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Post welcomes Staff Sgt. Kay into Jackson hall of fame

Story, photo by **ROBERT TIMMONS**

Fort Jackson Public Affairs

Fort Jackson added a new member to an elite group 'who's who' when Staff Sgt. Timothy Kay was included in the post's hall of fame.

"Today we have a distinct privilege of introducing and inducting a new member to the Fort Jackson Hall of Fame," said Maj. Gen. Daryl O. Hood, post commander, during a luncheon held June 12, at the 1917 Club.

"Members on this short list are really part of a who's who, as they've supported Fort Jackson in past and continually support (the post's) vision and mission," Hood said to a group of leaders, hall of fame members and others from the community.

The hall of fame was founded "for the sole purpose of honoring the many sacrifices as well as the accomplishments" of those enshrined, he added. "It's not about a one shot, one kill, but a continuous influence of a select group of individuals who dedicate themselves tirelessly to the betterment of others, and ensuring Fort Jackson remains relevant today."

Kay joined a select group from a wide variety of jobs that made Jackson better.

He persevered after being diagnosed with cancer and focused on being as healthy as he could be. He sought out leadership positions where he could mentor others. He would use his story to motivate the Soldiers he trained as a drill sergeant.

The Drill Sergeant Timothy Kay Soldier Performance Readiness Center was named in his honor.

"Despite his continuing decline in health, he continued to show up each day as a drill sergeant and gave 110% of his purpose, motivation, and drive to making American Soldiers," Hood said announcing his addition.

Kay's wife Brianna accepted the honor for him.

"You know they always say you die twice," Brianna said after receiving a medallion and pin from Hood and Post Command Sgt. Maj. Erick Ochs. "The first time is when you



Post Command Sgt. Maj. Erick Ochs, Brianna Kay and Maj. Gen. Daryl O. Hood pose after Kay was presented with a medallion signifying her late husband, Staff Sgt. Timothy Kay's inclusion in the Fort Jackson Hall of Fame.

go, the second time is when your name is spoken for the last time."

She thanked the Army Training Center and those who attended for helping her "honor his legacy and continue to help me honor that legacy," she said. "And for ATC, I just want to thank you for this honor, because again, you are cementing his legacy here at Fort Jackson."

Brianna said when she talks about her late husband she talks about resilience.

"There was an infamous motto that my husband held, and it was never give up," she said. "So, we talk about resiliency. How many times can you get knocked down and stand back up? Tim was the epitome of that. He'd been knocked down every single time, and even when he faced death, he still chose to fight."

"All that I ask is that whatever you guys are facing that day, that you choose to take that next step, stand up and just take the next step because that's all it takes."

ON THE COVER

Col. David G. Gaugush, garrison commander, receives the colors from William Kidd, IMCOM - Training director, during a change of command ceremony, June 17. See Page 6-7.



Photo by **ROBERT TIMMONS**

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165th crowned Victory Week champs



Photos by NATHAN CLINEBELLE

A player hits a drive off the Hole #1 tee during the Victory Week Golf Tournament, June 13.

By **ROBERT TIMMONS**
Fort Jackson Public Affairs

“It’s been a fantastic week,” said Maj. Gen. Daryl O. Hood, Fort Jackson commander after the winners of the Victory Week intramural sports competition were announced. “I really appreciate those behind the scenes who really made this possible ... Thank you every last one of you for your roles.”

Fort Jackson’s 108th birthday celebration, called Victory Week, was held June 9-14.

It included an esprit de corps run, sporting events, an organizational day with a special appearance by the U.S. Army Parachute Demonstration Team, “Golden Knights,” a golf tournament, and an Army Ball.

The sports winners were announced prior to the golf tournament June 13.

These sporting events “emphasize winning,” said Col. David Uthlaut, 165th Infantry Brigade commander. Uthlaut’s unit was the overall winner of the sporting events. “In the military we have no other options than to win.”

The contests also emphasize teamwork, he added.

“The most powerful might not always win, but if you have good teamwork, and on top of that talent, it allows you to win.”

Hood thanked all who participated and issued the call to improve on this year’s results.

“To all of you that competed – well done,” he said. “When we look at last year’s we made it better this year. The challenge for those of us who will be here next year is to continue to improve.”

Intramural Sports winners:

Pickleball – Institute for Religious Leadership

Ultimate Frisbee – Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion

Soccer – Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion

Tug of War – Soldier Support Institute

Volleyball – 165th Infantry Brigade

1st Place Excellence In Competition shoot - Staff Sgt. Chavis, 193rd Infantry Brigade with a score of 165 earning a bronze badge

The overall unit winners were:

1st Place – 165th Infantry Brigade

2nd Place – 193rd Infantry Brigade

3rd Place – Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion



The 165th Infantry Brigade command team hoists the Victory Week trophy.

Community Updates

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Estate Notices

Staff Sgt. Phillip A. Eby

With deepest regret to the family of the deceased. Staff Sgt. Phillip Andrew Eby, a Soldier assigned to the 704th Military Intelligence Brigade at Fort George G. Meade, Md. died on May 31 in South Carolina. Anyone with claims of indebtedness to or by the estate of Phillip Andrew Eby must contact Capt. Tyler Wojtasinski, the Summary Court Martial Officer, no later than July 1, at (808) 435-3073 or email tyler.j.wojtasinski.mil@army.mil to settle any outstanding issues.

Master Sgt. Damon Holmes

This notice serves as a death notice advisory for all those in possession of the property of Master Sgt. Damon Holmes, as well as those whom the deceased is indebted, or those indebted to the deceased. Please contact Capt. Nicholas J. Hartman, Summary Courts Martial Officer, with questions or concerns at (803) 751-1078 or via email at nicholas.j.hartman4.mil@army.mil.

Community Information Exchange/ Housing Town Hall

Do you want to get the most up-to-date information about what is happening on Fort Jackson? Do you have feedback you'd like to give about on post housing? Then come to the 1917 Club June 24 for the Community Information Exchange/Housing Town Hall. There you can sit down face-to-face with post leaders, directorates and Partners in Excellence. The meeting starts promptly at 2 p.m.

For more information, call (803) 751-5670. The event will not be livestreamed or recorded.

Safety Training

The Installation Safety Office presents various safety training classes. To register for the Army Traffic Safety Training or Local Hazards training classes, go to the website <https://airs.safety.army.mil/default.aspx>. To register for the Unit Safety Officer training, contact your safety specialist.

- Basic Riders Course: June 24-26 (0 seats open)*; July 29-31 (5 seats open)
- Advanced Riders Course: July 8 (6 seats open)
- Intermediate Drivers Course: July 22 (20 seats open)
- Local Hazards Course: Every Monday at 10 a.m. (except holidays)
- Remedial Drivers Course: July 8 (12 seats open)
- Unit Safety Officer Course: July 8-9 (22 seats open); Aug. 5-6 (25 seats open)

* Safety officials encourage those wishing to attend in case of no shows.

Tuition Assistance Announcement

It is the Soldier's responsibility to ensure their IPPS-A records are current and accurate before requesting Tuition Assistance. If not, your ArmyIgnitED account will be placed on hold and the Soldier is not allowed to proceed to obtain TA. The Education Center is not authorized to perform any actions such as submitting a manual TA on behalf of the Soldiers when there is an IPPS-A hold on the account.

Victory Fresh

Victory Fresh offers healthy alternatives to fast food. Victory Fresh offers Grab and Go entrees, a Build Your Own Power Bowl station, Hot BBQ bar, and brick oven pizzas during lunch hours of 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Additionally, Grab and Go items are available during extended hours and breakfast is available from 7-9:30 a.m. Victory Fresh helps patrons manage fueling their bodies in a healthy way, within the time constraints of an on-the-go lifestyle.

Summer Reading Program

Join the Thomas Lee Hall "Post" Library for this year's Summer Reading Program: "Level Up at Your Library." Sign-up for SRP to read, log minutes, and receive prizes. Programs will be held all week long. Coloring sheet contests will last throughout June and July. Registration began June 1.

First Friday Golf

Maj. Gen. Daryl O. Hood, Fort Jackson commander, invites you to join him for First Friday Golf the first Friday of every month. This is a Captain's Choice event and will begin at 11:30 a.m. at the Fort Jackson Golf Club. You may enter your own team or sign up as a single and be paired with a group. Entry fee is \$45 for FJGC members and \$55 for non-members. The entry fee includes applicable greens fee, user Fee, cart, prizes, and a boxed lunch. Register by calling the pro shop, at (803) 562-4437.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

SATURDAY

Fort Jackson Movie Schedule

3319 Jackson Blvd.
Phone: 751-7488

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

■ Elio (PG)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

■ Final Destination: Bloodlines (R)

- Ticket sales open 30 minutes before each movie.
- Movie times and schedule are subject to change without notice.

Offshore Fishing Trip

5 a.m.-5 p.m., Marion Street Station. Travel to Hilton Head, SC with your Outdoor Recreation team and fish three-five miles offshore on a fishing boat for a five-hour trip. Outdoor recreation will provide the transportation and coolers for you to transport your catch back home. Cost covers transportation, license, bait, tackle and trip. For more information, call the Marion St. Station at (803) 751-3484.

Juneteenth Fun Run

8 a.m., Palmetto Falls Water Park. For more information, call (803) 751-3700.

TUESDAY

CIE/Housing Town Hall

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Deadline for events to be included in the Community Updates is one week before publication. Include the time, date and place the event will occur, as well as other necessary information.

If you submit an article on an event that already has taken place, please send it as soon as possible. Tuesday is the last day we will be able to accept an article for publication the following

Thursday. Include the date and place of the event, as well as a description of what took place. Please include quotations, if possible.

With any photo you submit, include IDs — rank, unit, and first and last names. All submissions will be edited and published using Associated Press Style.

Questions? Call (803) 751-3615.

Commemorating the 250th anniversary of Bunker Hill battle

By **DAVID VERGUN**
DOD News

The Second Continental Congress authorized the creation of the Continental Army, June 14, 1775, and just three days later, the Battle of Bunker Hill was fought between British and Colonial forces in Charlestown, Massachusetts, which is now a neighborhood of Boston.

On that day, about 1,200 men of the Colonial force moved from Boston to the hilly Charlestown peninsula overlooking Boston and hastily set up barricades on Breed's Hill. In response, about 2,200 British troops under Maj. Gen. William Howe were ferried across Boston Harbor and stormed the Colonial positions.

In the ensuing battle of Breed's Hill, incorrectly named after Bunker Hill, which stands nearby, the British drove the Colonials away after three assaults. About 1,000 British soldiers were killed

and wounded as compared to losses of approximately 400 dead and injured for the Colonial forces.

The so-called Battle of Bunker Hill was part of the larger siege of Boston, which started on April 19, 1775, with the Battles of Lexington and Concord. Those battles marked the beginning of the Revolutionary War.

Gen. George Washington took formal command of the besieging Colonial forces in the Boston area, July 3, 1775, devoting the next several months to building up troops and addressing their logistical difficulties.

On March 4, 1776, Washington installed artillery on Dorchester Heights



Painting by JOHN TRUMBALL

A painting of the Battle of Bunker Hill by John Trumbull on display at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston.



and later on Nook's Hill, positions that dominated Boston from the south. It was Washington's first campaign as commander in chief of the Continental Army.

Recognizing the profound difficulty of his position, Howe evacuated Boston, March 17, 1776, and sailed to Halifax, Canada, with his 9,000 soldiers, along with many loyalists.

Today, Boston and surrounding communities celebrate March 17 as Evacuation Day.

The Battle of Bunker Hill is considered a British victory but a costly one. Not only were British casualties higher than those of the Colonial forces, but the battle and follow-on skirmishes led to the British later fleeing the city and never occupying it again.

British Army Maj. Gen. Henry Clinton, who was present at the Battle of Bunker Hill, wrote in his diary that "a few more such victories would have shortly put an end to British dominion in America."

The battle convinced the British to adopt a more cautious approach to planning and maneuvering in future engagements to minimize casualties. The heavy losses also persuaded the British to hire large numbers of soldiers from several German states to fight against the Continental Army. These forces eventually comprised about 25% of British land forces.

On June 17, 1875, the centennial year of the battle, a parade and celebration took place in Boston.

Notable speakers included former Civil War Army Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman and Vice President Henry Wilson.

To celebrate the 250th anniversary of the battle, several events in Boston were held June 17, including a tribute concert performed by the U.S. Army Field Band and its vocal complement, the Soldiers' Chorus — collectively known as the Musical Ambassadors of the Army.

The U.S. Postal Service has issued stamps commemorating the battle.

Army renames 7 installations

U.S. Army Public Affairs

The U.S. Army will take all necessary actions to change the names of seven Army installations in honor of heroic Soldiers who served in conflicts ranging from the Civil War to the Battle of Mogadishu. Five of them received the Medal of Honor, three received the Distinguished Service Cross and one received the Silver Star.

Fort Pickett (formerly Fort Barfoot) will be named in honor of Distinguished Service Cross recipient 1st Lt. Vernon W. Pickett for his extraordinary heroism during World War II. While pinned down by enemy machine gun fire, Pickett crawled forward and destroyed two enemy positions with grenades. After being captured, he escaped from a transport train with fellow POWs and rejoined his unit before being killed in action.

Fort Hood (formerly Fort Cavazos) will be named in honor of Distinguished Service Cross recipient Col. Robert B. Hood for his extraordinary heroism during World War I. Amid intense shelling near Thiaucourt, France, then-Capt. Hood directed artillery fire under enfilading machine-gun fire. After his gun crew was lost to enemy fire, he rapidly reorganized and returned fire within minutes, restoring combat capability.

Fort Gordon (formerly Fort Eisenhower) will be named in honor of Medal of Honor recipient Master Sgt. Gary I. Gordon for his valor during the 1993 Battle of Mogadishu, Somalia. Gordon volunteered to be inserted to defend wounded crew members at a helicopter crash site and held off an advancing enemy force, protecting the pilot after exhausting all his

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Photo by ROBERT TIMMONS



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Post welcomes new garrison commander

By **ROBERT TIMMONS**
Fort Jackson Public Affairs

Fort Jackson welcomed Col. David G. Gaugush as garrison commander in a ceremony, June 17. Gaugush took command from Col. Timothy Hickman in an event held at Victory Field.

Gaugush comes to Fort Jackson from Fort Bragg, North Carolina where he was chief of staff for the 1st Special Forces Command (Airborne).

He officially began his first tour at Fort Jackson when he received the garrison colors from William Kidd, director, IMCOM-Training Directorate.

The main portion of the change of command ceremony is the passing of the garrison colors. The colors are the commander's symbol of authority, representing his responsibilities to the organization. The garrison colors are present wherever the garrison commander is.

"Competence is not enough," Kidd said during the ceremony. "You have to be the best, doing your best each and every day, and the best is what Fort Jackson got from Col. Hickman. Fort Jackson is about people, for people, producing people for the Army, and his leadership focused on people."

Hickman invested in his team to build a "high-performing team," Kidd added.

Gaugush is now in charge of every day operations of

the installation, and overseeing the civilians who keep the post's infrastructure running. The garrison is run by "skilled, dedicated hands of (Department of the) Army Civilians, contractors and volunteers" who operate the post.

"We warmly welcome Col. Gaugush and his wife, and their Family to the IMCOM team and to the helm of the garrison here at Fort Jackson," Kidd said to the new commander.

Gaugush is a "highly experienced Special Operations leader who has served in demanding tactical and strategic roles all over the world," he added. He will be one of the multiple Green Berets to serve as a garrison commander in the IMCOM Training Directorate.

The new garrison commander was raised in Ridgefield, Connecticut and attended Texas Tech University. He enlisted in 1996 as an infantryman and was assigned to the 1st Ranger Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment. He would be commissioned after completing Officer Candidate School at Fort Benning, Georgia in 2001.

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- Col. David. G. Gaugush
Garrison Commander

He attended the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg in 2004 and has held multiple assignments in the special operations community. He has deployed multiple times to Afghanistan and Iraq in support of operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. He also deployed to Africa and Europe in support of numerous contingency operations and other special operations activities.

Gaugush said he is excited about his new job. "A few months ago, Maj. Gen. (Daryl) Hood and I had a chance to sit down and talk ... he asked me, 'Dave, what are you most excited about?' I remember expressing ... that I was most excited about coming to an installation where we make American Soldiers."

"I could think of no better way to give back to the Army that has given me and my Family so much, than to take part in what this team does, which is a privileged and sacred mission."

Hickman said he envy's the journey Gaugush is embarking on.

"I leave with immense gratitude," Hickman said. "I can tell you first impressions are very strong. Our transition and short time together has been a lot of fun. Actually, over the last two weeks, I envy him. I envy the journey he's about to take with this team, and I know Fort Jackson will support him just as you supported me."

Hickman is set to retire and will remain in the Midlands.

(Far left) Col. David G. Gaugush receives the garrison colors from William Kidd, IMCOM Training director. The passing of a unit colors symbolizes the commander assuming authority over a unit.

(Middle top) Outgoing Garrison Commander Col. Timothy Hickman, William Kidd and Col. David G. Gaugush, garrison commander, return from passing garrison colors.

(Middle center) Gaugush speaks during the ceremony. He said he was 'excited about coming to an installation where we make American Soldiers.'

(Middle bottom) Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. Brie Kotula salutes during the change of command ceremony where Col. David G. Gaugush took command of Fort Jackson's garrison.

(Left) Gaugush, his Family and Maj. Gen. Daryl O. Hood, Fort Jackson commander, applaud during the ceremony where he assumed command of the unit that oversees the civilians who keep the post's infrastructure running.



Photo by NATHAN CLINEBELLE



Col. Chesley Thigpen, chief of the Adjutant General Corps and commandant of the AG School, and Chief Warrant Officer 5 Michael J. Falton, Chief Warrant Officer of the AG Corps, pose during a ceremony, held June 11 at the Soldier Support Institute.

Corps welcomes new top chief warrant officer

Story, photo by **ROBERT TIMMONS**
Fort Jackson Public affairs

The Adjutant General Corps has a new Chief Warrant Officer of the Corps after a ceremony held June 11 in the Soldier Support Institute's auditorium.

Chief Warrant Officer 5 Michael J. Falton, received the mantle from Chief Warrant Officer 5 Chad G. Bowen after receiving a ceremonial saber. Falton also became the 10th Chief Warrant Officer of the AG Corps.

"I've actually been fortunate to give the saber to Chief Bowen and now it's transitioning to Chief Falton, so for me, it's a pretty special day," said Col. Chesley Thigpen, chief of the AG Corps and commandant of the AG school, after passing the saber to Falton.

"We transfer responsibilities from one extremely talented leader to another," Thigpen said. "It seems like a simple event. We've already passed the state where we've transitioned over. But I would tell you the history that's behind it."

The ceremony emphasized the importance of

trust, leadership and the role of warrant officers in the AG Corps.

"It's extremely important," he continued. "Most importantly ... it's the trust we pass on, not necessarily the guidon, the colors, (or) the saber – the symbol we use. It's more about looking them in the eye and saying, 'You have this role and responsibility, and as Chief Warrant Officer of the Adjutant General Corps, many are looking to you.' So that's pretty significant."

The chief is important because he is the Soldier that sits beside the developers and talks to the warrant officer and senior warrant officers about the state of the AG Corps and how to improve it.

Falton has big shoes to fill.

"Chief has been the vision behind the change when it comes to our doctrine," Thigpen said.

Thigpen lauded the development of 420T-Talent Acquisitions Technician, a warrant officer specializing in recruiting that happened under Bowen's watch.

Falton, on the other hand, is no stranger to Fort

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ammunition.

Fort Lee (formerly Fort Gregg-Adams) will be named in honor of Medal of Honor recipient Pvt. Fitz Lee for his heroism during the Spanish-American War. During a coastal assault in Cuba, Lee voluntarily disembarked under direct enemy fire to rescue wounded comrades from the battlefield.

Fort Polk (formerly Fort Johnson) will be named in honor of Silver Star recipient Gen. James H. Polk for his gallantry in action as commanding officer of the 3rd Cavalry Group (Mechanized) during operations across Europe in World War II. Then-Col. Polk led reconnaissance and combat missions under fire, spearheading Third Army advances as part of Task Force Polk. He later served as commander in chief of U.S. Army Europe.

Fort Rucker (formerly Fort Novosel) will be named in honor of Distinguished Service Cross recipient Capt. Edward W. Rucker for extraordinary

nary heroism in World War I. Flying deep behind enemy lines, then-1st Lt. Rucker and his fellow aviators engaged a numerically superior enemy force in a daring aerial battle over France, disrupting enemy movements and completing their mission against overwhelming odds.

Fort A.P. Hill (formerly Fort Walker) will be named in honor of Medal of Honor recipients Lt. Col. Edward Hill, 1st Sgt. Robert A. Pinn and Pvt. Bruce Anderson for extraordinary heroism during the Civil War. Then-Capt. Hill, Pinn and Anderson executed significant actions separately at Cold Harbor, Virginia; Chapin's Farm, Virginia; and Fort Fisher, North Carolina, in support of the U.S. Army.



Library of Congress photo

Then Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower speaks to members of the 101st Airborne Division prior to their jump into Normancy, June 5, 1944. A fort named after him will be renamed Fort Gordon, Ga.

The Secretary of the Army will take immediate action to implement these redesignations, which are in accordance with Section 1749(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020.

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Jackson. He had volunteered to "come down here to teach ... within the school long before he knew he was going to be the Chief Warrant Officer of the AG Corps," Thigpen said. "That is a testament of his investment in the future."

During the ceremony, Bowen welcomed Falton, referring to him as the right person for the job.

"You assume a role filled with responsibility and opportunity," Bowen said. "You step into an organization that thrives in integrity, excellence and teamwork, and I have no doubt that under your leadership, it will continue to flourish."

Falton acknowledged he was a little nervous, but he was looking forward to the challenge.

"Stepping into this role is very exciting for me," said Falton, who has been a warrant officer since 2006, "and I'm honored that I was even asked to do it. Standing here is very surreal. We are in a very momentous time in the Army: 250 years for the Army and 250 year for the AG Corps."

"So many great leaders have walk this path before me," said the 10th Chief Warrant Officer of the AG Corps. "I just hope I can come close to living up to that legacy and improve the AG Corps."



Photo by NATHAN CLINEBELLE

Thank you for your service

Fort Jackson celebrated the careers of Sgt. 1st Class Brian R. Hollingsworth, and Sgt. 1st Class Brandon R. Saunders, both from the 193rd Infantry Brigade, during the 2nd Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment Basic Combat Training graduation, June 12.

SALUTING THIS CYCLE'S HONOREES

4th Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment

DRILL SERGEANT OF THE CYCLE

Staff Sgt.
Cody Ulschmid

ALPHA COMPANY

SOLDIER LEADER
OF THE CYCLE

Pfc. Jenna Cardin

SOLDIER OF THE CYCLE

Pvt. Maurice McLean

BRAVO COMPANY

SOLDIER LEADER
OF THE CYCLE

Spc. Jean-Michelet Andre

SOLDIER OF THE CYCLE

Pvt. Jermaine McBride

CHARLIE COMPANY

SOLDIER LEADER
OF THE CYCLE

Pvt. Juan Amaya Herrera

SOLDIER OF THE CYCLE

Pfc. Carl Leonard

DELTA COMPANY

SOLDIER LEADER
OF THE CYCLE

Spc. Diana Gonzalez

SOLDIER OF THE CYCLE

Spc. Thianee Freitas

ECHO COMPANY

SOLDIER LEADER
OF THE CYCLE

Pfc. Charles Rowe

SOLDIER OF THE CYCLE

Pfc. Justice McDuffy

Events

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2 p.m., 1917 Club. Join Fort Jackson commanders and representatives of directorates and Partners in Excellence as they give updates on on-post happenings.

JUNE 27
DENTAC Change of Command
10 a.m., Joe E. Mann Ballroom. Col.Susan M. Cebula will relinquish command of Dental Health Activity-Fort Jackson to Col. Yat H. Ma in a ceremony.

JULY 4
Save the Date
4 p.m., Hilton Field. Mark your calendars. Fort Jackson's 4th of July Celebration will be held July 4 at Hilton Field. There will be food trucks, games for children, and the best fireworks in the Midlands

JULY 6-12
Club Beyond
Club Beyond, an approved ministry partner here at Fort Jackson is taking igh schoolers and middle schoolers to overnight camps this summer to Carolina Point Young Life Camp in North Carolina. The trip is for military teens who have just completed 9th-12th grades. If you are interested in participating, register at cb114.younglife.events/2025-carolina-point-week-7-cb114hs. For more information, call the Club Beyond Fort Jackson Community Director at (256) 794-2623.

JULY 12
Private Weapons Day
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Aachen Range. Shooters can shoot at targets between 25-200m. Paper targets, spotting scopes, tables and chairs are provided. Patrons can shoot rifle or pistol at a day rate or on an hourly rate. Pre-register at

Marion Street Station. For more information, call (803) 751-3484. For information about registering your weapon, call (803) 751-6019.

JULY 27-31
Club Beyond
Club Beyond, an approved ministry partner here at Fort Jackson is taking high schoolers and middle schoolers to overnight camps this summer to Rockbridge Young Life Camp in VA. The is for military teens who have just completed 6th- 8th grades. If you are interested in participating. register at cb114.younglife.events/2025-rockbridge-wk-11-cb114ms. For more information, call the Club Beyond Fort Jackson Community Director at (256) 794-2623.

AUG. 9-10
Dog Days of Summer
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Palmetto Falls Water Park. Bring Fido to Palmetto Falls to wallow in the water.



SAVE THE DATE

FORT JACKSON'S 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION

GATES OPEN 4PM @HILTON FIELD

JULY 4, 2025



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

FAITH GROUP	DAY	TIME	PLACE
CATHOLIC MASS	SUNDAY	9:30-10:30 A.M.	MAIN POST CHAPEL
CATHOLIC MASS	TUE-FRI	NOON	MAIN POST CHAPEL
GOSPEL SERVICE	SUNDAY	10:30 A.M.	KINGS MOUNTAIN CHAPEL
GENERAL PROTESTANT	SUNDAY	11 A.M. TO NOON	MAIN POST CHAPEL
REVIVE SERVICE	SUNDAY	5 P.M.	MAIN POST CHAPEL
JEWISH SHABBOS SERVICE	FRIDAY	6-7 P.M.	CENTURY DIVISION CHAPEL
INITIAL ENTRY TRAINING	DAY	TIME	PLACE
CATHOLIC MASS	SUNDAY	8-9 A.M.	SOLOMON CENTER
PROTESTANT CONSOLIDATED SERVICE	SUNDAY	9:30-10:30 A.M.	SOLOMON CENTER
CHURCH OF CHRIST	SUNDAY	9-10 A.M.	CENTURY DIVISION CHAPEL
HISPANIC PROTESTANT SERVICE	SUNDAY	11 A.M. to NOON	SOLOMON CENTER (1st and 3rd Sundays)
GOSPEL SERVICE	SUNDAY	11 A.M. to NOON	SOLOMON CENTER (2nd and 4th Sundays)
ANGLICAN	SUNDAY	9:30-10 A.M.	LIGHTNING CHAPEL
ISLAMIC SERVICE	SUNDAY	8-9 A.M.	LIGHTNING CHAPEL
JEWISH SERVICE	SUNDAY	10:30-11:30 A.M.	120TH AG BN (for trainees in 120th only)
THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS	SUNDAY	10:30 A.M. to NOON	CENTURY DIVISION CHAPEL



Photo by ARMY SGT. MAXWELL BASS

Soldiers take part in the now Army-wide “Operation Ring the Bell” bone marrow drive as part of the Salute to Life bone marrow donation registry across Fort Bliss, Texas, Aug.6, 2024. Army influencers have been lauded for helping the Army-wide effort.

Army influencers play pivotal role in bone marrow drive

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In a remarkable display of solidarity, Army influencers have played a pivotal role in amplifying the Operation Ring the Bell organization in an Army-wide effort to register bone marrow donors for 23-year-old infantryman, Sgt. Derrick Bishop, with 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. After being diagnosed with aplastic anemia, a rare and life-threatening condition, Bishop's need for a bone marrow transplant sparked a wave of support across the Army.

Upon learning of Bishop's situation, Army influencers mobilized to campaign quickly. They produced and shared videos across social media platforms, urging fellow Soldiers to register as bone marrow donors to assist in finding a match for Bishop.

Grassroots efforts resulted in over

1,000 Soldiers at Fort Bragg participating in a bone marrow screening, and more than 1,000 additional individuals requesting test kits online.

Influencers say the campaign reflects the true purpose of their platforms.

“Through social media, I believe military leaders have a powerful tool to use for good within their cell phones and social media platforms,” said Maj. John Howell, an influencer supporting Operation Ring the Bell. “Never make your social media presence about yourself, it must be about bettering the force and assisting Soldiers like Sgt. Bishop and his wife.”

The Army Creative Reserve, a pilot initiative launched by the Army Talent Innovation Directorate in January, played a crucial role in this outreach.

According to Col. Kristin Saling, innovation chief for the directorate, the Creative Reserve works with Soldiers who create content to engage various audienc-

es. “Their greatest value is the authenticity of their voices,” said Saling. “We don't dictate the message. We simply help open doors and connect them with opportunities to tell the Army's story.”

The success of the outreach by influencers emphasizes the importance of digital storytelling in the Army. “It's refreshing to see how digital storytelling, done authentically, still has the power to mobilize people,” Saling said.

The Army Creative Reserve's involvement highlighted the urgency of Bishop's need and fostered a more profound sense of community and shared purpose among Soldiers.

Looking ahead, the Army plans to integrate such initiatives into a formal content calendar, allowing influencers to support various campaigns, including future bone marrow drives, Army Emergency Relief efforts, and events such as the Army's 250th birthday celebration.

ID CARD UPDATE

Hours of operation

For July only

Walk-ins: 8 to 9 a.m.

Appointments: 9-11:20 a.m. and 1-3:20 p.m.

(Starting Aug. 1)

Walk-ins: 8-10 a.m.

Appointments: 10-11:40 a.m. and 1-3:40 p.m.

Effective July 1, the Fort Jackson ID Card office will increase the number of appointments to assist more customers. Patrons are highly encouraged to make an appointment to ensure they receive the service they are requesting. Please keep in mind that appointments take priority. Walk-ins may wait up to two or more hours or may not get seen at all. The following are considered emergencies only. Anything not listed below will need an appointment.

- Lost/Expired CACs-Lost memo signed by first sergeant or company commander (military) and first line supervisor (civilians and contractors). No exceptions

- Lost retirees and death beneficiaries

- Lost DAV ID (100% disabled american veterans)

- New hires

- Pin reset (only if systems are down in Room 124)

We will no longer accept more than two family members (including the sponsor) as walk ins. If you need service for more than two family members, you will need to make appointments for everyone being serviced.

If patrons need more than one transaction during their visit, please ensure that the front desk representative is aware of all transactions needing attention. Once patrons are called into the office for service, any additional services needed will require patrons to get back in line or make an appointment. We allot a certain amount of time for each service rendered.

If patrons need service that isn't listed above, they will need to make an appointment. All supporting documents must be printed out prior to the appointment or if patrons walk in. Documents cannot be emailed to the ID Card representatives. Patrons can either utilize the Education Center or Room 207 (One Stop). Patrons must provide the original document. If patrons have copies, then they will need to be true certified copy or notarized. The only exceptions are for Trainees or TDY personnel.

NOTE: No IDs will be issued without two forms of ID and a CAC is no longer an acceptable form ID. CAC.mil will not be updated.

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Col. David G. Gaugush salutes after assuming command of U.S. Army Garrison - Fort Jackson, June 17. He took command of the unit from Col. Timothy R. Hickman during a ceremony held on Victory Field.

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