



U.S. Army Garrison Fort Hunter Liggett & Parks Reserve Forces Training Area

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Major General Alberto Rosende, the new 63rd Readiness Division Commander and FHL senior commander, visited cities surrounding FHL as part of his battlefield circulation.

Black History Month observed at both installations

Highlights for Fort Hunter Liggett: Maj. Gen. Rosende and Col. Bell meets elected officials; full-scale exercise; prescribed burns; Fellows Program; MWR and spiritual wellness events.

Highlights for Camp Parks: Emergency preparedness training and tabletop exercise; Spiritual Fitness event; and Army Reserve-Navy medical training.



Both installations conducted emergency preparedness training and exercises to validated plans and processes.

FHL and Parks Reserve Forces Training Area provides base operations support enabling total force readiness while providing for the well-being and security of Soldiers, Family members and Civilians on post. It is the seventh largest Army installation and the largest Army Reserve installation in the country. Along with this bi-weekly storyboard, FHL & CPRFTA produces a variety of command information products which are available on the Defense Video & Imagery Distribution System (DVIDS). Produced by the FHL Public Affairs Office, Bldg 238 California Ave, Fort Hunter Liggett CA 93928. For additional info, click on icons on right.



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LEADER ENGAGEMENTS

Meet & Greet with Elected Officials



In February, Major General Alberto Rosende met with Congressman Jimmy Panetta, King City and Paso Robles mayors and city manager as part of his “battlefield circulation” as the new 63rd Readiness Division Commander and FHL senior commander. He explained his command’s mission, area of operations and highlighted the \$1 billion economic impact Army Reserve has in California. Fort Hunter Liggett Commander Colonel Charles Bell provided info on the large percentage of employees that live in King City and Paso Robles, the impact of a potential Mobilization Forces Generating Installation (MFGI) designation. Many partnership opportunities were identified during the meetings with the two cities. Pictured clockwise are Rosende and Bell briefing Congressman Panetta on the MFGI; with King City Mayor Mike LeBarre; and with Paso Robles Mayor Steve Martin and City Manager Tom Frutchey. (Photos by Amy Phillips, FHL Public Affairs)



LEADER ENGAGEMENT

FHL Commander meets with Paso Leaders



Fort Hunter Liggett Garrison Commander Col. Charles Bell and Mrs. Bell attended the Paso Robles Chamber of Commerce Annual Gala at Rava Winery, Feb. 29, 2020. Bell is actively engaged with King City and Paso Robles as part of his ongoing campaign to foster positive community relationships, discuss potential partnerships, and promote FHL mission and job opportunities. He met with the Paso Mayor and City Manager as well as Mayor Pro Tem Steve Gregory, Councilman Fred Strong, John Harmon, and District Representative Greg Haas from U.S. Representative Salud Carbajal's Office. (Courtesy photos)



GARRISON READINESS

Emergency Preparedness Exercises



Fort Hunter Liggett conducted a full-scale exercise based on earthquake scenario to validate and update the Installation Protection Plan, the garrison's emergency preparedness posture, and community resilience, Feb. 25-26. Concurrently, Parks Reserve Forces Training Area received training from an emergency operations team of instructors from Course Camp Blanding, and conducted a tabletop exercise, Feb. 25-27. These exercises test the installations' emergency plan functionality and processes, and practice coordination with internal and external partners to get the mission accomplished. The one thing common at both installation exercises is that life, health and safety is a priority at all times. Websites like FEMA, Red Cross and CDC have lots of useful info and toolkits to help everyone prepare for emergencies at work and at home. (Photos by Amy Phillips and Cindy McIntyre, FHL Public Affairs)



GARRISON READINESS

Prescribed Fire



Flames were uncharacteristically close to the FHL cantonment as the Fire Department conducted a prescribed burn alongside Mission Road, Feb. 20, 2020. Roy Hinton with the Network Enterprise office was conducting a communication tower inspection when he took this photo. Prescribed burns help control invasive plants such as the yellow-star thistle, and reduce fuel loads in case of wildfire, both of which keep training lands open and the environment healthy. (Photo by Roy Hinson, FHL NEC)



MILITARY READINESS

Army Reserve-Navy Medical Training

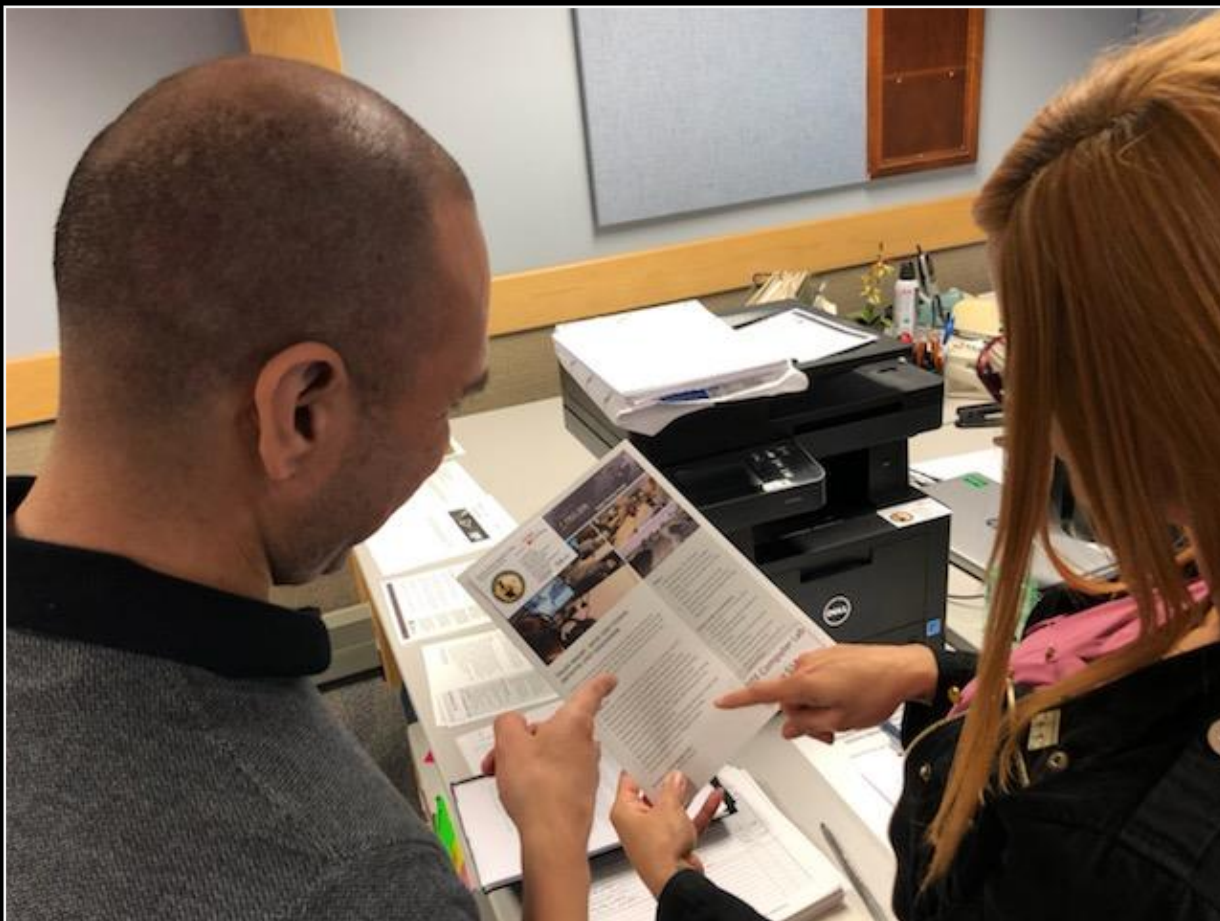


Navy Expeditionary Medical Facility, Camp Pendleton conducted various training events at RTS-MED Parks Reserve Forces Training Area, Feb. 10-16. Training included field sanitation and simulated combat injuries for Tactical Combat Casualty Care (TCCC). (Courtesy photos)



SUPPORT TO TRAINING

Distance Learning Center Facelift



The PRFTA Distance Learning Center began a Tech Refresh, replacing old desktop computers with new faster laptops and fixing damaged items such as projector bulbs. The new laptop system will allow Soldiers a more streamlined access for digital training. Tech refresh was spearheaded by Brianne Singletary and lead contractor Joshua Serna, with assistance from Stacey Brown and Marty Alarcon (DPTMS), and was completed on January 30. (Courtesy photos)



FAMILY PROGRAMS

MWR Teen Bowling & BOSS Spin Class



Fort Hunter Liggett's Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation hosted several events in February, including a Pop Up SPIN class sponsored by the FHL BOSS Program at the DeAnza Sports Center. The class promoted a healthier lifestyle in a fun learning environment. Participants were taught how to actively enjoy a cycle program. In total there were 14 participants. The CYS Teen Center hosts a weekly bowling tournament for registered teens to promote a learning environment for youth while having fun. Bowling promotes the learning of math skills by calculating scores, figuring averages and learning mathematical systems to adjust lane conditions. In total there were 12 guests and 9 participants. (Photos courtesy FMWR)



FAMILY PROGRAMS

Protestant Women of the Chapel



Protestant Women of the Chapel meet every Thursday in the RSO Building 288 from 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Carmen Leggett reads Bible passages and the women discuss them (above.) The mission of PWOC at FHL is to build meaningful relationships through ministry and fellowship, establishing a system of support by reaching out to community through prayer and thanksgiving, and working to continually promote women's emotional, spiritual, and physical well-being. (Photo courtesy Carmen Leggett)



SOLDIER PROGRAMS

PRFTA Spiritual Fitness Breakfast



The Parks Reserve Forces Training Area hosted breakfast and devotion event for the NCO Academy Basic Leader Course students and cadre, Feb. 18. Chaplain (Maj.) and Mrs. Ross, NCOA Command Sgt. Maj. Stoots, and NCOA Sgt. Maj. Stubenvoll served participants breakfast. Chaplain (Maj.) Vann led the devotion on Proverbs 6, reflecting on the seven hated sins, how it relates to military service, and how the Army Values can combat these pitfalls. Several Soldiers shared their experiences and how they overcame these issues personally and professionally. (Courtesy photos)



EMPLOYEE PROGRAMS

Fellows Program



The Fellows and their mentors had their initial meetings and team-building exercises during the FY20 Fellows Orientation, Feb. 19. They got to know each other through an “interview” session, and a drawing-guessing game to test their critical thinking and communication skills. The Fellows Program is a year-long experience designed to enhance employee knowledge and skills, and to prepare them to meet future organizational needs of Fort Hunter Liggett / Parks Reserve Forces Training Area and beyond. The Fellows meet once a month to learn more about leadership, the ARMY/IMCOM/Garrison structure, get to go on interesting field trips to observe different aspects of garrison operations, and even get to go on an aerial tour of the installation. (Photos by Amy Phillips, FHL Public Affairs).



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Black History Month Celebrations



Black History Month was observed at Fort Hunter Liggett and Parks Reserve Forces Training Area. The PRFTA NCO Academy hosted Tammi Love, motivational blogger, (pictured left with Charquilla McGaffney, PRFTA Training Support Specialist) as the guest speaker for their Feb. 12, 2020 event. Love spoke on the history of voting rights for African Americans. NCOA leadership served lunch to attendees after the speech. Fort Hunter Liggett FMWR hosted a program at the historic Hacienda featuring D.C. Williams, retired forensic psychiatric technician and Army veteran. Williams gave a chronology of African Americans from slavery to World War II, with special mention of Tuskegee Airmen in WWII, and the 59th Massachusetts Infantry Regiment of African Americans during the Civil War. (Courtesy photos)