge part in the planning.

With retirement, it's not a one size fits all. Discussing your personal financial goals with a financial planner is a great place to start. Mapping out your total assets, retirement living expenses, and how much you need to save to

FINANCIAL ADVICE

By ANGELA CROSLAND
Army Community Services
Financial Readiness

cover expenses and taxes should be discussed with a financial planner.

Be sure to consider all possible sources of income. Social Security will fund a portion of retirement for most working adults. You may also receive benefits from a traditional defined benefit pension plan. Add in money you've saved in a TSP, an individual retirement account or other savings vehicles, as well as any expected inheritances.

The obvious way of saving more and spending less is not always the easiest way. Consider contributing the maximum to your TSP and if at all possible, contribute to an IRA as well. If you meet the requirements, do the catch-up contributions. If you are at least 50 years old (or will be 50 during the calendar year), and if you have made or will make the maximum amount of employee contribu-

tions for the calendar year (\$17,000 in 2012), you may also make catch-up contributions to your TSP account. Be careful not to overextend yourself with saving and investing. Always leave room for your monthly living expenses and emergencies.

Live with less and pay yourself first. Even though putting away small amounts each month may seem like a drop in the bucket, it can grow quickly due to compound interest. Compound interest is interest that is paid on both the principal and also on any interest earned from the past. Taking on a part-time job or selling items you no longer need can help boost your savings. Getting rid of things also helps in preparing yourself for downsizing in retirement.

Now is the time to close your savings gap, so don't procrastinate. No matter what method you choose to boost your retirement income, the most important thing is that you do something. Failing to plan is planning to fail. Use available resources, such as ACS financial counselors, to help guide you in the right direction.

For more information on a personal financial plan or if interested in meeting with a financial counselor, contact Army Community Services at 751-5256

Housing Happenings

COMMUNITY UPDATES

❑ First-time home buyers in South Carolina are eligible to participate in the State Housing Program, which offers a fixed interest rate as low as 4 percent. For more information, visit www.schousing.com or call 896-9396.

❑ The Housing Services Offices provides assistance with finding rental homes and reviewing lease agreements. For more information, call 751-5788/7566 or visit the office at 4514 Stuart Ave.

❑ Residents are urged to be mindful when using charcoal and gas grills. Grills are not allowed to be used indoors and must be no closer than 10 feet to a building or enclosed shelter. Propane tanks must not be stored indoors.

❑ The Home Ventilation Institute recommends that you use kitchen ventilation fans while cooking and bathroom ventilation fans for 30 minutes after each shower. Fans help minimize excess humidity in the home, reduce condensation and promote good indoor air quality.

❑ The Mayoral Council is looking for volunteers to serve as mayors of the Fort Jackson housing community. Child care is provided while performing mayoral duties. Interested residents should contact Vickie Grier at 751-7567.

❑ LifeWorks events are reserved for on-post housing residents unless otherwise indicated. For questions, comments or suggestions, email ayoungblood@bbcgrp.com.

❑ Refer someone to move on post to receive \$200.

❑ Trampolines are prohibited in the housing area. For more information, view the Balfour Beatty Communities resident guide at www.fjacksonfamilyhousing.com or contact the management office at 738-8275.

Shoplifting numbers down at PX

From the Army and Air Force Exchange Service

According to the National Association for Shoplifting Prevention, losses due to thefts from retail stores alone amount to more than \$35 million a day. The Army & Air Force Exchange Service, which has contributed more than \$2.4 billion to morale, welfare and recreation programs in the past 10 years, continues to focus its efforts on reducing theft to maximize the investment authorized shoppers make in their Exchange benefit.

Through an aggressive youth "Shoplifting Awareness Community Outreach" program, closed circuit televisions with DVR technology and high-tech electronic article surveillance, the Fort Jackson decreased shoplifting by 55 percent, from 130 incidents in 2010 to 59.



The value of merchandise involved in local loss prevention cases also dropped from more than \$8300 in 2010 to just below \$6,000.

"Our proactive and visible efforts to prevent shoplifting have resulted in fewer incidents as well as a decrease in the dollar amount of stolen merchandise," said Nancy Kessler, Fort Jackson Exchange manager. "Of course, the toll of this issue goes far beyond dollars and cents as theft can be detrimental to a military career. Every shoplifting incident that is prevented before it occurs benefits not only the in-

dividual but also our installation and Exchange."

If shoplifting is suspected, the Fort Jackson Exchange Loss Prevention Office turns the issue over to local law enforcement.

In addition to possible disciplinary action and/or criminal prosecution, the Federal Claims Collection Act allows the Exchange to enact a flat, administrative cost (Civil Recovery) of \$200. There may be further fees, in addition to the Civil Recovery Program, depending on the condition of the stolen merchandise.

UPCOMING CHANGES OF COMMAND/RESPONSIBILITY

❑ **July 12 — Training Support Battalion:** Lt. Col. Neil Mahabir will assume command from Lt. Col. Sula Irish; 8:30 a.m.; Officers' Club.

❑ **July 20 — 171st Infantry Brigade:** Col. Mark Bieger will assume command from Col. George Donovan; 9 a.m.; Officers' Club.

❑ **July 20 — NCO Academy:** Command Sgt. Maj. Carrie Glover will assume responsibility from 1st Sgt. Trinette Robinson; 10 a.m.; NCO Academy.

❑ **Aug. 21 — 369th Adjutant General Battalion:** Lt. Col. David Jones will assume command from Lt. Col. Edward Allen; 8:30 a.m.; Darby Field.

❑ **Aug. 30 — Recruiting and Retention School:** Command Sgt. Maj. Tory Hendrieth will assume responsibility from Command Sgt. Maj. Donna Punihaole; time and location to be determined.

To announce a battalion level or above Change of Command/Responsibility, call 751-7045 or email fjleader@gmail.com.

Watch Fort Jackson video news stories and Victory Updates

at <http://www.vimeo.com/user3022628>

News and Notes

1-13TH WELCOMES NEW COMMANDER



TRAHAN

Lt. Col. Gregory Trahan assumed command of the 1st Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment in a ceremony Monday at the Officers' Club. Trahan, who previously served as executive officer for the 165th Infantry Brigade, replaces Lt. Col. Matthew Zimmerman, whose next assignment will be with the JRTC and Fort Polk.

ROAD CLOSED

Sumter Avenue is closed between Ferguson Avenue and Magruder Avenue. The closure is necessary because of construction of new water and sewer utility lines. The road is scheduled to reopen July 16.

ACTIVE DUTY GET IN FREE AT PARKS

Active duty service members can now get a free annual pass to national parks and federal recreation lands. The pass can be picked up at any national park or wildlife refuge that charges an entrance fee.

For a list of participating sites, visit <http://store.usgs.gov/pass/PassIssuanceList.pdf>.



Saturday, July 7 — 4 p.m.

Chernobyl Diaries R

Sunday, July 8 — 2 p.m.

Men in Black 3 PG-13

Wednesday, July 11 — 1 p.m.

Men in Black 3 PG-13

Wednesday, July 11 — 4 p.m.

Marvel's The Avengers PG-13

Saturday, July 14 — 4 p.m.

Marvel's The Avengers PG-13

Sunday, July 15 — 2 p.m.

Snow White and the Huntsman PG-13

Adults: \$4.50

Children (12 and younger): \$2.25

For more listings, visit www.aafes.com or call 751-7488.

Defense acquisition program saves the lives of Soldiers

By **ROGER TEEL,**
RDECOM

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. — When it comes to rapidly fielding equipment for an urgent American war fighter need, a program run by the U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command quickly delivers the goods.

In July 2010, William “Randy” Everett of RDECOM’s International Technology Integration Team donned a shaggy, heavily camouflaged military sniper outfit, called a ghillie suit, and entered a meeting room at the Office of the Secretary of Defense Comparative Testing Office in Arlington, Va.

As Everett walked through the conference room, he was met by people laughing and snickering at the odd sight.

Once calm returned, Everett, in a low and reverent voice, read aloud a letter from the commander of the Army’s 11th Armor Cavalry Regiment. The words somberly recalled how the commander had lost two Soldiers in Iraq when their ghillie suits caught on fire and they burned to death.

The letter stressed the need for a fire-resistant ghillie suit and strongly recommended that the Army resource one — pronto.

Everett had carefully chosen this moment to deliver the commander’s message to the right audience.

Within hours, a call went out to find a fire-resistant ghillie suit for military snipers. Source One, a small business in Florida, submitted a proposal to the Defense Acquisition Challenge, or DAC, program, and soon thereafter, Program Executive Office Soldier, aware of and understanding the requirement, sponsored the proposal.

Neal Nguyen, the PEO Soldier product manager for protective clothing and individual equipment, shouldered the project and collaborated closely with the RDECOM ITI Team and Source One to deliver the ghillie suit as quickly as possible.

According to Thomas Mulkern, director of RDECOM’s ITI section, Congress instituted the DAC program in 2003 to introduce “innovative and cost-saving technologies into the current acquisition programs of the Department of Defense.”

“DAC allows anyone within industry, both large and small, to propose alternatives to component, subsystems or systems level of DoD acquisition programs,” Mulkern said.



ARMY PHOTO

A 1-175th Infantry Soldier puts the fire-resistant ghillie Suit through the paces during a wearability test. The new ghillie suit was acquired for Army and Marine Corps snipers in record time through the Defense Acquisition Challenge Program.

“The program’s hallmark is the ability to review commercial-off-the-shelf products and processes so the DOD can save dollars in the research and developmental phases of a product,” he added.

Since beginning, the DAC program has saved an estimated \$375 million in DOD research and development, or R&D, by avoiding manufacturing, procurement and life cycle support costs. Additionally, more than 2,000 proposals have been evaluated and 130 projects have been funded from 35 states and the District of Columbia.

More than 70 percent of the awarded projects have been to American small- and medium-sized businesses, and more than 25 percent to non-traditional defense companies. Twenty-three projects have been deployed to Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

DAC projects normally begin within a year, and end within 18 to 24 months after contract award. They may be fielded faster based on need and product availability.

For the ghillie suit, PEO Soldier received \$185,000 to purchase and test suit samples. Nguyen oversaw the testing and evaluated the fire-resistant suit and accessory kit.

In 10 months, a record time, the project was complete. The fire-resistant ghillie suit is now being fielded at the U.S. Army Sniper School at Fort Benning, Ga., at the U.S. Marine Corps Scout Sniper School at Marine Corps Base Quantico, Va., and at the Special Operations Target Interdiction Course at

Fort Bragg, N.C.

“It is unknown how many Soldiers and Marines may be saved by this, but if even one life is saved it is money well spent,” Everett said.

When evaluating DAC proposals submitted by industry the RDECOM ITI Team focuses on the 24 science and technology challenges identified by Marilyn Freeman, deputy assistant secretary of the Army for research and technology.

The Army submitted 21 proposals for fiscal year 2012 funding. One is a Korean Advanced Text Translator, which is a significant requirement for the Combined Forces Command / U.S. Forces Korea and a documented operational need.

“The Army recently announced that the Korean text translator and eight other projects have been approved for funding,” Everett said. “These represent a DOD investment of \$6.5 million for Army programs in fiscal year 2012.”

“As a result, if all projects are successful, the estimated cost avoidance and savings is in excess of \$70 million, a significant return on the DOD’s investment,” he added.

The approved DAC projects include: a tactical communication and protective system; a universal battery charger; a deployable shelter/detention system; improved alloys for protection of armored and tactical vehicles; a protection kit for gunners; improved mortar manufacturing; a lightweight combat vehicle crewman helmet; and an enhanced combat vehicle crew coverall.



Courtesy photos

Audie L. Murphy Club visits grave

Above, Members of the Fort Jackson Sergeant Audie L. Murphy Club visit Murphy's gravesite at Arlington National Cemetery June 20, which would have been Murphy's 88th birthday. Left, Marine Corps Sgt. Maj. Bryan B. Battaglia, senior enlisted advisor to the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, lays a wreath at Murphy's grave. Murphy was the most- highly decorated Soldier in World War II. Among his awards are the Medal of Honor, the Distinguished Service Cross, the Silver Star (with oak leaf cluster) and the Bronze Star (with valor device and oak leaf cluster).



Photo by SGT. 1ST CLASS NICHOLAS SALCIDO,
THIRD ARMY/ARCENT PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Soldier shares experiences at youth conference

Lt. Col. Catina M. Barnes-Ricks, Third Army/ARCENT media relations and community relations chief, left, listens as Spc. Kimberly Alexis, right, a Third Army/ARCENT Headquarters and Headquarters Company motor pool clerk, relates the experiences that brought her into the military to attendees during the Sumter County Sheriff's Office Annual Youth Conference at Crestwood High School, Saturday in Sumter.



HAPPENINGS

Calendar

Wednesday

The Fort Jackson Sound Off Toastmasters Club

11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m., Dozer Hall.

Friday, July 13

Fort Jackson birthday celebration

11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Solomon Center

Tuesday, July 17

Helping Hands award presentation

9 a.m., Joe E. Mann Center

Housing events

All events are held in the Community Center, 520 Brown Ave., unless otherwise specified. Call 738-8275 for information.

Throughout the summer

Free popsicle Fridays

Children can stop by the Community Center every Friday this summer for a free popsicle while supplies last.

Announcements

REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS

Registration for grades three through six at C.C. Pinckney Elementary School is scheduled for 8 a.m. to noon, Tuesday through Thursday, July 9 through Aug. 8. The following documents are required: copy of birth certificate; current orders and ID card for military sponsor and spouse; proof of immunizations; housing lease agreement or letter from housing verifying that the family is on the waiting list.

LUNCH AND LEARN SEMINAR FOR MILITARY SPOUSES

Are you tired of looking for a job with each PCS move? Do you want a career that will be with you throughout your spouse's military career? If so, participate in the Military Spouse Employment Partnership Awareness Seminar 12-1 p.m., Tuesday in Room 222 of the Strom Thurmond Building. A free lunch and door prizes will be provided.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT

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

SUMMER FEEDING PROGRAM

The Seamless Summer Feeding Program allows children 18 and younger to have free meals during the summer months. Breakfast will be served from 8:30 to 9 a.m., lunch will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at C.C. Pinckney Elementary School. For additional locations in the Richland One school district, visit www.richlandone.org.

ID CARD OFFICE CHANGES

The ID Card Office now operates on an appointment-only basis from 9:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., Monday through Friday. Walk-ins are welcome 8 to 9 a.m., Monday through Friday.

To schedule an appointment, visit <https://rapids-appointments.dmdc.osd.mil>. For more information, call 751-7731.

CIVILIAN CAREER WEBSITE

A new website has been launched that consolidates information about civilian training and career development. Visit the site at www.civiliantraining.army.mil. The Army Civilian Training and Leader Development Division also established a Facebook page at www.facebook.com/armyciviliantraining.

CAC REPLACEMENTS

Some Common Access Cards that are set to expire after Sept. 30 will have to be replaced because they contain older encryption keys that will no longer provide network access. Most CACs contain the newer, compatible encryption keys. Personnel who are affected, will receive an email from DMDC.CAC.Replacement.Notification@osd.pentagon.mil. To replace the CAC, visit <https://rapids-appointments.dmdc.osd.mil> and schedule an appointment.

HIRED! TERM

The next HIRED! teen apprenticeship program term is scheduled for Aug. 26 through Nov. 17. Applications are due Aug. 17. A successful interview must be completed before the start of the term.

OPM SURVEY UNDER WAY

The Office of Personnel Management has begun its 2012 Federal Employee Viewpoint Survey. The survey runs through Monday.

AA OPEN MEETINGS

Alcoholics Anonymous open meetings are scheduled from 9 to 10 a.m., Wednesdays and Fridays at 9810 Lee Road. For more information, call 751-6597.

Visit the community calendar at www.jackson.army.mil for a full listing of calendar events. Send your announcements to fjleader@gmail.com.

Community announcements may be edited to comply with Leader style and Public Affairs regulations. Announcements are due one week before the publication date. For more information, call 751-7045.

Off-post events

The Fort Jackson Leader accepts only off-post announcements for those organizations or events that directly relate to service members and their families.

SPIRIT OF AMERICA TOUR

The Army's Spirit of America tour will perform at the Colonial Life Arena Sept. 21 and 22. Tickets are free and available at www.soa.mdw.army.mil.

MARINES WANTED

The Marine Corps League, Detachment 829 is looking for Marines to join. For more information, email hhulett156@bellsouth.net.

BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Columbia is seeking volunteers to serve as big brothers and big sisters for its site-based Military mentoring Program at CC Pinckney Elementary School. Children are matched with a volunteers in the program, and receive weekly visits from their mentor for games and studying. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old, reside in Richland or Lexington counties and plan to stay in the Greater Columbia area for the next 15 months, and be willing and able to meet with their matched child for one hour per week. Background checks are required.

FIRST RESPONDER

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Raymond Simons

Director, Emergency Services

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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.

CASES OF THE WEEK

Two government buses were involved in a collision on Dixie Road that resulted in minor injuries to one bus driver and damages to the rear bumper, engine belt, engine hatch and a turn signal to one bus. According to reports, both buses were travelling south on Dixie Road when the first bus stopped to allow Soldiers cross the street. Officials said that the second bus was following too closely, which led to the accident.

A driver was denied access to the installation after security guards found three handguns in his vehicle that were not properly registered on post, Mili-

tary Police said.

During a checkpoint on Wildcat and Hartsville Guard road, a driver was cited for operating a government vehicle without proper credentials, officials reported.

WEAPONS REGISTRATION AND CONTRACT VETTING OFFICE

The Directorate of Emergency Services Weapons Registration and Contract Vetting Office will have limited service through July 20. Persons needing to register weapons or conduct contractor vetting during this period may experience longer waiting times than normal. Thank you for your understanding. We strive to provide the best customer service possible.



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Saluting this Basic Combat Training cycle's honorees

DRILL SERGEANTS OF THE CYCLE



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2nd Battalion,
13th Infantry Regiment

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Pfc. Phillip Shin

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Spc. Aram Deravanesian

HIGH BRM
Pvt. Curtis Snively



Staff Sgt. Danny Rodriguez
Company B
2nd Battalion,
13th Infantry Regiment

SOLDIER LEADER OF THE CYCLE
Pvt. David Conway

SOLDIER OF THE CYCLE
Pfc. Nathaniel Newcomb

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Pvt. James Cobb

HIGH BRM
Pvt. Trevor Logston



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13th Infantry Regiment

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Spc. Charles Griffin

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Pfc. Charles Kramer

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SERVICE SUPPORT
Michael C. Morris

DFAC SUPPORT
Katherine East

FAMILY SUPPORT
Julie Corriera

July Promotions

Name	Rank	Name	Rank
JONES, Barry G.	COL	EVANS, James M.	SSG
SULLIVAN, Patrick J.	LTC	GRAY, Lauren E.	SSG
THORNHILL, William	LTC	JOHNSON, Sundra M.	SSG
PHALAN, Christopher M.	1LT	PERSAUD, Trameka L.	SSG
PATTERSON, Earl G.	MSG	RATLEDGE, Shantese J.	SSG
AGAN, Raymond H.	SFC	WILCOX, Erik W.	SSG
BOOKER, Shannon K.	SFC	BOYKINS, Lewis Jr.	SSG
CLAPPER, Jared D.	SFC	PAGANROLON, Joes E.	SSG
EARLEY, James L.	SFC	SMITH, Justin L.	SSG
FRALEY, James B.	SFC	BALCOBERO, Jannub B.	SGT
HALSEY, Uche S.	SFC	FLORES, Kathleen P.	SGT
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ACS Calendar of Events — July

MONDAY, JULY 9

☐ **Military spouse resume open lab** — Noon to 3 p.m.; location to be determined; to register, call 751-4862

TUESDAY, JULY 10

☐ **In-processing/re-entry brief** — 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222
 ☐ **Relocation planning (stateside workshop)** — 10 to 10:45 a.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 245
 ☐ **Lunch and learn: military spouse employment partnership awareness seminar** — noon to 1 p.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222
 ☐ **Parenting class: Systematic training for effective parenting** — 5 to 6:30 p.m.; Youth Services Center; for more information, call 751-6325

WEDNESDAY, JULY 11

☐ **Job searching strategies** — 8:30 a.m. to noon; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222; to register, call 751-4862
 ☐ **Post newcomer orientation/tour** — 9 to 11:30 a.m.; Post Conference Room
 ☐ **Phase II Levy overseas move brief** — 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 245

THURSDAY, JULY 12

☐ **In-processing/re-entry brief** — 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222
 ☐ **Stress management class** — 11 a.m. to noon; Family Advocacy Classroom 10; for more information, call 751-6325
 ☐ **English as a second language class** — 12:30 to 3 p.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222

TUESDAY, JULY 17

☐ **In-processing/re-entry brief** — 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222
 ☐ **Relocation planning (stateside workshop)** — 10 to 10:45 a.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 245
 ☐ **EFMP bowling** — 4 p.m., Century Lanes Bowling Center; call 751-5256 to register
 ☐ **Parenting class: Systematic training for effective**

parenting — 5 to 6:30 p.m.; Youth Services Center; for more information, call 751-6325

WEDNESDAY, JULY 18

☐ **Steps to federal employment** — 9 a.m. to noon; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222; to register, call 751-4862
 ☐ **Phase II Levy overseas move brief** — 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Strom Thurmond Building; Room 245

THURSDAY, JULY 19

☐ **In-processing/re-entry brief** — 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222
 ☐ **Teen workshop: college planning** — 10 a.m. to noon; Education Center, Room B-110
 ☐ **Anger management class** — 11 a.m. to noon; Family Advocacy Classroom 10; to register, call 751-6325
 ☐ **English as a second language workshop** — 12:30 to 3 p.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222
 ☐ **Total Army sponsorship training** — 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 213

SUNDAY, JULY 22

☐ **EFMP Palmetto Falls Water Park outing** — 4 to 7 p.m.; to register, call 751-5256

MONDAY, JULY 23

☐ **English as a second language class** — 9 to 11:30 a.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222
 ☐ **Steps to federal employment** — 9 a.m. to noon; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222; to register, call 751-4862

TUESDAY, JULY 24

☐ **In-processing/re-entry brief** — 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222
 ☐ **Child safety awareness workshop** — noon to 2 p.m.; Main Post Chapel; to register, call 751-6325
 ☐ **Relocation planning (stateside workshop)** — 10 to 10:45 a.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 245
 ☐ **English as a second language class** — 5 to 7 p.m.; Main Post Library
 ☐ **Parenting class: Systematic training for effective**

parenting — 5 to 6:30 p.m.; Youth Services Center; for more information, call 751-6325

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25

☐ **Job searching strategies** — 8:30 a.m. to noon; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222; to register, call 751-4862
 ☐ **Phase II Levy overseas move brief** — 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Strom Thurmond Building; Room 245

THURSDAY, JULY 26

☐ **In-processing/re-entry brief** — 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222
 ☐ **Immigration 101 workshop** — 10 a.m. to noon; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222
 ☐ **Budgeting, banking and checkbook maintenance** — 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 206B
 ☐ **English as a second language class** — 12:30 to 3 p.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222

FRIDAY, JULY 27

☐ **Military spouse resume open lab** — Noon to 3 p.m.; location to be determined; to register, call 751-4862

MONDAY, JULY 30

☐ **English as a second language class** — 9 to 11:30 a.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 222

TUESDAY, JULY 31

☐ **Relocation planning (stateside workshop)** — 10 to 10:45 a.m.; Strom Thurmond Building, Room 245
 ☐ **Teen workshop: career exploration** — 10 a.m. to noon; Education Center, Room B-110
 ☐ **Parenting class: Systematic training for effective parenting** — 5 to 6:30 p.m.; Youth Services Center; for more information, call 751-6325

All ACS classes require registration and are subject to change. To register, call 751-5256/4862/6325.

Free child care may be available for events. For more information on child care, call 751-1124.



Independence Day

FORT JACKSON SOLDIERS, FAMILIES CELEBRATE JULY FOURTH

Thousands gathered Wednesday night to celebrate July Fourth with music, food and a special salute to the states and territories that make up the United States. The evening's events were capped with a fireworks display for uniformed and civilian audiences at Hilton Field.



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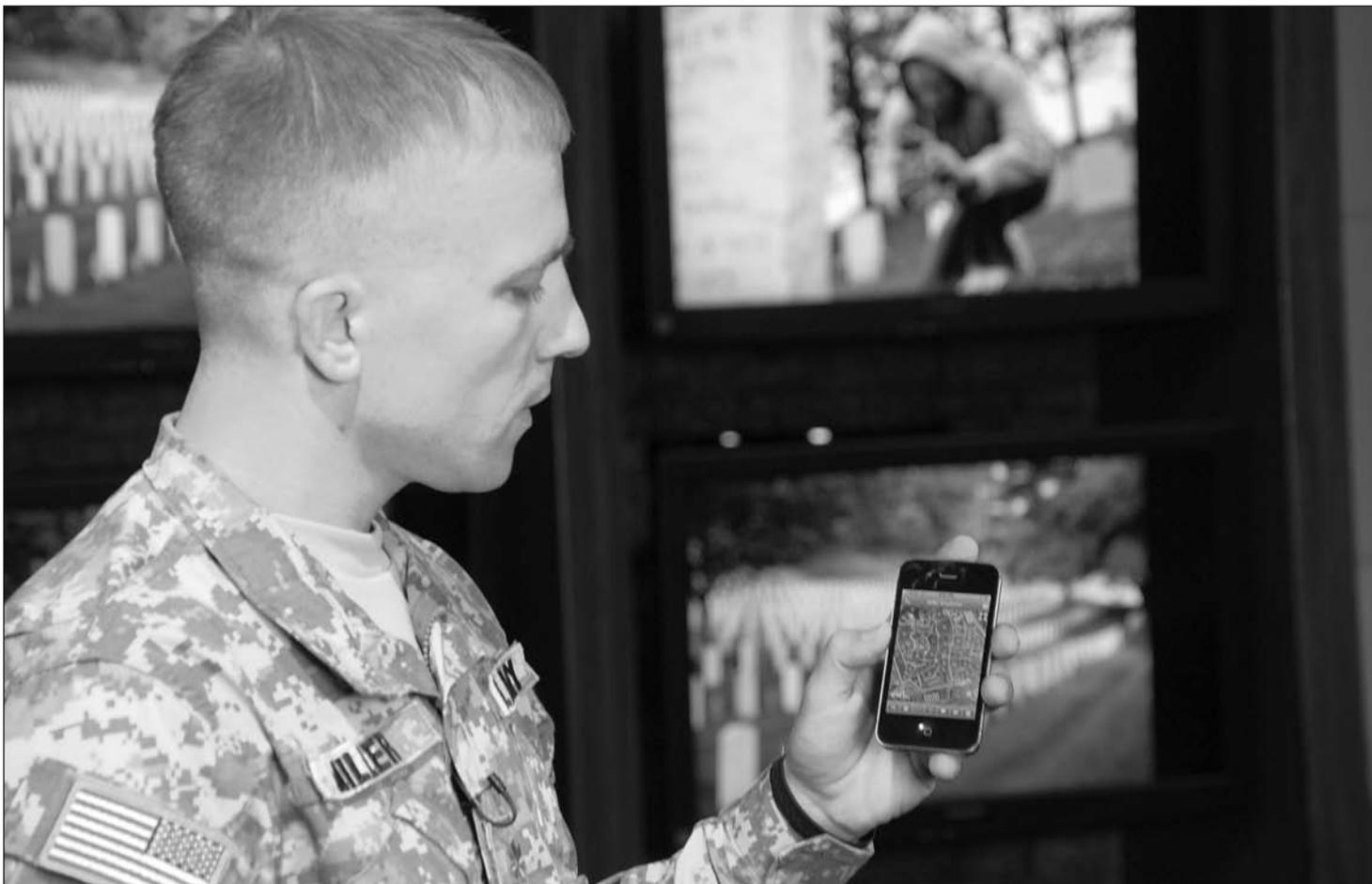


Photo by GARY SHEFTICK/Army News Service

Maj. Nick Miller, chief information officer at Arlington National Cemetery, Va., demonstrates the smartphone app which will be released this fall. The app lists daily events at the cemetery and features an interactive map. Volunteers spent hundreds of hours taking photos for the app, as depicted in the background.

Arlington National Cemetery getting a smartphone app

By GARY SHEFTICK
Army News Service

ARLINGTON, Va. — A new smartphone app, due out this fall, will be able to provide a virtual tour of Arlington National Cemetery, list events there and help visitors locate gravesites.

The new application will be available to the public in October, said Maj. Nick Miller, chief information officer for the cemetery. His team is already beta testing the app, which links geospatial mapping technology to digital records and tombstone photos.

The app provides a real-time schedule of burials, wreath-laying ceremonies and other events at the cemetery. Employees there have been using a similar internal application since March to help manage daily activities at the cemetery.

“You’ll see all of the burials at the cemetery on any given day, and you can zoom to the location,” Miller said.

“It allows us to assign and manage and de-conflict events at the cemetery,” he added.

The web-based application is in sharp contrast to the rooms full of paper records and tattered maps that employees used to keep track of burial locations two years ago, prior to an

inspector general report and public outcry over misidentified sites.

“It’s been a good tool for the cemetery,” Miller said of the new application. He said it should be able to prevent any future problems with site identification.

About 25,000 of the 400,000 burial records at the cemetery still need to be checked, he said, which is one reason the app isn’t going live until October.

“It’s not the ‘who is where’ type questions” that need to be resolved, Miller explained. It’s the spelling of Civil War veteran names, dates of birth, dates of death and other such info that needs to be reconciled with Civil War pension slips and so forth, he said.

In the meantime, cemetery employees have been training on the new application and using it in their day-to-day activities.

“Surprisingly it’s gone much smoother than thought,” Miller said of the conversion to automated record-keeping.

The Interment Services Branch has been especially receptive to the new way of doing business, he said.

“Once they started using the tools, I think they saw how much value they added to their operations and their work,” Miller said.

The new application shows green icons for burial locations that have been assigned. It

shows orange icons for sites that are undergoing maintenance. The map shows what areas or routes should be avoided due to congestion or activities. It even shows where tree pruning is scheduled.

“So it saves time with some of the work they’re doing,” Miller said.

He explained that information which used to be spread across multiple paper records is now accessible at the click of a mouse.

“It adds a lot of transparency and audit ability to our operations,” Miller said.

Miller was cited by Federal Computer Week as a Rising Star in October. He was one of 25 information-technology professionals throughout the federal government who were named as up-and-coming stars. While he said that he’s honored by the recognition, Miller stresses that he didn’t develop the app on his own.

Arlington National Cemetery partnered with Geographic Information Services, Inc., out of Huntsville, Ala., for the smartphone app. Installation Management Command also has a program office which has helped, Miller said.

The app should be available by Oct. 20 to be downloaded for free from the iTunes Store, from Droid, or from the Army Marketplace, an online site developed by the Chief Information Office or G-6.

Address updates essential for absentee voting

By J.D. LEIPOLD
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Overseas Soldiers, civilians, contractors and family members need to let their home states know of any change in address so they can receive their absentee ballots in time for this year’s national elections.

Nearly 151,000 Soldiers serve abroad and the secretary of Defense designated June 28 - July 7 as Armed Forces Voters Week to get the word out to them that time is running short for overseas voters to submit a Federal Postcard Application, or FPA, with updated address information.

Voting assistance officers and stands have been set up at high traffic areas at overseas installation exchanges, commissaries, theaters and community service centers to provide information and assistance.

“You can go on line or fill out the hard copy application and then all they do is send that to their local voting official,” said Lt. Col. Paul Amrhein, chief, Soldier Programs Branch. “The most important part that we try to emphasize to Soldiers is even if you’ve changed your address, you still have to send in another FPA with the update.

“Once you’re registered to vote, you stay registered unless your information changes, so for military and family members, they should double-check to ensure they’re registered if they’ve moved since the previous election,” Amrhein added.

In September, a new initiative kicks off which will allow U.S. citizens overseas to place express mailing labels on their ballots that can be tracked from the military post office to the local voting official in the U.S., said Amrhein.

“Voting assistance officers and unit leaders are putting emphasis on trying to instill in their Soldiers and civilians the importance of taking part in these elections and how voting is a right and part of their civic duty,” he said. “I just want to emphasize the importance of updating the address and letting the local voting election official know that address to ensure their ballot counts on election day.”

Comedian Paul Varghese to open for fiddle virtuoso

By **THERESA O'HAGAN**

Family and Morale, Welfare and Education

The Love, Laughter and Fiddle Tour is coming to Patriot Pavilion Saturday at 4 p.m. Comedian Paul Varghese will open for country singer and fiddle virtuoso, Natalie Stovall.

This event takes place at the Palmetto Water Park pavilion, located next to the water park in Patriots Park. Entrance is free with water park admission or season pass. For others of all ages, tickets are \$5 at the gate.

Varghese has performed at the HBO Comedy Festival, Montreal's and Toronto's Just For Laughs Festivals and the TBS Comedy Festival. His TV credits include Telemundo 2's "Loco Comedy Jam," NBC's "Last Comic Standing," Comedy Central's "Live At Gotham" and Showtime's "Russell Peters Presents." He was named "Best Stand-up Comic in Dallas" by the *Dallas Observer* in 2007 and won the 2009 "Funniest Comic in Dallas" competition.

Varghese's observational humor about being Indian provides an outsider-looking-in and insider-looking-out commentary, while also exploring a variety of topics and social and political issues outside that realm.

The Dallas Observer described Varghese's style as such,

"Varghese's attention to detail . . . keeps his material fresh, along with his self-deprecating nature and smooth, radio-announcer voice. Varghese's quiet, deadpanned jokes can earn laughs from the most jaded of audiences."

Growing up in Garland, Texas, has given Varghese plenty of material. Whether it's Waffle House lingo, the ability of a Baptist church to draw a crowd in the South, college humor or geek speak, the audience always gets it.



Paul Varghese

Varghese is an Indian American, the son of Malayali immigrant parents from Kerala. He earned a bachelor's degree in radio, television and film from the University of North Texas in 2000. In college, he spent his junior year at William Patterson University of New Jersey, during which he interned on the Sally Jesse Raphael talk show.

Varghese will open for Stovall, a country singer and fiddler who has risen to fame on college campuses across the country and has been named the 2012 Entertainer of the Year and Female Entertainer of the Year by Campus Activities Magazine. Stovall is touring military installations.

The Fort Jackson community will have the rare treat of seeing and hearing this young rising star comedian as well as seeing an outstanding country concert.

For more information call Charles Stoudemire at 751-0891.

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 **Thomas Lee Hall Library** for Mommy and Me, a lapsit program, starts at 11 a.m.
- ☐ Visit the **Officers' Club**, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for the seafood buffet.
- ☐ **Victory Bingo**, starts at 2 p.m.
- ☐ 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**.

SUNDAY

- ☐ Enjoy a traditional Sunday brunch buffet at the **Officers' Club**, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- ☐ **Victory Bingo**, starts at 10 a.m.
- ☐ Every Sunday is Family Day at the **Youth Center**, 2-6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

- ☐ 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.

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

ONGOING OFFERS

- ☐ The Officers' Club specializes in wedding receptions, anniversaries, promotions and other special occasions. For more information, call 782-8761.
- ☐ The Officers' Club is open for lunch Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- ☐ 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. All users must be signed up with Child, Youth and School Services. Registration is free at the Central Enrollment Office in the Joe E. Mann Center. For more information, call 751-4865.



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Case study explains VA disability claims

From the Legal Assistance Office

Spouses of service members who are considering divorce often have questions concerning what military benefits they would be entitled to following the divorce. Such entitlements may include a portion of the service member's retirement pay, the ability to continue to go to the commissary or exchange, as well as medical coverage.

MEDICAL, COMMISSARY AND POST EXCHANGE BENEFITS

A former spouse's entitlements after divorce are outlined in the Uniformed Services Former Spouses' Protection Act. Under the USFSPA, a former spouse of a service member is entitled to medical, commissary and Post Exchange benefits provided he or she meets the following criteria:

- The couple must have been married for at least 20 years.
- The service member must have served at least 20 years of creditable service for retired pay.
- There must have been a 20-year "overlap" of the marriage and the credible military service.

This test, referred to as the "20/20/20 test" must be met for the former spouse to receive these benefits. These benefits will continue after the divorce as long as the spouse does not remarry. If the spouse remarries, the benefits cease. However, if the subsequent marriage is terminated, the commissary and exchange benefits can be revived.

If a former spouse cannot meet the 20/20/20 test, he or she may still be entitled to limited military benefits pursuant to the USFSPA. Under the USFSPA, if a former spouse has 15 years of overlap between the marriage and the credible military service (a "20/20/15 test"), he or she will be entitled to full military medical benefits for a one-year period after the date of divorce as long as the former

spouse does not remarry during that one-year period. When the one-year period ends (or if he or she remarries during that time), the medical benefits cease.

It is important to remember that these are entitlements of the former spouse. That means the military service member or military retiree cannot take these away. On the other hand, if the criteria of the 20/20/20 test (or 20/20/15 test) are not met, the former spouse has no right to these benefits following the divorce.

RETIREMENT PAY

The first question that people often have concerns a former military spouse's right to the service member's retirement pay. Pursuant to the USFSPA, state courts are permitted to treat disposable military retirement pay as marital property. Consequently, state courts may provide a portion of a retiree's military retirement to his or her former spouse (in the same manner as they would, for example, divide bank accounts, personal belongings and other marital property). It is important to keep in mind that the USFSPA does not automatically give a former spouse a portion of the military member's retirement pay; rather, it permits state courts to do so.

DISABILITY PAY

A retired service member who qualifies for disability pay for service-connected injuries may elect to receive the disability pay. However, he or she will need to accept

a reduction in retirement pay equal to the amount of the disability pay. Many service members elect to do this because disability pay is not considered income and is, therefore, tax free.

In regard to property division in a divorce, no portion of the disability pay may be awarded to the spouse under

USFSPA. If the service member chooses to receive disability pay instead of retirement pay after a court order dividing marital property has been issued, thereby causing a reduction in the amount of retirement pay awarded to the spouse, some courts will offset the reduced payment to the spouse with other property.

The method courts use in dividing marital property, including military retirement, varies from state to state and depends on where the divorce has been filed.

Understanding many of these issues can be

challenging, especially when going through a divorce.

If you have questions about divorce, or any legal issue which may be troubling you, contact the Legal Assistance Office at 751-4287 to set up an appointment. The Legal Assistance Office is located in the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, 2600 Lee Road. The hours of operation are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Walk-ins for living wills, health care powers of attorney and durable powers of attorney are welcome from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday.

