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Honoring Black and Women's Contributions



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COVER PHOTO: British soldiers and the Royal Air Force conducting High Level, Low Opening (HALO) jumps from a C-130 at Schoonover Army Airfield, Jan. 12, 2021. After the jumps, the C-130 landed on the dirt runway to pick them up for more sorties. They appreciate being able to train year-round at FHL due its favorable weather. (Photo by Cindy McIntyre, PAO)

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www.home.army.mil/liggett
www.home.army.mil/parks
www.dvidshub.net/unit/FHL-PAO
www.facebook.com/FortHunterLiggett

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Greetings Team Fort Hunter Liggett and Parks Reserve Forces Training Area!

How time flies when you're having fun - it's hard to believe that this will be my final message to you as the garrison commander. We have accomplished a lot in the last two years and it has been an honor to serve among dedicated professionals.

One of the major hurdles we have managed together as a team is COVID-19. As in many other areas, our garrison led the way in providing the Army and Army Reserve with the blueprint to get vaccines to the Reserve community.

Big kudos to Ralph Blatz for working tirelessly on the garrison COVID-19 vaccine plan and coordinating with Presidio of Monterey to administer the shots. We provided vaccines to our garrison workforce, residents and family members in March and April, as well as the 63rd Readiness Division command team. Also kudos to Charlemagne Tertulien for going above-and-beyond to get his FMWR employees vaccines through Mee Memorial Hospital. Remember, although the vaccine is not mandatory, it is highly encouraged.

I'm also excited to recognize our first Garrison Employee of the Year: Lori Fash. She epitomizes the Army values and the values of the Army Civilian's Creed. Congratulations

Lori and thank you for your superior service. Congratulations also goes to Stephanie Sonnier with DHR, as the FY21 1Q Employee of the Quarter.

Our 80th Anniversary Open House on May 15 was a huge success due to the whole FHL community working together. Thanks to Maj. Chris Lauff and Amy Phillips for spearheading the important celebration, and the working group for making this a success. Thanks also to the many community partners for supporting our event, especially the Estrella Warbird Museum from Paso Robles. I hope you had the opportunity to see the Betsy's Biscuit Bomber landing at Schoonover Airstrip and the historical Army vehicles they showcased. If you haven't visited the museum, it is definitely worth your time. The Summer issue

We're coming up to the busiest training season with the Army Reserve's Combat Support Training Exercise (CSTX) and the National Guard's Exportable Combat Training Capabilities Exercise (XCTC), so be prepared for an increased OPTEMPO. We will also be co-hosting a Boss Lift with the Employer Soldier Guard Reserve (ESGR) Program on June 12. ESGR will fly employers of Reserve Soldiers from Moffett Field to FHL to observe



Garrison Commander
Col. Charles R. Bell

training and get a sense of what it is like to be a Soldier. Help spread the word to organizations that employ Soldiers - the event flyer is on both installations' websites. Contact the FHL and PRFTA PAOs if you have questions.

On June 30, I will pass this command to Col. Lisa Lamb during the Change of Command Ceremony. I know you will welcome her and work together, as you have with me, to continue the excellent garrison legacy. Know that everything you do has contributed to this legacy. Our accomplishments earned us the opportunity to provide a virtual tour to showcase our sustainability accomplishments and projects to the White House.

It has been an honor and privilege to have gotten to know you, and work alongside you.

COYOTE STRONG!



Watch video of Lt. Gen. Daniels discuss zero tolerance of extremism and treating everyone with dignity and respect.

<https://fb.watch/4bsqu1lO49/>

BE STRENGTH AND BE STRENGTHENED

By Chaplain (Maj.) Brian Eastham
FHL Family Life Chaplain

Connection and community are important. Yet sometimes broken trust causes us to limit our connection to others. This can be thought of as an island approach. An island is isolated, alone, and only has the minimum interaction with the outside world necessary to survive.

For a description of this analogy, I point to the Simon & Garfunkel song "I Am a Rock." The mood of this song is depressed, full of angst, distrust. The focus is on the problems that relationships bring. This verse captures the theme of the song:

I've built walls
A fortress deep and mighty
that none may penetrate
I have no need of friendship
Friendship causes pain
It's laughter and it's loving
I disdain
I am a rock
I am an island

Someone that adopts this approach to community believes that the cons of friendship outweigh the pros and they are

better off a loner. They see connection as unnecessary because of their own immense personal strength.

In contrast to the island metaphor, there is that of the aspen grove. Aspens are unique because there is more to a grove of aspens than what we see above ground. Below the surface, all of the aspens in a grove are connected in the root system. An aspen grove is considered one living organism because of the interconnectedness of the roots.

This picture of connection highlights a couple important points. First, when a person is benefiting from good, healthy connections, one's own personal resilience is only part of the picture. The strength of the broader community is there to draw on as well. The second point is that some days you are not the one that is suffering, but you are there to lend your roots to someone else. Your strength and connection to vital resources are what someone else needs.

When you consider the competing word pictures of that of the island and that of the aspen grove, I ask you to be like an aspen grove. Plug in to the root system of a community. Be strength and be strengthened.

YOU ARE NOT ALONE

Resources available to you:

FHL Chaplain
(24 hrs): 831-718-7597

PRFTA Chaplain
(24 hrs): 925-605-8261

Army Emergency Relief:
831-718-7628

Employee Assistance
Program/Army Substance Abuse
Program: 831-386-2727

Family & Victim Advocacy:
831-236-7881

Simon and Garfunkel, "I Am a Rock," recorded December 1965, on Sound of Silence, Columbia.
<https://www.nationalforests.org/blog/tree-profile-aspen-so-much-more-than-a-tree>



NEW LEADERSHIP, SAME TIME-HONORED SERVICE AT 91ST TRAINING DIVISION

By Maj. Darryl Beatty, 91st TD PAO

The storied history of 91st Training Division added a new chapter on September 17, 2020 as Brigadier General Patricia R. Wallace became the division's first woman and African American commanding general. She holds the title with pride, reflecting on the long line of officers who have commanded the division before her.

"There have been many exceptional leaders prior to me," said Wallace. "I strive to lead in a manner that honors their legacy and advances the 91st capability to provide warfighters to win American's wars."

The decision to join the military was greatly influenced by the support of her parents; her mother, Helen, and her father, William, a Vietnam veteran. "He inspired me to want to serve," says Wallace about her father, retired Navy Master Chief Petty Officer William Harper, who demonstrated to his daughter that joining the Armed Services benefits not only yourself, but your community and the nation.

Wallace's motivation to serve started with looking to improve herself though education, moved in to fostering and enjoying the camaraderie of others, and finally giving back to the profession

while honoring her family which has sacrificed and shared in her success.

Engaging with Soldiers about the advantage, purpose and value of diversity and inclusion programs in the Army is important to Wallace. "The current diversity and inclusion efforts reaffirm and support my belief in this great institution which I have dedicated 33 years of my life," reflects Wallace. "I am proud of how the Army is responding; we are not perfect, but we strive to be."

Wallace believes that embracing diversity and inclusion initiatives supports the Army's People First priority. These programs improve recruitment efforts, mentoring and retaining women and minority soldiers, and ensure that the Army gets the best possible effort from every Soldier.

Her example of leadership has inspired others- particularly women and minorities- to answer the call to serve. As a general officer, Wallace advocates paying it forward by mentoring leaders at all levels. She encourages leaders to remember the four tenants of leadership; inspire trust, clarify purpose, align systems and unleash talent.

"I'm honored to be a part of something bigger than myself- to give back and pay homage to dedicated leaders who came before me."

Women's History Month



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*Brigadier General Patricia R. Wallace
91st Training Division Commanding General*

ARE THE COVID-19 VACCINES SAFE?



WATCH VIDEO OF U.S. ARMY RESERVE COMMAND SURGEON COL. KATE FLOCKE DISCUSS VACCINE SAFETY AND ANSWER SOME FAQs

<https://fb.watch/4bs7VmAOjp/>



IN THE SPOTLIGHT

FHL/PRFTA EMPLOYEE-SOLDIER RECOGNITION/AWARDS

CONGRATULATIONS

to the garrison employees recognized during the FY21 1st Quarter Workforce Awards ceremony, March 11. The ceremony was held in the old Fire Station (Tin Barn) March 11, 2021.

(Photos by Bryan Lee, DFMWR)



2020 EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR Lori Fash, DPTMS



2021 EMPLOYEE OF THE 1st QTR

Stephanie Sonnier, RMO

Army Commendation Medal
1st Sgt. Clinton Unger, HHC

Army Achievement Medal
Staff Sgt. Derek Gress, HHC
Sgt. Joseph Moliga, HHC

Civilian Service Achievement Medal
Pamela Duke, DHR
Ralph Blatz, DPTMS
Shylon Green, DPTMS
Blake McSorley, DPTMS

Certificates of Achievement & Commander's Coin
Renee Grant, DHR
Carol Lange, DHR
Brittney Ortega, DHR

On the Spot Awards (all DPW):
Amalio Gamboa
Bernardo Martinez
Otha Nolley
Felix Pena
Jeffrey Plaskett
Robert Whitney
Robert Ellebracht
Michael Portz

Length of Service Awards
45 Years of Service:
Natividad Littlefield, RMO

35 Years of Service:
Jesus Castillo, DPTMS

30 Years of Service:
Brian Lucid, RMO

20 Years of Service:
Merilee Daniels, DFMWR
Ronald Garner, DFMWR
Waylon King, DPW

15 Years of Service:
Nicole Cecil, DES
Kenneth Johnson, DES
Gabriel Laso, DFMWR

10 Years of Service:
Kathy Escalera, DFMWR
Jesus Garcia, DFMWR
Adam Hangartner, DFMWR
Kyle Nehaus, DFMWR
Robert Pike, DPW
Christian Villa, DPW
Daniel Curtis, DES
Yeng Vang, DES



Naty Littlefield is an Army veteran and the USAG FHL/PRFTA Resource Management Officer

5 Years of Service (all DFMWR):
Katie Crisostomo
Annette Dayton
Wendy Espino
Garland Glbson
Meagan Henderson-Duitsman
Eduardo Hernandez
Gabriela Hernandez
John King
Chittaphone McMurtry
Duane Parker
Kayla Pina
Adrian Ramos
Anahi Silva-Medina
Yanette Silva-Medina
Lyndon Canonigo



FHL Police Chief Leonard Lovett retires after 35 years of civil service, 21 years in the Army Military Police Corps, which includes 11 years at FHL. He received an Army Civilian Service Commendation Medal from the garrison commander and a challenge coin from Ms. Brenda Lee McCullough, director of IMCOM-Readiness. (Photo by Amy Phillips, FHL PAO)



PRFTA law enforcement officer John Wolfe receives his 30-year government service recognition certificate and pin from PRFTA's Commander Lt. Col. Serena Johnson. Wolfe has served in PRFTA's security department for more than 10 years. (Photo by Jim O'Donnell, PRFTA PAO)



Sgt. Yahira Ocasio (L), and Sgt. 1st Class Stephanie Hendricks (R) received End of Tour recognition for their service at PRFTA. Ocasio and Hendricks both received the Army Commendation Medal during an awards ceremony, Jan. 14, 2021. Ocasio, a chaplain's assistant, supported PRFTA from 2017 to 2021.



Hendricks served at PRFTA from 2017 to 2021 in a number of support roles, including as the Department of the Army official photographer for PRFTA's Photo Lab as an additional duty. (Photos by Jim O'Donnell, PRFTA PAO)



(L-R) PRFTA NCOA Family Readiness Group members Christy Stoots and Maddie Stephenson, and NCOA Soldier Staff Sgt. Nanci Morse, graduated from the Master Resilience Course certifying them to train others on skills to improve resilience, and enhance mental and academic performance. (Photo by PRFTA NCOA)



Representatives for the top three Mardi Gras Parade entry winners accepted their trophies on behalf of their respective teams. The FHL Community Initiatives Group looks forward to hosting more community events to keep FHL engaged. (L-R) Garrison HHC 1st Sgt. Unger in his Scout uniform and with his little Scouts representing HHC/Scouts, Pfc. Eduardo Quero representing TTC-FHL, and Amy Phillips representing the Public Affairs Office. (Photos by Ivan Garcia, DFMWR)

SENIOR LEADER ENGAGEMENTS

USAG FHL Garrison Commander Col. Charles Bell spoke at the virtual King City State of the City Address attended by more than 50 participants, Jan. 20, 2021. Bell outlined his interest to continue community engagements with the city, provided an overview of the post's COVID-19 posture and training outlook. He also promoted some major events: May Anniversary Open House, June Boss Lift for employers of military reserve forces and the June Change of Command Ceremony. Mayor Mike LeBarre thanked FHL for support and looks forward to continued partnership opportunities. (Photo by Amy Phillips, FHL PAO)



Maj. Gen. Alberto Rosende, Commanding General of 63rd Readiness Division, attended his monthly Senior Commander's Update with the Col. Charles Bell and Lt. Col. Serena Johnson. He then participated in the FHL Quarterly Residential Town Hall held in front of the Hacienda. More than two dozen residents attended the meeting, which provided updates on the ArMA digital work order app, the new location of the Housing Office, and new housing personnel. (Photo by Lt. Col. Stephen Stanley)



USAG FHL Garrison Commander Col. Charles Bell and King City Mayor Mike LeBarre and his staff met virtually to discuss continued partnership in the King City Multimodal Transportation Hub. The Hub will include rail and bus services which will help reduce the Army's cost to transport Soldiers from airports as far away as San Jose and San Luis Obispo to train at FHL. The Hub recently received funding to execute Phase I, which allows construction of the facility platform. FHL staff is working with the city to provide input for the facility design to ensure the Army's requirements are incorporated. Mayor LeBarre thanked FHL for its endorsement during the project's early stage, which was a major factor in the city getting support and funding from Monterey County and other agencies.



The 102nd Training Division Command Team, Brig. Gen. Kokaska and Command Sgt. Maj. Bethurem, visited the TASS Training Center at FHL to tour its training facilities and engage with students, instructors, and staff members. Some key topics covered were prevention of extremism, suicide prevention, and SHARP. They also visited Training Area 10 to observe 12N10 (Horizontal Construction Engineer) training and review construction upgrades initiated by Naval Mobile Construction Battalion Five. (Photo by TTC-FHL)

STRONG PRFTA COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS



(Above) CAL FIRE visited PRFTA to provide helicopter familiarization and orientation training to PRFTA and Alameda County firefighters, Jan. 21, 2021. The visit was part of the strong partnership and friendship PRFTA shares with external emergency services partners in the neighboring communities. (Photo by Jim O'Donnell, PRFTA PAO)
(Right) PRFTA is working with the Army and the city of Dublin to refurbish and move the historic Camp Parks sign to the History Center. (Staff photo)



MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR PEGGY DEWITT



A memorial service for Peggy DeWitt was held in front of the FHL garrison headquarters Feb. 23, 2021, attended by her family, friends and co-workers. DeWitt was a 20-year employee at the Fort Hunter Liggett Logistics Readiness Center in the supply and services division, and other positions through the years. DeWitt put up a valiant battle with pulmonary hypertension and passed away on February 16, 2021, with her family by her side. We honor her service to FHL. Rest in peace.





FORT HUNTER LIGGETT CELEBRATES WITH AN OPEN HOUSE ON MAY 15

Learn more here: <https://home.army.mil/liggett/index.php/OpenHouse>

Next time you go for a walk on post or visit a site at Fort Hunter Liggett, think of the history that's all around you. There are monuments scattered across post, and many streets and buildings are named after heroes.

TUSI HELIPORT

Named after Chief Warrant Officer 2 Ronald Leroy Tusi, born 8/24/1937 in Sonoma County, California. Tusi was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for his heroic act on April 15, 1972 at An Loc, Vietnam. He flew his AH-1 Cobra providing air support against enemy forces, destroying four tanks, damaging a fifth, and forcing the enemy to withdraw. He died 8/07/1974 from a training accident when the AH-1G Cobra he was in struck a wire during the "Night Owl" exercise testing the first generation prototype Night Vision Goggles at Hunter Liggett Military Reservation. Learn more about him:

<http://www.vhpa.org/>, <http://www.quad-a.org/>



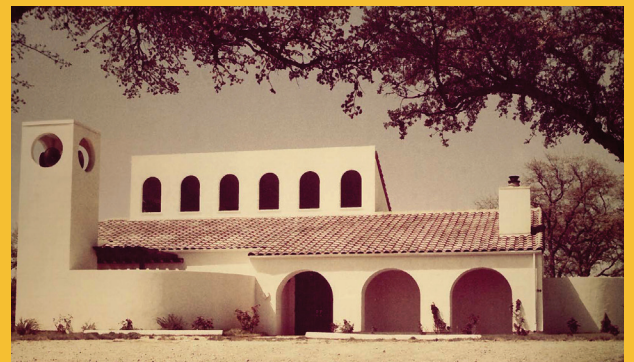
POST CHAPEL

Built in 1977, the chapel design by Salinas firm Bello, Foz and Kuska, and Corps of Engineers architect J. Stevens, who broke away from traditional military chapel architecture. Their design won the 1978 U.S. Army Chief of Engineers Design Award for its "timeless" and "restrained simplicity." There are beautiful multi-colored stained glass windows nearly 15' tall. In 2018, the chapel was dedicated as "The Lightfighter Chapel" in honor of the 7th Infantry Division which was stationed at Fort Ord, Monterey, and used FHL from the 1940s-1990s as their training grounds. The 1991 Base Realignment and Closure Act closed Fort Ord and the division moved to Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington. The 7th ID returned in 2018 for the Bayonet Focus exercise with more than 5,000 Soldiers. There is also a street on post named after the division.



NACIMIENTO-FERGUSSON ROAD MONUMENT

This monument located at "Charlie Gate" on Mission Road is dedicated to Vietnam War Veteran 1st Lt. Robert C.L. Fergusson who hailed from Monterey. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross (Posthumously) for extraordinary heroism during a search and destroy mission near Tam Ky on Oct. 8, 1967. He died on Nov. 8, 1967 due to the wounds and injuries suffered. His name is honored on Panel 29E, Row 49 of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. Learn more about him: <http://www.vvmf.org/Wall-of-Faces/15940/robert-c-fergusson>, http://www.homeofheroes.com/members/02_DSC/citaton/07_RVN-dsc/dsc_07RVN-armyE.html





A Congressional Proclamation to honor the anniversary was presented to FHL Garrison Commander Col. Charles Bell from Congressman Jimmy Panetta's office by his Chief of Staff Phil Deppert, Jan. 12. (Photo by Lt. Col. Stephen Stanley, FHL Deputy)

A GLIMPSE INTO A WWII SOLDIER'S LIFE

1944 letter of Soldier writing home from Hunter Liggett Military Reservation



FHL kicked off its 80th Anniversary celebration with a virtual event that included an **ANNIVERSARY VIDEO** (<https://go.usa.gov/xspuv>), historical presentation of pre-Army days to present, and special guest speaker Joan Steele from the Mission San Antonio, which is outside the cantonment area and has serviced the Army community and the Lockwood area through the years. Check out the **ANNIVERSARY INFOGRAPHIC** (<https://go.usa.gov/xAzSp>) that outlines the installation progression since its inception in 1941.

(102A)
Hunter Liggett
May 12, 1944

Dear Mom:

I received your package of May 6 yesterday. Everything has been consumed except the carton of cigarettes. Thanks a lot.

I should have wished you a happy Mother's Day in my last letter but I hope you will forgive my neglect when I tell you that I should be there in person a little over a week late. The 1st sgt. told me I have a 16 day furlough commencing the 19th of May. If everything goes all right I figure I should be in Manhattan three or four days later. Don't try to meet any train or wait up nights for me as I may lose a day getting to Roberts, or may be held up by a flood somewhere.

I'm going to ask the div. red cross representative ~~for~~ for advice on the quickest way to get from here to Kansas. A new order came down this evening prohibiting the extension of furloughs by issuing three day passes. I didn't sign for a pass last week because I hoped to get one just before my furlough went into effect and have three more

days at home, but that is the army. Calton just left after dropping by for a few minutes. It was the first time I'd seen him in almost two months. We were separated at the trig. regt. and he was placed in div. H.Q. as a clerk & typist.

It is getting dark now so I'd better close. There is nothing more to tell, that is nothing that won't keep until I get home anyway.

Love,
Dave

P.S. Don't go to any trouble fixing up my room or buying special food for me as I doubt if I can sleep in a bed after sleeping on the ground for two months or if I will ~~care~~ care for anything but sleep after living off it for the same length of time.

Submitted by Maj. Christopher Lauff,
Garrison HHC Commander

GARRISON HIGHLIGHTS



(Counterclockwise) The winter and spring months kept Public Works with pedal to the metal at both installations with facility repairs, renovations and demolishments, as well as rainstorm mitigations. January rainstorms closed all FHL low-water crossings and Del Venturi Road for several weeks due to flooding and mud slides. There were also road improvements throughout post. (Photo by FHL staff)

A vehicle ran into the PRFTA fenceline in February, but staff constructed a temporary repair in less than 24 hours to restore security integrity to the installation. (Photo by PRFTA staff)

Many old buildings at PRFTA were demolished to make way for future construction as part of the installation master plan.

PRFTA recently completed a land reclamation and remediation project involving heavy truck traffic which damaged some roads. PRFTA Commander Lt. Col. Serena Johnson and DPW staff did a site visit to discuss road repairs. (Photos by Jim O'Donnell, PRFTA PAO)

As part of the FHL garrison modernization plan, DPW completed the Building 297 renovations which will serve as a military police training facility. The building is designed to replicate the interior of a residence for MPs to practice raids, searches and other types of drills.

On Feb. 15, FHL Fire Station #2 officially became operational on Schoonover Airstrip which will be staffed 24/7 to support the airfield mission, and provide quicker support to areas further out from the cantonment area. (Photo by Blaise Turcotte, DES)

(Not pictured) The FHL Visitor Control Center on Mission Road reopened Feb. 1, after for almost a year due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Story by Sean Purciel,
USAG FHL Real Property Manager

THE FACILITY REDUCTION PROGRAM

The Facilities Reduction Program (FRP) provides a simplified process to respond to the federal government demolition requirement of excess facilities and the associated abatement of facility contaminants. The removal of excess facilities helps reduce energy and maintenance cost; eliminates safety hazards, nuisances, and unsightly structures; and frees up of valuable space for future development.

For those that are not familiar, if a facility has a Facility Condition Index 60 or below, then a planned programmed event is required. If a facility identified as failing through the Installation Status Report (ISR) inspection, then a mitigation plan is required.

Master Planners/Engineers develop a plan and provide it to the Real Property section so they can update the information in GFEBS (General Fund Enterprise Business System). Additionally, when a new Military Construction (MILCON) Project is

developed, a one-to-one demolition of facilities is supposed to occur. The FRP captures some of these facilities to be added to the demolition list.

A demolition list was approved by the garrison commander in 2018, and submitted to the Army Reserve's Facilities Reduction Program Coordinators. We received funding in 2020 to execute our demolition plan at both installations.

Circa 2021, after more than a year delay due to fires, the coronavirus, and other delays, Bahte Incorporated was contracted to demolish our FY19 FRP facilities. Fort Hunter Liggett was de-scoped from the project due to cost, but Parks Reserve Forces Training Area has substantially more facilities that could be demolished.

Some major facilities to be disposed at Parks are Building 300, 301, 302, 320 and 330. Also included in the demo, are many small and outdated range buildings built in the 1940s.



Photos by Saher Kabiri, PRFTA Public Works



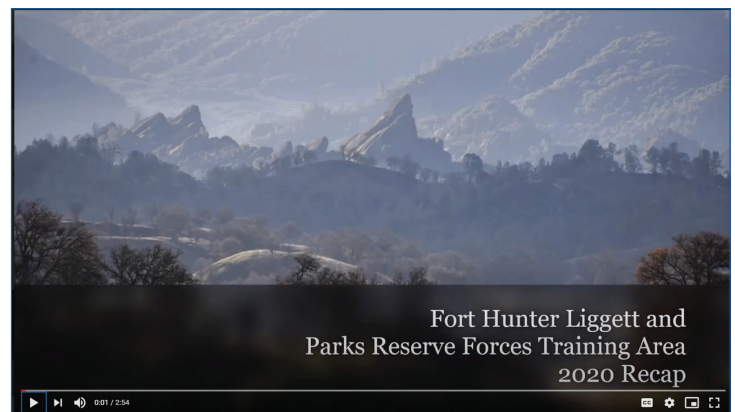
FELLOWS 2021 KICKS OFF



Fellows Cohort 2021, consisting of 10 Fellows and 10 Mentors from Fort Hunter Liggett and Parks Reserve Forces Training Area gathered at the FHL DES Building to attend the fourth annual Fellows Orientation, Jan. 20, 2021.

The Fellows Program is divided into six Leadership Training Sessions, Individual Assignments, Book Report and the importance of working hand in hand with their Mentors. A large portion of the orientation was geared toward the Team Project where participants identify a problem or challenge facing the installation which could obstruct mission goals and/or strategic positioning for the garrison. (Photo by Talia Wesley, DHR)

2020 RECAP VIDEO Check out video highlighting garrison activities as we started the year with normal operations, and how we continued operations during the COVID-19 pandemic to maintain services for troops and the garrison community.
<https://www.dvidshub.net/video/779801/2020-recap>



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

FEBRUARY



Alton Daniels is an Army veteran with Network Enterprise Center and Merrilee is the CYS division chef with their children on the left.

Learn more about them here:
<https://go.usa.gov/xsQSv>



FHL DFMWR Director
Charlemagne Tertulien



ECS-170 Military
Technician
Edward Stephenson



91st Training Division
Senior Human
Resources NCOIC
Master Sgt. Collins Nelson



PRFTA Senior Training
Instructor Stacey Brown

African American Soldiers and Army civilians play vital roles in today's Army and are critical members of our Army team.

Here are but a few serving at Fort Hunter Liggett and Parks Reserve Forces Training Area.



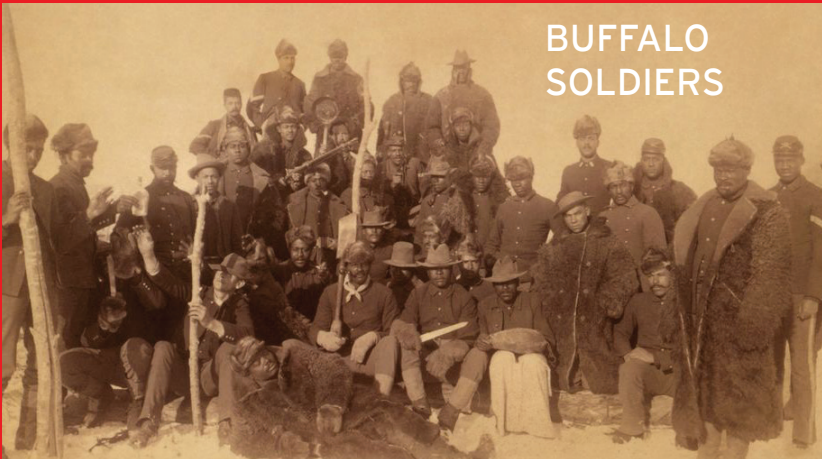
FHL Deputy Commander
Lt. Col. Stephen Stanley

View his speech on the
[FHL Facebook page](#)



PRFTA Commander
Lt. Col. Serena Johnson

BUFFALO SOLDIERS



This photo was taken at Fort Keogh in Montana, showing members of the 25th Infantry in 1890.

The 25th Infantry Buffalo Soldiers helped fight a three million acre wildfire at Glacier National Park in 1910, which was part of the "Big Burn" spanning across the Western U.S. and Canada. Years before the National Park Service was established in 1916, the Soldiers were some of the first park rangers preventing poaching; fighting wildfires; and building trails, roads, buildings, and bridges. It's said that Soldier Mountain, near Essex, is named for the Buffalo Soldiers who served so valiantly.

LEARN MORE: <https://www.nps.gov/subjects/buffalosoldiers>

PRFTA REFLECTS ON WHAT BLACK HISTORY MONTH MEANS TO THEM

Story and photos by
Jim O'Donnell, PRFTA PAO

Parks Reserve Forces Training Area, Dublin, Calif. – In February, Parks Reserve Forces Training Area (PRFTA) spotlighted several of its African American professionals during its virtual Black History Observance. These professionals were interviewed on the topic “What Black History Means to Me.”

Each February, the United States celebrates Black History Month to celebrate and remember achievements of African Americans throughout history. This observance is a time for all to reflect on the struggles of African Americans, and what they’ve achieved from the founding of our nation to where they are today.

“Black History means pride, progress and accomplishments,” said Joe Luke Jr., PRFTA Chief of Police.

“History hasn’t always been kind to African Americans obviously in the beginning, but I’m proud of the progress we’ve made,” he continued.

“When I was a kid, my grandmother would always take me to Woolworth and we would have lunch. No matter what was going on, we always had a reason to go sit at the counter... she always had a cup of coffee,” said Luke. “I didn’t realize its significance at the time as an African American to be able to sit at the counter.”

For Lisa Chilton, PRFTA’s RCI Military Housing Community Manager, Black History is a time for reflection. “It’s an opportunity to review how far we’ve progressed from “slave ships to the White House,” said Chilton. She added that it is a chance to help people learn about African American heritage, achievements and accomplishments that are often not taught in school. “Black History observance is a great opportunity to not only share with our children but also with other people,” said Chilton

Monique Lewis-Jones, Recreation Manager of PRFTA’s Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department, said she feels Black History Month is about sacrifice, strength, endurance and progress. “When I think about what my ancestors went through, and the path that they laid out so I can sit here today and talk about what Black History Month means to me, is a big blessing.”

PRFTA’s commander, Lt. Col. Serena Johnson, said, “Parks Reserve Forces Training Area is dedicated to ensuring equality and inclusion for all Soldiers, civilians and family members here at PRFTA. Celebrating and embracing diversity makes us a stronger force and community.”



PRFTA Police Chief Joe Luke



Lisa Chilton




Monique Lewis-Jones

COVID-19

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FHL Housing Manager
Jeannie Drayton



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Human Resources Specialist
Staff. Sgt. Kim Tiu



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WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

“The defense of our nation is a shared responsibility. Women have served in the defense of this land for years before our United States was born. They have contributed their talents, skills and courage to this endeavor for more than two centuries with an astounding record of achievement that stretches from Lexington and Concord to the Persian Gulf and beyond.”

Retired Gen. Gordon R. Sullivan
Chief of Staff of the Army, 1991-1995

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FHL Training Technician
Debbie King



FHL Supply NCO
Sgt. 1st Class
Marico Ashton



Teresa Mueller
Nurse at Medical Aid Station



The latest issue of Reserve & National Guard Magazine features a profile on Chief of Army Reserve Lt. Gen. Jody Daniels (shown here in hallway of Army Reserve headquarters) where she shares her career path, lessons in leadership, and what she hopes to accomplish in her role. Read more: <http://bit.ly/35GTkiT>



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Story and photo by
Amy Phillips, FHL Public Affairs

Good chow is not the only thing that easily boosts morale of troops – good living conditions helps them unwind after a tough day of training. Barracks renovations are part of the Fort Hunter Liggett strategic modernization efforts to support troop readiness.

The barracks at Fort Hunter Liggett were built in the 1970s, and like barracks across the country, are in need of repair and upgrades. Building 295 (originally a transient Soldiers barracks), has received special attention because it is designated for Soldiers attending the 80th Training Command's TASS Training Center. This requires it to be renovated to TRADOC standards requiring larger rooms and individual bathrooms.

"Building 295 is a \$18 million Full Facility Restoration (FFR) project," said Bob Sanders, the Directorate of Public Works (DPW) director. "That means we basically take out all the old and replace them with new items. Everything

from floors, ceiling, HVAC, and more."

Through the Army Installation Management Directorate (ARIMD) FFR program, aged facilities are brought up to modern construction code standards. The FHL FFR was approved in FY20 and is expected to be complete in 2023. New blast-proof windows have already been installed, and contractors are now gutting out the interior.

"A \$15 million renovation project has also been awarded for three other barracks consisting of basic upgrades of floors, windows and doors," said Sanders.

"DPW works with ARIMD and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to facilitate the projects, and design development," said Sonia Suggs, USACE Project Manager. The Louisville District manages project design, awards, and retains the construction contract. The Sacramento District manages the day to day construction oversight.

"The team's goal is to provide quality housing for the Soldiers," said Suggs.

"We are committed to improving

BARRACKS RENOVATIONS IMPROVING QUALITY OF LIFE



our barracks and training facilities to support warfighters, and have remained open for training throughout the COVID-19 pandemic," said FHL HHC 1st Sgt. Clinton Unger. "We've also expanded internet service to all barracks, including the Operational Readiness Training Complex. I am excited to see the future impact of the work we are doing now."

FITNESS CENTER RIBBON CUTTING

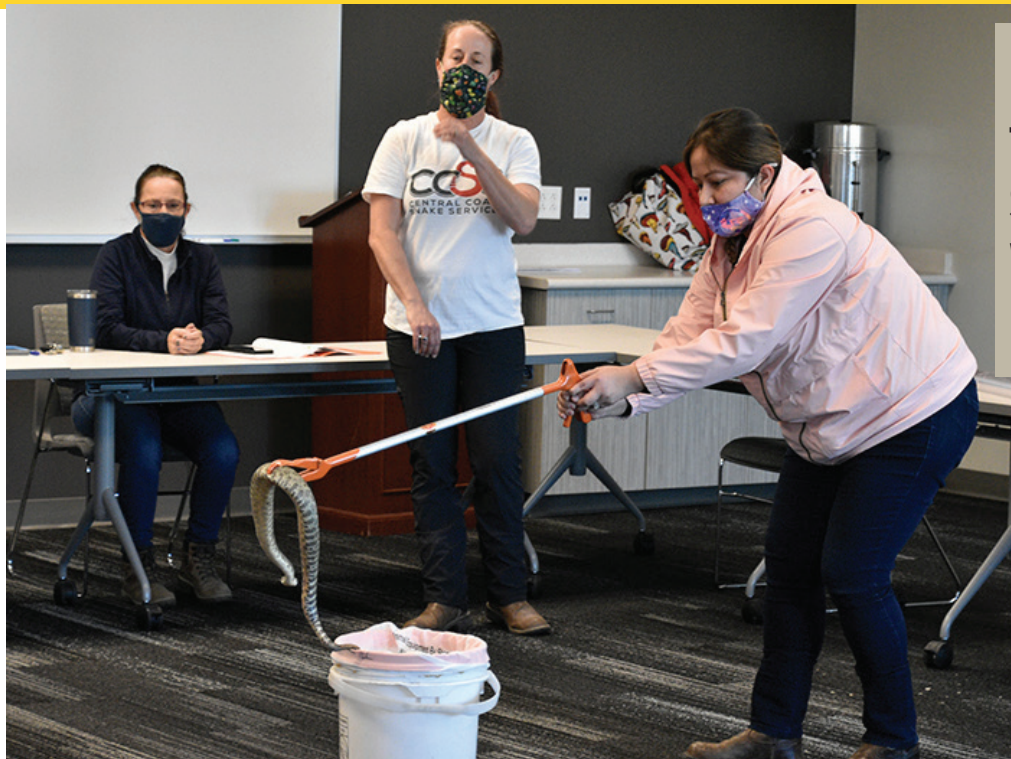


The DeAnza Sports and Fitness Center Ribbon Cutting Ceremony celebrated the opening of the Fitness Annex and the swimming pool, February 4, 2021. The Annex increases the overall facility size to 4,800 square feet. This state of the art facility features treadmills, elliptical and climbers to support the community's readiness. The swimming pool also was upgraded with new mechanical equipment to process and heat the water. (L-R) Command Sgt. Maj. Mark Fluckiger, Garrison Commander Col. Charles Bell, FMWR Director Charlemagne Tertulien, FMWR Combined Activities Manager Adam Hangartner, Deputy Commander Lt. Col. Stanley, and Deputy to the Garrison Commander David Myhres. (Photo by FMWR)

SIERRA ENERGY



Hector Cruz, Sierra Energy Plant Manager, and Jackie Thomas provided training to FHL Fire Department and the installation safety officer on their new 3,000 gallon liquid oxygen (LOX) tank. Fire personnel received special training since the presence and use of the tank presents an unusual hazard to emergency responders. Sierra Energy will utilize the LOX tank to supplement their oxygen supply for the gasifier for the next couple of months. (Photo by Blaise Turcotte, FHL Fire Inspector)



HERPETOLOGIST TEACHES PROPER SNAKE-RELOCATION WITH HELP OF LIVE RATTLESNAKE

Instructor Dr. Emily Taylor observes as DPW employee Jasmin Zamudio learns how to safely put Buzz into a bucket.

Story and photo by
Cindy McIntyre, FHL PAO

People who live in rattlesnake country learn to develop a healthy respect, and sometimes downright dislike, for the venomous critters. Unfortunately, many people feel it necessary to kill them, but herpetologist Dr. Emily Taylor is quick to dispel that notion.

"Most things you've heard about rattlesnakes are a myth," she said to a class of FHL employees who wanted to learn how to understand and safely relocate rattlesnakes when they show up in unwanted places. "They don't want to bite people, but they will if they feel their life is at risk," said the Cal Poly herpetology professor, who also owns Central Coast Snake Services to help landowners relocate snakes and keep them off their property. "They are also important in rodent control."

Employees in post housing, Directorate of Public Works, Emergency Services or the Safety Office, may be called on when a resident or employee discovers a rattlesnake posing a hazard to people or pets.

Understanding rattlesnake behavior is important, said Taylor, and avoiding them is always the best course of action. But when necessary, using the proper relocation equipment will assure

safety for both the human and the snake. The star of the show was Buzz, a 23-year-old, well-fed and mellow southern Pacific rattlesnake, the species found in California's Central Coast area.

Taylor assured the class that Buzz, with his full complement of venom, was used to being handled, but everyone had to sign waivers just in case. After Taylor demonstrated how to use a grabber and where to place it on the snake with a firm grip that wouldn't hurt it, how to tie it in a bag and place it in a five-gallon bucket, and the best way to relocate it, everyone took turns doing the same steps under her supervision.

The first volunteer was Ann King, FHL Staff Action Control Officer, who was bitten by a baby rattler two years ago. She learned how to properly contain the snake by setting a large white bag around the rim of the bucket, then carefully placing the grabber around the snake's belly, standing as far from it as she could but still obtaining a good grip. Then she placed Buzz head-first into the bag in the bucket and helped the tail go in before she removed the bag to tie it.

"Sometimes they will try to get out," said Taylor. "If they do, just start over."

There was a special technique to bagging it to be sure it didn't wrig-

gle out. Then the snake was placed in the bucket and the lid fastened, first with the gripper, then by hand. Taylor said snakes should always be relocated within a quarter or half mile of where they were caught as they will be vulnerable without their normal shelters to keep them safe from hawks, eagles, and king snakes. "Release them in dense shrubs or rocks where they can hide," said Taylor.

Then King reversed the steps and "released" Buzz. Everyone had a turn, and then Taylor coaxed Buzz into a clear plastic tube, business-end first, so everyone could touch him. His beautiful scales covered a surprisingly cool and muscular body. Taylor said the delicate rattles don't necessarily tell the age of a snake, which can live 20 to 30 years in the wild.

FHL wildlife biologist Jackie Hancock arranged for Taylor to give two classes to employees. "I feel that the more people that are educated about rattlesnakes and their importance for our ecosystem, the better it would be for the snakes and our community," said Hancock.

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PRFTA M4/M16 RANGE ALMOST READY FOR RE-OPENING

I WAS BITTEN BY A RATTLESNAKE

By Ann King,
FHL Staff Action Officer



Ann King shows photo of her foot after a rattlesnake bit her.

One thing I never expected to happen was to be bitten by a rattlesnake.

It was a hot sunny day in July 2018. I got home early to begin packing for a weekend of camping, and I took off my shoes and put on flip flops. I went to our garage to get the camping gear off the shelves, and at some point I felt a tap on my foot.

Immediately, I knew I had been bitten. Not because it hurt, but because I just knew. I looked down and saw a baby rattlesnake. It was not coiled, but stretched out, about 12-14 inches long. It never even made a sound. Not that it could have, because it didn't have any rattles.

I wasn't scared. I wasn't even mad at the snake. It wasn't its fault that I stepped on it. It was just defending itself. I probably passed by it twice without it noticing me. I was definitely mad at myself because I usually wear boots, but on this day, because it was so nice out, I wore flip flops.

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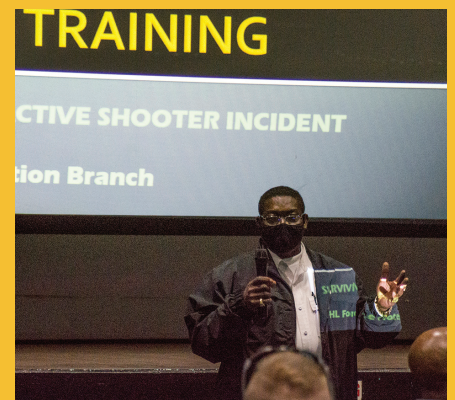
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A CALIDAD contractor puts the finishing touches on a berm on PRFTA's M4/M16 Zero Range (Range B4), Feb. 26, 2021. The work is in preparation for a safe reopening of the range in the coming months. The PRFTA team has put in a lot of work and effort in order to make sure the re-opening of the range as safe and professional as possible. (Photo by PRFTA Command Sgt. Maj. Samuel MacKenzie)



FHL's February tabletop emergency preparedness exercise involved protestors destroying government property and starting a fire. Key staff reported to the EOC to receive the initial situation brief, assess situation and start immediate actions to mitigate the crisis. Communications is a major component during a crisis - make sure you are enrolled in the Alert system to get emergency notifications: <https://alert.csd.disa.mil/>. (Photo by Amy Phillips, FHL PAO)



FHL conducted Active Shooter Training throughout January to prepare the workforce for emergency situations. The training was conducted in several sessions at the post theater to keep attendance to small groups, and participants were widely spaced to observe social distancing. FHL Police Chief Leonard Lovett led the training, along with Shylon Green, Anti-Terrorism Officer; and Shawn Sullivan, FHL Fire Chief. (Photo by Cindy McIntyre, FHL PAO)

TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS



NAVY SEABEES OPERATION TURNING POINT

Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 5 (NMCB 5) based at Port Hueneme, California, spent several weeks at Fort Hunter Liggett in February and March, as part of Operation Turning Point, a Major Combat Operations readiness generation exercise for the Pacific Naval Construction Force (PACNCF) designed to support and enable fleet maneuver and logistics.

The exercise was a win-win for the Seabees, utilizing their skills in real-world projects at FHL and other installations to enhance their capabilities.

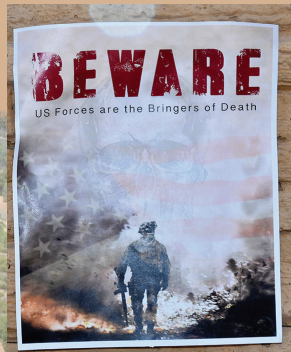
They designed and built a concrete platform as its troop project at Training Area 10 (TA 10) which is the foundation for a classroom facility for engineer training at the 80th Training Command TASS Training Center. Many additional enhancements are planned this year for TA 10 as part of FHL's modernization efforts to upgrade and increase training capabilities.

FHL Commander Col. Charles Bell awarded several Seabees with his challenge coin as an appreciation of their excellent work.

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Check out the time-lapse video by NMCB 5 is available here: <https://www.facebook.com/NCGONE/videos/2499798790315106>.

Photos and story by Amy Phillips, FHL PAO



Student in the 80th Training Command's TASS Psychological Operations (PSYOP) Reclassification Course at FHL went to the village market as part of their field training, Feb. 1, 2021. PSYOP students patronize the Pine Branch "market" to discover information and combat propaganda flyers posted in the fictional village by handing out their own handbills, Feb. 1, 2021. (L to R) are Spc. Nathan Moore, 1005 PSYOP/Civil Affairs Training Co., Marina, California; Spc. Angel Esquivel, 393rd Tactical PSYOP Co., Arlington Heights, Illinois; and Sgt. 1st Class Kris Kaopuiki, 25th Infantry Division Main Command Post Operational Detachment, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. Many of the role players hired for the training are residents of the local community. They provide a realistic training environment with scenarios based on activities from real deployments.

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Story and photos by Cindy McIntyre, FHL PAO

PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS TRAINING



EQUIPMENT CONCENTRATION SITE KEEPS ARMY RESERVE ROLLING ALONG

Story and photos by Cindy McIntyre, FHL PAO

When the Army Reserve Soldiers come to train at Fort Hunter Liggett, they don't always bring their own equipment. The 63rd Readiness Division Equipment Concentration Site 170 (ECS) has the unique task of storing and maintaining equipment of all sorts for around 200 units across the U.S. that train here. Units which store their equipment with ECS 170 know it can be used by any other Reserve unit if needed, saving the Army the cost of shipping rolling stock and other equipment.

"Every major exercise that happens on Fort Hunter Liggett, ECS provides 25 to 50 percent of all that equipment," said Matt Rado, ECS 170 manager.

While the large wheeled vehicles stored at the ECS are the most visible, more than 350 different types of equipment such as tents, generators, and communications equipment are counted in the ECS inventory.

"We work on everything from small 3K generators to the M88 Hercules (armored recovery vehicle), which is the largest piece of rolling stock in the Army Reserve," said Andrew Gallagher, maintenance supervisor. "At any one time we'll have possibly 40 mechanics on the floor, working on any type of equipment from the newest JLTV to one of the oldest pieces of equipment, M-113 (personnel

carrier) which was common during Desert Storm. Everything the Army Reserve fields out to the Soldiers we have some variety of it right here."

Alain Pallais, storage branch supervisor, said ECS lends out between 800 and 1,200 pieces of equipment to around 25 to 40 military units that train here in events such as Best Warrior Competition, gunnery courses, the TASS schoolhouse, or in major exercises such as Combat Support Training Exercise (CSTX) or Global Medic. "We have weaponry, communications systems, night vision goggles, everything that is needed in the exercise," said Pallais. "It's very satisfying when they explain to us how useful this equipment was and what good condition it was in."

So when you see a Humvee or a JLTV driving down the road with a civilian in the driver's seat, most likely it is an ECS employee making sure what the Soldiers get reflects their best work, that of maintaining and equipping the Army Reserve.

READ THE FULL STORY

and learn more about the different sections and people that work at the ECS: <https://go.usa.gov/xsYQS> or

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Matt Rado



Andrew Gallagher



Alain Pallais

LAS POSITAS FIRE SCIENCE PROGRAM STUDENTS USE OLD PRFTA BARRACKS AS TRAINING AID

Story and photo by Jim O'Donnell, PRFTA PAO

More than 15 firefighting students from Las Positas College in Livermore trained at PRFTA, Feb. 19-21, 2021. The prospective firefighters were taking a California fire marshal survival class which is part of the college's Fire Science curriculum. They used one of PRFTA's Korean War-era barracks as a training structure. The old barracks are scheduled for demolition as part of the



installation's modernization efforts.

"The structure allowed us to practice a number of scenarios that are difficult to replicate at other locations," said Aaron Lacey, Fire Technology Academy Coordinator for Las Positas College and a Deputy Fire Chief of Operations for the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department. "We use a number of mockups and training tools to teach the students but having this structure was really invaluable," said Lacey.

The Las Positas College Fire

Science program also provides training for installation firefighters. "One of our newest firefighters is a graduate of the course," said Chris Kuljis, PRFTA's Battalion Chief. "Another benefit of hosting the firefighters from the surrounding area is it helps build better relationships and help us complete our mission here at Parks."

"We were very glad to have the Las Positas College and the firefighter instructors from Livermore-Pleasanton on the Garrison," said Lt. Col. Serena Johnson, PRFTA's installation commander. "The opportunity to host these students and their instructors is a testament to the partnerships and bonds we have with the community. We are very happy that these students had a structure that provided a useful and safe training environment."



The Senior Gunner Course is only offered at FHL, and the first class of 2021 was out at the Multi-Purpose Range Complex, Jan. 22, 2021. The three-week course allows every student to be proficient in each phase of the operations, from gunner to control tower operator, and it has a 60 percent pass rate. Staff Sgt. Jason Obert, U.S. Army Reserve Command Senior Gunner, designed the course to allow successful students to oversee crew gunnery training in their home units. A three-person crew qualifies by hitting stationary and moving targets and passing classroom coursework. (Photo by Cindy McIntyre, FHL PAO)



Soldiers assigned to the garrison maintain their fitness and weapons qualification. During the Jan. 26 weapons qualification, HHC Commander Maj. Chris Lauff scored the highest with a 30/30 score with his M17. This event also provided Range Control staff with a customer's perspective when visiting FHL for training, thus learning how the process can be improved or enhanced. The Soldiers conducted their first diagnostic Army Combat Fitness Test (ACFT) of FY21, Feb. 3. All Army personnel must complete two tests annually. (Photo by Maj. Christopher Lauff, HHC)



Sgt. 1st Class Anthony Guerrero, Senior Small Group Leader low crawls under barbed wire in the obstacle course of the PRFTA NCO Academy Best Warrior Competition (BWC), Feb. 3, 2021. Two Soldiers competed in the NCOA BWC to see who would represent the academy at the next level of the competition. After two days of grueling tests, Guerrero was recognized as the NCOA Best Warrior and was presented with a Army Achievement Medal. PRFTA Commander Lt. Col. Serena Johnson also presented Guerrero with her challenge coin during the award ceremony and luncheon. (Photo by the PRFTA NCOA)

MARDI GRAS

By Amy Phillips, FHL PAO

Is there a better way to beat the COVID blues than with a parade? The Mardi Gras festivities on February 11 brought out the entire Fort Hunter Liggett community for a fun-filled evening.

This event was one of many community events organized by the Community Initiatives Group.

"We wanted to do something that people of all ages could enjoy and get behind. The Christmas Parade was a success so we figured a Mardi Gras Parade would also be a big hit," said Sgt. 1st Class Eric Butler, 102nd Training Division FHL TASS Training Center. "We tried to make it as authentic as possible with floats giving out beads and other goodies to the residents. It

turned out to be one of my favorite events on the installation and I hope it continues on for years to come."

"It was fun. You got to see everybody in the community and we brought the New Orleans flavor to the Central Coast," said Maj. Christopher Lauff, HHC Commander.

For any community engagement to be successful, it requires the expertise and hard work of the Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation staff.

"FMWR is always ready to put plans into action!" said a smiling Charlemagne Tertulien, FMWR director. FMWR served a bevy of Creole dishes, such as fried catfish and dirty rice, crawfish jambalaya and beignets.

The community got out of their homes, barracks and offices to witness the parade of floats, military vehicles, motorcycles, cars,

and even an old golf cart decked out in purple, green and gold.

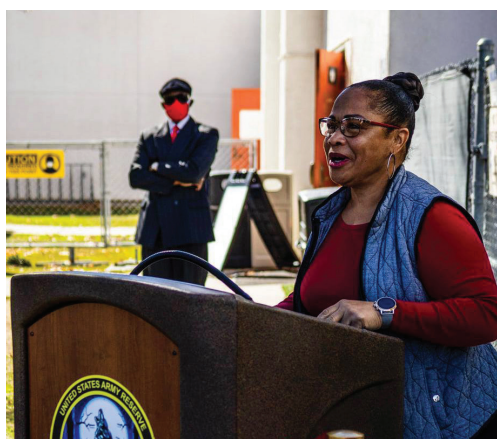
"This was one of best events I ever experienced on FHL," said Sgt. 1st Class James Glass Jr., 356th Logistics Support Battalion.

Placing first for best decorations was the Garrison HHC/Scouts float; the 80th TASS Training Center float came in second; and the Public Affairs Office vehicle came in third.

"The Mardi Gras event was exceptional on all levels," said Bell. "It was superbly planned, executed, and resourced by the Community Initiatives Group and FMWR. I look forward to future events of this caliber."

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(Counterclockwise from top right) In December, the Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention (ASAP) office engaged with people at the front gate handing out information and items for National Drunk & Drugged Driving Prevention Month. The time between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day is described by the National Association of Drug Court Professionals as "One of the deadliest and most dangerous times on America's roadways due to an increase in impaired driving." (Photo by DHR)

The Cybrary continues to host outdoor story time for children at the Hacienda. Phyllis Kirklin was the volunteer reader in January. (Photo by DFMWR)

DFMWR held a very successful NAF auction of equipment that is no longer needed, Jan. 15. Big ticket items included professional gym equipment, as well as storage closets, lamps and much more. The event, held at the old fire station, aka "The Tin Barn," had over 45 registered participants and netted DFMWR around \$10,000 in sales. (Photo by Akuaha Moreno, DFMWR)

The garrison community got out of their offices and into the refreshing California morning on Jan. 21 for the annual New Year's Resolution Run. This event is part of many sponsored by DFMWR to promote a healthy lifestyle. (Photo by Amy Phillips, PAO)

The CYS Teen Center hosts many fun activities such as hands-on cooking and bowling

at Ligget Lanes to provide an energy outlet for children during this time of distance learning at home. (Photo by DFMWR)

Desdemona Wooten, a nurse practitioner at the Medical Aid Station, was the guest speaker for the 10th Annual Go Red for Women Walk in February. She shared her firsthand knowledge on the subject and how participants can spot signs of heart disease. She also shared fantastic tips on how to include healthy habits in your routine to lower the risks of heart disease. (Photo by DFMWR)

(Not pictured) CYS celebrated National Dental Health Month in February by teaching children how to keep their teeth clean and why it is important. In February, FMWR also hosted a Super Bowl party at the Hacienda, a Valentine's Dinner and delivered many Valentine's flowers to people around post.

Extremism Stand Down was conducted in March with FBI guest speakers and Walt Joslin, FHL Antiterrorism Security Specialist. Topics included protected activity and illegal extremist activity. (Photo by Cindy McIntyre, FHL PAO)

Maj. Gen. Rosende, Commanding General of 63rd Readiness Division participated in the FHL Quarterly Residential Town Hall which provided updates on the ArMA digital work order app, the new location of the Housing Office, and new housing personnel. (Photo by Cindy McIntyre, PAO)



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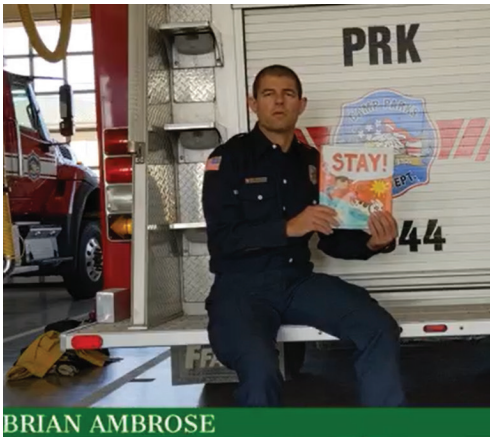
PRFTA conducted an installation beautification day, December 29 with the PRFTA command team, Soldiers and Department of the Army Civilians picking up trash, removing weeds and brush around the PRFTA main entrance. (Photo by Jim O'Donnell, PRFTA PAO)

Moffett Field Chaplain (Capt.) Paul Sauer and religious affairs specialists from the 63rd Readiness Division distributed food, cleaning supplies, toys and school supplies to the Moffett Field Community as part of Operation Care and Comfort, Feb. 7. Thirty families received material support donated by community members. (Photo by RSO)



The PRFTA command team and Housing Department hosted a virtual PRFTA and Moffett Field Resident Town hall event via Facebook Live, Feb. 15, with more than 30 viewers. They fielded questions that residents posted on Facebook. The command team also hosts regular video updates to keep the community informed.

DFMWR and the USO hosted a Take and Bake event in February providing two free pizzas per household.



BRIAN AMBROSE



PRFTA celebrated Read Across America Day with videos of several firefighters reading a book for young children.

The PRFTA command team visited the Federal Correctional Institution Dublin, March 2, for a tour of the facility. Staff met with FCI Dublin Warden and leadership of the facility to discuss Intergovernmental Support Agreements and other avenues for partnership with the neighboring facility. (Stock photo)

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- Severe illness or death
- Life-threatening complications
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- Potential to be re-infected

To community:

- Continued protective posture (social distancing, masks, isolation, quarantine, etc.)
- High risk of infecting others
- Effects of COVID-19 vary person-to-person
- Sustained disruption to life activities

To healthcare system:

- Fewer resources for routine care
- Stress on hospitals
- Limits medical care treatment availability
- Greater demand for mental health support

BENEFITS OF VACCINE:

It protects:

- Vaccines are historically the most effective tool to stop pandemics
- Creates antibodies (immune response) without having virus
- Prevents serious illness if infected
- Protects you and those around you
- Helps build community immunity and resilience

It's safe:

- Clinically tested
- Verified by the FDA
- Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) is a scientifically accepted process
- Minimal side effects (e.g. soreness at injection site, fever, tiredness, aches)
- Allergic reactions low (11 reactions per million vaccines)

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ARMY RESERVE CHIEF GETS VACCINATED

From USAR Feb. 5 Facebook post:

"I received dose #2 of the COVID-19 vaccine this week. I got it because the vaccine is supported by science. If I played roulette and contracted the virus, I could be asymptomatic or on a respirator. I don't want to risk finding out where in the spectrum I'll fall. I want to protect myself, my family and my co-workers," said Lt. Gen. Jody Daniels.



GOING THE DISTANCE FROM COAST TO COAST

Sexual Assault Awareness & Prevention Month
1-30 April 2021

7,825

The last number on record of sexual assault reports submitted across the military services (FY 2019).

For this year's Sexual Assault Awareness & Prevention Month, we are running or walking a mile for each one of those reports.



"Going the Distance" signifies us taking accountability for each case, letting the survivors know we are joining their journey to healing, and the lengths we have to cover to eradicate sexual assault from our ranks.

How to join:

1. Download Nike Run Club Application and create an account (free of charge)
2. Search for friends and add "Going the Distance from Coast to Coast" as a friend
3. Once the event organizers accept your request, they will send an invitation to join the challenge
4. Whenever you go for a run or a walk in the month of April, open the Nike Run Club application & "Start a Run" to log your miles
5. Invite your friends and family to join us!

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FHL and the 91st Training Division are hosting a joint SHARP event on April 14, 1300hrs at the track.

Proclamation signing and the FHL Coast to Coast Walk/Run/Bike.

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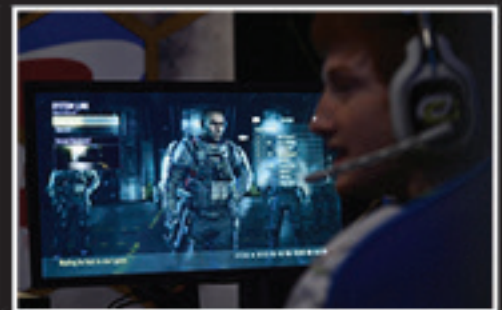
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Military Displays



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