



#### **Rock Island Arsenal Town Hall**

COL Elmer Speights, Jr.

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### **Agenda**



- Garrison Commander Welcome
- Introduction of CG and Brief
- Fort Armstrong Avenue Construction
- Moline River Drive Construction
- Construction of Motor Cycle Training Course
- Davenport Gate Closure Modifications
- Davenport Gate Extreme Cold Closure
- The Exchange/AAFES
- Commissary/DeCA
- RIA Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation
- Calendar of Events
- Questions





### **Garrison Commander Welcome**





COL Elmer Speights, Jr.
Garrison Commander
US Army Garrison-Rock Island Arsenal



### Introduction of CG and Brief



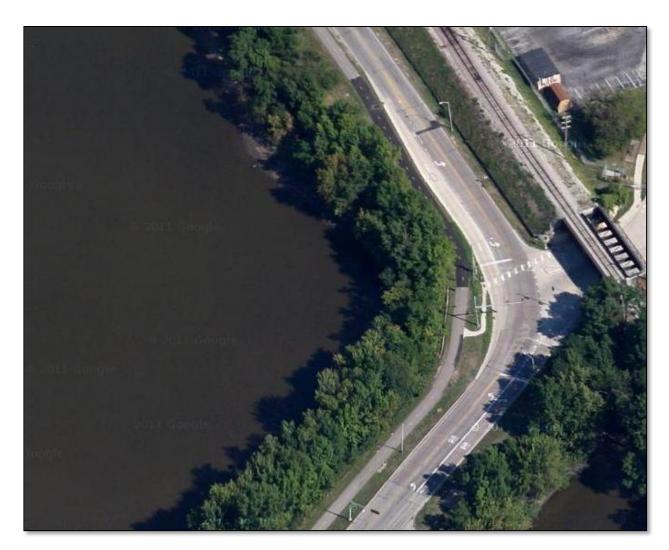


MG Kevin O'Connell Senior Commander Rock Island Arsenal Commander, Army Sustainment Command



## Fort Armstrong Ave. Construction





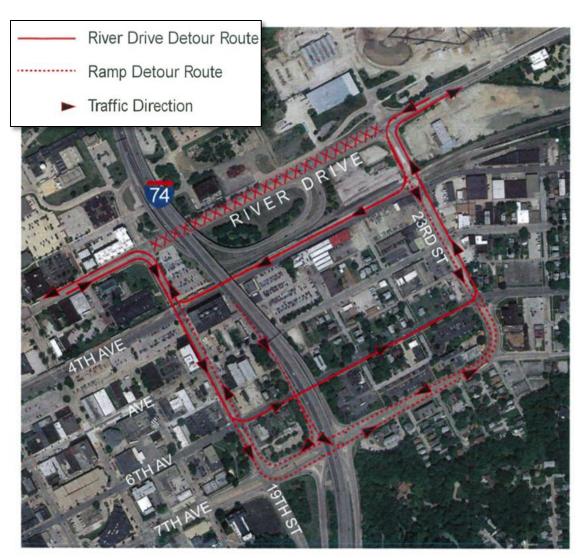
## Project on hold until Spring 2015

- The original construction was scheduled to start on 6 SEP, but was delayed due to unforeseen issues with Centennial Bridge.
- The contract states Fort Armstrong construction cannot begin until Centennial work is complete.
- Construction on Centennial Bridge is not expected to be complete until 10 OCT.
- There is insufficient time remaining prior to the beginning of winter to complete the project this fall.



### **Moline River Drive Construction**



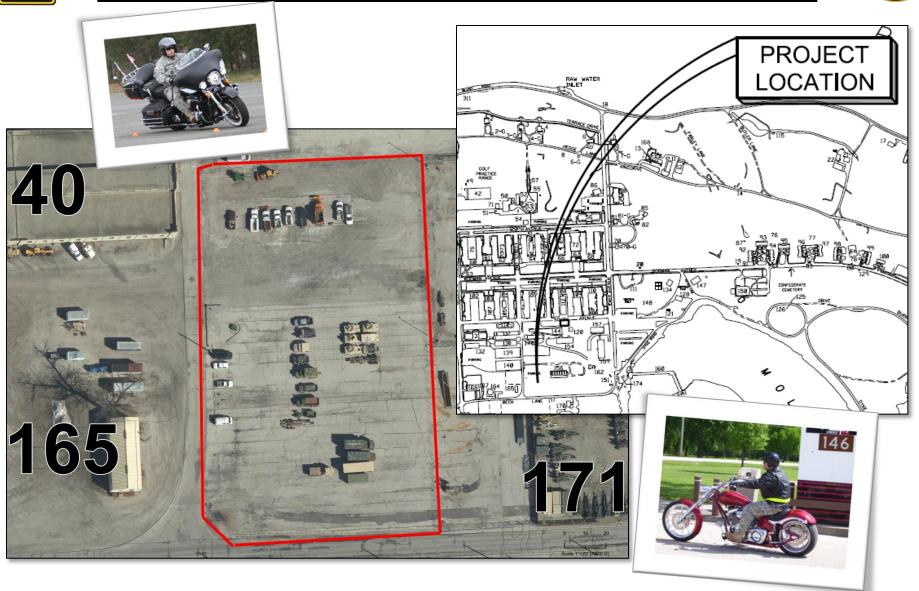


The Illinois Department of **Transportation is** reconstructing River Drive from 19th Street to 23rd Street in cooperation with the City of Moline. The closure started 8 SEP and will last till 5 DEC. The interchange of 1-74 with River Drive is also closed during this time, but will reopen following the completion of this work. Detour routes are signed to ensure that motorists can access local businesses effectively.



## **Motor Cycle Training Course**







### **Davenport Gate Closure**



#### **Modifications**



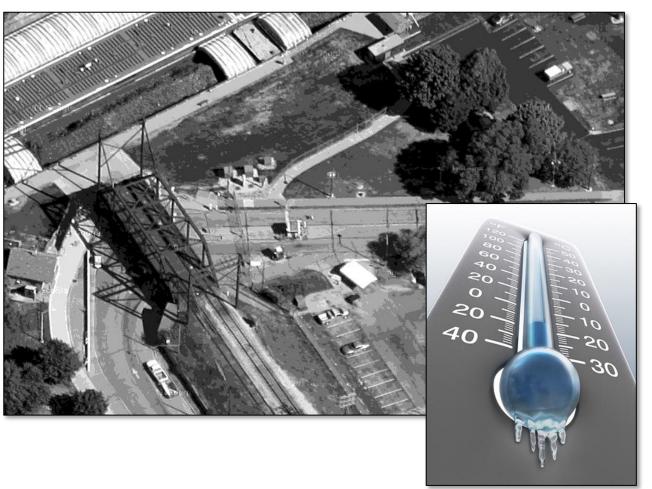
**During late October and** early November, the **Davenport Gate will be** closed for approximately 2 weeks to upgrade the **Davenport Gate to improve** working conditions for the security guards. A carport will be constructed to provide overhead cover and protection from the wind for the security guard force. Utilities and fencing will be run at the same time. All traffic will be routed through the Rock Island Gate at this time.



### **Davenport Gate Closure**



#### **Due to Extreme Cold**



The Davenport Gate will be closed when the ambient temperature or wind chill is -15° Fahrenheit or colder due to the lack of sufficient cover, protection, and heating at this location. **Determination will be** made by the shift supervisor and broadcast via ATHOC. and on the website, to installation employees. A third lane at the Rock Island Gate may be opened to alleviate traffic flow when this occurs.



## The Exchange/AAFES





#### **Store Hours**

Exchange Tue-Sat 0830-1830

309-788-4940

DSN 793-6452 Sun-Mon Closed

Military Clothing Tue-Sat 0830-1830

Store

309-788-2547 Sun-Mon Closed

Barber Shop Tue-Sat 0900-1800

309-793-5340 Sun-Mon Closed

#### Management

**Store Director: Carl Wolfe** 

Phone: 309-788-4940

Email: wolfec@aafes.com



## Commissary/DeCA





#### **Store Hours**

Sun: CLOSED

Mon: CLOSED

Tue: 0830 - 1830

Wed: 0830 - 1830

Thu: 0830 - 1830

Fri: 0830 - 1830

Sat: 0830 - 1830



#### Management

Store Director: Patricia E. Umaña

Phone: 309-782-4614

DSN: 793-4614

Email: patricia.umana@deca.mil

#### **Upcoming Events:**

19 & 20 SEP: Case Lot Sale

#### **Eligibility**

Authorized commissary patrons as defined by Department of Defense Instruction 1330.17, Armed Services Commissary Operations, include active duty, Guard and Reserve members, military retirees, Medal of Honor recipients, 100 percent disabled veterans, and their authorized family members. Authorized shoppers are required to possess and show a Uniformed Services' Identification Card. DeCA commissaries provide groceries for cost plus 5% surcharge. Purchasing goods from the commissary saves a family an average of more than 30% compared to shopping at civilian grocery stores.







Family and MWR programs, services and activities offer Soldiers and Families opportunities to enrich their lives culturally and creatively. Our programs relieve stress, build strength and resilience, and help the Army Family stay physically, mentally, and financially fit. Programs at Rock Island Arsenal include the following:

- Child, Youth & School Services
- Army Family Programs
- Soldier Programs & Community Recreation
- Family and MWR Business Initiatives

309-782-4420

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The Army's investment in delivering the highest quality programs and services – from Family, child and youth programs to recreation, sports, entertainment, travel and leisure activities – reflects its commitment to the Army Family Covenant. Our Mission: Support Army readiness and effectiveness by delivering high quality facilities, programs, and responsive staff for family support services, recreation, and fitness programs to enhance the quality of life for the total Army Family.

































#### FY15 1st Qtr Events October



- National Disability Employment Awareness; Domestic Violence; Energy Action Month; Toys for Tots
- Winter Weather Awareness Month
- 15 Sep-15 Oct, Hispanic Heritage Month
- Oct, Toys for Tots Campaign Starts, runs through 24 Dec 2013
- 2 Oct, ACES Commencement Recognition Ceremony, Heritage Hall, 1300-1400
- 2 Oct, Right Arm Night, Clubhouse, 1630
- 3 Oct, DFMWR Fall Golf Tournament, Rock Island Arsenal Golf Course, 1200
- 3 Oct, Oktoberfest, Arsenal Clubhouse, 1730-2100
- 6 Oct, Domestic Violence Awareness Month Proclamation Ceremony, Heritage Hall, 1300-1400
- 7-9 Oct, DA Photos
- 8 Oct, Garrison EEO National Disability Fair, Heritage Hall, 1000-1300
- 9 Oct, CFC Kick-Off, Heritage Hall, 1100-1300
- 11 Oct, Families On! Challenge, Credit Island Park
- 13 Oct, Columbus Day Holiday
- 13-18 Oct, National Drug Free Work Week
- 13-17 Oct, Fire Prevention Week



#### FY15 1st Qtr Events October (Cont'd)



- 15 Oct, Safety Awareness Day, Heritage Hall, 1030
- 18 Oct, Vehicle Inspections, BLDG 351 Auto Skills Center, 0900-1930 (T)
- 21-23 Oct, AFAP Conference (TBD)
- 22 Oct, RIA Trunk or Treat, Memorial Field, 1600-1700
- 23 Oct, Newcomer's Orientation and Tour of RIA and the QC, Clubhouse, 0800
- 23-31 Oct, National Red Ribbon Week
- 25 Oct, Retiree Appreciation Day, BLDG 60, 0700-1300
- 25 Oct, USO Star Spangled Salute Gala, Navy Pier Grand Ball Room, Chicago
- 25 Oct, Ghost Hunter Dinner, Golf Club, 1830-2015
- 27-31 Oct, Winter Weather Awareness Week
- 30 Oct, QC Honor Flight
- 30 Oct, Join the Fight Walk, 1100
- 31 Oct, Ghost Hunter Dinner, Golf Club, 1830-2015



#### FY15 1st Qtr Events November



- Nov, Native American Heritage Month; Toys for Tots
- Nov, Military Family Appreciation Month Nov
- 4 Nov, Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 5-6 Nov, Health Vision and Medical Benefits Fair, Heritage Hall
- 12 Nov 10 Dec, Federal Benefits Open Season for 2013
- 11 Nov, Veterans Day Ceremony, RI National Cemetery
- 13-14 Nov, Fall Vendor Fair, Heritage Hall
- 17-21 Nov, National Education Week
- 20 Nov, Free Winter Safety Vehicle Inspections, 1100-1300, 1430-1700, Memorial Park
- 20 Nov, Winter Weather/Vehicle Safety Awareness Day, 1030-1230, Heritage Hall
- 20 Nov, Great American Smoke Out (T)
- 27 Nov, FMWR Thanksgiving Day Buffet, Arsenal Island Clubhouse, 1100-1400
- 27 Nov, Thanksgiving Day Holiday
- 28 Nov, Training Holiday (see FMWR schedule, <u>Garrison liberal leave</u>)



#### FY15 1st Qtr Events December



- Toys for Tots
- Drunk & Drugged Driving Prevention Month
- Dec, USO Holiday Reception (T)
- 4 Dec, Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony, Heritage Hall, 1600
- 5-13 Dec Trees for Troops, Memorial Park (T)
- 11 Dec, RIA 1st QTR Retirement, Retreat & Award Ceremony, Heritage Hall
- 13 Dec, Wreaths Across America (second Saturday of the month)
- 13 Dec, Army vs. Navy Game
- 15 Dec-3 Jan Holiday Schedule (half-day Military Schedule)
- 25 Dec, Christmas Holiday











 Can anything be done to move the location of the garbage dumpsters behind Bldg. 60?

(Answer/reply given at Town Hall posted soon)

 Why are Soldiers and individuals allowed to run through the golf course (King Drive) on the road that connects to East Ave?





 Has the Channel Cat (Water Taxi) ever been considered as a means of transportation to the Arsenal?

(Answer/reply given at Town Hall posted soon)

- Is there any way to speed up the "progress" on the parking lot behind Bldg. 390?
  - Could they be asked to work during the week days as well?





 Is there a unspoken policy on not giving out parking tickets for illegal parking due to the parking lot being torn up?

(Answer/reply given at Town Hall posted soon)

 The status of garden plots for the FY15 planting season -- what is the path ahead to maintain this military benefit?





 Can you remove the dead bushes leading into the Arsenal Club/Heritage Hall at the side of Bldg. 60?

(Answer/reply given at Town Hall posted soon)

 Can you work to have the grass seed reapplied that washed away along the walkways during recent heavy rains?





 RIA emails employees with severe weather and road closures, etc. as they occur or are preparing to close.
 Is there a way to notify people of the barge schedule so we can adjust our time to avoid delays?

(Answer/reply given at Town Hall posted soon)

 Since the closures of bridges, streets, etc., I noticed the Davenport gate does not open until 0530. Can the gate open early to accommodate employees?

(Answer/reply given at Town Hall posted soon)

 Since the traffic on the Gov't Bridge is coming from Rock Island and from the Arsenal, can there be a police officer directing traffic at the gate exit and bridge entrance? (Answer/reply given at Town Hall posted soon)









## **Thank You**





# Thank you for attending today's Rock Island Arsenal Town Hall