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Badger Drop Zone UXO survey conducted

BY ROB SCHUETTE

Triad Staff

Biological and Cultural Resources Team (BCRT) personnel at Fort McCoy have contracted with a commercial firm to conduct an airborne wide area assessment unexploded ordnance (UXO) survey of the Badger Drop Zone area to help determine if there are any areas of concern.

Mark McCarty, BCRT Environmental Protection Specialist and Team Liaison for Fort McCoy's Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security (DPTMS), said that according to historical records the area was used as an installation impact area from approximately 1905-1972. The survey, which will cover about 800 acres in the Badger Drop Zone, also included Range 53, a former mortar impact range used during the 1950s. The project was supported with year-end funding and lasted seven days.

"We are taking a proactive approach toward the long-term management and stewardship of this area," McCarty said. "This survey will provide us with critical ordnance-related information, which will aid us in the long-term sustainability of the



Photo by Michael Mickelson

The Battelle company uses a specially designed helicopter to perform an aerial magnetic survey for UXO detection.

Badger Drop Zone both as a training facility and maneuver area. We look at the Badger Drop Zone area as being vitally important to support current and future training operations and to help us meet our long-term training needs."

Buried UXO is one of the Department of Defense's most pressing environmental

concerns, McCarty said. It is estimated that in excess of 10 million acres of land in the continental United States may be affected by UXO.

Gene Nall, chief of the Fort McCoy DPTMS Range and Training Division, said

(See **BADGER**, page 10)

Leadership Training Program presented to senior Soldiers

BY LONI WITSCHER

Triad Contributor

Commanders and senior noncommissioned officers (NCOs) from each and every unit mobilizing at Fort McCoy are required to undergo a unique four-day Lead-



We recognized a need for the units to receive some training on new doctrine. We help them understand some of the new doctrine terminology ...

Lt. Col. Timothy R. Lemons,
Officer-in-Charge for the LTP

ership Training Program (LTP) to be adaptive leaders.

The LTP was created by the Soldiers from 1st Brigade, cross-attached to the 2nd Brigade, 85th Division, Training Support Brigade (TSB).

"We recognized a need for the units to receive some training on new doctrine," said Lt. Col. Timothy R. Lemons, officer-in-charge for the LTP. "We help them understand some of the new doctrine terminology that's being utilized in theater."

Lemons said the program was not only developed to provide leaders with information on doctrine, but to help develop cohesive teams and motivate Soldiers, especially because of the high amount of cross-leveling.

The LTP consists of four days of classes, which covers new doctrine, the contemporary operating environment, information to better understand counter-insurgency, and training on fitness and nutrition. Typically,

Soldiers start training within the first two weeks upon arriving at Fort McCoy.

Lemons said there are approximately 28 instructors who teach 58 blocks of one-hour lessons. Approximately 30 percent of the instructors are Operation Warrior Trainers (OWT).

The courses are broken down into two categories: core subjects and professional development training.

"Core subjects are instructions given to every unit," said Lemons. "The value-added training, or electives, is a multitude of different options available to the commander."

Core programs include classes on Cultural Awareness and Negotiations, Intelligence Preparation on the Battlefield, Troop Leading Procedures, Effects Based Operations (EBO), Counter-Insurgency Operations, Contemporary Operating Environ-

(See **LEADERSHIP**, page 11)

AFAP addresses 12 McCoy community quality-of-life issues

Fort McCoy's annual Army Family Action Plan (AFAP) Conference was held Oct. 25-26 to review and discuss 12 quality-of-life concerns submitted by Soldiers, family members and Department of the Army civilians.

Two teams of volunteers, comprised of 11 members each, provided a good representation of the Total Army Family. Workgroup members were provided training prior to the conference to become familiar with the AFAP process and learn what their specific roles would entail.

The 12 issues submitted centered on childcare, medical, family, and force-support issues. Issues in the Child & Youth Services arena dealt with the patron leave policy, expanding the eligibility criteria and weekend care.

A medical issue dealt with TRICARE automatically switching newborn coverage to standard after 60 days if they are not enrolled in the Defense Eligibility Enrollment System by then.

Family issues focused on recreational facilities and support of elder parents.

Force-support issues covered quality of water and need to refurbish some of the older barracks, request for access to certain TV channels, posting of the installation cell phone policy and clothing allowances.

At the conference outbrief to leadership Oct. 26, Staff Sgt. David Leonhardt from the 84th U.S. Army Reserve Readiness Training Command (84th USARRTC) Noncommissioned Officers Academy presented the top five issues from the 12 submitted.

These issues, in no particular order, were:

- Child & Youth Services (CYS)

(See **AFAP**, page 10)

Training

FOB tactics added to Warrior Leadership Course

BY ROB SCHUETTE
Triad Staff

A new Tactical Training Base (TTB) at Fort McCoy that was used to support Soldier training came to life in less than two weeks because of the efforts of many of the training or support organizations at Fort McCoy.

Master Sgt. Jeremy McKean, the Operations NCO of the 84th U.S. Army Reserve Readiness Training Command (84th USARRTC) NCO Academy at Fort McCoy, said TTB Machine will support training during the academy's Warrior Leadership Course. The course now includes a four-day field training exercise, which trains Soldiers who will be or have been promoted to sergeant, about leadership skills in a TTB setting. The TTB is designed to replicate the conditions of Forward Operating Bases, located in theater.

"The Soldiers learn collective tasks in a contemporary operating environment," McKean said. "We sought out people who were familiar with TTBs from in theater to replicate the real-world experience. It's not a matter of if the personnel taking this course are going to be mobilized; it's more a matter of when it's going to happen."

TTB Machine will provide the best training for Soldiers who are about to become noncommissioned officers, McKean said.

The academy and Warrior Leadership Courses are changing to meet the Army's needs and will continue to change as the Army changes, he said. The project began Oct. 10 and was completed Oct. 22, just in time for the start of the four-day exercise.

McKean said the list of contributors to make it happen in that quick and timely fashion included support from the Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security (DPTMS), Regional Training Site-Medical, 2nd Brigade, 85th Division



Photo by Lou Ann M. Mittelstaedt

Warrior Leadership Course students provide security at an entry control point at the FOB training site (Tactical Training Base Machine).

(Training Support Battalion), and the Equipment Concentration Site.

Don Lemerand of the DPTMS Range Maintenance said his organization helped establish the site and provided a trail around the area, improved a site access trail and built guard towers.

Terry Hoff, DPTMS Range officer, said that DPTMS created a site that can be used to support training. The site will have a priority to support the Warrior Leadership Courses.

Hoff noted the training area consists of a hardened, permanent site. The NCO Academy provides the tents, etc., that make it usable as a TTB.

Regional Training Site (RTS)-Medical personnel provided tips on how to procure general purpose tents and heaters, said Steve Krueger of RTS-Medical. RTS-Medical also provided a field sanitation class and any other assistance it can.

"We're being good neighbors," Krueger said. "And, some of the people taking the course could be medics or be working in the medical field."

Sgt. 1st Class Dave Tump of the 2nd, 85th TSB said his organization helped the NCO Academy procure certain training aids.

"We like to support any training on the installation in any way we can," Tump said. "Eventually, some of these Soldiers might be mobilized at Fort McCoy, and then we would further their mobilization training."

McKean said the Equipment Concentra-



Photo by Rob Schuette

Personnel from Range Maintenance install a trail around the FOB training site (Tactical Training Base Machine) used for the Warrior Leadership Course.

tion Site helped provide vehicles and equipment to support the training.

Sgt. 1st Class Anthony G. Makar, the Warrior Leadership Course manager, said the scenario was directed by the Sergeants Major Academy in Fort Bliss, Texas, the NCO Academy's proponent activity, and the academy's commandant, Command Sgt. Maj. Dennis Martinson. Past students also mentioned in their course after-action review comments that they wanted this realistic training.

"The NCOs of today need this as they are getting younger without a whole lot of Army experience behind them," Makar said. "I hope that this new situational train-

ing exercise in this course can do that, for that specialist or that newly promoted sergeant who has not deployed yet. The students that I spoke to were very excited and really enjoyed the various scenarios and realistic training they received."

The exercise included convoy training, entry control point training, etc., he said.

Makar said he was very encouraged by the first four-day situational training exercise and hoped to build upon the product by possibly adding more training scenarios and using civilians on the battlefield. The NCO Academy trains approximately 1,500 Soldiers yearly in its Warrior Leadership Courses.

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Master Sgt. Jeremy McKean,
Operations NCO,
84th USARRTC NCO Academy

News

Youth Leadership Forum popular with participants

BY ROB SCHUETTE
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Fort McCoy's first installation Youth Leadership Forum, which was held Oct. 26-27, was very popular with both the Middle School/Teen (MS/T) youth and staff.

Becky Walley, School Age Services director, said, past forums were held in a central location. Each program usually sent two youth, and a staff member.

This year, the forums were held at the local organizations because of budget restraints and allowed many more youths to participate, Walley said.

One of the focuses of this year's event was a section on the CHARACTER COUNTS! program, which included a presentation about the Six Pillars of Character: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship.

"The forum also helped encourage team building, making new friends and brainstorming ideas to improve the MS/T program at Fort McCoy," Walley said. "One of the requirements of the forum was to come up with a teen issue for the Army



Photo by Rob Schuette

Shannan Likens, Tiffany Berg and Katelyn Green (left to right) of the Fort McCoy Middle School/Teen program work on birdhouses during the Youth Leadership Forum.

Family Action Plan."

Shannan Likens, an eighth grader, said she thought the forum was a lot of fun.

"I thought it was a lot of fun to learn

about the GPS (Global Positioning System) equipment," Likens said. "I had never seen it before."

Jason Green, a junior, said he also liked

the GPS section and his role as serving as a liaison between the youth and the staff members.

"I liked helping to build birdhouses," Green said. "We also learned about the Six Army Pillars and listed our strongest and weakest (Pillar) and how we would improve our weakest."

Becky Brown, an MS/T staff member, said all the attendees appeared to have a good time and participated in brainstorming issues, making birdhouses and making lap blankets for senior citizens, a service-learning project.

"It was nice to see the ideas they had to make our programs better," Brown said. "They seemed to like doing this because they wanted to have more of these. A lot of the comments I heard were there were a lot of things to do, and this is wonderful."

"They're really a great group. It's nice to see them becoming young adults."

For more information about MS/T or Child and Youth Services programs, call (608) 388-4373 or visit the Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) Web site at <http://www.mccoymwr.com>.

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News

New Information Assurance courses offered

FORT MCCOY, Wis. (84th U.S. Army Reserve Readiness Training Command) — To meet the Army's recent prerequisite to comply with the Department of Defense's restructured "Better Business Practice," the 84th U.S. Army Reserve Readiness Training Command Readiness Training Academy will inaugurate Security+ and Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) training courses at Fort McCoy.

The new classes, offered for all Army Reserve, qualifying Department of Defense agencies, and supporting contract organizations, meet the latest information security training requirements for technical and managerial Level I, II, and III personnel as defined by the restructured "Better Business Practice."

The Security+ (ATRRS 921-631) curriculum will be a challenging one-week information security course that, upon completion, will give students an opportunity to enroll and attempt the CompTIA Security+ certification

Army converting security course to hands-on

FORT MCCOY, Wis. (84th U.S. Army Reserve Readiness Training Command) — The Army is converting its two-week Systems Administrator Network Manager Security Course (SA/NMSC) Level II security class from a customary lab/lecture course into a concentrated one-week "hands-on" information security course.

The 84th U.S. Army Reserve Readiness Training Command Readiness Training Academy (RTA) will begin teaching the Army's revamped (ATRRS 921-630) Network

Manager Security Courses (NMSC) beginning in the early part of fiscal year 2007.

Classes will be conducted at the Fort McCoy RTA and will fulfill the Army's requirement to provide supplementary information security experience to its Soldiers, civilians, and contractors. The new NMSC will focus on the completion of information security tasks and the evaluation of information security software through situational training exercises. Classes are scheduled to begin as early as this December.

exam (thanks to a memorandum of agreement between DANTES and CompTIA).

These classes are scheduled to begin at Fort McCoy as early as this November.

The CISSP (ATRRS 921-632) curriculum will be a challenging two-week information security

course that, upon completion, will give students an opportunity to enroll and attempt the International Information Systems Security Certification Consortium (IC2) CISSP certification exam.

These classes are scheduled to begin at Fort McCoy as early as January 2007.

IMCOM activated Oct. 24 to improve Soldier support

ARLINGTON, Va. (Army News Release) — The Army activated the Installation Management Command (IMCOM) Oct. 24 to consolidate and strengthen

installation support services to Soldiers and their families through the full authority of command.

Lt. Gen. Robert Wilson assumed the IMCOM command at

a Pentagon ceremony hosted by Lt. Gen. James Campbell, director of the Army Staff. The new command places the former Installation Management Agency, the former Community and Family Support Center (CFSC) and the Former Army Environmental Center (AEC) under a single command as a direct reporting unit.

"Today we take the next step in the evolution of Army installation management ... in order to create a more efficient, effective and agile organization to ensure the best Army in the world is supported by the best installations in the world," Wilson said.

Campbell drew a parallel between the IMCOM and the new Army advertising slogan, "Army Strong."

He defined "strong" as the ability to stand up for oneself, while "Army Strong" is the ability to stand up for everyone else.

"In my mind, the Installation Management Command shows that it is Army Strong each and every day," Campbell said, "with the strength to make an installation a community; a set of quarters a home; and complete strangers, friends.

(See IMCOM, page 6)

New IMCOM-West activated Nov. 1

ROCK ISLAND, Ill (Army Reserve Public Affairs) — The U.S. Army Installation Management Command (IMCOM) activated IMCOM-West Nov. 1 as it transforms to assure the world's best Army is supported by the world's best installations. IMCOM-West will oversee the management of more than 30 active and Reserve Army installations in 26 states, including Fort McCoy, ranging from Ohio to the West Coast.

The new region will rise from the merger of IMCOM's current Northwest Region, headquartered on Arsenal Island, and the Southwest Region, located at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas. Both offices will continue to support Army garrisons as operations transition into IMCOM-West.

Secretary of the Army Dr. Francis J. Harvey approved J. Randall Robinson, current Director of IMCOM's Northwest Region, as the first Director of IMCOM - West Region. Robinson will lead IMCOM - West as it strengthens critical programs to optimize garrison resources, protect the environment, and enhance the well-being of the Army community while supporting commanders in the performance of their tactical and strategic missions.

The merger of the Northwest and Southwest Offices to IMCOM-West at Fort Sam Houston will be accomplished over the next two years in accordance with the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure process and applicable personnel policies.

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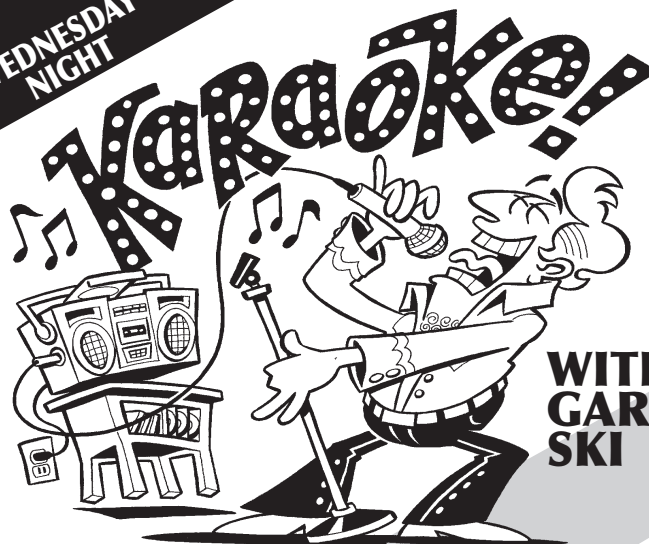


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Safety

Winter weather brings challenges for outdoor activities

Winter weather poses special safety concerns for personnel in the Fort McCoy community engaging in typical endeavors, such as driving, working or playing outdoors.

A little preparation and allowing extra time to accomplish tasks, when necessary, can go a long way in ensuring personal safety, according to the Fort McCoy Installation Safety Office (ISO).

Vehicle preparation

One of the most difficult winter tasks is driving on roads that may be snow or ice covered. In addition to inclement weather conditions, motorists also may encounter darkness as there are fewer hours of daylight during the winter season.

Personnel can help reduce the risks by ensuring their vehicle is in good winter driving condition. This can include getting an engine tune-up, switching to winter-weight oil and ensuring antifreeze and all other fluids are maintained at proper levels. Other tasks, such as ensuring the brakes are in good working condition, the windshield wipers are working properly and there is sufficient tread on the tires, should be followed during all seasons of the year.

Anyone driving in snowy or icy conditions must ensure the snow and ice is properly cleared from their vehicle windshields and all other windows. Gas tanks should be kept as full as possible to minimize condensation and to provide emergency fuel for running the heater, if stranded on a roadside.

Motorists also should allow extra time to reach their destinations during the winter season or inclement weather.

A cell phone can provide good emergency communications. Personnel should pull off the road and stop the vehicle when using a cell phone that is not hands-free, which is required for all motorists at Fort McCoy.

Snow-clearing

Personnel should know the proper procedures when encountering snowplows clearing roads or when using snow blowers or shovels to clear their sidewalks and



Photo by Rob Schuette

Sgt. Cris Sjolander (left) and Master Sgt. Eugene Wilde of the 2nd Brigade, 85th Division (Training Support Battalion) perform general maintenance work on a vehicle at the Autocrafts Shop, building 1763. The Autocrafts Shop offers the latest in auto maintenance equipment for authorized personnel. For information, call (608) 388-3013.

driveways, according to the Fort McCoy ISO.

Although there is a temptation to pass snowplows, motorists should remember that the road in front of the snowplow is usually much worse than the road behind it. Snowplow operators also may have difficulty seeing vehicles that are trying to pass them because of the height of the vehicles, or the weather or lighting conditions.

A good strategy is for motorists encountering snowplows to follow them at a safe distance until reaching their destination.

In short, motorists must be alert for changing surface conditions during the winter months and reduce their driving speeds as weather conditions warrant.

Anyone using a snow blower is encouraged to read or refamiliarize themselves with the user's manual before beginning snow-clearing operations. The equipment must be in good operating condition, including being tuned up if necessary.

A review of the area to be plowed should

be completed beforehand and any obstacles should be removed. The discharge chute should not be aimed at any passing pedestrians, motorists or animals. Operators also should keep their hands and any other parts of their body clear of the machinery.

Personnel shoveling snow should be especially careful of back injuries. People should know their limits and rest often. Using a lightweight shovel with a long handle is recommended to help reduce the weight lifted to remove snow and to help avoid strenuous body bending.

Proper lifting techniques should be used, including bending your knees and using your legs instead of putting pressure on your back. Shovel snow as soon as possible after snowfalls to avoid having to deal with it when it's "packed down" and harder to remove.

Cold-weather injury

One of the best ways to stay safe during winter weather is to take the proper steps

to avoid cold-weather injuries.

Clothing should be worn loose and in layers to allow it to be removed as weather conditions or physical activity warrants. All clothing should be clean, in good repair and dry. Wet or damp clothing should be changed as soon as possible.

Personnel working or playing outdoors should ensure their hands, fingers, feet and heads (face and ears) are properly covered. People can keep warm by moving around or exercising.

Anyone who will be outside should avoid alcohol use, which impairs the body's ability to shiver, and tobacco use, which decreases blood flow to the skin.

Sunscreen should be used to protect face and ears, and sunglasses should be worn to prevent snow blindness. It's important to drink water or warm, nonalcoholic fluids to prevent dehydration.

Personnel also should be aware that icy or slippery conditions will increase the risks of falls, and they should take proper precautions. This includes shoveling snow promptly and getting rid of ice, when possible, or sprinkling salt, sand or an approved deicing agent, as necessary.

For more information about winter safety, visit the Safety Section on the Fort McCoy Extranet or call the ISO at (608) 388-6450.

Web sites with winter safety information also include the Army Cold Weather Safety program Web site at <http://chppm-www.apgea.army.mil/coldinjury/>, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Web site at <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/winter/index.html>, the Red Cross winter weather safety Web site at <http://www.redcross.org/services/hss/tips/coldweather.html> or the Red Cross Winter Storm preparation Web site at http://www.redcross.org/services/prepare/0,1082,0_252_,00.html and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation winter road conditions Web site at <http://www.dot.state.wi.us/travel/road/winter-roads.htm>.

(Compiled from information provided by Installation Safety Office.)

Severe Weather Announcements

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After duty hours, a current announcement of liberal leave/post closure may always be heard by calling (608) 388-7777 locally, or toll-free (800) 982-3585 at Ext. 7777.

People

Iraqi instructor honored for mobilization support

An Iraqi language instructor helping train Soldiers for mobilization preparation has been presented with the Achievement Medal for Civilian Service.

Commander Col. Patrick Warren of the 2nd Brigade, 85th Division (Training Support Battalion) recognized the training importance of Sargon Jabri in presenting him with the award. Jabri came to Fort McCoy's 1st Battalion, 340th Regiment July 10 to help train Soldiers in units mobilizing at Fort McCoy.

Jabri is an assistant professor at the Defense Language Institute in Monterey, Calif., and is considered a subject matter expert in Arabic language and culture. Jabri participated in instructing several thousand Soldiers in 12 weeks at Fort McCoy.

Maj. Robert Ewart, an Observer/Controller/Mentor with the 1st, 340th, said, "Mr. Jabri provided his vast background of Iraqi culture and not just the language. It's a huge benefit to the Soldiers going to an environment where they don't understand the culture and where that failure to understand the culture is producing massive problems for us. He's given them a foot up."

Jabri worked days and nights at Fort McCoy to help accomplish 2nd Brigade's training mission.

Soldiers listened intently as he explained the past and present situation in Iraq.

A native of Baghdad, Jabri has



Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Christine Jastczemski

Sargon Jabri, an Iraqi language instructor, receives the Achievement Medal for Civilian Service from Col. Patrick Warren of 2nd, 85th (TSB).

firsthand knowledge of the Arab culture.

Jabri became well known at Fort McCoy. Everywhere he went, Soldiers knew him and couldn't help asking Jabri questions.

"While walking with Jabri on post, I felt as though I was walking with a celebrity as Soldiers greeted him in Arabic. (He) is a walking book of knowledge and doesn't mind sharing information to help a Soldier," said Sgt. 1st Class Christine Jastczemski, 1st,

340th 2nd Brigade, Public Affairs Office, Noncommissioned Officer in Charge. "Jabri's first order of business was to focus solely on taking care of 'the Soldier.'"

Jabri himself has two sons who served in the U.S. Army. And, his youngest son, also served in Iraq.

Jabri will be sorely missed. However, he is scheduled to return to Fort McCoy in 2007 to help teach more Soldiers.

(Submitted by the 1st, 340th Public Affairs Office.)

IMCOM activated Oct. 24

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"(IMCOM has the strength) to ease separation and connect the Soldier on-point with a family at home; the strength to genuinely care for the loved ones back home so that young Soldiers facing life and death can focus on the mission at hand."

As IMCOM commander, Wilson is dual-hatted as the Army's assistant chief of staff for installation management, reporting directly to the Army chief of staff. Brig. Gen. John A. Macdonald, former IMA director, became IMCOM's deputy commander.

Under IMCOM, CFSC is renamed the Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Command, and becomes a subordinate command of IMCOM, commanded by Brig. Gen. Belinda Pinckney, with its own flag. The

AEC is now the Army Environmental Command — also a subordinate command, commanded by Col. Michael O'Keefe, with its own flag.

"The Army has never been in greater need of installations as flagships of readiness than it is now," Wilson said, citing the construction, personnel and equipment realignments required to support Base Realignment and Closure, Army Modular Force, and Global Defense Posture Re-positioning.

The Army announced the establishment of the Installation Management Command as a direct reporting unit in August. This initiative is part of Army efforts to reorganize its commands and specified headquarters to obtain the most agile command and control structures to support the expeditionary, modular force.

The full authority of command is vital to effectively direct the vast resources necessary to support troop deployments while meeting the needs of families, Army officials said in announcing the decision to form IMCOM.

Consolidating the installation management structure under IMCOM optimizes resources, protects the environment and enhances well-being of the Army community.

IMCOM will provide fast, efficient and agile support to commanders in the performance of their tactical and strategic missions.

The new command, currently headquartered in Virginia and Maryland, will relocate in 2010 to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, in accordance with requirements of the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure round.

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- 6402 City Rd. E, 12 acres, Warrens, \$159,900
- 15146 Hardware Rd., Sparta, \$139,900
- 12053 St. Hwy 71, 2.95 Acres, Sparta, \$134,900
- 503 Pine St., Sparta, \$116,900
- 827 W. Main St., Sparta, \$115,000
- 812 Jefferson, Sparta, \$110,000
- 405 S. Myrtle St., Sparta, \$105,000
- 715 S. Water St., Sparta, \$99,000
- 1108 Depot St., Sparta, \$74,500

MORE FINE HOMES:

- 9462 Ellsworth Rd., 138 Acres m/l, Tomah, \$850,000
- 23388 Ladder Rd., 124.5, 34.11, 20 Acres, Sparta, \$919,500, \$625,000, \$595,000
- N5885 City Rd. M, 20 Acres, West Salem, \$675,000
- 21955 Kent Ave., 46.9 acres, Wilton, \$529,900
- 8429 Idylview Ave., 1.61 Acres, Sparta, \$495,000
- 21995 Kent Ave., 6 Acres, Wilton, \$389,900
- 1813 S. Highland Dr., 1.66 Acres, Sparta, \$319,000
- 24554, Hwy 27, 52 Acres, Sparta, \$300,000
- Lot 2, Icebox Rd., 6.9 Acres, Sparta, \$285,000
- 9519 Gardener Ave., 2 Acres, Sparta, \$274,900
- 515 Highland Meadows, Sparta, \$269,900
- 9788 Image Ave., 2.17 Acres, Sparta, \$249,900
- Lot 3, Ideal Rd., 4 Acres, Sparta, \$239,000
- 7418 Dellview Rd., 1 Acre, Sparta, \$220,000
- 18514 Idaho Rd., 1.6 Acres, Sparta, \$217,000
- 18338 Icebox Rd., 3 Acres, Sparta, \$215,000

• 9560 Idell, Sparta, \$169,000

- 16216 Hanover Rd., 1.11 Acres, Sparta, \$159,900
- 735 Landman St., Tomah, \$149,900
- 1695 Clearview, Sparta, \$139,900
- 714 Kent St., Sparta, \$135,000
- 406 Enderby St., Wilton, \$129,900
- 902 W. Veterans, Tomah, \$115,000
- 11478 City Hwy. A, 1.5 Acres, Sparta, \$112,500
- 805 N. Water St., Sparta, \$99,900
- 508 N. Water St., Sparta, \$68,000
- 605 Central Ave., Sparta, \$65,000
- 219 Myrtle St., Sparta, \$55,000
- 700 Walrath, Sparta, \$39,900

VACANT LAND:

- 100 Acres, Ladder Rd., Sparta, \$350,000
- 3 acres/69 acres, City Hwy A, Sparta, \$30,000-\$276,000
- 21.65 Acres, City J, Rockland, \$216,500
- 4 Acres, Lot 2, Ideal Rd., Sparta, \$170,000
- 14 Acres, City J, Rockland, \$168,000
- 55 Acres, Bedford Rd., Sparta, \$165,000
- 10 Acres, 404 Erickson Dr., Sparta, \$150,000
- 40 Acres, Kent Ave., Wilton, \$140,000
- 10 Acres, Hwy 27, Cashton, \$110,000
- 2.1 Acres/30 Acres, Nuthatch Rd., Kendall, \$16,950-\$81,500
- 5 Acres/20 Acres, Castle Ave., Sparta, \$25,000-\$80,000
- 6.9 Acres, 18338 Icebox Rd., Sparta, \$69,000
- 5 Acres/10 Acres, Canary Ave., Sparta, \$32,000-\$59,000
- 30 Acres M/L, City Hwy X, Sparta, \$51,000
- 3.7 Acres, N18458 City Rd. T, Galesville, \$40,000
- (2) 5 Acres Lots, Hwy 27, Cashton, \$32,000 Each
- 5.11 Acres, Lot 5, Iberia Ave., Sparta, \$30,000
- 4.04 Acres, Lot 3, Ideal, Sparta, \$30,000
- 2.94 Acres, Embay Ave., Tomah, \$29,900
- 1.58 Acres, Icebox Rd., Sparta, \$27,000
- 1.54 Acres, Lot 3, Hwy 71, Little Falls, Apple Valley Estates, \$16,900
- Lot 2, Walrath, Sparta, \$16,500
- 1.5 Acres, Lot 2, Iberia Ave., Sparta, \$15,000
- 3.04 Acres, Jackpot Ave., Sparta, \$14,900

COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES:

- Bed & Breakfast, 603 N Water, Sparta \$495,000, \$525,000, \$650,000
- 404 Erickson Dr., 14 Acres, Sparta
- 1501 W. Wisconsin, Sparta, \$395,000
- 514 S. Water St., A & W, Sparta, \$275,000
- 1010 Stannard, 1.01 Acre, Sparta, \$229,000
- 11751 Hwy 71, 2.81 Acres, Sparta, \$219,000
- 821 Main St., "The Beach," Cashton, \$195,000
- 404 Erickson Dr., 4 Acres, Sparta \$179,900
- Highway 16, 1.08 Acres, Sparta, \$69,000
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- 10132 Hwy 16, Sparta, \$49,000

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People

Applications for commissary scholarships being accepted

FORT LEE, Va. (Defense Commissary Agency) — The Scholarships for Military Children program is open for 2007.

Applications for the \$1,500 scholarships are available at 264 commissaries worldwide, including the Fort McCoy Commissary, building 2132, or can be downloaded through links at <http://www.commissaries.com>, <http://militaryscholar.org>, or <http://www.dodea.edu>.

"Nearly 3,000 scholarships totaling over \$4 million have been awarded since the first awards were given in 2001," said Patrick Nixon, Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA) director and chief executive officer.

The \$1,500 scholarships are available for children of military active-duty, retired, and Guard and Reserve service members.

At least one \$1,500 scholarship will be awarded at every commissary location with qualified applicants.

Most of the funds are donated by manufacturers, brokers and suppliers selling groceries in commissaries, and every dollar donated to the program by industry or the general public goes to fund the scholarships. The program is administered by the Fisher House Foundation.

A significant number of scholarships, about 10 percent every year, go to high school students at Department of Defense (DoD) schools overseas.

"Every cent that community organizations can mobilize to support college-bound students is an investment in the future," said Joseph Tafoya, director of the DoD Education Activity.

"With college costs soaring, our DoD students and their parents appreciate every available scholarship to help defray the cost, and the scholarships enable many of our families to better afford the tuition and provide an incentive for students to work hard," said Tafoya. "They also demonstrate that military communities are committed to education and increased opportunities for all students."

The scholarship program has also made inroads to increasing support from the "nonmilitary" community. California high school students sponsoring golf tournaments in 2006 raised thousands of dollars to donate to the program, and already for 2007, a private foundation has made a substantial donation.

"Commissary industry support has been amazing and increased public support can only help en-

sure that the Scholarships for Military Children program continues to benefit the military community for many years to come," said Jim Weiskopf, vice president of communications at Fisher House Foundation.

Donations can be made through the link at <http://militaryscholar.org>, the official program Web site.

Applications for 2007, which include an essay on "how and why" the applicant would change an historical event, must be turned in at a commissary by close of business Feb. 21, 2007.

The program is open to unmarried children under the age of 21 (23 if enrolled in school) of military active-duty, Reserve, Guard and retired personnel. Eligibility will be determined using the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) database.

Applicants should ensure that they, as well as their sponsor, are enrolled in the DEERS database and have a current ID card.

The applicant must be planning to attend, or already attending, an accredited college or university full-time in the fall term of 2007, or enrolled in a program of studies designed to transfer directly into a four-year program.



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Fire prevention

Members of the Child Development Center visiting the Fort McCoy Fire Department get a demonstration of how the aerial ladder truck works. The group visited the Fire Department as part of Fire Prevention Week activities.

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News Notes

Combined Federal Campaign under way

The Fort McCoy 2006 Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) drive is under way and donations will be accepted until further notice.

The CFC is the only authorized annual fund-raising drive in the federal government.

All military and civilian employees in the Fort McCoy work force are encouraged to contribute.

Key people have been designated for each unit/organization. Literature explaining the organizations that are accepting donations through this program is being distributed.

The CFC is an excellent opportunity to make a positive impact on the quality of life for military, civilians, and family members.

Additional information on this year's campaign or more information about literature/organizational points of contact can be obtained by contacting the campaign co-chairperson, Jobi Spolum, the Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation (DMWR) at (608) 388-2362 or the other co-chairperson, Jeffrey Whitesell of DMWR, at (608) 388-2441.

Health Benefits open season begins Nov. 13

The 2006 Federal Employees Health Benefits Program (FEHBP) open season will run from Monday, Nov. 13 through Monday, Dec. 11. New enrollments or changes in insurance will be effective in January 2007.

Also new for this year will be separate Supplemental Dental and/or Vision Programs that can be chosen in addition to the regular FEHBP coverage an employee already has.

National Dental Insurance Plans will include Aetna, Government Employees Health Association (GEHA), MetLife, and United Concordia.

Vision Plans will include BlueCross/BlueShield, Spectera, and VSP.

Employees can watch for future updates about this program by going to the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) official Web site at <http://www.opm.gov/insure>.

More information about the FEHBP, how to enroll and what services/costs are applicable in a certain area is available at the Web site <http://www.opm.gov/insure/06/spmt/plansearch.aspx> by typing in a ZIP Code.

For more information about FEHBP in the Fort McCoy community, call the Army Reserve Civilian Personnel Advisory Center at (608) 388-8748.

Native American Heritage Month observance Nov. 17

A Native American Heritage Month luncheon observance will be held from 11:30



Photo by Rob Schuette

Packers visit ChalleNGe Academy

Abdul Hodge (left), a linebacker, and Rob Davis, a long snapper, for the Green Bay Packers football team address cadets at the Wisconsin National Guard ChalleNGe Academy program. The Packers met with the youth to answer questions and to tell them how they overcome obstacles in their life and on the football field to be successful.

a.m.-1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17 at McCoy's, building 1571.

The program will begin at noon and feature Patty Loew as the guest speaker.

Loew is an assistant professor in the Department of Life Science Communication at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Loew is an enrolled member of the Bad River Band of the Lake Superior Ojibwe.

She has authored dozens of scholarly and general interest articles on Native American topics and produced several award-winning documentaries.

For more information, call the Equal Opportunity Adviser at (608) 388-3246.

Hunter's breakfast set for Saturday, Nov. 18

The Rustic Inn, building 2000, at Fort McCoy will have special hours Saturday, Nov. 18 and Sunday, Nov. 19 to serve deer hunters and other personnel at Fort McCoy. The Gun-Deer Season runs from Nov. 18-26.

The facility will be open from 3 to 6:30 a.m. Nov. 18 for a hunters breakfast buffet. The regular menu will be available from 6:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Sunday hours will be from 5 a.m.-1 p.m. For more information, call Rustic Inn at (608) 388-4968.

Installation Thanksgiving dinner set for Nov. 20

The Fort McCoy Installation Dining

Facility, building 50, will serve a traditional Thanksgiving dinner Monday, Nov. 20 from 5 to 7:30 p.m. in building 50.

The meal is open to military personnel, their family members, house guests and sponsors and to Fort McCoy civilian and contracted employees and their family members.

The cost per meal will be \$5.90 per person and \$5 for spouses and dependents of military personnel in ranks (E-1 to E-4.)

Menu items will include entrees of roast turkey with gravy, steamship round beef, baked ham, and fried shrimp, and varied potatoes, vegetables, soup and salad bar with fruit salads, dinner rolls, assorted desserts and beverages.

For reservations, call the Installation Food Service Office at (608) 388-2642 or (608) 388-3508 at Fort McCoy prior to Tuesday, Nov. 14.

Disability Awareness observance Nov. 21

The U.S. Army Reserve Equal Employment Opportunity Office at Fort McCoy will host the National Disability Employment Awareness Month Observance from noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 21 at McCoy's, building 1571.

The guest speaker will be Dr. Kenneth Lee, who is the Director of the Spinal Cord Injury Unit at the VA Medical Center, Milwaukee.

Lee also is a co-chairperson for the 27th National Veterans Wheelchair Games and

will have a display available for viewing from 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at the observance to provide additional information about the games.

Lee currently is serving as the acting State Surgeon, Wisconsin Army National Guard.

For more information about the observance, contact the Army Reserve EEO office at (608) 388-3106/3107.

Sponsorship training to be held Dec. 6-7

Total Army Sponsorship Program training will be held Wednesday, Dec. 6 and Thursday, Dec. 7 at Fort McCoy.

The training will be held at 2111 South 8th Ave. from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Dec. 6 and 8 a.m. Dec. 7.

The Total Army Sponsorship Program assists Soldiers, civilian employees and family members in successfully relocating into and out of their commands.

Relocation Services at Army Community Service (ACS) provide counseling, welcome packets and premove destination information.

More information is available, and reservations are requested and can be made, by calling ACS at (608) 388-3505.

Business course to begin Jan. 11 at ACS facility

The NxLevel Entrepreneurship Training Program, which is presented by the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse Small Business Development Center, will be offered at Fort McCoy, beginning Thursday, Jan. 11, 2007.

The program is a 10-week course designed to train both potential and existing entrepreneurs in a practical, condensed series of entrepreneurial training sessions. The goal is to complete a business plan that new or existing businesses can use to improve the success of their business, apply for financing, or develop new strategic initiatives.

The program will be offered from 5-8 p.m. Thursdays at the Army Community Service (ACS) building, 2111 South 8th Ave.

This training is open to all military and their spouses, retired military, Department of Defense civilians/contractors, with costs to be incurred by participants.

The Wisconsin Department of Commerce will provide 75 percent tuition assistance through the Small Business Development Center to qualified candidates prior to starting course work.

To enroll in the program, eligible personnel must fill out an application packet that must be submitted to the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse Small Business Development Center by Thursday, Jan. 4, 2007.

Application packets are available at ACS. For more information contact ACS at (608) 388-3505.

Recreation

Auto Crafts Shop: Building 1763. Open Mon., Thurs. and Fri. 1:30-8:30 p.m., Sat. and Sun. 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Call Ext. 3013.

Community Activity Center (CAC): Building 2000. Information, Ticketing and Registration Office. **Recreation Center** open daily 8 a.m.-11 p.m. **Arts and Crafts** open Thurs.-Mon. 8 a.m.-3 p.m. **Post Library** open daily 8 a.m.-11 p.m. Call Ext. 3213/2410/4353.

McCoy's: Building 1571. Bowling Center open Sun.-Sat. 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Call Ext. 7060. Arcade, and NTN trivia. Call Ext. 2065. **Open Fri.-Sun., Nov. 24-26 normal hours.**

Pine View Recreation Area/Equipment Check-out Center: Building 8053. Open daily 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Call Ext. 3517/2619.

Rumpel Fitness Center: Building 1122. Open weekdays 5 a.m.-9 p.m., and Sat.-Sun. 5 a.m.-8 p.m. **Open Fri.-Sun., Nov. 24-26, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.** **Swimming pool:** Mon.-Fri. 6-8 a.m. and 11 a.m.-8 p.m.; Sat.-Sun. 11 a.m.-5:30 p.m. **Atrium:** Mon.-Fri. 6 a.m.-8 p.m.; Sat.-Sun. 11 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Call Ext. 2290/2625.

Woodshop: Building 1133. Open Tues., Wed. and Thurs. 5-8 p.m. Call John Timm, Ext. 6598 or 372-3698 for an appointment.

Dining

Installation Dining Facility: Building 50 (ARRTC-east end). Open daily 6-7:30 a.m. (breakfast), 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. (lunch) and 5-6:30 p.m. (dinner). Call Ext. 4182.

McCoy's: Building 1571. Primo's Express open Mon.-Fri. 11 a.m.-10 p.m. (buffet 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Mon.- Fri.), Sat. 4-10 p.m. and Sun. 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Call Ext. 7673. Sports bar open Mon.-Sat. 4 p.m.-midnight, Sun. 11 a.m.-midnight. Catering/ Admin. ATM machine located inside. Call Ext. 2065. Manager has discretion on closing time. Call to verify hours. **Open Fri.-Sun., Nov. 24-26 normal hours.**

Rustic Inn/Patio Cafe: Building 2000. Open Mon.-Fri., 6:30 a.m.-2 p.m., 6-10 p.m. and Sat.-Sun., 6:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Mobile food truck available. Call Ext. 4968. **Open Sat., Nov. 18 3-6:30 a.m. for hunters breakfast buffet and 6:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. regular menu. Open Sun., Nov. 19, 5 a.m. - 1 p.m. regular menu. Closed Sat.-Sun., Nov. 25-26.**

Special T Express: Building 1538. Mon.-Sat. 11 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sun. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Call 269-5615. **Open Fri.-Sun., Nov. 24-26 normal hours.**

Whitetail Ridge Chalet: Building 8061. Adult lounge and outdoor deck. Available for private parties. Call Ext. 2065.

Services

Alteration Shop: Building 1538. Open Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Call (608) 269-1075. **Open Fri., Nov. 24 regular hours.**

ARRTC Store, Building 51, Room 136. Open Mon.-Thurs. 11 a.m.-1 p.m., 4-7 p.m. and Sun. 4-8 p.m. Call Ext. 7798. **Closed Nov. 17-25. Open Sun., Nov. 26 normal hours.**

Barber Shop: Building 1538. Open Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Appointments available. Call 269-1710. **Open Fri., Nov. 24 normal hours.** Temporary Barber Facility, Building 1664. Open Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

facilities services

Note: All facilities will be closed, Thursday and Friday, Nov. 23-24 for the Thanksgiving Day Holiday unless otherwise noted. Hours may change at facilities to meet operational requirements. Call ahead to verify hours.

ARRTC Barber Shop, Building 51, Room 119: Open Mon., Tues., and Thurs. 4-7 p.m. Call Ext. 3690 to verify hours. **Closed Nov. 17-27. Open Tues., Nov. 28 normal hours.**

Car Rental: Information available at Main Exchange Office, Building 1538. Call (608) 786-1801 or 1-800-325-8007.

Car Wash: Building 1568. Self-service and automatic bays. Open 24 hours. Change and token machines. Call Ext. 3213/4161.

Commissary: Building 2132. Open Tues.-Fri. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Call Ext. 3542/3543. **Open Mon., Nov. 20, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Fri., Nov. 24 normal hours.**

Education/Learning Center: Building 50, Rm. 123. Open Mon.-Thurs. 7 a.m.-7 p.m., Fri. 7 a.m.-4 p.m. Call Ext. 7311.

Launderette/Dry Cleaning: Building 1538. Open Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Call 269-1075 to verify hours of operation. **Open Fri., Nov. 24 regular hours.**

Main Exchange: Building 1538. Open Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-7 p.m. and Sun. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Call 269-5574 or Ext. 4343. **Open Sat., Nov. 18 6 a.m. - 8 p.m. One day only sale prices. Open Fri.-Sat., Nov. 24-25 6 a.m. - 8 p.m. Early Bird Sale prices. Open Fri., Dec. 1, 10 a.m. - 10 p.m. Moonlight Madness Specials from 6-10 p.m.**

Military Clothing Sales: Building 1538. Open Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-7 p.m. and Sun. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Call 269-5574. **Open Sat., Nov. 18 6 a.m. - 8 p.m. One day only sale prices. Open Fri.-Sat., Nov. 24-25 6 a.m. - 8 p.m. Early Bird Sale prices. Open Fri., Dec. 1, 10 a.m. - 10 p.m. Moonlight Madness Specials from 6-10 p.m.**

Permit Sales: Building 2101. Open weekdays 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Call Ext. 3337.

Post Office: Building 1654 (rear entrance). Open weekdays 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Call Ext. 3825.

RIA Credit Union: Building 2105. Open Mon.-Wed. 9:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. and 1:15-2 p.m., Thurs. and Fri. 9 a.m.-12:45 p.m. and 1:45-5 p.m. ATMs are located in the Welcome Center, Building 35, in McCoy's, Building 1571, and in the PX Mini Mall, Building 1538. Call Ext. 2171.

SatoTravel: Building 2180. Open weekdays 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Call Ext. 2370, or 269-4560, or 1-800-927-6343.

Service Station/Shoppette: Building 1538. Open

Mon.-Sat. 6 a.m.-8 p.m., Sun. 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Call 269-5589. **GAS PAY AT THE PUMP OPEN 24 HOURS. ATM Machine located inside. Cash transactions available during Shoppette and Main Store hours.**

Shoppette/Class VI: Building 1538. Open Mon.-Sat. 6 a.m.-8 p.m., Sun. 8 a.m.-6 p.m. **Open Sat., Nov. 18 6 a.m. - 8 p.m. One day only sale prices. Open Fri.-Sat., Nov. 24-25 6 a.m. - 8 p.m. Early Bird Sale prices. Open Fri., Dec. 1, 6 a.m. - 10 p.m. Moonlight Madness Specials from 6-10 p.m.**

Vehicle Resale Lot: (Next to Auto Crafts Shop, Building 1763). Call Ext. 3013/4161.

Worship

Bible Encounter: Building 51, Room 111. Wed. 11:30 a.m.-noon. Call Ext. 3528.

Bible Study: Chapel Center, Building 2675. Wed. 7 p.m. Call Ext. 3528.

Catholic: Chapel 10, Building 1759. Mass, Sun., 9:30 a.m. Call Ext. 3528 by Friday to confirm.

Fellowship: Chapel Center, Building 2675. 10:30 a.m. Sun. following Services at Fort McCoy.

Gospel Prayer and Praise: 7 p.m. Fri. Chapel 1, Building 2672. Call Ext: 3528.

Jewish: Service Sat., 10:20 a.m.-noon at La Crosse. Call Ext. 3528.

Mormon: Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 702 E. Montgomery St., Sparta, Wis. Sunday services 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Phone (608) 269-3377 for additional information.

Muslim: Islamic Center of La Crosse, Ottomanbenaffan Mosque. Fri. Prayer, 1-2 p.m. Call Ext. 3528.

Protestant: Chapel 1, Building 2672. Protestant Worship Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Call Ext. 3528.

Protestant Women of the Chapel Bible Study Group: 9-11 a.m. Wed. Childcare provided. Call (608) 388-3528.

Spanish Language: Worship services held in Norwalk (Catholic); Tomah (Seventh-Day Adventist). Call Ext. 3528.

For information about Chapel or worship schedules in the surrounding communities, call Ext. 3528.

Family Support

Army Community Service: Building 2111. Open

weekdays 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Call Ext. 3505.

Child Development Center: Building 1747. Open weekdays 6:30 a.m.-5:15 p.m. Call Ext. 3534 or 2238.

Red Cross: Fort McCoy active-duty Soldiers and their family members can call (877) 272-7337 for emergency assistance. For other Red Cross services, call (800) 837-6313, (608) 788-1000 or call the installation operator at Ext. 2222 and request Red Cross assistance.

School-Age Services: Building 1751. Activities for youths grades kindergarten through sixth. Offers after-school, nonschool and inclement-weather care for eligible youths. Open weekdays 6:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Call Ext. 4373/2238 weekdays.

Supplemental Programs and Services/Family Child Care: For occasional baby-sitting services or in-home care for Military Family Housing, call Child Development Services at Ext. 4124.

Health Care

Alcoholics Anonymous: AA meetings, Thursday noon, Building 2000. For more information, call Ext. 5955/2441.

Counseling Services: Building 2111. Open weekdays 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. For information about assessment and referral concerning substance abuse counseling, employee assistance program and related services, call Ext. 5955/2441.

TRICARE Liaison: Building 1679. Call (608) 388-2246/7879 for more information. The following also are points of contact: TRICARE Humana-Military, 1-877-TRICARE (874-2273) or <http://www.mytricare.com>, or <http://www.tricare.osd.mil>. Effective Fri., Nov. 10 <http://TRICARE.mil>.

Occupational Health Nursing Office: Building 1679. Open weekdays 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Blood-pressure screenings and military audiograms. Call Ext. 3209/2414.

Troop Medical Clinic: Building 2669. Medical treatment for active Army and reserve-component members. Open weekdays 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Sick call sign-in for Soldiers 7-9 a.m. weekdays. Sat. sick call 7-9 a.m. Pharmacy telephone is Ext. 2842. Call Ext. 3025/3128. Call 911 for after-hour emergencies. **Open Fri., Nov. 24 7-9 a.m. for sick call only.**

Organizations

American Federation of Government Employees, Local 1882: Building 1411. Office hours 8 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays. Meets second Tues. of each month, 7 p.m., at American Legion Post 201 in Tomah. Call Ext. 1882.

American Society of Military Comptrollers: Meets several times throughout the year. Watch the Weekly Bulletin for meeting details or call Maureen Richardson at (608) 269-1912 or Mary Zink at (608) 269-3115.

BOSS: Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers Committee. Call Michael Napsey, BOSS adviser, at 388-6588.

Noncommissioned Officers Association, Chapter 1586: Call SSG Billy C. Montgomery at 269-3025.

Reserve Enlisted Association: Organizing new chapter at Fort McCoy representing active/retired enlisted military from all services. Call MSG Troy Falardeau (414) 708-9031.

Warrant Officers Association, Chapter 317: Call (608) 372-1058, (608) 372-7260, or (715) 333-2266 for more information.

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Badger Drop Zone UXO survey conducted

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surface cleaning has been done in the Badger Drop Zone area, but freeze/thaw cycles — common at Fort McCoy because of the installation's winter/spring seasons — can bring new UXO to the surface, which must be removed.

"This will give us a better scope of the ordnance in the area and help us prioritize cleanup with the funding we have available," Nall said. "The work will make the area safer for training."

The company that is conducting the survey, Battelle, has done about 20 of these types of surveys, said Bill Doll, company project manager.

This study included the use of new equipment, including a new

sensor platform, he said. The results of the survey can be used to fine-tune and improve the surveying techniques for future surveys to assist other organizations facing potential UXO concerns.

"We were chosen to do the study because we can survey 200 to 300 acres a day (up to 800 acres in some areas) from the air," Doll said. "We will set up (background monitoring sensors), which include a portable sensor/Global Positioning System."

Towing or on foot surveying methods are more sensitive (to ordnance detection) than the flying system, but can take longer to cover acreage. By foot, personnel can cover about two to three acres a day, while the towing method can cover about 10 to 20 acres a day, Doll said.

The air survey also has benefits in that it can more easily traverse land, where obstacles might be present to land-based personnel and equipment because of terrain features, such as swamps and marsh areas, he said.

So for the purposes of the Fort McCoy survey, the airborne method is a faster and more cost-effective option, he said.

"The land methods also may carry more safety risks (to personnel and equipment)," Doll said. "The air method is a good way to find concentrations of UXO without coming in direct contact with the land surface."

Preliminary results indicated that the survey located several good target concentration areas of UXO, Doll said.

McCarty said the air study is a

first step in evaluating the area for future training and will provide necessary data about concentrations of ordnance.

"Currently, we research our historical records and inform the Soldiers this area was used as an impact area; so be careful when conducting maneuvers and limit any digging operations if possible," he said. "The study will help us to identify concentrations of surface and subsurface ordnance so we can provide more detailed information to personnel in avoiding those areas or taking extra precautions."

"We also see completion of the wide area assessment as a first step in identifying areas for future ordnance removal actions with an added benefit of hopefully declaring much of the Badger Drop Zone

free of UXO contamination," he said.

Nall said the efforts to conduct the survey began about five years ago when he and McCarty discovered the opportunities existed at a UXO conference they attended.

They marketed the installation for testing of UXO detection methods and other studies, Nall said.

"By talking to the industry we were able to determine what we best needed, and then Mark sought funding for this project," Nall said. "Because we are now better able to see (what we need and when we need it), we can get a better bang for the buck. This company is on the cutting edge of aerial location, and we are getting the first use of the most up-to-date detection system."

AFAP addresses 12 McCoy community quality-of-life issues

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Patron Leave Policy;

- Drinking Water Quality;
- Equestrian Facility on Fort McCoy;
- Uniform Issue and Allowance, and
- Soldier's Extended Family Members.

Leonhardt will represent Fort McCoy as a facilitator at the Department of the Army (DA) AFAP Conference Nov. 13-17 in Alexandria, Va.

Also presented to leadership at the outbrief was what the Fort McCoy delegates identified as their top six critical active DA AFAP issues.

Group members reviewed the current 81 active issues and selected the following:

1) Award household goods contracts to moving companies based on their performance and claims history as well as their cost. Provide full replacement value for



Photo by Rob Schuette

Delegates at the Fort McCoy Army Family Action Plan study the background information about a quality-of-life issue at the installation.

lost/damaged household goods;

2) Allow in-state tuition rates for military family members who reside in a state on military orders and allow family member to retain "in-state" status, once established;

3) Authorize chiropractic services for all TRICARE beneficia-

ries;

4) Allow reserve-component Soldiers and family members up to one year post mobilization to identify the need for counseling related to service-connected problems;

5) Provide TRICARE coverage for all school enrollment

physicals, from preschool through 12th grade. TRICARE currently covers required school physicals for ages 5 through 11, though school physicals for older children may be available in a military treatment facility;

6) Reduce member cost share to 20 percent for dental services not already covered at 100 percent in the TRICARE Dental Program (TDP) and TRICARE Retiree Dental Program (TRDP). Increase maximum annual benefit for TDP and TRDP to \$1,500.

This presentation was made by Staff Sgt. Cassandra Taylor-Roby from the 84th USAARTC, who will represent Fort McCoy as a delegate at the DA AFAP Conference.

Issues from the Fort McCoy AFAP conference will be forwarded to leadership for review. Those having local impact will be assigned to proponent agencies for their input on possible resolutions. Issues with an Armywide scope will be forwarded for inclusion

into a Major Army Command mid-level AFAP conference for possible inclusion into next year's DA AFAP Conference.

Leadership at both installation and DA level review the progress made on issues at semiannual update forums where they either remain active to continue to work on resolving them or are deemed completed or unattainable.

The AFAP has been responsible for hundreds of legislative, regulatory, policy and program improvements over the past 23 years.

The Army is the only branch of the military that has such a program, but many of the positive results are realized by all services.

For more information about the Fort McCoy AFAP, call the Army Community Service (ACS) AFAP program manager at (608) 388-2359/3505 or visit the ACS Schoolhouse Web site at <http://www.mccoymwr.com>.

(Submitted by Army Community Service.)

Community Calendar

Installation Chaplain's Holiday Giving Program: Under way. Donations for Thanksgiving accepted through Nov. 17. Donations for Christmas/Hanukah season accepted through Dec. 13. Information available at (608) 388-3528.

Army Family Team Building: Nov. 17 from 7 a.m.-4 p.m. at building 2111. Registration closes Nov. 13. To register, call Army Community Service at (608) 388-3505.

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Leadership Training Program

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ment, and Fitness and Nutrition. Practical exercises are incorporated throughout the courses.

"I teach the historical overview on Al Qaeda, including strategic objectives and how it fits into Islamic fascism," said Maj. Paul L. Kenney, an LTP instructor.

"The course, Intelligence Preparation on the Battlefield, teaches leaders how to use some basic analytical tools to help figure out what the enemy is doing, so that we can counteract the enemy's actions, and mitigate any effects that they have on us," said Kenney.

Maj. David R. Sierakowski, an LTP instructor, said his EBO class concentrates on getting leaders in the mindset to start looking at the second and third effects of their potential actions. These effects include the international government, media, civilians, and the U.S. population.

"Leaders need to focus on not only combat-type scenarios, but need to look at other things they can do to win the hearts and minds of people," said Sierakowski.

The knowledge gained by the commanders and senior NCOs is then relayed back to the unit.

Kenney said the instructors are willing to conduct presentations to units on behalf of the leader, whether they're located in the cantonment area or at one of the Tactical Training Bases.

The four-day training module is compressed into the following timetable:

- Day 1 and 2: Core classes
- Day 3: Practical exercises
- Day 4: Electives

Kenney said the leaders receive the core contemporary doctrines within the first couple of days, and then tie it into a counter-insurgency scenario during their practical exercises.

"The scenarios are based on the unit's mission overseas, so that it will be the most pertinent to them," said Lemons.

Sierakowski said this program encourages the leadership to "think outside the box."

Soldiers have the additional benefit of signing out numerous History Channel DVDs, Sierakowski said. The documentaries concentrate on the history of Islam, as well as provide cultural awareness.



Photo by Loni Witscheber

Soldiers with the 312th Adjutant General Company, headquartered in Charlotte, N.C., attend their first day of the Leadership Training Program.

"The movies provide a better perspective of recent history, as well as discuss the nature of insurgents: 'Who are they?' 'What are their tactics?'" said Lemons. "Some instructors will incorporate the video clips into their lessons to reinforce various messages."

A program also is available to junior NCOs, who will be the frontline leaders. "We get the leadership on the right train of thought before getting deployed," said Kenney.

The junior NCO course is a two-day program, with approximately eight classes in total. An average class size consists of 60 Soldiers.

"We teach junior NCOs the Military Decision-Making Process, as well as Troop Leading Procedures," said Master Sgt. David J. Kuffel, a NCO LTP instructor.

"Most of the decisions in theater are made by the NCOs at different levels. We focus on getting them ready to make those decisions when they hit the ground."

Staff Sgt. Kevin A. Davis, a Risk-Assessment instructor with the NCO LTP, said the junior NCO courses consist of a great deal of hands-on directive, which keeps the Soldiers at the same pace, as well as reinforces teamwork.

"With the high level of cross-leveling, the hands-on experience gives leaders a chance to get to know one another at a professional level, as well as sharpening their skills," said Kuffel.

"When I'm teaching a class, I can refer back to things that happened in theater," said 1st Sgt. David W. Atkins, an OWT instructor.

with the LTP and NCO LTP. "My experience gives more reality to the Soldiers — it's not just another class."

"We try to make the classes fun and enjoyable for a better learning experience," said Davis.

The information gathered for the courses are taken from personal correspondences with Soldiers currently serving overseas, the Center for Army Lessons Web site, Army Knowledge Online, the Battle Command Knowledge System, and various news broadcast sites, such as CNN and the Wall Street Journal, said Kenney.

Kenney and Sierakowski said the LTP has evolved significantly since its establishment in April because of new doctrines and input gathered from leaders through after-action-reviews.

Lemons said discussions currently are under way for the development of next year's LTP.

"We want to keep it fresh, relevant, and meaningful," said Lemons.

"It's exciting to observe the Soldiers Physical Training scores dramatically improve, their knowledge increase in regard to Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, as well as watch their confidence soar," said Sierakowski.

Sierakowski said the purpose of this program is to create awareness.

"It's a good starting point for mobilizing Soldiers."

(Witscheber is a public affairs specialist for Eagle Systems and Services Inc., contractor for CONUS Support Base Services.)

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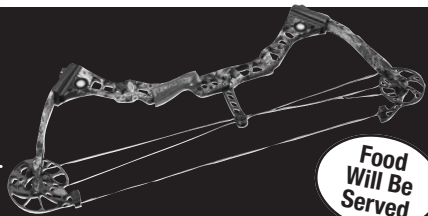
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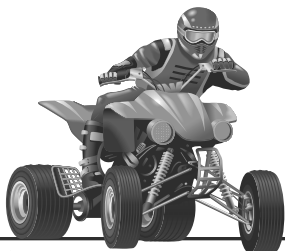
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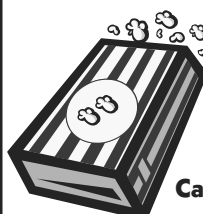


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NOV 10 THE TALLADEGA NIGHTS PG13

NOV 11 WORLD TRADE CENTER PG13

NOV 17 CROSSOVER PG13

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NOV 25 SNAKES ON A PLANE R

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