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Crisis averted: Quick response keeps Families safe



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Students and Families of Devers Elementary School were comforted Wednesday by a quick and skillfull response by the installation's first responders, who arrived on scene in under five minutes after the report of a possible threat on campus. First responders secured and cleared the school of any possible threats allowing the students and faculty to return and complete the remainder of their school day.

Prescribed fires paramount to environment

BY JELIA HEPNER
PARAGLIDE

A prescribed fire, also known as a controlled burn, is a paramount resource to the Fort Bragg community and its environment. These authorized fires have taken place for many years on the installation and are carried out by a team of experts from the Wildland Fire Program. The North Carolina General Assembly recognized the importance of prescribed burning with the NC Prescribed Burning Act, established on Jan. 1, 2000.

These intentionally set fires are conducted from December to June. Approximately one-third of the installation is burned during the growing season. From December to June, over 160,000 acres of land are ignited by fire. Burnings focus on the longleaf pine ecosystem and can be beneficial in many ways.

There are many different aspects on why these practices take place: To reduce fuel loads,

manage important habitats, assist with wildlife management and to benefit military training.

Burns are also federally required in support of threatened species, such as the Red-cockaded Woodpecker. This species plays a vital role when it comes to the Fort Bragg ecosystem. They are primary cavity nesters, meaning they are responsible for construction of cavities located in trees where birds nest, lay eggs or raise their young. They are considered an important key species because the use of their cavities by animals contributes to the species richness of the pine forest. These fires are not only important to animals and the environment, but they are also vital to military training.

"A lot of the plants and animals have adapted. So they can't survive or be viable without fire," said Rodney Fleming, director of Forestry Branch. "We use fire to help for training and to protect a lot of resources for training and the drop zones we burn to try and eliminate a lot of hardwood encroachment."

Fleming also stated that when it comes to the military training aspect of the fires, it helps open up different landscapes, improves visibility for training missions and enhances access to certain training sites. Many of Fort Bragg's plants and animals rely on fire to maintain their habitats. This reliance comes from a habitat that has burned frequently for thousands of years, according to the Southern Fire Exchange 2012 to 2015 fact sheet.

The Forestry Branch is gearing up for another successful season this year and plans to set prescribed fires on approximately 56,000 acres across the installation. People who encounter these fires on the installation do not need to be alarmed. If a member of the Forestry Branch is present monitoring the fire it is likely a prescribed burn.

However, if a person does not see any professionals in the area, or if they are unsure about the fire, they can call 911 or contact the Forestry Branch at (910) 396-2510.

Update: Access
control points
operating hours

The changes to Fort Bragg's access control points are intended to increase mission and Soldier readiness. This will allow the Soldiers to hone their skills for training and real-world deployments.

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Fort Bragg celebrates Black History



Courtesy of National Archives

Left to right: T/5 Sherman Hughes, T/5 Hudson Murphy, Pfc. Zacariah Gibbs. In May 1945, these drivers of the 666th Quartermaster Truck Company, 82nd Abn. Div. chalked up 20,000 miles each without an accident, during their time in the European Theater of Operations.

The importance of saving a life

By PVT. CARLOS CUEBAS FANTAUZZI

22ND MPAD

Learning how to save a life is a skill that may mean the difference between life and death on the battlefield. That is why when I was given the opportunity to participate in the Combat Lifesaver Course at Fort Bragg, I leapt at the opportunity.

I got to the course, located near the shooting ranges, miles away from any housing or day-to-day buildings, and was excited to learn.

The cold morning air, the kind that freezes your fingers and makes your ears go numb, was the first thing I noticed as I walked toward the course building across the long, dirt parking lot. I recall wishing the training would take place indoors to avoid the frigid weather.

We walked into the building and were separated into two classrooms. The course instructors seemed to be extremely knowledgeable and spoke in a way where one could assume they had been doing this for quite some time.

I sat down in the classroom excited to learn but hesitant because I didn't know what would be expected of me.

Our first day was an introduction to what we would be learning and the responsibility of being a certified Combat Lifesaver.

While I understood everything the instructors were saying about the seriousness of being a lifesaver, I felt like I wouldn't truly understand until we began the hands-on training.

My understanding of the seriousness of this training grew when they showed a video of a Soldier suffering a traumatic injury, and he was losing large amounts of blood. The scene was so chaotic. The medics around him were scrambling and yelling out to one another about what to do to save his life.

It became evident to me this course wasn't just a class I was attending, but it would teach me skills that could mean the difference between life and death.

After the classroom instruction, which lasted only a few hours, we finally made it to the hands-on part of the training. We were paired up in groups and given a battle scenario in which one of us was injured and needed a tourniquet.

I was



Photo by Spc. Andrew McNeil/22nd MPAD

Pvt. Carlos Cuebas Fantauzzi, a public affairs specialist with the 22nd MPAD, pulls security while Pfc. Joshua Cowden places a tourniquet on a mannequin as part of an exercise at the Combat Lifesaver Course Jan. 10.

chosen to be the first "injured" Soldier, and we all filed outside into the cold I had been hoping to avoid.

I laid down across from my partners on the frozen grass, and I thought my job was simple — I would just lay there and let them apply the tourniquet on me.

But as I laid there, I began to think about what could cross an injured Soldier's mind during this moment.

"Am I going to make it?"

"Will I see my family again?"

These thoughts added to my understanding of how realistic the course was.

I waited for about 60 seconds until finally I heard the word, "Go!" being bellowed by one of the instructors.

My partners rushed to me and instantly applied pressure to the simulated wound on my right arm, and they began applying the tourniquet.

They slid the tourniquet up my arm and tightened it. They kept tightening it until it began to feel like a python was trying to squeeze the life out of my right arm.

During this time, I kept recalling the video of the Soldier with the real-life trauma to his leg. I couldn't imagine the pain he must have felt, let alone the fear.

We continued to learn about areas of the body to apply a tourniquet as the exercise finished.

The following day of the course we learned about chest seals and, again, we watched a video during the classroom instruction.

As the video rolled, showing a Soldier suffering from a gunshot wound to the chest, I saw the looks of fear, horror and disgust on my classmates' faces.

The Soldier on screen screamed and screamed as the blood kept pouring out of the wound.



Photo by Pvt. Carlos Cuebas Fantauzzi/22nd MPAD

PV2 Landon Carter practices assessing breathing on a mannequin during the Combat Lifesaver Course Jan. 9. The assessment was one of five steps that needed to be taken when a casualty is found to evaluate its health.

Maybe it was the sight of the blood or the screaming, but the reality set in for me — I might be the person in the midst of all that chaos that would be the only one that could save that Soldier's life.

This course is meant to prepare us as Soldiers for the harsh reality of combat. Throughout the course, the significance of this uniform that I and many others wear became evident to me.

I also came to realize there are times that we forget what our brothers and sisters are going through overseas.

We forget that every night while we fall asleep peacefully in our own beds there are men and women out there going through hell to provide us this peace.

By the end of the course, I gained a newfound respect for medics in the Army. The job they do is one of the most important to ensuring our brothers' and sisters' safety.

I graduated with the title of Combat Lifesaver and feel proud and better equipped, if need be, to help save a brother or a sister's life.



"Rams, the Patriots have won too many times already."

Spc. Eric Dondlinger,
82nd Abn. Div.



"Rams, power to the underdogs!"

Bob Neely,
USO Volunteer



"Patriots, you can't beat Tom Brady."

Staff Sgt. Angel Ortiz,
98th CA Bn.



"Patriots, the Saints were cheated out of the Super Bowl this year."

1st Lt. Corey Turner,
3rd Bn., 319th AFAR



"Rams, they are the better team."

Pfc. Jacky Hutchins,
82nd Abn. Div.

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'Renaissance' budget to boost modernization

By DEVON L. SUITS
ARMY NEWS

WASHINGTON — In anticipation of a future "high-intensity conflict" against a strategic competitor like Russia or China, the Army plans "big changes" in its fiscal year 2020 budget, said Secretary of the Army Mark T. Esper.

In the coming months, Esper said he will outline how the Army will consolidate and eliminate some legacy programs, reinvesting more than \$25 billion toward modernization over the next five years.

"A renaissance is underway in the United States Army," Esper said, adding change "requires bold, decisive action if we're going to be victorious in 2028 and beyond."

He said the National Defense Strategy is affecting everything the Army is doing — from manning and training, to equipping and organizing the force.

The secretary shared his thoughts on the Army's budget and other changes during a media roundtable in the Pentagon.

The Army recently completed a comprehensive review of its entire budget, planning to conduct similar reviews in the future. Notably, the Army reviewed more than 500 "equipping programs" and plans to make some fundamental changes, according to Esper.

"We found things that we were probably buying more than we needed. We were probably buying upgrades that we didn't necessarily need," the secretary said.

Moving forward, a bulk of the proposed reinvestment will support the Army's six modernization priorities under the purview of Army Futures Command, Esper said. The reinvested

money will be "back loaded" over the next five years to support future acquisition efforts.

Additionally, the proposed request is "not just funding equipment upgrades; it's also funding extended basic training. It is funding the Army combat fitness test ... (and) the standup of the irregular warfare office," Esper added.

However, requesting or changing appropriations from Congress can, at times, be difficult, he said. Especially when it means cutting back or eliminating legacy systems.

"Many of the programs that we had to either cancel or reduce had merit, but I have to get to the next-generation combat vehicle. I have to build long-range precision fires — and something has to give," Esper said. "We can take that approach where I can go ask Congress for (an additional) \$4 to 5 billion a year. I don't think I'm going to get that."

The Army's six modernization priorities haven't changed in 18 months and won't change in the foreseeable future, Esper emphasized. Additionally, changes to legacy systems will create "billions of dollars a year in opportunity," for companies willing to support.

"We're trying to give industry clear indication of where we're going," Esper said. "I've spoken to industry, and I've been very clear to them: 'We are leaving legacy behind. Don't fight the past. Go with us into the future,'" Esper said.

In line with the changes to the budget, the Army is moving forward with changes to infantry one-station unit training, officially extending the course from 14 to 22 weeks, Esper announced.

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82nd Airborne Division holds change of responsibility



Photo by Spc. Justin W. Stafford/49th PAD

Maj. Gen. James J. Mingus, commanding general of the 82nd Abn. Div., pins a Legion of Merit award on Command Sgt. Maj. Michael A. Ferrusi, the senior enlisted advisor for the 82nd Abn. Div., during a change of responsibility ceremony on post, Jan. 24. Ferrusi relinquished his responsibilities to Command Sgt. Maj. Arthur R. Burgoyne.

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AMEDD Commissioning Briefings

Inter-Service Physician Assistant (IPAP), The AMEDD Enlisted Commissioning Program (AECPP), and other Medical Commissioning Program qualifications and application procedures will be briefed by the Program Managers from Fort Knox, Kentucky.



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Gator paratroopers conduct CBRNE training

By Maj. Thomas Cieslak
3rd BCT, 82nd Abn. Div.



Photos by Spc. Darius Knight-Elliott/3rd BCT PAO

A paratrooper assigned to Company B, 82nd Bde. Spt. Bn., 3rd BCT, 82nd Abn. Div. learns how to properly fit his M50 protective mask and achieve a proper seal before entering a chamber filled with riot-control gas, Jan. 15. The training taught support paratroopers from the company how to properly fit their protective mask to their face, ensure a proper seal was achieved and build their confidence in its ability to protect them from airborne hazards.



Paratroopers exit a CS-gas filled chamber while conducting chemical defense training Jan. 15.

Remembrance march solidifies battalion's legacy, history

By Maj. Thomas Cieslak
3rd BCT, 82nd Abn. Div.

Fort Bragg paratroopers ruck marched through the chilly January night in remembrance of their battalion's fallen heroes and in honor of their distinguished heritage. Paratroopers from the 2nd Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division conducted the inaugural "Vandervoort Mile" overnight from Jan. 24 to 25. "We've never done this before and you are starting a new tradition in the battalion. We are calling this the

Vandervoort Mile and we want this to be a special event," said Lt. Col. Graham White, the 2nd Bn., 505th PIR's commander in his briefing to the paratroopers. From their battalion's headquarters, 297 volunteers from the battalion began the 25.05 road march with their weapon, body armor and packing list around 7 p.m. Jan. 24. Along the route, leaders read vignettes highlighting historical events, past conflicts and elements of soldiering to participants as temperatures fell below freezing. "We want you to have decided to take part in this because you are part

of the team, you want to sacrifice for the team, you want to honor the past, you want to prove yourself and you want to fight," said White. The ruck march commemorated the legacy of Lt. Col. Benjamin Vandervoort, commander of the 2nd Bn., 505th PIR when it participated in the D-Day parachute assault into Normandy, France, ultimately breaking his ankle upon landing. Despite the pain, Vandervoort led the battalion through fierce fighting and the defense of the French town of St. Mere Eglise against vicious Nazi counter-attacks. While commemorating the battalion's distinguished history, the

paratroopers also ruck marched in honor of the battalion's fallen; 186 in World War II, one in the Dominican Republic during Operation Power Pack, 56 as part of the Golden Brigade in Vietnam, 22 during the Global War on Terror and eight paratroopers killed in training. The first 2nd Bn., 505th PIR paratroopers completed the "Vandervoort Mile" at 4:30 a.m. Jan. 25; taking a total of nine and a half hours to complete the teambuilding event. Two hundred and seventy-one finished the 25.05 mile trek and signed their names into a special ledger, solidifying their legacy in the battalion's history.



Photos by Maj. Thomas Cieslak/3rd BCT PAO

Approximately 297 paratrooper volunteers from the battalion began the 25.05 road march with their weapon, body armor and packing list around 7 p.m. Jan. 24.



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Maj. Glenn Burkey, operations officer of the 2nd Bn., 505th PIR, 3rd BCT, 82nd Abn. Div. reads a vignette describing the battalion's participation in D-Day during the inaugural "Vandervoort Mile" Jan. 24. Paratroopers of the battalion conducted the teambuilding event, a 25.05 mile ruckmarch on Fort Bragg, to honor the memory and legacy of Lt. Col. Benjamin Vandervoort, commander of the battalion during the World War II invasion of Normandy.

Ready to fight, win

2nd SFAB puts readiness to the test

By **STAFF SGT. JESSICA NASSIRIAN**
22ND MPAD

FORT POLK, La. — As the Soldiers, known as advisors, from the 2nd Security Force Assistance Brigade plan, prepare and execute their mission set under evaluation at the Joint Readiness Training Center (JRTC), one thing is very clear — this unit is ready to fight and win.

“Readiness is number 1 and there is no other number 1,” Chief of Staff of the Army Gen. Mark A. Milley wrote in his initial message to the Army.

Readiness is the core focus of the JRTC and the foundation for the mission of the 2nd SFAB, which is conducting a rotation at the JRTC to be evaluated in preparation for an upcoming deployment.

“We took input from the 1st SFAB to craft this scenario to reflect the real-world challenges (1st SFAB) faced during deployment,” said Capt. Nathan Rogowski, the assistant operations officer for the JRTC Operations Group Plans/ Exercise Maneuver Team. “We adjust the training to make sure this specific type of unit is ready to go and that we can give them the best training possible while they’re here.”

Unlike a conventional unit, being ready as a SFAB doesn’t just mean being equipped and organized internally, it means transferring those skills to ensure that allied and partner nations are also prepared to fight and win.

Training and advising allied and partner nations requires technical expertise, cultural competence and flexibility to adjust to multiple training environment variables. For the advisors of the 2nd SFAB this is nothing new — it was why they were selected to be in the unit in the first place.

“When a Soldier volunteers for the SFAB they go through a selection process where their readiness and skills are tested, so if they’re not ready they won’t

be selected,” said Maj. Justin Patton, troop commander of 1st Squadron, 2nd SFAB. “Readiness is a continuous process it’s the contributions of each member that make us ready.”

Used to being tested and continuously challenged, the subject matter experts that compose the 2nd SFAB are facing the challenges thrown at them at the JRTC head-on.

“They came here ready to go,” said Rogowski. “They take it very seriously and understand the difficulty of the mission set they’re facing in theater so this is one of the final chances to highlight and fix any friction points they have before they get there.”

“When I look at where we were just a week ago to where we’ve come now, I’m confident that we could go forward and be successful,” said Lt. Col. Chad Roehrman, squadron commander for 3rd Squadron, 2nd SFAB. “We’re definitely excited for the second half of our rotation here (at the JRTC) to see how much further we can go to make sure we’re better prepared for our deployment.”

From performing weapons drills to conducting initial assessments of a counterpart’s training needs, 2nd SFAB advisors live out readiness and expertise in everything they do.

“You have to be ready for any task handed to you. Failure to do that can be catastrophic on many levels, so that’s why we train to try to be ready for anything that’s thrown our way,” said Sgt. Robert White, an operations advisor assigned to 3rd team, 3rd squadron, 2nd SFAB. “I absolutely, one hundred percent think we’re ready to fight and win.”

With readiness ingrained in everyone’s mind, the advisors of the 2nd SFAB are ready to face the challenges ahead and as they continue their rotation at the JRTC and prepare to deploy.



Photos by Spc. Andrew McNeil/U.S. Army

Advisors from the 2nd Security Force Assistance Brigade (SFAB) based out of Fort Bragg are briefed on vehicle movement and evacuation procedures at Fort Polk, Louisiana, Jan. 17. The 2nd SFAB is conducting pre-deployment training at the Joint Readiness Training Center (JRTC) as they prepare to deploy to Afghanistan in the spring of 2019 to provide training and advising assistance to Afghan National Security Forces.



U.S. advisors from the 2nd SFAB gather as they prepare to be briefed on vehicle movement and evacuation procedures. Advisors perform weapon drills to conduct initial assessments of a counterpart’s training needs.

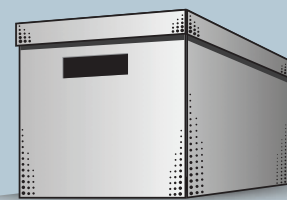


Soldiers, known as advisors, from the 2nd SFAB plan, prepare and execute their mission set under evaluation at the JRTC. Readiness is the core focus of the JRTC and the foundation for the mission of the 2nd SFAB.



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From the Archives



Top: Sept. 20, 1994 (left to right) Maj. Gen. Davis of the 82nd Airborne Division, Brig. Gen. Sandstrom, commander of the 23rd Airlift Wing, Vice President Al Gore, and Maj. Gen. Steele, also of the 82nd Abn. Div. renders honors to the national anthem during the opening of Vice President Gore’s speech of thanks and recognition to the Joint Task Force.

Bottom: In 1994, U.S. medical personnel carry Sammy, an injured Haitian boy, on a stretcher from a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter to the 5th Mobile Army Surgical Hospital (MASH), Fort Bragg, where he was reunited with his mother. Sammy was injured in a grenade attack. The medical personnel and helicopter are part of Operation Uphold Democracy.

108th ADA Soldiers compete for best warrior title

By SGT. CHRISTOPHER GALLAGHER
108TH ADA PAO

Soldiers from each battalion assigned to the 108th Air Defense Artillery (ADA) Brigade competed in the Best Warrior Competition in the first few weeks of January at the Yarmborough Complex. The winners are selected in the categories of officer, noncommissioned officer, and Soldier. From the officers, the winner was 1st Lt. Christian Johns from 2nd Battalion, 44th ADA.

From the noncommissioned officers, the winner was Sgt. Josef Niederer, from 1st Battalion, 7th ADA, followed by Spc. Oliver Barrera, also assigned to 1st Bn., 7th ADA, for the

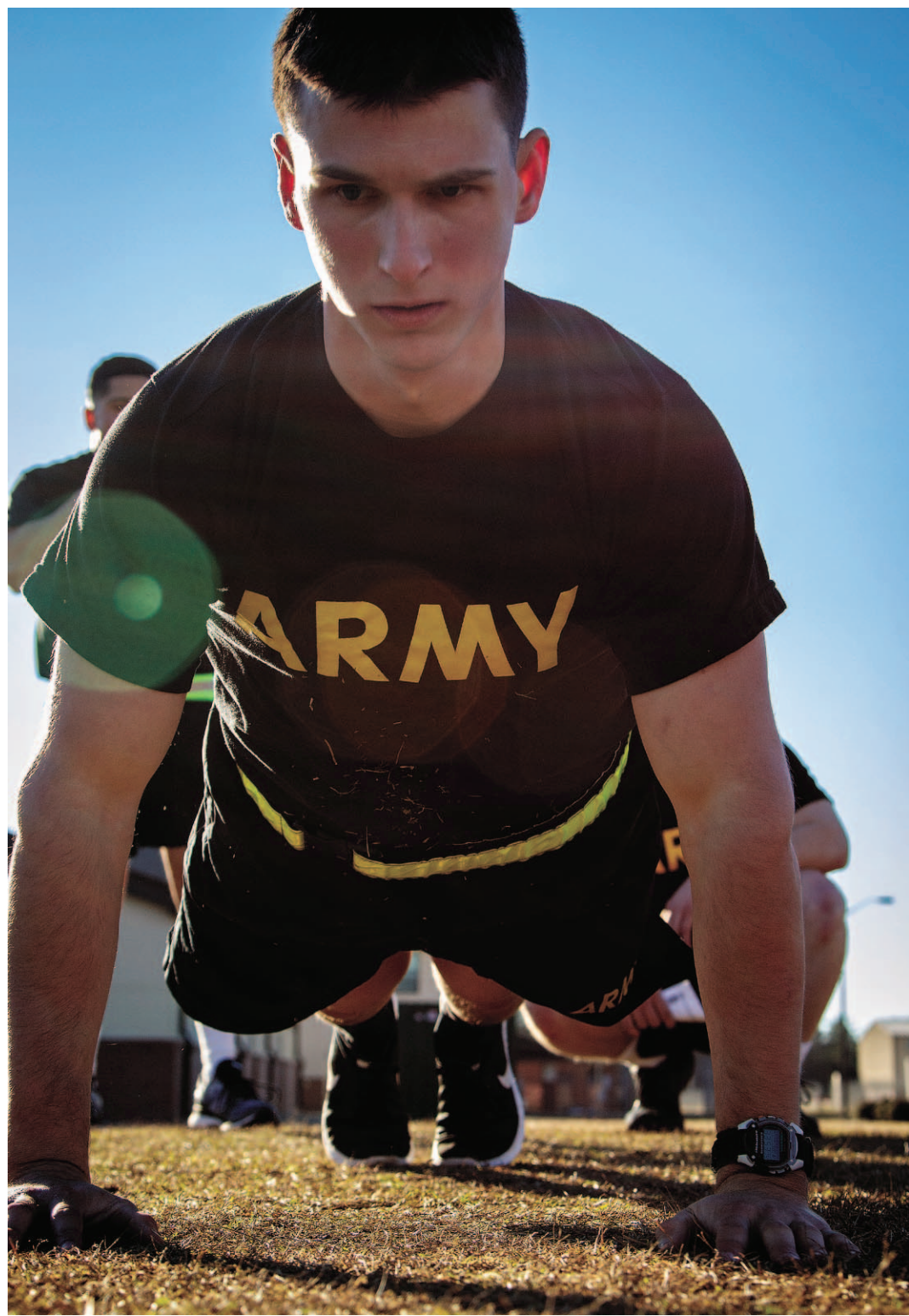
Soldier category. The individuals underwent multiple challenges to earn this title.

For example, Soldiers completed range qualifications, an eight-mile ruck, a four-mile run, Soldier Readiness Training, urban operations, Army Physical Fitness Test, the new Army Combat Fitness Test, land navigation, promotion style boards, and written exams. All tasks were performed within a four-day time frame.

The purpose of the best warrior competition is to test the individual's knowledge, skills and abilities all Soldiers should know. The winners were announced at the 108th ADA Bde. Saint Barbara's Day Ball, Jan. 25.



1st Lt. Christian Johns assigned to 2nd Bn., 44th ADA, 108th ADA Bde., performs 220-pound tire flips during the Soldier Readiness Training portion of the 108th ADA Best Warrior Competition.



Photos by Sgt. Christopher Gallagher/108th ADA PAO

Sgt. Josef Niederer, assigned to 1st Bn., 7th ADA, 108th ADA Bde., performs T-pushups as part of the new Army Combat Fitness Test, during the 108th ADA Best Warrior Competition held at the Yarmborough Complex, early January. The individuals underwent multiple challenges during the competition. For example, Soldiers completed range qualifications, an eight-mile ruck, a four-mile run, Soldier Readiness Training, urban operations, Army Physical Fitness Test, the new Army Combat Fitness Test, land navigation, promotion style boards and written exams. The purpose of the best warrior competition was to test the individual's knowledge, skills and abilities all Soldiers should know.

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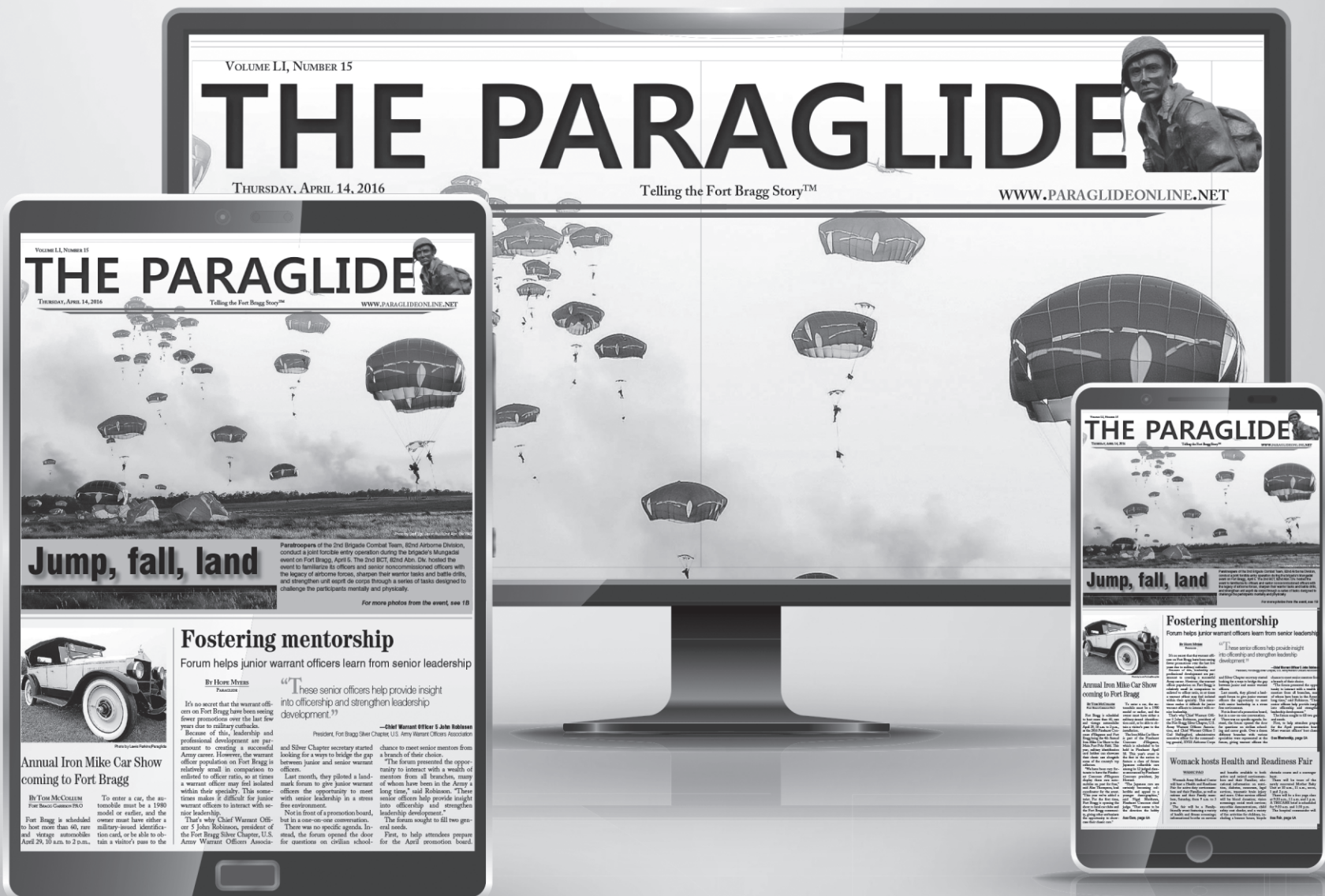
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The origin of the “Triple Nickles”

By MAJ. THOMAS CIESLAK
3RD BCT, 82ND ABN. DIV.

“We were the only black outfit in the parade in New York,” he said, “but they cut off the movie cameras before they got to us. We only have still photos,” said Jordon J. Corbett when interviewed by Suzie Schottelkotte of The Ledger.

Corbett was a member of the 555th Parachute Infantry Regiment, an outfit of all African-American parachutists who, after distinguished service during World War II, marched alongside the 82nd Airborne Division in the New York City Victory Parade on Jan. 12, 1946.

General James Gavin, then-commander of the 82nd Abn. Div., ensured the “Triple Nickles” as they were known, marched in the parade. He would also play a key role in their reas-

signment to the 3rd Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment; making the 82nd Airborne Division the first racially integrated unit in the Army on Dec. 15, 1947.

On Dec. 19, 1943, Headquarters, Army Ground Forces authorized what would become the 555th PIR according to the U.S. Army Center of Military History. Based on a Dec. 1942 recommendation by the Advisory Committee on Negro Troop Policies, both the officers and enlisted were African-American, making it the first all African-American unit.

Troop selection was to occur from the 92nd Infantry Division based at Fort Huachuca, Arizona. Like all paratroop units, they were to all be volunteers.

After its official activation Dec. 30, 1943 at Fort Benning, Georgia, the unit had several months of training and eventually moved to Camp Mackall, North Carolina. The unit would be reorganized and redesignated Nov. 25, 1944, the Company A of the 555th Parachute Infantry Regiment.

The “Triple Nickles” would never serve in conflict. Never reaching the full strength of an Airborne Infantry Battalion, the 555th PIR instead received orders to deploy to the West Coast in support of a secret mission named “Operation Firefly.”

Though in equal in all ways to all paratroopers, the men of the 555th PIR would face fierce racial discrimination both in the service and in the country they served.

Author's Note: This article is the first in a multi-part series honoring the brave paratroopers of the 555th Parachute Infantry Regiment.



The shoulder insignia of the 555th Parachute Infantry Regiment, known as the “Triple Nickles.”



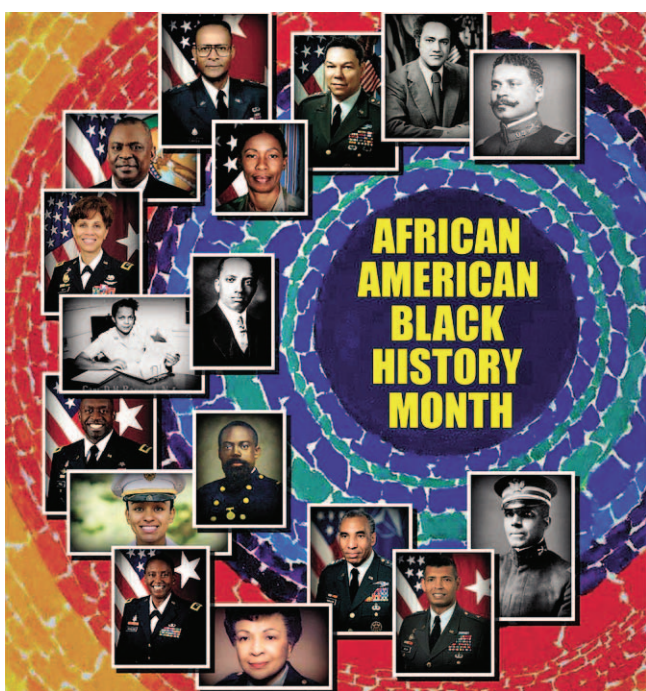
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In February 1944, the first test platoon consisted of 17 qualified African American paratroopers.



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The officers of the test platoon. From left to right: 1st. Lt. Jasper E. Ross, 2nd. Lt. Clifford Allen, 2nd Lt. Bradley Biggs, 2nd Lt. Edwin Wills, 2nd Lt. Warren C. Cornelius and 2nd Lt. Edward Baker.



Graphic courtesy of WAMC

Leadership: Past, Present and Future

Come celebrate Black History Month with events happening at Fort Bragg.

Throughout the month of February, Womack Army Medical Center (WAMC) will be hosting events around the installation to honor and celebrate African American leadership from the past, present and future.

■ Beginning Friday, a book display will be available at Throckmorton Library. The display is open until Feb. 14 and will feature African American writers.

■ A cake cutting ceremony and a screening

of the film, “Hidden Figures,” will be happening at Weaver Auditorium in WAMC, Tuesday. The ceremony starts at 11:30 a.m. Weaver Auditorium is on the ground floor of WAMC, near the lunch room.

■ The Cape Fear Theatre Group will be performing at the Weaver Auditorium Feb. 20, beginning at 11:30 a.m.

■ A day of observance and food sampling will take place Feb. 27 at the Iron Mike Conference Center from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Integrating Fort Bragg



Courtesy photo

Mildred B. Poole, right, coordinated the integration of Fort Bragg Schools in 1951, years ahead of Brown v. Board of Education. The Brown decision outlawed segregation in all public schools. Poole was approached by an African-American Army lieutenant who asked her why his daughter could not attend Fort Bragg Schools. During that time, minority children were sent to segregated Cumberland County Schools off post. “I had no real answer, but to tell him, ‘It’s because of the color of her skin,’” recalled Poole in an article published in the Fayetteville Observer in 1992. She is also responsible for the 1951

to 1952 integrated school budget approval that established the Fort Bragg school system independent of Cumberland County Schools, allowing it to operate with federal funds. She hired the first African American teacher at Fort Bragg in 1951. The Mildred B. Poole school at Fort Bragg was named in her honor in 2016.

Information about Mildred B. Poole was provided from www.Dodea.edu. For a full article from an October 2016 Paraglide edition about Mildred B. Poole and the Mildred B. Poole school, visit www.paraglideonline.net/4e009a36-8be0-11e6-8629-430045fd9af2.html.



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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

EVENTS AROUND POST & THE STATE



THIS WEEKEND

ANNIE:

When: Thursday through Feb. 24, 7:30 p.m.

Where: Cape Fear Regional Theatre

Cost: \$17 to \$32

Leapin' Lizards! In adventure after fun-filled adventure, little orphan Annie finds a new home and family with Daddy Warbucks and a lovable mutt named Sandy. "Tomorrow, tomorrow, I love you tomorrow!" A musical treat for the entire family.

See <http://www.cftr.org/project/annie/> for show times.

EARLY AFRICAN AMERICAN BUSINESSES IN FAYETTEVILLE:

When: Exhibit opens Friday

Where: Fayetteville Area Transportation and Local History Museum

Cost: Free

Experience a new exhibit highlighting African American history. From its early days, Fayetteville had a small but substantial free Black population, many of whom were engaged in business throughout the downtown area. This exhibit will trace a number of prominent and prosperous African American business men and women from the antebellum period through the mid-20th Century and is open until Sept. 9. Call (910)433-1457 for more information.

MARKSMEN VS. KNOXVILLE BEARS:

When: Sat., 6 p.m.

Where: Crown Coliseum

Cost: \$12 to \$35

Join Marksmen hockey, Saturday, for Groundhog Day as kids ages 3 to 12 get in free (with purchase of an adult ticket)! Meet and skate with the players after the game. This weekend, the Marksmen face off against the Knoxville Bears, a Southern Professional League rival. To buy tickets, visit www.thefayettevillemarksmen.com.

DOUBT:

When: Sat. to Feb. 17, times vary

Where: Gilbert Theater

Cost: \$14 to \$16

In this brilliant and powerful drama, Sister Aloysius, a Bronx school principal, takes matters into her own hands when she suspects the young Father Flynn of improper relations with one of the male students. Set against the backdrop of a 1964 Bronx Catholic School, this potent production deals with the struggle of faith and doubt, right and wrong and the gray area in between. For tickets, visit <https://www.gilberttheater.com/>. The Gilbert Theater is a non-profit, blackbox semi-professional theater located in downtown Fayetteville. For more information, please call (910)678-7186.

COME SEE THE TRAINS!:

When: Sat., 12 to 4 p.m.

Where: Fascinate-U Children's Museum

Cost: Free

The Cape Fear Model Railroaders showcase their train exhibit on the third floor of the museum and is open to children of all ages. Museum admission must be paid if children stay and play after visiting the train exhibit. For more information about the event, call (910)829-9171.

RECURRING EVENTS

FAYETTEVILLE "OVER THERE" CENTENNIAL OF WWI:

When: Tuesdays through Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: Fayetteville Area Transportation and Local History Museum

Cost: Free

The Fayetteville Area Transportation and Local History Museum opened its newest exhibit, "Fayetteville 'Over There'-Centennial of World War I."

BRAINS AND BREWS WEEKLY TRIVIA:

When: Wednesdays, 7 p.m.

Where: Mash House Brewing Company

Cost: Free

Brains and Brews trivia. Trivia topics are general, but once a month there will be a special theme night.

BREWERY TOUR:

When: Sundays, 4 to 5 p.m.

Where: Dirtbag Ales Brewery and Taproom, Hope Mills

Cost: Free to attend

Join the head brewer for an informative tour of the brewery at Dirtbag Ales Brewery and Taproom in Hope Mills. No reservation is required.

THE MARQUIS SLAM:

When: First Saturday of the month, 8 p.m.

Where: The Arts Council of Fayetteville

Cost: \$10

This monthly event, hosted by the Arts Council of Fayetteville/Cumberland County, features poets from North Carolina and around the United States. The slam performances are judged on a numeric scale by previously selected members of the audience. For more information, call the Fayetteville Arts Council at (910)745-7219.

CITY MARKET AT THE MUSEUM:

When: Mondays through Sundays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Where: City Market at the Museum

Cost: Free to attend

The City Market at the Museum is a farmers' and crafters' market in the heart of downtown Fayetteville.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SPRING SPORTS REGISTRATION:

When: Now through March 15

Where: Youth Sports and Fitness - Fort Bragg Soldier Support Center

Cost: Teeball, coach pitch, baseball, softball, soccer, track and field for \$45, lacrosse for \$65

Open to: CYS card holders with current sports physical

Spring Youth Sports:

- Soccer, ages 5 to 17, Main Post and Linden Oaks
- Tee-ball, ages 5 to 6. Coach pitch, ages 7 to 8. Baseball, ages 9 to 17. Main Post & Linden Oaks
- Girls softball, ages 9 to 17, Main Post and Linden Oaks
- Track and field, ages 7 to 18, Main Post only
- Lacrosse, ages 8 to 16 (grades 3 through 10), Main Post only

Youth must be registered with CYS located at Parent Central Services, Bldg.

1-4157 Knox St. and have a current sports physical on file. Appointments are

required, walk-ins only on Tuesday and Thursday from noon to 2 p.m. Call

(910)396-8110 for more info or visit <https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil>.

Volunteer coaches are needed. For more info call (910)396-9123.

Discounts and waivers are available for coaches and multiple children playing the same sport. Youth will be put on a waiting list until cleared coaches are in place.

SUPER BOWL LIII WATCH PARTY:

When: Sun., 6:30 p.m.

Where: Sports USA

Cost: Free to attend

Free buffet at half-time while supplies last.

AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE BUS TOUR:

When: Mon., 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Where: Fayetteville Area Transportation and Local History Museum

Cost: \$3

Travel through the downtown landscape, noting the distinct contributions of African-Americans to this community. The tour will visit a number of sites of significance. Participants will travel via bus, but the tour does involve some walking. Registration is required, and space is limited. Children, ages 10 and up, are welcome. For more information or to register, call the museum at (910)433-1457.

FORT BRAGG NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST:

When: Tues., 7 a.m.

Where: Iron Mike Conference Center

Cost: A suggested donation of \$5 is requested

The annual Fort Bragg National Prayer Breakfast will feature guest speaker Medal of Honor recipient Gary Beikirch. Beikirch served in Vietnam with the 5th Special Forces Group.

Visit your unit Ministry Team for a ticket to the event. Civilians may also attend the event and are asked to dress in business casual attire. For more information, please contact the Religious Support Office at (910)396-1121.

ANGER MANAGEMENT:

When: Wed. 6, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Where: Soldier Support Center

Cost: Free

This one-session class provides attendees with the skills necessary to help evaluate, understand and control their anger. This class is free and open to DOD ID Cardholders and their Family members. Classes are held on the 3rd floor of the Soldier Support Center, Bldg. 4-2843. Registration is required. To register for this class, call (910)396-5521, or submit your information online via <https://bragg.armymwr.com/programs/register-acs-class>.

GAME NIGHT:

When: Feb. 8, 7 to 10 p.m.

Where: BOSS Office Bldg. H-4358

Cost: Free

Poker tournament, video game tournament, and food and drinks. Open to single Soldiers only.

FORT BRAGG WEDDING EXPO:

When: Feb. 9, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: Iron Mike Conference Center

Cost: Free

Come to Ft. Bragg to plan your wedding! The Iron Mike Conference Center is hosting a wedding expo. Come by to view the venue and sample their food. There will be various vendors offering services from photographers, to bakeries and more. All attendees are required to register.

Register online at <https://bragg.armymwr.com/calendar/event/fort-bragg-wedding-expo/2633562/31995> to reserve your spot today! There is no cost associated with attending this event. If you would like to be a vendor at this event, please call us. This event is open to the public.

FAYETTEVILLE WINE AND CHOCOLATE FESTIVAL:

When: Feb. 16, 1 to 4 p.m., 5 to 8 p.m.

Where: Crown Coliseum

Cost: \$35 for wine enthusiasts, \$10 for designated drivers

Celebrate great wine and sweets from down the street and around North Carolina!

Wineries and wine enthusiasts from across the region will gather for an unlimited sampling of dozens of fabulous North Carolina wines of all styles and tastes. Buy glasses and bottles of your favorite wines, all for great prices!

Enjoy a fabulous selection of tasty nibbles and treats, chocolates, cheeses and sweets. Food available for purchase.

Take a stroll through the Candy Bar. Browse through fantastic mini boutiques featuring purses, jewelry, clothing and more.

Tickets to this event are on sale now! To purchase tickets, visit <http://wineandchocolatefestivals.com/events/fayetteville-nc-wine-and-chocolate-festival/> and click on the "buy tickets" button. Military Discount available at the Box Office.

Worship Guide

CATHOLIC

Mass

All American Chapel

Sat. 5 p.m.

Sun. 9 a.m., 5 p.m.

WAMC Chapel

Sun. 10:30 a.m.

Wed. 11:30 a.m.

Pope Chapel

Sun. 1:30 p.m. (Spanish/English)

Mon.- Fri. Noon

Main Post Chapel

Sun. 11:30 a.m.

Rosary

Mon.- Fri. 12:30 p.m. Pope Chapel

Eucharistic Adoration

Wed. 11:30 a.m. Pope Chapel

Reconciliation

40 minutes prior to every Mass and by appointment with susan.l.kroll.ctr@mail.mil

Catholic Education

Sun. 10:45 a.m. Faith Formation Bowley School* Faith Formation (Adults)

Sun. 3 p.m. Youth of the Chapel (All American)

Tues. 6:30 p.m. Rite of Catholic Initiation for Adults (Pope Chapel)

Thurs. 6:45 p.m. Bible Study

Fri. 6:30 p.m. Theology on Tap (3rd Fri. each month)

Catholic Women of the Chapel

Thurs. 9:30 a.m.-Noon. at All American Chapel**

PROTESTANT

Worship Services

All American Chapel

Sun. 10 a.m. Sunday School

Sun. 11 a.m. Worship Service**

Airborne Artillery Chapel

Sun. 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study

Sun. 11 a.m. Worship Service**

Wed. 6 p.m. Adult Bible Study

Chapel Next, Division

Memorial Chapel

Sun. 11 a.m. Worship Service**

Outdoor Life, Smith Lake MWR Park (outside)

Sun. 10 a.m. Outdoor Church

Winter hours Dec. 1 - April 30 11 a.m.

JFK Chapel

Sun. 10 a.m. Worship Service**

Sun. 11:30 a.m. Sunday School

Wed. 11:45 a.m. Chapel Ancient (Liturgical)

Main Post Chapel

Sun. 10 a.m. Worship Service**

Sun. 11:30 a.m. Sunday School

Pope Chapel

Sun. 9 a.m. Christ the King Fellowship**

Wed. 6 p.m. Mid-week Bible Study

Wood Memorial Chapel Gospel

Congregation

Sun. 10 a.m. Gospel Service**

Tues. 7 p.m. Adult Bible Study

Tues. 7:30 p.m. Youth Group

WAMC

Sun. 9 a.m. Chapel located on 3rd floor

Tues. 11:30 a.m. Bible Study

Thurs. 11:30 a.m. Bible Study

Protestant Women of the Chapel

Tues. 9:30 a.m. All American Chapel*

Tues. Noon 9th floor of SSC*

Tues. 7 p.m. All American Chapel*

Wed. 9 a.m. Linden Oaks Clubhouse*

Wed. Noon WAMC Chapel*

(3rd floor)

Thurs. Noon Main Post Chapel Annex*

Thurs. Noon Wood Memorial Chapel

Youth of the Chapel

Sun. 3 p.m. Middle/High School at All American Chapel (Catholic)

Sun. 6:15 p.m. Middle/High School at Division Memorial Chapel (Protestant)

Additional Protestant Religious

Education Program

Sun. 6:15 p.m. Postwide Family Program, Airborne Artillery Chapel*

Tues. 2:45 p.m. Good News Club at Bowley Elementary*

Tues. 6:30 p.m. Navigator Bible Study, JFK Chapel

Tues. 6:30 p.m. Navigator Bible Study, Airborne Artillery Chapel

Thurs. 3 p.m. Good News Club at Shughart Elementary*

JEWISH SERVICES

Fri. 6:30 p.m. Friday Night Shabbat, Watters Family Life Center

BUDDHIST

Sat. 1 p.m. Pope Chapel (3rd Sat. each month)

ISLAMIC

Pope Chapel Annex

Fri. 12:15 p.m. Islamic Service

Fri. 1:15 p.m. Islamic Service

WICCAN

Thurs. 7 p.m. Open Circle, Watters Family Life Center

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LEGEND

* Indicated study groups are scheduled to complement school year.

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Fort Bragg's Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation programs and services hosted a Customer Appreciation Day at Tolson Indoor Pool, Jan. 26.

FMWR Customer Appreciation Day makes huge splash

By JELIA HEPNER

PARAGLIDE

Fort Bragg's Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation programs and services hosted a Customer Appreciation Day at Tolson Indoor Pool, Jan. 26. Individuals who attended were able to participate in different fitness classes such as aqua zumba, water aerobics, boga flow and aqua cycling throughout the day.

"This is our way to say thank you to our customers and for new people to come to experience our classes," said Michael

Guerrero, fitness program specialist. "These classes are usually four dollars but today we are letting customers try them out for free."

Classes are held at the Tolson Indoor Pool Monday through Friday at various times. For more information or for a full list of fitness classes and the times offered, visit <https://bragg.armymwr.com/programs/fitness-classes>.



Customers were able to participate in different fitness classes such as aqua zumba, water aerobics, boga flow and aqua cycle for Customer Appreciation Day.

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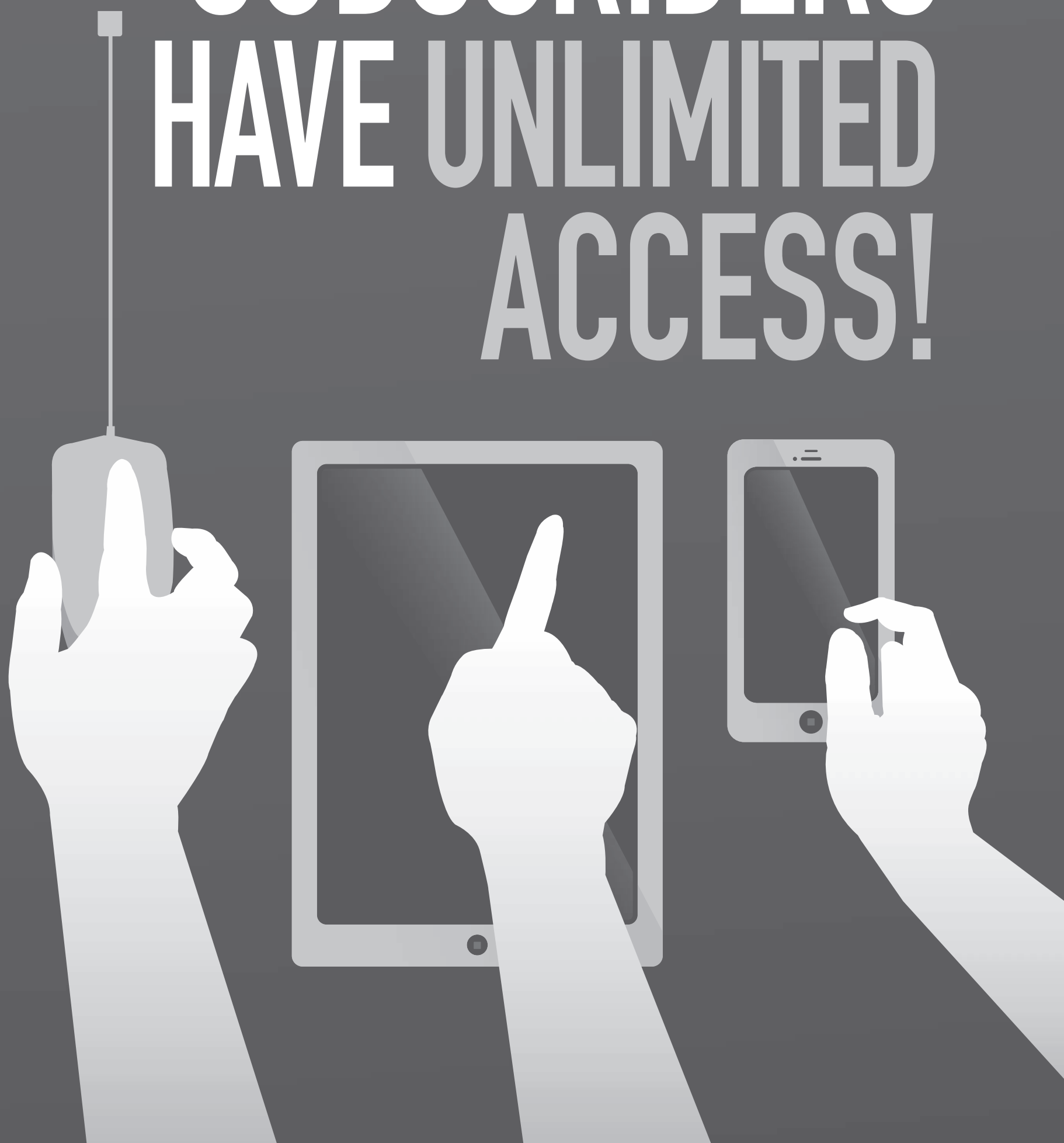
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Brett Butler runs by an aid station during the Combat Cross Country Meet, Saturday, at Smith Lake Recreation Area. Butler was the first to complete the 11-mile race. The top ten individual finishers qualify to compete at the Bataan Memorial Death March in White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico on March 17.



Photo by Spc. Shatyra Reed/Paraglide

Kristoffer Villamin, left, Brett Carter, Charlie O'Hagan and Brett Butler display their trophies after the Combat Cross Country Meet, Saturday, at Smith Lake Recreation Area. The four were the top finishers of the race.



Photo by Alyson Hansen/Paraglide

A Soldier participates in the Combat Cross Country Meet at Smith Lake Recreation Area. The top ten individual finishers will represent Fort Bragg at the Bataan Memorial Death March in White Sands, New Mexico.



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Charlie O'Hagan, left, Charles Gergel, Michael Blose, Adam Amor and Jerimiah Cook all from the 2nd Bn., 501st Abn. Inf. Regt., Fort Bragg, win first place in the Combat Cross Country Meet team competition at Smith Lake.

Combat Cross Country: Soldiers go the distance

BY ALYSON HANSEN
PARAGLIDE

Fort Bragg Soldiers gathered at Smith Lake Recreation Area, Saturday, to participate in the Combat Cross Country Meet. Covering approximately 11 miles, the Combat Cross Country course is a qualifier for the 2019 Bataan Memorial Death March.

Soldiers were required to carry a 35-pound ruck sack and wear their Army combat uniforms and patrol caps. They also had to complete the 11-mile course wearing their

Army combat boots.

Participants received a hoodie at the end of the race to commemorate their achievement. Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation staff members provided support for the Soldiers throughout the competition.

Two teams of five Soldiers qualified for the memorial run. Awards were given to the top four individual finishers and the top two team finishers.

Brett Butler finished the race in first place followed by Charlie O'Hagan, Brett Carter and Kristoffer Villamin.

O'Hagan, Charles Gergel, Michael Blose, Adam Amor and Jerimiah Cook placed first in the team race.

According to the Bataan Memorial Death March website, the march is "conducted in honor of the heroic service members who defended the Philippine Islands during World War II, sacrificing their freedom, health, and, in many cases, their very lives."

The Bataan Memorial Death March will cover 26 miles in the White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico, and takes place March 17.

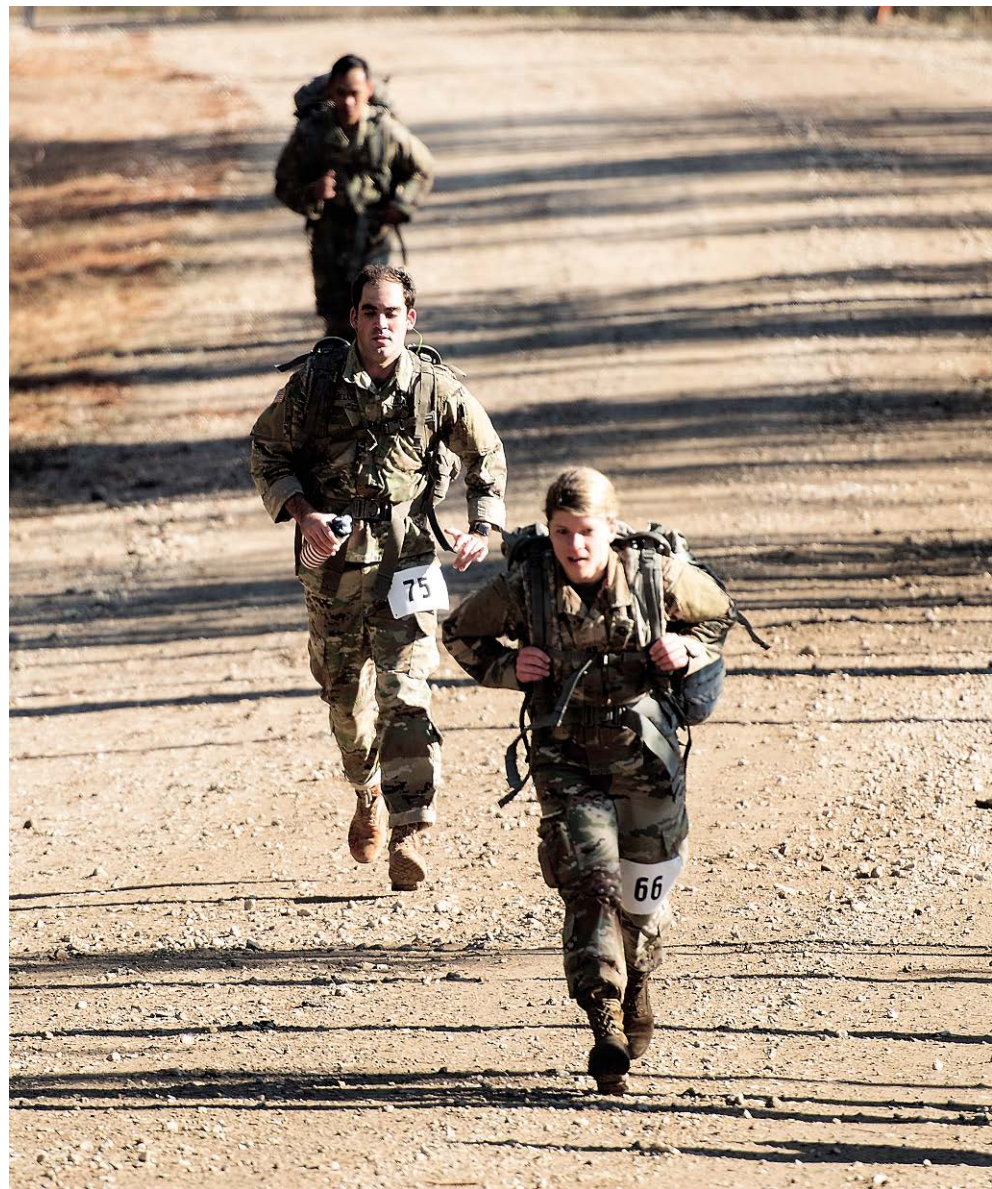
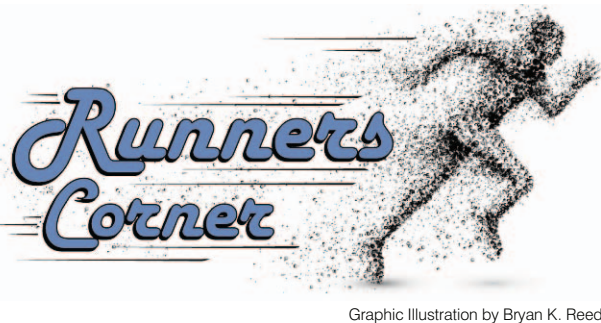


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Soldiers finish their first lap on a hill descent during the Combat Cross Country event, Saturday, at Smith Lake Recreation Area.



Love Your Pet Day 5K and 10K:

We all know that Feb. 2 is Groundhog Day. So Love Your Pet Day is celebrating by running (or walking) 2.2 miles to celebrate 2.2.2019. The big question is: Will you see your shadow while you're out there completing your race? Will we get spring or more winter? February is also heart month, so the group is donating a portion of each registration to the International Children's Heart Foundation, whose mission is to bring the skills, technology and knowledge to cure and care for children with congenital heart disease in developing nations. For participating in this event you will get a fun, three-inch Groundhog Day medal. This is a virtual race. You choose to complete the 2.2-mile race on your own and submit your time to us. We ship your medal directly to you. Complete your race on Groundhog Day, or any time during the month of February. Various races will be held throughout the month starting from Feb. 1 through 28 at 1 p.m. For more information visit www.Eventbrite.com.

Greater Life Of Fayetteville Cupid 5K Fun Run/Walk
Greater Life of Fayetteville is a non-profit organization that educates and inspires at-risk and behaviorally challenged youth with innovative and culturally-sensitive programs in order for them to thrive academically, socially and morally. Please help support our non-profit organization by signing up for the Cupid Fun Run/Walk. This event will take place **Feb. 9** starting at **7:30 a.m.** The location will be **Hope Mills Municipal Park, 5770 Rock Road, Hope Mills.**

Fum Run 5K:
The Fum Run will kick off **Feb. 23** and the race is a 3.01-mile route in Hope Mills. The route has a total ascent of 42.63 feet and has a maximum elevation of 172.57 feet. The run will begin at **8:30 a.m.** at Camping World of Fayetteville with an exhilarating straightaway along **Highway 95 on State Road 2275** followed by a quick right onto Marracco Drive. This route leads racers into a bucolic little neighborhood where smooth straightaways and wide corners provide a comfortable, but competitive, course. Ultimately, participants will weave back around to Marracco Drive before coming to a crescendo with a mad dash, walk, waddle or run to the finish line at Camping World of Fayetteville where it all began.

Shamrocks and Shenanigans Virtual 4-Mile Run/Walk:
Leprechaun costumes, traditional Irish food and running; of course there's no better way to celebrate St. Patrick's Day than completing the inaugural Shamrocks and Shenanigans Virtual four-miler event. Celebrate your race and the "Luck of the Irish" with runners from all 50 states and around the world. Complete each distance one at a time or if you're feeling lucky complete all 4 miles. Either way, we encourage you to wear your finest St. Patrick's Day attire and have fun. Your virtual event can be completed any time from March 1 through 31. The race will take place **March 1**, starting at 12 a.m. For more information visit www.Eventbrite.com.



Bull-Riding on the Farm:

Each Sunday, Shady Acres Rodeo, a self-sustaining farm, hosts a bull-riding event. Bring your friends and family out to enjoy watching some bull riding (or take your own turn on a bull).
Event times fluctuate from week to week. Call ahead at (919)669-6820 or visit its Facebook page at facebook.com/Shady-AcresRodeo/for times.

Ambition Boxing Academy:

Ambition Boxing Academy and Ambition Athletics offers a unique approach to training. Coach Khalil combines fundamental performance through boxing. Classes offered are for youth and adults. Adult classes are **Mondays through Thursdays from 7 to 8 p.m.** Youth classes are **6 to 7 p.m.** For more information contact (910)987-0671.

Yoga and Beer with Robin:

Enjoy yoga and then drink beer. Pinky Pig will be coming through to serve up some great barbecue. Come to the bar and enjoy any number of delicious post-yoga beers **Sundays from 11 a.m. to noon at Hugger Mugger Brewing in Sanford.**

Shag Dance Lessons:

Learn to shag dance and have fun while exercising, no partner necessary. **Lessons are the first four Mondays of each month at the Elks Lodge** and are \$10 a night or \$30 a month. Classes are 45 minutes. **Beginners class begins at 6:45 p.m.; intermediate class at 7:30 p.m.** Call (910)323-2526 for more information.

Tai Chi for Health:

Practice this flowing Eastern exercise with instructor Rich Martin while overlooking the garden **every Tuesday at the Cape Fear Botanical Garden from 10 to 11:30 a.m.** Tai Chi is best practiced in loose, comfortable clothing. Dress for the weather. Bring a water bottle. All levels and walk-ins are available. Admission is \$17 for non-garden members, \$15 for garden members.

Yoga in the Garden:

Cape Fear Botanical Garden and the YMCA of the Sandhills have partnered together for Yoga in the Garden. Grab a yoga mat and rejuvenate at a yoga session in the Orangery at the **Cape Fear Botanical Garden from 6 to 7 p.m. every Wednesday.** Improve flexibility, build strength, ease tension and relax through posture and breathing techniques for beginners and experts alike. Bring a yoga mat, a water bottle and an open mind to enjoy this all-levels class. Pre-registration is required. Call (910)486-0221, ext. 36 or stop by the garden to register. Free for CFBG members and YMCA of the Sandhills members; \$5 for guests.

Ice and Inline Skating:

The Cleland Ice and Inline Skating Rinks facility offers year-round skating, not only as a form of exercise, but as an affordable and constructive family leisure activity. It is the only ice rink within a 60-mile radius that provides year-round ice skating. This facility has a comprehensive ice skating program, to include open skating, group and private lessons, figure skating clubs, parties (schools, units and special interest groups) and private rink rental. This facility is easily accessible for both military and civilian patrons. Six 30-minute classes are held once per week, on **Mondays** for six weeks. Visit <https://bragg.armymwr.com/programs/cleland-ice-and-inline-skating-rink> for more information or call (910)396-5127.

Aqua Spin:

Tired of a normal spin class? If the answer is "yes," then join us for aqua spin. Classes take place at the **Tolson indoor pool on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.**

Hatha Yoga:

This focuses on the breath (pranayama) and yoga poses. This class will be a gentle yoga. Slow and great for beginners or students who prefer a more relaxed style. Poses are held longer. This class is held at **Hercules and Towle Courts physical fitness centers.** Classes vary, check MWR website www.bragg.armymwr.com for the schedule.

Sculpted:

For that lean, toned look with fast results sculpted is a total body strength and conditioning workout combining the benefits of traditional weight training and great music. The original barbell workout. This class is offered at **Hercules Physical Fitness Center on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:30 a.m.**

Boot Camp:

Interval training, alternating various body sculpting moves and aerobic exercises on the step, with barbells, bands or weights. This class is offered **twice a month** at **Hercules Physical Fitness Center.** Check the MWR website www.bragg.armymwr.com for the schedule.

Prenatal Yoga:

Join MWR for prenatal yoga on **Saturdays at 1 p.m.** at **Hercules Physical Fitness Center.** Open to DOD ID cardholders, ages 16 years and above. Max 20 participants. For details, please call (910)394-4350.

Personal Training:

Reach your fitness goals with certified personal trainers. Training sessions are located at one of our **14 MWR fitness centers.** Don't know where to start? Start with a fitness assessment done by one of our personal trainers for \$25.

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For more information on our personal trainers and and/or to sign up for this program or a personal assessment, visit our specialized training webpage at bragg.armymwr.com/programs/specialized-training.



Tolson Pool
Group Fitness Schedule

February 2019

TIME	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
09:00 AM		Aqua Zumba 0900 Shea-ra No Class 12 th		BOGA Flow 0900 Shea-ra No Class 14 th		
10:00 AM	Water Aerobics Shea-ra 11 th Karen	Aqua Cycle Shea-ra 12 th Wendi	Water Aerobics Karen	Aqua Cycle Shea-ra 14 th Wendi	Water Aerobics Shea-ra 15 th Karen	Aqua Cycle 10:30 Wendi 9 th & 23 rd ONLY
12:00 PM		Aqua Cycle Wendi		Aqua Cycle Wendi 7 th Shea-ra		

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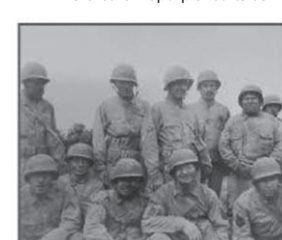
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