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Island Insight

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RIA Garrison Supports Installation Readiness, Improving Quality of Life for All

Rock Island Arsenal has an extensive history and is known for its manufacturing and logistics capabilities. The motto, “Producing readiness since 1862,” tells the story of the people that have served and worked on this island centered in the Mississippi River between Iowa and Illinois. Part of that story is the mission of the RIA Garrison -- to maintain the Arsenal’s legacy of excellence through quality of life initiatives and base support. “The garrison provides support and services that include everybody, from retirees to family members and service members,” said John Burns, deputy to the garrison commander. “I look at it (garrison operations) as supporting readiness. We coordinate and collaborate with all the agencies on the installation. DPW (Department of Public Works) is a large part of garrison support.” Currently, DPW and their contractors are working on several projects. Rodell Reed, engineering technician & contract officer representative, said DPW is working to replace windows in the hydro-electric dam facility at Building 160. And, DPW workers



Upcoming Dates

- April:** National Child Abuse Awareness Month
- April:** Month of the Military Child
- April:** National Volunteer Month
- April:** Military Saves Month
- April:** Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month
- April 22: Army Earth Day** 🌱
- April 22:** Thirsty Thursday, Lock & Dam Lounge, 3-7 p.m.
- April 23:** Army Reserve 113th Birthday
- April 24:** DEA's 20th National Prescription Drug Takeback Day, nationwide, local law enforcement departments
- April 24:** Quarters One Paranormal Investigation, 5 p.m.
- April 27: Teal Tuesday**
- April 28:** Denim Day
- April 28:** The Language of Sexuality: Examining the Language of Sexual Minorities, [MS Teams](#), 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.
- April 28:** Workforce Wednesday, Lock & Dam Lounge, 3-7 p.m.
- April 29:** Thirsty Thursday, Lock & Dam Lounge, 3-7 p.m.
- April 30:** National Military Brats Day
- April 30:** USAG RIA CSM Relinquishment of Responsibility, Bldg. 60, Heritage Hall 10-11 a.m.
- May:** National Military Appreciation Month
- May:** National Mental Health Awareness Month

are installing drains that will connect to the storm sewers to keep water from collecting in the backyards of the housing areas on post. “DPW ensures military housing meets DOD (Department of Defense) housing requirements,” said Reed. (More: www.dvidshub.net/news/394344)

RIA Leadership to Workforce: Get the Shot Wherever You’re Able

Senior leadership and health personnel at the Rock Island Arsenal highly encourage the Arsenal workforce and their families to get the first COVID-19 vaccine available to them, regardless of where they’re able to get it; it’s free no matter where it’s obtained. The Department of Defense’s vaccination effort is to voluntarily inoculate its entire workforce, both military and civilian; and in addition is slated to include all TRICARE beneficiaries which would cover military family members and military retirees. However, everyone is encouraged to get the vaccine as soon as they’re able from whatever resource they qualify to receive it, whether that’s here at the Arsenal, a county vaccine clinic, the Veteran’s Administration, their primary care provider, or a pharmacy. There is not an online resource to sign up for the vaccine at the RIA Health Clinic, those are done through each individual tenant command.

One resource for finding the vaccine outside of the installation is

www.vaccinefinder.org; there are a number of other resources as well that

everyone can find on the Internet or by contacting their primary care provider

or country health department. The RIA Health Clinic has received and administered the COVID-19

Moderna vaccine to fully vaccinate more than 1,200 individuals in the workforce who were

identified and qualified in the groups directed by the DoD as high priority. The installation will

continue to make the vaccine available to members of the workforce as more supply is received. At

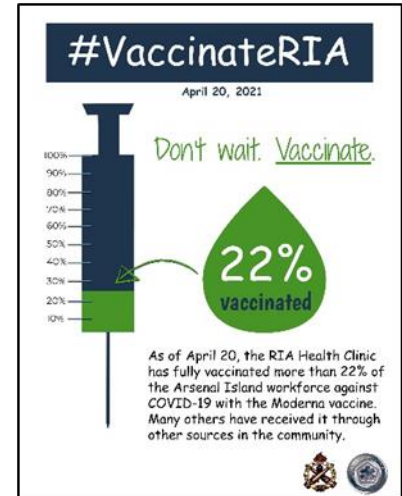
this time, the workforce is directed to contact their supervisor and chain of command if they want to

receive the vaccine on the Arsenal. As you prepare to schedule your vaccination you may have

questions. TRICARE has provided some answers about when, where, and how you can get a

COVID-19 vaccine on their website located at

<https://newsroom.tricare.mil/Articles/Article/2544018/qa-when-where-and-how-can-i-get-a-covid-19-vaccine>.



Project Inclusion Moves Forward at JMC

As part of an ongoing commitment to enterprise-

wide inclusion, Joint Munitions Command

established a Project Inclusion Team in November

2020. The primary goal of the team is to work

towards creating commitment at all levels of the

organization to be more diverse, inclusive, and free

from discrimination, harassment, and assault. In

service to this goal, the team has achieved several

significant accomplishments. The first is the holding

of HQ JMC-wide Strengths, Weaknesses,

Opportunities, and Threats (SWOT) Analysis brainstorming sessions. Through several SWOT

Analysis sessions, the team identified more than 100 innovative solutions to some of the subtasks of

the Project Inclusion Campaign Plan. These results were shared with the subordinate JMC

installations during regular meetings to share accomplishments and lessons learned. (More:

www.army.mil/article/245228)



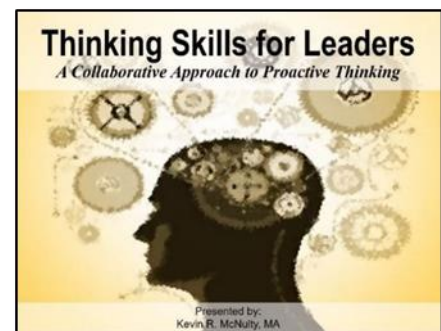
TACOM Commanding General Pushes Modernization, Workforce Development

Over a two-day visit to Rock Island Arsenal – Joint Manufacturing and Technology Center, the Tank-automotive and Armaments Command’s commanding general, Maj. Gen. Darren Werner, stressed putting people first in the Army’s and Army Materiel Command’s push toward the sustainment model of the future and the need for well-planned modernization efforts. “We need to invest in people,” Werner said, adding that the current workforce needs to have training designed to develop them to be the workforce of the future and “the workforce we need.” “When do we start training people to be able to do that new job? Well, we have to start now and develop a training program,” he said, adding, “when we create a new business unit, the workforce has already received baseline-level training, and they’re ready for it.” (More: www.army.mil/article/245124)



JMC Aspiring Leaders Program, Module 7

HQ, JMC recently hosted Module 7, Thinking Skills (Critical & Strategic), of the Aspiring Leaders Program via MS Teams. The Aspiring Leaders Program is currently taking place in a virtual environment and includes several phases of training such as strategic leadership, conversational leadership and dialogue skills, decision making, and effective delegation. The program is currently available to employees in the JMC headquarters. In order to enhance JMC leadership engagement, JMC senior leaders serve as champions and participate in the monthly webinars. The champions discuss relevant, personal leadership experiences and philosophies and provide insight into developing effective leadership traits and behaviors. (More: www.army.mil/article/245373)



Military Exchanges Open to DoD Civilian Employees, Retirees Next Month

Military exchange stores will soon have a whole lot more customers than before after a new Defense Department directive expanded access. Nearly 600,000 civilian employees who work for the Defense Department and the Coast Guard will now be able to shop in the stores, which are sales tax-free and offer some discounts compared to major outlets. DoD issued the [directive](#) on April 12, the stores have 30 days to comply and let the new civilian customers into the stores. It’s not just working civilians who are gaining new exchange benefits. Civilians who retired from a military department or from the Coast Guard will get access to the exchanges’ online stores, but not to the physical locations. All honorably discharged veterans will now be able to shop online as well. Verifications for the new benefits are being conducted through the Defense Manpower Data Center. DoD is currently updating its systems. (More: <https://federalnewsnetwork.com/dod-reporters-notebook-jared-serbu/2021/04/military-exchanges-open-to-dod-civilian-employees-retirees-next-month>)



Appenzeller Emphasizes: Get COVID-19 Vaccine, No Matter Where

Army Major Gen. (Dr.) George "Ned" Appenzeller would love it if the military administered every COVID-19 vaccine to every service member. But the assistant director for combat support at the Defense Health Agency told those in attendance at the third Military Health System and Military OneSource COVID-19 Town Hall that the "where" is not important. "I would love to be the one to put the vaccine in everyone's arm, but if it's available to you in your local community, I suggest you go ahead and get it wherever you can get it first," he said during the event, held live on streaming platforms on April 14. "What we do ask is if you get your vaccine outside of our DOD system ... bring us those records so we can get it documented in your medical records for all of your future encounters ... and that we can track you along with everyone else who is getting the vaccine within the system." He stressed that there is no pre-authorization needed for a vaccine taken outside the DOD - the DHA recently approved a blanket waiver removing that requirement. (More: <https://health.mil/News/Articles/2021/04/16/Appenzeller-emphasizes-Get-COVID19-vaccine-no-matter-where>)



Recent Survey Results Show Housing Satisfaction on the Rise

Results from a recent tenant survey show that overall customer satisfaction is improving, senior Army housing officials said, as the service continues to improve on-base living conditions. For the first time, this year's Tenant Satisfaction Survey was standardized across all military branches following a change in the National Defense Authorization Act to help paint a clearer picture of the state of military housing. Over 85,000 Army households took part in the anonymous questionnaire, an increase from previous years, said Kevin Drescher, Army Family Housing inventory program manager, adding it had an array of positive results. The results provide officials an idea of how to improve family quality of life on installations, he said. The survey also offers a snapshot of how families gauge recent changes. (More: www.army.mil/article/245226)



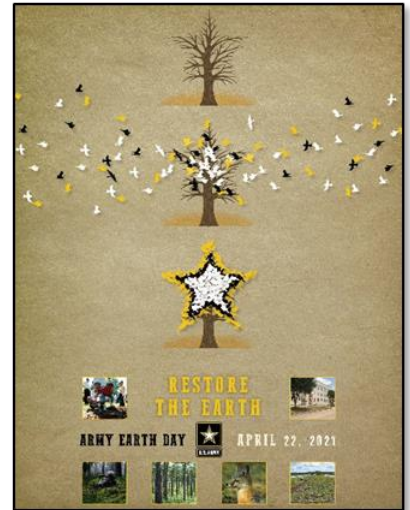
Biden Announces Full U.S. Troop Withdrawal From Afghanistan by Sept. 11

President Joe Biden said the war in Afghanistan was never meant to be multi-generational, as he officially announced the drawdown of all 2,500 U.S. troops in that country beginning May 1 and concluding by Sept. 11, the 20th anniversary of the war. The president lay the path for the way forward in Afghanistan today in an address to the nation and noted that only the citizens of Afghanistan have the right and responsibility to lead their country. "After consulting closely with our allies and partners, with our military leaders and intelligence personnel, with our diplomats and our development experts, with the Congress and the vice president, as well as with [Afghan President Ashraf Ghani] and many others around the world, I concluded that it's time to end America's longest war. It's time for American troops to come home," the president said. (More: www.defense.gov/Explore/News/Article/Article/2573268)



Restore Our Earth

As our Army and our nation prepare to celebrate Earth Day on **Thursday, April 22**, we are reminded of the devastating effects of extreme weather and climate change. In recent years, wildfires burned more than 5,000 acres in the west, sending migrating birds and wildlife looking for a safe haven that is often found on military installations. More intense storms, historic floods and severe droughts have seriously impacted our installations. Army land, air and water resources are vital to Army missions and must be nurtured with a focus on modernization and conservation. Environmental stewardship goes hand in hand with Army readiness and modernization, and ensures installations have the infrastructure needed for training, mobilization and deployment. The theme this year is Restore Our Earth. Every one of us needs a healthy Earth to support our jobs, livelihoods, happiness, health & survival. Earth Day is not just about what we can do on April 22, it is about what we all do every day to protect vulnerable Army facilities, infrastructure, and the precious environmental resources on this Earth.



Arsenal Attic Thrift Shop in April

The Arsenal Attic Thrift Shop will be open in April from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. on **Tuesday, April 27**. There's lots of new merchandise. Check out photos on Facebook at "[Arsenal Attic Thrift Shop](#)." Bring us your donations during shop hours or call the Attic at 309-782-6977 to make an appointment for another time. No consignments at this time. Items are not priced... simply make a reasonable donation for your items. You pay no sales tax. Cash or check only... no debit or credit cards will be accepted at this time. Masks are required and social distancing will be adhered to. We look forward to seeing you soon.

SHARP SAAPM Event - The Language of Sexuality: Examining the Language of Sexual Minorities

Please join the JMC and ASC / RIA Installation SHARP teams in hosting guest speaker, Dr. Bruce D. LeBlanc, live on [MS Teams](#), **Wednesday, April 28** at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. LeBlanc is a professor emeritus of psychology and sociology and a board certified sexologist, specializing in LGBTQ+ issues, HIV/AIDS, and spiritual dimensions of sexuality. His presentation, "The Language of Sexuality: Examining the Language of Sexual Minorities" will address the importance of understanding the language and culture of sexual minorities and will reinforce the Army's focus on people as its greatest strength and most valuable asset. No pre-registration is required for the event. The event will not count for annual mandatory SHARP training but will award participants 1 CLP / CEU.

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Thank you for supporting the U.S. Army SHARP - SAAPM 2021: "Building Cohesive Teams through Character, Trust and Resilience"

April Sexual Assault Awareness Month Teal Tuesday Photos

RIA Garrison SHARP Office requests your participation in this month's April Sexual Assault Awareness Month Teal Tuesday Photos. Teal Tuesday Photos: [Send photos to Victim Advocate](#) – PAO will upload onto Garrison FB page. Directorates who submit the most employee photos wearing teal will get a SHARP swag bag. Thank you for your participation in helping RIA SHARP bring awareness to Sexual violence. POC for this Garrison RIA SHARP SAAPM activity is Linda M. Robertson at linda.m.robertson.civ@mail.mil or 309-782-1455.



Step Out Against Sexual Assault Virtual Run/Walk

April is recognized nationally as Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month (SAAPM). This year the Army's SAAPM theme is "Building Cohesive Teams through Character Trust and Resilience. Protecting Our People Protects Our Mission." The

RIA Installation SHARP team encourages everyone to join us in support of SAAPM by

participating in the various awareness events throughout the month. One of those opportunities to stand with the RIA Installation SHARP Program in raising awareness is to join us as we lace up our walking shoes and Step Out Against Sexual Assault with our first virtual awareness run/walk. Track your run/walk miles and times between **April 1 and April 29** in the fitness app of your choice and submit a screenshot to usarmy.ria.asc.mbx.sharp@mail.mil no later than **close of business April 30** to be eligible. SHARP swag bags will be awarded for the...

- Fastest 5k time
- Fastest 10k time
- Most miles logged

Thank you for your support and let's get active with a purpose!

JOIN THE RIA SHARP TEAM
Step out against
Sexual Assault



Public Service Recognition Week

36 Years of Honoring Public Servants and Connecting Citizens with Their Government

Public Service Recognition Week is a week dedicated to honoring our public servants. Since 1985, Public Service Recognition Week has been celebrated the first week of May, beginning on the first Sunday of the month.

PSRW will be observed from **Sunday, May 2, until Saturday, May 8**, this year. Public Service Recognition Week (PSRW) is organized annually by the Public Employees Roundtable, and its member organizations to honor the men and women who serve our nation as federal, state, county and local government employees. Public Service Recognition week is included in National Military Appreciation Month. Throughout the country, mayors, governors, agency leaders, communities and public service organizations participate in PSRW by issuing proclamations; hosting award ceremonies and special tribute events; and delivering messages about the value of public service. Public Service Recognition Week encourages government leaders and public servants from all backgrounds to participate, by showing appreciation to their employees and colleagues and by sharing their stories of excellence in public service.



PUBLIC SERVICE
RECOGNITION WEEK

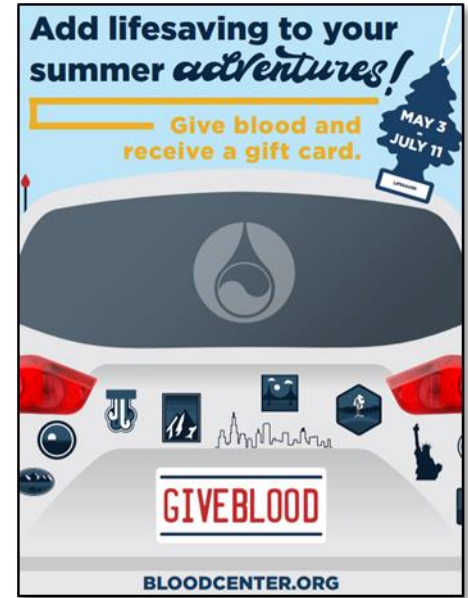
Regional Critical Blood Shortages, MVRBC Blood Drives

The Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center has ongoing critical shortages of the following blood types: **O positive, O Negative, AB positive and AB negative**, but all types are needed. MVRBC is hosting a blood drive in in the MVRBC Donor Bus in the Commissary parking lot, on **Friday, May 14 and 21**, 10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. If you would like to donate at this blood drive, feel free to email bhancock@mvrbc.org with the time you'd like to schedule, or call their Donor Center at 563-359-5401; you may also log on to www.bloodcenter.org and use code 029 to locate the blood drives. ASC is hosting a blood drive on **Thursday, April 15**, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; there will be a Donor Bus parked in front of Building 390. MVRBC encourages those working remotely to visit one of their three local donor centers.

- Moline Donor Center – 3600 16th Street
- Davenport Headquarters – 5500 Lakeview Parkway
- West Davenport Center – 1320 W. Kimberly Road

MVRBC will have a new donor promotion in May, this will be a \$10 electronic gift card redeemable at Amazon, Dunkin', Lowe's, Target, Starbucks, and Walmart.

The Army encourages its employees to volunteer as candidates for any of the variety of medical donor programs, including blood, bone marrow, and organ donor/transplant programs. For additional information: www.militaryblood.dod.mil



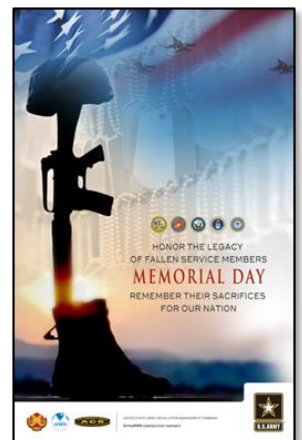
Flag Placement to be Conducted by Cemetery Staff, Active Duty Troops

U.S. flags will be placed on the headstones of fallen service members in honor of Memorial Day at the Rock Island National Cemetery this year by Cemetery staff in coordination with active duty troops serving on Rock Island Arsenal in the days preceding Memorial Day.



Memorial Day Ceremony

A private wreath-laying Memorial Day ceremony will be held at the Rock Island National Cemetery that will include Memorial Day remarks, rifle salute, taps, and a wreath laying. Memorial Day represents a day of national awareness and reverence, honoring the military men and women who gave their lives in defense of the nation and its values. Memorial Day honors fallen service members while Veterans Day is an opportunity for Americans to publicly recognize living military veterans. Memorial Day was originally known as Decoration Day. It was first widely observed on May 30, 1868, to commemorate the sacrifices of Civil War Soldiers and a day to honor the nation's Civil War dead by decorating their graves. Maj. Gen. John A. Logan, commander-in-chief, Grand Army of the Republic, proclaimed May 30 as Decoration Day by General Order No. 11. The Uniform Monday Holiday Act moved Memorial Day from May 30 to the last Monday in May. The law took effect in 1971 at the federal level. In 2000, Congress established the National Moment of Remembrance on Memorial Day.



Army Digital Garrison App Serves as Guide to On-Post Services

The Army launched the Digital Garrison mobile app a number of months ago that provides information and facilitates access to a full array of on-post services, as part of a partnership with the Army & Air Force Exchange Service, or AAFES. The app, which can be downloaded on Android and Apple devices, provides users with secure access to facility information and other "quality-of-life" services by consolidating data from three related networks, said Scott Malcom, Army Installation Management Command public affairs director. "It puts real-time installation information in everybody's pockets," Malcom said. "There are hundreds of thousands of people that access Army installations every day. Almost every one carries a cell phone. The app will add value to their time spent on an installation -- whether it is to live, work, train, or play." (More: www.army.mil/article/237660)



Arsenal Traffic/Construction



East Street Road Closure

From **Monday, April 5 through Friday, June 18**, East Street from Blunt Road to the South parking lot entrance of Building 56 will be closed to conduct Phase one of sewer, sidewalk and road replacement work. CDC users will be able to cross East Street using Ramsey Road for drop-off and pick-up at CDC buildings 11, 15, and 16. Ramsey Road will be used for traffic in both directions.

Building 90 North Parking Lot Closure

Monday, May 3 to Friday, June 18 the Directorate of Public Works (DPW) will close the north half of the Building 90 parking lot for contract personnel to conduct sewer, sidewalk, and parking lot replacement work. Access and parking will still be available in the south half of the parking lot via the south entrance of Building 90.

Building/Space Closures



Building 212 Fire Suppression System Flushing Project

Nov. 9 through **Monday, July 5**, the Directorate of Public Works (DPW) began the Fire Suppression System Flushing Project in Building 212. This involves temporary closure of some areas which will be isolated by barriers in coordination with JMTC Facilities department.

Active Duty/Reserve Zone



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Majority of Soldiers to Be Vaccinated By Summer, Says Army Surgeon General

The Army is on target to vaccinate 80% of its Soldiers by the Fourth of July as vaccine doses become more readily available, said its surgeon general Monday. The lofty goal toward 80% is part of a “full-court press” to vaccinate Soldiers, said Lt. Gen. R. Scott Dingle, who is also the commanding general of U.S. Army Medical Command, during a webinar hosted by the Association of the U.S. Army. “One thing that is going to allow us to meet that goal is that the distribution of the vaccine has increased,” Dingle said. “Initially, it was a supply and demand issue. Now that the federal vaccine movement is producing and distributing more [vaccines], our numbers are constantly going up.” (More: www.army.mil/article/245207)

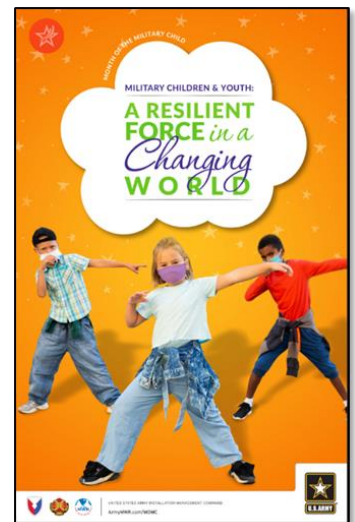
Military Spouses Worldwide to Join Online for DOD's Annual Virtual Symposium

This year's Virtual Military Spouse Symposium — scheduled for **April 27-29** — is geared for male and female spouses to learn about career development and well-being, whether they're students or veteran careerists, Military OneSource's director for military community support programs said. Lee Kelley said the symposiums, which began five years ago with a focus on education and careers, have always been interspersed with issues surrounding well-being that speak to the holistic needs of military spouses. (More: www.defense.gov/Explore/News/Article/Article/2561512)

Month of the Military Child

The U.S. Army observes the Month of the Military Child to recognize and honor the commitment, contributions and sacrifices children and youth make to the nation through the strength they provide the Soldiers and Families. This year marks the 35th anniversary of the Department of Defense designating April as Month of the Military Child. The Army recognizes Month of the Military Child as an opportunity to recognize and respect the unique challenges the military children face and overcome. The Army remains fully committed to helping Families become and stay strong by offering a variety of programs and services through U.S. Army Installation Management Command. There are more than 215,779 children and youth registered in Child and Youth Services programs. The Army remains committed to these military Family members to honor the service and sacrifices of those who serve the nation. Month of the Military Child allows the Army to recognize, applaud, and celebrate the resilience of military children and youth and their role in ensuring a ready force now and into the future.

Military children are the epitome of strength and resilience who contribute to enabling the Soldiers to focus on defending the nation. Strengthening children and families makes the all-volunteer Army stronger as a whole. Strong and resilient Army children contribute to the success of the Army's mission. ([DoD Special](#))



Safety Spotlight



ARMY SAFE
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The top priority of the installation safety office is to safeguard and protect service members, their families, civilian employees and Army property as well as to create the safest workplace and living environment possible. Website:

<https://home.army.mil/ria/index.php/about/Garrison/safety-office>

Plan for the Heat

With spring already here and summer fast approaching, leaders and Soldiers should be considering hot weather hazards. Heat illnesses, including heat exhaustion and heat stroke, degrade mission effectiveness and can happen during any month, but most occur between June and July. The Army Public Health Center reported 1,423 heat illness cases (1,229 heat exhaustion and 194 heat stroke) in 2020 and 2,095 heat illness cases (1,695 heat exhaustion and 400 heat stroke) in 2019. The COVID-19 pandemic and limitations on activities and training in 2020 probably account for some of the decrease in heat illness cases. Leaders at all levels must be familiar with the principles of risk management to properly identify and mitigate operational hazards, including environmental conditions. Key to this task is ensuring Soldiers and subordinate leaders know the methods for preventing heat illness, use the risk management process to mitigate hazards associated with working and training in the heat, and have and rehearse a detailed plan for responding to individuals suffering from heat illness. (More:

https://safety.army.mil/Portals/0/Documents/MEDIA/SEASONALSAFTEYCAMPAGNS/SUMMER2021/USACRC_Spring_Summer_Heat_Illness_Prevention.pdf)

Equal Employment Opportunity Focus



The Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) program formulates, directs, and sustains a comprehensive effort to maximize human potential to ensure fair treatment for military personnel, family members, and civilians without regard to race, color, gender, religion, or national origin, and provide an environment free of unlawful discrimination and offensive behavior. The Garrison EEO office is providing services virtually. Please contact EEO staff at 309-782-2548.

There are no announcements at this time.

Morale, Welfare & Recreation



Army MWR is a quality-of-life program that directly supports readiness by providing a variety of community, Soldier, and family support programs, activities and services. Included in MWR are social, fitness, recreational, educational, and other programs and activities that enhance community life, foster Soldier and unit readiness, promote mental and physical fitness, and generally provide a working and living environment that attracts and retains quality for U.S. Army Soldiers, Family members, Retirees and its civilian workforce. Visit the MWR website at <https://rockisland.armymwr.com> for information on all MWR programs. How is MWR doing? Tell us by going to <https://ice.disa.mil>, navigate to "Rock Island Arsenal" and search "MWR" for a full listing of all our programs and services.

Company Kitchen Temporary Closure

All three Company Kitchen café locations in buildings 60, 212 and 350 will close beginning **Saturday, May 1**. Company Kitchen has been committed over the past year to providing limited services to the Arsenal workforce during the pandemic. Continuing service under the existing conditions is no longer feasible. Company Kitchen will continue to re-evaluate returning as the daily population continues to increase across the Arsenal. USAG Rock Island Arsenal, Family and MWR would like to thank them for their dedicated service they have provided to Rock Island Arsenal through this pandemic and we look forward to their return in the coming months. MWR is seeking interim breakfast and lunch options during this temporary closure. The Island Oasis located at the Fitness Center (Building 67) is open daily Monday-Friday from 11 a.m. -1 p.m. serving fresh off the grill and the Lock and Dam Lounge (Building 60) is open with food options on Wednesday and Thursday from 3-7 p.m. For more information please contact the MWR management assistant at 309-782-6319.



Appointments now available at the Auto Skills & Service Center

Whether you're simply due for an oil change or tire rotation or you have something more major that needs repair, give us a call at 309-782-8631 and let our skilled and trustworthy mechanics keep you rolling down the road. If you're more hands on and like to work on your own vehicles, schedule time for self-help service and get your ride fixed while saving money. For more information and appointments, call 309-782-8631.

Cinco de Mayo Celebration

Join us **Wednesday, May 5**, for a Cinco de Mayo celebration in the Lock & Dam Lounge, Building 60, 3-7 p.m. A common misconception is that Cinco de Mayo is a celebration in honor of Mexican Independence Day, when actually it commemorates the victory of the Mexican Army over the much larger French Empire at the battle of Puebla on May 5, 1862. Come join us at the Lock and Dam Lounge to celebrate Cinco de Mayo. We'll have a lineup of Mexican beer specials and even a Nacho Dog special from Dawgers Hot Dog Stand. Please call 309-782-6319 for more information.

Quarters One Historic Tour

Quarters One on Rock Island Arsenal was once one of the largest residences in the federal inventory. In fact, when it was still used as Army housing, it was second only to the White House in size. Come join us **Saturday, May 8**, at either 11 a.m. or 1 p.m., as we tour this majestic Joliet limestone mansion and listen to the history of this giant home as told by the Army Sustainment Command Historian. Cost is \$10/person and reservations and prepayment can be made by visiting the Leisure Travel Office in Building 333 (next to the Exchange). Please note that the facility is not handicapped accessible. Face masks and social distancing are required during the tours. For more information, please call 309-782-5890.

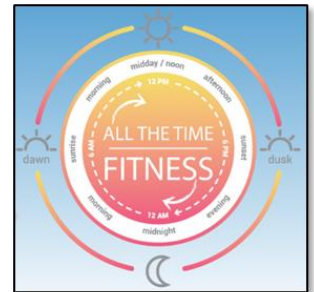
Lock and Dam Lounge is Open

Now open for Workforce Wednesdays and Thirsty Thursdays from 3-7 p.m., face mask and social distancing required. Join us for specials to include \$5 craft beers, \$2.50 domestics and \$1 sodas. We have some great new local beers on tap this week including Peanut Butter Porter from Contrary Brewing in Muscatine, Raging River IPA and Cherry Bomb Blonde from Front Street Brewery in Davenport, Ruthie from Exile Brewing in Des Moines, and Bikini Bottom from Five Cities Brewing in Bettendorf. Support the local brew scene at the coolest bar on the Arsenal! Also, for all you PBR fans, enjoy \$3 pints and \$6 pitchers of your favorite Milwaukee brew, Pabst Blue Ribbon. Stick around for dinner too, we'll be serving up burgers, grilled pork tenderloins, pizza, wings, and more. Please call 309-782-6319 for more information on the Lock & Dam Lounge.



All The Time Fitness Registration

Fitness Center customers can now register for access to the All the Time Fitness Program. Register in person at the front desk. Customers who have registered will be able to access the unmanned Fitness Center anytime from Friday at 7:30 p.m. to Monday at 5 a.m. If you encounter any problems with entry, please visit the Fitness Center Monday-Friday during manned hours and the front desk staff will be happy to help you. The Fitness Center is open and staffed Monday-Friday from 5 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. For more information, please call the Fitness Center at 309-782-6787.



MWR Leisure Travel Office



We offer substantial discounts on tickets to local attractions, concerts, amusement parks and regional bus trips to exciting destinations. Check with us first for all your entertainment needs, we can save you money. **Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:15 a.m. – 4 p.m., Bldg. 333. The office is closed for lunch from 10:30–11 a.m., 309-782-5890. Face masks and appointments are required for service. The maximum facility capacity is five people. Contact the office at 309-782-5890. (email: anna.winters@us.army.mil) (website: <https://rockisland.armymwr.com/programs/leisure-travel-office>)**

Quarters One Paranormal Investigation

Like the rest of us, the spirits of Quarters One have been waiting patiently through these tough times, they're looking forward to seeing you again. Come learn about the haunted history of this

majestic Italianate style mansion on the banks of the Mississippi River on **Saturday, April 24**, at 5 p.m., at Quarters One. Doors will open at 5 p.m., the Army Sustainment Command historian will give a talk beginning at 6 p.m. and the Illinois Paranormal Research Team will conduct an investigation starting at 7 p.m. Participants must be at least 18 years old. Face masks and social distancing are required at this event. Cost is \$25/person and you can reserve your spots and pre-pay by visiting the Leisure Travel Office in Building 333 or call 309-782-5890.

Child & Youth Services



Child & Youth Services provides a full range of child care programs and services for children ages six weeks through senior year in high school. Services include full-day, part-day, hourly, pre-k, school outs, summer programming, sports and fitness, and instructional classes. All CYC programs/facilities will be closed all federal holidays, CYC CDC/CD Home/FCC staff in-service day and any other additional days/installation closures approved by the garrison commander. Fees will not be reduced, refunded, or prorated for these days. (Website: <https://rockisland.armymwr.com/programs/cy>) (Facebook: www.facebook.com/RIACYSS)

CYS Sports and Fitness Programs

Register now for CYS Sports and Fitness Programs. All RIA-affiliated active duty, retirees, reservists, civilian, and/or contractor families are eligible to participate. Age-specific sessions start **May 1 or May 3** and are held outdoors at Memorial Park (inclement weather site: the School Age Center (SAC) Gym, Bldg. 150). Comfortable shorts/sweatpants, t-shirts, and tennis shoes are required. COVID-19 mitigation practices will be in place for all classes and families will be sent COVID-19 expectations upon registering. Please call Parent Central Services in Building 110, Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. at 309-782-0791 starting at 9 a.m. **April 21-30** to register. For more information contact Andy Milton, sports and fitness director at andrew.a.milton2.naf@mail.mil or 309-782-6793.

Little Pros Golf / Little Sluggers Baseball

Part of the Start Smart series, these two developmental classes for 3-5 year olds teaches children basic motor skills necessary to learn the games of golf and baseball, while they work one-on-one and spend quality time with their parents.

- Golf – Mondays/Fridays 4:45-5:45 p.m.
 - Class Dates: **May 3, 7, 10, 14, 17, 21**
 - Cost: \$25
- Baseball – Mondays/Fridays 6-7 p.m.
 - Class Dates: **May 3, 7, 10, 14, 17, 21**
 - Cost: \$25

Parents/guardians do the class with their child. Each week builds off the previous week, as the learning of basic sports mechanics and developmental movements are weekly goals. Equipment for the class is provided; see below for additional sport-specific equipment information.

- Golf – Kids receive a T-shirt.

- Baseball – Kids receive a T-shirt and a starter baseball glove (left-hand, right-hand available); at the end of the class they keep the glove! Players expected to bring the gloves back with them each class.

Integral to the Smart Start Series is the idea that parents do the class with their child, then have the drills to go and do at home in both in between sessions and forever. For more information contact Andy Milton, sports and fitness director at andrew.a.milton2.naf@mail.mil or 309-782-6793.

Cheerleading Clinics

Youth ages 5-8 and 9 and up will cover age-appropriate and safe introductory physical movements and fundamentals necessary to conduct cheers.

- 5-8 year olds: Mondays 4:45-5:45 p.m. and Saturdays 8:30-9:30 a.m.
 - Cost: \$25
- 9+ year olds: Mondays 6-7 p.m. and Saturdays 9:45-10:45 a.m.
 - Cost: \$25

Learning proper techniques, the class will culminate in conducting one/two cheers. For more information contact Andy Milton, Sports and Fitness Director at andrew.a.milton2.naf@mail.mil or 309-782-6793.



Army Community Service



Army Community Service is an Army-wide community, social service program that provides services that assist Soldiers, Family members, and Department of the Army civilians maintain readiness, develop self-reliance, resiliency and stability. U.S. Army Installation Management Command provides these services through a network of programs that support goals related to recruitment, retention, morale, and operational readiness of the force. ACS on RIA is located in Bldg. 110, 1st floor SE; visit our ACS website

<https://rockisland.armymwr.com/programs/army-community-service> or phone 309-782-0829. Call ahead for special accommodations when attending ACS classes. Find us on Facebook click here: www.facebook.com/RIAACS. 24/7 Domestic Violence Crisis Line: 309-912-6089. The ACS center is open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Appointments are strongly encouraged and can be made by calling 309-782-0829. ACS Rock Island virtual office hours are 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. on [MS Teams](#).

TSP Training

With the move back to the office many people want to know more about their TSP. TSP offers a number of educational resources at: <https://www.tsp.gov/agency-service-reps/tsp-educational-resources>. These resources include TSP for each stage of your career including mid and late career personnel. Upcoming TSP Retirement webinar registration links are listed below:

[TSP Post-Service Withdrawals](#)

This webinar provides an overview of the TSP post-service withdrawal options. The information in this webinar is beneficial to TSP participants that are within 10 years or less of retirement and participants that have separated or retired. TSP webinars are hosted by the FRTIB's Office of Communications and Education. This is a 1-hour webinar.

- **Thursday, April 22**

- 10 a.m. – [Register](#)
- 1 p.m. – [Register](#)

Domestic Violence Support Group

Domestic Violence support group to be offered **every Tuesday** beginning **May 4** from 5-6 p.m. and every Thursday from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. At this time the support group will be offered through MS Teams. Please R.S.V.P. to crystal.l.bartholomew2.ctr@mail.mil or call 309-782-3773. Confidentiality is of utmost importance.

Youth Summertime Activity Expo on MS Teams

Even though the live portion of the Youth Summertime Activities Expo is over, you can still access all of the information from the organizations on MS Teams by following this link:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/l/team/19%3a73728028bf9e4ed2b985e4c036f694fb%40thread.tacv2/conversations?groupId=beba8ec5-0eae-4f41-be6d-e0b34c3e694e&tenantId=21acfbb3-32be-4715-9025-1e2f015cbbe9>

Once there, you can browse through more than 20 organizations' worth of summer programming. Some of the organizations include Davenport Junior Theatre and Dance, QC Botanical Center, Visit Springfield, Bettendorf Parks and Rec, Nahant Marsh, Bereskin Gallery, the Sawmill Museum, and more. There are activities for kids of all ages, and even adults.

This link will stay live through **May 7**. If you have any questions, please contact Jenny Kerr at Jennifer.a.kerr10.civ@mail.mil.

Parenting During COVID-19

Kids are returning to school, and parents are returning to work, but life is far from "normal." Join Army Community Service and Child and Youth Services each month as we discuss how to manage as parents through the pandemic. Bring your questions and tips to the group, parents of all ages of children are welcome. Classes are held the second Tuesday of the month from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., and can be accessed through Teams at the following link:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3a90c8afc5e9a34120989982d78eb42e8f%40thread.tacv2/1615312862051?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2221acfbb3-32be-4715-9025-1e2f015cbbe9%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%220943c39e-a114-4645-84a8-55d91c3efb99%22%7d>

If you do not have Teams, you can still access the meeting by calling 571-388-3904 and entering the passcode: 458005087#. Meeting dates are **May 11 and June 8**. For more information, call 309-782-6515 or 309-782-3049.

Out Processing Levy Brief

The out processing levy brief is designed to provide service members and their spouses with critical information regarding policy and procedures as well as resources available during PCS process. The brief will be delivered virtually through MS Teams. To receive a meeting link for one of the following Thursdays taking place 9:30 a.m. – noon, please contact MPD at 309-782-1526; **June 24 and July 22**.

ACS Rock Island Virtual Office Hours

ACS is holding public virtual office hours via [MS Teams](#) each Wednesday, except for days ACS publishes closures. Office hours are from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. We look forward to taking general questions related to finances, family programs, and relocation. We may periodically provide

presentations on a topic selected by our office in advance. This is our public forum. Microsoft Teams link:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_MmIwNzkzYmYtZmE3ZC00ZmQ1LWJjMWUtYzRhMjlkZTAyMzNi%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2221acfbb3-32be-4715-9025-1e2f015cbbe9%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22209cc082-8b15-4656-8d36-a59e61db19c8%22%7d

Call in (audio only) at 571-388-3904,,890722855#, phone conference ID: 890 722 855#
If you have a question that you would like to discuss in private you can contact us to set a confidential appointment at 309-782-0829.

MWR Outdoor Recreation Office



Outdoor Recreation is your one-stop rental shop for all your outdoor adventures, special events, home maintenance and repair. No matter the season, we have the equipment to get you out into the great outdoors. From skis and snowboards to campers and canoes, we have you covered. Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:15 a.m. – 4 p.m., Building 333, Phone: 309-782-8630. **Appointments are once again required for service in order to limit the number of customers in the lobby at any one time. The maximum facility capacity is five people and masks are still required for service. (email: robert.l.lampert.naf@mail.mil), Website: <https://rockisland.armymwr.com/programs/outdoor-recreation>**

Gear Up With Outdoor Recreation

Graduation and outdoor party event season is fast approaching. Outdoor Recreation has party canopies, tables, chairs, bounce houses, charcoal grills and other items to help make your event a success. To reserve these and many other outdoor recreation items please contact Outdoor Recreation at 309-782-8630. Got roped into helping a friend, family member or coworker move? Rent a trailer and take fewer trips. Outdoor Recreation has a fleet of various sized flatbed and enclosed trailers. As the weather continues to warm up and you want to be outside, don't forget about our inventory of mountain and fat tire bikes. Get out and explore the Quad Cities on one of our bikes and check out QC Trails: <https://www.qctrails.org>, it's a great resource to discover all the various trail systems in the area. For a full listing of all rental gear available, check out our website at: <https://rockisland.armymwr.com/programs/outdoor-recreation>

Employee Assistance Program



The ASAP/EAP is dedicated to excellence in providing a standard of care that enhances the quality of life for its clients and the workforce of Rock Island Arsenal. We believe that personal, family, and workplace problems can affect an employee's well-being and job performance. The ASAP/EAP promotes healthy lifestyles. Our most important asset is our employees and we are committed to providing professional counseling, educational assistance, and intervention services in an effort to promote wellness and improve the climate of the Rock Island Arsenal. ASAP/EAP is located in Bldg. 56, 1st floor; visit our ASAP/EAP website <https://home.army.mil/ria/index.php/my-fort/all-services/army-substance-abuse-program> or phone 309-782-4357 or 309-782-HELP. Office hours are from 7 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. After Hour Emergencies: 309-782-6116. Rock Island Arsenal Emergency Services will contact an EAP counselor who will call you back promptly. Find us on Facebook click here: www.facebook.com/RIAEmployeeAssistanceProgram.

Installation Prevention Team Focus: Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) – 20th Prescription Drug Takeback Day

Due to this National take back event falling on a Saturday, a take back event will not be held on post. However, on the attachments you will find several local community locations where you can turn in your unwanted or expired prescription medications. You will find a local law enforcement departments participating in this DEA event from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on **Saturday, April 24**. As the DEA points out, leaving unused or unwanted medications lying around increases the risk for accidental or deliberate misuse, and even overdose. The majority of prescription drug abusers indicate that they get their drugs from friends and family, often by taking them right out of medicine cabinets. About 80% of new heroin users began by abusing prescription opioid painkillers. Taking expired prescriptions is not recommended as over time a drug may lose its potency, limiting its therapeutic effects. It is best just to dispose of them properly and securely. Can we just flush our medications down the toilet? The answer is no, not all medications can be flushed. This can impact the environment by allowing drug residues to enter water supplies such as lakes and rivers. If you are unable to make it to the event of the takeback, there are other options available. Some pharmacies allow you to return unwanted prescription drugs all year round. We look forward to seeing you at our next prescription drug take back event which will be held on post in the fall.

Education/Training Review



Army Continuing Education System (ACES) is the Army's method for delivering educational opportunities to Soldiers that remediate, develop, and enhance skills needed for present and future jobs. The Army Continuing Education Division (ACED) promotes lifelong learning, readiness and resilience through flexible and relevant education programs, services and systems in support of the Total Army Family. The Rock Island Army Education Center is located in Bldg. 56, 1st floor, west end of the building. Office hours: 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Monday - Friday. Phone: 309-782-2065 Fax: 309-782-7901. **The RIA Army Education Center is only providing virtual services; contact Mary Hansarik at mary.p.hansarik.civ@mail.mil for Education Center requirements.** Please visit our website to learn more:

<https://home.army.mil/ria/index.php/my-fort/all-services/continuing-education-services>

There are no announcements at this time.

Defense Commissary Agency / Exchange



The Rock Island Commissary, www.commissaries.com/shopping/store-locations/rock-island-arsenal, and the Exchange, www.shopmyexchange.com/company/storeDetails.jsp?storeId=1074020, are for active duty military, retirees, and service-connected disabled veterans only. There are exceptions for select items (mainly consumable) at the Exchange that can be purchased by Arsenal Island employees with ID. Check out local specials and get POC information here: www.commissaries.com/shopping/store-locations/rock-island-arsenal. For information on this and other Commissaries, visit: www.commissaries.com (Facebook: www.facebook.com/YourCommissary) **COVID-19 Store Policies:** <https://commissaries.com/coronavirus>

If you would like to be placed on our email contact list to receive periodic information on events happening at your Rock Island Arsenal Commissary, please email us at: rockisland@deca.mil and type 'Subscribe' in the subject line.

Exchange Rewards Classroom Excellence with You Made the Grade Program

Whether learning at home or in the classroom, the Army & Air Force Exchange Service is recognizing military students for academic accomplishments through its You Made the Grade program. First- through 12th-graders who maintain a B average or higher are eligible for a \$5 Exchange gift card every grading period during the 2021 school year. Students who make the grade qualify to enter a worldwide sweepstakes to win a \$2,000, \$1,500 or \$500 Exchange gift card. Drawings are held in December and June. The most recent sweepstakes winners were from Fort Bragg, Yokota Air Base and U.S. Army Garrison Baumholder. (More: <https://publicaffairs->

[sme.com/ExchangePost/2021/04/19/exchange-rewards-classroom-excellence-with-you-made-the-grade-program](https://publicaffairs-sme.com/ExchangePost/2021/04/19/exchange-rewards-classroom-excellence-with-you-made-the-grade-program))

Now Hiring! Army & Air Force Exchange Service Offers Career Opportunities

The Army & Air Force Exchange Service is where heroes work, and the Department of Defense's largest retailer is recruiting new team members to further strengthen its service to the military communities it serves. "The Exchange is in all 50 states and more than 30 countries," said Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Kevin Osby, the Exchange's senior enlisted advisor. "The Exchange is family serving family, and we are looking forward to growing that family with those who have a passion for serving Soldiers, Airmen, Guardians and the military community." (More: <https://publicaffairs-sme.com/ExchangePost/2021/04/21/now-hiring-army-air-force-exchange-service-offers-career-opportunities>)

'We Care and You Save!': Sidewalk Sales to Offer Discounts on Variety of Everyday Items at Stateside Commissaries

Commissary patrons stateside can stock up on their favorite items at significant savings during the Defense Commissary Agency's Military Appreciation Month Sidewalk Sale event in May (RIA Commissary Side Walk Sale **May 26-29**). "This is our way of saying 'thank you' to our patrons for their service and sacrifice," said Bonita Moffett, DeCA's director of sales. "These U.S. sidewalk sales give our military members and their families a chance to realize extra savings during this military recognition month. We care and you save!" (More: www.commissaries.com/our-agency/newsroom/news-releases/we-care-and-you-save-sidewalk-sales-offer-discounts-variety)

Month of the Military Child Coloring Contest

We are very excited to announce that the Military Child Coloring Contest is back for 2021. The winners (9 total) will have their artwork printed on reusable grocery bags provided by the National Industries for the Blind that will go on sale the following year in April. Additionally, the winners will receive a free case of reusable grocery bags. Rules Kept Simple:

- The coloring template is located at www.commissaries.com/color.
- The child must use the printable template that is available for download at www.commissaries.com/color.
- Entries must be colored by a military child 11 years of age or younger.
- Only one (1) entry per child will be accepted.
- Entries will only be accepted at your commissary's customer service office **April 1-30**

Please ensure the child's first name, age, commissary name, and most importantly, the child's parent's email address is included on the entry form and printed legibly (large print is preferred).

Arsenal Archive

Information for the Arsenal Archive is made available by the Rock Island Arsenal Museum. (website: www.arsenalhistoricalsociety.org) (Facebook: www.facebook.com/RIAMuseum)

RIA Museum Closed For Renovation

The Rock Island Arsenal Museum is undergoing a \$1.5 million renovation. The project includes the biggest modernization of the museum in more than 50 years. The renovation will refocus the exhibits on the history of the U.S. Army's organic industrial base, Rock Island Arsenal, and the Arsenal's current role in producing Army readiness. It is part of the U.S. Army Museum Enterprise's five-year reform effort to refine its collection and enhance education and training capabilities at its 47 field museums. To provide a sneak peek of the new exhibits, a series of virtual presentations will be held this summer outlining the new interpretation and exhibit design. Stay tuned for updates on the [Museum's Facebook page](#) or website, arsenalhistoricalsociety.org, as it undergoes this exciting process. The museum has been closed since March 2020 due to a nationwide surge in COVID-19 cases. "We look forward to reopening our doors to the Quad Cities community in the fall of 2022," said Patrick Allie, Rock Island Arsenal Museum director. For more information or questions contact 309-782-3518.



Healthbeat



RIA Remains at **HPCON Bravo**, Emphasizes Command Practices Across the Island Workforce -- the Rock Island Arsenal is maintaining the current Health Protection Condition Bravo and the "Return to the Rock" plan – the installation's planned recovery from the COVID-19 precautions instituted in March and April 2020 (meetings/gatherings limit at 50 people or 50 percent of sitting capacity, [masks required](#), six feet of distancing, and a continuation of practicing proactive personal hygiene). For a further details about individual commands, Island facilities and services, go to our [COVID-19 Local Impacts Page](#).

Defense Leaders Provide COVID-19 Vaccination Update

As of this week, all Defense Department personnel and beneficiaries can get a COVID-19 vaccination appointment, Dr. Terry Adirim, acting assistant secretary of defense for health affairs, said today. "We are encouraging everyone to get vaccinated because these vaccines are very effective and safe and are a critical part of us getting back to normal," Adirim said during a press briefing with Army Lt. Gen. Ronald J. Place, director of the Defense Health Agency. Adirim said the decision to pause the use of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine has had minimal impact on the department because only a small number of that vaccine were allocated to DOD. (More: www.defense.gov/Explore/News/Article/Article/2580709)

Projects Test New Approaches to Improve Health Care Quality, Outcomes

TRICARE has more than a half-dozen pilots and demonstration projects underway that offer new and innovative medical services, treatments, and approaches, and that have the potential to become part of its permanent health care coverage. "Many of these pilots are value-based initiatives that seek to reward better health outcomes, enhance beneficiary care experiences, and reduce health care costs over time," said TRICARE Health Plan Deputy Director Curt Prichard. "These include projects for autism care, sexual trauma, and low back pain. These pilots and demonstrations are also looking to improve care through nurse navigators, a referral and appointing center and accountable care organization to make medical care easier for TRICARE beneficiaries." (More: <https://health.mil/News/Articles/2021/04/15/Projects-test-new-approaches-to-improve-health-care-quality-outcomes>)

Notes for Veterans

The Importance of Advance Care Planning

During the 29 years Bruce Tucker has worked with Veterans and their families as a social worker and now as a VA Medical Center director, he has seen his share of medical crises and the challenges they can present for Veterans and their families. During a crisis, medical staff may ask family members to help make health care decisions for a loved one. If a conversation about care preferences did not previously occur, it may be difficult for family members or trusted others to know exactly what decisions to make. "I've worked most of my VA career as a social worker in various areas and assisted Veterans in completing hundreds of health care decision forms," Tucker said. "Some of the most difficult situations were when a Veteran's preferences had not been expressed in advance and there was confusion about what decisions the Veteran would want made on their behalf." (More: <https://blogs.va.gov/VAntage/87558/importance-advance-care-planning>)

Around the Q.C.

An interactive version of Around the Q.C. is now available at: www.facebook.com/groups/275103093432020

Once you have joined you can see a listing at the Facebook events people have posted to the group at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/275103093432020/events>

The impact to these events in light of COVID-19 is unknown. It is recommended that employees look at the event link for details.

Island Insight



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