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Marines welcome new battalion commander

By Julia LeDoux
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Headquarters & Service Battalion, Headquarters Marine Corps, Henderson Hall welcomed Col. Andrew M. Regan as its leader July 10 during a change of command ceremony that doubled as a retirement ceremony for outgoing commanding officer Col. Anthony S. Barnes.

“I’m excited to be here, I’m excited to command Marines,” Regan said. “Every day I walk into this office, every day I’m here, Marines, I’m here for you. I’m here for the Marines of this battalion and the important work that goes on in the National Capital Region. I’m committed to helping you professionally and personally, and that also includes your families.”

Regan, a native of Katonah, N.Y., holds a bachelor’s of arts degree in economics from the University of Rochester and was commissioned through the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps in 1991.

He has served operationally in the I, II, and III Marine Expeditionary Forces in all elements of the Marine Air Ground Task Force. Regan is also a graduate of the Army Advanced Engineer Officer Course, the Marine Command and Staff College and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. He holds

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Incoming Headquarters and Service Battalion, Headquarters Marine Corps, Henderson Hall Commander Col. Andrew M. Regan, left, takes the battalion guidon from retiring battalion Commander Col. Anthony S. Barnes during a change of command and retirement ceremony July 10 at the Henderson Hall portion of Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall.

Marines take care of exceptional family members

By Julia LeDoux
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Marines with family members who have special medical, behavioral and educational needs don’t have to go it alone as they balance meeting the demands of their military careers and family life.

The Marine Corps Community Services Exceptional Family Member Program on the Henderson Hall portion of Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall provides a variety of support services to ensure the continuum of care for Marines and their families who are enrolled in the program.

When it comes to the enrollment process, “we’re sort of the middle man, we’re sort of the conduit,” explained Henderson Hall EFMP Program Manager Mike Flaherty. “We review the paperwork and then forward it to Headquarters Marine Corps EFMP.” The Henderson Hall EFMP is responsible for serving Marines and their families

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PHOTO BY INGRID BARRENTINE

Karen Lee, right, paints a baseball on 11-year-old Brent Carr’s face as his brother, Kobe, 5, looks on Aug. 20, 2011, during an Exceptional Family Member Program camp at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash. There are two Exceptional Family Member programs at Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall: one is facilitated by Marine Corps Community Services Henderson Hall, the other by Army Community Service at the Fort Myer portion of JBM-HH.

JBM-HH leadership stresses bike helmet safety

By Guv Callahan
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Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall leaders are reminding the community that bicyclists must wear helmets when riding on the three portions of the joint base.

Joint base policy signed April 3 requires a helmet be used at all times when riding a bike on the installation, said Adrain Kendrick, JBM-HH Safety and Occupational Health chief.

According to Army Regulation 385-10, bicycle helmets approved by the Consumer Product Safety Commission must be worn by all personnel, including family members, who ride bicycles on Army installations.

“Previously purchased bicycle helmets certified by the American Society for Testing and Materials may also be worn but when purchasing a new helmet, riders should look for the Consumer Product Safety

Commission certification,” the Army Regulation reads.

Other requirements include reflective gear when riding in low-light conditions and the prohibition of headphones or cell-phone use while biking.

“As the joint base continues to grow in population and interest in cycling continues to increase in the local area, there could be more instances of riders without helmets,” Kendrick said, adding that not wearing a helmet

while bicycling is a dangerous mistake to make.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, there were 743 cyclists killed and an estimated 48,000 injured in motor vehicle traffic crashes in 2013. Cyclist deaths accounted for 2 percent of all motor vehicle traffic fatalities and injured cyclists made up 2 percent of the people injured in

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News Notes

OPM releases more info on data breach

The U.S. Office of Personnel Management recently announced a data breach affecting the personal records of over 21 million individuals. OPM also released pertinent information regarding this breach as well as details on training and useful information, such as best practices to secure data, via its website. The updated information can be accessed at www.opm.gov/cybersecurity. Federal employees and service members, active and retired, are encouraged to review this information carefully and to regularly monitor this website for additional updates.

Rader Clinic offers school, sports physicals

To accommodate patient needs, Andrew Rader U.S. Army Health Clinic’s Patient Centered Home will offer Saturday appointments for school and sports physical appointments July 18, Aug. 1, Aug. 15 and Sept. 12. Additionally, weekly school and sports physical appointment availability has been increased through September, but these appointments do fill quickly. Parents are encouraged to schedule physicals before families go on vacation to avoid a last-minute rush. To schedule an appointment, call 1-855-227-6331 or visit Tricare Online at www.tricareonline.com.

During the appointment, the child must be accompanied by a parent. The following

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50 years of service



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Photos of current and past Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall Army Community Service employees are displayed during an ACS open house event on the occasion of ACS’ 50th birthday. ACS was created in 1965 as a means to provide readiness and life skills programs “promoting self-sufficient families, safe homes and cohesive communities,” according to a commemorative poster signed by senior Army leaders in recognition of the event. For more coverage of this event, see page 3.

Get to know: Glenn Wait, new JBM-HH chief of staff

By Guv Callahan
Pentagram Staff Writer

Glenn A. Wait, Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall’s new chief of staff, started his position here June 29. In his short time on the job, he says he already finds the joint base’s mission profoundly moving.

Wait said the ceremonial missions of the 3d U.S. Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard) and the services they provide to military families amaze him every day.

“Many Soldiers start their career here at Fort Myer, and when it’s time to be done, some are buried here [in Arlington National Cemetery],” he said during an interview with the Pentagram. “There’s nothing more important to somebody at that time of distress. Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall is an installation of professionals, and to me it’s just awe-inspiring.”

Wait’s position as chief of staff is the latest development in a 32-year Army career.

He enlisted as a Soldier in 1982 and served in various assignments stateside and overseas. He served eight years on active duty as well as in the National Guard, but the bulk of his career has been as an Army civilian employee.

“I have a connection, I think, to the Soldier,” he said. “I started as a private in the United States Army. I understand the importance of what a service member does and know it is our job to ensure that we provide a quality of life commensurate with their service.”

In fact, Wait said he briefly stayed on Fort Myer in the late ‘80s, during a transition time when returning from Europe.

“Who would have thought that I’d end up at this point in my career at Fort Myer?” he said.

And Wait is looking forward to giving back to the Army, providing training and developing workers and leaders.

“I’m a big believer in workforce



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Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall Chief of Staff Glenn A. Wait.

development and building a culture and organization that will strive to be the best it can be,” he said. “We need to invest in our people and make sure we have the right training. We’re building our leaders here at JBM-HH.”

Above all, Wait said he wanted to help employees achieve their goals and help the joint base accomplish its mission.

“From the macro level, knowing that what we do at JBM-HH is directly supporting our service members, families and civilians is extremely rewarding,” said Wait. “From the micro level, knowing that I have the ability to actively develop employees wherever I go, and help each of them reach their full potential of positive impact during each of their assignments.”

“As chief of staff I am also positioned to lead change while fostering an inclusive workplace where diversity and differences are vital to the success of the overall mission,” he said. “I’m honored to be on the team.”

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This week in military history

Compiled by Jim Goodwin
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July 16 1950: U.S. Army Chaplain Herman G. Felhoelter is posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for actions on this day during the Korean War, according to an entry on the This Day in Military History website. Felhoelter becomes the first chaplain to earn an award for heroism and the first to lose his life in the Korean War.



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U.S. Army Chaplain Herman G. Felhoelter posthumously received the Distinguished Service Cross for actions on this day during the Korean War.

July 17 1898: During the Spanish-American War, Gen. William Shafter forces the surrender of Spanish troops commanded by Gen. José Toral y Vázquez in Santiago de Cuba, according to an entry in John Wagman’s book, “On this Day in America.”

July 18 1779: Legendary Continental Navy Capt. John Paul Jones dies in Paris, France, according to an entry on Navy.mil. After the American Revolution, Jones argued for the need of a permanent American Navy. The U.S. Congress disagreed, and Jones found work instead as a rear admiral in the Russian Navy. A century after his death, Jones’ is exhumed from Paris and buried in a sarcophagus at the U.S. Naval Academy.

July 19 1950: In one of the earliest conflicts of the Korean War, the U.S. 24th Division begins the defense of its headquarters in Taejon, South Korea.

July 20 1942: Congress passes Public Law 671, establishing the Legion of Merit medal to be awarded to military personnel of both the United States and friendly foreign nations for “exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services,” according to an entry on the This Day in Military History website.

July 21 1861: The first large-scale battle between the main armies of the Union and Confederacy take place during the Civil War along a muddy creek in Manassas, Va., according to an entry on the This Day in Military History. The creek is also known as “Bull Run.” The battle is known by Confederate Soldiers as First Manassas.

July 22 2003: After months of being a prisoner of war, U.S. Army Pvt. 1st Class Jessica Lynch returns home to West Virginia to a hero’s welcome, according to multiple online reports.

Community

McConville talks character at Moral Leadership Luncheon



Army Lt. Gen. James C. McConville, U.S. Army deputy chief of staff, G-1, listens to a question during the third installment of Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall's Moral Leadership Luncheon series July 7 at Memorial Chapel on the Fort Myer portion of the joint base.

PHOTO BY ANDREW FRAZZANO

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Army Lt. Gen. James C. McConville, U.S. Army deputy chief of staff, G-1, shared words of wisdom with service members and civilians during the third installment of Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall's Moral Leadership Luncheon series July 7.

Founded by joint base Chap. (Maj.) Fred Wendel, the quarterly program provides active duty service members and the joint base community with an informal dialogue with some of the premier leaders in the National Capital Region.

McConville's speech focused on what he called some of the most important aspects of any successful

Soldier – commitment, competence and, above all, character.

"In the Army, leadership is probably the most important thing that we do, especially as we're drawing the force down," he said. "As we bring the Army down and resources become more constrained, bringing the right people into the Army and developing the right leaders is really important."

He demonstrated these traits through a number of personal stories and anecdotes from his career and the Army's history.

Growing up just outside Boston, Mass., McConville said he and many kids his age demonstrated resilience and smarts.

But McConville highlighted one kid in particular – a boy named Joe who

lived not far from the McConville household.

That boy would grow up to be Marine Corps Gen. Joseph F. Dunford, Jr., 36th commandant of the Marine Corps and soon-to-be chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

McConville said many of the people he grew up with are successful, but he highlighted the strength of character it took for Dunford to achieve his current status.

"When you look at the experiences that we've all had, you can build character," McConville said.

He also told the story of a command sergeant major who lost his leg during combat in Afghanistan but was up and running in the Army Ten-Miler nine

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Army drivers find new home at JBM-HH's McNair



PHOTO BY ADRIENNE M. COMBS

From left, William (Bill) Tully, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers program manager, Fort Belvoir, Va.; Col. Mike Henderson, Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall commander; Maj. Gen. Jeffrey Buchanan, then-commanding general of Joint Force Headquarters-National Capital Region and the U.S. Army Military District of Washington; Emmett Beliveau, White House Military Office director; and Lt. Col. William Arnold, former White House Transportation Agency commander, shovel the ground during a ground breaking ceremony for the new U.S. Army Transportation Agency building being constructed at the Fort McNair portion of Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall in Washington, D.C.

By Steven Holt
JFHQ-NCR/MDW
Public Affairs

Editor's note: Due to extended editorial vetting through the White House, this article is being published significantly later than the Pentagram's normal weekly news cycle allows. Although no longer timely, we felt that this story still contains relevant news to the community and should be published.

The U.S. Army Transportation Agency held a groundbreaking ceremony May 21 on the Fort McNair portion of Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall to mark the last phase of its relocation plan that includes four construc-

tion projects that began in June.

The agency's new facility will have more than just a new garage with parking spaces; it will also include a dispatch center, a conference room work area, and be interconnected via an enclosed walkway to additional work spaces on the second floor of building 18 on Fort McNair.

Originally known as the Transportation Garage, the agency was created by an act of Congress in 1909. Over the years it was transformed into a military organization and became a regular unit in 1963. The agency operated from a four story Cadillac deal-

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ACS marks 50 years of service



PHOTO BY NELL KING

Current and former Army Community Service employees pose for a photo during an open house commemorating ACS' 50th birthday at the Fort Myer portion of Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall July 8.



By Julia LeDoux
Pentagram Staff Writer

Army Community Service on Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall celebrated 50 years of service to the installation with an employee

open house that brought current and former staff members and volunteers together July 8 at the community center on the Fort Myer portion of the joint base.

Ring the room were displays – including photographs and uniforms - that told the ACS story on the joint base for half a century.

"ACS opened up here at Fort Myer in the spring of 1966," said joint base ACS Chief Laurie Brown. "We have had wonderful volunteer historians since then and they have kept records."

The event was open exclusively to current and former ACS

employees and volunteers as a means to recognize decades of service to service members and their families. Army Community Service was designed to provide a framework for the operation of a viable system of social services within the Army community.

On July 25, 1965, Gen. Harold K. Johnson, then-Army chief of staff, sent a letter to all commanders announcing the approval and establishment of ACS, according to an article on Army.mil. By 1967, a majority of continental U.S. installations

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★ ★ ★ The United States Army Band ★ ★ ★		
CALENDAR OF EVENTS		
July 16	7:30 p.m.	The U.S. Army Band presents an Alumni Concert as part of its Summer Concert Series at Brucker Hall on the Fort Myer portion of JBM-HH. This event will feature retired members of "Pershing's Own," as well as The U.S. Army Concert Band, The U.S. Army Chorus and The U.S. Army Herald Trumpets.
July 17	8 p.m.	The U.S. Army Band will perform its Alumni Concert as part of the Sunsets with a Soundtrack series at the west side of the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C.
July 19	5 p.m.	The U.S. Army Blues will perform as part of Family Jazz Day at Glen Echo Park in Glen Echo, Md.
July 21	12:10 p.m.	The U.S. Army Strings will perform a special concert with The Historical Trumpets of the United States Army Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps as part of a lunchtime concert at Church of the Epiphany in Washington, D.C. This concert will also feature a quintet from the U.S. Army Strings performing on period instruments plus harpsichord.
July 22, 29	7 p.m.	Twilight Tattoo is a military pageant at Whipple Field on the Fort Myer portion of JBM-HH. The tattoo features Soldiers of the 3d U.S. Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard), The Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps, The U.S. Army Drill Team, The U.S. Army Blues, a soloist from The U.S. Army Chorus and vocalists of The U.S. Army Band Downrange and The U.S. Army Voices. This event is free and open to the public. No tickets are required. Pre-ceremony live music begins at 6:30 p.m.
July 23	7:30 p.m.	The U.S. Army Concert Band will perform a concert for the Brucker Hall Summer Concert series at Brucker Hall on the Fort Myer portion of JBM-HH.
July 24	8 p.m.	The U.S. Army Concert Band will perform a concert for the Sunsets with a Soundtrack series at the west side of the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C.

Performances are free and open to the public, unless otherwise noted. All outdoor concerts are subject to cancellation or location change due to weather considerations. Call 703-696-3399 for up-to-date information on concert cancellations or location changes. For additional details and a full calendar of performances, visit www.usarmyband.com/event-calendar.html.



PHOTO BY NELL KING

Marine Corps Col. Andrew M. Regan, incoming commander for Headquarters and Service Battalion, Headquarters Marine Corps, Henderson Hall, addresses attendees during a change of command ceremony at the Henderson Hall portion of Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall July 10. Regan relieved outgoing battalion Commander Col. Anthony S. Barnes during the ceremony. Barnes also retired from the Marine Corps during the ceremony.

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a master’s of business administration from the University of South Carolina and a master’s of science in national resource strategy from the ICAF. “I think you know what Headquarters Battalion represents,” said Lt. Gen. James B. Laster, director Marine Corps Staff, said in remarks welcoming Regan

to the battalion. Laster also lauded Barnes’ 27-year career. “It represents every Marine in the National Capital Region.” Laster said Barnes knew he wanted a military career ever since the first grade and to be an aviator since he was in the second grade. “He has a patriotic character, he’s a warrior fighter,” Laster said of Barnes. “You’ve done it all. You’ve done it extremely well.”

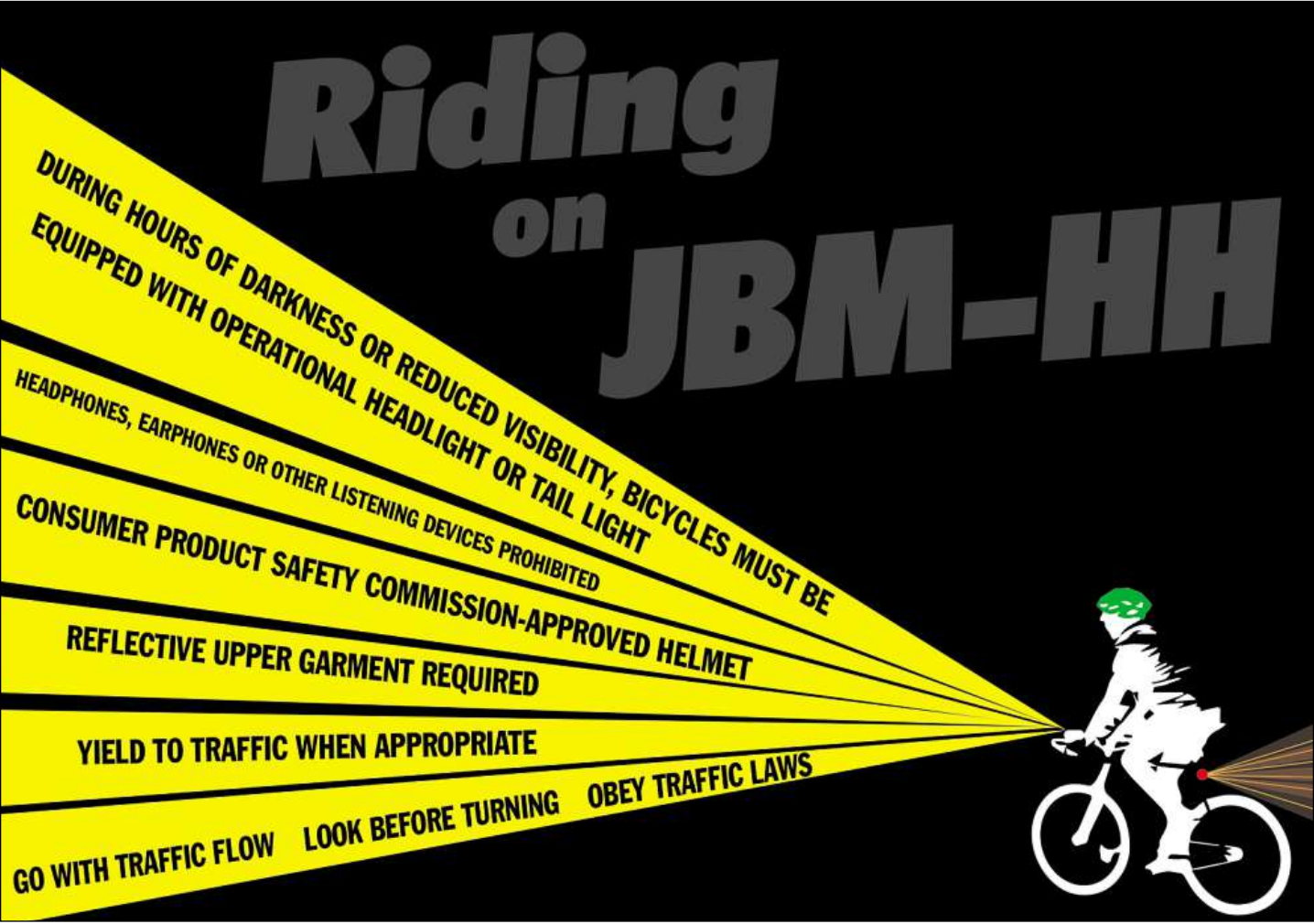
Barnes, who took command of the battalion on July 9, 2013, thanked his family for their unwavering love and support during his military career. “I don’t know how God took a boy from West Pensacola and made him a Marine, but I’m so glad He did,” said Barnes. Barnes will soon be flying for a commercial airliner. *Pentagram staff writer Julia LeDoux can be reached at jledoux@dcmilitary.com.*

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throughout the National Capital Region, an area that encompasses 106 square miles, said Flaherty. “We’re here to assist them,” he said. Enrollment in the program is mandatory under Marine Corps Order 1754.4B. Among the conditions that can trigger the mandatory enrollment are a medical diagnosis of cerebral palsy or epilepsy; conditions which require the use of adaptive equipment such as wheelchairs and chronic mental

health diagnoses. Flaherty said the EFMP encompasses more than a Marine’s dependent children. It includes spouses as well as parents who are dependents of the Marine, like a Marine’s parent who has been diagnosed with Alzheimer’s disease. “This is not just for kids,” he said. To be enrolled in the program, the military sponsor must have a medical professional fill out a form detailing the medical diagnosis. That form is then forwarded to Headquarters Marine Corps, which determines if EMFP eligibility requirements have been met, Flaherty said. “The paperwork is good for three years, unless conditions change,” he added. Flaherty stressed that enrollment in the EFMP does not affect a Marine’s career progression and does not make him or her ineligible for deployment or an overseas duty assignment. “The program provides continual care from one duty station to another,” he said. “We call it the warm hand-off process.” Enrolling in the EFMP gives participants access to a variety of programs and services, including connection to local, state and national resources and the respite reimbursement

program, which provides subsidized payments for caregivers so family members who care for those who have special needs can take a temporary break from their duties. Flaherty said the Henderson Hall EFMP serves 348 sponsors with 456 cases. For more information, call 703-693-7195 or email efmphh@usmc-mccs.org. *Editor’s note: This is one of a two-part series on the Exceptional Family Member Programs offered on JBM-HH. Part two will be published July 23. Pentagram staff writer Julia LeDoux can be reached at jledoux@dcmilitary.com.*



GRAPHIC BY HELEN KLEIN

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traffic crashes during the year. “A helmet is the single most effective way to prevent head injury resulting from a bicycle crash,” according to the NHTSA website. Kendrick said that while there haven’t been any bike accidents reported on

JBM-HH, there have been complaints about cyclists not obeying traffic laws – not yielding to traffic, running stop signs, riding against the traffic flow – which can lead to crashes. And unlike a motorcycle, bicycles don’t make any noise, which makes it harder for drivers to know if a bike is near and easier for accidents to occur. “There’s no motor for you to hear, a lot of times there are no lighting effects

for you to see,” Kendrick said. “A lot of times, the bicyclist has more ability to weave in and out of traffic.” Officer Ricardo Nova of JBM-HH Directorate of Emergency Services said service members and civilian employees who fail to wear helmets risk a citation, while military family members risk a sponsor notification. *Pentagram staff writer Guv Callahan can be reached at wcallahan@dcmilitary.com.*

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items must be brought: physical form with the parent section completed; immunization records; military ID; and glasses or contacts, if applicable. The entire appointment will take no longer than 90 minutes. Physical forms may be downloaded from school and/or county websites. Those who have had a physical completed at Rader Clinic in the past year need only to have the physical form completed. Parents may complete the parent portion of the form and drop off the form at the clinic’s Patient Centered Medical Home. Parents may also send it via Secure Messaging (Relay Health), and Rader Clinic staff will complete and return the form to parents.

Golf with us

The MCCS Henderson Hall Golf With Us program of traveling tournaments continues this month at Forest Greens Golf Club in Triangle. This tournament takes place July 17 starting at 8:30 a.m. and is open to all Department of Defense ID card holders and their guests. The fee includes a round of golf, greens fees, cart and buffet lunch. Register and pay online at www.mccsHH.com/GolfWithUs/index.html.

FMWR Dive-In Movie Night

The next JBM-HH Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Dive-In Movie Night at the Fort Myer Officers’ Club Pool Complex, will be July 18. The film shown will be “The Goonies,” rated PG. Gates open at 8:15 p.m. and show time is 9 p.m. Admission is free, but audience members must provide their own floatation/lounge rafts or inner tubes. In the event of severe weather and/or high winds, showing will be cancelled. For further information please call 703-939-1045.

VA claims assistance

Veterans Administration claims assistance is available by appointment July 23 from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Bldg. 29 on the Henderson Hall portion of the joint base. An AMVETS representative will be there to review service member medical records and provide assistance with the VA’s disability compensation claims process. For an appointment, please call 703-614-6828.

ACS Birthday Bagels

Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall’s Army Community Service will host a birthday bagel event July 24, 8 to 10 a.m. at Bldg. 201 on the Fort Myer portion of the joint base in recognition of ACS’ 50th anniversary. Come join ACS employees and other JBM-HH community members in celebration of 50 years of ACS programs and services in support of the Soldier and Army Families. The event will include historic ACS memorabilia, including photos, static displays and informational material. For more information, call 703-696-3435.

Register for intramural softball season

Get your team together and register for intramural softball league play. Games are played on the JBM-HH softball field from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. beginning July 26. Team size is 20 players plus a coach. Registration forms are at the Semper Fit office, Bldg. 29 and at the Cpl. Terry L. Smith Gymnasium on the Henderson Hall portion of the joint base and will be online at www.mccsHH.com. Call 703-697-2706 for more information.

Network reception for transitioning military leaders

Marine Corps Community Services Henderson Hall has coordinated a networking reception designed specifically for senior military leaders transitioning out of the military service. The event is part of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce’s Hiring our Heroes program, and will be held July 30, 4 to 6 p.m. at Bldg. 21 (1555 Southgate Road, Gate 3) on the Henderson Hall portion of JBM-HH. The reception is designed to connect transitioning senior military leaders with civilian employers, including HR recruiters from large and small businesses. Spouses are welcome to attend. To register, visit <http://goo.gl/ECtrCk>. Registration allows registrants to upload a resume. For additional information, call 202-463-5807 or email hiringourheroes@uschamber.com.

Save the date: Grant Hall Public Open House

Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall announces its quarterly Public Open Houses of Grant Hall’s historic third-floor courtroom, located on the Fort McNair portion of the joint base in southwest Washington, D.C., Aug. 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The courtroom is the site of the military tribunal, held from May through June 1865, of those thought responsible for the plot to assassinate President Abraham Lincoln. For more information please visit www.army.mil/article/146900.

Program for patients with cancer and their families

The quarterly guest speaker program



PHOTO BY ANDREW FRAZZANO
Army Lt. Gen. James C. McConville, U.S. Army deputy chief of staff, G-1, discusses the importance of leadership in the modern Army during the third installment of Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall’s Moral Leadership Luncheon series July 7 at Memorial Chapel on the Fort Myer portion of the joint base.

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months later, exhibiting extraordinary commitment. “When you see him out there running in front of the troops, you don’t see many troops falling out because of that kind of commitment,” McConville said. He later remembered meeting a veteran of World War II during the 70th anniversary of D-Day in Normandy, France. The veteran had parachuted behind enemy lines into France when he was only 16 years old, McConville said, but that was only the beginning of his story; the man had served with Army Lt. Col. Robert Cole, who posthumously received the Medal of Honor for leading a bayonet charge that

secured a crucial bridge near Carentan, France. McConville called Cole a “competent leader who inspired his Soldiers.” “If the Germans had held Carentan, there would have been no success at D-Day,” McConville said. Even if new service members come from tough backgrounds, McConville said the Army can help mold them into great leaders if they each have the right outlook and attitude. “A lot of folks that have never had structure, if they can accept the discipline, the standards in the military, with moral background, they can turn out to be great Soldiers,” he said. *Pentagram staff writer Gw Callahan can be reached at wcallahan@dcmilitary.com.*

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eranship from the 1920s near George Washington University in D.C. “This historic unit deserves a facility worthy of its mission and today we mark an important milestone in making that happen,” said Emmett Beliveau, director of the White House Military Office. Additional project features include an upgrade to the former installation access control point, and renovating the Department

of Public Works maintenance building to allow for storage of oversized vehicles and maintenance bays. “We look forward to working with our partners; the U.S. Army Transportation Agency, the U.S. Army Military District of Washington, along with our great Army Engineers and contractors to complete this project,” said William Tully, Fort Belvoir U.S. Army Corps of Engineers program manager. “I’ll see all of you again at a ribbon cutting ceremony in the fall of 2016 when this building is complete,” said Tully.

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had initiated ACS centers. By 1969, ACS centers and points of contact were established Army wide. Jerry Catlett has a total of 41 years of federal service. For 27 of those years, Catlett was a staff member at ACS, where he has volunteered for an additional 13 years. “It’s about helping Soldiers and their families,” he said. “My field was financial counseling. It’s refreshing to see people that you knew a long time ago and they’re doing well.” Catlett said one of the major changes he has seen during his time at ACS is the prevention training that Soldiers now receive.

“I enjoyed my staff time and volunteer time at ACS,” he added. “I’m still enjoying it.” Between her service at Fort Belvoir and the joint base, Doris Jackson has spent 10 years working for ACS. “Our goal is to make families self-sufficient,” she said. ACS will hold an open house July 24 from 8 to 10 a.m. in Bldg. 201 on the Fort Myer portion of the joint base. Editor’s note: Additional coverage of local and Army-wide celebrations of the 50th birthday of ACS in next week’s Pentagram and on our social media platforms: facebook.com/jbmhh and @jbmhh on Twitter. *Pentagram staff writer Julia LeDoux can be reached at jledoux@dcmilitary.com.*



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Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall Commander Col. Mike Henderson browses scrapbooks of articles and photos that document the past decades of JBM-HH Army Community Service July 8 during an open house in commemoration of ACS’ 50th birthday.

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Retiring transition assistance program 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Aug. 10 through 14	Accessing higher education 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Aug. 26 - 27*	Debt free 10 a.m. to noon <ul style="list-style-type: none">July 30Aug. 27
ETS TAP 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Aug. 3 through 7	Career technical training 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Aug. 18 through 19	TRICARE benefits in depth 10 a.m. to noon <ul style="list-style-type: none">July 23Aug. 20
Entrepreneur track boots to business 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Sept. 8 through 9	Career resources 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Aug. 17	Capstone (Fridays) 10 a.m. to noon <ul style="list-style-type: none">July 17, 24 or 31Aug. 7, 14, 21 or 28
Business franchise opportunities 1 to 3 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Aug. 24	Smart investments 1 to 3 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">July 24Aug. 26	Express TAP 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Aug. 10-11*
Finding and applying for federal jobs 9:30 a.m. to noon <ul style="list-style-type: none">July 29Aug. 26	Credit scores from good to excellent 1 to 3 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">July 30Aug. 27	Marketing yourself for a second career 1 to 3 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">July 28Aug. 25
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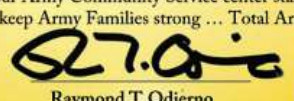
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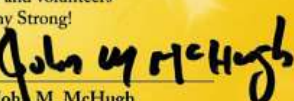
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will be Aug. 6 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dr. Stephen Lewis, radiation oncologist at Bethesda's Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, will discuss "Cancer 101: Understanding Emerging Therapies in 2015." His presentation will include discussion of new treatments in radiation therapy and other modalities including immunotherapies and targeted agents for many cancers. The presentation will be given at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center (America Building, second floor, Room 2525) and at Fort Belvoir Community Hospital via videoteleconference (Oaks Pavilion, first floor, Room 332).

A Department of Defense ID is required for base access to Walter Reed. For those without a DoD ID, call the Prostate Center at 301-319-2900 at least four business days prior to the event for base access. For more information, contact retired Col. Jane Hudak at 301-319-2918 or jane.l.hudak.ctr@mail.mil.

EFMP workshop:
Special Education 101

The Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall Army Community Service's Exceptional Family Member Program is hosting a Special Education 101 workshop Aug. 7, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the ACS main building (Bldg. 201 at 202 Custer Road on the Fort Myer portion of JBM-HH). This event will provide the basics of the special education

process and tips to navigate the special education system. The guest speaker will be Karen Driscoll, associate director for Federal Government Affairs and Military Relations, Autism Speaks. Lunch will be provided. To register or for more information, call 703-696-0783 or 703-693-5353. Deadline for registration is Aug. 5.

ASAP training

The next quarterly Army Substance Abuse Prevention training will be held July 29 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Town Hall on the Fort Myer portion of the joint base. This training is available for all active duty Soldiers who need their four hours of annual ASAP training.

ASAP policies and services will be presented from 9 to 10 a.m. Emerging drugs of abuse (Molly, spice, bath salts and alcohol) will be held from 11 a.m. to noon. From 1 to 2 p.m., the Criminal Investigation Division will discuss local

laws and drug trends on and off the base. For more information, call 703-696-3900.

Prostate cancer support group
meetings at Belvoir

The Prostate Cancer Support Group meets at Fort Belvoir Community Hospital the second Thursday of every month. The next meeting will be Aug. 13 from 1 to 2 p.m. and 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Urology Clinic, Sunrise Pavilion, second floor. Spouses/partners are invited to attend. For more information, contact retired Col. Jane Hudak at 301-319-2918 or jane.l.hudak.ctr@mail.

News Notes submissions

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