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Fort Detrick Intramural Flag Football Champions Crowned



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Team BOSS stands for a final photo as they capture the Fort Detrick Intramural Football League championship title after defeating Team Warriors. Pictured from left to right Pvt.2 Mickey Law, Sgt. Treverio Cannon, Spc. Eric Prude, Brandon Brownfield, Greg Thompson (TJ), Lt. Cpl. Chad Warren, Spc. Ernesto Garcia, Brad Wiley, Spc. Dominique Quintero, Cpl. Haroldo Palma, Sgt. William Collins, Staff. Sgt. Robert Weaver, King Smith, Command Sgt. Maj. Franklin D. Jordan.

Reasonable Accommodations take Center Stage at National Disability Employment Awareness Month Observance

By Jennifer Benson

USAG Public Affairs

The National Disability Employment Awareness Month Observance took place Oct. 13 at the Community Activities Center. Maj. Gen. Barbara R. Holcomb, U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command

and Fort Detrick commanding general, welcomed those in attendance and spoke about the importance of raising awareness about disability employment issues and celebrating the many and varied contributions of those with disabilities.

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Fort Detrick Community Thanks Local Veterans for their Service

In celebration of Veterans Day, representatives from Fort Detrick spent a recent morning at Citizens Care and Rehab Center and Montevue Assisted Living Facility in Frederick, Maryland honoring those who bravely paved the way for our Service Members today.



Fort Detrick Celebrates Veterans Day in Local Parade



Photos by Jennifer Benson, USAG Public Affairs

Master Sgt. Stephine Bellinger of 6th Medical Logistics Management Center serves as the Master of Ceremonies during the Brunswick Veterans Day parade on Nov. 6.

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Fort Detrick participated in the 84th Brunswick Veterans Day Parade Nov. 7 in Brunswick, Maryland. One of the oldest events of its kind in the country, this year's festivities began with an opening ceremony where Fort Detrick's own Master Sgt. Stephine Bellinger, senior enlisted leader for the 6th Medical Logistics Management Center, served as master of ceremonies.

Local and state elected officials were present to witness one of the two officially sanctioned Veterans Day regional sites in Maryland, as determined by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

Over 110 parade entries made their way through the streets of Brunswick celebrating veterans and showing patriotism for the Nation.

Veterans Day is recognized each year on Nov. 11.



Fort Detrick Prepares For Old Man Winter

By Lanessa Hill

USAG Public Affairs

Winter weather is just around the corner. In preparation of the inevitable snow to come, Fort Detrick held its annual Winter Weather Conference at the Community Activities Center Oct. 28. The conference intent each year is to inform the Fort Detrick community on how the U.S. Army Garrison will notify employees of operational status and snow removal processes, as well as request assistance from tenants and units on the installation.

A recent National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration press release forecasts that La Niña is expected to influence winter conditions this year. The Climate Prediction Center issued a La Niña watch this month, predicting the climate phenomenon is likely to develop in late fall or early winter. La Niña favors drier, warmer winters in the southern U.S. and wetter, cooler conditions in the northern U.S. Maryland falls into the “equal chance” category, meaning that there is not a strong enough climate signal in these areas to shift the odds, so they have an equal chance for above, near or below normal temperatures and/or precipitation.

“Regardless of the outlook, there is always some chance for extreme winter weather,” said Deputy Director of NOAA’s Climate Prediction Center Mike Halpert. “So, prepare now for what might come later this winter.”

Notifications

The decision to change the installation operational status is not taken lightly and involves many people. Once a decision is made by leadership, the Public Affairs Office and Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security swiftly move into action.

First, the PAO will update social media sites. If you are on Facebook, follow us at Fort Detrick USAG or on Twitter @DetrickUSAG.

Next, the weather hotline will be updated, (301) 619-7611, followed by the Fort Detrick website and local media, to include television and radio stations in the Maryland, D.C., Baltimore and Pennsylvania areas. The DPTMS will also notify individuals through the AtHoc alert system.

If you are not familiar with AtHoc, this is a notification system designated to send alerts to registered users. Army employees can login and update their contact information by clicking on the purple globe on the bottom right of their computer screens and selecting “update my info.”

If you would like to be added to this system but do not have access from your network, please contact the Emergency Manager at (301) 619-3366 to be manually added.

At this year’s conference, the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center provided comments relat-



ing to operational statuses for Fort Detrick and Forest Glen, stating that Forest Glen falls within the National Capital Region, therefore follows the Office of Personnel Management decision. Unlike Forest Glen, Fort Detrick does not follow the OPM decision, the decision lies with the installation’s senior commander. The CPAC also stressed the importance of being proactive and preparing the necessary documentation to allow for telework if your command permits this. Beth Shearer, director of the CPAC, also discussed the differences between a delayed arrival and delayed opening. Delayed arrival means individuals should arrive at work the allotted amount of time later than their

normal start time. So, if the decision is a two-hour delayed arrival, a person who normally starts at 8 a.m. will now arrive at 10 a.m. A delayed opening means the installation will open at a designated time.

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Parking

Director of the Logistics Readiness Center Marie O'Brien stressed to employees and leaders that if there are any long-term TDYs scheduled during a known impending storm, to please park personal vehicles in the lot on Amber Meadows Road by the traffic circle and not in the enclosed fenced area.

Snow Removal

Snow will be removed according to priority. Primary roads throughout the installation will be plowed first. The Directorate of Public Works will clear the roads identified as primary roads first, which here at Fort Detrick includes Porter Street, Doughten Drive, Ditto Avenue and gate entrances within 3-to-4 hours after there is at least four inches of snow.

Next will be the roads designated as secondary, which

here include those in housing and at the National Cancer Institute.

With that in mind, Fort Detrick USAG Commander Col. Robert O'Brien is requesting all tenants and units that need a certain number of cleared parking spaces, even when the installation is closed because of 24-hour operations, to notify the DPW to ensure they are aware.

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- MIKE HALPERT, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF NOAA'S CLIMATE PREDICTION CENTER

O'Brien also took this opportunity to remind building managers that shovels and ice melt are available through the DPW and that each building is responsible for clearing their own walkways. Clearing walkways is not provided by the DPW.

Accident Avoidance

Lastly, the Fort Detrick Safety Office reminded everyone to simply be careful. Never reach into a snow blower to clear a clog and always follow the manufacturer instructions; Remember that freezing rain, icy surfaces and snow pose a hazard for not only drivers, but pedestrians as well; Wear appropriate shoes and take your time; Be mindful of black ice, which is difficult to see; and if you slip, trip or fall causing injury to yourself, please report it to the Installation Safety Office by calling (301) 619-7318.



Navy Upsets Army in 30th Annual Flag Football Matchup



By Nick Minecci
USAG Public Affairs

Soldiers, Sailors and Marines met on the Blue & Gray Field Oct. 29 for the 30th annual Fort Detrick Army/Navy flag football game, and when the final gun sounded it was Navy holding the trophy for the first time in eight years with a 21-20 victory over Army.

Played since 1987, the game is a Fort Detrick tradition, with the teams meeting every year except 2012 when Hurricane Sandy forced its cancellation. While Navy was victorious this year, Army still holds a commanding edge over the Sailors with a record of 25-4 in the series.

This year's contest was tight from the opening kickoff, with Navy's defense swarming, keeping the Soldier's from moving the ball early and as the first half came to a close the Navy led 14-6. Army received to start the second half and moved down the field, scoring on a run by Sgt. Derek Scirrotto, then making the two-point conversion to tie the game at 14-14.

Both teams moved the ball through the second half without scoring, then Army broke the deadlock with a touchdown, leading 20-13 with minutes remaining. As the clock ticked under a minute Navy scored, and after making the extra point pulled ahead for the win, 21-20.

As the game ended and Sailors, Marines and Soldiers lined up and shook hands, then the Sailors lifted the winner's trophy. U.S. Army Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. Franklin Jordan smiled as he watched from the Army sideline, telling the Navy team, "Don't get used to that now!"



Photos by USAG Visual Information

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contributions of those with disabilities.

“We recognize the countless contributions that Americans with disabilities make to our Army on a daily basis. We are at our strongest when we harness the talents and celebrate the distinct gifts of each individual,” said Holcomb.

“It is our responsibility to acknowledge and honor these individuals by continuing to implement effective policies and practices that increase their employment opportunities.”

Holcomb urged the Fort Detrick community to embrace the talents and skills that individuals with disabilities bring to the workplaces and to promote the right to equal employment opportunities for all people.

During the event, trivia questions were asked of the audience with questions ranging from facts about NDEAM to celebrities with disabilities.

For example, did you know that individuals with disabilities constitute the Nation’s largest minority group? Well, approximately 54 million Americans have at least one disability, making them the largest minority group in the Nation, and that number is projected to double in the next 20 years.

And did you also know that Abraham Lincoln, our Nation’s 16th president, suffered from severe depression?

Disability does not discriminate and any of us can become a member of this minority group at any time. Disabilities include people with sensory, physical and mental conditions.

The theme for the 2016 NDEAM campaign is “Inclusion Works.” The goal is to realize the opportunity for us to affirm the DOD’s commitment to recruit, retain and advance people with disabilities throughout our workforce.

Approximately 54 million Americans have at least one disability, making them the largest minority group in the Nation.

Try this at home: Hide and keep your dominant arm behind your back and try to open a tightly closed jar without the use of your hidden arm or asking for help? Was it easy? Was it difficult? Chances are, it wasn’t as easy as you may have thought.

Consider going through your daily routine with this type of disability. How would things change for you? Would your home or office be set up differently to

make daily tasks more convenient? Would you perhaps purchase an electronic jar opener to make that particular task easier?

That would be considered a reasonable accommodation, which can be defined as a change in the work environment or in the way things

are customarily done, which would enable an individual with a disability to enjoy equal employment opportunities.

During her remarks, guest speaker Christa Madock spoke about reasonable accommodations and things that work and don’t work for those with disabilities in the work place. She mentioned a quote from Robert Burgdorf, who worked on the original version of the Americans with Disabilities Act, stating that the goal is not to fixate on, overreact to or engage in stereotypes about such differences -- but to take them into account and allow for reasonable accommodation for individual abilities and impairments that will permit equal participation.

According to OPM.gov, examples of reasonable accommodations include providing interpreters, readers or other personal assistance; modifying job duties; restructuring work sites; providing flexible work schedules or work sites (i.e. telework); and providing accessible technology or other workplace adaptive equipment.

For more information on reasonable accommodations, NDEAM or assistance, contact the Fort Detrick Equal Employment Office at (301) 619-4147.

Fort Detrick Celebrates the Fall

Candy Galore, Pumpkins and More

By Lanessa Hill
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Fort Detrick welcomed the fall season with a Harvest Festival put on by the Fort Detrick Chapel, a Pumpkin Chunkin' competition and Oktoberfest sponsored by the Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation, and a Trunk or Treat event sponsored the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command and the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Agency Oct. 28 in and around the Community Activities Center.

One of the main attractions this year was the Pumpkin Chunkin competition, which drew several teams from around post. Each team was responsible for creating their own catapults to launch pumpkins.

The winner of the competition was the U.S. Army Garrison Directorate of Public Works team "Simply Gourd-geous" with the furthest distance of 98 feet. Second place went to the Joint Vaccine Acquisition



Photo by FMWR

Pumpkin Chunkin' was the biggest hit at the Fort Detrick Fall Festival held recently at Fort Detrick. Four teams competed including the Directorate of Emergency Services team pictured above.

Program with their catapult "Pulex" and a launch of 91 feet 3 inches. Third place went to team "Licensed to Quill" of the Staff Judge Advocate Office with their catapult "Pumpkin Punisher" with a distance of 83 feet 4 inches.

A special performance from the Fort Detrick cheer-leading team topped off the fun-filled evening.

Leadership Frederick County visits Fort Detrick

By Jenni Benson
USAG Public Affairs

Fort Detrick recently hosted Leadership Frederick County class of 2017 t the Community Activity Center to hear more about the economic impact locally and globally.

Speakers from the garrison, Medical Research and Materiel Command and Frederick National Labs provided an overview of their commands and Agency.

Each year local professionals are selected to explore Frederick County in a 9-month Frederick County Chamber of Commerce program called Leadership Frederick.

This experience provides unique perspective on the problems, opportunities, and issues facing Frederick County. Class members have a proven ability to be at the forefront of their respective organizations and in Frederick County.

The class meets each month for a day filled themed outing. The theme for November is Economic Development.

Students will discover how local leaders are driving progress not only in their organizations but in the community.

The class will visit with Frederick City and County leaders before Fort Detrick.

Parking in Reserved Spaces for Motorists with Disabilities

By Nick Minecci
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Each parking area on Fort Detrick has spaces set aside for personnel with handicapped/disabled parking permits. These spaces are designed to accommodate individuals with special needs, including easy access to ramps for wheelchairs.

Fort Detrick Regulation 190-5, Fort Detrick Traffic Code, states, “Drivers are prohibited from parking in a designated handicap parking spot unless the vehicle displays a valid current state- or Fort Detrick- issued handicap placard, permit or disabled driver license plate issued to a handicapped individual who is a passenger or driver of the vehicle in question [cited as Unauthorized Parking in Handicap Spot].”

According to Michelle Hewitt, Fort Detrick’s Exceptional Family Member Program manager, individuals who use a reserved spot without the proper authorization are causing distress for those with a real need. “Please be considerate of those less fortunate than you in health, they must be able to have access to the services or businesses they need to use,” said Hewitt.

“For someone with braces, a walker or wheelchair it’s difficult if they have to find a regular spot, which may not have curb cuts or enough space to get in and out of their vehicles. This is even more critical in the winter, when snow and ice can present some dangerous challenges for a person who already has difficulty walking.”

Individuals in Maryland requiring a handicapped/disabled placard may request an application for a “Maryland Parking Placards/License Plates for Individuals with a Disability” – form number VR-210 – by calling the Motor Vehicle Administration, visiting the local MVA full-service and express office (for placards only) location, or downloading it from the MVA web site, according to the MVA web site.

The MVA website outlines who is eligible for a special parking placard or registration plate. They are a person who:

- Has lung disease to such an extent that forced

(respiratory) expiratory volume for one second, when measured by spirometry, is less than one liter, or arterial oxygen tension (pO₂) is less than 60 mm/hg on room air at rest.

- Has cardiovascular disease limitations classified in severity as Class III or Class IV according to the standards set by the American Heart Association.
- Is unable to walk 200 feet without stopping to rest.
- Is unable to walk without the use of, or assistance from, a brace, cane, crutch, another person, prosthetic device, or other assistance device.
- Requires a wheelchair for mobility.
- Has lost an arm, hand, foot, or leg.
- Has lost the use of an arm, hand, foot, or leg.
- Has a permanent disability that adversely impacts the ambulatory ability of the applicant and which is so severe that the person would endure a hardship or be subject to a risk or injury if the privileges accorded a person from whom a vehicle is specially registered were denied.
- Has a permanent impairment of both eyes so that: 1) The central vision acuity is 20/200 or less in the better eye, with corrective glasses, or 2) There is a field defect in which the peripheral field has contracted to such an extent that the widest diameter of visual field subtends an angular distance no greater than 20 degrees in the better eye.
- Temporary Placard (red) Disability is not permanent but would substantially impair the person’s mobility or limit or impair the person’s ability to walk for at least three weeks, and is so severe that the person would endure a hardship or be subject to risk of injury if the Temporary Placard were denied.

Maryland residents can go to <http://www.mva.maryland.gov/about-mva/disabilities/#apply> for more information, and those residing in Virginia can go to <https://www.dmv.virginia.gov/drivers/#disability/renewal.asp>.

Residents of Pennsylvania can contact the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for application criteria, and can also go to <http://www.dot.state.pa.us/Public/DVSPubsForms/FAQ/FAQ-PDP.pdf> for information, and residents of West Virginia can go to <http://www.transportation.wv.gov/Pages/default.aspx> for information.

Two USAMRMC Soldiers Place in 2016 Best Medic Competition

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A U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command team of two Soldiers placed fourth overall in the 2016 Jack L. Clark Jr. U.S. Army Best Medic Competition at Joint Base San Antonio and Camp Bullis in Texas.

Capt. Dennis Kim, of the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Agency, and Sgt. Andrew Salas, from the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases, participated in the competition, which was held Oct. 25-28. Kim and Salas were also recognized as the team with the highest physical fitness score.

The ABMC, sponsored by the AMEDD Museum Foundation, is a continuous 72-hour competition that consists of 23 scored events that range from tissue suturing to a 50-mile foot march. There's also a mystery event, which this year was cleaning a fish and prickly pear cactus, cooking and eating them.

Thirty-two teams, each with two medics, competed in



Photo by US Army

On day three of the 2016 Jack L. Clark Jr. U.S. Army Best Medic Competition, Sgt. Andrew Salas dons a gas mask to complete a challenge.

this year's event, which was themed on major World War II battlefields, is open to all three Army components. Competitors must have earned the Expert Field Medical Badge and/or the Combat Medic Badge to be eligible to participate.

USAMRMC Hosts Annual Meeting with Republic of Korea Armed Forces Medical Command

By Crystal Maynard
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Members of the Republic of Korea Armed Forces Medical Command visited the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command at Fort Detrick, Maryland, Oct. 8-9 as part of the 46th Annual Technology Cooperation Subcommittee Medical Working Group.

Each year, the USAMRMC and the Republic of Korea Armed Forces Medical Command take turns hosting this important meeting. This year four representatives, which included ROK Surgeon General Brigadier General Il-Ung Hwang, traveled from Korea to the U.S. to discuss important and emerging topics in military health care.

“In the medical field, collaboration and sharing of

knowledge are key to change and innovation,” said Maj. Gen. Barbara R. Holcomb, USAMRMC and Fort Detrick commanding general, during her opening remarks. “As our volatile world continues to expose our Service Members to new threats, we must prepare for an uncertain future.”

The visitors met with USAMRMC personnel for two days of collaborative discussions on topics such as cold weather performance, infectious diseases, drug and vaccine development, and chemical defense training. Also this year, they were able to visit two of the USAMRMC key laboratories – the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases and the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense.

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Seven USAMRMC Soldiers Awarded Expert Field Medical Badge

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On Oct. 28, seven Soldiers from the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command earned the Expert Field Medical Badge during the 2016 EFMB competition held at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey.

The EFMB is one of the U.S. Army Medical Command's top honors and is intended to recognize Soldier medics who attain a high degree of professional skill and proficiency as a field medic – it is reserved for the best of the best.

Earning the badge requires deliberate planning and focused training.

Over the past 50 years, more than 150,000 Soldiers have attempted to earn the

Army Medical Department badge with an average of only 19 percent of Soldiers earning a badge through the evaluations.

To earn the badge, candidates must complete a series of warrior and medical tasks. They must also successfully finish day and night land navigation tests, as well as a written exam and a final 12-mile road march.

The USAMRMC Soldiers awarded the EFMB include:

- Spc. Nirajan Nepal – U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases



Courtesy photo

The U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command had seven Soldiers receive the coveted Expert Field Medical Badge at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey, in October.

- Spc. Michael Aponte – U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases
- Sgt. Christopher Springer – Walter Reed Army Institute of Research
- Sgt. Elizabeth Whitaker – Walter Reed Army Institute of Research
- Sgt. Maclah Williams – Walter Reed Army Institute of Research
- Spec. Robert Edmonson – Walter Reed Army Institute of Research
- Capt. Carl Smith – U.S. Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine

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The meeting's primary objective was to exchange ideas and discuss potential opportunities for collaboration. Scheduled annually, the TCSC meeting allows for ongoing talks and progress reports on topics from previous meetings and provides a forum to introduce new topics and prospective joint efforts. At the con-

clusion, the two groups set the agenda and proposed dates for the 2017 TCSC meeting.

“Collaboration takes work, but as time has proven, we have almost five successful decades of sharing knowledge,” said Holcomb.

USAMRMC, Fort Detrick Leaders Participate in Mid-Atlantic Procurement Conference



Photo by Crystal Maynard, USAMRMC Public Affairs

U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command Principal Assistant for Acquisition Dr. Kenneth Bertram addresses the audience at the 14th Annual Strengthening the Mid-Atlantic Region for Tomorrow Procurement Conference in Frederick, Maryland, Nov. 18.

By Crystal Maynard
USAMRMC Public Affairs

On Nov. 18, leaders from the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command and Fort Detrick participated in the 14th Annual Strengthening the Mid-Atlantic Region for Tomorrow Procurement Conference at the Francis Scott Key Holiday Inn & Conference Center in Frederick, Maryland.

The SMART Organization executes the vision of the SMART Congressional Caucus from Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware by providing a membership organization promoting tech enterprise in the region. The conference goal is to build stronger relationships, provide teaming partnerships and discuss upcoming procurement forecasts among industry, community, government and academia.

“Our strategic participation in the SMART PROC conference translates into enabling business firms to compete, win and provide innovative products, ser-

vices and business solutions in support of the Warfighter and Armed Forces,” said Jerome Maulsby, USAMRMC assistant director, Office of Small Business Programs. “Since the inception of the SMART PROC conference, we have consistently supported this outreach event.”

Dr. Kenneth Bertram, USAMRMC principal assistant for acquisition, and Col. Robert O’Brien, commander of the U.S. Army Garrison Fort Detrick, participated in the keynote panel.

“Our customer is the Warfighter, and we provide them only the very best products and tools to help keep them healthy and safe,” said Bertram during his keynote address.

“For you to do business with us, you need to bring your ‘A game’ because we can accept no less for our men and women in uniform supporting our country. We will help drive you to provide us the best so that we can supply the best.”

In and Around Fort Detrick

AFAP Virtual Town Hall

Jan. 11, 2-4 p.m.

The Fort Detrick Army Family Action Plan virtual town hall will be held Jan 11, 2017 from AFAP is accepting issues and concerns now. A Facebook page has been developed to collect issues. The Fort Detrick Army Family Action Plan Facebook page can be found at:

<https://www.facebook.com/DetrickAFAP/>.

Issues can also be send directly to AFAP via email at:

[usarmy.detrick.imcom-](mailto:usarmy.detrick.imcom-fmwr.com.afap@mail.mil)

fmwr.com.afap@mail.mil.

Lastly, forms and drop boxes are also available at Barquist Army Health Clinic and at the Community Support Center, Building 1520 in ACS. For additional questions or concerns call (301) 619-3385.

Gate Hours During Holidays

Main Post of Fort Detrick.

Nallin Farm Gate will be the only open gate for ingress/egress 24/7 during holidays.

Those holidays are:

o Dec 25-26 for Christmas

o Jan 1-2 for New Years

At Forest Glen the Brookville Gate will be open 24/7 for ingress/egress for ID card holders and visitors.

Chambersburg/Greencastle/Hagerstown Vanpool Vacancy

Anyone interested in participating in a vanpool please contact Ron Palmer at (301) 619-9980. They currently have an opening for their 7a.m. – 4:30 p.m. work schedule. The pickup locations are Chambersburg (US 81, exit 20) at 5:30 a.m., pickup riders at Greencastle Shop n' Save parking lot at 5:55 a.m., and then pickup riders at the Hagerstown Park and Ride on Route 40 at 6:20 a.m. A mass transit subsidiary is offered to those who participate in vanpool(s).

Veterinary Vaccine Clinic

Saturday, Dec. 3

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Fort Detrick Auditorium (Building. 1520B, Fort Detrick, MD 21702)

Appointment Line: (301) 677-1300 Call now to make your appointment.

Open to All Military, Military Dependents, and Retirees.

Fort Meade Veterinary Treatment Facility is coming to Fort Detrick to provide routine wellness veterinary services to the Fort Detrick Community.

Some of the services that will be provided include:

o Dog and Cat Vaccinations

o Heartworm Testing

o Veterinary Exam

o Microchipping

o Sale of pre-ordered preventatives (e.g. Heartgard, Bravecto, Advantix, etc.)

o Must pre-order when making appointment

o For additional information call (301) 677-1300 for additional information

o See our Facebook page (Fort Meade Veterinary Treatment Facility)

o See our FMWR page at:

<http://meade.armymwr.com/us/meade/programs/veterinary-services>.

USAG SHARP Open Training

Dec. 14

9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Building 1520, Classroom 5A

One session will satisfy mandatory the annual face to face SHARP Training 3 hour requirement. For more information contact the USAG Victim Advocate at (301) 619-8276. This open training is specifically dedicated for US Army Garrison employees.

The Army Substance Abuse Program

In recognition of December's Drunk and Drugged (3D) Driving Prevention Campaign, The Army Substance Abuse Program (ASAP) will hold two, one-hour Drug and Alcohol Prevention Education training sessions Dec. 6 at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. in the Auditorium of Bldg. 1520.

The training will feature Guest Speakers from the Frederick County Health Department, Behavioral Health Services. Attendance will satisfy one hour of ASAP Drug and Alcohol Prevention Education IAW AR 600-85 for DA civilians and Soldiers. Family

members and contract personnel are welcome to attend.

No registration is required, however, seats are available on a first come, first serve basis.

POC for this training event can be reached at (301) 619-1751.

Operation Happy Holidays

The 2016 edition of Operation Happy Holidays kicked off Nov. 16 with both recipient applications that will be accepted through Dec. 1 and support/aid registrations through Dec. 9 respectively. Recipient Eligibility: (Families with at least one child living at home):

1. Active Duty Service Members and their Families, E1-E5, assigned to Fort Detrick or Forest Glen, or residing in the Fort Detrick area.

2. Active Duty Families residing in the Fort Detrick area and not locally assigned.

3. Department of Army Civilians GS 01-04, and Non-Appropriated Funds employees NF 1-2 assigned to Fort Detrick or Forest Glen.

Support/Aid Requirement: \$25 per person visa/grocery/commissary card for each of the family's children (through HS seniors) valued up to \$75. If you are unable to support an entire family, you are welcome to contribute visa/commissary/grocery gift card(s).

If you (or your office/unit/organization/agency/group) would like to be support/aid, please email the info listed in the form below to:

[usarmy.detrick.imcom-](mailto:usarmy.detrick.imcom-fmwr.com.financial-readiness@mail.mil)

fmwr.com.financial-readiness@mail.mil, or complete and turn

in/mail the form below to:

Army Community Service, 1520 Freedman Avenue, Room 124 Fort Detrick, MD 21702

If you would like to nominate a recipient, applications are available on the Garrison extranet:

<https://installation.detrick.army.mil/forms/pdf/FD215-1.pdf>

Contact (301) 619-3455 if you have any questions.