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Child & Youth Program



June 2012 Newsletter

It's Not too late! There is still room for you in this year's <u>Military Youth Fish Camp</u>. The camp begins June 6th at Camp of the Cross in Garrison, ND, and it is <u>free</u> for National Guard Youth ages 8-15.

The youth will learn the ins and outs of fishing from experienced staff and volunteers from the Game and Fish Department. How to bait a hook, how to cast, how to clean the fish they catch, and how to identify fish species are just a few of the things the children will learn. All this, while learning about boat safety and making new friends makes this camp a memorable event for any youth.

Registrations are being accepted until close of business Monday, June 4th. The registration form is found on www.ndguard.com

or e-mail Beth at beth.sandeen1@us.army.mil and she will email you a form.

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Opportunities for Military Youth Summer 2012

2012 Military Youth Camps

Military Youth Camp I (ND National Guard)

June 24-28 / Western 4-H Camp, Washburn, ND

Ages 8-11 Registration: www.ndsu.edu/4h/camp

Register before May 15, \$55 / After May 15, \$75 (Remainder funded through the Department of Defense/Operation: Military Kids camp grant)

- This camp is intended for youth who are members of military families.
- Youth will grow in areas such as self-confidence and independence through adult-led activities.
- Campers will develop resiliency skills through team building activities such as friendly competitions, meals with a twist, water fun, mud pit action and much more.

Military Youth Camp II (ND National Guard)

June 24-28 / Western 4-H Camp, Washburn, ND

Ages 12-15 Registration: www.ndsu.edu/4h/camp

Register before May 15, \$55 / After May 15, \$75 (Remainder funded through the Department of Defense/Operation: Military Kids camp grant)

- This camp is intended for youth who are members of military families.
- Youth will strengthen their leadership skills while completing action-packed activities.
- Military & 4-H based curriculum will be intertwined with traditional camp activities.
- Campers will develop self-confidence through team building games, skill building activities and social interaction.



Military Teen Adventure Camps

Would you like to spend time whitewater rafting, hiking, rock climbing, winter camping, backpacking, mountain biking, exploring the environment, running ropes courses, geo-caching, or practicing wilderness skills? What if you could do these activities with other military youth just like you? Military teens (14-18 years old) have an opportunity to participate in adventure camps scheduled April 2012 through March 2013.

Check out their website:

https://www.extension.purdue.edu/Adventure_camps/campshome.html

Teen Leadership Summit

This 6-day, 5-night experience offers teens an opportunity to grow and develop not only in their own leadership abilities, but also as military youth. Teens will experience high adventure elements including climbing walls, rappelling, whitewater rafting, and other elements. They will meet others and make new friends. Check out their website: http://www.georgia4h.org/jointreservesummit





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from Military Families.

THE MISSION:

To support youth of North Dakota military families from all branches of service through collaboration with community partners during all stages of deployment including peace time.

Morning Session
for Youth in Grades K-6
8:30 a.m.
Registration
9:00 a.m.—12:00 Noon
Tour of the Dakota
Territory Air Museum
PRESENTATIONS
How an Airplane Flies
by Gienn Blockaby, Air Museum

by Gienn Blockaby, Air Museum
Where am I and How Do I
Get to Where I'm Going?
by Gienn Blockaby, Air Museum
Weather & Airplanes

by Tom Schrader,

KXMC-TV Meteorologist

NORTH DAKOTA



Afternoon Session

for Youth in Grades 7-12

12:30 p.m.

Registration

1:00-4:00 p.m.

Tour of the Dakota

Territory Air Museum

Simple Aerodynamics

by Glenn Blackaby, Air Museum

A Brief Look at Navigation

Weather & Airplanes

KXMC-TV Meteorologist

by Glenn Blackaby, Air Museum

Plane Camps

This June, four plane camps are available to youth ages 6-8 (starting June 13) and 9-13 (starting June 5) at the Fargo Air Museum. Registration costs is \$45 for the Junior Camp and \$75 for the older camp. Educational segments include elements of aircraft, propulsion, navigation and more. Check with Beth for a registration form or e-mail the Fargo Air Museum directly at education@fargoairmuseum.org.

Space is limited,



so register today.



NDSU EXTENSION

Come and eat lunch with friends this summer. It's Free and Fun!!

Monday through Friday, June 11th to August 17th the Salvation Army is bringing lunch to youth in Fargo at three locations.

Charism, 2101 9th Ave 5, 11:00-11:30 am Madison Park, 3010 11th Ave N, 12:00-12:30 pm McKinley Elementary, 2930 8th St N, 12:30-1:00 pm

Theo Art School in Bismarck is offering a wide variety of summer art camps. More information can be found on their website: http://highprairiecomplex.com/theo Don't forget to ask for the military discount!!!



Youth Council Meetings



Youth Council Meetings are on break for the summer.

Next year, we will be going through a curriculum called "Money Matters" with our Youth Council. We will discuss things like how to balance a checkbook, creating a budget, and other financial skills. If your youth, ages 12 and older, would like to be a member of our Youth Council, please follow this link to the registration form. We will send an e-mail when the first meeting starts in the fall.

http://www.ndguard.ngb.army.mil/family/support/youth/Pages/Youth Council.aspx

Delivering Hope on Wheels across North Dakota

The Ronald McDonald Care Mobile is a mobile dental clinic that delivers needed dental care to babies all the way to age 21 in their communities in the western half of North Dakota.

Military Children of Active Duty, Guard/ Reserves, Veterans and pregnant spouses of a military member will receive free dental work that includes cleanings, X-rays, light cavity work and extractions. There is NO COST associated with this.

The mobile dental clinic will be in:

Minot on June 18-22 Dickinson on July 9-13

If you are interested, send an email with your phone number and where you want to see the dentist to: NDMilitaryKids@gmail.com



Military Child Education Coalition: Living in the New Normal: Helping Children Thrive in Good and Challenging Times Practicum

You are invited to the Living In the New Normal: Helping Children Thrive In Good and Challenging Times Institute <u>Thursday and Friday</u>, <u>September 20-21 at the Holiday Inn in Fargo.</u> The Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC)[™], a nonprofit organization addressing the educational needs of

children in military families will present the training. This two-day institute outlining specific community resources, deployment information, and practical strategies for encouraging resilience in all children. It is free, open to the public, and lunch is provided. There are CEU's available for this training

and it is also Growing Futures approved. One hour of graduate credit is available for an additional cost. To register, go to www.militarychild.org



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Operation: Military Kids

Save the Dates

Camp Retreats

Family Retreat

Families of all
Branches of the Military
With youth ages 6 and older
Cooperstown Bible Camp
Friday, August 10th (4:00 pm) Sunday, August 12th (1:00 pm)
Spend time outdoors and enjoy
quality time together as you
discover the strengths of your
family unit through team
building, equine assisted
learning activities, zip lines,
campfires, and more!

SOMK Teen Retreat

Youth Going into 7th-12th Grade Jamestown College Campus Friday, August 3rd (6:00 pm) - Sunday August 5th (noon) Make new friends and enjoy a FUN-filled weekend including team-building activities, water fun, and much more. Using technology, you will tap into your creative skills as you create a video production to help tell others about what military families go through during the stages of deployment.

For more information or to register for these retreats, contact Diane or Beth at:

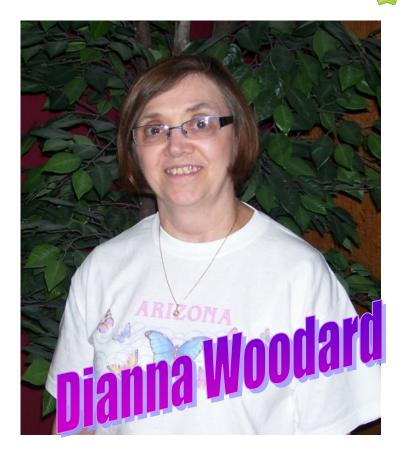
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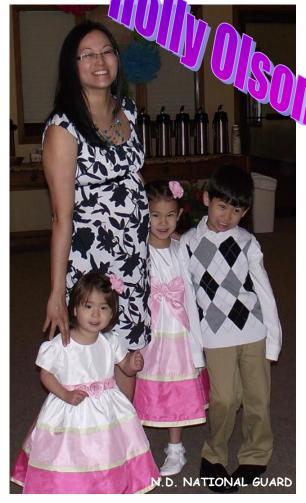


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Good-bye to Jessica

On May 15th, 2012, Jessica Clark-Woinarowicz left her office at the Bismarck Military Service Center, turned in her computer, and said good-bye to her job as the Lead Child and Youth Program coordinator. She was beginning a new adventure as she follows her husband and his promotion out to Bend, OR. Jessica did many great things for the ND National Guard youth in her role as coordinator, including many Yellow Ribbon events where she connected with the children of those Service Members that were deployed. She was a great co-worker and friend and she will be missed.

Thanks Jessica for all the hard work and best wishes at your new home on the west coast.



Jessi at the Region 8 Youth Leadership Summit last April. Colorado Springs, CO,

Child & Youth Program Mission

Promote and sustain the quality of life and resilience of National Guard children and youth by providing secure, timely, flexible, high-quality support services and enrichment programs

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Child & Youth Program Web site: www.ndguard.ngb.army.mil

Hello to Nicole Cook

New Child and Youth Program Coordinator

Nicole is a native of North Dakota. She graduated from Minot State University with a Bachelors degree in Psychology and a minor in addictions and concentration in Sociology. She also has a BSW from MSU and is a Licensed Social Worker. Her past employment includes being a social worker for Medcenter One, a Counselor Technician for the North Dakota State Penitentiary and an intern with Burleigh County Social Services. Her husband is currently in the NDNG. She developed a passion for working with military families when she, her husband, 3 year old son and 7 year old step daughter attended various military sponsored events. Nicole's hobbies include; spending time with her family, camping, traveling, Contact information coming in the next issue shopping, spending time with friends, and spending time outside no matter what day of the year. Nicole wants to support military youth and families through her position as coordinator by sharing new program ideas as well as expanding opportunities for events specifically for military families. Nicole is excited to meet new colleagues and can't wait to begin working with the SMFS team and military youth and their families.