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BACK TO SCHOOL

It's about time to go back to school for Fort Rucker youth. The post's schools are back in session starting Aug. 5.  
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CONCERT

A summer band concert is scheduled to take place Aug. 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the post's Howze Field. Titled Music Under the Alabama Stars, the event features a performance by Fort Rucker's own 98th Army "Silver Wings" Band.

Maj. Gen. Anthony G. Crutchfield, USAACE and Fort Rucker commanding general, invites everyone to attend, and bring along their lawn chairs, blankets, Families and friends.

"I envision a relaxed atmosphere for our Families. A park full of lawn chairs, Frisbees, children and leashed pets running around. It's a way to say 'thanks for your hard work' by enjoying the great music of our band," Crutchfield said.

Keep an eye on the Army Flier, the Fort Rucker website and the post's social media outlets, such as **Twitter** and **Facebook**, for more information and updates.

GAO

The U.S. Government Accountability Office is investigating fraud and abuse in the Federal Employees' Compensation Act program. Specifically, GAO is looking for information on cases in which federal employees are currently abusing workers compensation benefits.

For example, fraud schemes might include a beneficiary working a second job, overstating their workers' compensation injury or collecting benefits for a deceased individual.

Anyone with information regarding fraud or abuse of the FECA program is encouraged to send an email to [workerscompfraud@gao.gov](mailto:workerscompfraud@gao.gov).

All information about individuals who send emails will be kept confidential, according to GAO officials.

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Low **73**  
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**FRIDAY**  
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Isolated t-storms

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Maj. John Tucker, 1st Bn., 14th Avn. Regt. executive officer, Fernando Rivera Jr., and 1st Bn., 14th Avn. Regt. 1st Sgt. Fernando Rivera, clean up recently cut weeds and brush at D.A. Smith Middle School in Ozark Saturday. The unit's command group volunteered to help with the school's cleanup day in preparation for the beginning of the new school year.

## Soldiers lend helping hand

BY RUSSELL SELLERS  
Army Flier Staff Writer

Helping out at local schools is just one way the Soldiers of 1st Battalion, 14th Aviation Regiment like to show their support for the local communities.

A group of 10 Soldiers, mostly made up of the unit's command group, showed up

at D.A. Smith Middle School in Ozark Saturday ready to help cut weeds, clear out brush, repaint stairwells and provide any other service asked of them, said Maj. John Tucker, the unit's executive officer.

"We came out today to help out our sister community of Ozark with a beautification project," Tucker said. "We had a little bit of everybody out today from company

commanders to pilots and even some Family members."

Tucker said the tightly-knit communities like Ozark are important to Fort Rucker and the unit, so it's important to be involved with them as much as possible.

"Community relations are very

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## Job fair helps Soldiers find post-service work

BY RUSSELL SELLERS  
Army Flier Staff Writer

When the doors opened at the Civilianjobs.com job fair at The Landing July 20, Soldiers, retirees and Family members from around the area and beyond poured in to find out who was looking for them.

This is the third year the job fair has occurred at Fort Rucker, and those in attendance said it was nice to see employers who were looking specifically for service-members and their Family members.

"I really came to introduce my-

self to prospective employers because I'm due to retire in December," said Sgt. 1st Class Daniel Mitchell, 1st Battalion, 13th Aviation Regiment battalion safety non-commissioned officer in charge. "I'm trying to plan ahead now and get ready for my post-military career. This is a great opportunity for those who are trying to plan their future after the military."

Bryan Tharpe, Army Career and Alumni Program Transition Services manager, said the event has seen growth over the last two years and that this one was no different.

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Spc. Frazier Clementis and Staff Sgt. Clinton Borders, both in the 787th CSSB from Dothan, get information from Danielle Arnold, CCE Human Resources specialist, during the annual Civilianjobs.com job fair at The Landing July 20.

## People put skills on display at Rockin' Rucker's



PHOTO BY RUSSELL SELLERS

Spc. Derek Crowe, C Co., 1st Bn., 11th Avn. Regt., and his wife, Amber, perform an original song titled "Rusty River" during the final round of "Rockin' Rucker's" talent show last year. The duo took home last year's top prize.

BY JAY MANN  
Fort Rucker Public Affairs

Those looking for some live entertainment might consider the second annual Rockin' Rucker's Talent Show — and they might even see something they've never seen before.

Community members will put their talents on display Wednesday and Aug. 4 from 6-9 p.m. at the Landing Ballroom, with participants being judged in five categories: overall performance, personality, originality, stage presence and audience

response, said Brian Jackson, Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation.

"Everybody is welcome to all three elimination rounds, including patrons that aren't performing," Jackson said. "According to the judges last year, a lot of participants scored very low in audience response during the audition rounds because no one showed up to support the acts. I would highly recommend to every participant to bring their family and friends

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## EFMP respite care

### Enhancing quality of life for caregivers

BY LT. GEN. RICK LYNCH  
IMCOM Commanding General

This month, the Exceptional Family Member Program began standardizing and streamlining the process for delivering respite care to eligible Families in need of support.

The EFMP is a mandatory enrollment program that works with other military and civilian agencies to provide comprehensive, coordinated community support, housing, educational, medical and personnel services to Families with special needs. It is focused on helping these Families find the support and care needed to ensure all their members can thrive.

Respite care is one way EFMP helps to provide support for all Family members – in this case, the caregivers. Caring for a Family member with special needs, especially severe chronic medical conditions, is an around-the-clock job. There may be no end to a caregiver's love, but everyone who shoulders such responsibilities needs a break to rest and recharge.

EFMP respite care provides that break. Qualifying Families are eligible for up to 40 hours of respite care a month for each certified Family member.

In an effort to enhance ser-



Lt. Gen. Rich Lynch

vice delivery to EFMP-enrolled Families, IMCOM has revised EFMP respite care policies and procedures. The revision is effective this month.

It includes changes in eligibility criteria and the Family Services Needs Matrix, and online training for EFMP managers and physicians. An EFMP respite care panel will be established at each garrison to review and recommend approval or disapproval of all respite care submissions to the garrison commander, who is the decision authority.

Garrison EFMP managers are available to provide more detailed information to Families currently receiving respite care. Soldiers or Family members who have questions about it or other EFMP-related services can also visit the EFMP web page at

Army OneSource (<http://www.myarmyonesource.com/>).

This revision to policy and procedures is part of the Army EFMP Strategic Action Plan to improve services and support for Families with special needs. Also, as part of the strategic action plan, at the beginning of this fiscal year EFMP added 43 systems navigators, or non-clinical case managers, at 26 garrisons stateside and overseas to connect Families with required systems of care.

The focus on enhancing the effectiveness of EFMP could not be more important or timely. Important, because the EFMP is one way the Army keeps key promises it made in the Army Family Covenant: providing access to high-quality medical care, educational opportunities and Family programs that fos-

ter an environment in which Families can thrive.

Timely, because while the Army's commitment remains as strong as when the covenant was signed in 2007, we are operating in a different fiscal reality in 2011. Just as any Soldier or Family member asks "Is it worth it?" before opening their wallet, we are doing the same, making sure we are using resources as efficiently as possible to provide quality services to Families.

Army life poses challenges for any Family, but especially for Families with special needs. It is part of our job, our commitment, to make sure we are delivering the right services in the right way to support the health and well-being of all Family members.

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## Rotor Wash

“With summer vacation coming to a close, what was the highlight of your summer?”



**Ronnie Davis,**  
retired military

“Floundering down on the coast. We caught some sharks and flounder.”



**Nan Perry,**  
military spouse

“My granddaughter visited from Missouri.”



**2nd Lt. Steve Ronan,**  
B Co. 1st Bn., 145th

“I had a building project over the July 4 weekend that went well.”



**W01 Christopher Roberts,**  
B Co. 1st Bn., 145th

“The highlight of my summer was going to my cabin in Minnesota.”



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# Parcours Lake set to open spring 2012

BY JAY MANN  
*Fort Rucker Public Affairs*

With the construction phase of the Parcours renovations complete, now all fishers can do is wait.

"We are looking at spring of 2012 to open the lake to fishing," said Daniel Spillers, fish and wildlife biologist with the Directorate of Public Works. "We have stocked it with a mixture of Bluegill and Shellcracker, and hopefully will get a first spawn, then we put the Florida Large-mouth Bass in. The natural predator/prey action will take care of the numbers; it's supposed to be 10 Bluegill for every bass."

Spillers said people can visit the lake, sit on the benches and take a picnic as long as they stay out of the water and leave the fish alone.

He added that when the lake reopens, it will be for a different use than before.

"Before it was brought down it was a kid's lake, just for people under 16 years old to fish in," he said. "But when it is reopened for fishing next year, it will be for everybody who has the proper state license and Fort Rucker permit."

He said there were a few reasons for last year's renovations to the lake.

"What was happening is a process called Eutrophication — the edges of the pond fill in with dirt and silt and vegetation



PHOTO BY RUSSELL SELLERS

A "no fishing" notice has greeted pedestrians since construction was completed at Parcours Lake last year. Directorate of Public Work officials stated work is currently under way to create a balanced fish population within the lake. However, officials are confident the lake should be ready for fishing by spring 2012.

starts growing there, and gradually the pond gets shallower and weeds start to take over," Spillers said.

The first step was to remove fish from the lake, said Spillers.

"So we let people catch as many fish as they could," he said, adding that the lake was then drained and the edges deepened

to three feet. "We deepened the edges so it would be a while before this problem happened again. We used the material we removed from the edges to extend the fishing piers, so people can walk out farther into the center of the lake to fish."

Also, a gravel boat ramp and drain for the lake was built.

"While it was down, we collected Christmas trees on post and put them in the lake to provide some cover for the fish," he added.

Spillers said once the lake reopens, there will again be rules for fishers: no outboard motors are allowed, only electric trolling motors; there is no swim-

ming allowed; and people cannot use fish for bait.

"You cannot use minnows in Parcours," he said. "In Tholocco you can, but in the small ponds you can throw the balance of the lake off if live minnows are introduced."

Visitors to the lake might notice signs for people to be careful of alligators at the lake.

"We have not seen an alligator out there since we drained and brought the lake back up," Spillers said. "We do have native alligators on Fort Rucker, but they usually do not cause a problem. The only time alligators really cause a problem is when people start feeding them and they lose their natural fear of humans."

People wanting to fish on Fort Rucker should call outdoor recreation at 255-4305 for authorized areas, maps, and information on rules and permits, or visit the website <http://www.ftrucker.mwr.com/ODR/huntfish.html>.

Scan this code with your smartphone



to check out more photos of the lake area.

## President certifies 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' repeal

BY JIM GARAMONE  
*American Forces Press Service*

WASHINGTON — Based on recommendations from military leaders, President Barack Obama has certified to Congress that the U.S. armed forces are prepared for repeal of the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" law.

There is a 60-day waiting period before the repeal goes into effect, so the law will officially come off the books Sept. 20. After that date, gay servicemembers can be open about their sexual orientation.

The president signed the certification and delivered it to Congress Friday.

Congress passed the repeal law in December. The legislation gave the military time to prepare the force and said repeal would happen only after the president, the defense secretary and the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of

Staff certified the force as ready for repeal.

The Defense Department chartered a repeal implementation team to coordinate the necessary changes to policy and regulations, and to provide education and training to servicemembers. The team worked to ensure the smoothest possible transition for the U.S. military to accommodate and implement this important and necessary change, Defense Secretary Leon E. Panetta said.

"Today, as a result of strong leadership and proactive education throughout the force, we can take the next step in this process," the secretary said. "The president, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and I have certified that the implementation of repeal of Don't Ask, Don't Tell is consistent with the standards of military readi-

ness, military effectiveness, unit cohesion and recruiting and retention of the armed forces."

Panetta said he believes the repeal is essential to the effectiveness of our all-volunteer force.

"All men and women who serve this nation in uniform — no matter their race, color, creed, religion or sexual orientation — do so with great dignity, bravery, and dedication," he said in a written statement on certification.

Panetta pledged to support a military free from personal, social or institutional barriers that prevent servicemembers from rising to the highest level of responsibility that their talents and capabilities warrant.

"They put their lives on the line for America, and that's what really matters," he said. "Thanks to the professionalism and leader-

ship of the U.S. military, we are closer to achieving the goal that is at the foundation of America — equality and dignity for all."

The services put together training courses for the force and more than 1.9 million servicemembers have now received that training. DOD and service officials also looked at regulatory and legal changes that repeal entailed.

"I am comfortable that we have used the findings of the Comprehensive Review Working Group to mitigate areas of concern, and that we have developed the policy and regulations necessary for implementation — consistent with standards of military readiness, military effectiveness, unit cohesion and recruiting and retention," Navy Adm. Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said in a written statement.

Certification is not the end of the road. The department, the services and the combatant commands must work "to train the remainder of the joint force, to monitor our performance as we do so, and to adjust policy where and when needed," Mullen said.

The "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" law went into effect in 1993. It allowed gay and lesbian personnel to serve in the military as long as they were not open about their sexual orientation.

On Feb. 2, 2010, Mullen testified to that Senate Armed Services Committee that he believed it was time to repeal the law.

"It is my personal belief that allowing gays and lesbians to serve openly would be the right thing to do," Mullen told the senators. "No matter how I look at the issue, I cannot escape being troubled

by the fact that we have in place a policy which forces young men and women to lie about who they are in order to defend their fellow citizens. For me, personally, it comes down to integrity — theirs as individuals and ours as an institution."

Mullen said he believes Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines can handle the changes.

"My confidence in our ability to accomplish this work rests primarily on the fact that our people are capable, well-led and thoroughly professional," he said in his written statement today. "I have never served with finer men and women. They will, I am certain, carry out repeal and continue to serve this country with the same high standards and dignity that have defined the U.S. military throughout our history."

## Post honors instructors of the quarter

Fort Rucker honored its instructors of the third quarter recently. The winners were: officer instructor pilot of the quarter, CW3 Joshua T. Locke, 1st Battalion, 223rd Aviation Regiment; warrant officer academic instructor of the quarter, CW3 Rodney L. Brown, 1st Battalion, 145th Aviation Regiment; NCO flight instructor of the quarter, Sgt. 1st Class Edgar A. Alvarado, 1st Battalion, 212th Aviation Regiment; NCO academic instructor of the quarter, Staff Sgt. Bradley J. Stevens, U.S. Army School of Aviation Medicine; civilian instructor pilot of the quarter, Michael D. Antley, 1st Battalion, 223rd Aviation Regiment.



PHOTO BY JIM HUGHES



# Soldiers: Project forms strong bonds

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important, especially here in the Wiregrass," he said. "We support the communities the same as they support us. Education is very important to me, so being able to help out a school is a great way to form those strong community bonds."

The cleanup day, as it has come to be called, started last year and is a way for the community members to give back to the school by helping clean it up in preparation for the new school year, said Danelle Peterman, school principal.

She added that having the Soldiers helping out showed the strong connection the

two communities have with one another.

"I think it's great that they're here helping out," she said. "They are very good at what they do and their work ethic is amazing. There is a great and positive working relationship between the two communities. They are willing to work and collaborate with us in any way they can. Ozark is the home of Fort Rucker, so we want them to know they are welcome here in our city."

Some Family members also came to help out in the cleanup, despite having to get up early on a Saturday morning and endure some hot temperatures.

"I just wanted to come out

and help as much as I can," said Fernando Rivera Jr., son of 1st Bn., 14th Avn. Regt. 1st Sgt. Fernando Rivera. "I didn't want to get up at one point, but this was also a way to have some Family time."

Rivera and his father worked to clear out a section of the school where weeds and brush had overgrown over a walkway. They said that when they started it was hard to tell there was a walkway under it all, but once they finished it was cleared away and the sidewalk was visible again.

"It just needed some love," said the elder Rivera. "It was just a matter of putting in some work and cleaning out a lot of the overgrowth."



PHOTO BY RUSSELL SELLERS

Maj. John Tucker, 1st Bn., 14th Avn. Regt. executive officer, works with Fred Gissendamer, Ozark community member, on cleaning up one of the curbs at D.A. Smith Middle School Saturday.

# Work: More potential employers join each year

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"We've got a lot of employers and Soldiers with the right skill sets here," he said. "I'm pretty optimistic about their chances of finding jobs. I've wandered around a little and tried to hook potential employees up with the right employers for their skills."

More potential employers join the job fair each year and this has increased the chances for Soldiers, Family members and retirees to find work, said Vicki Washington, Civilianjobs.com job fair operations director.

"When these types of events are held in the communities, Soldiers and their

Families have to compete with other job seekers and it can be even harder to find a job," she said.

Washington, a retired sergeant major, said the event also featured another benefit that many took advantage of: pre-registration.

"By preregistering, potential employees could be better matched by their skill sets and geography with potential employers," she said. "We had about 200 people preregister and that allowed us to set some of them up with employers who are looking for specifically what they have to offer."

Washington also said she was impressed by the increasing number of

"military-friendly" organizations who choose to be part of the event each year.

"It's really grown from where it was a couple years ago when we started it here," she said. "I think we've probably tripled the number of employers since then."

One company, Contracting, Consulting, Engineering Inc., looking for those with a background in Aviation set up a booth at the event for the first time.

"We have a technical services section that handles Aviation contracts and Fort Rucker, being the Aviation training center, is the perfect place to find those for that profession," said Rafael Olivera,

CCE Technical Services senior manager. "We have participated with Civilianjobs.com at other bases, but this was our first time to come to Fort Rucker."

Olivera has some history with the installation as he is a retired Chief Warrant Officer 4 who was stationed here from 1995-1997. He said he worked to bring the TH-67 helicopters here and that being back was a sort of homecoming for him.

"Every base has a set of skills that are geared toward that installation," he said. "It is interesting coming back in this capacity, but this is a good place to find skilled pilots and many other talented people."

# Skills: Competition caters to wide range of talent

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to come watch all three audition rounds to support the acts and also to have fun!"

The talent show is open to the public and all participants are eligible to compete for cash prizes, he added.

The deadline to enter the show is Friday, but if

the 60 entrance slots are not filled, participants can enter the day of the auditions, Jackson said. Participants will be notified via email or phone if they have made it to the final round of elimination by Aug. 5.

Participants can enter categories ranging from vocal soloist, to vocal or instrumental group, to

other, "which could be almost anything," he said.

A maximum of 60 acts will have the chance to be one of the top 12 chosen to move on to the next stage of competition. This top 12 will compete in the final round of elimination at the post theater Aug. 13 from 6-7 p.m. The celebrity act Committed will perform at the end of this

final elimination round.

But there's more, as the top 8 acts chosen Aug. 13 will compete for cash prizes Aug. 27 from 6-7 p.m. at the Lake Party Luau at the West Beach Gazebo at Lake Tholocco. There is a \$300 first place prize, \$200 second place prize, and \$100 third place prize, along with trophies.

"Active duty Soldiers and National Guard that make the Top 12 will be evaluated by Army Entertainment representatives Aug. 13 for 2012's Soldier Show," said Jackson.

The limit for maximum number of participants in an act is three. A sound system will be on hand, but acts are encouraged to check technical specif-

ics by calling 255-9810. Acts are allowed to have back-up vocals in their instrumental track as long as they are not overpowering the participant.

Also each participant will have to sign a media release/waiver form before their performance, and acts under the age of 18 will require a parent or guardian to sign up.

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# Saving for emergencies a top priority

BY RUSSELL SELLERS  
Army Flier Staff Writer

It's important to "pay oneself" even in a tough economy, according to Army Community Service officials.

Paying oneself involves setting money aside out of each paycheck in order to have a "backup plan" for emergencies, said Mike Burden, ACS Financial Readiness Program manager.

"Whether it's a money market account, savings account or (Certificate of Deposit), what's important is that they are putting money into some type of savings," he said. "It's always best to plan for those possible emergencies."

Emergencies can happen at just about any time, Burden added. When a Soldier is deployed and a spouse is left home to handle all the finances, stress can pile up, especially if there isn't enough

money to handle those potential issues.

"When a Soldier is worried about his or her finances back home, that Soldier won't be focused on the mission," he said. "That's a problem for everyone. That's why communication is one of the most important factors in being financially stable."

Being able to communicate more frequently and with better technology has helped keep many old problems from hanging around and even heading some off before they become real issues, he added.

"Soldiers have so many more communication options now than they did just a decade ago," he said. "The Internet is also helping to let them know about potential scams that might come their way. That's something that can really hurt their credit scores if they get caught up in that."

Burden explained that

there are lots of different companies who offer "free" credit reports and even some who say they can help fix credit scores within "just 30 days."

However, if Soldiers were to seek actual advice from real and certi-

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## The Fish Are Coming! Every year Becky Hancock takes her top salespeople on a trip to reward them for their productivity.

This year was no different. In February Hancock, owner/broker of Becky Hancock Realty in Enterprise, planned to take Sheree Robinson and Tonya Turk to Denver, CO for a real estate convention featuring a noted speaker. The plan was to do a little snow skiing on the side while the trio was in the Rockies. It was not to be. A blizzard cancelled all flights into the area. So, Plan B. Without telling her top agents where they were going, Hancock instructed them to pack their bags. She told them that instead of packing a ski suit, they should pack a swim suit. Like Thelma and Louise plus 1 the threesome piled into a rented red convertible Mustang and headed south. When the journey ended Robinson and Turk found themselves in Miami, FL boarding a deep-water fishing boat. Manned by Captain "Mark the Shark," the boat sailed for deep waters in search of whatever the Atlantic had to offer. Hancock, who is quite the fisherwoman, said she's been fishing since she was a little girl when her uncle used to take her fishing on Pensacola beaches. "There's just something exciting about what might show up on the end of your pole," Hancock said. "Fishing is my favorite way to relax. I love it." And "The Shark" delivered on his promise to locate a hot spot. By the end of the 2-day fishing trip the top saleswomen, true to their productive form, had both caught a fish Turk snagged a sailfish weighing 110 pounds and measuring 86 inches. Robinson reeled in a hammerhead shark weighing 100 pounds and measuring 93 inches. And what did Hancock, the boss, the experienced fisherwoman, land? A nine inch lizard fish. "Have you ever seen a lizard fish?" Hancock said of her victim. "They aren't pretty." The lizard fish will not be mounted and hung on a wall, but the other two fish caught by Turk and Robinson will be. The big fish were left in Miami with a taxidermist and this weekend the two will be driving south again to pick up their prizes. "The fish are coming!" Hancock said this week. "And they each have to have a name." Hancock is giving everyone an opportunity to name the fish. Located at 2915 Rucker Blvd there is a box to put your entry. Or mail your name ideas to Becky Hancock Realty, PO Box 311030, Enterprise, AL 36331. The contest ends when the fish are unveiled on July 29. The person who submits the winning name will win dinner for two at Red Lobster.



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## ARMY BRIEFS

### MOH DISPLAY RECOGNIZING LOGISTICIANS UNVEILED

THE PENTAGON — The Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff of the Army, G-4, unveiled a display July 12 — one recognizing logisticians who have been awarded the Medal of Honor since World War II. The unveiling is particularly significant as July 12 marked 149 years from when President Lincoln signed the Army Medal of Honor into law.

Of all the military services, there have been 3,456 recipients. Since WWII, the medal has become even more rare, awarded to only 860 recipients, six of those being logisticians.

"I feel very deeply about the heroics that these logisticians demonstrated," said Lt. Gen. Mitchell H. Stevenson, the deputy chief of Staff, G-4, in his keynote address. "I think it is important that we tell their story of service and sacrifice."

The six Soldiers memorialized in this display are from all three branches of logistics — quartermaster, ordnance and transportation. Three received the medal for service during WWII, two during the Vietnam War and one during the Korean War.

### BRAC WILL HELP ARMY SAVE ENERGY

WASHINGTON — The Base Realignment and Closure process will help the Army conserve energy, said Richard Kidd, deputy assistant secretary of the Army for Energy and Sustainability.

BRAC, set to be completed in September, is enabling the Army to reshape its infrastructure to support its forces by consolidating schools, bases and headquarters into more efficient and cost-controlled centers, Kidd told those attending the first Army — Air Force Energy Forum July 19 in Arlington, Va.

During the panel discussion titled "Energy in DOD," Kidd explained the efforts that the Army was making toward energy sustainability.

While the Navy and Air Force consume more liquid forms of fuel, Kidd said that the Army is the largest consumer of facility energy in the Department of Defense and the entire federal government.

Last year, however, the Army's fuel cost in Afghanistan rose 64 percent, he said.

### RUTHERFORD ASSUMES ROLE AS CHIEF OF ARMY CHAPLAINS

WASHINGTON — Just minutes after being promoted to major general, the Army's 23rd deputy chief of chaplains was sworn in as the 23rd chief of chaplains in a ceremony at Memorial Chapel aboard Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall July 22.

Chaplain Donald L. Rutherford, who has served since 2007 as the No. 2 chaplain leading the 2,700-strong corps of Army spiritual leaders, was welcomed to his new position by guest speaker Army Chief of Staff Gen. Martin E. Dempsey.

Rutherford was commissioned in 1977 through the State University of New York in Albany ROTC program. In 1981, he was awarded a master of divinity degree from the University of Rochester, New York.



PHOTO BY PVT. KEVIN ALEX

Army medics with the Combat Aviation Brigade, 1st Infantry Division carry a simulated casualty to safety during the Top Medic Team Competition at Fort Riley, Kan., July 18.

## CAB attends medic competition

BY PVT. KEVIN ALEX  
16th Sust. Bde. Public Affairs

FORT RILEY, Kan. — A team of medics from Fort Riley's Combat Aviation Brigade, 1st Infantry Division competed against 10 teams from across the Army recently here in hopes of winning the Top Medic Team Competition.

The CAB team joined medics from posts ranging from Alaska to Missouri to take on the week-long competition, which tested the full spectrum of their medical skills.

The week began July 17 with a written test, and culminated July 21 in a 12-mile road march. In between, teams faced a barrage of tests including an obstacle course, weapons ranges,

and simulated combat lanes — all set to the sweltering conditions of a Kansan summer.

The team narrowly missed the podium, but placed fourth of the 11 teams. First place went to their Riley counterparts from the 701st Brigade Support Battalion.

For Sgt. Trevor Thompson, flight medic, the competition was just as much about the team as it was about the finish.

"I'd never met two of these guys before, but it was cool to come together to get through this," said Thompson.

Thompson has served two combat deployments: one as a medic with an infantry battalion and most recently as a flight medic on the CAB's medevac helicopters.

"My experience helped me I think, but every day we still had to rely on each other to accomplish the goal," he said.

Spc. Randy Straney, a medic in the brigade's headquarters company, brought his own background to the competition.

"It was a great test of everything," he said. "Each day I really had to concentrate on the fundamentals that I've learned so far."

Thompson and Straney agreed the 12-mile hike was the biggest challenge of the week. With the competition over, they also agreed it's time to take a break. Members of the team will be back at work soon, however, taking their lessons learned from the competition back to their units.

## Army Research Lab equips warfighters

BY SARAH MAXWELL  
RDECOM

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. — Behind every weapon, piece of armor and training that prepares and protects Soldiers in battle are teams of scientists and engineers who are solving complex problems and driving future capabilities.

As part of the U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command, the Army Research Laboratory is a key component of the Army science, technology and engineering enterprise that supports Soldiers, according to ARL Director John Miller.

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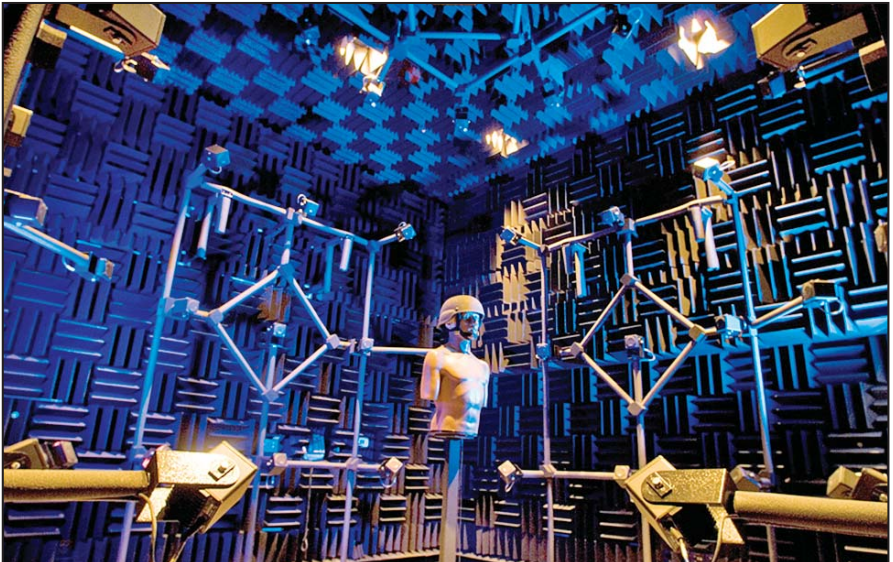


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Scientists at the Army Research Laboratory conduct research on a variety of fronts. Here, a mannequin is positioned in one of the lab's auditory research environments. ARL personnel conduct an array of auditory research, including the effects of various types of headgear on sound detection, and the identification and localization of acoustic signatures.

## Shinseki: VA task force improves care of women vets

BY KAREN PARRISH  
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — The newly formed VA Task Force on Women Veterans will go a long way in addressing key benefits gaps to female veterans, according to Department of Veterans Affairs Secretary Eric K. Shinseki.

While support for women veterans has improved, "it has not been enough," Shinseki said during the 2011 National Training Summit on Women Veterans held in Washington July 16.

The task force's "near-term mission," he said, is to develop — in coordination with VA's Advisory Committee on Women Veterans, and in conjunction

with the Defense Department — a comprehensive VA action plan that will focus on key issues facing women veterans and the specific actions needed to resolve them.

Those issues include obstetric and gynecological care, childcare, military sexual trauma, homelessness, aging and end-of-life issues, among others, the secretary said.

A draft of the plan is due to Shinseki Jan. 1, 2012, and "will set our course for the next four years in everything we do, from planning to programming, to budgeting, to education and training," he said.

The action plan will update and

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# Research: ARL develops ‘game-changing’ technologies

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state-of-the-art research and analysis in the Army,” said Miller.

Focusing on the future while supporting the current warfighters, ARL’s scientists are a diverse group who hold the keys to technologies for Soldiers five, 10 and even 20 years down the road.

Almost every non-medical scientific field is touched by ARL, from advanced sensors to neuroscience to flexible electronics to weapons technologies to complex analysis. Basically everything a Soldier needs or may need in the future is investigated by ARL.

Although it has more than 2,000 employees, the majority of whom are highly-educated and skilled leaders in their fields, the lab combines in-house technical expertise with the intellectual powerhouse of academic and industry partners.

The research discoveries ARL produces either within its laboratories or through its partners are used as the foundations for other Army research, development and engineering centers under RDECOM, Miller explained.

“We act as the corporate laboratory, providing the underpinning of science, technology and analysis for the rest of the Army,” said Miller.

As basic and applied re-



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A researcher monitors a Soldier as he uses a multi-display driving simulator. The simulator is used in a variety of research applications, to include mild traumatic brain injury treatment.

searchers working in lab environments, ARL scientists and engineers sometimes need an up-close understanding of Soldiers’ requirements. About 36 active-duty Soldiers are assigned to ARL, and work with the scientists as subject matter experts, helping guide technologies to better suit Soldiers.

“They act as the interface between the field and the lab,” said recently retired combat engineer and former ARL sergeant major, Steve Hornbach, who now works as an operations specialist for the lab.

“They’re extremely important and are able to provide the scientists and engineers the critical information on what Soldiers need,” he added.

Soldiers from outside units, most with recent combat experience, also visit the scientists in the lab as part of an RDECOM program to bring fresh perspectives and information in from the field.

The scientists’ work is mostly behind the scenes for Soldiers, said 1st Sgt. Kevin Spooner of the 1st Squadron, 73rd Cavalry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Divi-

sion, during his unit’s visit.

“Joe on the line doesn’t realize there’s a guy on a computer in an office trying to keep him alive and help kill the enemy,” he added.

The average Soldier may also not know that ARL Soldiers and scientists volunteer to deploy to military posts in the United States, Iraq and Afghanistan as part of their research, and with RDECOM field assistance teams, or FAST, to track down any technology gaps and rapidly help fill them for warfighters.

ARL’s Dr. Pam Savage-Knep-

shield, a human factors/ergonomics research psychologist, spends much of her time in the field talking to Soldiers and getting their feedback about new and old equipment. She recently returned from a six-month deployment as a FAST team member in Iraq, where the team was responsible for finding solutions to Soldiers’ problems.

She saw field-expedient measures military members were employing to address multiple equipment issues, from lighting to seatbelts. The FAST team then coordinated with stateside scientists and logistics support, and immediately took measures to remedy the situations.

“The Soldiers were happy we were there and looking out for their mission needs and personal safety,” said Savage-Knepshield. “It felt really good to be able to get solutions to Soldiers quickly and see them try them out while we were there.”

While some at ARL are helping with the fight now, many more are focused on the future. The high-risk, high-payoff world of basic and applied science is where ARL expects to make the most significant impact on the Army and the world in general, said Miller.

“ARL has (been) and will continue to be a major force in developing game-changing technologies that could revolutionize the way the Army fights,” he said.

## Care: Call-in center now open to solicit input for service improvement

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inform VA’s approach to women’s issues within its health care, benefits, and cemetery administrations, as well as the Women’s Advisory Report to Congress, due next July, the secretary said.

“Other changes are in the pipeline, such as our pilot program to provide child care services,” he said.

Beginning this summer, Shinseki said, three new drop-in child care pilot pro-

grams for women veterans with VA appointments will open in Northport, N.Y., Buffalo, N.Y., and Tacoma, Wash.

Battlefield changes, such as increasingly blurred front lines, has increased VA’s attention on women veterans, Shinseki said.

Last month, a 20-year-old Army military policewoman, Spc. Devin Snyder, became the 28th female servicemember to die in Afghanistan when her convoy was attacked on a highway in eastern

Laghman province, Shinseki said.


“Wars, with no clear front lines, put Soldiers — all Soldiers — at risk as never before, blurring the boundaries between combat and other than combat roles,” he said.

In recent years, VA has developed women’s primary care programs at their health care facilities across the nation, and has hired program managers and coordinators to manage care for women veterans, the secretary said.

The department also has accelerated its women’s health research in biomedical, clinical sciences, rehabilitation, and health services, he said.

Most recently, Shinseki said, the VA launched a women veterans call-in center to directly solicit input into ways the department can improve its services.

“I want women veterans and women serving in uniform to see and know that VA is committed to fulfilling (their) needs,” he said.



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## Wiz of the West

### Fort Rucker youth hit the big stage

BY ERIN MURRAY  
Army Flier Staff Writer

The talents of many Fort Rucker children will be on display Saturday at 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. at the post theater in the musical production of *The Wiz of the West*, the western version of *The Wizard of Oz*.

The Missoula Children's Theater provides all the equipment needed, according to Denise Honeycutt, Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation partnership specialist, "but Fort Rucker provides the talent."

Child, Youth and School Services and Fort Rucker DFMWR are hosting Missoula Children's Theater's first visit, and this is also the first time many of the children will perform in a play.

"My daughter puts on plays at home all the time, but this is her first actual production," said Stephanie Watkins, whose daughter Emme Watkins auditioned for the show.

Emme said she's nervous, but "really excited to do the first play of my life."

"I received a lot of phone calls from people stating that they wanted to open a children's theater," said Honeycutt.

She thinks that watching the week-long process will help aid in future Fort Rucker productions, especially "the experience of watching them with the audition and production of a play in such a short time."

"We only have five days to put this play together," said director Jennifer Willis to the 57 children who sit on the stage at Monday's audition.

With such a short time frame before two performances on Saturday, willingness to make it to the daily rehearsals is the



PHOTO BY ERIN MURRAY

At a Monday morning rehearsal, director Jennifer Willis teaches a scene from *The Wiz of the West* to Tyler Brady, Belle Kinsman, Dallas Hill, Allison Moore, Joshua Brady and James Brown, who play buzzards in the production.

first priority.

After the speech, the auditioning children, ages 5 to 18, are prompted to stand in a circle on the stage of the post theater and recite lines like "We're out of banana peels, what will we do?"

Each one of them recites the same line in varying degrees of silliness, while the two directors carefully select the cast.

"We don't have any preconceived notions when we come into town. They get a fresh start," said Willis during the audition.

Fellow director Jeremy

Cunningham said that "A lot of parts are written for specific age groups, so that we can do it in a week."

At the end of the two-hour process, all 57 young actors have roles, and they began five days of rehearsals and workshops.

At Tuesday's rehearsal, they were still enthusiastic about their upcoming performance.

"I like rehearsing and going through what we have to learn," cast member Delaney Mulcahy said as she practiced her role as Hawknose Hallie, the wicked witch of the west.

According to Willis, learning

is a big part of every one of Missoula's productions.

She said that the mission of the theater is the development of life skills in children through participation in the performing arts.

"My favorite thing is when I hear someone say 'I can't believe so-and-so did this, they're such a troublemaker'," said Cunningham. The growth in every child who participates is "probably the biggest reward."

Willis believes she has also grown during her six years as a tour director

"It's a great place to work.

There are things on this job that I don't think I could learn in any school or with any college degree," she said.

When asked if the task of putting on a production in six days ever has any problems, Willis and Cunningham are positive that the show will be a success.

"It always turns out well, and sometimes the little hiccups are what make the show most memorable," said Willis.

Tickets and information are available at Child, Youth and School Services in Bldg. 5700 Rm. 130 or by calling 255-9638.

## Fort Rucker schools prepare for successful year

BY ERIN MURRAY  
Army Flier Staff Writer

While their students are enjoying the last few days of summer vacation, the faculty and staff of Fort Rucker schools are preparing for the beginning of another school year next week, with open houses Aug. 4 followed by first day of classes Aug. 5.

The new school year brings many changes that benefit parents and students, along with a continued effort by each school to provide quality education to their students, said Vicki Gilmer, principal of Fort Rucker Elementary School.

According to Gilmer, the biggest changes at Fort Rucker Elementary School this back-to-school season are the newly-installed internet and a supply list that is more economical for soldiers.

"The school has absorbed much of the cost. We try to help out the families in these economic times," Gilmer said, adding that many parents will notice common supplies like glue and scissors are absent from supply lists.

One thing that has not changed at Fort Rucker Elementary School is



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its objective as a place of learning, which Gilmer said is "to promote high student achievement through a relationship with students, faculty and staff."

Gilmer encourages parents and children to bring their positive attitudes to meet with teachers at the school's open house Aug. 4 from 3-3:45 p.m.

There are also many new additions just down the road at Fort Rucker Primary School, which hosts its open house Aug. 4, from 3:30-4:15 p.m.

Among these changes are new curricula in math, reading and social studies, new exterior doors, a new air conditioner and an infrastructure that has been completely redone.

"Someone from Area Service Center stated this school is one of the most up-to-date schools in the area," said principal Debbie Deas, who is also a

new addition to the school.

Deas has previously served as curriculum coordinator and director of English language arts at Fort Rucker, and is excited to return after her years of service as the district curriculum coordinator at Fort Benning, Ga.

"It's very pleasant. The teachers are wonderful. The parents are nice. I am really thrilled to be back. I started out years ago at [Fort Rucker] elementary school, so I am really pleased."

Deas noted one other important change at Fort Rucker Primary School that concerns the safety of the students.

"Car riders are going to be picked up and dropped off in the rear of the school. Busses will continue to load in the front, to ensure a safer method of delivery for the students," she said.

This change has another benefit. "It

will also be more efficient for parents to pick up their child," Deas said.

Efficiency is important to Deas in all aspects of the school, because this efficiency brings "communication between the parent, the student and the teacher, so that we can give the best learning environment that it's possible to have."

Deas and Gilmer are working together to provide a rewarding education for every student in pre-kindergarten through sixth-grade.

"Both schools are trying to provide the education for everybody," said Deas. "The offerings that Department of Defense schools have are tremendous. The military is the best partner you can have in education, because they see how important education is."

For more information about back to school activities, call Fort Rucker Elementary School at 598-4408 or Fort Rucker Primary School at 598-4473. Supply lists are available online, for primary school supplies, [http://www.am.dodea.edu/rucker/primary/supply\\_list.html](http://www.am.dodea.edu/rucker/primary/supply_list.html)

For elementary school supplies, <http://www.am.dodea.edu/rucker/elementary/PDF%20misc%20docs/SupplyList2011-2012.pdf>.



# On Post

YOUR WEEKLY GUIDE TO FORT RUCKER EVENTS , SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

### Community theater group meeting

Fort Rucker's new community theater group, Above The Best Theater Company, meets Tuesday at 6 p.m. in Bldg. 8350. Discussion includes scheduled productions for October and December. Anyone interested in community theater on post should attend.

For more information, call 255-9810.

### Mini Mall Express renovations

The Burger King Express' dining area is closed because of renovations to the Fort Rucker Mini Mall Express. Store hours will remain the same, but patrons will have to make their orders to go. Customers are welcome to dine in the newly renovated Burger King at Bldg. 4300.

### Donations needed

The Thrift Shop has moved and needs donated items. People can drop off donations at the shed behind the new Thrift Shop location, the old Armed Forces Bank, in front of the theater. Donations are tax deductible. For more information, call 255-9595.

### Wiz of the West

Child, Youth and School Services, in association with Missoula Children's Theater, presents *The Wiz of the West* — the classic story *The Wizard of Oz* with a twist — Saturday from 1-2:30 p.m. and a second performance from 3:30-5 p.m. at the post theater. Admission is free and open to the public. For more information, call 255-0666.

### Get R.E.A.L.

Army Family Team Building staff hosts Rucker Experience, Army Learning today from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at The Commons. Topics include acronyms, Army customs and courtesies, military rank, community resources and more. Registration is required. For more information,

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### The Mutt Brothers

The Mutt Brothers perform Friday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. in The Landing Zone. People must be age 18 or older to enter. The Landing Zone provides a complimentary shuttle to anywhere on post. For more information, call 598-8025.

### Divorce/Separation Co-Parenting Workshop

Army Community Service's Family Advocacy Program divorce/separation co-parenting workshop is Monday and Aug. 8 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Early Childhood Activity Center. Topics include commitment to staying child focused, effective communication and negotiation skills, reducing parental conflict and understanding children's needs during and following divorce.

This workshop is a two part series. Participants must attend all classes in order to receive a certificate of completion. Registration is required. This workshop is open to active duty and retired military, DOD employees and Family. For more information, call 255-3898.

### Rockin' Rucker's Talent Show Auditions

The Rockin' Rucker's Talent Show, a Festival of the Arts entry, auditions are Wednesday and Aug. 4 from 6-9 p.m. at the Landing Ballroom. Registration is free. Categories include vocal soloist, instrumental group and more.

The top 12 acts selected by the judges have the opportunity to open for Committed, winners of NBC's show *The Sing Off* Aug. 13 from 6-7 p.m. The top eight

perform for cash prizes at the Lake Party Luau Aug. 27 from 6-7 p.m.

For more information and to register, call 255-9810.

### Becoming a Love and Logic Parent Workshop

Army Community Service's Family Advocacy Program's Becoming a Love and Logic Parent classes are Thursdays from Thursday through Sept. 15 from 9-11 a.m. at the Early Childhood Activity Center.

This workshop is a seven part series. Participants must attend all classes in order to receive a certificate of completion. This workshop is open to active duty, retired military, civilian employees and Family. For more information, call 255-3898.

### BOSS Presents Committed

Committed, winners of NBC's show *The Sing Off*, perform live Aug. 13 from 6-8 p.m. following the Top 12 performers of Rockin' Rucker's Talent Show at the post theater.

Tickets are \$12 in advance at the Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation office, Bldg. 5700, Ste. 350. Tickets are \$15 on the night of the event.

For more information, call 379-4594 or 255-9810.

### AFTB Level I

Army Family Team Building Level I classes are Aug. 15 and 16 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Bldg. 5700, Rm. 371E. Modules of learning include: military acronyms, chain of command, customs and courtesies and more. Pre-registration is required and all materials and instruction are free. Childcare may be available. For more information, call 255-2382.

### Job fair

Enterprise Chamber of Commerce and Fort Rucker Army Community Service staff host a job fair Aug. 17 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Enterprise Civic Center. For more information, call 255-3949.

### FRCS Super Sign-up

The Fort Rucker Community Spouses Club's Super Sign-up event is Aug. 18 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at The Landing.

The 98th Army Silver Wings Band performs and a fashion show begins at 11 a.m. This 1940s-themed event is open to spouses and Family age 18 and older of active duty and retired military personnel within the Fort Rucker area.

Visit <http://fruckeresc.com/membership/htm> for eligibility information.

### Anger Management Workshop


ArmyCommunityService's Family Advocacy Program offers an anger management workshop Aug. 23 and 30 from 9-11:30 a.m. at the Early Childhood Activity Center.

Topics include identifying causes of anger, symptoms of anger, techniques on how to manage anger and developing an anger management plan. Registration is required.

This workshop is open to active duty, retired Military, DOD employees and Family.

For more information and registration, call 255-3898.

## DFMWR Spotlight



**Show Times**  
**Post Theater**  
**Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup>**  
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For more information, call 255-0666  
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## Pick-of-the-litter

Meet Rocky, a 2-year-old male lab-pit mix. He is energetic and lovable. It costs \$81 to adopt him, which includes neutering, a microchip and heartworm testing. It costs \$81 to adopt Rocky and other animals at the facility, which includes all up-to-date shots, microchip and spaying. For more information on animal adoptions, call the stray facility at 255-0766, open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The facility needs donations such as dry or canned foods for cats, dogs, kittens and puppies, as well as blankets, toys and towels. Donations can be dropped off at the veterinary clinic or the commissary. Visit the Fort Rucker stray facility's **Facebook** page at <http://www.facebook.com/fortruckerstrayfacility/> for constant updates on the newest animals available for adoption. Two pets were adopted last week.



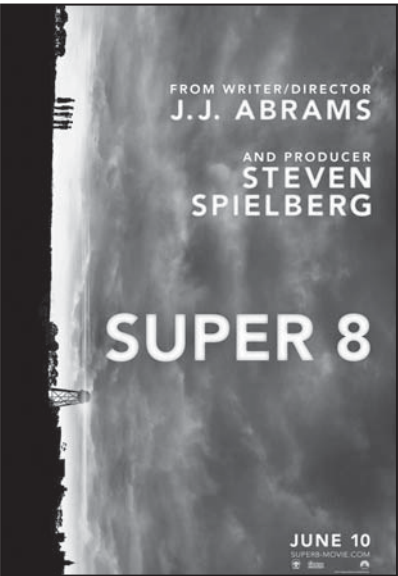
## FORT RUCKER Movie Schedule for July 28 - 31

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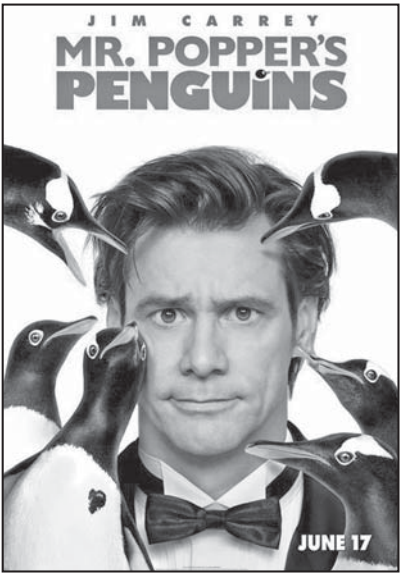
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Green Lantern (PG-13) ..... 7 p.m.



FRIDAY, JULY 29 & SATURDAY, JULY 30

Super 8 (PG-13) ..... 7 p.m.



SUNDAY, JULY 31

Mr. Popper's Penguins (PG) ..... 7 p.m.



Religious Services

**HEADQUARTERS CHAPEL (BLDG 109)**  
- Multi-Cultural Worship Service, 8:00 a.m., Sunday.

**MAIN POST CHAPEL (BLDG 8940)**  
• Catholic Confessions, 4:00 p.m., Saturday.  
• Catholic Mass, 5:00 p.m., Saturday  
• Catholic Mass, 9:30 a.m., Sunday.  
• Liturgical Service, 8:00 a.m., Sunday.  
• General Protestant, 11:00 a.m., Sunday.

**WINGS CHAPEL (BLDG 6036)**  
• Contemporary Protestant Service, 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m., Sunday.

**SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER (BLDG 8939)**  
• Protestant Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Sunday.  
• CCD (except during summer months), 10:45 a.m., Sunday.

ADULTS GROUPS

- Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC) meets every Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. at Wings Chapel. Childcare provided.
- Military Council of Catholic Women (MCCW) meets every Thursday at 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the Spiritual Life Center. Childcare provided.
- Catholic Adult Fellowship (CAF) meets regularly throughout the year. For more information, call 255-9894.

YOUTH GROUPS (CLUB BEYOND)

**Varsity Club (9th - 12th Grade)**  
Tuesday, 6:36 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Spiritual Life Center.

**Beyond Club Bible Study (6th - 12th Grade)**  
Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Spiritual Life Center.

**JV Club (6th - 8th Grade)**  
Thursday, 5:03 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., Spiritual Life Center

**Bible Study**  
Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Wings Chapel

BIBLE STUDIES

**Protestant Women of the Chapel**  
Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., Wings Chapel.

**Precept Bible Studies**  
Wednesday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., Spiritual Life Center.

**Above the Best Bible Study**  
Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 a.m., Yano Hall (lunch provided).

**Precept Bible Studies**  
Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., Spiritual Life Center.

**PMOC Bible Study**  
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# First Lady, Soldiers welcome *Extreme Home Makeover*

BY STEPHENIE TATUM  
Fort Bragg, N.C., Public Affairs

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. — A former Sailor who houses homeless female veterans here received the surprise of her life July 21 when hundreds of workers and well-wishers — including First Lady Michelle Obama — were on hand as she became the latest winner on the *Extreme Makeover*:

*Home Edition* show. The ABC-TV reality show's host, Ty Pennington, as well as design crew, workers and volunteers have been at the home at 120 Langdon St. for 24 hours each day for the past seven days, working to finish the house on time. Between scorching temperatures and a grueling schedule, workers were put to the test. Barbara Summey Mar-

shall, a 15-year Navy veteran, bought the house with the hopes of providing shelter, support and services such as mentoring and life coaching to homeless female veterans. Just a week ago, Marshall was struggling to house the women in the modest, 1,600-square-foot

ranch house that was in need of major renovations. But when the *Extreme Makeover* crew showed up at her house July 14, Marshall knew that some very special volunteers would donate their time to help build her a new home. Today, those volunteers

turned out en masse with none other than Obama at the front of those congratulating Marshall and wishing her well. "The fact that [Obama] came to Fayetteville to take part in this phenomenal project confirms how passionate she is about people,

women and veterans," said Master Sgt. Jennifer Loreda, Comprehensive Soldier Fitness noncommissioned officer in charge, 18th Airborne Corps at Fort Bragg. In the end, the builder met its deadline, and

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# Home: Project helps someone who helps others

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Pennington and crew, along with hundreds of volunteers and local residents, revealed the new and extremely improved Steps N Stages Jubilee House July 21 with the show's signature shout out, "Bus driver, move that bus!"

Marshall's new house now includes enough space for her to move in with her son and space for additional residents to live comfortably. It includes a gym, garden, greenhouse, resource center and more than Marshall ever dreamed of.

Staff Sgt. Ebony Dublin, a Smithfield, N.C., native and supply sergeant at Fort Bragg's Advanced Airborne School volunteered during the week and attended the reveal.

"I was more than happy to volunteer my time because that could be me one day. I think it is great that Barbara spends her time helping people, so now that someone is taking the time to help her — it's awesome," Dublin said.

In addition to her stop in Fayetteville, Obama continued to promote "Joining Forces," a national initiative that mobilizes all sectors of American society to support service members and their families. Her next stop was Sunday at a New Hampshire event for National Guard and Reserve Families.

"This campaign is about all of us — all of us joining

together as Americans to give back to the extraordinary military families who serve and sacrifice so much every day so we can live in freedom and security," Obama said during an event earlier this year.

The *Extreme Makeover: Home Edition* show featuring the Jubilee House is scheduled to air in October.

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SCUBA COURSE

The Fort Rucker Aquarians Dive Club scuba certification course begins Aug. 1. The first class meets at the Fort Rucker Flynn Pool at 6:30 p.m. After the first class, the scuba course meets Monday and Wednesday nights for no less than six weeks and no more than seven weeks, dependent on weather. One weekend will be required at the end of the course to complete open water training in the Gulf of Mexico. For more information, call 774-3483 or 347-6936.

NASCAR TICKETS OFFERED AT LEISURE TRAVEL

The Fort Rucker Leisure Travel Office offers Atlanta Motor Speedway tickets for the NASCAR race Sept. 3-4. The prices are \$75 per person for both days and \$45 for Sept. 4 only. Seating is general admission for Sept. 3 and Upper Elliot reserved for Sept. 4. For more information, call 255-9517.

ULTIMATE FRISBEE

Ultimate Frisbee pick-up games are every Wednesday and Friday morning at 6 a.m. behind the Fort Rucker Physical Fitness Facility on the soccer field. All skill levels and athletic abilities are welcome. Cleats and water are highly recommended. For more information, call 255-0870.

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The Enterprise YMCA staff hosts two beginner's classes in the Taoist Tai Chi Society arts of health. Classes are offered Thursdays, 1-2:30 p.m., and Saturdays, 10-11:30 a.m. The beginner's class covers all 108 moves of the Tai Chi set. Taoist Tai Chi is an ancient Chinese exercise that promotes health and relaxation. It is suitable for all ages and physical conditions. Comfortable, loose clothing and flat-soled shoes are recommended attire. All classes are taught by accredited volunteer instructors. For more information, call 348-9008 or 347-4663.

BURGER AND BOWL

Rucker Lanes staff offers a daily "Burger and Bowl" special for \$7. The special includes a cheeseburger, fries, soda, shoe rental and two games of bowling.

EXTREME BOWLING

Extreme Bowling at Rucker Lanes is Saturdays from 8-11 p.m. for \$10 and features unlimited bowling with lights, music and glow-in-the-dark balls and shoes. For more information, call 255-9503.

ARCHERY SHOOTS

Fort Rucker Archery Club members conduct weekly shoots at the club's range, located off Whittaker Road. Shoots are Thursdays at 4 p.m., and members take aim at a 20- to 60-yard practice range, 28 3-D targets along a walking trail or a 10-target area. Annual membership costs \$20. For more information, call 389-6135.

BATTING CAGES HOURS

The child, youth and school services batting cages are open

SEE SHORTS, PAGE D4



PHOTOS BY RUSSELL SELLERS

Members of AVC3 and some of their pets begin the ruck march portion of the Iron Aviator competition at Lake Tholocco July 22. Capt. Scott Christie finished first in the individual portion with a time of 1:57:55 and Team 2 won the team portion with 1:50:11.

AVC3 Soldiers compete for 'Iron Aviator' title

BY RUSSELL SELLERS  
Army Flier Staff Writer

Despite oppressive heat and humidity, members of the Aviation Captains Career Course competed against each other and themselves to prove who had what it takes to be called an "Iron Aviator" at Lake Tholocco Friday.

Six teams and seven individuals competed for the title, with Capt. Scott Christie finishing first in the individual competition with a time of 1:57:55 and Team 2 finishing with a time of 1:50:11.

The competition consisted of four events: a 4.5-mile ruck march, an 8.8-mile bike ride, 2-mile run and 300-meter swim.

The participants had the choice of competing as part of a team or as an individual. Some chose to do both.

The winning competitors said the course wasn't easy in the first place, but factoring in the heat and humidity made it that much harder.

"The hardest part was at the beginning with the ruck march," Christie said. "After a little bit, the heat was significant. I just had to keep my legs moving and go into survival mode. So long as I kept moving, I was fine."

Christie said things didn't slow down for him until he hit the water near the end of the competition.

"Once I was in the water, I started to notice things starting to cramp up a little more, but I just pushed through it," he said. "I just kept pushing from buoy to buoy and made it to the end. I didn't even notice if any other individual competitors were around me as I was going."

Members of the top team said it was all about team work and that some of the course was tougher than they imagined it would be.

"I'm not a swimmer at all," said Capt. Scott Martin. "I volunteered for it, but I didn't think it would be that tough. I changed up my swimming style a couple times in order to keep myself from getting too tired."



Capt. Sam Russo, Team 2 member, finishes the ruck march portion of the Iron Aviator competition at Lake Tholocco Friday. His team finished first with a time of 1:50:11.

Capt. Sam Fjellanger took on the biking portion of the race for his team and said that parts of the course were tougher than others.

"The first part was pretty smooth, going over the asphalt," he said. "Once we hit the gravel, it got pretty rough for a while. I saw Christie out in front of me

at one point, but I was able to power ahead of him once we got back on the gravel portion."

Maj. Mark Legaspi, AVC3 small group leader and event coordinator, said the event was a good way for the group to wind down as it prepares for graduation the first week of August. It's also a fun competition for "brag-

ging rights."

"They pretty much do regular physical training to get ready for it," he said. "It's really just about being able to say who the real 'Iron Aviator' is. They also get a chance to show off their team work skills and leadership abilities, so it works on multiple levels."



# Down Time



## Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

# TRIVIA

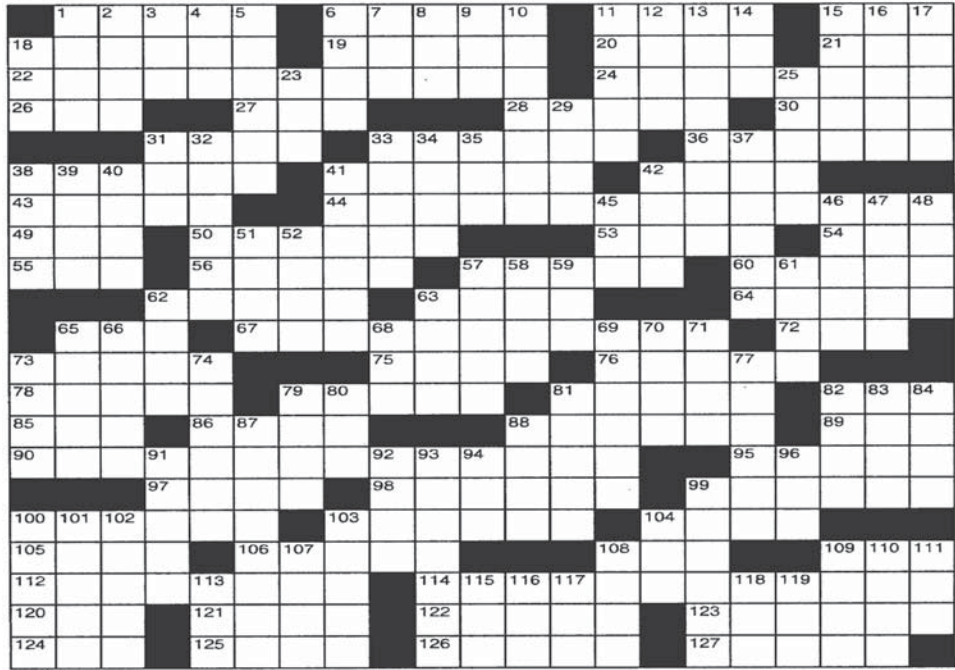
1. HUMAN ANATOMY: What would it mean if a person were "horripilated"?
2. CARTOONS: What's the name of the family "dog" on "The Flintstones"?
3. MUSIC: Singer Bob Dylan recorded the hit "Blowin' In The Wind" on which album?
4. LANGUAGE: A quadrennial event would occur how often?
5. GEOGRAPHY: What modern-day country exists in the land once known as Phrygia?
6. ENTERTAINERS: What were the first names of the Andrews Sisters?
7. HISTORY: What year did the famous Watergate break-in occur?
8. LITERATURE: Who is Willie Stark in the novel "All the King's Men"?
9. MOVIES: The slogan "Where were you in '62?" was used to promote what movie?
10. TELEVISION: What was name of the inn featured in the "Newhart" comedy show?

See Page D3 for this week's answers.

## Super Crossword

### WAYNE'S WORLD

- ACROSS**
- 1 Big bargain
  - 6 Carpentry device
  - 11 Diplomacy
  - 15 Sault
  - 18 Marie, MI
  - 19 "Bolero" composer
  - 20 Return address?
  - 21 Pallid
  - 22 Frequent Wayne co-star
  - 24 Film directed by Wayne
  - 26 Wayfarer's whistle
  - 27 Thrill
  - 28 Troubles
  - 30 Pianist Gilels
  - 31 Word with car or pea
  - 33 Muhammad's daughter
  - 36 Commotion
  - 38 Tune
  - 41 Small mail
  - 42 Bearing
  - 43 Faced the day
  - 44 Wayne's birth name
  - 49 Grande
  - 50 Plot
  - 53 Facilitate a felony
  - 54 Poetic preposition
  - 55 Makes one's mark
  - 56 Tortellini
  - 57 topping
  - 60 Fretful
  - 62 Songwriter
  - 63 Jean of "Upstairs, Downstairs"
  - 63 "Sorry" Now
  - 64 Gossip material
  - 65 Numbers man?
  - 67 Wayne's final film
  - 72 Went
  - 73 Maestro
  - 75 "Braveheart" costume
  - 78 Yale or Root
  - 79 Corn
  - 81 Simon's "Plaza"
  - 82 Rascal
  - 85 Out of sorts
  - 86 Restaurateur Toots
  - 88 Seat cover?
  - 89 Actress
  - 90 Peggy Oscar-winning
  - 95 Hugh of "Small Time Crooks"
  - 97 Spineless
  - 98 Egg evaluation
  - 99 Rich soup
  - 100 Insist
  - 103 Lost one's tail?
  - 104 A shake in the grass?
  - 105 "Star Trek" actress
  - 106 Bendix role
  - 109 Spigot
  - 112 Frequent Wayne director
  - 114 Wayne's role in "The Searchers"
  - 120 Rink legend
  - 121 New York city
  - 122 Shortstop
  - 123 Pee Wee
  - 123 Volcanic state
  - 124 Comedian
  - 125 Actor Epps
  - 126 A la King?
  - 127 Proficient
  - 11 Neon
  - 12 Flu symptom
  - 13 cat
  - 14 Shelley's "Skylark"
  - 15 Okefenokee, for one
  - 16 Indian tongue
  - 17 "Gay"
  - 18 Internists' org.
  - 23 if I can help it!
  - 25 Tea of "The Naked Truth"
  - 29 Prayer finale
  - 31 Cob, CT
  - 32 Forsyth's "The File"
  - 33 Surround a Seurat
  - 34 "God's Little" (58 film)
  - 35 Skater
  - 36 Babilonia
  - 37 Olympian Al
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  - 39 Part of HOMES
  - 40 Author Anita
  - 41 Don of "Cocoon"
  - 42 Melville title start
  - 45 "Nowhere" (66 hit)
  - 46 Actress Diamond
  - 47 Sky stalker
  - 48 do-well
  - 51 Supermarket vehicle
  - 52 "Be quiet!"
  - 57 Complete
  - 58 Night noise
  - 59 Relative of -ator
  - 61 Tempt
  - 62 School subject
  - 63 Crackerjack
  - 65 Casals' instrument
  - 66 Detective Vance
  - 68 Emulate
  - 102 Down
  - 69 Exotic pet
  - 70 Lingerie item
  - 71 Shopper's sack
  - 73 Golda of Israel
  - 74 Darcy's creator
  - 77 "The Aeneid" author
  - 79 Mindy's mate
  - 80 Circle section
  - 81 Fathered a foal
  - 82 Neighbor of Jordan
  - 83 Waiter's offering
  - 84 Fancy appetizer
  - 87 TV's "Max"
  - 88 Teen title
  - 91 Proust protagonist
  - 92 Eye appreciatively
  - 93 Cheeseboard choice
  - 94 "Girls" (79 smash)
  - 96 Pretoria's loc.
  - 99 "The Enlightened One"
  - 100 Mustard city
  - 101 Atlanta campus
  - 102 Athlete Phil
  - 103 More advanced
  - 104 Rush
  - 107 Role for Shirley
  - 108 Patella's place
  - 109 Kisses
  - 110 Mine feature
  - 111 Pressure meas.
  - 113 To and
  - 115 Pigskin prop
  - 116 "Tell About It" (83 song)
  - 117 "see it"
  - 118 Gum glob
  - 119 Overwhelm



See Page D3 for this week's answers.

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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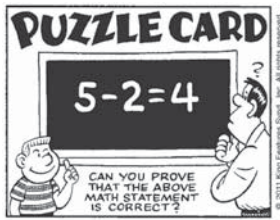
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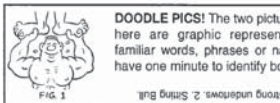
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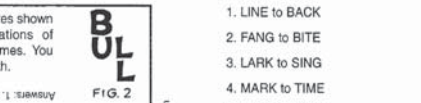
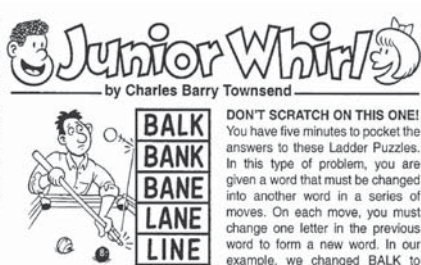
# Kid's Corner



Answers: From the word "FIVE," take away the two letters "F" and "E." This leaves you with the Roman numeral "IV."



LINK-UPS! Here's a list of 12 short words, divided into two columns. Turn them into six longer words by linking them together. To do this, draw a line from one word in the left column to one word in the right.



Answers: PRIM, RED, SAP, TIES, CAPE, ATE, LAMP, PIER, BEET, ROVE, JET, LED

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## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Differences: 1. Picture is different. 2. Lampshade has been changed. 3. Shirt has buttons. 4. 'Sale' wording has been changed. 5. Sign is different. 6. Window is different.



# III Corps defends combatives team title, wins in landslide

BY DANIEL CERNERO  
III Corps and Fort Hood Public Affairs

FORT HOOD, Texas — The III Corps combatives team defended its 2010 title here, landing as the top team of the 2011 U.S. Army Combatives Championship by nearly 100 points while playing host to the tournament finale Saturday.

With five fighters heading into the final day of competition, the most of any team, the III Corps team produced champions at two weight classes — bantamweight and flyweight.

First Lt. David Mason, the bantamweight champion, remained undefeated in combatives competition, defending his 2010 title at that weight class. Sgt. 1st Class Jesse Thornton, the III Corps noncommissioned officer-in-charge of combatives, dethroned the 2010 champion from Fort Bragg, N.C., Sgt. Francisco Mercado, to win the flyweight title.

Among those from the home crowd to congratulate the III Corps team on its consecutive team title was Lt. Gen. Don Campbell Jr., III Corps and Fort Hood commanding general.

"I know how hard they've been working," Campbell said. "They've really put a lot of effort into it, and they showed the Warrior Ethos, the values and the creed; they really lived it. They practiced hard. They trained hard. They won it as a team. I'm exceptionally proud of the III Corps combatives team.

"Last year, we won it at (Fort) Benning," Campbell added. "This year, we won it on our turf, and next year, we'll get an opportunity to defend (the title) again. We don't know where, but we'll do it."

Thornton agreed that hard work pays off, and that with the support of the chain of command, anything is possible. In his flyweight championship bout, Thornton landed a heavy right hand to the head of Mercado, resulting in the fight stopping after only 20 seconds.

After the fight, Thornton told the crowd, "I'm 36 years old, and I'm still putting it down."

"Last year, I knew Thornton was the best 125-pounder in the Army, and I wanted him to never doubt himself," said III Corps Combatives Director Kristopher

Perkins of why he talked him into fighting another year. "Not only that, Thornton is a sergeant first class; he's 36 years old. I wanted him to show those other guys who say, 'I'm too old,' or 'It's a young man's sport,' that no, you just have to put your heart into it."

Heading forward, Thornton said he plans to step away from Army combatives, but said he'll always have a connection with this III Corps team.

At the 110-pound weight class, Mason earned his second bantamweight title by defeating teammate Spc. Larry Jackson in a unanimous decision.

"Lieutenant Mason is a great asset to the team," Perkins said. "Not only is he a great fighter, he is a great officer in the Army. He provides that level head and the leadership. He's become a great friend of mine."

Also defending his 2010 title, heavyweight fighter Spc. Aaron Jackson from Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash., defeated the Minnesota National Guard's Braden Simont in the last fight of the 2011 tournament.

The bloodiest bout of the night came in the lightweight championship bout between two newcomers to combatives in 1st Infantry Division's Pvt. Joseph Sandstrom from Fort Riley, Kan., and 3rd Infantry Division's Pfc. Hanlin Liu from Fort Stewart, Ga.

Sandstrom, the clear aggressor in the fight, repeatedly landed heavy punches throughout the three five-minute rounds.

"His hands were down, and I was beating him to the punch right off the bat," Sandstrom said. "My coaches were telling me to stick with the jab and to keep (the fight) standing up, so I kept utilizing the jab and trying to throw the one-twins."

Despite copious amounts of Liu's blood being spilled on the mat, the 3rd Inf. Div. Soldier refused to quit, throwing punches until the final bell.

"I'm feeling relieved because I feel I did my best," Liu said after the fight. "There was no doubt in my mind that I was going to keep pushing 100 percent no matter what round it was. No matter how tired I am, I'm going to push, push, push."



PHOTO BY DANIEL CERNERO

First Lt. David Mason, III Corps, Fort Hood, Texas, delivers a punch to teammate Spc. Larry Jackson in the bantamweight championship bout in the U.S. Army Combatives Championship at Fort Hood Saturday. Mason defended his bantamweight title by defeating Jackson in a unanimous decision.

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- Answers
1. He or she would have goose bumps
  2. Dino
  3. "Freewheelin' Bob Dylan"
  4. Every four years
  5. Turkey
  6. Patty, LaVerne and Maxene
  7. 1972
  8. A populist politician
  9. "American Graffiti"
  10. Stratford Inn

## PUZZLE ANSWERS

Super Crossword														
Answers														
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AERATE	RAVEL	ECHO	WAN											
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ALE	WOW	CARES	EMIL											
COAT	FATIMA	HOOP	LA											
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WEAK	GRADEA	BISQUE												
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Video Game Spotlight >>>

(Editor's note: All opinions stated in the Video Game Spotlight are solely those of the article's author.)

# Catherine offers unique gameplay

BY JIM VAN SLYKE  
Contributing Writer

We've been waiting for a game like Catherine for a long time.

It's fresh, has an original story and forces the gamer to make difficult decisions. It's not like any game you've played before, and that's a very good thing.

The game tells the story of a man in his early 30s who works in the tech industry during the day and patrols the local bar scene at night.

He's been seeing Katherine for many years, a woman who wants him to take their relationship to the next level. But then another woman, Catherine, enters his life after a night of drinking too much and his life is much more complicated.

The worst part is that when he sleeps, his nightmares are so bad that they could kill him. The nightmares become the puzzle portion of the game.

Obviously, this isn't a game for kids and its plot is totally unique. No other game has had the fear of commitment and cheating on a loved one as its main plot points.

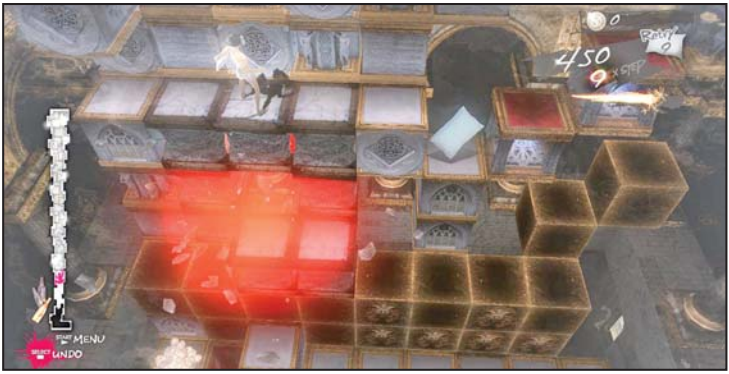
The story is the biggest reason to play this game, although the puzzles are fun and challenging as

well. The anime graphics work well and it's very easy to get lost in this game.

For those who don't want to play alone, there are local and online cooperative modes that let two people play together. Anyone who loves

games and has been looking for something different should definitely check out Catherine.

Reviewed on Xbox 360



COURTESY SCREENSHOT



<b>Publisher</b>	Atlus
<b>Rated</b>	Mature
<b>Systems</b>	Xbox 360, PS3
<b>Cost</b>	\$60
<b>Overall</b>	3.5 out of 4



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Mondays-Fridays from 4-7 p.m., Saturdays from 2-6 p.m. and are closed Sundays. They are located in the Youth Sports Complex on Fifth Avenue between the post office and the youth football field. For more information, call 255-9105.

**RIDING STABLES RULES**  
Riding stables staff reminds community members that letting horses out of their stalls can be dangerous to the horses and motorists. Visitors are also reminded to stay on the main roadways, do not approach any of the horses without owners' permission, stay out of the pastures and obey the speed limit of 10 mph at all times. For more information, call 598-3384.

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**Tennis:** SKIES offers tennis lessons for children, ages 8-16, Wednesdays from 3:30-5:30 p.m. For more information, call 255-1867.

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Skating is offered Fridays at the Child, Youth and School Services building. Hours are 6:15-7:15 p.m. for children ages 10 and under and from 7:30-10:30 p.m. for children of all ages. Cost is \$2 for the first session and \$5 for the second session. For more information, call 255-9108.

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