

New Website TroopTree.com Send Video Messages To Soldiers

KeepTree.com provides video messaging services to people around the world. Recently, the founders of the company decided to offer a similar service



www.TroopTree.com to

members of the armed forces and their families for free, as a way to say "thank you" for their service and sacrifice.

Service members or any member of their families can sign up for TroopTree. Once they sign up, the site gives them the ability to record video messages directly from their webcams to TroopTree servers, and they can set delivery for immediately or for any date in the future. The best part is, TroopTree allows any member to save up to 10 videos forever for free.

Valentine Specials Offer Sweet Deals at Commissaries

Candy treats for Valentine's Day scratch the surface of the variety of items available at significant savings in February for commissary customers as well as health and beauty products, which shouldn't be overlooked by the men and women who want to look and feel their best for their Valentine's date. Throughout February, DeCA's industry will host many in store promotions and provide extra savings focused around Valentine's Day. However, overseas stores may have substitute events for certain promotional programs.

Customers are asked to check their local commissary for the following super sales events or they may go to: <u>www.commissaries.com</u>

February 3, 2012

Calendar of Events:

- February 6 Division Training Holiday
- February 7 VOQ Ceremony 6:00pm
- February 9– 299 BSB Change of Command 10:00am
- February 10 5-4 CAV Change of Command 10:00am
- February 16 1-5 FA Change of Command 10:00am
- February 17-20 -President Day Training Holiday
- February 24 -Women's Conference 8:00am
- February 26 Monthly Retirement Ceremony 9:00am

See pages 10 & 11 for more calendar updates.

Army Ten Miler Registration Opens in May for October Race



October 21, 2012

The annual Army Ten Miler will open priority registration on May 1. The requirement for priority registration is that you have either run the ATM 7 times or more OR you are a U.S. service member. Military MUST use a .mil email address to register. General registration will open May 15. There will be 20,000 registrations

available on a first come, first serve basis. The cost of entry fee is \$55. The Army Ten Miler is also having their annual t-shirt design contest, which will run from February 15th – May 14th. Visit <u>http://www.armytenmiler.com/assets/2012%</u> <u>20tshirt%20contest%20rules.pdf</u> for rules and guidelines. You can also win a Free registration, how you ask? By posting your photo wearing at ATM shirt may get you a free entry into the 28th annual Army Ten-Miler. Check out the rules/ guidelines on the contests tab of the ATM Facebook page.

New Spouse Employment

Programs Unveiled at Career Fair

Attended by AUSA Family Program Representatives and hosted by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's Hiring Our Heroes program, with more than 100 military-friendly



employers on hand, this fair offered D.C. area spouses an abundance of career opportunities, as well an opportunity

to sharpen their resume and interview skills. The chamber now has plans to host 100 veteran and spouse career fairs across the nation in a year, but this was the first one solely dedicated to military spouses. While the fair was geared for local spouses, several organizations unveiled new employment programs and products aimed at helping spouses worldwide to include the MilSpouse eMentor leadership program, a joint effort by the chamber and the nonprofit organization Academy-Women, which offers spouses opportunity to connect with experienced military spouses and military spousefriendly employers worldwide. Furthermore, Blue Star Families unveiled a new product to help military spouses translate volunteer experience, such as a family readiness group leader, into resume fodder. To discover more about this military spouse job fair, please see: http://1.usa.gov/wpq5VO .





Build Savings and Reduce Debt through Military Saves



Military Saves is a social marketing campaign to persuade, motivate, and encourage military families to

save money every month, and to convince leaders and organizations to be aggressive in promoting automatic savings. The campaign is a growing network of organizations and individuals committed to helping and supporting military members and their loved ones build personal savings arsenals to provide for their immediate and longterm financial needs.

While it is an ongoing campaign, the entire military community comes together to focus on financial readiness during Military Saves Week. To kick-off the 2012 Military Saves campaign, the Department of Defense has designed February 19 – 26, 2012 as Military Saves week.

(Courtesy of National Military Family Association)

(Courtesy AUSA)

Defense Department Launches Website For Military Children



The Defense Department (DoD) launched a new website today for children experiencing the challenges of military deployments. The highly interactive website, <u>http://www.MilitaryKidsConnect.org</u>, was created by psychologists at DOD's National Center for Telehealth and Technology. It helps children of deployed parents cope with the stress, changing responsibilities, and concern for the safety of their parents. The center, known as T2, developed the website with informative videos, educational tools, and engaging games and activities for three age groups: 6 to 8, 9 to 12 and 13 to 17. The site also features monitored online social network forrums for the groups to safely share their experiences with deployments. Mili-

taryKidsConnect.org provides a safe and engaging way to help military youth with the day-to-day challenges of deployment, and may even help enhance family resilience and support for the deployed Service member. To get more information on the new website, please go to: <u>http://1.usa.gov/xFL34d or http://bit.ly/wDYBtL</u>.

(Courtesy AUSA)

New TRICARE Dental Contract Starts May 1

The TRICARE Management Activity (TMA) announced the new TRICARE Dental Program (TDP) contract for active duty family members, members of the Selected Reserve and Individual Ready Reserve and their eligible family members, and survivors will begin on May 1, 2012. TDP is only for those residing in CONUS. TDP will now be managed by Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, Inc. (MetLife) instead of United Concordia. United Concordia will still manage the Active Duty Dental Program.

Beneficiaries need to know this new contract change will impact them in several ways. The cost of the TDP premiums will decrease. Single plans will now cost \$10.30 instead of \$12.69. Family plans will now cost \$30.89 rather than \$31.72. There will also be improvements to the benefit. These include:

- New benefits:
 - Composite resin (white) fillings on posterior teeth
 - Dental accident with a \$1,200 annual maximum
 - No cost shares for scaling and root planning for diabetics
 - Third cleaning during pregnancy
- Enhanced benefits:
 - Increase annual maximum for \$1,200 to \$1,300
 - Increase of lifetime orthodontics maximum from \$1,500 to \$1,700

MetLife's website is <u>www.metlife.com/tricare</u>. Their phone lines will open and begin taking enrollment on March 21. Beneficiaries that pay by credit cards or personal checks **MUST Re-enroll** with MetLife. Affected beneficiaries will receive letters from MetLife outlining the re-enrollment process.

(Courtesy National Military Family Association)



A New Tool for Protecting the Military Community



Officials from the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB), the Department of Defense, and the Federal Trade Commission announced the development of a database to combat consumer financial frauds directed at service members, veterans, and their families. The Repeat Offenders Against Military (ROAM) Database will track completed enforcement actions against companies and individuals who repeatedly scam military personnel.

One of the missions of the CFPB, specifically, of the Office of Service member Affairs – is to coordinate with other federal and state agencies to improve consumer protection for the military community. ROAM will do just that. With agencies across the country reporting scams in their neighborhoods, CFPB

will be better equipped to investigate and stop frauds that cross state lines. Far-reaching frauds illustrate the clear need for this database. New York's Attorney General, Eric Schneiderman, discovered a company outside the Army post at Fort Drum. New York's hat was selling electronics to soldiers at

discovered a company outside the Army post at Fort Drum, New York that was selling electronics to soldiers at wildly inflated prices and locking them into high-interest contracts. He later found that various related companies operated storefronts near other military installations in California, Tennessee, Colorado, Georgia, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Texas, and overseas. If ROAM had been available, it might have prevented that scam from spreading and saved service members thousands of dollars.

ROAM is the first database of its kind. Until now, there has been no central mechanism for officials to run a quick search for actions taken by various federal, state and local law enforcers against those who target the military. The Federal Trade Commission operates Military Sentinel, which is an invaluable database of consumer complaints from the military community, but it does not report on completed enforcement actions. ROAM will have information on formal actions against perpetrators of financial schemes targeting the military. Law enforcement officials across the country, including state Attorneys General, United States Attorneys, local officials, and Judge Advocates (JAGs), will be able to contribute to and search the database. Anyone can send information about formal actions to <u>ROAMDatabase@cfpb.gov</u>. Law enforcement officials can send an email to CFPB to request access to the database. ROAM goes live in early February.

(Courtesy National Military Family Association)

Free Tax Filing Services for Military Families

Military OneSource will once again offer free tax filing software to eligible service members and families through the H&R Block at Home® Basic service. The program provides free access to a customized version of the basic H&R Block at Home® electronic tax filing product. This customized product allows for free federal filing and free state filing (up to three states). In addition, free telephonic tax consultations are available to help with tax related issues. Please check the <u>www.MilitaryOneSource.com</u> website for the release date. Please wait for the service to launch before you access your H&R Block at Home® Basic account. This will prevent any applicable charges being applied to your account when preparing to file your return. The free offer is only valid through the Military OneSource website.

For in person assistance, military installations offer Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) consultants to assist with free tax advice, tax preparation, return filing, and much more. Locate the closest VITA site using the <u>Armed Forces Legal Assistance Services Locator</u>.

Did you know that Military OneSource also provides free financial counseling? Twelve financial counseling sessions are available at no cost in-person or over the phone. Telephonic and in-person financial counselors provide education and coaching in the areas of:

- money management and budgeting
- housing counseling (pre-purchase, foreclosure prevention, reverse mortgage)
- credit and "active duty alerts"
- debt management
- dealing with debt collectors
- maintaining security clearance
- financial related deployment issues
- Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA)
- payday loans, title loans, and rent to own
- relocation financial issues
- referrals to appropriate military resources creating a realistic action plan

Military OneSource will provide you with a financial service team who are all Accredited Financial Counselors (AFC) and arrange for you to meet face-to-face with a financial consultant in your community in order for you to receive the inperson service at no cost.

While preparing your 2011 taxes, take some time to review your 2012 budget. Military OneSource or your installation Personal Financial Program Manager can help you set realistic financial goals

PWOC Spring Retreat Scheduled for March 2nd & 3rd



"Glorifying God with an Un-Offend-Able Heart" with guest Speaker: Victoria Robinson and Praise & Worship Leader: Janice Whiteside on March 2-3, 2012 at Morris Hill Chapel.

There is a suggested Donation of \$25 (cash/check "CTOF") Friday night, 5:00pm -9:00pm, dinner will be served and Saturday, 9:00am-4:00pm, lunch will be served. There will be limited childcare available for those families with soldiers on deployment or TDY.

Please contact Carissa Oliver to register by February 14, 2012 at <u>x_beblessed_x@yahoo.com</u>



H&R BLOCK

At Home

Join us on Tuesday, January 10th 0900 to 1130

at Morris Hill Chapel

Bible Study, Fellowship, and Fun

Children's Programs for all ages.

Tuesday Evening Study –1 830 to 2030 No Childcare Available



Opening Day Set For Flint Hills Discovery Center



MANHATTAN, KS -The opening of Kanism attraction, the Flint Hills Discovery Center

has been set for April 14, 2012. Planning is underway for public festivities that underscore the importance of this muchanticipated cultural institution in Manhattan's downtown redevelopment district.

"This project is stunning evidence of what can be accomplished when the public and private sectors collaboratively work together," said Ron Fehr, city manager. "The Flint Hills Discovery Center is a key component to Manhattan's successful downtown redevelopment and the award of \$50 million in STAR bonds from the State of Kansas. We are proud to have created this great place of both learning and fun. It will support all our efforts to preserve the Flint Hills and promote tourism within our state."

A detailed schedule of events will be forthcoming. Opening day will include a ribbon cutting, remarks by local and state dignitaries, and the public's first look at the facility. Dedication of the adjoining Blue Earth Plaza also will take place April 14.

Construction of the 35,000-square-foot facility began in July 2009 with a promise to inspire and educate visitors to the uniqueness and importance of the Flint Hills of Kansas and the Osage Hills of Oklahoma, said Bob Workman, director of the Flint Hills Discovery Center.

"It's fantastic to be planning our opening. Our visitors are the reason for this project, and on April 14 we will come alive as everyone see and enjoys all that the Discovery Center has to offer," Workman said. Through dynamic interactive exhibits visitors will have an opportunity to explore the science and cultural history of the last stand of tallgrass prairie in North America – one of the world's most endangered eco-systems. The building is nearly complete and installation of exhibits is in progress.

The \$24.5 million project anchors the second phase of Manhattan's downtown redevelopment. Key players in the development of this project were the 2004 Attractions Committee that created the concept and a Steering Committee of local community leaders and a Technical Committee of content specialists. Their efforts were supported by a team of architects, exhibit and audio/visual designers, and fabricators and contractors. The Flint Hills Discovery Center contains permanent and temporary exhibits, classrooms and meeting rooms, a store and beautiful outdoor terraces and landscaping. It will be open 363 days a year and serve as the visitor information center for Manhattan and the surrounding Flint Hills region. For more information, please visit

www.flinthillsdiscovery.org and their Facebook page.

Riley County Genealogical Society

The Riley County Genealogical Society has two upcoming programs that are of interest to people who want to research their family history. The Genealogical Society programs are free and open to the public. February Program:

Sunday, February 19, 2012, at 2:00 p.m., Cheryl Collins will speak on "Life 100 years ago: Manhattan and Riley County in 1912." Collins is currently Director of the Riley County Historical Museum in Manhattan. She is a past President of the Kansas State Historical Society and the Kansas Museums Association. Collins currently serves on the Kansas Council on Travel and Tourism. The program is at the Manhattan Public Library Auditorium

March Program: Join them for a special presentation on the 1940 census, Sunday, March 11, 2012 2 :00pm at the Manhattan Public Library Auditorium It's coming soon! Discover what is in the 1940 Census! On April 2, 2012, the 1940 Census will celebrate its 72nd birthday and become available to researchers for the first time! Learn what questions were asked, what is new since the 1930 Census, and what you need to know in order to successfully search for your ancestors. Explore what your ancestors' lives were like in 1940 by discovering this "new" record.

Their guide to this topic is Lori Cox-Paul, the Director of Archival Operations for the National Archives at Kansas City. At the Archives, Lori is responsible for development and implementation of long - and short-range plans of the archival program for the Central Plains Region. Lori also reaches out to the community through talks like these to educate the public on the resources available at the Archives. Over the course of her twenty-two year career, Lori has worked at museums both large and small. She has a B.A. in English and History from Hastings College and an M.A. in Historical Administration from Eastern Illinois University. She is active in numerous professional organizations.

For more information contact Judy Regehr, 785-485-2158, jvregehr@vahoo.com or Lyn Gesch at geschm@hotmail.com.

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2011-2012 Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Applications Now Available

The Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Board will award scholarships to qualified military family member applicants who wish to further their education toward an undergraduate or vocational degree. Applicants must complete and sign the scholarship application forms that are attached to the back of the newsletter.

The application form and all required material should be mailed to the Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Board, P.O. Box 2082, Fort Riley, KS, 66442. Applications must be received or postmarked no later than 20 March 2012.

All applications must be mailed and postmarked by deadline. If you have any questions about this application or the scholarship, please call the FRCSB POC, Sarah Leonard, at 785-236-0235 or email questions to: <u>fortrileyscholarship@gmail.com</u>.

A Recognition Ceremony will be held at the end of April to honor scholarship recipients.

Sweet Dreams Picture Pillow Project for Deploying Soldier Families

Sweet Dreams Picture Pillow Project, makes and gives free to the children of those members of the armed forces who are



deployed a pillow with a picture of the deployed service members picture on it. Every child in a family will get their own pillow. They have been doing this for over three years. They have shipped a number of these pillows to families at Ft. Riley. Their only requirements are that the individual in the picture be in uniform and that he or she is or will shortly be deployed for three months or more. For more information visit their website at www.pillowprojectusa.com .

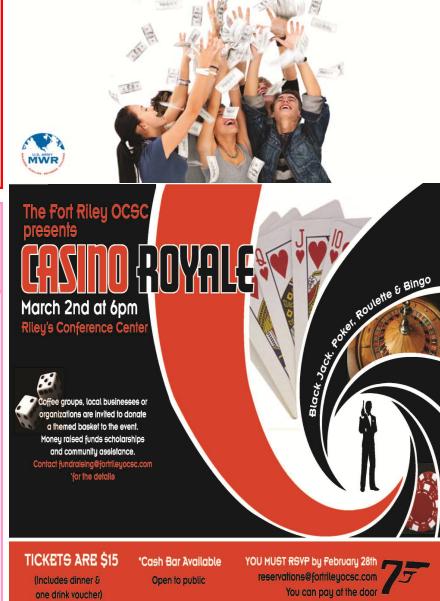




YOUTH JOB FAIR March 9, 2-4:30pm

Attention all youth, ages 15 to 21! Come and visit with employers and volunteer organizations to gain the experience you need!

Forsyth NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER 22900 Hitching Post Road, Fort Riley For more information please contact the Employment Readiness Program at 785-239-9435



Registration Form

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Completed forms can be dropped off or mailed to:

Leisure Travel Center 6918 Trooper Dr. Ft. Riley, KS 66442 Phone: 785-239-5614

(Sessions and descriptions are located on the back.)

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TO REGISTER CALL THE LEISURE TRAVEL CENTER, 785-239-5614. ONLINE REGISTRATION WILL BE AVAILABLE AT RILEYMWR.COM, UNTIL FEB 14. FREE CHILDCARE AVAILABLE BY RESERVATION ONLY, CALL 785-239-4593.

8am-3pn **Riley's Conference Center**

> **CONFERENCE IS FREE! Open to DoD Card Holders**

Lunch (if desired)

\$10 if registered by Feb 14. 15 if registering after Feb 14, until filled. (Must be prepaid with registration)

Keynote Speaker: Holly Scherer First 50 registered receive a FREE Book!



RSVP

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Session List (No Advance Session Registration Is Required.)

Container Gardening In Kansas

Flowers, vegetables and herbs can be grown in containers just as well as in the ground. All it takes is the right plants put in the right location, using known growing media and fertilized Master Gardeners will teach you how to produce colorful and tasty containers!

Fight Club Interactive self defense tricks to help you feel confident in adverse situations

Healthy Body, Healthy Mind Physical health, mental exercises (Bal-a-Vis-X), and Sleep Habits

Going Green Can Be EASY AND FUN

Confused with the whole Green Movement? Come and get the scoop on how, where and what to recycle. Also, go beyond recycling and learn how to repurpose items that you ordinarily would toss in the trash.

Discovering the Leader in You There is a leader is all of us, discover the 7 C's of leadership and easy ways to adapt to any lifestyle.

Overseas to Open Arms An Afghani wife's Journey from Afghanistan to U.S.

Personal Beauty Watch a professional give a facial and then try it on yourself.

You will learn the proper techniques and other helpful hints so you're skin will be healthy and glowing afterwards. Operation Burlesque

This class will teach you basic moves, use of props, and fun and exciting ways to strut your stuff. ***Brandi Kiekel

Money Savvy Learn hands on how to use simple steps to manage your money for that rainy day.

Scrap Booking your life story/ Visual Diary Learn hands-on simple ways to document your life in a visual diary.

Itinerary Child Care Check in \$:00-8:30am Packet Pick up Opening Remarks 8:30-9:15am Session I 9:25-10:15am Sertion II Session III Lunch and Expo

10:25-11:15am 11:25-12:15pm 12:15-1pm 1-1:30pm 1:40-2:30pm Keynote Speaker Closing Remarks 2:30-3pm

Zumba Are you ready to party yourself into shape? That's exactly what the Zumba® program is all about. It's an exhilarating.

effective, easy-to-follow, Latin-inspired, calorie-burning dance fitness partyTM that's moving millions of people toward joy and health.

Happy Hour

Session IV

Learn how to construct fun, festive, colorful party drinks. Find out how to tailor them to your party theme or create a signature drink. *** Dave Kennedy

Massage 101

A seminar for those of you looking to learn about Massage Therapy and to have a good time learning something new that you can share with family and friends. Spend 50 minutes in this hands-on class learning the basics and benefits of massage, treating ailments, and some basic techniques in how to give a massage.

Painting as a Process, Not a Product

Ask anyone who doesn't consider herself an artist to paint and most likely she will say, "I can't paint." This isn't true. Anyone can draw. And everyone can paint. Specifically, everyone can use painting and the techniques revolving around creating art as a therapeutic release and a form of healthy expression. In our lifestyle, any way to release and find a healthy outlet is another way to see the light. Come and learn how to focus on the process rather than the result, and how to tap into the potential that resides inside you.

Wine Pairing

Have you ever wondered what type of wine to serve for different dishes. Come and discover the different categories of wine to entertain your next guest.

Goal Setting Many dreams, many paths, Holly Scherer offers some skills to help manage the military lifestyle.

(Sessions are subject to change.)

Join RSVP of the Flint Hills in hosting the 1st Annual



\$10 for fathers

Sunday February 19th, 2012 from 2-4 pm at the Manhattan Country Club

> \$8 for daughters ages 4-13

Buy tickets at the RSVP office 417 Houston St. Manhattan, KS For information call 785-776-7787

Get dolled up and dance the afternoon away!

A complimentary photo, drinks and refreshments will be provided to all of those in attendance





OCSC 2012 Fund Disbursement Application

It's that time of year again! It is time to complete applications for funds disbursements in support of deserving organizations/activities in our community. During the membership year, OCSC raises funds through events like our November Make It, Bake It, Fake It luncheon, Casino Royale basket auction in March, and the opportunity drawings at each luncheon. To apply for the funds this year, individuals must complete the Application for Fund Disbursement and return the application via postal mail or email. Applications must be postmarked by February 24, 2012. While anyone may apply, special consideration is given to requests that benefit groups, have a lasting benefit and are connected in some way to military personnel/families. Please note that we are unable to grant requests for funds in support of salaries, operating costs or FRGs.



Applications can be found online at <u>www.fortrileyocsc.com/community-assistance</u> or on the back page of this newsletter. For more information please contact Sara Nauman at <u>donations@fortrileyocsc.com</u>.

Running Technique Clinic

Do you want to learn to run more efficiently and with less strain on your back and knees? Do you need to run faster for your next APFT or race? Are your lungs on fire when you run uphill? Do your joints hurt when you run downhill? This 90 minute clinic will



teach you how to position your body and foot strike to maximize your momentum and reduce your injuries. The clinics will be scheduled a few times a month at King Field House and Long Gym. There are only 4-5 minutes of running during the clinic for gait analysis so the clinic is fine for brand new runners. Clinics can also be scheduled for groups (unit PT, FRGs, etc) by contacting Angi. The clinic costs \$15 per person and includes instructional handouts. Please come dressed in running clothes to start the clinic indoors and then move outside for the gait analysis and uphill and downhill running section. The next three clinics are scheduled for Thur. 9 Feb. from 12:00pm-1:30pm at Long Gym, Wed. 15 Feb. 11:30am -1:00pm at King Field House and Thur. 23 Feb. 11:30am -1:00pm at King Field House. If possible, please sign-up and pay in advance with Vincent Spencer (Fitness Coordinator) upstairs in the Functional Fitness Area at King Field House. For questions, please contact Angi Buckley at angibuckley@yahoo.com .

K-State Collegiate Rodeo Scheduled for 17-19 February

The K-State Collegiate Rodeo will be conducted 17-19FEB12 at Weber Arena, Kansas State University. Tickets for all three days are available at Fort Riley Leisure and Travel (239-5614) and at the door.



Limited complimentary tickets for the finals on 191300FEB12 will be available at Fort Riley Leisure and Travel (239-5614) starting on 01FEB12 for Soldiers, Families, and DoD Civilians.

Schedule of Events:

Friday, February 17th - 7:30pm - Tough Enough to Wear Pink Night Saturday, February 18th - 1:00pm - Kid's Day Saturday, February 18th - 7:30 pm - No special programs or events Sunday, February 19th - 1:00 pm - **Military Appreciation** and Rodeo Finals

HASFR 2012 Fund Disbursement Application

HASFR is accepting grant applications for their 2012 Spring Disbursement. For applications you can email <u>hasfrevents@hotmail.com</u> or see back page of newsletter for an application. Deadline to apply is 29 February, 2012.

Walk Kansas 2012

An 8-week healthy lifestyle challenge!

March 18 - May 12





Walk Kansas

Walk Kansas is a teambased program that will help you and others lead a healthier life by being more active, making better nutrition choices, and learning positive ways to deal with stress.

You can participate by gathering a team of 6 people, register the team in your local program, and start your journey toward a healthier life!

General information about Walk Kansas is available at:

www.walkkansas.org



FREE Child Care for FRG Meetings!!!

Fort Riley Child & Youth Services now provides free childcare for Family Readiness Group Meetings. This is open to all units on Fort Riley. Contact your FRG leader or Family



Readiness Support Assistant (FRSA) to make your childcare reservation once CYS registration has been completed. CYS registration of your child or children is mandatory!

Location of childcare will be determined by the age of child/children; the sites of childcare are Warren Road Child Development Center, Bldg. 6950 and/or School Age Services, Bldg. 5810. Time of childcare offered is from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Reservations for care will be taken up to three days prior to scheduled childcare opening!

Future dates of childcare are as follows:

February - 14th & 28th March - 13th &27th April - 10th & 24th

For more information, please contact the Central Registration office at (785)239-9885 or stop by Bldg. 6620 Normandy Dr.

Ever wish you could compliment someone for doing a good job or wanted to make a complaint but didn't know where to go? Click on the following link



and leave your ICE Comment and it goes to the appropriate personnel to take care of your concern.

http://ice.disa.mil/index.cfm?fa=site&site_id=17



February 2012 Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat 2 1 3 - Manhattan MRC - 1-5 Uncasing -Comedy Night 8:00pm Luncheon 11:30am Ceremony 10:00am - FR Network Meeting 10:30am 8 9 10 11 - Division Training - VOQ Ceremony - 299th Change of - 5-4 CAV Change - Sweetheart Dinner Super Bowl Sunday at Warrior Zone Command of Command Holiday 6:00pm Dance 11:00am 10:00am 10:00am 18 12 13 14 Valentines Day 16 17 15 1-5 FA Change - Family Bingo Valentine's Day -Black History Month USD 475 Staff 2:00pm Family Bowl and Observance 11:45am of Command **Development Day** Wacky Tournament 10:00am (No School) 11am - A Night Out: Customs and Courtesies for Military Events 10:00am Master Resilience Training for Family Members Feb 13-16 9am- 3pm Division Training Holiday Feb 17-20 K-State Collegiate Rodeo 17-19 FEB 20 President's Day 21 22 23 24 25 19 - Guess What Your - Women's Confer-Mate Will Say ence 8:00am 12:00pm - KSU Military Appreciation Day at the Rodeo Division Training Holiday Feb 17-20 FRSA Training 22-23 FEB 9am – 3pm KSU Rodeo 27 28 26 29 -Monthly Retirement Ceremony 9:00am Presidents' Day - HASFR Disbursment Application Deadline

March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 Garrison RDO	3
					- FR Network Meet- ing 10:30am	
					- OSCS Casino Royale 6:00pm	
4	5	6 - Ft Riley Community Forum 10:30am	7 - Manhattan MRC Luncheon 11:30am	8	9	10
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18	19	20 - FR Scholarship	21 - Women's History	22 - JC/GC Breakfast	23 Garrison RDO	24
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				Divisio	n Training Holiday Marcl	h 22-25
25	26	27	28 -Monthly Retirement Ceremony 9:00am	29	30	31 - Great Escapes
			Ceremony 3.00am			Expo 10:00am

Send your events, news, contact information, etc., to:

Stacie Dumas 1st Inf. Div. FRSA Building 580, Room 333

All information needs to be received by February 26, 2012 for the next monthly newsletter.

Phone: (785)240-1251 Fax: (785)239-0416

E-mail: stacie.r.dumas.civ@mail.mil or stacie.dumas@us.army.mil



On the Web!

1st Infantry Division & Fort Riley Homepage - www.riley.army.mil

Fort Riley MWR - www.rileymwr.com

Army vFRG- www.armyfrg.org

Fort Riley Religious Support - www.riley.army.mil/UnitPage.aspx?

US Army Homepage- www.army.mil

MyPay - https://mypay.dfas.mil

Irwin Army Community Hospital - http://iach.amedd.army.mil

Ready Army - www.riley.army.mil/areainfo/readyarmy.aspx

Fort Riley MWR Twitter Page - http://twitter.com/rileyfmwrbear

1ID Facebook Page - http://www.facebook.com/1stInfantryDivision

Fort Riley Facebook Page - http://www.facebook.com/FortRiley

11D Flickr Page - http://www.flickr.com/photos/firstinfantrydivision/

- Supreme Court of the United States met for the first time, February 1, 1790.
- Amendment 24 to the U.S. Constitution, banning poll tax, proclaimed, 1964.
- The United States Senate ratified the peace treaty ending the Spanish-American War, February 6, 1899.
- Amendment 20 to the United States Constitution, moving Inauguration Day to January 20, proclaimed, February 6, 1933.
- Valentine's Day. February 14.
- Boy Scouts of America incorporated, 1910.
- San Francisco's Golden Gate International Exposition opened, 1939.



Did You Know?

The old stories told are that the ground hog comes out of it's burrow on February 2, to look for it's shadow. If there is sunshine and he sees his shadow, then he goes back to sleep and there will be more winter time. If he doesn't, then the spring time will begin.

- Thomas A. Edison patented the phonograph, February 19, 1878.
- Astronaut John H. Glenn, Jr., became first American to orbit the earth, February 20, 1962.
- Richard M. Nixon became first

U.S. President to visit China, February 21, 1972.

- Amendment 25 to the U.S. Constitution, on presidential succession, proclaimed, February 23, 1967.
- Amendment 16 to the Constitution, authorizing the income tax, proclaimed, 1913.
- The last German troops surrendered in the Stalingrad pocket, completing the Soviet Union's victory at Stalingrad, during World War II, 1943.
- Philippine Rebellion against the United States began, 1899.
- College of William and Mary, second oldest college in the United States, chartered, 1693.



Fort Riley Officer and Civilian Spouses' Club Application for Fund Disbursement



Throughout the year Fort Riley OCSC fundraises through various means at luncheons and special events, which we in turn give to organizations on Fort Riley and in the surrounding communities in the spring. To be eligible for a fund disbursement, organizations must be able to demonstrate how they plan on using the funds requested in a manner which will have a long term impact on our soldiers and/or their families. Please note we are unable to fund operating costs, salaries, and/or FRGs. Return this form and a letter of intent to the address below. Applications must be postmarked by <u>February 24</u>, <u>2012</u>. Recipients of disbursements will be notified via mail by April 1st. Please direct any questions to Sara Nauman, OCSC Community Assistance, at <u>donations@fortrileyocsc.com</u>.

Name of organization and mailing address:

Point of Contact (Name & E-Mail):

Amount requested:

Tax Identification Number (required):

Name of Program/Activity Funds Will Be Used For:

Indicate to whom a check would be payable (not an individual):

Please attach a letter of intent with the following components:

- Brief description of the organization
- Brief statement of objectives of the proposed project which details how the funds will be used, the number of individuals who will benefit, the organization's affiliation (if any) with the military
- Describe any other fundraising efforts
- If requesting funds for a school, the Principal's signature is required
- Mail to: Fort Riley OCSC ATTN: Community Assistance P.O. Box 2482 Fort Riley, KS 66442

Consideration for future requests will depend upon receipt of:

Donation Receipt* Thank You Note* Itemized Statement

Historical and Archaeological Society of Fort Riley

Community Assistance Disbursement Committee c/o Julie Snodderly, 444-D Carpenter Place, Ft. Riley, KS 66442 E-Mail: hasfrevents@hotmail.com

Date:

Name of Organization: Mailing Address: _____

Amount Requested:

Program/Activity Funds Will Be Used For: _____ Please be specific and provide supporting information. Use additional sheets if necessary.

Total Cost of Program/Activity: _____

Funds Raised to Date, if Applicable:

Note: The Committee considers the number of military connected personnel involved, whether it benefits the group (not merely an individual), and if it will be of lasting benefit to the group (i.e. how will it affect the future of the organization). Salaries and operating costs and FRGs cannot be funded. Consideration is also given to the ability of the group to raise funds and whether an effort has been made to do so.

Please answer all of the questions below and be explicit in your answers. Use additional sheets if necessary. Applications must be received no later than Wednesday, February 29, 2012,

Justification. Explain how the funds will benefit the group in detail, i.e. ages and ٠ number of individuals who will benefit.

Military. How many military connected members will benefit from your ٠ organization/activity?

Mall donation to/What name is on check?:

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- The essay will be typed, contained on one page and be between 375 and 400 words. All applicants must submit an essay. Please address the following question in 375-400 words: What are the responsibilities of an educated
- **person?** Essays will **not** contain any information that could identify the applicant (names, addresses, ranks, units, etc.).
- 10. Letters of recommendation are not required and will not be considered.
- 11. No personal identification (name, signature, etc.) will be placed on pages 5, 6 and 7 of the neither application nor will they appear on the essay.
- 12. Per paragraph C.3., required forms and documentation must be submitted in the correct order and will not be stapled
- The application form and all required material should be mailed to the *Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Board*, P.O. Box 2082, Fort Riley, KS, 66442. Applications must be received or postmarked no later than 20 March 2012. <u>All applications must be mailed and postmarked</u>.
- 14. Failure to follow application instructions, including submitting an incomplete application, may result in immediate disqualification.

D. Selection of Scholarship Recipients

- 1. Applications will be assigned a number, with names, (and all identifying information), of the applicants remaining anonymous to the Judging Committee members. The first 4 pages of the application will be removed for the judging process and all information will be treated in a confidential manner.
- 2. Academics, extracurricular activities, leadership, community volunteerism and employment will be considered in evaluating applicants.
- 3. In late April, each applicant will be notified by mail of the FRCSB's decision. A Recognition Ceremony will be held at the end of April to honor scholarship recipients.
- 4. If you have any questions about this application or the scholarship, please call the FRCSB POC, Sarah Leonard, at 785-236-0235 or email questions to: fortrileyscholarship@gmail.com.

E. Fort Riley-K-State Partnership Scholarship Program. High school senior applicants, interested in attending Kansas State University and competing for Partnership Scholarships, may do so by filling out & signing as indicated on page 4 of this application. Parental/legal guardian signatures are also required. This program provides additional, partial scholarships which are funded solely by K-State for attendance at K-State. Choosing to compete does not preclude competing for a FRCSB scholarship. No fees are involved in this process. No additional forms are required. The FRCSB will provide K-State with the applicant's academic information for the purposes of determining scholarship eligibility. The FRCSB will notify all applicants about the final status of their consideration for a Fort Riley-K-State Partnership Scholarship. Competition is based on the same criteria as the FRCSB scholarships. Winners are chosen by K-State. Scholarships are awarded at the April FRCSB Scholarship Ceremony.

I have read and understand the procedures for submitting an application to the Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Committee.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Parent's Signature:

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A. Applicant's Eligibility

- 1. The Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Board will award scholarships to qualified military family member
- applicants who wish to further their education toward an undergraduate or vocational degree.
- 2. Applicants must be a graduating high school senior, a currently enrolled college/vocational student, or a spouse pursuing a college/vocational degree (possessing a High School Diploma or GED).
- 3. Applicants must be a family member (child or spouse) of an active duty, retired, or deceased military member, of the greater Fort Riley Community. Qualified family members may also apply if the military sponsor has been re-assigned to another geographic location (i.e., Korea, etc.) and the remainder of the family has stayed in the greater Fort Riley Community.
- 4. Applicants must possess a valid DD Form 1173 (not 1173-1) Military Identification Card.

B. Conditions of the Scholarship Award

- 1. The scholarship is for undergraduate study only.
- 2. This is a merit based scholarship, financial hardship is NOT evaluated.
- 3. The scholarship will be applied to the first school year following the award.
- 4. The scholarship is awarded for the payment of tuition, books, and room and board.

5. The school the student is attending must submit written proof of enrollment before funds can be disbursed. The funds must be remitted to an accredited college, university, vocational, or technical school above the high school level, operated and approved by a state or federal authority.

6. Each applicant may only apply for one scholarship category each year. Additionally, each applicant may only receive one scholarship per scholarship category (high school senior, college student, or spouse) in their lifetime.

7. Applicants must compete in their primary category. The primary category is most often determined by the reason they have a military ID card and, therefore, eligible to compete. For instance, a high school senior who has a military ID card because she/he is a dependent child will compete in the high school senior category. However, a college student married to a soldier may compete in either the spouse category or the college student category, but not both. In such an instance it is the applicant's responsibility to select which category to apply for.

8. The CSB reserves the right to deny any application where there is evidence of fraud or abuse.

C. Procedure for Submitting Applications

- 1. Applicants must complete and sign the scholarship application forms. Applicants must follow the instructions on pages 1 through 8 especially as they apply to the different scholarship categories (High School Senior, College Student, Spouse).
- 2. The submitted application must include:
 - a. Pages 1-7 of the application. b. Transcripts. c. 375-400 word essay.
 - d. A letter from the high school counselor stating the student's name, class ranking, cumulative GPA, and ACT or SAT score (ACT scores are preferred). (This letter is required for high school seniors only-college students and spouses will not submit this letter).
- 3. Submit these forms in the order listed above. Do not staple any of these forms.
- 4. High school students will be evaluated solely on their high school level performance. High school seniors will **not** enter information about events which occurred prior to the start of high school.
- 5. College/vocational school students will be evaluated solely on their college level performance. College/vocational school students will **not** enter any data or provide any information about events which occurred **prior to** the start of their college/vocational school training nor will they provide ACT or SAT scores or class rankings.
- 6. Spouses will provide all required academic performance information starting when they entered high school until the present day. Spouses will provide information about extracurricular activities, awards, and volunteer experience and work experience that has occurred within the last 3 years.
- 7. Official copies of transcripts are not required, however the copies provided must be clear, legible and written in English. High school seniors will provide a copy of all their high school transcripts. College students will provide copies of all their college transcripts (**not** copies of high school transcripts). Spouses will provide copies of all college transcripts.
- 8. High school seniors are required to provide a letter from their high school counselor stating the student's name, class ranking cumulative GPA, and ACT or SAT scores (ACT SCORES ARE PREFERRED). This letter will be submitted in its' original form (copies are not accepted). College students & spouses will not submit this letter. See pg. 8 for additional information.

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Date of Birth:	j	Telephone #: (Home) (Mobile)
Sponsor's Name & Rank:		
Sponsor's Duty Station and/or P	ermanent Address:	
Sponsor's Social Security #:		
Check Sponsor's Category:	Active Duty Retired Deceased	
Check Applicant's Category:	Graduating HS Senior College Vocational/Tech	Currently Enrolled College Student College Vocational/Tech
	Spouse College Vocational/Tech	

<u>You may only apply for one category each year.</u> You are limited to receive one scholarship per category in your lifetime. For example, if you received a FRCSB Scholarship last year as a currently enrolled college student and you are now a spouse, you may apply for a scholarship in the spouse category. You may not apply in the currently enrolled college student category.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Parent's Signature:

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I certify that the information in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that my accompanying essay is entirely of my own effort. If I accept a Fort Riley Combined Scholarship, I agree to abide by all "Conditions of the Scholarship Award" set by the Scholarship Board as stated on the previous pages. Should I not fulfill these requirements, I agree to return all awarded monies to the Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Fund.

Applicant's Signature:	-
Parent's Signature:	-
Military Sponsor's unit:	
Military Sponsor's unit address:	
Sponsor's Phone (Rear Det. where applicable):	

Fort Riley-K-State Partnership Scholarship Program

<u>High school senior applicants</u>, interested in attending Kansas State University and competing for Partnership Scholarships, may do so by filling out & signing as indicated below. Parental/legal guardian signatures are also required. This program provides additional, partial scholarships which are funded solely by K-State for attendance at K-State. Choosing to compete does not preclude competing for a FRCSB scholarship. No fees are involved in this process. No additional forms are required. The FRCSB will provide K-State with the applicant's information for the purposes of determining scholarship eligibility. The FRCSB will notify all applicants about the final status of their consideration for a Fort Riley-K-State Partnership Scholarship. Competition is based on the same criteria as the FRCSB scholarships. Winners are chosen by K-State. Scholarships are awarded at the April FRCSB Scholarship Ceremony.

I (print name) _______ wish to participate in the Fort Riley-K-State Partnership Scholarship Program. I understand this in no way impacts my participation in the FRCSB Scholarship Program and that no additional fees or forms are required. I understand that Partnership Scholarships are intended for use at K-State only and that I am in no way required to accept a Partnership Scholarship. I understand that by signing below I am granting permission for the FRCSB to share the information contained in my scholarship application with the K-State Partnership and that it will be used solely for the determination of scholarship eligibility.

Applicant Signature: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____

Application Number: 2011-2012 Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Board (FRCSB) Application 1. High school seniors: Name of High School: _____ Date of Graduation: _____ Class Rank _____ Cumulative GPA _____ SAT/ACT Score _____ 2. College students: Cumulative (college level) GPA: _____ 3. Spouses:

 High School Cumulative GPA
 College Cumulative GPA

4. High School Seniors: list all high schools attended in chronological order. College Students: list all colleges/vocational schools attended in chronological order. Spouses: list all high schools and colleges attended in chronological order. School Location Dates 5. List schools to which you have applied or plan to apply. Indicate if already accepted. (Not required for applicants already enrolled in college) 6. What will be or is your major field of study?

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7. <u>List Extracurricular Activities:</u> (Include clubs, organized sports, scouting, hobbies, special interests, etc.) List leadership positions held and approximate dates of involvement. Attach extra sheets as needed. High school seniors will not list any items that occurred prior to the start of high school. College students will not list any items that occurred prior to the start of college/vocational school. Spouses will provide information about events that have occurred within the last 3 years.

Position Held Name of Activity Year (s)

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8. <u>List honors and awards</u>. (List, but do not send, certificates of appreciation, volunteer awards, student activities awards, other school, volunteer, employment and appreciation awards that you may have received.) Attach extra sheets as needed. High school seniors will not list any items that occurred prior to the start of high school. College students will not list any items that occurred prior to the start of college/vocational school. Spouses will provide information about events that have occurred within the last 3 years.

9. List job experience and any volunteer positions. (Include FRGs, the Red Cross, Thrift Shop, HASFR, church activities, etc.). Attach extra sheets as needed. High school seniors will not list any items that occurred prior to the start of high school. College students will not list any items that occurred prior to the start of college/vocational school. Spouses will provide information about events that have occurred within the last 3 years.

Job Title or Volunteer Position

Organization

Dates

This application must be postmarked NLT 31 March 2011. Mail the application forms and all required information to: Fort Riley Combined Scholarship Board, P.O. Box 2082, Fort Riley, KS 66442

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THE HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR LETTER MUST BE WRITTEN ON THE HIGH SCHOOL'S OFFICIAL LETTERHEAD

- 1. THIS LETTER IS REQUIRED FOR ALL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS.
- 2. COLLEGE STUDENTS AND SPOUSES WILL NOT SUBMIT THIS LETTER.
- 3. THE LETTER WILL STATE THE STUDENT'S NAME, CLASS RANKING, CUMULATIVE GPA, ACT OR SAT SCORE (ACT SCORES ARE PREFERRED).
- 4. THIS LETTER WILL NOT BE MAILED SEPARATELY, IT WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE APPLICANT'S SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION.
- 5. THIS LETTER WILL BE ADDRESSED TO THE FRCSB AND IT WILL BE SIGNED BY THE HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR.
- 6. THIS LETTER MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ITS' ORIGINAL FORM, COPIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

COUNSELOR'S SIGNATURE AND SIGNATURE BLOCK