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Message to the force

By **CHRISTINE WORMUTH,**
GEN. RANDY A. GEORGE and
SGT. MAJ. OF THE ARMY MICHAEL
WEIMER

'This We'll Defend' has been our Army's motto since the Revolutionary War. It reminds us that our purpose is timeless and clear: to fight and win our nation's wars. When our Army hits the dirt, America means business. Our teammates don't want to fight without us, and our enemies are wise to fear us. We are not a Pacific army or a Europe army. We are not brigade-centric or division-centric. We are a global force that fights when called upon at the scale required.

To do that, we must stay grounded, and dedicate our energy in four focus areas:

Warfighting

We must ruthlessly prioritize time and resources towards building lethality and cohesive teams.

Soldiers need to shoot, move, communicate, and be experts in their craft. They also need to bond together through tough, realistic training.

Commanders and leaders, we trust you to figure out what you should not be doing. Communicate that up so the leaders above you can underwrite risk. Let us know where you need our help.

Delivering ready combat formations

We must be ready to get our formations to the fight and sustain them there. Leaders at installations will have the appropriate authorities to build readiness. Fort Wainwright is different than Fort Liberty; local leaders know best how to translate strategic intent

into solutions at the local level.

And at the heart of our Army's readiness is people. Our warfighters and their families will have access to timely information and enabling resources. Our strength is our Soldiers and Families, and we are committed to taking care of both.

Continuous transformation

We will transform iteratively and continuously to become leaner, more mobile, lower signature and, most importantly, more lethal. We will integrate technology faster, pushing new, cost-effective technologies into our operational units as soon as they are useful. We want our tactical units to innovate, test ideas, fail fast, and adapt. The best ideas often come from the bottom up.

Strengthening the profession

To maintain America's trust, we must serve with competence and character. Foundational to that is enforcing standards and ensuring accountability, which ensure discipline in our formations. When it comes down to a close fight in the mud, character, grit, and discipline make the difference. Additionally, we all must own our profession - share ideas, engage in debate, and learn together.

When you are downrange and you hear a call sign come over the net, a mental picture comes to mind. When the American Army comes over the net, we want our teammates to know that the best, most disciplined land force in the world has arrived. All of us contribute to that reputation.

We are proud of this team. When we are called, we will answer ... and we will win. This We'll Defend!



CHRISTINE WORMUTH

Secretary of the Army



GEN. RANDY A. GEORGE

Army Chief of Staff



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Sergeant Major of the Army



Courtesy photo

Army Chief of Staff Gen. Randy A. George and Sgt. Maj. of the Army Michael Weimer, speak to the Pre-Command Course at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., about Army leadership's four focus areas, Oct. 19.

ON THE COVER

A Soldier picks up a 'grab and go' lunch at Victory Fresh, Oct. 26. It is located at the U.S. Army Drill Sergeant Academy and offers nutritious items that can be picked up



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Post, CYS gets festive for fall season

By **EMILY HILEMAN**
and **NATHAN CLINEBELLE**
Fort Jackson Public Affairs

Crisp apples, pumpkin spice, cinnamon, fallen leaves and chilly days can only mean one thing: Fall is in the air. Fort Jackson's Child and Youth Services took full advantage of the season to host their annual fall get-together, the Fall Fest, Oct. 27 at the Youth Sports Complex on Fort Jackson.

"It's an opportunity for all of our partners in the community, both on and off post to come in and give the Families something fun to do near Halloween," said Sabine Alsup, CYS director.

Alsup said she was pleased with the number of participants that attended the festival.

She said, "We have a lot of family-friendly activities out here and all of our partners provided something fun for everyone to do."

Families flocked to the field in droves, sporting costumes honoring their favorite known and lesser-known characters such as Bluey, the Mad Hatter, witches, skeletons, Power Rangers and more.

"Activities like Fall Fest are important for Fort Jackson, because it brings families together," said Col. David Uthlaut, 165th Infantry Brigade commander. "For me, I get to see a lot of my Soldiers outside of the work environment, the creativity they

have with their children and the bonds they're able to form with them."

"I think it's also important to see that Fort Jackson cares about families," said Haley Uthlaut, a veteran and Uthlaut's wife. "...There's representation from all of the different agencies around the installation so that Families can learn about what those are and know that the installation cares about families."

The Fort Jackson Library, Army Substance Abuse Program, and Army Community Services were some of the on-post partners at the event. They were joined by food trucks, retailers and realtors from the outside community.

"For families that live on post, activities like this are easier and they do a great job of catering to those already involved," said Col. Uthlaut. "It helps to build upon the existing community and it can help draw the off-post communities to Fort Jackson and get them to appreciate it more."

Although Fall Fest drew a decent crowd, Alsup hopes the activities continue to grow, gather more support and draw larger crowds.

"My vision is to continue to grow it to as many of our families that are off post and on and to provide a safe environment for them to come and enjoy Halloween fun that's not constricting," she said. "Maybe we can seek more outside partnerships and sponsorships, but even so, this year was a great turnout."



Photos by **NATHAN CLINEBELLE**

Children attempt to toss bean bags into a cardboard ghost's mouth, one of the many activities available to Soldiers and their families during the Child and Youth Services Fall Fest, Oct. 27.



Aurora Gordon, dressed as Batgirl, poses for a photo during the Child and Youth Services Fall Fest, Oct. 27. Fall Fest was an opportunity to give Families something fun to do near Halloween.

Community Updates

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Road Name Changes

Fort Jackson has renamed numerous roads and streets on post named after Confederate leaders, battles and units. This is part of efforts to rename Department of Defense installations, streets, buildings and ships that featured names commemorating the Confederacy. These name changes, effective Jan. 1, 2024, have already been made by the U.S. Postal Service. To learn which road names have changed, scan the QR code or visit <https://home.army.mil/jackson/about/fort-jackson-road-re-naming>.



Death Notice

This notice serves as a death notice advisory for all those in possession of the property of Staff Sgt. Herman E. Main III, as well as those whom the deceased is indebted, or those indebted to the deceased. Please contact 1st Lt. Bailey R. Reed, Summary Courts Martial Officer with questions or concerns at (573) 821-4881 or email bailey.r.reed.mil@army.mil.

Commissary/Exchange access update

The temporary authorization for Department of the Army Civilians to use the Commissary and Exchange during the COVID-19 pandemic was canceled June 8, 2023.

ArmyIgnitED 101

Are you new to tuition assistance or credentialing assistance? Maybe you are looking for some refresher training. The Fort Jackson Army Continuing Education System is holding ArmyIgnitED 101 briefs every second and fourth Mondays and Wednesdays of each month. The briefing are held virtually, starting at 10

a.m. Mondays, and in person at the Education Center (4600 Strom Thurmond Blvd.) beginning at 10 a.m. Wednesdays. To sign up email your attendance request to usarmy.jackson.93-sig-bed.mbx.dhr-jacksonedcenter@army.mil. Walk-ins are welcome.

Guest Day at the Fort Jackson Golf Club

Fort Jackson Golf Club members are now permitted to bring up to three guests on guest days. Green fees are waived for a member's guest(s), but each guest must pay cart and user fees. Upcoming Guest Days are: Today, Nov. 9, 16 and 26; Dec. 2, 8, 14 and 20.

Coffee, Donuts and Purpose

Coffee, Donuts, and Purpose allows retirees (with drill experience) to connect with current drill sergeants and those who are about to start their time on the trail. This common bond event allows retirees and today's Army members to connect and give back to one another making each other stronger through their shared service, passion, weaknesses, and strengths. For more information, email Tabatha Baker, 193rd Health Educator, at tabatha.l.baker2.civ@army.mil.

Yoga and Stretching Classes

DS Timothy Kay Soldier Performance Readiness Center, 12650 Jackson Blvd. Soldiers, Department of the Army Civilians, Family members and veterans are welcome to take free Yoga and stretching classes. The schedule of classes is: Mondays - Movement & Mobility - 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.; Power 30 - Tuesdays from 7:30-8 a.m.; Wednesdays - Power Flow from 6-7 a.m. and Mindful Movement and Meditation from 12:15-1 p.m.; and Thursdays - Plyometrics & Deep Stretch from 7:30-8 a.m. and Power Flow from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. For more information, email nicole.a.topakas.civ@army.mil

COMMUNITY EVENTS

NOV. 7

Fall Education and Career Fair

9 a.m. to 1 p.m., NCO Club. The Army Continuing Education System, Army Community Services and the Transition Assistance Program presents the Fort Jackson 2023 Fall Education and Career Fair. Attendees can visit with more than 60 educational institutions and prospective employers. For more information, call 751-5341 for educational questions; 751-4109 for transition assistance program; and 751-5256 for Army Community Services. The event is free and open to the Fort Jackson community.

Meals in Minutes & Your Budget

1:30-2:30 p.m., 9810 Lee Road. Army Community Service Financial Readiness Program, in partnership with the Fort Jackson Armed Forces Wellness Center will host Meals in Minutes. Learn how to save calories while also optimizing your budget. AFWC and ACS provides programs and services to improve and/or maintain readiness of the military community. Registration is required. For more information or to register, call 751-5256/6749.

NOV. 14

Love & Money Matters

10 a.m. to noon, 5460 Marion Ave (Chaplain Family Life Center). Army Community Service and the Religious Support Office conduct a workshop to teach effective communication strategies and address common money issues in relationships. Learn to set SMART goals as a couple that can lead to wealth building and a stronger relationship. Registration is required. For more information or to register, call 751-5256.

NOV. 16-17

Resiliency Stand-To

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Fort Jackson

Movie Schedule

3319 Jackson Blvd.

Phone: 751-7488

NOV. 3

■ Expendables (R) 6 p.m.

NOV. 4

■ My Big Fat Greek Wedding 3 (PG-13) 2 p.m.

NOV. 8

■ Meg 2 (PG-13) 2 p.m.

● Ticket sales open 30 minutes before each movie.

● Movie times and schedule are subject to change without notice.

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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 751-6739.



Photo by NATHAN CLINEBELLE

Fort Jackson firefighters hand out candy to trick-or-treaters in the on-post housing areas, Oct. 31. Police officers were also in the areas.

Trick or treat Jackson style

By **NATHAN CLINEBELLE and EMILY HILEMAN**
Fort Jackson Public Affairs

Ghouls, goblins, dinosaurs, witches, dragons and more patrolled the streets of Fort Jackson's housing community for one purpose on Oct. 31 – to get all the treats.

Rachel Burnette, spouse of an Adjutant General Captain's Career Course student, and Catherine Ryerson, a student at the same course, relocated to the bus stop in order to see and be a part of all of the excitement.

"Further back into the Pierce Terrace housing area, there weren't a lot of trick or treaters, so we noticed (the bus stop) was the main hub," Ryerson said. "So, we moved up here."

"We just wanted to be part of the action," Burnette added. "We wanted to see all the

cool costumes and we spent \$100 on candy, so we've got to give it out."

Although the highlight of their evening was seeing some of the most famous supernatural characters of pop culture such as the Sanderson Sisters and Wednesday Addams, the two friends also delighted in their past Halloween adventures.

"We did a lot of at-home costumes and we never bought anything," Ryerson said. "My family was religious, so we were saints or ghosts."

Burnette, on the other hand, recalled her Family's frugality.

"I was a doctor a lot of years, because my parents were cheap," she said. "I was a safari person too."

Whether homemade or store bought, one thing is for sure. Halloween on Fort Jackson was enjoyed by all who participated.



Courtesy photos

Pinckney goes on patrol

Leader Staff Reports

C.C. Pinckney Elementary School faculty pose before heading out on the Math Prize Patrol, Oct. 26. The patrol is one of two the school holds each year to honor its students. A parade of vehicles with lights flashing, horns honking and a police escort snaked through the on-post housing areas to surprise one student from each grade.

The winners were:

Grade 2 - Hunter Harris

Grade 3 - Naya Noel

Grade 4 - Alana Benton

Grade 5- Taylor Reed





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Photo by ROBERT TIMMONS

Grab and Go

Healthy meals for on-the-go Soldiers

By **ROBERT TIMMONS**
Fort Jackson Public Affairs

Fort Jackson took another step towards holistic health and fitness when the doors for Victory Fresh opened at the U.S. Army Drill Sergeant Academy, Oct. 30. Victory Fresh offers grab and go wraps and salads, as well as a build-your-own power bowl available to service members, Department of Defense civilians, and their guests.

The Victory Fresh initiative, created in conjunction with the Robert Irvine Foundation and others, is aimed at creating a way for people to have healthier meal options even when they don't have the time to have a sit-down meal.

"This is really critical to what we are trying to do with the Victory Health and Holistic Fitness Program and having a place that we can have nutritious foods within Army standards," said Col. Mark Huhtanen, deputy commanding officer for the

Army Training Center and Fort Jackson.

It's not just your average run-of-the-mill restaurant.

"What is unique about this is taking all the fresh ingredients and being able to serve it in a way that fits our drill sergeant's schedule," Huhtanen added.

Shane Cash said initiative leaders spoke with drill sergeants a year and half ago asking what they needed to improve their nutritional health.

"They said, 'We need to come into an establishment like this because we are meal prepping all day on our days off because we don't have the time during the week to go to the (dining facility),' (due to their training sched-

ule)," said Cash, who supervised the opening for the Robert Irvine Foundation. "So they were like, 'we need to be able to go

grab breakfast, and have something that's fresh, nutritious so they can go out to the field and do their jobs."

Just having nutritious food wouldn't suffice.

Cash said one catch was that Soldiers "don't just want nutritious food. It has to be good. It has to be appealing and appetizing."

"How do you make someone come back like they go back to" a fast food chain. "We want you to come back to Victory Fresh to get that fresh wrap that's more nutritious, does just as good or better than you can get in a fast food restaurant. But you can

also come in and customize your meal if you want something special like that."

Victory Fresh, located at the U.S. Army Drill Sergeant Academy Dining Facility, Bldg. 9572, is open Monday through Friday with grab 'n go open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and build-your-own power bowl available from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. All meals include a beverage and dessert.

Victory Fresh, which was created in conjunction with the Logistical Readiness Center, South Carolina Commission for the Blind, will have more options available after its official grand opening in February.

"It fits our lifestyle here on Fort Jackson," Huhtanen said. "As we know our drill sergeants are always on the go. We've got drill sergeant candidates here at the Drill Sergeant Academy ... we are across the street from our officer training courses. And so it's critical, I think, for us to have something like this if we're really going to live health and holistic fitness."

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- Col. Mark Huhtanen
Fort Jackson
Deputy Commanding Officer

(Top left) A drill sergeant grabs a pre-made wrap at Victory Fresh, a new dining establishment on post where service members, Department of Defense civilians and their guests can grab a quick healthy bite to eat. (Top right) A worker mixes greens, proteins and toppings at the power bowl station. Victory Fresh offers grab and go meals as well as the option for a patron to create their own power bowl of fresh greens, proteins and topping of their choice. (Far left) Col. Timothy Hickman, garrison commander, and Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. Cesar Duran wait as their power bowls are put together. (Left) A drill sergeant leader pays for his lunch at Victory Fresh, during a soft opening Oct. 30. Victory Fresh is located on the back side of the Academy dining facility facing Marion Avenue.

WHY I SERVE

1ST BATTALION, 13TH INFANTRY REGIMENT

PVT. LANA ANTONIA SUNDERLAND, 17

Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands

"I joined the Army because I wanted to be independent at a young age. My parents being prior service inspired me to join the Army."

"I imagined Basic Combat Training as getting yelled at and corrective training every day, because that is mainly what's shown in movies and BCT videos. Now, having the experience, we do get corrective training, but the drill sergeant's priority is to teach us how to be Soldiers."

"The most challenging part of BCT in my experience was overcoming my fears. I was a afraid of heights and a lot of the first few graduation requirements was climbing tall structures. I overcame my fears by just doing it."



PVT. VICTOR NAJJAR, 18

Oregon City, Oregon

"I joined the Army because I've always had the desire to serve, and the Army fit what I wanted best. I love my country and the people in it. It just wouldn't feel right to me not to serve."

"Before joining I imagined the hardest part of Basic Combat Training would be physical, but I quickly found out that BCT would also challenge me mentally in many ways. It takes a lot of work and effort to stay motivated, retain information, and still get along with battle buddies throughout the cycle."

"My MOS is 42A-Human Resources Specialist. I chose my MOS because I wanted a job that could translate well into civilian life."



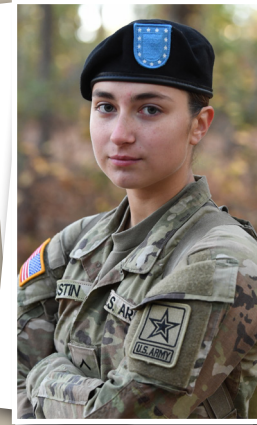
PVT. EMILY AUGUSTIN, 19

Shelby, Nebraska

"There was no individual person who influenced me to join the Army. I decided to join so I could afford medical school because I am not receiving financial aid from my Family. I also wanted to prove my independence and strength to everyone around me."

"I imagined Basic Combat Training would be one of the most difficult experiences in my life. I was terrified at the thought I may have gotten myself into a situation I would not be able to handle."

"My MOS is 15P-Aviation Operations Specialist. I wanted to experience the aviation field in the Army because I would not have the opportunities that I have here in my civilian life."



PVT. AIDAN LUCAS-VANDEHEI, 18

Poplar Grove, Illinois

I was influenced to enlist by "my Family that served and the college benefits had a large share of my decision to join."

Before I arrived, I thought Basic Combat Training would be "more physical training, but more shooting too."

"Stress management during BCT was my weakest link. Having to do so much PT because of the usual suspect got to me more than I'd like to admit."

Here is some advice: "Grit your teeth, bite your tongue, prepare for new varieties of stupid and just survive until the next meal."

I am a "91F-Small Arms and Artillery Repairer. I enjoy guns and knowing how things work."



PVT. SLATE WILSON, 20

Tuscaloosa, Alabama

"I was 350 pounds with no direction in life and then I learned about David Goggins – a retired Navy SEAL. I became obsessed with changing who I was. I decided to be a Soldier, because a Soldier was everything I wasn't – physically fit, mentally strong, and disciplined. A year later I am lighter and graduating Basic Combat Training."

I advise those about to enter BCT to "be sure to be in shape before coming here; don't use BCT as a way to get in shape."

"I am a 25H-Network Communication Systems Specialist. I have worked in electronics for most of my life."



PVT. ISABELLA VARGAS, 18

Anaheim, California

"I joined the Army to help my mom and for my college because I want to become a firefighter. I also want to be a good example for my niece and little siblings."

"I imagined Basic Combat Training to be physically/mentally challenging, tiring, constant, and fun."

"The most challenging part of BCT was having to push myself every morning no matter how tired I was. As well as not being able to talk to my Family. This is because I would mentally be drained and constantly doing things."

"My MOS is 88M-Motor Transport Operator. The reason I chose this is because I love to drive."



To read more why Soldiers serve visit: home.army.mil/jackson

SALUTING THIS BCT CYCLE'S HONOREES 1st Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment

ALPHA COMPANY

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OF THE CYCLE**
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SOLDIER OF THE CYCLE
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Spc. Beriah Yisrael

SOLDIER OF THE CYCLE
Pvt. Owen Alexander



STAFF SGT. BENJAMIN RHODES

**DRILL SERGEANT
OF THE CYCLE**



Photo by NATHAN CLINEBELLE

Oct. 26 retirees

Fort Jackson honored the service of Sgt. 1st Class Tisha L. White (left), from Walter Reed National Military Medical Center at Bethesda, Md., and Leslie Ann 'LA' Sully (center), Fort Jackson media relations officer, during the Basic Combat Training graduation, Oct. 26.

Commentary: 120th invests in turning trainees into Army ambassadors

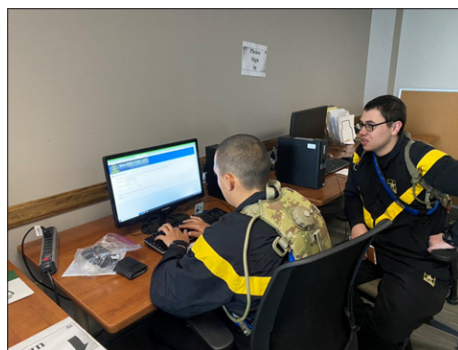
120th Adjutant General Battalion

Company E, 120th Adjutant General Battalion (Reception), better known as the Reception Holding Unit has a unique mission of returning Initial Entry Training personnel back to the civilian population. The RHU houses all trainees pending discharge, whether through chapter or medical evaluation.

Leadership and cadre never focus on what landed non-trainees in their formation, but instead, they focus on what these trainees need to be successful in their next chapter in life and are they prepared for what's to come once they leave Echo Company, and ultimately the Army.

The RHU is home to the only Warrior Opportunity Center out of the four basic training locations in the Army. The purpose of the center is to allow trainees pending discharge, to concentrate and work towards their goals and aspirations prior to exiting the Army.

For many trainees, joining the Army was their plan A, B, and C for income, housing, and the means to fund their education. Unfortunately, their careers ended before they really began.



Courtesy photo

Trainees use the computer lab to apply for college and financial aid.

The RHU command team saw a need for trainees to have the ability to explore employment opportunities, housing, and education before being discharged. This allows for a seamless transition back into the civilian world.

The WOC, stood up in early 2022, at the time it consisted of a few computers for trainees' use. Fast-forward to today and the WOC has more than 15 computers, a small library, and a functioning classroom for briefings and classes. These classes are taught by company cadre, drill sergeants, fellow trainees, and several other resources such as

Army Community Service.

The Army has done a great job aiding personnel exiting the Army with transition and employment assistance, but its focus is predominately on Soldiers who have at least completed their first contract, as it should be.

RHU leadership at Fort Jackson realizing there was a gap in assistance provided for its transitioning trainees who never made it to their first duty station created an abbreviated Soldier for Life Transition Assistance Program since the trainee do not qualify for the official program.

All trainees who don't become a Soldier, and leave Fort Jackson prematurely, will have a story to tell when they get home.

The goal is to send these trainees home as ambassadors of the Army as opposed to being a hindrance to the recruiting efforts. The obstacles U.S. Army Recruiting Command faces right now are hard enough without trainees being sent home with a bad report of what the Army is like. When they get home, they will either tell the story of how "the Army is a horrible place that kicked me to the curb," or they will say "Hey, I wasn't able to accomplish what I wanted, but the Army took care of me anyway ... you should give it a try!"

When trainees accomplish anything significant while at the RHU, they are recognized in front of their peers by being given an opportunity to tell the story of how they achieved their accomplishment and ringing the "SSG Phillippe Workman Victory Bell." The bell is named after the late Workman who lost his life in a motorcycle accident in March 2023.

These accomplishments can be something significant as getting a scholarship, finding employment, being accepted to college or a trade school, or basically anything that will set them up for success following the Army.

Implementing this into the weekly battle rhythm has been a game changer. It spreads positivity throughout the formation, and these success stories become contagious, and it shifts trainees' focus from, "I failed my goal of becoming a Soldier," to "this is what I need to do now, so I am successful in the future."

All the leaders in this organization understand what this means and live by the slogan "We see you through" every day.

The mission is unique and will have a lasting impact on the trainees and the potential future Soldiers that they will meet.

Events

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Fort Jackson will conduct a two-day Resiliency Stand-To Nov. 16-17. Day one includes opening remarks, an overview of services, breakout sessions and vendors inside the Solomon Center. On day two there will tours of post activities; a panel will speak on resiliency from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the NCO Club Ballroom; and a livestreamed talk by retired Maj. Gen. Gregg Martin at 3 p.m. For more information, visit: <https://home.army.mil/jackson/about/resiliency-fair>. Register for the Resiliency Stand-To guest speakers luncheon at the NCO Club. For access to the buffet, it will be \$15 at the door (cash or card). If you would like to attend, but not purchase food, please still RSVP to ensure adequate seating is provided. RSVP no later than Nov. 10 via email at usarmy.jackson.army-tng-ctr.mbx.fj-resiliency-lead-planners@army.mil or call at 751-2915/6334.

NOV. 17
Financial Planning for the Holidays
 10-11 a.m., 9810 Lee Road. Army Community Service Financial Readiness Program will host a Financial Planning for the Holidays seminar. The seminar will cover developing a shopping plan, establishing limits, alternative gifts and financial safety throughout the holiday season. For more information or to register, call 751-5256.

Fort Jackson Resiliency

Stand-To


16 - 17 November 2023




Welcoming Service Members,
 Family Members, DA Civilians,
 and Retirees

- * Giveaways
- * Games
- * H2F Domains
- * Guest Speakers
- * Fitness Classes
- * On & Off Post Vendors

Check the QR Code for Details!



“Resiliency Starts Here”



DEC. 1
Holiday Tree Lighting
 6 p.m., Patriots Park. Join Fort Jackson as children help Brig. Gen. Jason Kelly

light the tree. Santa Claus is also set to arrive as well.
DEC. 6

Holiday Biltmore Trip
 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Visit and experience the historic Biltmore Estates in beautiful Asheville, NC.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE	FAITH GROUP	DAY	TIME	PLACE
	CATHOLIC MASS	SUNDAY	9:30-10:30 A.M.	MAIN POST CHAPEL
	CATHOLIC MASS	MON-FRI	NOON	MAIN POST CHAPEL
	GOSPEL SERVICE	SUNDAY	10:30 A.M.	DANIEL CIRCLE CHAPEL
	GENERAL PROTESTANT	SUNDAY	11 A.M. TO NOON	MAIN POST CHAPEL
	REVIVE SERVICE	SUNDAY	5 P.M.	MAIN POST 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	10:30-11:30 A.M.	MAGRUDER CHAPEL
	HISPANIC PROTESTANT SERVICE	SUNDAY	8:30-10 A.M.	POST THEATER
	ISLAMIC SERVICE	SUNDAY	8-9 A.M.	DANIEL CIRCLE CHAPEL
	JEWISH SERVICE	SUNDAY	10:15-11:30 A.M.	LIGHTNING CHAPEL
	THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS	SUNDAY	10:30 A.M. - NOON	ANDERSON CHAPEL

CAC commander visits familiar ground at religious institute

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Institute for Religious Leadership

A familiar face visited the Institute for Religious Leadership, Oct. 26.

Lt. Gen. Milford “Beags” Beagle, Jr., U.S. Army Combined Arms Center and Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, commander, stopped by the IRL during a trip to the post.

“Lt. Gen. Beagle has been a friend and an impactful supporter of the Institute’s transformation not only as the Fort Jackson commanding general but also as the commanding general of the Combined Arms Center,” said the Institute’s chief of staff and deputy commandant, Chaplain (Col.) Emmitt Furrer. “His leadership has materially helped us achieve our current successes. To have him return to see our continued evolution is a blessing and inspirational.”

As the center’s commander, Beagle is charged with developing and integrating Army leader development, doctrine, education, lessons learned, functional training, training support, training development, and proponent responsibilities in order to support mission command, and preparing the Army to successfully conduct unified land operations in a joint, inter-agency, inter-governmental, multinational environment.

Beagle’s last visit to the Institute was when he was commanding Fort Jackson and the organization was known as the Chaplain Center and School. It has since transitioned to the Institute for Religious Leadership and has grown considerably in size and scope.

The Institute has added the Religious Leader Academy, NCO Academy, a graduate school and the Religious Support Operations Center. The RSOC functions on behalf of the Army Chaplain Corps.

Dr. Nathan White, Graduate School Associate Dean and Chuck Heard, RLA deputy director provided information on efforts and projects relevant to CAC interests and further enhance the capabilities of the Chaplain Corps.

According to White, the graduate school was founded four years ago in response to the Army chief of chaplains’ desire to further professionalize the Chaplain Corps. To this end, the graduate school develops and conducts education in support of relevant certifications, academic degrees, and profes-



Lt. Gen. Milford ‘Beags’ Beagle, Jr., U.S. Army Combined Arms Center and Fort Leavenworth, Kan., commander, Chuck Heard, deputy director fo the Religious Leader Academy, discuss technological update in the Simulation Center, Oct. 26.

sional competency. A major recent focus has been in increasing Army Learning System capability in the affective domain. The graduate school also publishes the U.S. Army Chaplain Corps Journal.

Beagle was presented with a special publication on the free exercise of religion that the Journal published: <https://usarlatraining.army.mil/special-publications>

Heard added, our time with Beagle was focused on our thinking about how we can achieve better learning outcomes to better prepare students for Large Scale Combat Operations despite TRADOC being in a persistent “no-growth” state.

In addition to a comprehensive total task inventory review and detailed analysis of all of our courseware, we’re exploring innovative ways to help learners master abstract concepts (battlefield visualization, impacts of the electromagnetic spectrum, etc.) to shorten the timeline from novice to performer as much as possible, Heard said. One way we’re exploring is the use of more

immersive and interactive technologies such as the Battlefield Visualization and Interaction platform. BVI includes and augmented reality sand table, a floor projection system for rehearsals of concept drills, and virtual and augmented reality for immersive training.

Initial uses for the battle lab include integration into the mission command master scenario for all courses and a supplemental tool for the Captains Career Course staff ride. Future implementation includes leveraging it as a concept’s lab for our co-located Futures Command team, developing mission briefs for severe weather action plans and active shooter drills, and conducting rehearsals of concept for key events from foot marches to field training exercises.

Beagle was also shown some of the interactive equipment in the USA-IRL Simulation Center.

He said he was impressed with what he saw.

“It’s the evolution of where things go,” he

said. “It’s different parts of our Army where you see learning, you see education evolve, but you’ve got to make sure that it’s occurring across our Army and when you see it with our chaplains and what we do for our (Unit Ministry Teams) and the evolution they’re at today, I’m impressed.”

“The last time I visited and where they are now is like multiple evolutions in terms of being on the right trajectory, the right path and learning curve,” Beagle said. “It’s phenomenal to see, and based on where I sit now and having to keep oversight across our Army, it’s just great to see. In some cases, based on what I saw today, what we do here at the Institute for Religious Leadership is ahead of everybody else. That is phenomenal to see, you know, this institution not only keeping the pace but, in some cases, pushing the pace.”

Beagle left Fort Jackson to command the 10th Mountain Division and Fort Drum, New York. He then went to Fort Leavenworth for his current position.

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Jebidiah Ford-Thompson checks herb roasted chicken offered to patrons in the build your own bowl section of Victory Fresh, Oct. 30. Patrons, who built their own bowl, choose which greens they want and to choose between two proteins and can select up to five toppings.

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