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Paratroopers assigned to 1st Squadron (Airborne), 91st Cavalry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade sling load a Ground Mobility Vehicle to a CH-47 Chinook in preparation for air assaulting into Hohenfels Training Area, Germany, during Exercise Saber Screen 19 in July.

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AVIATION INDUSTRY DAYS

Army Aviation increasing lethality for Multi-Domain Operations

By Kelly P. Morris
USAACE Public Affairs

A crowd of more than 350 attendees including Aviation industry professionals and members of the Army Aviation community participated in the annual Aviation Industry Days event on Fort Rucker July 24-25.

With more than 40 vendors displaying their wares at The Landing, and a two-day lineup of informative speakers and panel sessions focused on lethality in Multi-Domain Operations, the event sought to promote dialogue between industry and Army Aviation capability developers.

Maj. Gen. David J. Francis, commanding general, U.S. Army Aviation Center of Excellence and Fort Rucker, welcomed participants and thanked industry for their participation.

“The partnership with industry is absolutely incredible,” Francis said. “The investments from your corporations and companies that make some of the things that we’re seeing today a reality are truly amazing.”

Francis said his goals for the event were transparency, shared understanding, and also an opportunity to hear from industry.

He explained the need for fundamental change, from the incremental upgrades to existing equipment to realizing leap-ahead technology, as the Army prepares to be contested in all domains in the future.

“What we have to do is change, because the consequences of not changing could cause us to lose our competitive advantage,”

Francis said.

Francis serves as the modernization proponent for the current and future Aviation force. As the Aviation branch chief, he works closely with a team of leaders across the Aviation Enterprise, including partnering with Army Futures Command.

“The standup of the (Future Vertical Lift) cross functional team under Brig. Gen. Wally Rugen is making us stronger, better, and faster,” Francis said. “We are tightly integrated, and there’s no daylight between us.”

In light of requirements development, Francis is concerned with “making sure the force we have today is ready to go with the latest capability, and getting ready to transition to the future as well,” Francis said.

He explained the cascading effect of how an evaluation of the threats facing our Nation drives the National Security Strategy, the National Defense Strategy, and “what we are building the Army to do,” he said.

Francis said he wanted the group to understand the “logic trail” behind the Army’s current modernization priorities and timelines, including how adversaries watched and learned as the Nation focused on a counter-insurgency fight for nearly two decades.

“If we maintain the status quo, and if we don’t improve anything, we’re going to be at risk of not being Multi-Domain Operations capable in 2028, and the capability gaps will continue to increase after that if we don’t do something about it,” he said.

“That’s what is driving our modernization priorities ... so we can be dominant by



PHOTO BY KELLY MORRIS

Maj. Gen. David J. Francis, USAACE and Fort Rucker commanding general, welcomes participants to Aviation Industry Days and provides a branch update at The Landing July 24.

2035. That’s what is driving our timeline, and why you’re seeing the acceleration of different programs,” he said.

He described the problem set as “stand-off”: Adversaries have developed capabilities designed to give them maximum standoff so they can achieve strategic and operational objectives “before we get into an armed conflict that causes us to go force on force,” he said.

“They know we have the ability to defeat any force in the world right now and so they’ve designed standoff. And it’s not just on the military side. They’re using political separation, physical separation and functional separation to give them time and space to achieve those objectives before ever getting

to an armed standoff,” he said.

Aviation must modernize, and optimize its formations.

“We know we’re going to be contested in all domains, and we have to figure out how to get from here to there,” he said. “If and when we are required to do so, we have to be able to penetrate anti-access, area-denial defenses, and to dis-integrate integrated air defense systems, be able to exploit the opening that we’ve created by doing that, and be able to return to competition on terms that are favorable to the U.S.”

Francis said the network will be critical and must be integrated into air defense, missile defense and Soldier lethality.

While Aviation is 83 percent committed

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on any given day, the force must concurrently shift from a counterinsurgency focus toward large scale combat operations, which has implications across doctrine, organization, training, materiel, leadership and education, personnel, facilities and policy.

“When we have a generation of leaders, officers, and NCOs that have grown up in a COIN environment, that’s now a cultural shift to get us back to where we need to be. And we’re going to have to do a lot of things across the DOTMLPF to get us there,” he said.

The challenge will be hard, but the Army has done it before and will do it again, he explained.

Francis thanked industry for leaning forward, and for demonstrating technology to help achieve the needed capability for the future. “We’re really going to need your help as we always have with industry, to get from here to there.”

Brig. Gen. James P. Bienlien, director of G3/5/7 Futures and Concepts Center, Army Futures Command, Fort Eustis, Virginia, spoke about the Army in Multi-Domain Operations, including how concepts drive change, the threat focus, the tenets of MDO, and MDO force packages.

The most recent published modernization guidance is focused on the DOTMLPF-P, he explained.

“The difference is this is a holistic approach, much more complex, much larger effort to deliver 2028,” Bienlien said.

The lineup of sessions included an update from the Future Vertical Lift Cross Functional Team, as well as sessions about Aviation modernization priorities, an update from the Concepts, Experimentation and Analysis Directorate, and panel sessions on Penetrate, Dis-integrate, Exploit and Aviation training for MDO.



PHOTO BY DEVON L. SUITS

Army makes changes to Total Army Sponsorship Program

By **Devon L. Suits**
Army News Service

WASHINGTON -- The Army has implemented changes to its Total Army Sponsorship Program to ensure Soldiers and families have appropriate sponsors upon transfer to new assignments.

Under a revision to Army Regulation 600-8-8, Soldiers, noncommissioned officers and officers within the ranks of private to staff sergeant and second lieutenant to captain must be assigned sponsors at unit levels before leaving their current installations.

Further, warrant officers up to chief warrant officer 2 also are required to have spon-

sors before permanent changes of station, said Robert Bush, Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management program analyst.

While eligible Soldiers can still choose to decline sponsorship, first-term Soldiers are required to have sponsors before, or upon arrival to their next assignments, Bush said.

“We do not want to leave that Soldier at high risk of not having the necessary sponsorship, which prevents them from developing some risky behaviors, or ending up in harm’s way,” Bush said. “The sponsorship program is not just about establishing contact. It’s about welcoming that new Soldier [and leading them] through the process.”

Above all, commanders will maintain full

responsibility over the sponsorship program, and are required to set local standard operating procedures to meet sponsorship requirements, Bush said.

Previously, commanders could assign responsibility for the program to other individuals.

While commanders can still delegate responsibilities down for support, they are ultimately responsible for the sponsorship program, Bush said.

“This is a commander’s program. [The sponsorship program] is one of those issues that has a big impact on readiness,” he said. “They are ultimately responsible for the health and welfare of the Soldiers.”

Fort Rucker Sergeant Audie Murphy Association inducts 5 NCOs

By Jim Hughes

Fort Rucker Public Affairs

The Fort Rucker Sergeant Audie Murphy Association added five new members to its ranks during a ceremony Aug. 12 at the U.S. Army Aviation Museum.

Command Sgt. Maj. Brian N. Hauke, command sergeant major of the Aviation Branch and guest speaker at the event, said the induction was an important moment in the careers of the five NCOs earning membership into the association.

The newest inductees were 1st Sgt. Jerry G. Adamson, Sgt. 1st Class Richard Wright, Staff Sgt. Katherine R. Andrus, Staff Sgt. Eric D. Ruffin Jr. and Sgt. Hans C. Lafont.

These NCOs have “infectious attitudes when they come to work every day. The fact that they want to be a part of the association, they volunteer to do that, it’s an above-and-beyond-the-call type of attitude,” Hauke said. “This group of NCOs joins the rest of the association and continues to provide that infectious attitude that we need from our NCOs as they lead, coach, teach and mentor our Soldiers.”

And that attitude will only become more important as time passes, he added.

“Some of the seniors in the audience won’t be here forever, and the Army is going to be turned over to you to lead,” Hauke said to the five NCOs. “You, along with the junior leaders in the audience, will start to lead this organization, and the attitude you bring is important – it’s infectious. Soldiers watch, learn and aspire to be each and every one of you solely based on your attitude, so thanks for what you do.”

“Congratulations,” he continued. “It only starts here – don’t think it’s all over from here. It’s not going to be easy. You’re held to a little



PHOTO BY JIM HUGHES

The newest Fort Rucker Sergeant Audie Murphy Association inductees pose for a photo after their induction ceremony Aug. 12. Pictured are 1st Sgt. Jerry G. Adamson, Sgt. 1st Class Richard Wright, Staff Sgt. Katherine R. Andrus, Staff Sgt. Eric D. Ruffin Jr. and Sgt. Hans C. Lafont.

higher standard each and every day now, and there will be the expectation that you will excel, so continue to excel from here.”

ADAMSON

Adamson, B Company, 1st Battalion, 13th Aviation Regiment first sergeant, is a native of Alexander City. He enlisted in 2004 as a cavalry scout. He has supported operations Iraqi Freedom, New Dawn and Enduring Freedom over the course of his career. He said his short-term goal is to earn the rank of sergeant major, while his long-term goals are to earn a master’s degree and retire from the Army. He and his wife, Carlesa, have three children.

WRIGHT

Wright, U.S. Army Aviation Center of Excellence lead and 1st Aviation Brigade sexual assault response coordinator, manages

and maintains more than 139 full-time and collateral-duty SARC and victim advocates in the Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention program. Hailing from Mobile, he enlisted in 2004 as a field artillery surveyor. He deployed to Iraq from 2005-06. He and his wife, Staff Sgt. Addasinnia Wright, have three children.

ANDRUS

Andrus, medic with the U.S. Army Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape School, was born in Houston and raised in Eufaula. She enlisted in 2008 as a health-care specialist. She has deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan. She and her husband, Staff Sgt. James S. Andrus of the 1-14th Avn. Regt., have two children.

RUFFIN

Ruffin, 597th Maintenance Detachment

Special Repair Activity 2 team chief, is responsible for the management of the unit maintenance program and personnel during deployment operations. He is from Baltimore. Ruffin enlisted in 2010 as an air traffic control equipment repairer. He deployed to Kuwait in support of Operation New Dawn in 2011. He and his wife, Shawnda, have one child.

LAFONT

Lafont, training supervisor at Hanchey Army Heliport, was born in Miami and lived for 23 years in San Juan, Puerto Rico. He enlisted in 2015 as an air traffic control specialist. He is pursuing a bachelor’s degree in aerospace studies/air traffic control and working on earning his commercial pilot certification.

501 years: 13 Soldiers, 5 civilians retire during quarterly ceremony



The latest retirees were honored at the quarterly retirement ceremony July 26 at the U.S. Army Aviation Museum. Back row: Dr. Larry W. Key, Staff Sgt. Dana W. Ehlert, CW5 Vance L. Paul, Sgt. 1st Class Clinton P. Bruce and CW5 Scott Jackson. Front row: Lt. Col. Kevin T. Reeves, CW4 Ronald D. Wolfarth, Capt. Bridgette M. Peterson and CW4 John H. Griner.

By Jim Hughes
Fort Rucker Public Affairs

With a combined 501 years of service to the nation, 13 Soldiers and five civilians retired from service during the Fort Rucker Quarterly Retirement Ceremony July 26 at the U.S. Army Aviation Museum.

Col. John M. Ferrell, Directorate of Simulation director, hosted the ceremony with assistance from Command Sgt. Maj. James W. Coquat, former 1st Battalion, 212th Aviation Regiment command sergeant major.

Short write-ups on each retiree follow.

COL. GLORIA L. BONDS

Bonds, deputy commander for nursing at Fort Benning, Georgia, entered military service in 1989 as a Nurse Corps officer. She served a combat tour in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. She said the highlight of her career was being deployed to Iraq and, upon her return, being assigned to Walter Reed Army Medical Center where she continued

for the next three years to care for the same type of patients – the nation's wounded warriors. She and her husband, retired CW5 Kelley Bonds, have two children. They plan to reside in Huntsville.

COL. JAMES R. NOLIN

Nolin, assistant deputy commander for nursing at Martin Army Community Hospital at Fort Benning, entered military service in 1989 as a Navy hospital corpsman. He was commissioned in 1997 as a Navy Nurse Corps officer and completed a transfer to the Army in 2002. He served multiple combat tours in support of operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom. He said the highlight of his career was serving as the medical provider on Union Base III in Iraq. He and his wife, Tiffany, have a son. They plan to reside in Dothan.

LT. COL. KEVIN T. REEVES

Reeves, director of current operations and Fort Huachuca, Arizona, entered military service in 1995 as a supply specialist.



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Back row: Sgt. 1st Class Matthew M. Castillo, Douglas E. Hamrick, Richard J. Rehm, Col. James R. Nolin and CW3 Brendan G. Madden. Front row: Jean I. Hansen, Sandra A. Graves-Whitney, Staff Sgt. Kari L. Brenner and Col. Gloria L. Bonds.

He was commissioned in 1999. He served multiple combat tours in support of operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom. He said the highlight of his career was having the opportunity to command, lead, teach, train, coach and mentor the men and women of the future U.S. Army. He and his wife, Trina, have a son. They plan to reside in Riverview, Florida.

CAPT. BRIDGETTE M. PETERSON

Peterson, executive officer and assistant operations officer of the New Orleans Military Entrance Processing Station, entered military service in 1993 as a personnel administration specialist. She was commissioned through Officer Candidate School into the Adjutant General Officer Corps in 2008. She served multiple combat tours in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. She said the highlights of her career were living abroad, meeting people from all walks of life, crossing over from enlisted Soldier to officer, and especially meeting her soulmate, her best friend, her Boaz, "Pete," who loving-

ly refers to her as "his short rib." She and her husband, Reginald, have three children. They plan to reside in Enterprise.

CW5 SCOTT JACKSON

Jackson, AH-64 D/E standardization officer at Training and Doctrine Command Capabilities Manager-Reconnaissance/Attack, entered military service in 1986. He said he is most proud of his three Bronze Star medals, one Air Medal with Valor, four Air Medals, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with campaign star, Iraq Campaign Medal with five campaign stars, the Combat Action Badge and the Master Aviator Badge. He said the highlight of his career was marrying a loyal, loving and beautiful wife, and having two magnificent daughters. He and his wife, Sheryl, plan to reside in Enterprise.

CW5 VANCE L. PAUL

Paul, 1st Aviation Brigade command chief warrant officer, entered military service in 1984 as a multichannel equipment operator. He was selected for Army

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Warrant Officer Flight Training in 1989. He served multiple overseas tours in support of Operation Restore Hope, Operation Joint Endeavor, Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Spartan Shield. He said the highlights of his career were being selected for promotion to chief warrant officer 5, and being the commander of U.S. Army Europe Safety and Standards Detachment. He and his wife, Jacquelyn, have two children. They plan to reside in Enterprise.

CW4 JOHN H. GRINER

Griner, Air Traffic Services Command director of logistics, entered military service in 1993 as a special electronics devices repairer. He was selected for Army Warrant Officer Training as an electronic systems maintenance technician in 2004. He served multiple combat tours in support of operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom. He said the highlight of his career was being a warrant officer basic course instructor at the Army Logistics University. He and his wife, Permelia, have one child. They plan to reside in Ozark.

CW4 RONALD D. WOLFARTH

Wolfarth, B Company, 1-145th Avn. Regt. senior warrant officer, entered military service in the Air Force in 1996 as a munitions specialist. In 2002 he entered the Army and completed Army Warrant Officer Flight Training in 2003. He served multiple combat tours in support of operations Desert Fox and Enduring Freedom. He said the highlight of his career was having the opportunity to fly high-ranking VIP, air assault, MedEvac and firefighting missions. He plans to further his aviation career in the airline industry.

CW3 BRENDAN G. MADDEN

Madden, A Co., 1-212th Avn. Regt. instructor pilot, entered military service in 1999 as a combat engineer. He was selected

for Army Warrant Officer Flight Training in 2005. He served multiple combat tours in support of operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom. He said the highlight of his career was being a pilot and instructor in support of U.S. Southern Command's mission in Central and South America. He has three children. He plans to reside in Cincinnati, Ohio.

SGT. 1ST CLASS CLINTON P. BRUCE

Bruce, Directorate of Training and Doctrine Aviation Gunnery Branch master door gunner, entered military service in 1995 as a UH-60 helicopter repairer. He served multiple combat tours in support of operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom. He said the highlight of his career was his assignment to Fort Rucker and being able to share his experience with the rest of the force. He and his wife, Miranda, plan to reside in Enterprise.

SGT. 1ST CLASS MATTHEW M. CASTILLO

Castillo, 110th Aviation Brigade equal opportunity adviser, entered military service in 1998 as a motor transportation operator with the New Mexico National Guard. He entered active-duty service in 1999 as a flight operations specialist. He served multiple combat tours in support of operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom. He said the highlight of his career was marrying his beautiful wife, Lynette, and having five amazing children. They plan to reside in Enterprise.

STAFF SGT. KARI L. BRENNER

Brenner, A Co., 1-13th Avn. Regt. operations NCO, entered military service in 1999. She served multiple combat tours in support of operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom. She said the highlight of her career was meeting and working with many great Americans. She said she plans to reside in Enterprise with her two beautiful sons.

STAFF SGT. DANA W. EHLERT

Ehlert, special repair activity team chief, sexual harassment/assault response and prevention victim advocate, and senior instructor/writer, entered military service in 2002 as an air traffic control equipment repairer. He served multiple combat tours in support of operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom, Operation New Dawn and Flintlock 2009. He said the highlight of his career was marrying his beautiful wife, Tara, and becoming a husband, father and grandfather in the same day. They plan to reside in Daleville.

DR. LARRY W. KEY

Key, Directorate of Training and Doctrine senior training specialist, is retiring after 44 years of distinguished service and dedication to Soldiers and the nation. He served on active duty from 1968 to 1995, including in Vietnam as an UH-1 pilot and C-47 pilot, instructor pilot and safety officer. He said the highlight of his career was working with many wonderful people throughout the years. He has two children and five grandchildren all within the Wiregrass area. He plans to reside in Elba.

JEAN I. HANSEN

Hansen, ATSCOM air traffic control specialist, is retiring after more than 40 years of distinguished service to Soldiers and the nation. She served on active duty from 1975 to 1994 and in the Air Force Reserve from 1994 to 2004. She entered civil service in 1998. She said the highlight of her career was being able to deploy as a civilian in support of Soldiers and the nation. She has five grandchildren. She plans to reside in Arlington, Texas.

DOUGLAS E. HAMRICK

Hamrick, Directorate of Human Resources lead human resources assistant, is retiring after 44 years of distinguished service

and dedication to Soldiers and the nation. He served on active duty from 1974 to 1980 as a personnel records specialist. He then immediately entered civil service in civilian personnel, accident prevention and the DHR personnel transition services center. He said the highlight of his career was servicing and taking care of Soldiers transitioning to the civilian sector. He and his wife, Kerry, have one child. They plan to reside in Enterprise.

SANDRA A. GRAVES-WHITNEY

Graves-Whitney, 1st Avn. Bde. Office of the Staff Judge Advocate legal assistant, is retiring after more than 37 years of distinguished service to Soldiers and the nation. She entered civil service as a student aide during her 11th grade year while attending Daleville High School and then junior college. She said the highlights of her career were receiving the 1996 Fort Rucker Employee of the Year Award in the service category, earning the Civilian Achievement Medal, and being blessed to have met so many wonderful people and making lifelong friends while working at Fort Rucker. She has two grandchildren.

RICHARD J. REHM

Rehm, Cairns Army Radar Approach Control division chief, is retiring after 28 years of distinguished service and dedication to Soldiers and the nation. He served on active duty from 1990 to 1994 as an air traffic control specialist. He entered civil service shortly after separating from the Army, serving his entire 24 years at Cairns Army Radar Approach Control. He said the highlight of his career was being appointed to the Army's CP-64 Aviation Career Planning Board. He and his wife, Eden, plan to travel extensively, but to reside in Alabama and Florida.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Soldier, civilian aid victims of vehicle accidents

By Kelly P. Morris
USACE Public Affairs

We've all been there. The traffic on a busy highway grinds to a halt, and after a few moments emergency response vehicles rush past us to the scene up ahead.

If you ever wondered what happens in those critical moments before emergency responders arrive, two Fort Rucker employees have an answer, after they recently intervened to assist in vehicle accidents.

CW2 Stephen E. Lowe, instructor at 1st Battalion, 145th Aviation Regiment, 1st Aviation Brigade, and Sarah M. Brisson, deputy chief of Protocol, U.S. Army Aviation Center of Excellence, each put their Army training into practice during their off-duty time, to make a difference.

For Lowe, who serves as an Unmanned Aircraft Systems technician at the Air Cavalry Leaders Course, the vehicle accident happened while he was on a temporary duty assignment away from Fort Rucker.

After his duty day ended at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and he was returning to his lodging in June, he saw two cars that were racing. One of the cars flipped multiple times and hit a telephone pole, landing inverted off the road in some brush.

Lowe rushed to the scene, and instructed another person to call 911. As he assessed the situation, he saw downed power lines, smoke coming from the car's engine, and a stream of fuel steadily leaking into the car. The driver was not wearing a seatbelt and airbags had not deployed.

He used a headrest to break the window so he could unlock and open the driver's side door.

Once he was able to get in the car with the driver and get her stabilized, he continued to monitor and assess, keeping an eye out for any spark that could cause a fire. He knew even though gas was leaking from the car, it was best not to move the driver unless it was absolutely necessary.

He talked to the victim and tried to glean whatever information he could, until the emergency responders arrived. At that point he relayed the information to the Emergency Medical Services team.

"It was really just adrenaline and kind of muscle memory. If there's a situation, you need to react, as opposed to just standing there and trying to figure something out you just go," he said.

While some people stop to help, bystanders tend to watch or start recording video, he explained.

"I've been in car accidents where people drive by you.... It's kind of disconcerting. The dust cloud hasn't settled and they just keep on driving," Lowe said.

Lowe hopes people will try to help out in the future when they are in a position to do so.

"I know that if it was my family that was in a car accident I would hope that somebody else would stop as fast as I did and try to assist as much as possible.

"I would hope everybody has a little bit of training, and say, let me help where I can," Lowe said. "Even if it's as simple as talking to someone to keep them conscious--if that's all



PHOTO BY KELLY MORRIS

CW2 Stephen E. Lowe, instructor at 1st Battalion, 145th Aviation Regiment.

you can do, that's better than nothing."

For his selfless actions in a dangerous situation on June 6, Lowe was presented the Army Commendation Medal.

Maj. Julie A. MacKnyght, commander of A Company, 1-145th Avn. Regt., commended Lowe's actions as a model of the Army

Values.

"For our Soldiers, I think it's critical to get the word out about the incredible, courageous, and honorable things they are doing on and off duty to their peers as a reminder of the type of Soldier we all strive to be," MacKnyght said.

DIFFERENCE *cont.*

For Brisson, it was a family road trip to Disney World in Florida in December. Two kids in the back, husband at the wheel and then, in the vicinity of Jacksonville-Ocala area, it happened. They watched as a passenger van unexpectedly spiraled over into the median.

She knew she had to do something. “An overwhelming call to help is what I felt,” Brisson said.

According to Brisson, who previously served as an Army aviator, her Army training kicked in. She and her husband, Capt. Michael P. Brisson, a physician at South Baldwin Regional Medical Center in Foley, rushed to the scene.

“It looked like a war zone. We thought, ‘these people are dead,’” Brisson said.

One person was ejected from the vehicle, the rest were inverted, suspended with fastened seatbelts intact, and some were unconscious. She saw from identifiers that the individuals had special needs.

The minutes before paramedics arrived seemed like an eternity. Brisson and her husband together assessed the situation, began providing triage, and kept people calm, while also keeping tabs on her own children still in the family vehicle.

“I did what any one of my military family members would have done,” Brisson said. “Even if you don’t have medical training, there’s something you can do. People needed someone to sit with them and tell them it’s going to be OK.”

She said the incident changed her perspective on how normal people react, in light of the thousands who passed by the scene along the highway.

The experience made her thankful for her Army training.

“No hesitation. That’s what the military training gave me--confidence to not hesitate in a situation you’re not comfortable with,”



Sarah M. Brisson, deputy chief of protocol, U.S. Army Aviation Center of Excellence is pictured with her husband, Capt. Michael P. Brisson, and children.

she said.

When her supervisor, Jenny Hughes, USAACE Protocol officer, was notified about the incident and Brisson’s immediate response to it, she was proud of her teammate’s actions.

“I feel not everyone is comfortable, nor do they know how to respond to a situation like this, and I wanted Sarah to be recognized,” Hughes said. “Sarah is a former aviator, and I

feel her experience in combat gave her what she needed to jump into action ensuring these individuals were safe until medical help could arrive.”

For her actions while on Interstate 75 Dec. 15, Brisson recently was presented the Civilian Award for Humanitarian Service for her selfless service and disregard for her own safety.

FORT RUCKER
MOVIE SCHEDULE

FOR AUG. 22 - SEPT. 7

Thursday, August 22
The Angry Birds Movie 2 (PG) 7 p.m.

Friday, August 23
The Angry Birds Movie 2 (PG) 7 p.m.

Saturday, August 24
The Angry Birds Movie 2 (PG) 10 a.m.
The Lion King (PG) 4 p.m.
Annabelle Comes Home (R) 7 p.m.

Sunday, August 25
The Lion King (PG) 1 p.m.
Yesterday (PG-13) 4 p.m.

Thursday, August 29
The Lion King (PG) 7 p.m.

Friday, August 30
Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw (PG-13) 7 p.m.

Saturday, August 31
Toy Story 4 (G) 4 p.m.
Crawl (R) 7 p.m.

Sunday, September 1
The Lion King (PG) 1 p.m.
Spider-Man: Far From Home (PG-13) 4 p.m.

Thursday, September 5
Stubber (R) 7 p.m.

Friday, September 6
Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw (PG-13) 7 p.m.

Saturday, September 7
The Art of Racing in the Rain (PG) 4 p.m.
Once Upon A Time in Hollywood 7 p.m.

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Fort Rucker Scout helps church, community, school with Eagle Scout project

By Jim Hughes

Fort Rucker Public Affairs

An Eagle Scout project should benefit a religious institution, a community or a school, according to BoysLife.org.

Mark Johnson, a Boy Scout with Fort Rucker Troop 50, managed to help out all three with his recently completed Eagle Scout project of building two school bus stops in Enterprise.

Mark hosted ribbon cutting ceremonies for his creations Aug. 2, including the bus stop in Holiday Village right outside of the Enterprise Gate that U.S. Army Warrant Officer Career College Class 19-06 donated more than \$2,000 to in an effort to help the Scout complete the project.

Holiday Village residents joined Fort Rucker and scouting officials at the ceremony, including a proud father.

"I'm on top of the world," said Forrest Johnson, Mark's father and committee chair for Troop 50. "He will be the second of three sons to make Eagle. He started out wanting to do this much (hands about six inches apart) and he ended up doing this much (hands about two feet apart)."

Mark's creations, with the other one being near the Macedonia Baptist Church, aren't any run-of-the-mill bus stops – they're solid and present nice curb appeal, or, as WOCC representative CW3 Bennett Monday said at the ceremony, "they turned out awesome," before cutting the ribbon with Mark.

"We're glad to help out," the training, advising and counseling officer added. "When candidates have leftover money from their class projects, they can donate it to a worthy cause – this is definitely a good cause."

For his part, Mark said he bit off more than he intended to with the projects, but not more than he could chew.



PHOTO BY JIM HUGHES

Fort Rucker and Boy Scouts of America officials join Mark Johnson, center with no hat, at the ribbon cutting ceremony Aug. 2 for the bus stop the Scout built at Holiday Village in Enterprise as part of his Eagle Scout project.

"It was much, much, much harder than I thought it would be," he said, adding that he forgot how small his troop is and overestimated how much help he would receive with the project. "It took 3 ½ months longer than I expected."

But the significant amount of physical labor wasn't the hardest part, he said.

"It was the scheduling, being interviewed by Eagle Board for approval of the project, and trying to sell the idea and its benefits to people to get donations," he said, adding that these experiences will help him with his next

step on the path to Eagle Scout.

That next step will be going before the Eagle Board to see if his efforts meet the standards for obtaining Eagle Scout, which Mark expects to take place in September.

And right on the heels of completing his project, Mark has some advice for others seeking to become Eagle Scouts.

"Do your scheduling better," he said. "Also, ask other Eagle Scouts what they did right and what they did wrong, so you can learn from their experience. Look at what your peers did, copy what they did right and

don't do what they did wrong because history repeats itself."

Although, said his father, mistakes are part of the Eagle Scout process.

"He would ask, 'Dad, what do I do?' I said, 'You figure it out. It's your project.' He made a bunch of mistakes, and it took a lot longer because of those mistakes," Forrest said. "But this one took longer than the other one because he learned from all of his mistakes with this one."

SOLDIER FOR LIFE

Center stands ready to help transitioning Soldiers, families

By Jim Hughes
Fort Rucker Public Affairs

Moving forward into life as a veteran after hanging up their uniforms for the last time can be an intimidating stage of life for many Soldiers, but the Fort Rucker Soldier for Life – Transition Assistance Program stands ready with all the weapons military members need for a smooth transition.

Armed with decades of knowledge, a staff honored to take care of Soldiers and a proven track record of successful transitions, the SFL-TAP is invaluable to those moving on from the military, said Bryan Tharpe, center transition services manager.

“We have a two-pronged mission,” Tharpe said. “First, we help Soldiers understand what their benefits and entitlements are once they retire or separate because if they don’t know what they are, then they can’t benefit from them.”

The staff works closely with Soldiers to

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Fort Rucker Soldier for Life – Transition Assistance Program transition services manager

ensure they understand their transition benefits before they meet with Veterans Affairs advisers who brief them on all VA entitlements and help them put in disability claims, “which can really help them because they are entitled to those and if approved through VA they are going to get an extra check for the rest of their lives,” Tharpe said.

“Second, we connect Soldiers with employers,” he added. “We do that through our monthly employer days, similar to mini-job fairs, over in the lobby of Bldg. 5700, where usually 10 to 12 employers show up. The employers will interview Soldiers on the spot – some might even get hired right there, and others later on.”

And if monthly mini-job fairs, tailored one-on-one counseling, a five-day employment workshop, and twice-a-month classes where Soldiers are instructed on all kinds of job search dos and don’ts, including resume writing, importance of networking, using social media properly and more, aren’t enough to help Soldiers find employment, there’s always the annual Fort-Rucker-Wiregrass Area Job Fair SFL-TAP helps put on. This year’s event took place July 31.

And the SFL-TAP is working, according to Tharpe, who added that spouses are welcome to attend anything separating or retiring Soldiers attend, and that SFL-TAP also helps retired Soldiers on a space-available basis.

“We probably have the lowest unemployment compensation that we pay out among all of the installations worldwide,” he said. “Our Soldiers are getting jobs – I think it’s



PHOTO BY JIM HUGHES

Arlena Gonzales, administrative specialist at the Soldier for Life-Transition Assistance Program center, stands next to the success story bulletin she created and maintains to show the different types of employment Soldiers have found using the program.

the nature of mission here. Aviation, especially, is in high demand, but everyone else is getting jobs, too.”

Visible evidence of that success is proudly displayed by the SFL-TAP staff in the center via a bulletin board with Soldiers’ names along with graphics representing the type of employment they achieved. The displays creator, Arlena Gonzales, administrative specialists at the center, maintains the board.

Tharpe encourages successful clients of the center to do a success story for the board to provide inspiration to the Soldiers behind them. “Then the separating Soldiers can look at it, and say, ‘I know that person, and I did what they did for the past 20 or so years – if they did it, so can I.’”

The program is mandatory for Soldiers, and for good reason, he added.

“The Army made using it mandatory be-

cause back when it was call the Army Career and Alumni Program, Soldiers weren’t using it,” he said. “Now that it’s mandatory, you have to start a year out, but you can start two years out if you’re retiring or 18 months out if separating. And we don’t require retirement paperwork, they can change their mind and stay in – that’s a win-win for everyone. But sooner or later, everyone’s getting out.

“We have some great counselors, we have some great teachers, and we have all of the tools they need: books, computers, laptops and printers,” Tharpe said. “I highly encourage Soldiers to work one-on-one with my counselors, and that’ll make all the difference in the world. They take great pride in Soldiers getting jobs – they’re proud of that board down there.”

For more information on the SFL-TAP and its service, call 255-2558.

JOB SEARCH TIP

Don't forget to say, 'Thank you'

By **Bryan Tharpe**
Fort Rucker SFL-TAP

So you made it through the interview! Now what?

For any job available, many people (sometimes hundreds) apply. Usually the employer limits the numbers who are interviewed to only a few. When you are selected, be sure the employer has decided that you have the basic qualifications for the job.

After the interview, writing a thank-you letter gives the employer one more thing to like about you. Most job hunters will not write a thank-you letter; if you do, you will

separate yourself from the competition.

Mail it in time for the employer to receive it two or three days after the interview. If you were interviewed by more than one person or a panel, address it to the person who conducted the interview and who is responsible for hiring. This gesture will greatly increase your chances for a second interview or a job offer; in fact, several SFL-TAP clients have said this sold the employer on them instead of a competitor.

The thank-you letter tells the employer that you are enthusiastic about the job and the company, and that you are confident about your ability to do the job.

The letter should be tailored to the company's needs and the interviewer's personality. Personalize it by mentioning particulars about the job or company, or points specifically addressed at the interview.

If the interview went well, the purpose of the thank-you letter is to remind the employer about you and your qualifications. Communicate your continued interest in the job and summarize the qualities that make you the best choice.

Sometimes you need to highlight particular skills or qualifications you possess that the employer considers to be essential. If possible, use a few buzz words from the career field that show you will fit in. The letter will leave the employer with a good impression of you, your skills and abilities.

If you forgot to mention some pertinent

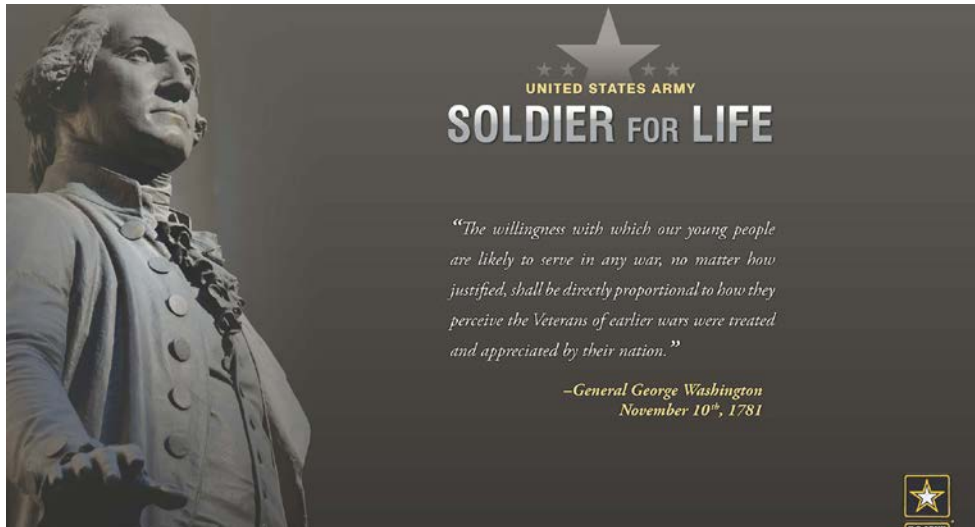
information or didn't answer an interviewer's question as well as you could have during the interview, the thank-you letter can give you a second chance. In the letter, repeat your strong points and elaborate on the points you failed to mention before. Answer the questions that you did not answer during the interview.

After sending the thank-you letter, no matter how well you thought the interview went, don't sit by the phone waiting to hear from the employer. Job hunting is an on-going process -- work on your next interview.

Always remember that interviewing is a learning experience. Although it will probably never be your favorite pastime, you will improve each time you interview.

For more information, call the SFL-TAP at 255-2558.

VA benefits – The importance of filing your disability claim early



ARMY GRAPHIC

By **Bryan Tharpe**
Fort Rucker SFL-TAP

All Soldiers who have 180 days of active duty (not counting AD for training time) can

begin SFL-TAP 24 months from their anticipated retirement date and 18-months before an expiration of term of service date.

Soldiers who are being chaptered or receiving a medical or physical evaluation

board must begin as soon as possible.

The National Defense Authorization Act of 2019 was signed into law and is effective Oct. 1. It makes it mandatory for all Soldiers to begin SFL-TAP no later than 12 months of their transition date.

Why is this important to you? Besides being the law, most transitioning Soldiers want to file for their Veterans Affairs disability claim and have it finalized before they leave the service.

The VA benefits counselors in the SFL-TAP Center can advise you on your benefits. However, if you wait until you are within six months of your transition date, you have waited too late to expect to see your file completed before you get off active duty. Just getting your medical records and documentation together can take far longer than six months.

Therefore, if you wait and begin SFL-TAP late, you may well be behind the power curb. You need to know that you can talk with the

VA benefit advisors in the SFL-TAP Center at any time, but you must complete your mandated pre-separation counseling before you can attend the mandatory VA classroom training. It may well be worth your time to contact the SFL-TAP Center early and then you can schedule to talk with the VA benefits advisors at 255-2058 or 255-1868 to see how you can benefit by starting early. The VA benefits advisors are located in Bldg. 4502, Rm. 203 and are open Mondays-Fridays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

There are other reasons to begin early, e.g., lessening transition stress, more time to find a good paying job, etc., but a VA disability claim must be made before you get within six months of your transition date to be of significant value to you.

Remember, if your claim is approved, you receive another monthly pay check for the remainder of your life.

Don't wait to visit the VA Benefit Advisors in SFL-TAP. Do it today.

Vehicle scams leaving service members feeling overheated



PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY JENNIFER BROFER

By Chris Ward

Army and Air Force Exchange Service

DALLAS -- According to a recent Better Business Bureau study, service members are more susceptible to fraud than average consumers.

In fact, scammers using the name "Exchange Inc." have been attempting to fool Soldiers and Airmen into thinking they are working with the Army and Air Force Exchange Service to broker the sale of used cars, trucks, motorcycles, boats and boat engines.

"For years, scammers have used the Exchange's trademarked logo and name without permission to purportedly sell vehicles in the United States," said Steve Boyd, the Exchange's loss prevention vice president. "Some military members have sent money thinking they're dealing with the Exchange, only to receive nothing in return."

Military exchanges do not have the au-

thority to sell vehicles or represent private sellers in completing transactions in the continental United States. Scammers have left consumers with the impression they are doing business with the Department of Defense's oldest and largest exchange service.

The scammers typically direct potential buyers to use multiple third-party gift cards to pay for purchases. Most recently, scammers required payment using Google Play gift cards. To verify any suspicious payment method requests, military shoppers can call Exchange Customer Service at 800-527-2345.

The Exchange operates solely on military installations and via ShopMyExchange.com. The Exchange does not act as a broker in private transactions and does not advertise in classified advertisement or resale websites.

Shoppers who believe that they may have been taken advantage of can file a complaint through the Internet Crime Complaint Center at www.ic3.gov.



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SENSORY-FRIENDLY MOVIE

The Fort Rucker Exceptional Family Member Program is partnering with the Army and Air Force Exchange Service to present a special sensory-friendly showing of "The Angry Birds Movie 2" Aug. 24 at 10 a.m. at the post theater. Theater lights will be dim, but not dark; the volume will be lowered; and parents are not expected to quiet their children. The event is open to service members, retirees, Department of Defense civilians and their guests. Tickets cost \$8 for adults and \$7 for children. All guests are welcome. Devices to help those with hearing impairment will be available upon request for no charge.

For more information, call 255-9277.

ANGER MANAGEMENT CLASS

Army Community Service will host anger management classes Wednesdays in September from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Bldg. 5700, Rm. 350. Anger is a completely normal and usually healthy human emotion, according to ACS officials. When it gets out of control and destructive, it can lead to problems at work, in your personal relationships and to your overall quality of life. You cannot avoid or eliminate the things or the people that make you angry, you cannot change them, but you can learn to control your reactions. Registration deadline is Aug. 30. For more information and to register, call 255-3898.

OZARK BUS TOUR

MWR Central will host a day trip to Ozark Aug. 28 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The free, fun and informative bus tour will give participants a chance to enjoy time in downtown Ozark, including photo opportunities, shopping, Ed Lisenby Lake and the

Rudd Art Center. The tour will also include valuable information for newcomers on schools, city government and recreational opportunities. People will also be treated to a complimentary lunch at the historic The Holman House. Pre-registration is required. The event is open to ages 18 and over. The tour will include walking to various locations in the downtown district.

Seats are limited. To sign up, call 255-2997. Free hourly childcare is available for registered CYS patrons – register your children at the child development center by calling 255-2262 at least 24 hours prior to the tour.

RIGHT ARM NIGHT

Leaders, bring your right-hand man or woman out for Fort Rucker Right Arm Night hosted by the 1st Battalion, 14th Aviation Regiment Aug. 29 from 4-6 p.m. at The Landing. Fort Rucker Right Arm Night is an old Army tradition, promoting a night of camaraderie and esprit de corps as leaders come together and treat those standing to their right – the ones helping them get through daily missions. Complimentary appetizers will be served while supplies last. Fort Rucker Right Arm Night will be held every month. Both military and civilians are invited to attend.

For more information, call 255-0768.

EFMP SUPPORT GROUP

The Exceptional Family Member Program Support Group is open to anyone with an exceptional family member diagnosed with autism. It will focus on parent teaching. The EFMP Support Group will be held Aug. 29 from 6-7 p.m. at the Center Library.

For more information, call 255-9277.

EMPLOYMENT READINESS WORKSHOP

Mark your calendars and make plans to attend the next employment readiness program workshop Sept. 5 from 9-11:30 a.m. at Bldg. 5700. Patrons will meet in Rm. 350 at 8:45 a.m. for paperwork and attendance prior to the session. You'll get the essentials about how to conduct a successful job campaign, to include crafting a winning resume, prepping for job interviews and other helpful tips. Advance registration is required.

For more information and to reserve your seat, call 255-2594.

COFFEE AND FRIENDS

Do you need help understanding military life? Are you new to Fort Rucker, or just looking to make some new friends? Join ACS for Coffee and Friends at the Bowden Terrace Community Center from 9-11 a.m. Sept. 6. Coffee and Friends will be held the first Friday of every month. For more information, call 255-3898.

ACTIVE PARENTING: TEEN

The ACS Family Advocacy Program will host an Active Parenting: Teen workshop Sept. 6 from 11:30-12:30 p.m. at Bldg. 5700, Rm. 350. The parenting classes are for parents with children of all ages. Parenting can be a challenging yet fulfilling responsibility. Most do not receive any type of training. The class provides parents with the essential tools necessary to be a more effective parent at any age of their child's life. Remember, parenting is about making life better for your children, not being a better parent. Instructors use the Active Parenting curriculum.

For more information or to register for one of the upcoming classes, call 255-3359 or 255-9805.

COMMANDERS CUP FLAG FOOTBALL

The Fort Rucker Directorate of Family, and Morale, Welfare and Recreation will host its Commander's Cup 7-on-7 Flag Football League Sept. 24 to Oct. 30. The league is open to eligible ID card holders, 18 and older. Players must play for their company or battalion team. Only unit teams with no more than 50 percent civilians are eligible for Commander's Cup points. Open teams (not affiliated with a unit) will be accepted; however they will not be eligible for Commander's Cup points. Open teams are not required to maintain a ratio of 50 percent active-duty military. Teams must register with a letter of intent by Sept. 18 to be eligible to play.

There will be a coaches meeting Sept. 11 at noon and 5:30 p.m. at the Fort Rucker Physical Fitness Center. Registration deadline is Sept. 16.

For more information, call 255-2671.

SILVER WINGS PRO-AM GOLF TOURNAMENT

Fort Rucker will host the Silver Wings Pro-Am Golf Tournament Sept. 13-15. Sept. 13 will be a practice round all day with a 5 p.m. pairing party. Tournament play will begin Sept. 14 with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$275 for non-members and \$200 for members. Cost includes tournament course fees, range golf balls, tee gifts, tournament meals and prizes. Limited spots will be available. Members of the National Women's Golf Association will team up with golfers to play 36 holes. Teams will be comprised of one professional and three amateurs. The teams will play team Stableford. Professionals will also simultaneously participate in an individual competition. Amateurs must have a current and verifiable USGA Handicap Index. The event is open to the public.



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ATV AND DIRT BIKE TRAIL RIDE

Fort Rucker Outdoor Recreation will host
an ATV and dirt bike trail ride Sept. 14 from
7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Pre-registration is required.
The cost is \$20. Drivers must pass the safety
driving test through ODR before partici-
pating. Participants must provide their own
ATV or dirt bike, and also provide their own
protective gear, including helmets, boots,
etc., that must be worn at all times. The event
is open to the public, ages 16 and older.

For more information, call 255-4305.

NEWCOMERS' WELCOME

The next Newcomers' Welcome is sched-
uled for Sept. 20 from 9-11:30 a.m. at The
Landing. Active duty, spouses, foreign stu-
dents, Army civilians and family members
are all encouraged to attend this informative
event. A free light breakfast and coffee will
be served. For free childcare, register your
children at the child development center by
calling 255-3564. Reservations must be made
24 hours prior to the Newcomers' Welcome.

For more information, call 255-3735.

WOUNDED WARRIOR FALL HUNT

Fort Rucker will host its Wounded

Warrior Fall Hunt Sept. 25-28. Wounded
warriors from across the southeast will par-
ticipate in the hunt free of charge with the
support of sponsors assisting with lodg-
ing and food. Hunters are expected from
Virginia, Florida, Alabama, Kentucky,
Georgia and Mississippi. The hunt is also
open to the general public for \$25 per hunter.
Volunteer guides to assist the wounded war-
riors are welcomed.

Also, \$5 door prize tickets are available at
ODR and MWR Central. Door prize drawing
participants must be 18 or older – people do
not need to be present at the drawing to win.

For more information, call 255-4305.

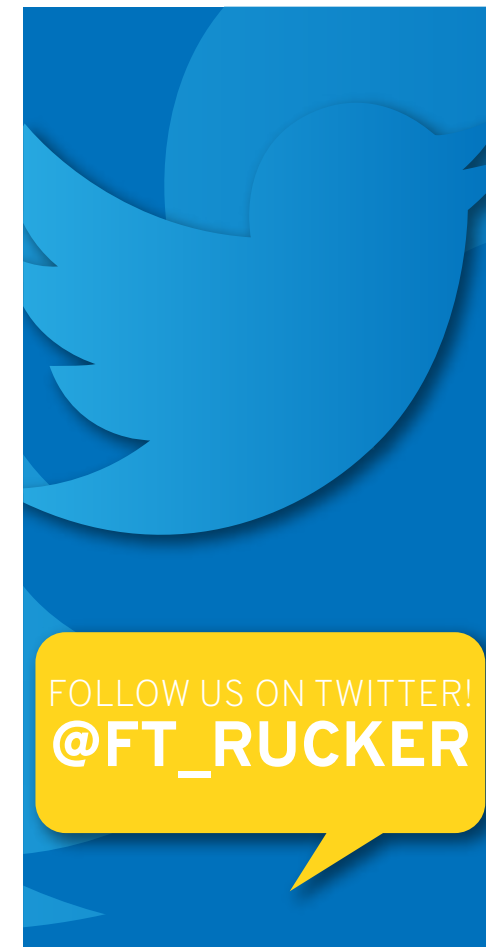
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NEWS IN BRIEF

PAY OFFICE HOURS

The Defense Military Pay Office is closed Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. For more information, call 255-3115 or 255-3939.

HURRICANE SEASON

Hurricanes can affect areas more than 100 miles inland. If a hurricane is affecting the Fort Rucker area, people should be prepared for a risk of high winds, thunderstorms, flooding and power outages. People need to be prepared -- have supplies ready for the whole family with food, water, medication and other essential items that will support your needs for at least three days. Include items for all members of the household, including: Prescription and over-the-counter medications; medical equipment and spare batteries; copies of important records; and

pet supplies, I.D. tags, carriers and leashes.

Visit <https://ready.gov/hurricanes> for more information.

9/11 MEMORIAL STAIR CLIMB

The Fort Rucker Fire Department will host its 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb Sept. 9 from 8-10 a.m. in Bldg. 5700, the Soldier Service Center. Setup will take place from 8-8:30 a.m., with prayer and speaking from 8:30-45 a.m., 8:46 a.m. ringing of the bell (when the North Tower was hit), 8:48 a.m. begin stair climb and end at 9:59 a.m. (when South Tower collapsed).

About 30-40 firefighters will participate in the event with the goal for each firefighter to climb the equivalent 110 flights of stairs -- the amount New York City firefighters faced during 9/11.

All are welcome to attend the event and

encourage Fort Rucker's firefighters as they climb the center stairwell to the third floor of the building and descend the south stairwell until they reach the 110-floor goal.

HISPANIC HERITAGE KICKOFF

The Fort Rucker Hispanic Heritage Month kickoff event is scheduled for Sept. 13 at 11:30 a.m. at the PX food court.

POW/MIA CEREMONY

Fort Rucker will host its POW/MIA Remembrance Ceremony Sept. 20 at 8:30 a.m. at Veterans Park. In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held in the U.S. Army Aviation Museum.

RETIREE COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Fort Rucker Installation Retiree Council meets the first Thursday of each

month in The Landing at 11:30 a.m. The meeting is an open forum and all retirees are invited to attend. Retirees are also encouraged to apply for one of the open positions on the council.

For more information, call 255-9124.

SIREN TEST

The Installation Operations Center conducts a test of the emergency mass notification system the first Wednesday of each month at 11 a.m. At that time people will hear the siren over the giant voice. No actions are required.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETS

Alcoholics Anonymous meets Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at The Commons, Bldg. 8950. For more on the group, call 334-379-8775.

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