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Dix firefighters plan offense in battle against structure fires

Fort Dix firefighters use the post's Ladder Truck 6825 to inspect the houses and houses in the housing areas July 15. Firefighters set up the truck in the center of the road and took measurements they would need to most efficiently fight a fire in the area. In case of a structure fire, the truck ladder would be extended over the center of the house, enabling firefighters to cut a hole in the roof to act as a chimney, drawing heat and flame from the home and allowing other emergency responders to go into the house safely. Firefighter Frank Malanga manipulates the ladder out to 79 feet for this particular house on Gum Street in Garden Terrace. (Photo by Lisa Evans)

Assessment must run its course in Iraq

Jim Garamone
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON, July 14, 2008 — Even with the positive trend lines in Iraq, leaders will not rush the assessment process for determining U.S. force levels in the country, Pentagon officials said today. The assessment process is as transparent as the department can make it, Pentagon spokesman Bryan Whitman

will leave Iraq by the end of this month. Commanders from all levels will give their recommendations on how things are going in their various parts of Iraq. Once the surge brigade leaves, commanders could decide on consolidation or repositioning of forces. "Commanders are out there doing the work every day and have their eyes on the security situation," Whitman said. "They are the ones who will be making their recommendations

through the chain of command." Army Gen. David H. Petraeus, commander of Multinational Force Iraq; Army Lt. Gen. Martin E. Dempsey, acting commander of U.S. Central Command; and Navy Adm. Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, "will all be in a position to make recommendations to the secretary about the way forward." No one in the Pentagon is trying to hurry the process, Whitman said. "I don't see people in this building trying

to prejudice what the commanders might think is the best way forward," he said. There is no doubt the security situation in Iraq has improved over the last several months, Whitman said. "All the trend lines tend to be very positive, which would indicate that there is potential for further drawdowns in Iraq," he said. "But there have been no decisions made with respect to the force posture beyond completion of the withdrawal of the surge brigades."

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NEWSNOTES

Pemberton Gate closed for construction work

The Pemberton Gate will be closed for construction of an overhead canopy from noon July 21 through Aug. 14. The Special Events Gate will be open to handle traffic in the area from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

Fort Dix opens doors to retirees Sept. 20

The Annual Fort Dix Retiree Appreciation Day (RAD) is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 20. The 2008 RAD will be held in the Timmermann Conference Center, located on 8th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, Fort Dix, New Jersey, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The RAD luncheon will be held at Club Dix, on Alabama Avenue at 6th Street.

The entrée choices are Salmon Fillet, Roast Top Round of Beef and Roast Turkey. The cost per entrée is \$25. If you would like to attend the luncheon, send a check or money order, made payable to the Fort Dix Retiree Council, to SGM(Ret) Norman Pallotto, 15 East Central Ave, Moorestown, NJ 08057. Payment must be received by Aug. 30.

Town Hall Meeting August 8 at Timmermann

The next Fort Dix Town Hall Meeting will be Aug. 8 at 3 p.m. in Timmermann Center. Topics to date include a Joint Base Update, a review of the upcoming Installation Force Protection Exercise and the presentation of a variety of awards.

The Town Hall Meeting is place of duty for all employees within mission requirements. Anyone with suggested topics or questions should e-mail them to Andre.Mixon@army.mil

Keeping track: Customer service officer tackles spectrum of issues

Lisa Evans
Public Affairs Staff

Fort Dix has officially begun the new Customer Management Services Program (CMS). Tiffany Colby has been hired to be the first customer service officer for Fort Dix and she comes with plenty of experience to do the job well.

"It's a brand new position, with a five year test-run, in customer management services, customer feedback and resolution services," Colby said her first day on the job. Colby wants to make this new position strong, giving the persons who live and work on Fort Dix a larger voice in how they are represented and how services are managed.

"What is Customer Management Services? A program that continuously gathers customer feedback to synchronize, evaluate, and improve both the delivery and receipt of installation programs and services. What is Interactive Customer Evaluation (ICE)? An automated system that allows customers to rate products and services provided by offices and facilities here on the installation," Colby said as part of the new job description.

Maj. Gen. John A. Macdonald, deputy commanding general, Installation Management Command (IMCOM) in Arlington Va. called the new program a "Voice of the Customer" feedback to validate priorities, improve services, and facilitate IMCOM's continued development as

a customer-focused and results-driven organization.

Colby worked with the Army National Guard, working closely with families of Soldiers called to duty following the 9/11 disaster, helping them and their families with the demands and changes that occurred. She comes to Fort Dix from McGuire Air Force Base where she helped deploying military members and their families with their needs.

Working with 1300 families of the Wing Family program, Colby said she dealt with all manner of events, good and bad, and assembling and evaluating customer feedback was part of her job.

"Feedback applies to everyone who comes on the post. Soldiers, retirees or families or contractors or government employees, for any reason whatsoever. Being brand new, I hope to set good solid bones, the structure of the program, so people know exactly what good feedback is and what the process is," Colby said.

A large part of Colby's job is to ensure that the ICE (Interactive Customer Evaluation) program on the Fort Dix intranet is used by the employees, tenants and Soldiers to its full potential.

"In order for the program to work, for us to know what our customers here on post need, we need our customers to utilize the program, the ICE program. ICE is a great tool for customers here on the installation to utilize, and that's the key, we need everyone to participate. This will help (continued on page 10)



courtesy photo

FROM THE GROUND UP — A home in Slidell, La. being rebuilt by volunteers from a Pemberton church group — including Dixan CarolAnne Capewell — during a recent trip to the area that is still reeling from the effects of Hurricane Katrina in August 2005.

Dix artisan joins Katrina crusade

Wayne Cook
Public Affairs Staff

When CarolAnne Capewell asked her supervisor at the Fort Dix Arts and Crafts Center for some time off, she wasn't thinking about catching up on tasks around the house or relaxing at some exotic vacation hideaway. Instead, she was preparing for a week-long volunteer mission to Slidell, La. to help rebuild homes that still lay in ruins since Hurricane Katrina devastated the area in August 2005.

Capewell joined fellow members of the United Methodist Churches in Pemberton, Medford and New Egypt on a mission trip the week of July 5 through 12. This is the third year that her church has been involved with this project, but the first time that she has participated.

"I am blessed and it was time for me to give something back. To not have gone would have felt worse than what I endured while we were there. It was amazingly hot and humid all week long," she said.

The team of 63 volunteers left July 5, for Slidell in a convoy of six 15-passenger vans loaded with volunteers, tools and equipment, and bedding and personal effects. Twenty-one hours of driving over two days and they arrived at their destination.

After meeting with the coordinators from Project New Orleans Area (continued on page 10)

First in war & peace for 91 years

Happy birthday, Fort Dix

Steve Snyder
Public Affairs Staff

Camp Dix was established on July 18, 1917, in response to the United States having entered World War I on April 6 of that year. With an army of only 200,000 men, Congress approved a national draft along with the construction of 16 new army camps.

Camp Dix was among them.

September 1917 saw the first 17,000 draftees arrive in Burlington County. Their number quickly increased to 35,000 and tents blanketed the landscape as Camp Dix became an urban entity onto itself with its own sewage, water and electrical system, medical facilities, paved roads and 1,655 buildings.

Construction costs for the new military edifice totalled \$13 million.

The 78th Infantry Division was organized at Camp Dix and trained here until May 1918 when its troops sailed away for duty in World War I. Other units joining the 78th in training here included the 87th and 34th Infantry Divisions, the 349th and 350th Field Artillery Battalions of the 92nd Division, and the 15th Infantry from New York, which was federalized as the 369th Infantry.

There was also a cook and baker's school, a remount depot, an officer's training school, a truck drivers' school, hospital, blacksmith school, and a saddler's school.

When World War I ended on Nov. 11, 1918, Camp Dix became a demobilization center, returning more than 300,000 Soldiers back to civilian status.

During the relative quiet of the 1920s and 1930s, Camp Dix was used as training ground for the Army Reserve, the National Guard and the Citizens Military Training Camp. The Civilian Conservation Corps ran a camp here too, from 1933 to 1942, hosting two forestry companies, a physical conditioning company and a cook and baker's school on its premises.

With World War II approaching, Camp Dix became a permanent installation, changing its title to Fort Dix on March 8, 1939. As the war raged in Europe the federal government purchased an additional 17,000 acres for an expansion of training facilities.

The War Department mobilized and assigned the 44th Infantry Division to Fort Dix along with 10 other divisions and many smaller units who mobilized, trained and deployed overseas.

Many members of the Women's Army Corps, known as WACs, became a common sight on Dix, freeing their male counterparts for combat duty overseas.

With the surrender of Germany, more than 1.2 million Soldiers demobed back into civilian life from Fort Dix.

In 1947 the U.S. Air Force was established and the Fort Dix Army Air Base became their baby. The airfield was renamed McGuire AFB in honor of Maj. Thomas B. McGuire, an air ace in the war.

In 1947 Fort Dix was also established as the home of the 9th Infantry Division who ran the basic training center here.

With the outbreak of the Korean War on June 25, 1950, basic training was reduced from 14 to 8 weeks. In April 1954, the 9th Infantry Division was reassigned to Europe and the 69th Division was activated to replace it. In March of 1956 the 69th was inactivated and Fort Dix was simply renamed the U.S. Army Training Center, Infantry.

The number of training brigades increased with the



file photo

BASIC TRAINING -- Initial entry training was the order of the day at Fort Dix from the end of World War II to 1992 when Dix changed hats, leaving the Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) for Forces Command (FORSCOM) to become a Regional Reserve Training Center. In 1997 Fort Dix moved over to the Army Reserve Command, assuming a vital role as a power projection platform.



Happy birthday, Fort Dix!
Camp Dix established July 18, 1917



GROWING PAINS - A rapid influx of Soldiers rushing into World War I surpassed available barracks space at Camp Dix in April 1918 and tents, above left, handled the overflow. Troop totals increased from 25,000 in March 1918 to 36,000 a month later. On the right, the 303rd Engineer Regiment Assembly Hall is under construction in December 1917. (PAO files)



photo courtesy of Allan M. Herdman



PAO files

TRADITIONS TRIED AND TRUE -- Before compact discs and cassette tapes were dreamed of there was reveille, top left, each morning at Fort Dix, courtesy of a bugle amplified through what looks like a huge megaphone. Even former hippies in civilian life submitted to time-honored Army haircuts, at right above, circa 1968. Fort Dix expanded rapidly during the Vietnam War. In 1967, the number of trainees on any given day topped 21,000!



Wars come and go but the Army - and Fort Dix - refuse to fade away.



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ACTIVATED MUSCLE -- Activated Soldiers from the 1079th Garrison Support Unit keep pace in a company run in September 2002. The Army Reserve unit became Team Dix's backstop in 1997 and stepped right in to help shoulder the burdens when war came. C'est magnifique!



Sgt. 1st Class Angela Rehms

Marian Jean Calvert 1937-2008

Longtime Fort Dix employee Marian Jean Calvert died Wednesday, July 2, at her home in Wrightstown.

She was 71. Marian was born and raised in Ileslin before marriage drew her away to Avenel. She moved to Wrightstown 19 years ago.

A voluntary USO girl during the 1950s at Fort Dix and McGuire AFB, Calvert worked at Belle Meade Arsenal and Camp Kilmer for five years prior to having children.

For the past 27 years, she worked as a civil servant at the Joint Personal Property Shipping Office (JPPSO) on Fort Dix.

Patricia Wright-Dill, current director of JPPSO, has nothing but praise for her deceased employee.

"Marian was a small-frame woman who spoke her mind to everybody and, if she did not care for you she would let you know - and why."

"Marian arrived at the JPPSO office on the BRAC (Base Realignment and Closing) list in 1992 as a GS-3 but never requested a higher grade she felt it was more responsibilities to take on and she did not want to be in a position that could cause her to interact with managers or directors."

"She just wanted to do the job she loved dearly," continues Wright.

"Marian worked with me on overtime without pay for one year before the military commander of JPPSO took notice and demanded that we be paid. For the next two to three years, Marian worked beside me, catching up on the backlog in our Inbound department."

"We understood and respected each other. I knew Marian was the one person I could count on to help me accomplish the mission."

"She always told the other employees, 'If Patricia wants me to work with her on overtime I will, because she is the only one I can actually work with, that knows what to do.'"



Marian Jean Calvert

Wright-Dill recalls that "When I became director, I was confident I did not have any concerns of a backlog in Marian's job because she knew what to do, what it takes daily to do the job."

"I have never reprimanded Marian on her duties. All of her annual performances were exceptional. Marian always told me, 'You will have to carry me out of the building because I will come to work with a seeing eye dog if I have to.'"

Marian Calvert is survived by three daughters; Marian of Ileslin, Colleen Weir of Little Egg Harbor and Betty Jo of Elbridge, Mo.; her brother Edward Gibbs of Pennsylvania; and two sisters who also live in New Jersey, Helen David and Francis Stewart; two granddaughters, Rhianon and Britany Long and a grandson, Joseph Seaman.

Marian's family wishes to acknowledge their deep appreciation shown by the many expressions of love, concern and kindness during this time of loss.

A service was held in her honor Saturday, July 12, in the main chapel at Fort Dix.

Team Dix salutes Marian Jean Calvert, and shall never forget her devoted service to Fort Dix and the United States military.

Slammin' at the stadium



photo by Walter Jooss/SI

After this season Yankee Stadium will stand no more. The house that Ruth built has witnessed many heroes over the years and one such occurred on May 30, 1956, when the Yankees' switch-hitting centerfielder Mickey Mantle, above, blasted a home run off the Senators' Pedro Ramos that missed becoming the only fair ball ever to be hit out of the stadium by only 18 inches! Physicists estimated if the ball had been unimpeded it would have gone almost 600 feet!

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Fields takes command, challenge of contracting

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In a brief change of command ceremony at Club Dix July 10, Lt. Col. Kenneth Fields assumed command of Directorate of Contracting from Lt. Col. Rick Edler.

Accepting the command, Fields said that he entered into the command firmly believing the motto, "Mission First, Soldiers Always."

Fields said he believed that focusing on mission accomplishment in contracting means providing the customer with what they need in a timely manner and ensuring the health, morale, and welfare of the variety of people working in the command.

"Command is the signal achievement of an officer's career. It is the ultimate vote of confidence by one's superior officers. It is a job of immense personal satisfaction and unrelenting pressure. Every successful commanding officer must fully understand the responsibility, authority and accountability that goes with the job. It is the triad of command, the governing standards which must be met," Fields said on accepting command.

Fields comes to Fort Dix from Zama, Japan where he was the Senior Army Contingency Officer for the US Army Japan, and the Contracting Office Management Officer for the 374th Contracting Squadron, Yokota Air Base, Japan.

Fields holds a bachelor's degree from Wofford College in South Carolina and is a graduate of the Field Artillery Officer



Lisa Evans

HONORS AND COMMAND -- Lt. Col. Kenneth Fields accepts the guidon and command of the Directorate of Contracting from Bryon Young, director of Mission and Installation Contract Command, in a ceremony July 10 at Club Dix.

Basic Course, Field Artillery Officer Advanced Course, Combined Arms and Services Staff School, and Command and General Staff College. Fields served the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, Greensboro, NC as an Assistant Professor of Military Science.

Thanking his family for driving to Fort Dix from South Carolina and Washington to see the ceremony, Fields told them he appreciated them sharing this special occasion with him.

Directing his thanks to the staff at Installation Contract

Command, Fields added, "As Officer Advanced Course, the Fort Dix contracting commander, my goals are to provide quality contracting service to the Fort Dix community, ensure the needs of my team are met, and have fun while I'm doing it."

In his outgoing speech, Edler thanked the directors and staff for their support.

"I am grateful for the respect you gave contracting as we straddled the line between our wants and our requirement to meet acquisition regulations. I'm not sure that we always provided exactly what you

wanted, but we always got you what you needed," Edler told them.

Edler said that fiscal year 2008 has seen a total of \$178 million dollars in contracts and that the coming year would be equal or larger.

Thanking the many people and organizations the mission required for their dedication and expertise, Edler told Fields that he knew he was leaving a dedicated, knowledgeable and supportive group of directors and staff to help him through the many challenges Fields would face.

Documents: What's important, how to keep them safe, available

For every type of natural disaster, there are long lists of advice on how to prepare and recover. While the lists offer a variety of advice, one item appears near the top of each -- keep your important documents safe and available.

But what constitutes an important document? How do you maintain access to something if you have to protect it from all types of damage?

The information we need to recover from a disaster is usually divided into three types.

The first is personal information. Birth certificates, passports, veterans records, social security cards, health records, marriage certificates, adoption papers, citizenship papers, divorce and custody documents, wills and death certificates fall into this category. While some of these documents can be reissued, some cannot. Even if you can get a replacement -- say, for citizenship papers -- it may take weeks or even months to get something you need in days or even hours.

The second category of paperwork involves things you own.

Mortgage papers, titles, insurance certificates, your household inventory, bonds and stock certificates, bank and credit card information, loan statements and payment books, income tax records, employment records and records for your pets are included in this section.

The third category of papers is those that are important to you. Photographs, letters, awards and mementos may not be critical to your survival after a natural disaster, but knowing such items are safe may give a substantial boost to your mental state.

In case of a hurricane or any type of natural disaster, it is vitally important that you keep your important papers safe and available.

Don't wait for the disaster warning to think about what you might need in the aftermath.

Make copies of all of the important papers that could help restart your life and store them in several locations. Include digital backups if you can.

Keep originals in a safe deposit box, but store copies of the originals with a trusted friend or family member who lives far enough away not to be threatened by the same disaster. Make one portable package of important documents in a waterproof container or watertight resealable plastic bag making it a mobile copy -- include things like phone numbers and addresses. (Information for this article was provided by the Insurance Council of America.)



POLICE LOG

Police Log is a weekly synopsis of significant police activities developed from reports, complaints, incidents or information received and actions taken, for the week of 7 - 13 July 2008.

The abbreviation DoD stands for Department of Defense; NAFD means Not Affiliated with Fort Dix (the subject doesn't live or work here); NCIC stands for National Crime Information Center; DWI means Driving While Intoxicated; CDS means Controlled Drug Substance; POV means Privately Owned Vehicle; MAFB stands for McGuire Air Force Base; USAF EC stands for US Air Force Expeditionary Center; AHCC stands for Ambulatory Health Care Clinic (MAFB); VMHBC stands for Virtua Memorial Hospital of Burlington County; CP# stands for Checkpoint Number.

● During a routine traffic stop on Pointville Road, police discovered the vehicle operator, a civilian NAFD, had a suspended driver's license and no proof of insurance. The subject was cited and the vehicle towed from the scene. The subject called another person for transportation. Further investigation revealed this second person, also a civilian NAFD, had a suspended driver's license and an active warrant from Moorestown Police. The second subject was transported to the police station for processing and transferred to the custody of Moorestown Police. The vehicle was released to a licensed driver.

● Police responded to a report of accidental damage to private property in the Garden Terrace housing area. Investigation revealed a contract employee operating a weed-wacker struck a rock, causing the rock to strike and break a window of a vehicle. There were no reported injuries.

● Police responded to a motor vehicle crash at CP#9. Investigation revealed a vehicle, operated by a civilian NAFD, struck another vehicle. There were no reported injuries and the vehicles were released to the operators.

● While on routine patrol, police discovered a vehicle, owned by a civilian NAFD, was illegally parked at the visitor center. The subject was cited and the vehicle towed from the scene.

● While conducting a routine credential check of a vehicle attempting to enter the installation via the Main Gate, police discovered that registration for the vehicle, operated by a civilian NAFD, had expired. The subject was cited and the vehicle towed from the scene.

● While conducting a routine random search of a vehicle attempting to enter the installation via the Main Gate, the vehicle, operated by a civilian NAFD who was also underage, contained alcoholic beverages. The alcohol was confiscated and the subject, who passed field sobriety tests, was cited for possession of alcohol by a minor.

● Police responded to a report of wrongful damage of private property near Bldg. 5611. Investigation revealed a vehicle, operated by a Fort Dix civilian employee, was vandalized by person(s) unknown. Investigation continues.

● Police responded to a report of criminal mischief near Bldg. 5610. Investigation revealed a vehicle, operated by a Fort Dix contract employee, had been damaged, possibly by a co-worker. Investigation continues.

● Police responded to a report of harassing communication at Bldg. 5601. Investigation revealed a Fort Dix civilian employee had been receiving harassing phone calls from a previous roommate. Investigation continues.

● Police responded to a traffic accident near Bldg. 5735. Investigation revealed a trailer, attached to a vehicle operated by an FCI employee, broke off the hitch and struck another vehicle. There were no reported injuries and the vehicles were released to the operators at the scene.

● Police responded to a traffic accident near Bldg. 6044. Investigation revealed a vehicle, operated by a civilian NAFD, struck a parked and unoccupied vehicle. There were no reported injuries and the vehicles were released to the operators at the scene.

● Police responded to a report of larceny of private property near Bldg. 3130. Investigation revealed person(s) unknown had removed property from a parked vehicle belonging to an Airman assigned to McGuire AFB.

● Police responded to a report of larceny of private property at Bldg. 5213. Investigation revealed that person(s) unknown had taken property belonging to a DoD civilian employee. Investigation continues.

● While on routine patrol, police discovered a vehicle, operated by a civilian NAFD, illegally parked in the Visitor Center parking lot. Further investigation revealed the vehicle's registration was expired. The operator also had a suspended driver's license. The subject was cited and the vehicle towed from the scene.

● Police and Fire Department personnel responded to a smoke alarm at Bldg. 5611. Investigation revealed the alarm was caused by cleaner fumes.

● Police responded to a traffic accident in the Garden Terrace housing area. Investigation revealed a vehicle, operated by a civilian NAFD, struck a parked and unoccupied vehicle. There were no reported injuries and the vehicles were released to the operators at the scene.

● Police responded to a traffic accident on Saylor's Pond Road. Investigation revealed a vehicle, operated by a McGuire AFB civilian employee, was attempting to pass another vehicle. To avoid an oncoming truck, the subject drove off the road, up an embankment, and through the installation perimeter fence. There were no reported injuries. The subject was cited for reckless driving, careless driving, unsafe lane change, following too close, and improper passing. The vehicle was towed from the scene.

● Police and Fire Department personnel responded to a fire alarm at Bldg. 5603. Investigation revealed the alarm was caused by a mechanical problem.

● Police and Fire Department personnel responded to a gas leak at Bldg. 4309. The main gas line was shut off and a work order placed.

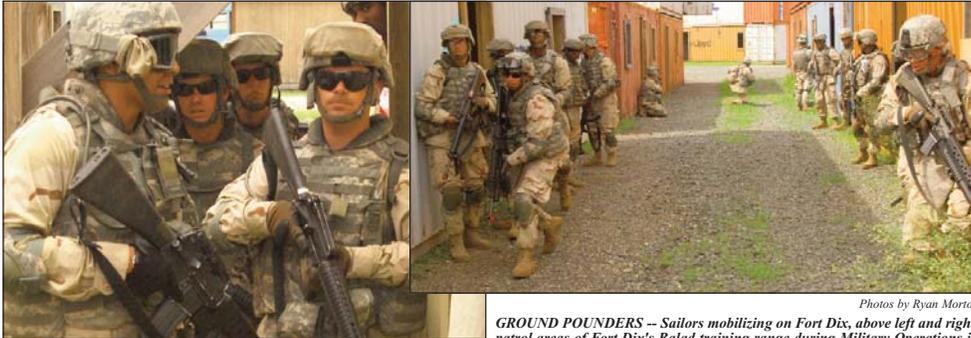
● Police responded to a traffic accident in the Garden Terrace housing area. Investigation revealed that while backing from a driveway, a vehicle, operated by an Airman assigned to McGuire AFB, struck a parked and unoccupied vehicle. There were no reported injuries and the vehicles were released to the operators at the scene.

● There were 16 expired identification cards confiscated. ● There were 27 Magistrate Court Citations issued for moving violations. DWI incidents remain at seven for the year.



MEET AND GREET – Petty Officer 3rd Class Roberto Carreon, Navy Alpha Company, talks to the role player serving as town mayor and an interpreter during Military Operations in Urban Terrain (MOUT) training at Fort Dix's Balad training range July 10. Sailors are training on Fort Dix for a variety of land-based security missions in support of the Global War On Terrorism.

Sailors take on Army training



Photos by Ryan Morton

GROUND POUNDERS – Sailors mobilizing on Fort Dix, above left and right, patrol areas of Fort Dix's Balad training range during Military Operations in Urban Terrain (MOUT) training. Sailors respond to enemy fire while on patrol, lower left, and below, kick off a raid at a building reported to be the hiding place of an insurgent.



BOMB CHECK – Navy Alpha Co. Sailors, above, traverse Balad streets and check various windows and crevices for possible Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) and insurgents. Petty Officer 2nd Class Andrew Rosario, left, scans an area he and his fellow Sailors have been assigned to search for possible insurgent activity. Navy Alpha Company is comprised of active duty Sailors stationed around the world brought together to serve with the Army in various GWOT missions.

NEIGHBORHOOD

THE CORNER

AFES holds young writers contest

School may be out for the summer, but the Army & Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) has one more assignment for military dependents. The "Back-To-School Essay Contest" will give students in grades one through 12 the opportunity to submit an essay of 200 words or less on "What AAFES means to me and my family."

The essay contest, which runs from June 27 to August 31, will consist of four categories, with three winners from each category. First place winners in each category will receive a computer, second place winners will be awarded \$500 savings bonds and \$200 savings bonds will be issued to third place winners.

Complete rules, including release forms and specific instructions on submitting essays, are available at www.aafes.com under the Patriot Family Connection link.

Free NASCAR 500 tickets available

McGuire Air Force Base, 305th Services will be giving away Tickets for the Pennsylvania 500 NASCAR Race on Aug. 3 to all DOD ID Card holders - Maximum of four tickets per person. Limited tickets will be available at the following locations: **July 18**, Family Bingo Night, Club/Community Center Ballroom starting at 6 p.m. **July 19** at Falcon Creek Golf Course starting at 9 a.m. **July 24** during the Southern Buffet, Club/Community Center Ballroom starting at 11 a.m. **July 25** at the ITT Office, located in the BX Mall starting at 10:30 a.m. **Falcon Creek Golf Course, July 26** at 9 a.m. **On July 29**, ITT will give away any remaining tickets during normal operating hours 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

For more information call 754-2145.

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings held weekly

Part of the mission of the Army Substance Abuse Program is to support 12 Step Programs in the community. There are two Alcoholics Anonymous meetings on Fort Dix.

A closed, members-only meeting is held every Tuesday night at Bldg. 9013 from 7:30-8:30 p.m. On Thursday nights, there is a meeting at the Main Chapel from 7-8 p.m. (use the 8th Street parking lot entrance; the meeting is in the lounge near Fellowship Hall).

There is no cost except the desire to stop drinking behaviors that are harmful to yourself and others.

If you or someone you care about needs help, these meetings are ANONYMOUS.

For more information, call 562-2020 or 4011, or stop by Building 5203.

WEATHER

FRIDAY -- Sunny and hot with a high near 95 degrees. Clear overnight with a low around 70.

SATURDAY -- A slight chance of thunderstorms after noon, high near 94 degrees. Mostly cloudy overnight with a chance of thunderstorms, low near 73.

SUNDAY -- Mostly cloudy with a chance of afternoon showers and thunderstorms, high 91 degrees. Cloudy with an overnight low of 70.

MONDAY -- A chance of showers and thunderstorms with an afternoon high near 89 degrees. The chance of rain continues overnight with a low around 69 degrees.

TUESDAY -- Mostly cloudy with a high near 88 and a low around 70 degrees.

WEDNESDAY -- A chance of thunderstorms, high near 87 degrees with a low around 68 degrees.

Dix Style-makers strut stuff

Wayne Cook
Public Affairs Staff

With music playing and camera flashes popping seven young models strutted their stuff on the red carpet July 11 during the Arts and Crafts Center's Summer Fashion Runway.

Showing off the outfits they had decorated during the week-long Project Runway sewing class taught by Jacquie Longacre at the Arts and Crafts Center, the girls paraded along the runway as friends and family members clapped and cheered.

Each model showcased her own individually designed product with different multi-colored shapes and designs sewn on to blouses, shorts or pants.

Along with the display of clothing, the models showed a little pizzazz and attitude as they showed everyone that they knew exactly what to do when in front of the cameras.

"I thought it was a lot of fun," said Kara Cezar, 11. "I really enjoyed it. I got to show off my walk. I learned to sew and how to be creative. The colors were my inspiration, I love pink and green. I would really love to do another fashion show in the future."

The girls really enjoyed themselves as they took center stage for their loved ones and got to show off their personalities.

"The class and the fashion show were awesome. I learned how to sew on a machine and how to hand sew and do this neat design. I really like the design Miss Jacquie taught us. I was kind of nervous during the fashion show but it was fun," said Teresa Matteson, 10.

Leela Ayyar, 8, daughter of Col. Balan Ayyar, commander, McGuire Air Force Base, used her love of butterflies as her inspiration and had a great time learning how to use the

sewing machine and hand sew on buttons.

"I had a lot of fun making the shirts. I really enjoyed everything," Ayyar said.

For a lot of the girls it was the first time they had ever sewn anything learning to use a sewing machine was a real treat.

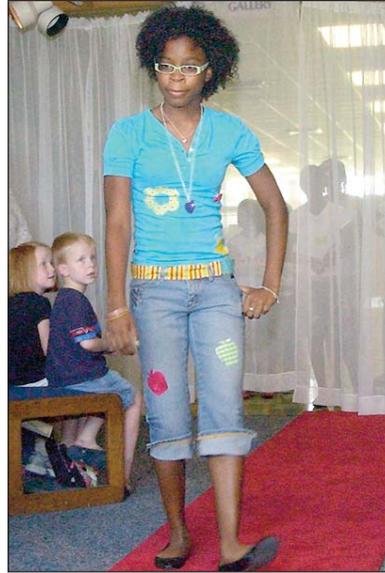
"It was a really good experience learning to sew since I didn't know how to sew yet. I learned some different stitches and how to sew on buttons. I think it was a lot of fun. When it came to the fashion show I was nervous at first. Then I saw everyone else was having so much fun and I decided to have fun with it, too. I made this really colorful spring type of shirt," said Kathryn Sanders, 8.

Before the fashion show began, Longacre asked the girls if they would like to do another show in the future and each one replied with a resounding yes.

"This is the first time we had this class. We wanted to get the kids involved in the lost fine art of sewing. Each day we built on what we had done the day before, knowing that we were going to have the fashion show at the end of the week. To me it was exciting. This morning when we came in it was exciting seeing the red carpet. The kid's were really excited, too. In the fall we are going to hold more sewing classes for kids," Longacre said.

"Working with these girls was exciting because I got to see the passion grow in their eyes as they discovered what they could do with clothes. We even discussed how what they wear can determine their attitudes," Longacre continued.

When all was said and done, everyone, especially the girls, seemed to enjoy themselves, and maybe, just maybe, one or more of them may have had a glimpse into their future.



Wayne Cook

TOP MODEL - Jadini Phillips walks the red carpet during the Arts and Crafts' Summer Fashion Runway July 11. The models showcased the outfits they decorated during the week-long sewing class led by Jacquie Longacre.

Music, laughter to fill Club Dix

Jennifer M. McCarthy
Public Affairs Staff

Soulful sounds and boisterous belly laughs will fill the air of Club Dix July 23, when island Def Jam recording artist, Christette Michele takes the stage. This young chanteuse will be performing her hit single, "If I Have My Way," as well as other songs.

Also sharing their musical talents that evening will be Jaii Stylee and P. Jay Johnson.

Comedienne Gina Brillon will be the mistress of ceremonies for the event and Kyle Fincham will be providing opening laughs as well.

The show starts at 6:30 p.m. and admission is free.

Twenty-three year old, Christette Michele, has been surrounded by music since she was a small child growing up in Long Island, NY. Her debut album, I Am

was released last month to strong reviews.

Even before signing with Def Jam last year, the multitalented soul sister had toured with more established artists like Kem and India Arie.

Comedienne Gina Brillon was named one of the funniest New Faces on the Latino and mainstream comedy scene. She has been featured in Comedy Central's "New Faces of Comedy" and on Si TV's "Funny is Funny"

Brillon was also featured in a full-page article in the June issue of "Viva New York" magazine in the Daily News. An array of talent will be visiting Fort Dix in the coming months. Jazz artist Gerald Albright will perform at the Wine and Jazz event on Aug. 21. The cost will be \$15 a person. On Sept. 27, Oro Solido, Raul Acosta, Frankie Negron and Lilegamos Live will entertain at the Hispanic Heritage Festival.

For more information call 562-2672.



www.defjams.com

SULTRY SOUNDS- Def Jams Records artist, Christette Michele, will perform a free concert at Club Dix July 23 at 6:30 p.m.



Jennifer M. McCarthy

Phone-a-friends

The Bouquet of Roses club presented a check to Bobby Brown, Army Emergency Relief Coordinator, July 15 at Army Community services. The check will go to purchase phone cards for Soldiers. Representing the club from left to right are, Helen Saile, Roslyn Daugherty, and Helene Sawicki. The bouquet of Roses is a club of mature South Jersey women who in addition to meeting socially, do charitable deeds. The funds earmarked for phone cards for Soldiers was earned through hosting a Sinatra Night. Any women interested in joining the club may call Roslyn Daugherty at 856-764-1755.

Kids create at art camp



Lisa Evans

MASTERPIECE- Thomas Woods, 8, paints his ceramic creation at the Arts & Crafts Center July 15.

Summer Art Camp is here at the Arts & Crafts Center. Kids will be able to do a variety of crafts using clay, paper, paint and more.

Sessions will be held Tuesday through Friday 12:30p.m. to 2:00pm for ages six through 12. Pre-registration is required and a \$50 registration fee per session includes all materials. Family and multiple session discounts are available.

Sign up for one session or all of them, since projects will be unique to each session.

Session I: July 22 to 25, Weaving
Session II: July 29 to August 1, Metal Tooling and Weaving continued
Session III: August 19 to 22, Pottery and Weaving continued if needed.

For more information call 562-5691.

Serving military needs for 113 years

Judd Anstey
AAFES

DALLAS — As the Army & Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) readies to mark 113 years of service and support to America's military, the command's mission remains basically the same: provide quality goods and services at competitively low prices and generate earnings to support Morale, Welfare and Recreation programs.

Established July 25, 1895, when the War Department issued General Order number 46 directing post commanders to establish an exchange at every post where practicable, AAFES continues to deliver a comprehensive and customer-focused benefit to troops and their families at installations throughout America, Europe, the Pacific and Middle East.

In addition to its flagship main base and post exchange facilities (aka PX and BX), modern AAFES operations now include convenience stores, car care centers, military clothing sales stores, fast food restaurants, retail concession services such as flower shops and gift stores, vending, telecommunications support and a wide variety of personal services through more than

3,100 facilities in 30 countries, five U.S. territories and 49 states.

The scope of current operations goes well beyond the conventional offerings the War Department might have envisioned in the late 1800s as AAFES even operates bakeries, water bottling activities and provides 24,000 meals a day to troops' sons and daughters at 92 Department of Defense Schools in nine countries.

Just like the merchants who supplied provisions to America's troops in the late nineteenth century, AAFES associates continue to live and work alongside those they serve. In fact, more than 350 associates are currently deployed to Operations Enduring and Iraqi Freedom, actively delivering a slice of Americana to troops through 85 BX/PX operations, 75 phone centers and 197 fast food restaurants scattered throughout the Middle East.

Closer to home, the largest and most senior exchange service is focused on energizing outreach efforts to communicate the value, benefit and capabilities it brings to the military community. Recognizing the pivotal role National Guard and Reserve troops are playing as they transition from a strategic force to an operational



force, AAFES is specifically reaching out to "globe-trotting" families to ensure they understand the value of their exchange benefit not only downrange, but also on the installation, online or over the phone.

"AAFES' commitment to America's troops has never been stronger," said AAFES' Senior Enlisted Advisor Chief Master Sgt. Bryan Eading. "Whether at their home station, deployed overseas, providing support in the wake of a natural disaster, or even in the hospital, AAFES is there."

Keeping in the spirit of exceptional service and support, BXs and PXs and the Exchange Online Store are inviting authorized customers to "celebrate the savings" beginning Friday, July 25. Exchange shoppers who stop by CONUS exchanges on AAFES' 113th birthday can score a \$100 AAFES gift card with purchase of a Sharp 37" LCD HDTV or pick up a Zvex "Spirit" MP3 player, preloaded with 15 patriotic themed songs, for the special buy price of \$31.13.

Additionally, AAFES exchanges across the globe will feature a variety of local special incentives such as opportunities to win gift bags, coupons or gift cards.

Authorized shoppers can contact their nearest BX/PX for specific details as contest and promotions will vary from location to location. More money saving deals will also be available at

www.aafes.com, through July 31, including black diamond solitaire earrings discounted more than 45 percent and \$150 off an Apple 17" MacBook.

Since its establishment in 1895, AAFES has been involved in 14 major contingencies (to include the Spanish-American War, WWI, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Grenada, Panama, the Balkans and Operations Enduring and Iraqi Freedom) and several dozen humanitarian and disaster relief contingencies.

AAFES is a joint command of the U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force, and is directed by a

Board of Directors who is responsible to the Secretaries of the Army and the Air Force through the Service Chiefs of Staff. AAFES has the dual mission of providing authorized patrons with articles of merchandise and services and of generating non-appropriated fund earnings as a supplemental source of funding for military Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) programs.

To find out more about AAFES' history and mission or to view recent press releases please visit our Web site at <http://www.aafes.com/pa/defa-ult.asp>.

On-line applications now accepted by Veterans Affairs

WASHINGTON — The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) announced that on-line applications are now accepted from veterans, survivors and other claimants filing initial applications for disability compensation, pension, education, and vocational rehabilitation and employment benefits without the additional requirement to submit a signed paper copy of the application.

Effective immediately, VA will now process applications received through its on-line application website (VONAPP) without the claimant's signature. The electronic application will be sufficient authentication of the

claimant's application for benefits. Normal development procedures and rules of evidence will still apply to all VONAPP applications.

V O N A P P (www.va.gov/onlineapps.htm) is a Web-based system that benefits both internal and external users. Veterans, survivors and other claimants seeking compensation, pension, education, or vocational rehabilitation benefits can apply electronically without the constraints of location, postage cost, and time delays in mail delivery.

For more information about VA benefits, go to VA's website at www.va.gov or call our toll-free number at 1-800-827-1000.

need for additional development by VA claims processors. The on-line application also provides a link to apply for VA health care benefits and much more.

Over 3.7 million veterans and beneficiaries receive compensation and pension benefits from VA and approximately 523,000 students receive education benefits. Approximately 90,000 disabled veterans participate in VA's Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment program.

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Chaplains' Corner

Chap. (Maj.) Allen Raub
Installation Staff Chaplain

Sex scandals, prostitution, lawsuits, jealousies and discord, marriage breakups and demon worship—these topics sound like the making of a new Hollywood movie. Movies with these themes often become blockbusters and break box-office records.

But how about going to church on Sunday morning and hearing every week about these things taking place within your own congregation?

These kinds of activities certainly don't paint a very flattering picture of the church. These scandals don't inspire us either to want to visit this church, let alone attend regularly or become members. If people are looking for a church home, they look for a church with exciting worship, dynamic preaching and spiritual giftedness. The church I'm describing actually existed in the ancient city of Corinth, but it had both elements—the scandals and the blessings.

Furthermore, this church was started by none other than the Apostle Paul himself. Paul was actually forced to write the New Testament book of First Corinthians to combat many of these scandals that were plaguing his church in the city of Corinth. I call this church in the city of Corinth the "Jerry Springer" church.

The Corinthian church had numerous problems: divisions (1:10-11), sexual perversions of fornication, prostitution and incest (chapters 5-6), lawsuits (6:1-8), marital discord and divorce (7:1-10), and the idolatry of demon worship (10:14-22) just to name a few. It's hard to imagine a church with so many problems, but it's true.

However, the good news is that God is busy at work cleaning up his people in the church. If my little five-year-old boy comes in the house full of mud, dirt and leaves, I certainly don't disown him and throw him out the door forever. Because I love him I clean him up and give him a bath.

Likewise, because God loves people caked with the filth of sin, he doesn't throw them out either—he cleans them up and makes them new people through a relationship with his Son, Jesus Christ. If you are looking for the perfect church, you will never find it. What you will find in a local church is a group of people who are allowing God to begin the process of cleaning away all their filthy stains of sin and shame.

I invite you to join God's people at one of the Fort Dix chapel congregations. Allow the Lord to start the process of cleaning up your life and making you into a brand new person. This is the perfect ending to the great blockbuster movie—God takes broken and messed up people and transforms them into brand new people whose lives are changed and whose sins are forgiven. "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!" (2 Corinthians 5:17).

Investors protected by SIPC

Capt. Nick Mitchell
Judge Advocate

The Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) is the first line of defense in the event a brokerage firm fails and owes its customers cash and securities that are missing from customer accounts. SIPC does not offer the same blanket protection that the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) provides to bank deposits.

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Leaders discuss stability, growth

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BAGHDAD - One month "boots on the ground" is not enough time to reshape an army or transform a country. It is, however, long enough to show Maj. Gen. Michael Oates, Multi-National Division

-- Center commander, a country heading in the right direction, with safer communities and committed military leaders. "It's indisputable that the level of attacks is phenomenally low, and that's great development," Oates said during a Pentagon press conference at

Camp Victory July 10. Sitting beside the American general, Maj. Gen. Ali Salih Farhood Othman said he too is witnessing safer communities and an improved security force. "They don't face you in the field," Othman, commander of the 8th Iraqi Army Division,

said of the diminishing terrorists in Iraq. "They put IEDs and try to stab our forces from the back. The militia, the rebels, they can't face our Iraqi Army." Othman credits his Soldiers' proficiency to Coalition forces who trained them to successfully do their work. Likewise, Oates recognized the skill and talent of the Iraqi Security Forces. "They are very capable," Oates said. "They are seeking initiative in planning operations ... I will say that my partner, General Othman, operates in his area (needing) very little support from us."

Already, Othman has battalions establishing full responsibility of security in Karbala and Najaf, and within days, they will take authority in al-Qadisiyah. "They're a learning organization, and the fact that they have been in combat now for five years, shows they've learned some very hard lessons and continue to improve," Oates said. "That's the mark of a professional organization. It doesn't keep making the same mistakes, and that's very encouraging."

Oates also noted maintenance programs making strides, military academies producing leaders ready to join the ranks and training programs matching Military Training Teams with IA units. Still, Coalition forces must fill some capability gaps while ISF seek self-sufficiency. Oates said the Iraqi Air Force

is coming along but still needs landing platforms and aircraft maintenance support from Coalition forces. Surveillance and reconnaissance operations are also conducted by the Coalition, as well as medical aid. The ISF lack the number of hospitals to care for their large number of service members.

"When he needs a certain capability ... he asks, and we provide," Oates said of Othman. Oates and the 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry) took over for the 3rd Infantry Division in June. They've found a country where Iraqi people actually invited Coalition forces into their own homes; children play ball with Soldiers in the streets and welcome them to their schools.

Improved security in the communities allows the Iraqi Government to reopen court houses, build new schools, improve medical facilities, clean out canals, pave roads and fund other local projects. With violence on the decline, Coalition and Iraqi forces have been able to spend more time in the neighborhoods and gain trust in the people's eyes. "Prior to this year, it was difficult for (ISF) to get around just as it was for us because of continuous attacks," Oates said. "They had to fight their way into neighborhoods. Now they can transit those neighborhoods pretty easily, stop and engage the population."

The ISF also have more time than ever to spend training, whether it's logistics, maintenance or other training needs. Furthermore, many Sons of Iraq members, originally used to secure checkpoints and fight insurgency, are now moving into the job field. Thanks to programs like the al-Kut vocational technical center and the Village of Hope, former Sol members study engineering and technical skills they use to further improve the future of Iraq.

As stability continues to improve, Oates said he looks forward to fair and safe elections; an improving economy; civic responsibility among leaders and politicians; an Iraqi Army that continues to gain professionalism; and more programs funded by the Government of Iraq.

Both leaders warned that the threat has not passed. Othman warned of special militia forces which hide out in Iran and train to assassinate political and military leaders in Iraq. Oates said al-Qaeda groups in Iraq are still very vigilant and dedicated, and he emphasized Coalition and Iraqi forces will continue to seek out and kill members of any terrorist groups still present. "The dedication of the ISF and Coalition forces ultimately points back to true mission in Iraq; caring about those who matter most to a country, its people."

"What pleases me the most is seeing smiling faces of families with their children visiting the park because they know it's safe outside," Othman said.



Staff Sgt. Michel Sauret

O and A -- Maj. Gen. Michael Oates, commanding general of Multi-National Division - Center, and Maj. Gen. Ali Salih Farhood Othman, 8th Iraqi Army Division commander, answer questions during a Pentagon press conference on Camp Victory July 10.

Guard on track with recruitment, retention

Master Sgt. Mike R. Smith
National Guard Bureau

ARLINGTON, Va. -- The National Guard was on track to reach its recruiting and retention goals for 2008 with the military fiscal year's best recruiting months ahead, said officials here July 11 following the release of recruiting and retention statistics for all serv-

ice components in June. Recruiting and retention goals for the military run Oct. 1 - Sept. 30, and progress reports are released monthly by the Department of Defense. The Air Guard was 400 Airmen short of its authorized end strength for the month of June, which was reported at 106,300 Airmen of an authorized 106,700 or 99.6 percent of its goal.

The Air Guard also exceeded its retention goal by more than 10 percent by retaining 13,251 Airmen of an authorized 12,019. "We fully expect to make end strength this year," said Air Force Lt. Col. Randy Johnson, chief of Air Guard recruiting and retention, who added that recent Air Guard figures show a vast improvement over end strength goals one year ago.

"Last year ... we were 1,600 [Airmen] short of our end strength," said Johnson on the Air Guard's progress. The Army Guard reported its June end strength at 360,313 Soldiers. That surpasses its end strength goal of 350,610. It also surpassed its recruiting and retention goals. The June report also showed the Air Guard exceeded its recruiting goal by more than 18 percent by recruiting 910 Airmen. That's another improvement for the Air Guard compared to June 2007 accessions which missed the mark by 25 percent.

Johnson attributed the Air Guard improvements to several factors, including the hard work of recruiters and retainers, progress in manpower and mission resets, and the growth of advertising campaigns and recruiting initiatives. "All of those things have put us in the position we are in right now," said Johnson. Johnson said Air Guard recruiters and retainers accomplished this in spite of changing missions and positions. The Missouri Air Guard exceeded its goals in enlisted end strength, recruiting and retention and reported 103 percent in overall end strength in the face of new and busy missions.

"There are numerous, numerous challenges all the time. We're up for it. We're hoping there will be some relief as we go farther down the road, but we keep a positive attitude and energy, and make it happen."

- Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Rich McConnell

"We're up for it," he said. "We're hoping there will be some relief as we go farther down the road, but we keep a positive attitude and energy, and we make it happen." Among the things McConnell attributed to Missouri's recruiting and retention success: the ability to double slot some positions; having recruiters work directly under their state headquarters; having recruitment vision years down the line; and retention-garage programs like family and employer support services. Among the Army Guard's new recruiting programs announced in June are the launch of sponsored Indy Car No. 4 race car and driver Vitor

Meira and a mobile marketing campaign next month that will let potential recruits discover their inner "Rock Star" at popular fairs and music festivals throughout the country. "Rock Star Hero Challenge" features a tour bus with seven large touch screen displays that allow visitors to make the calls in a virtual domestic emergency. This interactive game will present a natural disaster or other crisis and offer the participant different logistical and operational choices to support the event. "It really gives them a feel for what we do in our domestic missions," said Army Lt. Col. Joseph Day, chief of strategic actions and marketing for the Army Guard.

Outside the buses, potential recruits will have a chance to accumulate as many points as they can in a guitar-based video game competition, which is complete with concert-style lighting and sound. After their guitar battle, they will have a choice of eight different "Green Screen" backgrounds for a photograph that they can later download from a Web site.

"We're hoping that once they are there, they will associate the rock star hero with a Guard hero," said Day. The 12-week tour includes: Musikfest in Bethlehem, Penn., Aug. 8-10; the Indiana State Fair in Indianapolis Aug. 16-17; the Great New York State Fair in Syracuse Aug. 23-24; On the Waterfront in Rockford, Ill., Aug. 30-31; Hampton Bay Days in Hampton, Va., Sept. 6-7; the Old Pecan Street Festival in Austin, Texas, Sept. 20-21; the Mid-South Fair in Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 27-28; the Georgia State Fair in Perry, Ga., Oct. 3-5; and the North Carolina State Fair in Raleigh Oct. 18-19.

Day said he hopes to include NASCAR races and bass fishing tournaments in next year's schedule. Day said he targeted venues that would draw 15,000-20,000 attendees with about 1,000 visiting the Army Guard site. "We will have to push hard to get that many through [the exhibit], but we can do it," he said. Recruiting in the Army Guard is conducted at the grassroots level, said Day, so local recruiters will be invited to participate in the events in their area. Day said he believes this new exhibit will appeal to potential recruits because of its interactive nature. "It will appeal to our demographics thirst for technology."

MILITARY MATTERS

Army top brass confirmed by Senate



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NEW STAR - Lt. Gen. Raymond T. Odierno was promoted to the rank of General and given command of Multinational Force Iraq.

Jim Garamone
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON, July 10, 2008 - The Senate has confirmed Army Gen. David H. Petraeus as commander of U.S. Central Command and Army Lt. Gen. Raymond T. Odierno to receive his fourth star and succeed Petraeus as commander of Multinational Force Iraq.

The full Senate confirmed Petraeus by a vote of 95-2 and Odierno by a 96-1 margin. Odierno is the Army's 3rd Corps commander and served as commander of Multinational Corps Iraq for 14 months. The changes put Petraeus — who implemented the U.S. surge into Iraq — in charge of U.S. military forces in a dangerous part of the world. The command stretches from Pakistan to Egypt and from Kazakhstan to the Saudi Arabian peninsula. It includes the war in Afghanistan and, until Oct. 1, also includes control of Joint

Task Force Horn of Africa based in Djibouti.

Petraeus will take over CentCom after giving his assessment on the post-surge conditions in Iraq. The last surge brigade will leave Iraq at the end of this month.

Petraeus called for — and Defense Department leaders agreed to — a pause before bringing the U.S. force in Iraq down any further. The decision on further withdrawals probably will not come until mid-September, and Petraeus will not leave the Iraq command unit that is complete, officials said.

In another general officer announcement today, the White House has officially nominated Gen. Norton A. Schwartz to be Air Force chief of staff and Air Force Gen. Duncan J. McNabb to succeed Schwartz as commander of U.S. Transportation Command, at Scott Air Force Base, Ill. Senate officials could not say when the confirmation hearings for the men would be



courtesy photo

SUPER STARS - The Senate confirmed Gen. David H. Petraeus as the Central Command commander.



Master Sgt. Jerome Capel

Passing the colors

Lt. Col. Andrew Lyons passes the 72nd Field Artillery, Headquarters and Headquarters Company guidon to the incoming commander, Capt. Brendon Shimizu, July 7.

Annual deployment guide helps families deal with problems

Sharon Foster
Special to American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON, July 11, 2008 - A company that publishes an annual deployment guide has sped up its schedule to release the 2009 guide this fall.

AmeriForce Publishing is changing its production schedule to get the 2009 guide out early because large-scale troop rotations are taking place later this year, Julie Miller, senior sales manager for AmeriForce Publishing, said.

"Our servicemembers and their families need all the help we can offer," she said. "We believe that by providing this publication this fall and updating the topics in the guide to remain current, we are providing the kind of support our servicemembers and families need and deserve."

Julie Miller, senior sales manager for AmeriForce Publishing,

need and deserve."

The 2009 deployment guide will address such issues as how to prepare families for deployment, how children cope with deployment, how

lengthy deployment. Therefore, to remain current, we are including updated information." The deployment guide was first published at the start of Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2003 in response

to a direct request by the military community, Miller said. AmeriForce Publishing already was well known for its relocation guides.

In the years since then, the company has had to reprint the deployment guide up to twice a year to meet unit demand, Miller said. The guide is supported by paid advertisements.

In 2005 and 2006, the guide won the prestigious Society of Government Travel Professional Award.

Find the spring 2008 guide the issues servicemembers and their families face following a

NCO Call
at Club Dix
Wednesday evenings at 6 p.m.

Women's veteran issues addressed at VA summit

WASHINGTON, July 11, 2008 - An aggressive push to ensure women veterans receive the highest quality of care in VA medical facilities was pledged by Secretary of Veterans Affairs Dr. James B. Peake at a recent VA National Summit on Women Veterans' Issues.

Although VA already has services for women patients equal to those men receive, Peake told the audience of more than 400 women-veteran advocates, "We are reinventing ourselves by expanding our women-centric focus to initiate new programs that meet the needs of women veterans."

Citing the demographic shift that brings increasing numbers of women to VA for

care and the need for changes, Peake announced formation of a work group to focus on women's needs in prosthetics and rehabilitation, hiring women's advocates in VA medical centers, developing quality measurements specifically for women patients, purchasing more state-of-the-art, specialized women's health care equipment, and expanding medical education in women's health for VA care providers.

Summit attendees also learned that VA recently established a work group whose goal is to ensure every female veteran enrolled in VA care has a women's health primary care provider, especially to meet gender-specific needs.

The June 20-22 conference

in Washington focused on how to ensure VA meets women-specific health needs and how to inform more women veterans of their VA benefits.

It was the fourth women's summit. The Veterans' Administration holds the summit every four years.

Announcements

Cinema Schedule

754-5139
McGuire Air Force Base

Friday, July 18 @ 7:30 p.m.

The Happening - Mark Wahlberg, Zoëy Deschanel, John Leguizamo, Ashlyn Sanchez, Betty Buckley - It begins with no clear warning. In a matter of minutes, episodes of strange, chilling deaths erupt in major American cities. For Philadelphia high school science teacher Elliot Moore (Mark Wahlberg) what matters most is finding a way to escape the mysterious and deadly phenomenon. Though he and his wife Alma (Zoëy Deschanel) are in the midst of a marital crisis, they hit the road, first by train, then by car, with Elliot's math teacher friend Julian (John Leguizamo) and his 8 year-old daughter Jess (Ashlyn Sanchez), heading for the Pennsylvania farmlands where they hope they'll be out of reach of the grisly, ever-growing attacks. Yet it soon becomes clear that no one - and nowhere - is safe. This terrifying, invisible killer cannot be outrun. It is only when Elliot begins to discover the true nature of what is lurking out there that he discovers a sliver of hope that his fragile family might be able to escape what is happening.

MPAA Rating: **R - violent and disturbing images**

Run time: 90 minutes

Saturday, July 19 @ 7:30 p.m.

You Don't Mess with the Zohan - Adam Sandler, John Turturro, Emmanuelle Béart, Nick Swanson, Latnie Kazan - Tired of all the fighting in his country, legendary Israeli commando Zohan (Adam Sandler) fakes his own death and goes to New York, where he can fulfill his fondest dream: to become a hairstylist. Zohan's sexy way with a cut and curl makes him a hit with Manhattan's women, but when enemy Arabs spot him, Zohan has to call on his military skills if he is ever to wield scissors again.

MPAA Rating: **PG-13 - crude and sexual content throughout, language, and nudity**

Runtime: 113 minutes

Future Features...

Get Smart

Friday, July 25 @ 7:30 p.m.
PG-13, 111 minutes

Kung Fu Panda

Saturday Matinee, July 26 @ 3 p.m.
PG, 92 minutes

Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull

Saturday, July 26 @ 7:30 p.m.
PG-13, 122 minutes

Chapel Services

562-2020

Sunday Services

Protestant.....9-10 a.m.
Catholic Mass.....10:15-11:15 a.m.
Gospel.....11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Sunday School.....10 - 11:15 a.m.
CCD.....9:15 - 10 a.m.

Chapel 5 - Bldg. 5950, Church Street
General Protestant Service.....6:30 p.m.

NCO Academy Protestant Field Service - Bldg. 5417, Texas Avenue
8:30 a.m.
July 20/August 10, 17/September 7, 14

Camp Victory - Chaplain's tent

Hour of Power.....8-9 a.m.
Protestant.....8-9 a.m.
Catholic.....8-9 a.m.
Mormon.....8-9 a.m.
Jewish.....8-9 a.m.

Religious Services

Islamic Prayer room

open 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday - Room 24

Christian Women of the Chapel - Bible Study - Tuesdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Summer Break. Will resume in September.
Christian Men of the Chapel - Prayer Breakfast - Fourth Saturday of each month, 9 to 11 a.m.

Jewish services available by request

For additional services or Religious Support please call 562-2020

Religious materials are available at the JRC, the Main Chapel, and Camp Victory

The Main Chapel staff is in need of piano and organ players during the Protestant and/or Catholic services on Sundays to fill in as needed. For information please call the chapel at 562-2020.

MWR presents

CLUB DIX - 723-3272

Club Dix Hours of Operation

Java Café - Monday-Friday 7 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Comp. Lab - Monday & Tuesday 7 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday - Fri day 7 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Saturday noon - 10 p.m.

Sunday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Lunch Served Tuesday-Friday 11 a.m. -1:30 p.m.

Saturday - Monday Closed

Bar Hours Wednesday 5 - 10 p.m.
Thursday - Saturday 6 - 10 p.m.
Sunday - Tuesday Closed

Still not sure what to do with the children this summer? Fort Dix Child & Youth Services has Summer Fun Camp for children grades 1-8. Camp includes breakfast, lunch, weekly field trips and MUCH MORE! Call 562-4702 to register your child today.

OUTDOOR RECREATION

Bldg. 6045

John Mann Park Summer Hours begin Wednesday June 25

Wednesday thru Thursday 1 to 7 p.m.
Friday thru Sunday 1 to 8 p.m.
Mondays and Tuesdays Closed

For more information call 562-6667

***Skydive Crosskeys - July 19** - Experience the ultimate adventure with Freefall Adventures in Williamstown, N.J. No experience necessary for your first jump. Must be over 18 and not exceed 250 pounds. After a training session with your instructor you will board one of Freefall Adventure's turbine equipped aircraft and head up to 14,000 feet and your instructor deploy the parachute. Do you have the guts to pull the ripcord? Fees are \$195 without DVD, \$295 with DVD. Trip leaves Outdoor Recreation at 6:15 a.m.

***Dolphin Watching - Cape May, N.J. - July 26** - Hop aboard the largest and fastest marine mammal sightings vessel in New Jersey with guaranteed sightings on every trip. Make sure you bring extra spending cash to grab a bite and for the rest of the afternoon in historic Cape May. Get ready for a sunny day and don't forget your shades. Fees - Adults - \$50, Children under 12 - \$35. Trip leaves Outdoor Recreation at 7:15 a.m.

ARTS & CRAFTS

Bldg. 6039

***Framing Qualification Class** - Get qualified to use this great facility and equipment! You will complete one piece as you learn to operate the equipment. You are required to bring something in to frame such as an 8 x 10 photo or certificate. All materials are available at the frame shop which will be purchased at the end of class. **Wednesday July 16, 6-8:30 p.m.** (or **Saturday July 19, 9 to 11:30 a.m.** Pre-registration fee of \$10 is required prior to class. Materials not included.)

***Kids Introductory Drawing & Painting Course** Ages 6 & up - As it heats up outside, the young ones can "chill out" at Arts and Crafts while learning how to draw and paint! They will enjoy 6 weeks of creativity while exploring various drawing methods and media which include: scratchboard, pencil, cray-pas, chalk pastels, acrylic and watercolor paint. **July 5 to August 9 Saturdays 2:30-4:00 p.m.** (6-week course) \$40

***Adult Introductory Pottery Course** - Classes cover both hand building and wheel throwing techniques. Once you've completed the initial class, you can come in anytime during studio hours to use the pottery facility on your own. Pre-registration required. \$60 registration fee plus materials. **Wednesdays 6:30 to 9 p.m. July 9 to August 13** (6-week course)

***Summer Art Camp** - Kids will be able to do a variety of crafts using clay, paper, paint, and more! Sessions are held **Tuesday through Friday, 12:30 to 2 p.m.** for ages 6 to 12. Pre-registration required. \$50 registration fee (per session) includes all materials. Sign up for one session or all of them since projects will be unique to each session. Family and multiple session discounts available!

- Session I: July 22 to 25
- Session II: July 29 to August 1
- Session III: August 19 to 22

Christmas in July - July 19, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Get a head start on Christmas savings by joining us for this fun event! Take pictures with Santa and create discounted holiday cards with our all new Sany Picture Station. Take part in our annual family cookie plate painting event. This and other winter ceramic items will be 20 percent off! Please don't forget to bring your favorite home baked cookies and recipes for our holiday "taste and swap." See you there...

AQUATIC CENTER

Indoor Pool

Hydro Aerobics Mondays 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. ,
Wednesdays 9 to 10 a.m. & Sat. 10:30-11:30 a.m.

in the indoor pool. The Outdoor Pool is open Sat. & Sun. Noon to 6 p.m.

Book a party any day at the Indoor Pool. Sign up for sign lessons, or maybe a safety class at the Indoor Pool. Both classes will fill fast so don't hesitate. Call 562-2808 for prices and availability.

RECREATION CENTER

Bldg. 5905 (Military Only)

Monday thru Friday.....4 to 10 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday.....12 to 10 p.m.

***DeJani recording artist Christette Michele** will perform LIVE at Club Dix Wednesday, July 23 at 6:30 p.m.

***Annual Family Funfest - Wednesday, August 20 at 9 a.m.** at the Fort Dix Youth Center.

***Wine and Jazz Festival - Thursday, August 21** - Featuring renowned saxophonist Gerald Albright.

***Operation Rising Star - September 12** - The Army version of American Idol. Win the ultimate recording music experience. Watch for details.

ACS

562-2767

Bldg. 5201 Maryland Avenue

Tuesday, July 22

Hearts Apart Crafts

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Bldg. 5201, ACS

Wednesday, July 23

Art Therapy

Ages 4 to 8, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Ages 9 to 13, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Bldg. 5201, ACS

Thursday, July 24

EFMP Kidz Plus Swimming

5:30 to 6:45 p.m.

Youth Center

562-5061

Bldg. 1279 Locust Street

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Friday from 2 to 7 p.m.

Saturday from 1 to 7 p.m.

Sunday CLOSED

Administrative Hours:

Tuesday - Friday from noon-6 p.m.

Weekly Schedule

Friday, July 18

Teen Defensive Driving, Car Safety

and Car Facts

1 to 8 p.m.

Saturday, July 19

Candy Bingo

3 to 5 p.m.

Monday, July 21

Open Rec.

CLOSED

Tuesday, July 22

Canvas Painting

3:45 to 5 p.m.

Ready, Set, Bake

5 to 6 p.m.

Wednesday, July 23

Triple Play with Mr. Jacob

4:45 to 5:45 p.m.

Thursday, July 24

"Money Matters": Teaching Teens

How to Save

4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Read the Post

Katrina crusade

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Hope, a small group of volunteers from the First United Methodist Church in Slidell who coordinate and support volunteer rebuilding projects throughout the area, the volunteers were separated into six different projects. Two projects were roofing jobs, one was siding a house, another was replacing a deck, still another was rebuilding a bathroom, and the last was sheet-rocking a house damaged by Katrina's high winds and rain.

Capewell was assigned to a team of six people, all signed from her church, and they tackled the sheet-rocking project. According to Capewell all egos and dignity were checked at the door.

"We got to know each other quite well. We laughed a lot together as we worked. It made the whole task a lot more bearable. About half of our group was youth members between 15 and 18 years old. It was really life affirming to see them work as hard as they did without complaining," she said.

When the volunteers first got to the house it had already been gutted. All of the plumbing and electrical work had

been completed and it awaited the next phase of the project - sheet-rock.

"As a custom framer, I am very familiar with rulers and measuring tapes so it was my job to measure and cut out the outlet and switch openings. The last piece I cut involved four outlets, two water pipes, and a drain pipe.

"I fit so well I actually signed the sheet-rock,"

-CarolAnne Capewell

While in Louisiana, the volunteers visited New Orleans and the surrounding area. Capewell noted how the city was rebounding from the destruction yet a lot of the outlying communities still lay in ruins.

Despite Lake Pontchartrain flooding the community of Slidell, the particular house the volunteers worked on wasn't severely damaged; rather, it sustained damage from a tree

that fell through the roof and the rain that flooded the interior of the home.

The volunteers did not get to know the owners of the house since they were temporarily relocated but it was not unheard of for strangers to walk up to them and thank them for volunteering.

"One of the most wrenching moments was on the ride home. We had stopped to have lunch in Mississippi and a gentleman who recognized us as volunteers stepped

into the middle of our group and said, "To all of you volunteers who came to help us, thank you from all of us in Southern Mississippi," as his voice cracked with emotion.

This happened three years after Katrina which really showed us how much of an impact we are having," Capewell said.

Capewell said she was really surprised at the extent to which volunteers brought a

sense of hope to those in the affected areas.

"I saw that a totally devastated community can still have faith and still have hope. I saw that people who have virtually lost everything can still say 'God is good,'" she said.

After a week of hard, hot, tiring work, the volunteers packed up and returned to New Jersey, some with a new perspective on life, an improved sense of value of themselves and others and just how much can be accomplished by giving a little of their time and energy to helping others in need.

"Leaving to go on the mission was made easier by the support that I received from my chief at the Arts and Crafts Center and my director and other friends. Both Jan (Corbo) and Sarah (Johnson) were very supportive of this trip and me. I look forward to the next opportunity I have to do this again," said Capewell.

Project N.O.A.H.'s season runs from mid-June to the end of August and is geared to students and adults, and N.O.A.H. relies on a weekly rotation of volunteer help.

For more information go to www.firstunitedslidell.org and click on Project NOAH in the left-hand column.



Lisa Evans

SERVICE WITH A SMILE - Tiffany Colby sits at her temporary desk on her first day on the job as Installation management Command's first Customer Service Officer (CSO) for Fort Dix. She will aid in synchronizing, evaluating, and improving both the delivery and receipt of installation programs and services.

Customer

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us, meaning leadership, providing and staff by informing them of what is working and what is not. Your feedback with assist us in improving upon programs and services that are offered. I am also available to listen, for them to come in and discuss issues, offer suggestions or comment on ways they feel we can improve the services they receive here on post," Colby said. "As far as the joint basing is concerned we're going to

have to be real innovative, nothing but the best in development a feedback program that will be user friendly across all the services," Colby said.

Initially, CMS will serve 36 installations with new CSOs. A second deployment of nine additional garrisons will occur in approximately six months.

Following completion of the first two phases of CMS implementation, the Army will evaluate the program to decide future expansion of CMS to all other garrisons.

Job Announcement

Opening Date: July 11, 2008, Closing Date: July 25, 2008 for resumes.

Position: Supply Mgt Spec, YA-2003-2
Salary: \$39,795 - \$51,738 Annual
Place of Work: US Army Accessions Command, Eastern Region, 2ND BDE, HQs, Duty Station: Fort Dix, NJ
Vacancy Announcement Number: SWDM0882152

Position Status: This is a Permanent position - Full Time
Duties: Serves as Supply Management Specialist for Brigade Headquarters of U.S. Army Cadet Command Regions with responsibility for directing logistical support to include inspections and assistance visits, training, reports, transportation fleet management to analyze, develop, evaluate and promote improvements in the supply and logistics programs for Brigade Headquarters. Conduct classes covering property book accounting and supply procedures. Serve as the Brigade Primary Hand Receipt Holder (PHRH) for equipment issued and maintain property records. Perform detailed analysis of the Battalion mission ensuring compliance with regulatory requirements in the areas of procurement, Government Purchase Card (GPC), transportation, supply and maintenance; evaluates the Battalion ability to account for and manage Government property and funds. Prepare written reports to analyze and provide recommendations for each unit inspected at the levels involved.

About the Position: This position will work under the direction of the Brigade Commander or designated representative. This position will be recruited to perform TDY in support of Battalion Inspections. This position is responsible for the Supply Management of this brigade and ensuring all 42 battalion Supply Techs are in compliance with applicable regulations. Duties of this position will include inspections, supply management functions, supply operations functions, purchasing/requisitioning, inventory, IMPAC credit card, DTS management, Government vehicles, etc.

Who May Apply:

<https://cpolwapp.belvoir.army.mil/public/forward/VAB?id=whoMayApply>

(Click on Who May Apply)

- *Department of Defense employees serving on a Career or Career Conditional Appointment.
- *Reinstatement eligibles.
- *Veterans eligible as 30% Disabled Veterans.
- *Interagency Career Transition Assistance Plan (ICTAP) eligibles.
- *DoD Interchange Agreement eligibles.

Qualifications: Click on link below to view qualification standard.
General Schedule

<https://cpolwapp.belvoir.army.mil/public/forward/VAB?id=qualifications&selection1=ocGroup21>

*To qualify applicants must have one year of specialized experience equivalent to the next lower band or equivalent under the General Schedule (GS) or other pay systems. Specialized experience is defined as: Experience applying supply regulations, policies, procedures, and instructions to support supply management transactions such as physical inventory, inspections and property accountability of lost, damaged or destroyed property. Background would include knowledge of the Government purchase card program in order to located and analyze data; skill in operating automated supply and financial systems in order to perform data entry, make changes to common table of distribution and allowances; correct and retrieve recurring reports and specialized reports; conduct data searches OR any other work in or related to the position OR master's or equivalent graduate degree or 2 full years of progressively higher level graduate education leading to such a degree or LL.B. or J.D., if related.

*The experience described in your resume will be evaluated and screened for the Office of Personnel Management's basic qualifications requirements, and the skills needed to perform the duties of this position as described in this vacancy announcement.

*our pay will be set within the range specified in this vacancy announcement and will be based on your qualification, education, experience, training, and availability of funds.

*Education can be substituted for experience. Review the qualification requirements for specific information.

*Only degrees from an accredited college or university recognized by the Department of Education are acceptable to meet position education requirements or to substitute education for experience.

*Quality of experience relates to how closely or to what extent an applicant's background and recency of experience, education, and training are relevant to the duties and responsibilities of the announced position. Candidates must have the knowledge, skills, abilities and competencies to successfully perform the work of the position at the appropriate level.

*Salary includes applicable locality pay or Local Market Supplement.

*Permanent Change of Station (PCS) expenses are not authorized.

*Temporary Duty (TDY) travel is up to 25 percent.

*The Department of Defense (DoD) policy on employment of annuitants issued March 18, 2004 will be used in determining eligibility of annuitants. The DoD policy is available on http://www.cpmc.osd.mil/fas/staffing/pdf/rem_ann.pdf

How to Apply:

<https://cpolwapp.belvoir.army.mil/public/forward/VAB?id=applyInstruction&selDoc=Resumix>

*Resumes must be received by the closing date of this announcement.

*Self-nomination must be submitted by the closing date.

*Resume must be on file in our centralized database.

*Announcements close at 12:00am (midnight) Eastern Time.

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WDIX Channel 2
24/7 information

Job Announcement

Immediate Job Openings on Fort Dix with U.S Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) Command. 2nd Brigade Army ROTC Command is an active duty Brigade located on Fort Dix, N.J. responsible for 41 programs at Universities located throughout the North East. Army ROTC creates new Army Officers who go on to rewarding careers in the military, the leadership and administration of all North East programs is controlled by the Fort Dix HQ. Army ROTC is hiring NSPS employees, contractors and seeking Active Duty Army Soldiers and Officers during the upcoming 12 months.

Current Positions Available.

Two Brigade Staff Specialist positions. One Specializing in Office Administration and one specializing in Recruiting Operations

Qualifications:

Possess a minimum of a Bachelor's degree or higher. Possess computer skills; operate Microsoft word processing, spreadsheet, and graphics programs.

Documented history of providing analysis and recommendations of courses of action, technical guidance and assistance to staff sections and subordinate units.

Prepare Military correspondence, oral and written presentations.

Prior knowledge of the federal government's organizational structure, mission objectives, functions, procedures, agency regulations and policies desired.

Pass periodic, unannounced, Government administered drug screening tests.

Have a favorable National Agency Check /Local Agency Check (NAC/LC), prior to nomination and hiring

Be able to travel and stay overnight(s).

Maintain a neat, well-groomed appearance.

For these two Brigade Staff Specialist positions contact

Vic Diaz, Eastern Region COMTEK ROTC Recruiter.

www.goarmyrotc.com

vdiaz@comtechologies.com

866-461-2768

910-829-9490 (FAX)

Honoring the Colors

Reveille 6 a.m. (0600 hours)

Military personnel in uniform

Stand at attention,
face the flag and
salute at first note.

Military personnel not in uniform, civilians

Stand at attention,
face the flag and
place right hand over
heart at first note.

Military personnel in formation or in a group

Senior Soldier calls
group to "Attention,"
then "Present, Arms"
at first note. Calls
"Order, Arms" at
conclusion.

Individual military personnel, civilians in a vehicle

Stop vehicle and exit.
Follow steps above.

Group of military personnel in a vehicle

Stop vehicle. Individual
in charge exits and follows
steps above.

Retreat 5 p.m. (1700 hours)

Stand at attention,
face the flag for
Retreat, then
salute at first note
of To the Colors.

Stand at attention,
face the flag for
Retreat, then place
right hand over heart
at first note of
To the Colors.

Senior Soldier calls
group to "Attention,"
then "Parade, Rest"
at first note of
Retreat. Calls
group to "Attention"
and "Present, Arms"
at first note of To the
Colors, then "Order,
Arms" at conclusion.

Stop vehicle and exit.
Follow steps above.

Stop vehicle. Individual
in charge exits and
follows steps above.

Other bugle calls heard on post are:

Tattoo.....9 p.m. (2100 hours)
Call to Quarters.....9:30 p.m. (2130 hours)
Taps.....10 p.m. (2200 hours)

Money Management Basics & Budgeting:

making a

Savings & that Spending Plan

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Date: Thursday, July 24, 2008

Times: Session 1: 1000-1100 OR Session 2: 1330-1430

Place: **Army Community Service Bldg. 5201 Maryland Ave.**



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- Defining wants, needs, goals and dreams
- Net and gross income/needs and flexible expenses
- Ways to involve the family in financial management
- Effective and easy to follow budgeting strategies
- Ways to track income and expenses
- Paying bills and keeping records
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Dondi R. Davis-Timothy at 562-6524
5385 Synder Lane, Fort Dix, NJ 08640

SPORTS

Three teams locked in battle for first



photos by Staff Sgt. Adam Navarro

FCI, City Coffee and the Renegades are locked in a three-way tie for first place, each with a record of 2-0, in the Fort Dix Intramural Softball League. Also undefeated, with a record of 1-0, are the Wildcats and Veritas Aquitas. Brian Willitts, left, helps City Coffee to a victory over the 0-2 Gearheads. Eric Easter, below left, and Thomas Fenton, at right, both of the Hawks, remain within striking distance of the leaders with a record of 1-1.



Ed Mings

Sports Shorts

Griffith Field House
Saturday & Sunday
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Monday - Friday
6 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Pool Hours
Recreational Swim
noon - 6 p.m. daily

Lap Swim
For ID holders only
Monday - Friday
6 a.m. - 8 a.m.
11 a.m. - noon
Saturday
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Boxing at Griffith
Former Heavyweight Boxing Champion Smokin' Joe Frazier will be at the Griffith Field House July 18, when the Marine Corps Boxing Team fights against the Muhammad Ali Boxing Club. The event begins at 6 p.m.

For more information, call 562-4888.
The Griffith Field House is also seeking Military boxers with little or no experience to participate.
Any military boxers wishing to compete can call Sgt. 1st Class Eric Turner at (609) 562-4271 or (609) 562-3801. Interested parties can also contact Floyd Winter at (609) 562-3330.

Military Long Drive Championship
Fort Dix is scheduled to host a first-round competition in the Military Long Drive Championship Aug. 16, starting at 4 p.m.

Local winners will advance to four second-round qualifying venues where they will compete for spots in the Military Long Drive Championship at Mesquite. The competition is open to all active-duty service mem-

bers, Reservists, National Guardsmen, retirees and family members 18 and older from all branches of the military.
For more information, call Fountain Green Golf Course at (609) 562-2166.

Aquatics Summer hours

The outdoor pool will hold lap swim Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Rec. swim starts June 28 and will be open Saturday and Sunday from noon to 6 p.m.
Hydro Aerobics is held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evening from 7:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. and on Saturday morning from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Fourth of July lap swim will be from 10 a.m. to noon at the indoor pool, then Rec swim from noon until 6 p.m. Call 562-2808 for more information.

Ready to rumble

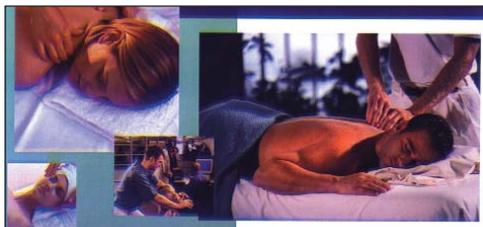
Robert Michaels, left, and Andre Ramirez, of the U.S. Marine Corps boxing team, train for tonight's bout at the Griffith Field House against the Muhammad Ali boxing club, based in Philadelphia. Ticket prices for the event are \$5.



Ryan Morton

Commander's Cup

The winners of the July 16 Commander's Cup at the Fountain Green Golf Course, from left, Robert Gaeta, Anthony Tropea, Ron Piccolo, and not pictured, Robert Campbell.



Massage Therapy

with Judy Santiago

Massages being offered include:

- 60 minute massage=\$60.00
- 30 minute massage= \$40.00
- Chair massage=\$1.00 p/minute
- Prenatal (60 minute) massage=\$65.00

Massages can be purchased at:
Griffith Field House Front Desk

For appointments call Judy at (732) 598-6679

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