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Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, marches to station 2 on Aug. 6 during the Victory Week 2018 Warrior Competition.

By Capt. Eric Boeckers 1ST ABCT PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Soldiers of the 1st Infantry Division competed in the Warrior Competition Aug. 6-7 during the annual Victory Week celebration to determine which unit has the most skilled and athletic warrior team and earn points for their unit in the hunt for the Commander's

The 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, st Infantry Division, hosted the Warrior Competition, which tested pairs of Soldiers on basic Soldier skills, their physical fitness and mental toughness as they rucked and ran over five miles through a rugged course testing weapons knowledge, medical lifesaving skills, chemical biological radiological nuclear survivability, radio communication proficiency and land navigation in the summer heat at Fort Riley.

Second Lt. Lindsay Morris, 101st Brigade Support Battalion, 1st ABCT, ordnance officer, from Fairfield, Maine, and the officer in charge of the event, stressed the importance of the skills being tested.

"They are basic soldier skills," said. "Everyone should know how to operate their weapon systems ... performing aid in a combat zone is very important, reacting to a

CBRN attack ... commo configuration, not a lot of people know how to operate radios and I think it's a very important skill if you don't have someone there to assist you."

In addition to testing skills of the "Big Red One" and Fort Riley Soldiers, it also gave service members a chance to compete with Soldiers from across the Big Red One they normally don't get a chance to work with, and build the esprit de corps of the 1st Inf. Div.

"It's fun, especially coming back from Europe," said 1st Lt. James Pooler, 1st Battalion, 7th Field Artillery Regiment, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Inf. Div. 3 Jeffrey Kennedy, 1st ABCT

"We are familiar with our own brigade, having gone through the whole Danger Focus, the National Training Center and the European rotation, but we haven't gotten the chance to do that much with the rest of the

After two days of grueling competition and gallons of sweat by the teams competing, the team from 1st Battalion, 16th Infantry Regiment, 1st ABCT, beat out the pair from 1st Combined Arms Battalion, 18th Infantry Regiment, 2nd ABCT, by 47 minutes, clinching first place.

Additional reporting by Chief Warrant Officer

Hay harvesting near complete on Fort Riley

Story and Photo by Will Ravenstein 1ST INF. DIV. POST

Hay cutting and baling nears completion in the Fort Riley range area with the final day of cutting Aug. 15.

Lessees still have until Sept. 10 to remove any bales they made per their lease agreements with the Environmental Division, Directorate of Public Work, said Jerold Spohn, agronomist and agricultural

outlease manager, DPW. "They can start July 15," he said. "They have to stop cutting Aug. 15. They have to have all hay removed by Sept. 10. A lot of times, they only have 10 days, plus four days of Labor Day to get into those areas near the danger fan to cut, bail and remove

Fort Riley has 24 hay leases covering roughly 38,000 acres of land — most north of Vinton School Road in the range area.

"We encompass large areas because we like to use roads (and) very distinct boundaries," Spohn said. "They are allowed to cut anything within the boundaries, as long as it's within our land use regulations."

Of the 24 hay leases, 22 are "warm season" leases, which are primarily native prairie grass, Spohn said. The other two are specialty hay leases.

"(We have) one that's a cool season hay lease that is mostly brome (an oat-like grass that is sometimes grown for fodder or ornamental purposes) and fescue (cool season



Foragers, similar to combines, cut prairie grass in the ranges of Fort Riley Aug. 9. Area farmers lease the land from Fort Riley for five years and use the hay by either selling it or using it with their livestock.

grasses, and are grown mainly in the transition zone of the United States and into Canada)," Spohn said. "It's in areas like Huebner Road, McCormick Park in areas where we want to keep neat. They are nice brome areas. As a cost offset, I have a guy that comes in and harvests it twice a year and saves us money in having to mow those

The farmers take the hay from their leased land and either sell it on the market to farmers in need of extra food supplies for their animals or they use it for their own animals.

The lack of summer rains has lowered hay production levels, which will affect how each handles what they are able to

"We do have several small operators that are putting it up for themselves," he said. "We do have several operators that sell most of it, and they aren't going to have as much income this year. So it's one of those things — it's just a bad year across the board."

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Final 'doughboy' in trilogy reveal ceremony held at 1st Infantry Division

By Sgt. Elizabeth Jones 19TH PUBLIC AFFAIRS DETACHMENT

"We have to make this world safe for democracy," said Paul Herbert, executive director of the First Division Museum at Cantigny in Wheaton, Illinois. "That's what our Soldiers are about. It is a proud legacy and a proud tradition. There is no (tradition) better in the United States. I don't think there is one better in the world."

Herbert helped to dedicate the Lion of Cantigny statue on the grounds of the 1st Infantry Division headquarters building during an unveiling ceremony Aug. 9 at Fort Riley.

"The statue is one of three around the world," said Lue Marsico, senior vice president for the McCormick Foundation. "The first commemorative statue was placed on the Cantigny battlefield, the second at the 1st Infantry Division Museum at Cantigny Park in Wheaton, Illinois.

"The third statue was placed at the 1st Infantry Division headquarters on the anniversary of the 100th year since the battle in Cantigny, and in memory of all doughboys and of all those who served in the 'Big Red One' since, by the Robert R. McCormick Foundation, May 28, 2018."

On that date, the 28th Infantry Regiment, supported by the rest of the Big Red One, attacked and seized the German-held village of Cantigny, France, America's first battle of World War I and the first battle in the history of the 1st Inf. Div.

Field artillery Colonel Robert R. McCormick, who was in command of the artillery battalion at the time of the Cantigny battle, left an estate estimated at the value of \$55 million that was used to establish one of the nation's leading charitable

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Chasing butterflies on Fort Riley | Marines train



ABOVE: Mike Houck, Fort Riley threatened and endangered species biologist, Directorate of Public Works, checks the GPS to make sure he is still on the transect, which had been designated for the butterfly survey Aug. 8. INSERT: Several Monarchs were spotted on and off the designated transects during a butterfly survey Aug. 8. BELOW: Although not part of the butterfly survey, Black Swallowtails and several other species of butterfly were spotted Aug. 8.

Story and photos by Gail **Parsons** 1ST INF. DIV. POST

When training stops and the tanks roll off the prairie, the dust settles and the Soldiers go home a serenity settles over the Flint Hills. But the quietness can be deceiving as the land is teaming with life; and training plays a role in how that life evolves.

Mike Houck, Fort Riley threatened and endangered species biologist, the Directorate of Public Works, headed out on a utility task vehicle on the second butterfly survey of the season Aug. 8.

As he took the UTV through stands of sunflowers and native grasses, and bounced through tank tracks, butterflies, grasshoppers and all sorts of critters took to the skies. But he was only interested in two specific species.

With one eye on the Global Positioning System and one on the prairie, he was looking for Monarchs and Regal Fritillary butterflies.

"The regal is a prairie species of butterfly," Houck said. "Ît is a species of butterfly that is only in the tall-grass habitats. With loss of habitats this butterfly has been looked at, as far as listing, for threatened and endangered species."

Likewise, the Monarch, whose numbers have decreased about 90 percent in the past 20 years, is also being monitored for possible listing.

KEY TO SURVIVAL

To an untrained eye, the two species might look alike. They both have orange wings with black markings and white dots, but they behave nothing like one another.

"The Regal Frit is an interesting butterfly because it's not known to migrate like the Monarch does," Houck said. "And it has a different life cycle than Monarchs do."

The Regal Fritillary has a one-generation life cycle. It will hatch out in early spring and feed on native violet plants. By this time of the year the males have died and the females will lay their eggs. During the survey Houck only spotted two Regal Frits.

"They lay eggs every-where," he said. "They don't care where, they'll just lay a thousand eggs and the lucky ones are the ones that are close enough to the violets when they hatch out.'

The two dozen or so Monarchs Houck saw during the survey were most likely in the third generation, he said.

The last generation are the ones who will migrate to Mexico for the winter.

Their larvae are also given slightly better odds right from the start than the Regal Frits. Instead of laying eggs anywhere and everywhere like the Regals do, the Monarchs will lay one egg at a time and each egg is laid on a different milkweed plant.

Their survival is contingent upon the accessibility of the native violet and the milkweed when they hatch.

PRESERVING THE HABITAT

The number one issue

affecting the butterflies is the decrease of the specific plants they require. In training areas where tanks flatten the vegetation and scraped the plants down to the dirt, might think damage is being done to the environment, which can harm already delicate species. Houck said for the Monarchs, that is actually the complete opposite.

"When a tank comes through and clears an area or opens up an area of grass, that opens up that area for the weeds that can reseed," he said. "In areas that you have a bare spot, things like sunflowers can grow, and ragweed and milkweed. The big push now is to get the milkweed back. One thing that I have noticed on Fort Riley with all the big exercises going on recently, we have a lot of disturbance so there is a

lot more milkweed." The native violets, which are the Regal Frit's plant of choice, are a short plant, which Houck said are often down in the grass and not easily seen.

His department has conducted some research on how that plant best survives.

WHO CARES ABOUT A **BUTTERFLY?**

"All your native pollinators are very important," Houck said. "People don't realize when you start talking about pollination how important they are to everything. Our food sources, agricultural products, all of our crops benefit from your pollinators."

In addition to the direct effect, there is place for every species – and species are interlinked.

"People might not think it is an issue because it's just one species," Houck said. "But one species has an effect on multiple species."

By doing surveys and research into what kind of activity in the environment

on Fort Riley

By Will Ravenstein 1ST INF. DIV. POST

Seventy-eight U.S. Marines with the 4th Marine Logistics Group, Combat Logistics Regiment 4, Combat Logistics Battalion 453, Detachment 2, U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, out of Wichita, Kansas, were on Fort Riley last week conducting training utilizing the Known Distance Range at the Gunnery South Range Complex to complete their annual individual weapons qualifications.

The Marines fired at 200-meter, 300-meter and 500-meter targets from the sitting, kneeling, standing and prone positions, said Gunnery Sgt. Joshua Diemler, operations chief, 4th MCG, CLR-4, CLB-453, Det. 2.

"It gives the Marines confidence in their ability to fire their weapon and know how to assume a good firing position as well as just shooting fundamentals," he said.

The Marines stayed in the barracks on Camp Funston when not in the field training. Chief Warrant Officer 2 Taylor Bunch, the detachment officer in charge, commented on the range and the support the Marines received while on Fort

Riley.

"The range facilities were outstanding," he said. "Personnel
"The range was support here. The range was nice and clean kept. The pits are very nice, brand new looking. I know the range isn't very old but it is very, very nice to have the facility out here. We were planning on doing the range in four or five days and we ended up getting everything done in a day and a half or including this morning I guess you could say two days. Expediting everything was really, really nice because the range was so well kept and it was in good order."

The Marines usually train at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, but the range they use was closed, Diemler said.

We used to go to Fort Sill, however, the range there got shut down due to safety reasons," he said. "We didn't know this was here and so we found it and this is our first year here and it appears that it is going to be suitable for our needs."

After completing their qualification, the Marines also fired a Table II qualification, Diemler said.

"For Table II they start at 25 yards and then they engage two silhouetted targets in different scenarios," he said. "The coach will call out the targets and how to engage them."

Bunch said his Marines enjoyed their time in the field, but with the expedited training were looking forward to returning to Wichita to complete other requirements.

We enjoying being in the field, its what we do," he said. "But, the sooner we can get back to Wichita and take care of the issues we have back there — because we are constantly doing maintenance on the operation we have going on back there in Wichita — so, the sooner we can get back there and continue the mission the better. So everything worked out really well for us."





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The Monarchs, on the

"The cool thing about

They go from egg, through

other hand, tackle life a little

Monarchs is they have four

generations in a summer,"

the larva and chrysalis stages

and become butterflies in

about a month's time. In the

butterfly's short two-to-six-

week lifespan they will lay their eggs and the cycle starts again

- this goes on four times in the

differently.

Houck said.

JEMALIN HALL



Jemalin Hall, Fort Riley Education Services guidance counselor, was recently recognized by Daniel Rex, executive director, Toastmasters International, Englewood, Colorado, for exceptional achievements in the Toastmasters International Communication Program, earning the Competent Communicator Award.

Hall has voluntarily participated in the Toastmasters International Program after hours for over a year. This past spring, she won first place in the Area International Competition in Topeka, Kansas, with her oratory presentation.

Participation in the Toastmasters Program involves working and communicating with people

from a wide variety of professions and vocations in the business and professional community.

Hall's involvement with the Toastmasters International Program displays a high degree of self-motiva-tion and a strong interest in self-development.

Her skills are evidenced in her effectiveness as a great guidance counselor, dedicated to helping Soldiers, family members and DAC's.

Hall's enthusiasm and positive attitude is contagious and evident to everyone as she continues to "Do Things Right."

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Antibullying part of back-to-school safety campaign

By Will Ravenstein 1ST INF. DIV. POST

On Aug. 10, members of the U.S. Army Garrison Fort Riley Safety Office set up a table in the main Post Exchange to promote awareness of bullying in schools.

They handed out backpacks with pencils, anti-bullying coloring book and crayons along with an informational pamphlet to help parents talk with their children about bullying.

"What we wanted to do is emphasize the importance of parents talking to their kids about how to handle bullying," said Garrison Safety Coordinator Dawn Douglas. "That's a difficult topic though. If you ask a kid if they are being bullied, chances are the kid is going to say no. Bullying is intimidating, embarrassing and sometimes kids just have a difficult time talking about it."

The Anti-Bullying Institute states that one in seven students, kindergarten through 12th grade, is either a bully or has been a victim of bullying and an estimated 160,000 children miss school every day in the United States due to fear of attack or intimidation by other students.

"Bullying can be ostracizing a kid because he sticks out," Douglas said. "Maybe he doesn't have the latest tennis shoes, or maybe this kid looks a little different from the other kids, or maybe this kid just PCS'd from another duty station and he is coming into an environment where the kids have been together for a while and he is just the odd kid out. Not because he is so different, but because nobody knows

Douglas said the students today have access to technology that allows for another level of bullying — cyber bullying.

"Bullying can happen in many shapes and forms," she said. "Lots of kids are just fearful of going into the restroom sometimes because they are isolated with a bunch of kids. We live in a society now that we have the Internet that allows people to speak freely differently than how they would speak in front of a person's face.

CAMPAIGN

"As long as kids are kids they are going to act the way kids act," Douglas said. "Parents have to do their part obviously to teach their kids about bullying."

backpacks handed out were a way for the Safety Office staff to meet with parents and raise awareness to bullying and put a stop motion tactic in place before it happens,

"As adults we understand that there's certain etiquettes with living in a civilized society," Douglas said. "Kids are just learning that. Kids are bullied for a variety of different reasons and you can't always say 'don't do that' and expect for your kid to listen to you. Peer pressure plays a part in that as well. Some kids are leaders and some are natural followers. It can happen in any society and any situation."

DID YOU KNOW?

www.antibullyinginstitute.org

- · One in seven students in grades K-12 are either a bully or have been a victim of bullying.
- An estimated 160,000 U.S. children miss school every day due to fear of attack or intimidation by other students.
- 83 percent of girls and 79 percent of boys report experiencing harassment.
- Six out of 10 teenagers say they witness bullying in school once
- 35 percent of kids have been threatened
- · Nearly nine out of 10 LGBTQ youth report being verbally harassed at school in the past year because of their sexual orientation.
- 57 percent of boys and 43 percent of girls reported being bullied because of religious or cultural differences.
- One out of every 10 students who drop out of school does so because of repeated incidents of bullying.
- 64 percent of children who were bullied did not report it.
- Nearly 70 percent of students think schools respond poorly to bullying.
- When bystanders intervene, bullying stops within 10 seconds, 57 percent of the time.

The coloring book, produced by the Kansas Traffic Resource Safety Office, talked not only about how to react to being bullied or when someone else is bullied, it covers more, Douglas

"This talks about being a good citizen in a community," she said. "Not only does it try to give kids who are being bullied a voice, but also talks to those who may be bullies who feel they need to exert power or authority over kids they might feel are weaker kids. It happens quite often. When you are talking about elementary school kids they are in their maturity phases. Sometimes they don't quite understand the power they have. When they start in school they have to find out where they fit in — some kids are encouraged to do bad things they wouldn't

For USAG Safety Director Rick Hearron, the day was about not only bullying but one final reminder before school started on Aug. 13 about school safety.

"We have the bullying theme for the backpacks, but we are talking back-to-school safety," he said. "It's the entire realm of keeping your kids safe during the school year — walking or biking to school, getting on a school bus, making sure you're staying visible to the bus driver. It's the entire element that we are trying to push out, not just the bullying

No 'poolin' around: Water BROlo makes a splash during Victory Week

Story and photos by Kimberly

1ST INF. DIV. POST

Sgt. Seth Dominquez of the Fort Riley Dental Health Activity and Fort Riley spearheaded BROlo matches for Victory Week Aug. 6 and 7. The BROlo tournament was held at the Custer Hill Aquat-

Over the course of two days, Dominquez and other Soldiers from the dental clinic worked to guarantee the competitions were fun, timely and safe for every participant and volunteer at the pool.

BROlo, as it's being called by Fort Riley Soldiers, is a loose rendition of water polo. Instead of players competing in eight-minute quarters as the game is played in USA water polo matches, BROlo is reduced to eight-minute halves with a five-minute halftime. Although the BROlo game-time was reduced, and teams played six players instead of seven, many of the traditional water polo rules were followed.

Players were able to pass in any direction, only one-handed above water passes were permitted, and taking the ball under water after a tackle or to avoid a tackle was called foul. There was no pushing or dunking allowed.

"Today we are going to play the prestigious game of water BROlo," Dominguez said on the first day of games. "There's a big difference between our game and water polo. We don't get too specific on the rules, but the big one – don't dunk people. We are not here to drown people. We are here to have fun. Another one is that you can't use the ball for a flotation device, to tread water, or to swim or move. (The ball) has to be one hand above the water at all times. And another one is no dunking, again. That is a big one because some of the units around here can get pretty competitive."

Dominguez said some of the Soldiers who played in the tournament were returning players from last year's Victory Week BROlo they played on, there were try Regiment, 2nd Armored 'all right, maybe we should try



The 1st Combined Arms Battalion, 18th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, played the 3rd Battalion, 66th Armor Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st. Inf. Div., during the first game of BROlo quarter finals Aug. 7. The 1st Bn., 18th Inf. Regt., was victorious, resulting in a final score of 12-6 eventually placing second overall.

also many who were new to the sport and not trained swimmers.

Dominquez wasn't worried if the players were strong swimmers because last year he underestimated some of the players' abilities and was "extremely impressed" with their grit and athleticism throughout the games. There were also trained lifeguards present for every match.

"It comes down to people being from places where they grew up in the water and they're just comfortable in the water," he said. "It's what they do. The vast majority of players can just go the whole match and not tag out once. They just keep going."

According to Dominguez, there were players in the tournament who knew the sport of water polo inside and out.

"A lot of the people have played since they were in high school and college and then they grew up and joined the Army and are getting a chance to play here," he said. "Some people know the rules back and forth, and they know it better than us, but again, we don't have the time to get so specific. We do have a time limit that we have to get through."

Nineteen teams were originally slated to play in the first and second rounds, and after some hard-fought matches, the 1st Combined

Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, faced the 2nd Battalion, 70th Armor Regiment, 2nd ABCT, 1st Inf. Div. in the finals. At the half, the teams remained tied 4-4. Coming out of the break, the 2nd Bn., 70th Armor Regt., also known as the "Thunderbolts," lived their unit motto to 'strike swiftly,' defeating the Vanguards 11-7.

The Thunderbolt team captain, 1st Lt. Adam Russell, said his team was shocked to win the tournament. Adams claimed that, beside himself, there was only one other team member, Staff Sgt. Joseph Nannini, who had ever played water polo before entering the competition.

"Monday was our first day back from three weeks of block leave and we formed our team in the morning," he said. 'We just got some guys. Asked them if they could swim. They got fired up about it and that pretty much how we started the team. We rolled off of the couch and into the pool."

As for strategy, Adams said that he and Nannini gave the other team members a basic run down of the rules and how to play the game but never thought they'd break out of the first round.

"The first game, we figured we were probably going to get beat, so this was all just for fun," Adams said. "And we wound up winning it. So, that was a plus for the teams Arms Battalion, 18th Infan- then the next day, we thought

a little more strategy.' So, we shot from the hip — played to our strengths. We located some guys who were pretty decent at defense and we lucked out with a good goalie."

Adams and Nannini played offense and the rest is "Big Red One" history.

His unit was surprised their team was able to come off of block leave and win the tournament with a team that only had two players who had played the sport and no competitive swimmers, Adams

Although the BROlo match was half as long as water polo matches played to regulation time, Adams admitted that competing in the event was not an easy task for any of the players in the tournament.

"I haven't played in 12 years. Just sustaining swimming back and forth and treading water for eight minutes at a time was a gasser. Plus, it was the deep end of the pool. So, there wasn't any bobbing off the bottom."

Adams said the BROlo win was the only win of the week for the 2nd Bn., 70th Armor Regt., and every Thunderbolt was excited about the victory.

"We felt phenomenal absolute high." Adams said. "The guys did an awesome job, especially that they were willing to try something new and give it their best and then come home with the win.

Local community says, "thank you" to Soldiers with ribs

Story and photos by Kimberly Green 1ST INF. DIV. POST

Barbecued ribs were piled high at the USO Fort Riley's biggest No Dough Dinner of the year Aug. 7. The cookout was part of Fort Riley's Victory Week, a celebration of the 1st Infantry Division's 101st birthday.

Along with ribs, attendees dined on hot dogs, potato salad, fruit, veggies, Girl Scout cookies and cold beverages. The "Big Red One" brass band played New Orleans street jazz, funk and rock music as guests ate and played in the park.

The USO partnered with Dillon's as a part of its "Honoring Our Heroes" campaign, in which every slab of ribs that was served was donated by members of the local communities of Junction City, Manhattan and Topeka. Sheila Lowrie, Dillon's corporate affairs manager, said it was the community's way of saying "Thank you" to service members and their families for their dedication and sacrifices.

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customers, how they are not only willing to open their heart but their wallets to make sure that military families get this quality time together," Lowrie said.

Not only did Dillon's organize the rib drive to feed the guests, they provided all of the sides as well as providing the grill masters and some of the servers. Lowrie said it was important for her company to show military families and Soldiers they are worth more than just their donations, but their value can only be truly acknowledged by giving back to them with time and effort.

"We have store management from our locations in Manhattan, Junction City, our division president is here and the vice president of marketing, our merchandiser from deli who helps them oversee that entire department is here," she said. "So, we have some folks here with us from our corporate offices in Hutchinson and then the district management — that leadership team who helps serve this area of stores in Northeast Kansas, they are also here."

Alongside Dillon's volunteers were some from the USO, Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers and Corvias Military Living who spent the evening making sure plates were filled, bellies were full and drinks were cold.

We look forward to victory barbecue all year long," Lowrie said. "It's one way we can help say thank you to, not only a Soldier, but to a military family because we know that they sacrifice a lot as well. It's one way that we can provide that little taste of home, especially if you've been deployed. You miss those meals that your family prepares. It's important to gather around the din-

After serving about 1,400 plates of food, BOSS representatives loaded up to-go plates to deliver to Soldiers at the gates, on the flight-line and working staff duty all over the post.

"We're trying to reach out as far as possible, not just to Moon Lake here," said Scott Payne, USO Fort Riley's center coordinator.

"We can't do this type of event on our own and that is where our partners

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Commissaries meet with vendors, suppliers, brokers to discuss more ways to boost shopping experience

By Kevin L. Robinson, DECA PUBLIC AFFAIRS SPECIALIST

FORT LEE, Va. - Ways to improve the patron shopping experience were the main focus of the Defense Commissary Agency and its industry partners during a July 25 meeting at agency headquarters in Fort Lee, Virginia.

The day-long event brought DeCA's top volume suppliers and their brokers together with agency sales and marketing officials to continue a deep dive into potential actions commissaries can promote to impact the value of the benefit.

Billed as a "joint business planning session," the meeting was a follow up to an initial summit that retired Rear Adm. Robert J. Bianchi - then DeCA interim director and CEO, and now special assistant for commissary operations - had with industry in late March, said Chris Burns, DeCA's executive director for business transformation.

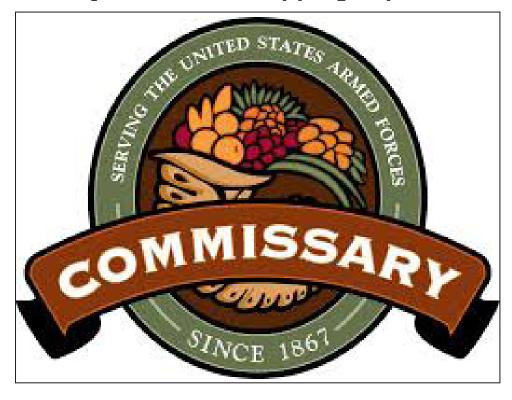
"Our focus is to improve our patrons' shopping experience, maintain savings and grow sales," Burns said. "There are 3.1 million military households (close to the base) and we want to convince more of them to consider their installation as the first and best stop for their commissary and exchange shopping.

"For commissaries in particular, we have to win when it comes to the product being available on our shelves at the best possible price," he added. "Our category mangers are working hand in glove with many of the people in this room to help us improve this benefit."

As the fiscal 2019 calendar approaches, Burns said it's vital that commissaries blast off during the first quarter and the subsequent holiday season. With that in mind, he charged DeCA and industry participants to collaborate on developing three to five initiatives to move the needle for the commissaries top 30 product categories.

Central to this collaboration is the introduction of a joint business planning guide the sales directorate will use in its negotiations with industry to help commissaries develop cate-

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gory-focused business plans that maintain the current level of savings and value in the product assortment; grow sales; increase shopping trips, patron transactions and basket sizes; and ensure at least 98 percent product availability in the stores.

'We are starting to see some upward sales growth as we head toward the end of this fiscal year, and with the help of our industry partners we want to keep building on that momentum," said Tracie Russ, DeCA's sales director. "Our plans are in place for what we hope will be a vibrant holiday season - our patrons can expect some hot savings on turkeys. We are also adding more meals-ready-to-eat and meal solutions with recipes that give our patrons faster options for home-cooked menus."

Other agenda items included the following topics:

- A "State of Our Business" presentation from Nielsen, a global measurement and data analytics company, that discussed DeCA's sales performance and how that fits in with retail grocery trends
- A presentation from Delbert Myrick, the director of policy, on "Trends and Insights," discussing patron demographics related to category and brand analysis

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He also discussed the importance of DeCA improving its fill rate performance or the relationship between the products ordered from suppliers and those that end up on the shelves

• A presentation from Hector Granado, the marketing director, on "Marketing and Promotions." He and his marketing team addressed the impact of the Commissary Rewards Card on patron purchases, and the promotions matrix and calendar. They also answered questions on agency initiatives related to product pricing, branding, promotions, marketing, health and wellness, patron aware· Breakout sessions with category managers discussing ways to drive patron value, basket size and foot traffic in commissaries

Burns also spoke to industry members about DeCA's increased partnership with the exchanges in areas of joint sales promotions, dating back to a military resale marketing conference hosted by DeCA in February.

"We are working as a military resale system to drive more patrons to the installation," Burns said. "There's a lot of synergy between commissaries and exchanges, and we want to complement each other as we work to offer an installation shopping experience that our service members and their families have



TRAFFIC REPORT

ACCESS CONTROL POINT HOURS Those with a valid military ID card, or who have an access pass or badge, wanting access to Fort Riley on weekends should use Estes, Ogden, Henry or Trooper

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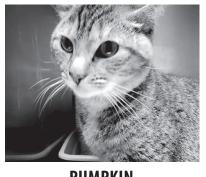


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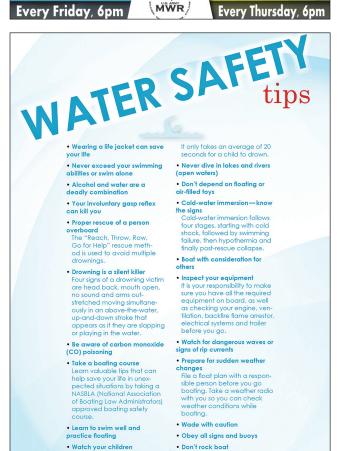
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MOVIE NIGHT

HOME OF THE BIG RED ONE

What is the most binge-worthy television series?



"The Ranch."

PFC. ANGELO CLARK GRAND COULEE, WASHINGTON

1st Combined Arms Battalion, 63rd Armor Regiment. 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division



"'Supernatural' or 'iZombie.'"

PVT. DEVIN FONDAW **DETROIT, MICHIGAN**

1st Combined Arms Battalion, 18th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division



"Sons of Anarchy."

PFC. JASPER TYSON YORK, PENNSYLVANIA

1st Battalion, 7th Field Artillery Regiment, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division



"NCIS Los Angeles."

JOSH STEPHENS WISNER, LOUISIANA

U.S. Army Veteran



"Supernatural."

SPC. RYAN HARTSFELK CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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SAFETY CORNER

Beware of toxic coloring pens, crayons, markers

GARRISON SAFETY OFFICE

Team Riley, the ubiquitous crayon sits in almost every toddler's room in the U.S. and across the world. Kids love to color. Coloring is a form of self-expression, a way to expose children to the color wheel and art, learn grip, control, coordination and build motor skills. Coloring books and sheets are inexpensive and every character from "Paw Patrol" to "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles" has their own coloring book. Even some adults use coloring as therapy and on Amazon you can find adult color books with rich patterns for relaxation or even to learn complex subjects like human anatomy. Let's face it, coloring books have been around since the 1880s when The McLouglin Brothers produced the, "Little Folks' Painting Book" and they are not likely to go away.

THE DANGER

Unfortunately, parents buying school supplies for grammar schoolers would be wise to avoid Playskool crayons which was found to have trace ele-

ments of asbestos. Although, asbestos is a natural mineral, exposure to asbestos has caused serious illness in many people including a very aggressive type of cancer called mesothelioma. Asbestos is restricted in the United States, but it not completely banned.

WHAT IS ASBESTOS?

It is important to note that asbestos is a commercial and legal term encompassing several types of minerals which include chrysotile (white asbestos), amosite (brown), crocidolite (blue), anthophyllite, tremolite and actinolite. Chrysotile is the most commonly used form of asbestos and can be found in the roofs, ceilings, walls and floors of homes and business. While some types of asbestos may be more hazardous than others, all forms are dangerous. The EPA classifies all types of asbestos as cancercausing substances.

WHERE IS IT FOUND?

Although only trace amounts of asbestos has been found in one brand of Crayons, many parents purchase school supplies, especially for school drives and fund raisers in bulk because of the low

As recent as 2015, many major brands of crayons, including Disney Mickey Mouse Clubhouse crayons and Nickelodeon Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles crayons, contained trace amounts of asbestos fibers. The Consumer Product Safety Commission acknowledged that it was unclear whether the asbestos trapped in crayon wax posed a danger; however, it noted that kids sometimes eat crayons and recommended parents asbestos-containing

brands as a precaution. In the 2018 report, only one brand, Playskool crayons tested positive for asbestos. In tests run this year on green Playskool crayons, U.S. PIRG found tremolite fibers — a type of asbestos. A handful of other products that U.S. Public Interest Research Groups tested also contained dangerous chemicals, according to the organizations just released back-to-school report.

In addition, other commonly purchased back-toschool items tested were

found to have harmful chemicals.

Blue three-ring binders made by Jot tested positive for phthalates, a substance linked with asthma, obesity and low-

er-IQ scores. Dry erase markers made by Expo and The Board Dudes tested positive for carcinogenic BTEX chemicals, such as benzene, xylene and toluene.

Two types of children's water bottles were previously recalled by the Consumer Product Safety Commission for containing lead — Reduce Hydro Pro Furry Friends water bottle, and GSI Outdoors Children's Water Bottles.

Consumers must be very cautious because, although recalled items should be immediately removed from shelves, many items can still be obtained online and often times on bidding sites for a significantly reduced price.

Team Riley, read product labels and check the Consumer Product Safety Commission website for items that are on recall before purchasing. Be alert. Be safe. For more information contact the Garrison Safety Office, 785-240-0647.

ASK DR. JARGON

What is the deal with dates in the Army?

Hello Doc Jargon:

My young son — he's a fourth grader — asked me why his father's military documents have the dates written as DD MON YYYY, or 6 February 2018, for example. He also wonders why it's different than the way other people write it: Feb. 6, 2018. Can you help?

Signed

Military Parent

Hello Military Parent,

The truth is, the way it's usually written in the United States and other parts of the world — Month Day, Year — is not conducive to military planning and operations. And since the Army, as well as the other services, operate as part of a complex global network of alliances and military partnerships, it has adopted the DD MON YYYY style.

However, even in Britain there is some inconsistency. For example, where 6 February 2018 can also be seen written as February 6th, 2018, or 2/6/2018. The point is that there has never been a hard and fast rule about how a date should be written. That's a big problem for the military. If a date is written as 2/6/2018, for instance, is it February 6th or June 2nd, 2018?

Journalistic practices have also helped continue the confusion, since the official Associated Press conventions in America have prescribed dates to be written as Feb. 6, 2018.

Military operations especially when they multinational involve efforts -- cannot afford such uncertainty, and the method of writing it in the DD MON YYYY, eliminates that problem.

Sincerely,

Doc

Fight through the thoughts, depression, hardships

I'm also that Soldier with all the problems. Name a problem, and I have had it in the last two years. I've had legal problems, financial problems, family problems, and Army problems. I'm the Soldier always coming to my supervisor about an appointment or a court date that will cause me to miss more work. Oh, and in the middle of things, my grandma died. On many days in the past two years, my biggest accomplishment was to physically show up at work. I'm that Soldier.

We all go to the mandatory training. We hear the talks on suicide prevention, and, let's face it, we've probably joked about the training. We are told to directly ask others whether they are thinking of hurting themselves, and sometimes we do that — like when the barrista makes a latte wrong or the car won't start right before physical training.

Sometimes those classes seem silly when facing real situations. What will my life really mean if I do not have physical custody of my children? How will I provide for my family if I have to leave the Army? How can I pay my bills and buy groceries? If you are facing those questions, you are not alone. Those are only a few of the questions I have had to wrestle with over the past few years.

I know someone is struggling out there, and you need real answers, not a Power-Point slideshow. Well, I won't sugarcoat it. Here's the answer: there is no magic to get out of a bad situation. However, I will share the things that have helped me weather the storm and emerge stronger (yes, stronger) on the other side.

Change your expectations. Looking back, some of my problems came from my misguided expectations. How could I make bad decisions and expect good consequences? Also, setbacks and failures are a normal part of life and are valuable experiences for us. It's not realistic to expect life to go well all the time. While we should expect difficulties, we should not allow those difficulties to define us. A wise chaplain once told me, "Failure is an event, not a person." Once I changed my expectations and refused to allow my problems to define me, I found specific actions that helped me face my challenges.

change yourself, and you can only take responsibility for your actions. I began addressing the parts of the problems within my control (in case you're asking, the only part of any of my problems that I could control was myself). Books, YouTube meditation tutorials, and meditation apps all helped me learn mental skills to combat the anxiety that I (appropriately) felt about my situation. I even found that cheesy affirmations worked. We may make fun of the BRO charge, but it is effective to tell yourself "I am brave" or "I am responsible." Now when I run, I tell myself, "I am calm, confident and capable." This mantra measurably improved my performance. You can treat dealing with difficult events the same way that you treat playing a sport or a musical instrument. I learned that I could anticipate and practice my response to difficult events ahead of time. You will certainly have unexpected car repairs or family issues. Before those things happen, visualize how you can respond to those situations with courage and integrity.

Use your smartphone to find solutions to your problems. We have more available information than any other generation, but we use it to find out what Kate Middleton or Meghan Markle wore to the latest garden party. Stop that. If you have financial problems, use your phone to find out how other people are facing those problems. If you have relationship problems, use your phone to find a class or book that can help you. With my smart phone, I found a Divorce Care class at a local church that was very helpful to me. I found a budget app that changed my financial planning. I found cheap or free furniture on Bookoo. Your phone is a tool, not just a toy.

Practice appropriate coping mechanisms. If you already have problems, you will only make them worse with drugs, alcohol and sex. Self-medicating only delays the pain that you must feel to effectively process and deal with your problems. It also keeps you from making rational decisions. Choose coping mechanisms that built your physical and mental strength. For me, running and weightlifting improved my physical and emotional functioning. I have come to count on the endorphin rush

Change your mind. You can only of a long or fast run to boost my mood, and I have rebuilt my confidence watching my physical strength increase. Besides, I am broke and the gym is free.

Do not face your problems alone. I learned that there will be times when no one can bear the pain of my problems for me. However, as Soldiers, we have a vast array of resources that will help us face particular parts of our situation. I have a chaplain that I trust, and when I was in my darkest moments, I could call him for a pep talk. I have seen multiple counselors, including competent professionals here at IACH. My children have seen counselors paid for by Tricare. When I didn't have furniture, I borrowed from the Army Community Services lending closet. I've used so many resources: Military and Family Life Consultants, Army OneSource, Family Advocacy Program, Legal Assistance. My supervisors and colleagues in the Army family are my biggest resource. Much of my furniture came from families who were PCSing or had heard about my difficulties. When colleagues PCSed or went TDY, they gave me their perishable food, saving me money on my grocery bill. But no one knows to help you until you ask for help. If you don't know where to start, go to someone you trust and talk to them.

Chances are they have ideas you may

not have considered. In sum, I'm not offering you any easy fixes. However, I can tell you that there is a life worth living on the other side of your problems. My journey is far from over, but I can give you some concrete examples of my progress. I arrived at Fort Riley with only the belongings that fit in my van. Now my house is fully furnished, and I spent less than \$400 on furniture. Last year I ran the Prairie Run in about 1:35. This year I ran it in 1:26:55, and I qualified for Fort Riley's Army 10 Miler Team. Early last year I was unsure if I'd be able to have any parenting time with my kids, but now they are returning to school here for a second

Please don't give up. If I can do it, you

I am Capt. Graci Bozarth, and I am a Big Red One Soldier.

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New airborne system to save Soldiers' lives

By Argie Sarantinos-Perrin **RDECOM**

ABERDEEN **PROVING** GROUND, Md. — Jumping out of a plane may be a routine part of an airborne Soldier's training, but if the equipment doesn't function properly, it can be deadly.

"Generally, there are a handful of towed jumpers per year, which can be potentially dangerous situations," said Samuel Corner, project manager for the U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command Soldier Center Aerial Delivery Directorate.

Until recently, there were two ways to help a towed jumper, which occurs when the static line attached to the aircraft anchor cable becomes tangled with the jumper and/ or the equipment and the parachute is not released cut the jumper's static line so the Soldier can deploy his or her reserve parachute or pull the Soldier back into the aircraft. Both scenarios are dangerous because the Soldier is dragged alongside or behind the aircraft until he is either released or pulled into the

In March 2017, in an effort to eliminate the possibility of a towed jumper situation, the Aerial Delivery



Courtesy photo

A simulated towed jumper scenario is created during U.S. Army testing with a mannequin that is towed behind an aircraft. The Army is investing in new technology that will help prevent a towed jumper situation from occurring.

Directorate's Airdrop Technology team submitted a project proposal to the U.S. Army Foreign Comparative Testing Program, which is embedded in RDECOM's Global Technology Office, as part of their annual call for proposals. The proposal was selected, enabling the Airdrop Technology Team to purchase ten Hung Up Parachutist Release Assemblies, or HUPRA, from the United Kingdom company,

IrvinGQ (formally Airborne Systems Europe) for tests and evaluation.

The HUPRA, which includes an emergency parachute that is released once the Jumpmaster cuts the aircraft anchor line cable, is manufactured by IrvinGQ in the UK. The HU-PRA is used by the UK as well as other nations on C-130 and other military aircraft.

By purchasing the system from the UK, the Army saved approximately \$500,000 in non-recurring engineering costs and additional costs to develop, integrate and validate a new recovery system.

"Testing, which includes aircraft time and manpower to design validation tests, is very expensive," Corner said. "We built on efforts of the UK by using their lessons learned to accelerate our process and decrease our

The tests, which were conducted at Yuma Proving Ground, Arizona, used mannequins that

"jumped" out from the aircraft's side doors and ramp. The testing was conducted on C-130 aircraft and divided into seven phases; minor changes were made to the system after the first phase was completed.

Before a Soldier jumps out of an aircraft, a jumpmaster conducts a personnel inspection of the Soldier's attaching, jumping and releasing equipment. Jumpmasters must complete a rigorous training program before they manage airborne jump operations.

A complete developmental test was performed on the Towed Jumper Recovery System (the Army name for the slightly modified HUPRA) at YPG, including aircraft procedures development, safety evaluation, rigging procedure development and performance

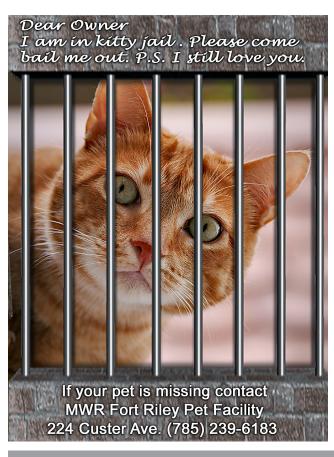
One of the goals of the tests was to ensure the system recovered with an All Up Weight maximum of 400 pounds, slightly above the UK's fielded version of the HUPRA systems capabilities. AUW includes the weight of the Soldier, the weight of the parachute system, which is approximately 40 pounds, and the weight of the equipment that Soldier needs for a mission— rucks, guns, ammunition, food and water.

While Standard Operating Procedures were devel**DID YOU KNOW!**

The Foreign Comparative Testing program is a congressionally authorized program that is executed for the Army by the RDECOM Global Technology Office, which receives oversight from the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Comparative Technology Office. The FCT Program provides an avenue for Army engineers, scientists and program managers to acquire, test, and evaluate items and technologies from foreign industry allies and other friendly nations that may fill an Army capability gap or other urgent need.

oped based on the C-130 aircraft that was used during testing, another set of SOPs will be developed for C-17 aircraft, which is a much larger aircraft that the Army uses.

"The TJRS program has been positively briefed to the Army Airborne Board," Corner said. "The next step is to work with the board and TRADOC to develop a formal requirement for a jumper recovery system. After that, the project will transition to PM Soldier Clothing and Individual Equipment, under PEO Soldier."





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To avoid any conflict with training or range usage farmers use the iSportsman app, like hunters and fishermen do, to check the status of ranges near their land, Spohn said.

"They have to register in it, just like a hunter or fisher," he said. "We help them set that up to save them from having to call range control. They check to make sure the area is going to be open; they go in and say, 'we're going to be working on this tract today.' That saves a lot of phone calls to range control, a lot of phone calls to my desk to make sure areas are open every day."

Spohn credits range control personnel for working with the farmers to expedite the harvesting during training.

"The good thing is that range control will work with us too," he said. "We had two areas that were shutdown. If you looked at the iSportsman there were two areas that were completely shutdown due to the military exercise. But in technicality, they allowed me to get the lessees into part of one area. They have to close the large area on iSportsman, but when I contacted them (Range Control) they said, 'no as long as you stay north of this road, they can go in and work.' A lot of times we can work that out to get the guys in to do some work."

The personnel at the Douthit Gunnery Complex have also extended a helping hand by notifying Spohn when possible downtime could be expected during operations to allow the farmers precious moments in the field.

"The manager will call down and say we will be down from 1 to 6 p.m. today, if you want to call them so they can haul some hay," Spohn said as an example.

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Will Ravenstein | POST

A baler gathers cut prairie grass and gathers it into a large 1,400 pound bale that farmers will either sell or use to augment feeding their livestock with.

INCOME TO HELP OFFSET EXPENSES

Each land tract is bid on separately and current lease prices ranged from \$650 to over \$4,000 according to Spohn.

"Income just from the 24 hay leases is just over \$50,000 a year," he said.

of the \$50,000 generated into a pool at the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installation Energy and Environment Fort Riley requests funds from that pool and receives 70 to 80 percent of that income back to the installation as a fenced fund.

"A fenced fund is we can only use it for the agricultural program or other natural resource program funds," Spohn said. "I use it — one to maintain the ag. We help the farmers out, because of how they have to farm stuff, by maintaining a few of the access roads, terraces, water ways and stuff like that. I also make sure that signage is up. We'll replace a bunch of signage over the next two years, so some of the funds

are going to go to that."

Leases are renewed every five years with some plats more sought after than others, but income potential is variable depending on weather conditions.

"The most competitive lease is the far (northwest) corner," Spohn said. "It's about 900 acres. Pretty decent land, rougher on the east than it is on the west. (It has) easy road access. But it's the one, historically since I've been here, that receives the most bids for. It's the one that everybody looks at for some reason."

Farmers are allowed to inspect each tract prior to placing their bid on the land to see how they would hay the land, as each farmer will produce in their own way.

"I don't want to sit here with a map and say you can only hay in these blocks, because one guy may be willing to go in and hay something where another guy won't within our land use regulations," Spohn said. "They bid on what they are willing to pay for the tract."

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come in," Payne said. "We try to do a lot of family-oriented programs and events to get (families) out and connecting without cell phones, and iPads and electronic devices. It's great to have great partners that want to come out and volunteer their time

Payne was on hand at the barbecue serving Sol-

diers and families. He said although relaxation and wellness has always been a center point for the organization, programs such as the Victory Week barbecue are growing.

"This is about spending time together as a family or if you're a single Soldier, this gives them a chance to share a meal," Lowrie said. The USO holds a monthly No Dough Dinner. The next one will be Aug. 24 at Moon Lake when the USO will be grilling hot dogs and hamburgers for Soldiers and their families at no cost

For more information visit the USO Fort Riley on their Facebook page.

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Sgt. Elizabeth Jones | 19th PAD The Lion of Cantigny statue is on the grounds of the 1st Infantry Division headquarters building on Fort Riley. According to author and associate professor with the Division of Legal, Ethical and Historical Studies at University Baltimore, Elizabeth Nix, "the term 'doughboy' dates back to the Mexican War of 1846-48, when American infantrymen made treks over dusty terrain, them giving the appearance of being covered in flour, or dough. As a variation of this account goes, the men were coated in the dust of adobe soil and as a result were called 'dobies'



Sgt. Elizabeth Jones | 19th PAD

Maj. Gen. John S. Kolasheski, 1st Infantry Division and Fort Riley commanding general; Paul Herbert, executive director of the First Infantry Division Museum in Wheaton, Illinois; and Lue Marsico, senior vice president for the McCormick Foundation; unveil the third statue of the "doughboy" trilogy Aug. 9 at the division's headquarters 'adobes,' which morphed building. The three statues around the world and, commemorate the 100th years since the Battle of eventually, 'doughboys.'" Cantigny on May 28, 1918.

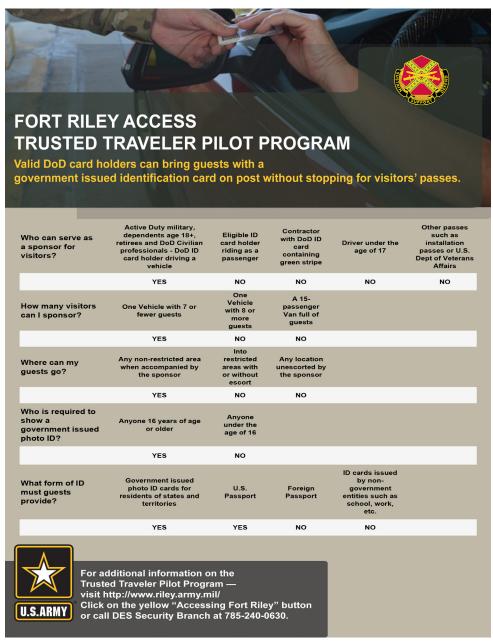
foundations. The mission of the foundation is to foster communities of educated, informed and engaged citizens.

"His love and continuation of the support of veterans and the telling of the history of the First Division are what brought us here today," Marsico said. "We hope that the trilogy will last forever and remind people of the importance of the relationship between the citizen Soldiers and free democracy that we all enjoy."

Roving patrol

Will Ravenstein | POST

Spc. Christopher Murphy, Sqt. Alex Wiltermood and Staff Sqt. Corey Lundgren, 73rd Military Police Detachment, 97th Military Police Battalion, patrol around Seitz Elementary School Aug. 13. The military police will be increasing bicycle patrols during morning drop off and afternoon pick up at all six Fort Riley



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Community Life

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Photos by Will Ravenstein | POST

Fort Riley Elementary first-grade teacher, Cindi Wilson, welcomes her students to school Aug. 13. Students at Unified School District 475 began the 2018-19 school year Monday with other area districts beginning later in the week.

school's in SESSION



Téa Sambuco | POST

Families walk their students toward Jefferson Elementary Aug. 13 as the district began the 2018-19 school year.





LEFT: The door to Michelle Peterson's fourth-grade classroom at Seitz Elementary School encouraged students passing her room. Peterson and other faculty welcomed new and returning students to class Aug. 13 for the first day of the 2018-19 school year. **RIGHT**: Seitz Elementary School kindergarten teacher, Ivory Beins, hugs a student as they walk in the door Aug. 13 during the first day of school.

"We did the climbing wall. We did the rope obstacle. We shot some paintball. We had a great time."

LT. COL. JEFF SCOTT 299TH BRIGADE SUPPORT BATTALION, 2ND ARMORED BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM, 1ST INFANTRY DIVISION

Fathers, children use day to bond

Participants tout time at Dad's Outdoor Adventure Day

By Kimberly Green 1ST INF. DIV. POST

Fathers from Fort Riley had the chance to get out of the house with their children Aug. 11 for the Dad's Outdoor Adventure Day held at Fort Riley's Outdoor Adventure Center on Custer Hill. The event was the first of its kind at Fort Riley and more than 300 fathers, mothers, children and friends showed up to traverse the facility's family ropes course, rock wall, paintball station, footgolf course, archery lanes, yard games and fitness paths.

Typically, these events cost money, but in celebration of Dad's Make a Difference Month, the entire day's festivities were free.

"I got to hang out with my boys and have fun doing the adventure park," Lt. Col. Jeff Scott, 299th Brigade Support Battalion, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, said. "We did the climbing wall. We did the rope obstacle. We shot some paintball. We had a great time."

Scott has been in the Army a long time and understands the importance of taking advantage of events like the Dad's Outdoor Adventure Day.

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Shooters feel pull of skeet challenge

Six-hour Ironman event showcases shooting prowess

By Gail Parsons 1ST INF. DIV. POST

Braving a relentless sun and the sweat bees, sport shooters spent Aug. 11 at the Fort Riley Trap and Skeet Range for the Ironman Skeet Challenge.

The six-hour event consisted of 12 rotations through eight stations with 300 rounds fired by each contestant.

Nick Gilewitch, who helped organize the event, said that skeet is one of the three major shotgun sports, but the Ironman challenge was not designed for amateurs.

"We'll be shooting 300 rounds," he said. "So, we're probably going to be feeling it pretty good when it's over."

His father, retired Lt. Col. Dan Gilewitch, ended up taking the trophy after hitting 273 of his 300 targets.

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Join the Warrior Zone staff Aug. 25 as they celebrate seven years of serving the rugged heroes of Fort Riley. On this day they'll be cutting the Warrior Zone's birthday cake and topping it off with multiple video games and pool tournaments for sweet birthday gifts.

The Warrior Zone is located at 7867 Normandy Drive at Fort Riley. The event is scheduled from 4 to 7 p.m., and is for adults ages 18 plus only. For more information call 785-240-6618.

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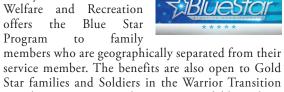
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Pasta Wednesday features pasta main dish, green beans, focaccia and Greek salad.

The buffet costs \$9.95, which includes a drinks. A salad bar only is available for \$5.95. For more information 785-

FORT RILEY REEL TIME THEATER SCHEDULE

Friday, Aug. 17

The Equalizer 2(R) 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18

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Sunday, Aug. 19

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Regular Showing: \$6, children are \$3.50, children 5 and under are admitted free.

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Through the first couple of rounds the senior Gilewitch coached Spc. Nicholas Lang and 1st Lt. Philip Sullivan, both with 1st Battalion, 16th Infantry Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division.

He was able to watch and advised if the pair were shooting too high, too low, too quick or too slow.

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Both Soldiers needed time to familiarize themselves with the range but said they had experience with skeet and Lang had shot competitively for about six

When Nick Gilewitch told them about the Ironman Challenge they were ready to hit the

"It's a blast," Lang said. "You're shooting guns and destroying clay pigeons."

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As the day wore on the four took turns rotating through the stations taking aim as the clay discs flew through the air following their command of "pull."

Sullivan said he finds shooting skeet more enjoyable than just going to a firing range.

"It's dynamic, you're not just sitting there shooting at a paper target," he said. "There's a lot more going on — it's challenging in a different sense."

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Sgt. Austin Caldera of the 601st Aviation Support Battalion, 1st Combat Aviation Brigade, 1st Infantry Division, guides his son, Gavyn Caldera, 6, as he reels in the third fish he caught during the USO's annual Fishing Derby at Moon Lake on Aug. 4.

Participants hooked on derby

USO Fort Riley's fishing event kicks off 2018 Victory Week

Story and photos by Gail Parsons 1ST. INF. DIV. BAND

Children and parents lined the grassy banks of Moon Lake on Aug. 5 to see how many fish they could catch during the USO Fort Riley annual Fishing Derby. Throughout the day about 500 people participated with 100 free fishing poles being given away to the children.

"It is not a competition today," said Traci Taylor, USO operations and program manager. "We are just out here to have some fun and try to catch some fish before it gets too hot."

As the time moved into late morning and the grill heated up for cooking the hot dogs — the temperatures also edged upward but the children didn't seem to be bothered by the rising mercury.

Gavyn Caldera, 6, son of Bethany and Sgt. Austin Caldera, 601st Aviation Support Battalion, Combat Aviation Brigade, 1st Infantry Division.

"I catched one turtle and three fish," he said. "We were taking pictures of them and one of them I touched it with my hand — it felt wet and a little bit of soft."

Bethany said she and her husband wanted to bring the children out simply because they love fishing and wanted to do an activity as a family, which aligns with the reason the Fort Riley Outdoorsmen Group wanted to volunteer to help.



Richard Symonds relaxes while his son, 5-year-old Bently Symonds, waits for a fish to bite at Moon Lake during the USO's annual Fishing Derby on Aug. 5. Bently is also the son of Capt. Tiffany Bujak, 3rd Assault Helicopter Battalion, 1st Aviation Regiment, 1st Combat Aviation Brigade, 1st Infantry Division.

"We do events to help support outdoor education hunting, fishing and various other activities on Fort Riley for adults and children," said Robin Graham, a FROG volunteer. "This is Kansas; we have a lot of outdoor space and want to encourage people

Some people attended were new to fishing, adults along with children were given a crash course in how to get an earthworm skewered onto a hook.

Others had more experience and regularly use fishing as a parent-child

"This is Kansas; we have a lot of outdoor space and want to encourage people to get out and enjoy it."

ROBIN GRAHAM VOLUNTEER, FORT RILEY **OUTDOORSMEN GROUP**

Richard Bentley, husband of Capt. Tiffany Bujak, 3rd Assault Helicopter Battalion, 1st Aviation Regiment, 1st Combat Aviation Brigade, 1st Infantry Division, brought his 5-yearold who was sure they could catch a fish if they moved to a different spot around the lake. He said he had been fishing before, but never at Moon Lake.

"I been fishing on a boat and caught a lot of seaweed," he said.

He wasn't sure exactly what he wanted to catch, but had seen examples posted on a panel with three-dimensional examples of the different species in the lake and wanted to "catch one of those," he said pointing to the board.

The board he had seen was set up by the Fort Riley Conservation Office, which was one of several partners for the event. The display included examples of catfish, channel perch and small mouth bass — all of which can be caught at Moon

Taylor said she was appreciative of the help the Conservation Office and other partners including Corvias, FROG and Clem's Convenience Corner, which provided night crawlers.

TUESDAY TRIVIA CONTEST



The question for the week of Aug. 14 was: Where do I find the details on the new Trusted Traveler Pilot Program and the current requirements for gaining access to Fort Riley?

Berisha Johnson Etheridge, pictured above, provided the correct answer: www.riley.army. mil/Units/Garrison-Command/Emergency-Services/Access-Information/

Anna's spouse is Capt. James Kellar, 1st Battalion, 5th Field Artillery, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division.

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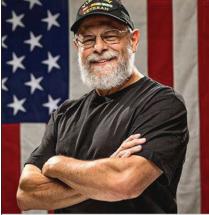
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Several health and fitness experts, including those at www.Livestrong.com explain blood pooling: "during exercise, your muscles aid the amount of blood returned to the heart by contracting with more force around the blood vessels. This causes the blood to easily resist the forces of gravity and return quickly to the heart for re-oxygenation and re-circulation. When you stop exercising quickly, the muscles are no longer contracting against your blood vessels - gravity causes the blood to pool in the lower extremities. When this occurs, you may feel faint or dizzy or experience a loss of consciousness."

One of Murray's favorite stretches is the cobra, which he demonstrates here:

- 1. With knees on the floor, lower yourself all the way down to the floor.
- 2. Lie flat on the ground and bring your hands next to your sides, palms on the floor, elbows reaching upward.
- 3. Engage the lower back and lift the chest off the floor, if possible straighten arms all the way - look upwards. Hold this pose for three seconds, lower back down and repeat.

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Kimberly Green | POST

Yoel Padilla, 12, son of José Padilla, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 70th Armor Regiment, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, enjoyed his time on the family ropes course with his dad and older brother, José, during the Dad's Outdoor Adventure Day at the Outdoor Adventure Center on Fort Riley Aug. 11.

He said the event was important for Fort Riley Dads because it "gives you the opportunity to slow down and make time for your family, which I think most people try and do, but this is another sponsored event that gives you a unique opportunity. It forces you take the time."

Scott and his kids took advantage of all of the activities at the adventure park but one in particular was their favorite.

"I think the rope obstacle was the best family event," he said. "Because we could all participate at the same time and it was challenging and it was fun. We were all up at the same time and I think it was a confidence booster for my young guys."

Army Community Services Family Advocacy program specialist and coordinator for the event, Kariga Pratt, said that confidence boost and family bonding Scott described is exactly what ACS was trying to accomplish.

"I think (the families) really loved the family ropes course," Pratt said. "It was an opportunity for them to bond nd build each other up kind of like a team building activity ... I think it really helped with building self-esteem, building self-confidence. A lot of the families were doing things that they wouldn't normally do."

Pratt spends a great deal of his time at ACS teaching parenting skills and fostering



Kimberly Green | POST

Nathan Platt, 13, son of Sgt. 1st Class Justin Platt, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, joined his dad and two other players on the paintball battlefield during the Dad's Outdoor Adventure Day at the Outdoor Adventure Center on Fort Riley Aug. 11. The father-son team attacked his older brother, Anthony, 15, pelting him with orange paintballs. The event was free and promoted building strong bonds between fathers and their children.

healthy relationships within Army families.

"One of the things that we talk about is how fathers nurture through aggression, and those physical activities really opened up the opportunities where the dads were hands on with their children," Pratt said.

According to Pratt, studies show that father-child interactions, like the physical ones provided at the Dad's Outdoor Adventure Day, do more than just offer a good time, they actually have positive neurological, social and emotional impacts on children.

The benefits of were not just for individual dads and their kids but to the Fort Riley community as whole.

The event has been held in the past at different locations further away but partnering with the Outdoor Adventure Center for the day's events was

another way for ACS to promote more father involvement by offering a location, right at home, where families can spend time together outside of structured events.

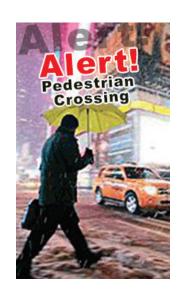
"This event really put a spotlight on the Outdoor Adventure Center," Pratt said. "There are activities right here — you can just get off your couch and get involved in. You don't have to drive two hours to Kansas City to do some of those high adrenaline activities."

Pratt said that the day was a huge success and they look forward to improving next year's by including more activities and making the event more visible beforehand.

The Dad's Make a Difference Month isn't over just yet. The ACS staff is sponsoring one more event before the end of the month. The Dad's Tea Party will be on Aug. 25 at 10 a.m. at the Fort Riley Conference Center. The theme is Every Princess Needs a Superhero. The tea party is open to all family members and costumes are encouraged. Pratt wants every participant to be comfortable, whether that involves wearing a tuxedo, a cape, or a sweatshirt.

To RSVP for the Dad's Tea Party contact ACS at 785-239-9435.

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Going Loco for 'Coco'

Corvias hosts movie night for entire Fort Riley family

By Téa Sambuco 1ST INFANTRY DIVISION POST

Corvias hosted a movie night for all Fort Riley residents on Aug. 10. The movie showed on an outdoor screen next to the Colyer Forsyth Community Center, with concessions opening at 7 p.m. and the movie starting at dusk.

Movie night is one of the many events that Corvias holds for residents of Fort Riley.

"We do several events throughout the year," said Jasmine Crosby, Corvias program office administrator for Fort Riley. "This one (movie night) we typically do in the summer and tonight we're showing the movie 'Coco."

Corvias provided popcorn and ice water as well as bubbles and glow sticks for the kids. The Kona Ice Truck also made an appearance, with the first 800 residents arriving receiving a free Kona.

Crosby said Movie Night, like every resident event, was free.

"Movie night is for Corvias residents only. It's one of the perks of being a resident and their basic allowance for housing goes towards these events," Crosby said. "They have a stressful enough job so ... this is a fun, stress free and easy way to spend time with your family and again, they're always free. We try to make the events as convenient as possible for residents."

While Corvias hosts several events throughout the year, such as Spring Into Fun, Fall-a-Palooza, and 'Tis the Season, Crosby said Movie Night in her foresits.

Movie Night is her favorite.

"I hope that it's a happy memory for them," she said. "When they look back at their time at Fort Riley, they'll remember movie night where they received free Kona ice and got to run around with glow sticks before the movie started."

Brooklyn Charbonier, the 15-year-old daughter of Sgt. Ernest Charbonier, 299th Brigade Support Battalion, said although she was "dragged out of the house" she was excited to watch "Coco."

"'Coco' is actually one of my favorite Pixar movies," Brooklyn said. "I think it's really beautiful and it sends out a positive message."

The Oahu, Hawaii, native said she hopes Movie Night "brings the families together and makes them happy."

Military OneSource benefits expand

Eligibility extends to veterans, families for full year after separation

By DOD NewsDEFENSE MEDIA ACTIVITY

WASHINGTON — Eligibility for Military OneSource benefits has been extended from the current 180 days to 365 days after separation or retirement from military service to ensure all service members and families have access to comprehensive support as they transition to civilian life, Defense Department officials announced Aug. 13.

This change goes into effect immediately, in accordance with the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2019 that President Donald J. Trump signed Monday.

Military OneSource provides information, resources and support for active-duty, National Guard and Reserve service members, their families and survivors. Provided at no cost, Military OneSource gives exclusive access to programs, tools and benefits designed to help ensure service members and their families are mission-ready and able to thrive in both their military and post-military lives.

"Each person is unique, and so is each military-to-civilian transition," said. A.T. Johnston, deputy assistant secretary of defense for military community and family policy. "We want all of Military OneSource's resources to be there when someone needs them — whether it is a day, a week or many months after their transition to civilian life."

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"Military OneSource is powered by people with extensive knowledge and training in meeting the needs



Staff Sgt. Shane Klestinski | U.S. ARMY

Spc. Alexander Rowland greets his wife and daughter at Jacksonville International Airport near Jacksonville, Florida, on April 29, 2017, after returning from a deployment. The DOD announced on Aug. 13, that eligibility for Military OneSource benefits for service members and their families has been extended from the current 180 days to 365 days after separation or retirement from military service.

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of our military community, many of whom have also served or lived in military families," said Lee Kelley, program director of the Nonmedical Counseling Program Office within military community and family pol-

icy. "We're dedicated to providing

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and information to our service mem-

bers and their families to help them

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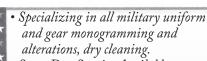
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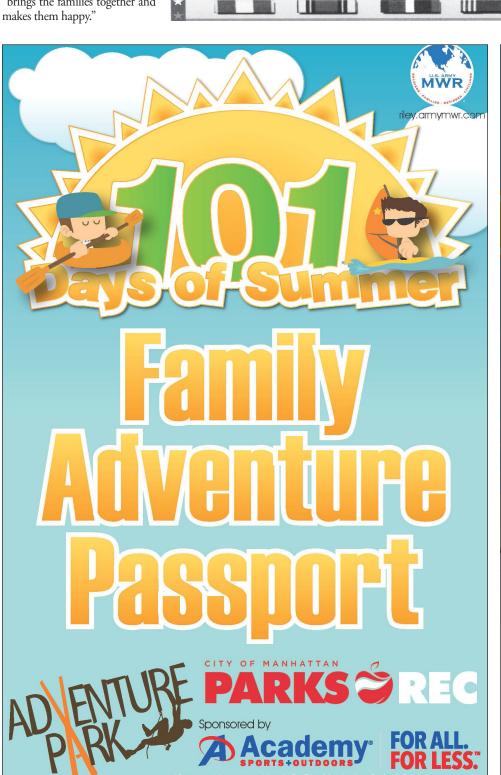
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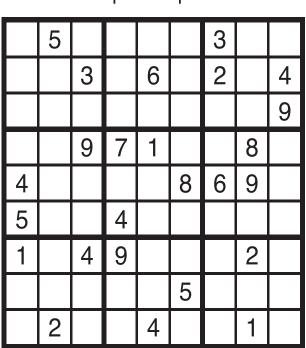
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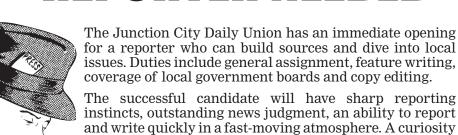
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Catch a glimpse of simpler times with a visit to Yoder

By Téa Sambuco 1ST INF. DIV. POST

In 1963 a traveling salesman for Wholesale Hardware purchased the Yoder Hardware and Lumber store, in Yoder, Kansas. He brought his family, including his 9-year-old son, Rod Fry. Swearing he would never return, Rod Fry went off to college. After graduation, his father underwent major surgery and the young Fry returned to help his father run the store. In 1990, Fry bought his father's store and has been managing the Yoder Hardware and Lumber store, full time, for 43 years.

"I love it here. I love the community," Fry said. "Everybody knows everybody, and everybody helps everybody."

With its Amish and Mennonite history, Yoder may not fit the description of a typical Kansas town.

"There are a lot of shops here that fit Yoder," Fry said. "The meat store caters to some tourism on specialty meats, such as bison. The furniture store has Amish- and Mennonite-made furniture and then little shops in the area carry similar products like that."

The Yoder Hardware and Lumber store demonstrated a wealth of local products.

"We carry some off the wall things such as oil lamps, all the parts of the oil lamps, the

old crockery," Fry said. "We also keep all of the old Radio Flyer toys and

things like that. I have people come in here repeatedly just because they enjoy the laidback slow pace."

For those who are not in the mood to shop, the town has several homestyle restaurants in which to indulge. "I would call it basic farm

food," Fry said "It's the old meat and potatoes, comfort food, and pies. A lot of the restaurants' meats come from our local Yoder meats — Non-GMO, non-hormon-

al, all home-

"We have another restaurant at the end of the block here, Bullseye Grill. They have ice cream, milkshakes, sundaes, as well as hamburgers, sandwiches and salads. They have great hamburgers, even a build your own burger option. Then at Yoder meats, they have a deli open at noon. I tell everyone, it's a town of 40 people and we have at least three to four places you can eat, so you know what we like to do."

YODER HISTORY

According to Fry, while the township of Yoder is home to

1,200 to 1,400 people, the town of Yoder only has 40 residents. The township has grown considerably since its beginnings.

"Eli Yoder, from Pennsylvania, came here in 1886 following the railroads arrival to the area," Fry said. "I don't know why he happened to pick this particular spot, but he came out here and thought, 'Railroads run through here? This is a great place to start a town.'

They put a depot along the railroad tracks and he started a general store. The post office actually moved in here in 1889, so that's our centennial date. Sometime in the late 1890s, another man came into town and took over for him — A. M. Swit-

stores to come here."

Eli Yoder had grown up Amish in Pennsylvania but chose to leave the Amish faith after arriving in Kansas. This did not stop either the Amish or the Mennonites from making Yoder

zer. At that time, he (Swit-

zer) plotted the town bigger

and he encouraged more

their new homes.

"The Amish back east were looking for inexpensive and fertile land to farm, so they came here in the 1880s and 90s," Fry said. "My grandfather came here at 6 years old from northern Indiana with his family and they started farming here outside of town. That's how the Amish got started here. The Mennonites also came a little bit later because it was not only good, fertile land, but it was fairly

inexpensive because at that time it was in the middle of nowhere. Wichita was a cow town. Land was cheap, and it was black fertile ground."

YODER TOURISM

Fry said a larger tourism presence came much later, specifically during the Y2K scare when people feared their com-

> puters would crash when the date changed to Jan. 1, 2000. "Being

an Amish community, we sold a lot of non-electric, non-computerized items, and things went crazy" Fry said. "We were selling oil lamps by the

crazy" Fry said. "We were selling oil lamps by the dozen, along with wicks, oil, hand pumps, galvanized tubs and wash boards. People were really scared that something bad was going to happen and they were stocking up. That was the big crescendo. That's how people really got to

know the community.

"We had people coming from all over to Yoder because they figured they could find things here that they couldn't find anywhere else. Which was true. After that, the tourism really took off. We actually get

HERITAGE DAY

bus tours through here."

Yoder also has an annual Heritage Day festival to celebrate its history.

"We got started with that in 1989," Fry said. "All of a sudden, we decided we should do something for our centennial. So, we had a centennial celebration in 1989. It was a big two-day affair. Around 10,000 people show up in

Téa Sambuco | POST in attractions can

Top, bottom: A visit to Yoder's main attractions can introduce visitors to a bit of the history and culture of the Amish Community. Above, inset: While in town, a stop at the Yoder Hardware and Lumber Store can result in finding a few unique items and possibly a chance to visit with Rod Fry, resident historian of Yoder history and owner of the store, which his father started in 1963.

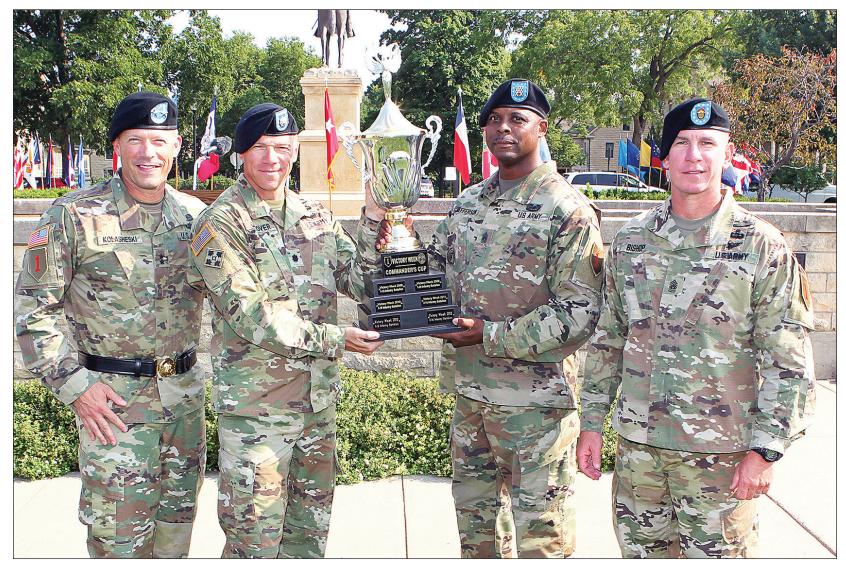
this town for our celebration. It was a one-time, we were done. We were all beat — whooped, and we quit. Next year, people go, 'Why don't we do that again?' Now it's grown to where we have our Yoder Heritage on the fourth Saturday of August ever year. The parade is the crescendo of the day, and the sheriff's department says we are estimating 7,000 to 8,000 people every year."

According to the brochure acquired at Yoder, this year's Heritage Day will take place on Aug. 25. The kick-off event will be an all-you-can-eat pancake and sausage breakfast at 6 a.m. and will be followed by buggy races at 11:45 a.m. A dog agility demonstration will be held at 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

There will also be a parade at 10:30 a.m. followed by horse events for the rest of the afternoon.

A farm and antique tractor pull, as well as a quilt auction will happen 1 p.m. and the festivities will end with music and fireworks.





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Lt. Col. Drew Conover, center left, and Command Sgt. Maj. Eric Jefferson, center right, 1st Battalion 16th Infantry Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, hold the Victory Week Commander's Cup after it was presented by Maj. Gen. John Kolasheski, left, 1st Inf. Div. and Fort Riley, commanding general, and Command Sgt. Maj. Craig Bishop, 1st Inf. Div., senior noncommissioned officer, prior to the Division Review Aug. 10 on the Cavalry Parade Field.

A Toast To Victory

Division's next century of service begins with Victory Week 2018

By J. Parker Roberts 1ST INF. DIV. PUBLIC AFFAIRS

elebrating the start of the 1st Infantry Division's second century of service, the "Big Red One" hosted its annual Victory Week Aug. 6 to 10 at Fort Riley.

Featuring sporting events and ceremonies designed to promote camaraderie and esprit de corps, Victory Week celebrated the division's 101st birthday and the 100th anniversary of the

THIS YEAR'S WINNER

1st Battalion, 16th Infantry Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, takes home the 2018 Commander's Cup. Battle of Cantigny, where Big Red One Soldiers produced America's first victory of World War I. Soldiers from across Fort Riley competed in nine sports to earn the Commander's

Cup, with the 1st Battalion, 16th Infantry Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Inf. Div., taking the cup home this year.

"I'm extremely proud," said Lt. Col. Drew Conover, commander of the 1st Bn., 16th Inf. Regt., of his team of "Iron Rangers." "Our battalion has a really proud history ... they have a history of success, and I think it's very, very important to continue to succeed wherever we can. So whenever there's a competition, we're competing as hard as we can to succeed as a battalion."

The Iron Rangers took first place in the Warrior Competition and Danger Dash and earned additional points in the basketball, combatives and water "BROlo" events. Other Victory Week sports included flag football, softball, soccer and volleyball.

"We've been practicing for a couple weeks now, and I've heard from some of our teams that it's the highest morale they've had," Conover said. "Going forward, we're looking at ways to incorporate that into our regular weekly routines. We're going to keep it going, I think."

Victory Week began Aug. 6 with the Division Run on Fort Riley's Custer Hill, where all available service members on post followed

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Command Sgt. Maj. Craig A. Bishop, left, 1st Infantry Division senior noncommissioned officer, and Maj. Gen. John S. Kolasheski, 1st Inf. Div. and Fort Riley commanding general, render a salute after placing a wreath in Victory Park Aug. 6 in honor of service members attached to the division who died in combat during the Global War on Terrorism.

Victory Park wreath-laying ceremony honors those paying 'ultimate sacrifice'

By Chad L. Simon 1ST INF. DIV. PUBLIC AFFAIRS

The 1st Infantry Division held a wreath-laying ceremony on the first day of Victory Week 2018 in Victory Park, Aug. 6. The ceremony honored all Soldiers and service members who died during combat operations while under the division's command since the beginning of the Global War on Terrorism.

"We have to take time to remember those that paid the ulti-

mate sacrifice," said Command Sgt. Maj. Craig Bishop, 1st Inf. Div. senior noncommissioned officer. "It is also very, very fitting that as we go into a week of celebrating 101 years of the First Division that we take a moment for those that paid the ultimate sacrifice and essentially paved the way for where we stand, the freedoms that we enjoy today."

While Victory Week features sporting events and other team-building activities, several ceremonies are held to remind attendees about the history and sacrifices of Soldiers that are no longer here.

"It is extremely important, not only to celebrate the division, but it also builds esprit de corps and a sense of camaraderie across the division — the most storied division in the Unites States Army," Bishop said. "It is extremely important and fitting that once a year we take a slight pause and we celebrate with each other this storied and historical division."

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Victory Celebration sets tone for '18 Victory Week

Concert, food and party activities provide fun for Fort Riley community

By Téa Sambuco 1ST INF. DIV. POST

ort Riley celebrated the 1st Infantry Division's 101st birthday with the Victory Celebration Aug. 4 at Riley's Conference Center. The celebration was fun for the whole family with bounce houses and games for the kids and a beer tent and concert for the adults

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 For more coverage from Victory Week 2018 and accompanying events during the period, visit the 1st Infantry Division and Fort Riley Facebook pages at www. facebook.com/lstInfantryDivision/ and www.facebook.com/ FortRiley/

"We are celebrating the kickoff of Victory Week with the Fort Riley community," said Taylor Ferrarin, Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation special events coordinator. "We're having a concert with some local bands, like the 1st Inf. Div. Rock Band. Then we'll have Drunken Roots, another local band,

and Bootleg Mercy, who is finishing up the night for us. We've got some carnival games out here for everyone to enjoy as well as some inflatable bounce houses ... our food and beverage people went out and spoke with Tallgrass, so we have some local

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Téa Sambuco | POS

Game participants attempt to win bottles of soda during the ring toss game Aug. 4 at Victory Celebration at Riley's Conference Center.

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VICTORY CUP RESULTS

OVERALL WINNERS

- 1. 1st Battalion, 16th Infantry Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team: 10 points
- 2. 1st Battalion, 18th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team: 8 points
- 3. 97th Military Police Battalion: 5 points / 2nd Battalion, 70th Armor Regiment, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team: 5 points



BASKETBALL

- 1. Special Troops Battalion, 1st Infantry Division Sustainment Brigade
- 2. 1st Bn., 16th Inf. Regt., 1st ABCT 3. 1st Battalion, 5th
- Field Artillery Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team / 1st Battalion, 7th Field Artillery Regiment, 2nd ABCT



COMBATIVES

- 1. 97th MP Bn.: 152
- 2. 1st Bn., 18th Inf. Regt., 2nd ABCT: 129
- points **3.** 1st Bn., 16th Inf. Regt., 1st ABCT: 123



DANGER'S DASH

- 1. 1st Bn., 16th Inf. Regt., 1st ABCT
- 2. 1st Bn., 18th Inf. Regt., 2nd ABCT
- 3. 1st Battalion, 63rd Armor Regiment, 2nd **ABCT**



FLAG FOOTBALL

- 1. 3rd Battalion, 66th Armor Regiment, 1st
- ABCT 2. 97th MP Bn.
- 3. 601st Aviation Support Battalion, 1st Combat Aviation Brigade







Two teams of service members from Fort Riley face off Aug. 8 during the Victory Week 2018 soccer tournament at Colyer Park. history and legacy. Each tournament earned the service members' battalion-sized unit points toward the Commander's Cup, which



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A receiver for the 97th Military Police Battalion eludes a defender from 3rd Battalion, 66th Armor Regiment, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, during the championship flag football game Aug. 8. during Victory Week 2018 at Fort Riley.



Chad L. Simon | 1ST INF. DIV. PUBLIC AFFAIRS A Soldier attempts to spike the ball past a defender at the net during a semifinal volleyball match Aug. 8 during



"Rescue Randy" to safety Aug. 6 during the Victory Week 2018 Warrior Competition.

left, and Pfc.

Derek Matal

Victory Week 2018 at Fort Riley.



Chief Warrant Officer 3 Jeffrey Kennedy | 1ST ABCT



Chad L. Simon | 1ST INF. DIV. PUBLIC AFFAIRS A team of Soldiers from 1st Battalion, 18th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, descend the weaver obstacle Aug. 7 during the Danger Dash Competition as part of Victory Week 2018 at Fort Riley.



Chad L. Simon | 1ST INF. DIV. PUBLIC AFFAIRS A cadet from the United States Military Academy hauls in a catch for a touchdown for the 3rd Battalion, 66th Armor Regiment, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, Aug. 8 during the flag football championship game of Victory Week 2018 at Fort Riley.

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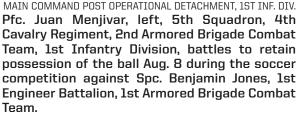


Sgt. Anna Pongo | MAIN COMMAND POST OPERATIONAL DETACHMENT, 1ST INF. DIV.

Soccer was one of nine sporting events held during this year's Victory Week, an annual celebration of the 1st Infantry Division's h was awarded Aug. 10 on Cavalry Parade Field before the Division Review ceremony.



Sgt. Anna Pongo MAIN COMMAND POST OPERATIONAL DETACHMENT, 1ST INF. DIV.





Staff Sgt. Heidi McClintock | MAIN COMMAND POST OPERATIONAL DETACHMENT, 1ST INF. DIV. First Lt. Daniel Lasche, a platoon leader with Company A, 1st Battalion, 5th Field Artillery Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, spikes the ball during a volleyball match determining which team went to the championship game of the Victory Week volleyball tournament at Fort Riley, Aug. 8. Lasche's team, 1st Bn., 5th FA Regt., won the match and placed second overall in the volleyball tournament.



Sgt. Elizabeth Jones | 19TH PUBLIC AFFAIRS DETACHMENT

Staff Sgt. Kevin Brown, a combat engineer with the 82nd Brigade Engineer Battalion, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, pitches for his team at the softball tournament during Victory Week at Fort Riley Aug. 7. Brown and fellow teammates took home first place in the tournament.



Sgt. Michael C. Roach | 19TH PUBLIC AFFAIRS DETACHMENT First Lt. Samuel Lombardo, 97th Military Police Battalion, prepares to strike while on top of his opponent during the third day of combatives competitions held to celebrate Victory Week on Fort Riley, Aug. 8. Lombardo went on to take third place in the light-heavy weight class after three days of competition.



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A player drives the lane in an attempt for a layup as several defenders collapse on him during a basketball game Aug. 7 at Whitside Fitness Center during Victory Week 2018 at Fort Riley.

VICTORY CUP RESULTS



SOCCER

- 1. 299th Brigade Support Battalion, 2nd ABCT
- 2. 1st Engineer
- Battalion, 1st ABCT **3.** 5th Squadron, 4th Cavalry Regiment, 2nd ABCT



SOFTBALL

- 1. 82nd Brigade Engineer Battalion, 2nd ABCT
- 2. 2nd Battalion, 70th Armor Regiment, 2nd
- 3. 1st Bn., 7th FA Regt., 2nd ABCT



VOLLEYBALL

- 1. 2nd Battalion, 34th Armor Regiment, 1st **ABCT**
- 2. 1st Bn., 5th FA Regt., 1st ABCT
- 3.82nd BEB, 2nd ABCT



WARRIOR COMPETITION

- 1. 1st Bn., 16th Inf. Regt., 1st ABCT
- 2. 1st Bn., 18th Inf.
- Regt., 2nd ABCT 3. 3rd Battalion, 66th Armor Regiment, 1st **ABCT**



WATER BROLO

- 1. 2nd Bn., 70th AR, 2nd **ABCT**
- 2. 1st Bn., 18th Inf. Regt., 2nd ABCT
- **3.** 1st Bn., 16th Inf. Regt., 1st ABCT / 5th Sqdn., 4th Cav. Regt., 2nd ABCT

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Members of the 1st Infantry Division command staff lead the way during the Victory Run to kickoff Victory Week 2018 on Fort Riley, Aug. 6.

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"There is no limit to what this organization can and will accomplish."

MAJ. GEN. JOHN S. KOLASHESKI 1ST INF. DIV. AND FORT RILEY COMMANDING GENERAL

Maj. Gen. John S. Kolasheski, 1st Inf. Div. and Fort Riley commanding general, and other Big Red One leaders on the early morning run. Other events from the week included the Victory Park Wreath-Laying Ceremony, Commander and Command Sergeant Major Annual Softball Classic, Victory Celebration, Combined Regimental Lineage ceremony and more.

The week ended Aug. 10 with the presentation of the Commander's Cup and a Division Review ceremony, where 28 Army recruits took the Oath of Enlistment.

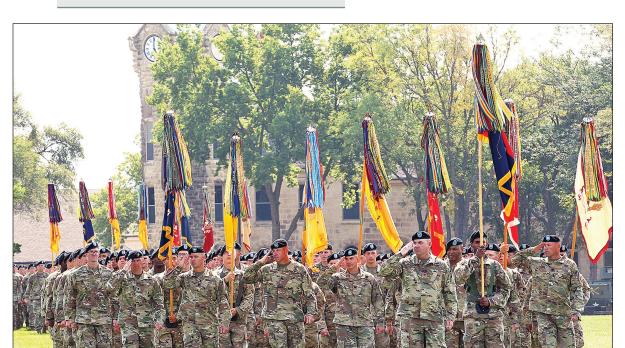
"These future Soldiers come from across Kansas and the Flint Hills region, and will be shipping out to basic training over the next few months," Kolasheski said during the ceremony. "We had an Army before we had a country. Even in those early days, the oath was an important part of joining the Army. It was a public statement declaring oneself in support of the nascent United States."

Kolasheski said this oath was unique in that it was to an idea — the U.S. Constitution — and that it remains the core of the oath today.

"We don't swear to a king, a queen or a general or the Army itself," the commanding general said. "We don't swear to a parliament or a party. We swear an oath to support and defend the Constitution of the United States, a document that codifies the idea that all men and women are equal."

Of the recruits who took the oath on Fort Riley's Cavalry Parade Field, at least two are spouses of 1st Inf. Div. Soldiers, and at least one was a referral from a 1st Combat Aviation Brigade, 1st Inf. Div., Soldier who recently completed the Special Recruiter Assistance Program.

"Today we see the culmination of a tremendous week where we focused on the history of the organization of which we are a part and the community in which we live," Kolasheski said. "There is no limit to what this organization can and will accomplish. America's First Division will have no problem setting the standard for others to emulate for the next 100 years."



Chad L. Simon | 1ST INF. DIV. PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Soldiers of the 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, render salutes as they march past Maj. Gen. John Kolasheski (not shown), 1st Inf. Div. and Fort Riley commanding general, during the Division Review ceremony held on the Cavalry Parade Field Aug. 10 during Victory Week 2018, Fort Riley.



Sgt. Michael C. Roach | 19TH PUBLIC AFFAIRS DETACHMENT



Kimberly Green | POST

FAR LEFT: Opponents tumble during the third day of combatives competitions at Fort Riley, Aug. 8. LEFT: Second Lt. Cutis Ege, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Squadron, 4th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, defends his team's goal from 97th Military Police Battalion's attack during Water BROlo Aug. 6.

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No memorial pavers — stones bearing the name of a fallen service member who died in combat while serving with the "Big Red One" — were placed in Victory Park this year, but some families were on hand as invited guests of Maj. Gen. John S. Kolasheski, 1st Inf. Div. and Fort Riley commanding general.

Randy and Keely Frank — Gold Star parents from Hillsboro, Kansas were in attendance and visited the memorial paver placed in honor of their son, Sgt. Kevin Gilbertson.

"We continue to come and visit with him, as we do at home," Randy Frank said. "As a Soldier myself, I have the utmost respect. Kevin did what we all would do for our country. He went out and fought, and gave it his all.

"He is definitely my hero and a lot of peoples' hero. These are the true heroes. If you are telling a story to your children or your grandchildren about true heroes, they need to see this. It's not what you see on TV — here are your heroes."

Bishop said the ceremony allowed for current Big Red One Soldiers to remember that their jobs are inherently dangerous and to meditate on exactly what their profession is and how important it is to reflect as well on the associated dangers and the cost of service to this great nation.

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Tallgrass beer. We also have some Liquid Arts cider available and then Wichita Brewing Company as well."

While the 1st Infantry Division's birthday is in June, Ferrarin said the reason the celebration was in August for the second year in a row is "so we have the most Soldiers back home as possible. Victory Celebration is really about getting people pumped to go out there and play sports or cheer on their fellow Soldiers"

Soldiers."

The DFMWR staff members, volunteers and a Soldier detail kept the celebration running smoothly. The Fort Riley Emergency Management Services, firetrucks and police officers were also

there to keep the fast-growing crowd

"My favorite part is getting the local bands out here," Ferrarin said. "The local community loves to support Fort Riley, and for them to have a chance to come out here and play for the Soldiers — I think they really like that."

Sgt. 1st Class Kris Hitchman, 1st Infantry Division Band, served as the temporary lead singer and full-time bass player for the 1st Infantry Division

Band's rock group, Thunderstruck.

"I think it's going to be great," Hitchman said. "It's a nice day and ... we've got food, a bounce house, and it's getting more and more crowded now. The bands

— I've listened to them a little bit and they sounded good."

"It was a lot of fun," Hitchman said. "It's always great playing with these guys. To be in the Army and get to play rock and roll—it's pretty cool. People enjoy it and it's a good job."

Many of Thunderstruck's members returned from deployment in June.

"I wasn't with them, but they performed all over Kuwait and Iraq," Hitchman said. "Usually, Thunderstruck does anywhere from

50 to 60 missions, or performances, a year."
While the concert was one of the highlights of the celebration, the games and bounce houses were also enjoyed by children and adults.

"We have the football throw, the ring toss, the ping pong ball toss and the baseball milk jug toss. There's a little bit for everybody," said Bailey Rodarte, DFMWR associate.

It was \$1 per ticket to play the games and the tickets purchased allowed access to all of the games as well as the numerous bounce houses.

"We want to entertain the kids and let them have a great time with being in an Army family," Rodarte said. "It wears them out and they have fun. It's also great for morale. With this being the kickoff for Victory Week, the celebration kind of sets the pace and mood for an awesome week of sports and family fun."