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# **Command Corner**

I want to start this New Year off with a "Thank you." Transition is a norm throughout our Army, and yet when it happens, it is often with a mixed set of emotions - gratitude, fond memories, anticipation, and absence. Chaplain (MAJ) Vince Cepeda will be leaving Team Greely towards the end of February for a new assignment in Texas. We thank him, Audrey and his family for their years of dedicated service here at Fort Greely and wish nothing but the best for him and his family.

Last month, our Army celebrated the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with Fort Greely being no exception. Most recently, the world lost another change agent in the passing of Nelson Mandela. I am also reminded of a Regimental prayer that states "go with us as we seek to defend the defenseless and to free the enslaved." What strikes me through the example of Dr. Martin Luther King and Nelson Mandela is that fundamental societal change to right injustice came through the power of principle and conviction. To be sure, sometimes our nation's foes require the business end of what our matchless US Army trains to do each and every day, and yet, lasting societal change came rooted in principle and conviction on fundamental truth, the equality of all mankind.

Using that as a jumping off point into February's African American / Black History Month, I would encourage us all to engage in the lives of the next potential Dr. King and Mandela. Reading about both men, I am struck by the influences in their respective lives; family, school and church. I would also encourage each of you to join Fort Greely's Equal Opportunity Special Event's Council for this month's African American/Black History Month Celebration on Feb. 20 at 1 p.m. held at the Aurora Community Activity Center on Fort Greely.

When we talk about a Ready and Resilient Army, I would contend it starts before reception into the armed service. Here at Fort Greely and within the larger community we have an opportunity to coach, teach and mentor, both literally and figuratively, the next generation of servants, be it through the armed forces, or serving our nation through a different calling. Relating to last month's submission emphasizing volunteerism and February's Youth Leadership focus, I would encourage us all to invest in our youth who will shape the future of our Army tomorrow.

Lt. Col. Brian A. Speas



USAG Fort Greely, Alaska Garrison Commander Lt. Col. Brian Speas

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Kudos to Fort Greely's Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation's Child, Youth and School Services Coordinator, Gerri Withers, for here dedication in correcting inspection findings and background check discrepancies associated with the 2013 Army Child, Youth and School Services Inspection since her arrival in Mar

2013. Ms. Withers has evaluated and revised standard operating procedures and policies to meet changing guidance from Installation Management Command throughout the process. Ms. Withers also developed and implemented a comprehensive training program to keep staff current in their field and meet all installation training requirements.

Ms. Withers developed a revitalization plan for the Child Development Center Building that included painting, new materials in the classroom and extended training for staff that has improved classroom management and activities for patrons. She has instituted new sports programming- individual sports and fitness as well as developmental classes for 3-5 year-olds. She has increased instructional programming in the areas of arts, crafts, and cooking for children and youth

Where is your hometown? I am a military brat and have lived all over the U.S. My father retired from the Marines and allowed me to finish high school in Sierra Vista, Arizona. I have been in Alaska for the past 16 years.

What is your complete job title? CYS Services Coordinator

What is the favorite part of your job? I truly enjoy being able to work with children and families.

What is the most difficult part of your job? This would be managing the day to day business aspects of CYSS, when the regulations and guidance are changing consistently. It is hard to build new programs and make improvements when the foundation of your business keeps changing.

What keeps you motivated? The enthusiasm and excitement for life and learning that children and youth have inspires me to give 100% everyday.

How long have you been at Fort Greely? 10 months

What do you like most about Fort Greely? I appreciate the dedication and professionalism of the team that I am here to lead. Every day they face challenges and continue to strive to provide quality services to the families within the community. It is great to be able to lead a group who wants to make the changes needed and do what is right, while keeping positive and giving 110%. The support of command and other community organizations have allowed us to improve facilities and services. It is a refreshing change to work with such a dedicated team.

What person influenced your life the most and how? My grandmother has influenced my life the most. She has taught and coached me that I can do anything and face any challenge if I set my mind to it. I am strong and can succeed-I just have to decide that is what I want to do.

What is your favorite hobby when not at work? I have been part of the Society for Creative Anachronism (a medieval recreation group) since I was 17. I greatly enjoy the skills and activities that I have learned with this organization. As a result of my time in this group I paint, write calligraphy, sew clothes, embroider, cook foods from the middle ages, work with herbs and natural healing, spin, weave, dye materials, sing and write music, garden, quilt, jewelry making, research and so much more. You could say I am a rather crafty person. And then reading..... lots and lots of reading.

**Favorite Alaskan Food?** Cranberry Coconut cake made with fresh lowbush cranberries- just about anything that can be made with fresh fruits and veggies from the garden.

**Favorite spots in Alaska?** In nature collecting herbs and plants- just outside appreciating the great outdoors.

# After-Hours Acute Care Services at Fort Greely\*:

What we know, where we're at and where we're going ...

•In 2013, the Delta Junction Family Medical Center discontinued After-Hours Acute Care Services. In order to compensate for this loss of service, the Western Regional Medical Command has coordinated an execution plan to continue supporting the after-hours care mission.

•This mission is currently being met by rotating a board certified Family Medicine provider and an enlisted Health Care Specialist through the 49th Missile Defense Battalion Aid Station. The medical provider will be oncall after normal duty hours, Monday through Friday from 1630 hours - 0800 hours the next duty day, and all day and night on weekends and holidays. For emergencies, please call 911.

•The medical provider will be able to evaluate the needs of each patient, treat many acute minor illnesses and minor injuries, make recommendations for self-care, use Tele-Health services for consultation with a specialist at an Army Hospital, or refer the patient to the Delta Junction Family Medical Center or Bassett Army Community Hospital at Fort Wainwright for further consultation and treatment.

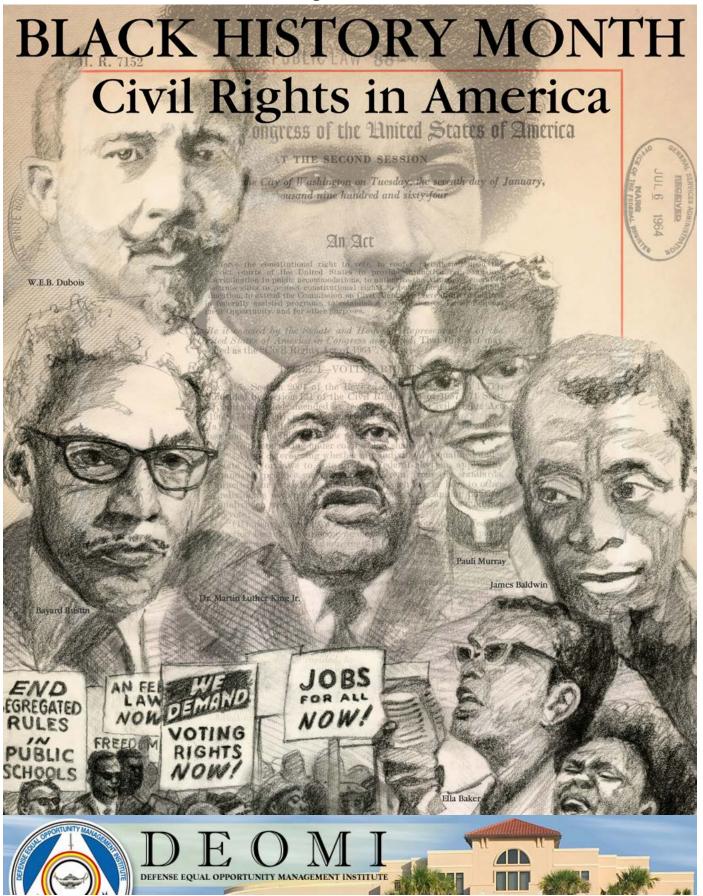
•Only over the counter medications are maintained at the 49th Missile Defense Battalion Aid Station. If required, the provider will write a prescription for medications which may be filled at the Delta Junction Family Medical Center or Bassett Army Community Hospital at Fort Wainwright. •The 49th Missile Defense Battalion Aid Station does not have X-ray or Laboratory services. These services must be obtained at the Delta Junction Family Medical Center or Bassett Army Community Hospital at Fort Wainwright.

•Delta Junction Family Medical Center will continue to provide primary care during regular business hours. Beneficiaries can continue to make appointments at the Delta Junction Family Medical Center with the 49th Missile Defense Battalion Physician Assistant. A pediatrician and an obstetrician from Bassett Army Community Hospital at Fort Wainwright will continue to see TRICARE Prime Remote beneficiaries on a monthly basis at the Delta Junction Family Medical Center.

•The U.S. Army Medical Command is currently evaluating possible opportunities to increase medical services available for beneficiaries at Fort Greely.

•The contact number for After-Hours Acute Care Services is (907) 590-7372. This is a temporary number; once a permanent number is established we will notify the community.

\* Information provided by Western Regional Medical Command, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash. African Amercian/Black History Month Celebration: Feb. 20, 1 p.m. at the Aurora Community Activity Center. All Team Greely Members welcome!



#### February is Youth Leadership Month

# **CYSS Youth Leadership**

**By Gerri Withers** Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation

Child, Youth and School Services has a strong commitment to developing future leaders. Our curriculum and programming offers many opportunities for children to practice their communication and leadership skills. We start early. We introduce the Character Counts six pillars of character (respect, responsibility, trustworthiness, fairness, caring, and citizenship). We begin to encourage mentoring and role modeling with our older preschool children as they work within their social groups during project time.

Having these children assisting their younger classmates and role modeling acceptable behaviors reinforces their awareness of how they influence those around them. We utilize positive reinforcement by rewarding good behavior and encouraging others to repeat these behaviors. The preschool children thrive on the opportunity to be the helper and leader, and begin to process not only how their decisions affect others, but what they are role modeling to the younger kids that look up to them.

In the School Age Program, we continue to build upon the six pillars of character. We also introduce curriculum from the Boys and Girls Club and 4H into our classroom. This age group is now an active part of program planning. They help decide what activities are going to be executed and what is best for the programming. By being an active part of the decision making process, children become more involved and invested in the program. They are more aware of their actions and responsibilities.

Each child in the school age program has a voice in how the program and classroom will work and a responsibility to his fellow classmates to speak up about issues or ideas.

We expand our discussions on the six pillars of character to include real life situations that these children face in school. We utilize group discussion, individual chats and role play to offer our students the opportunity to practice how they want to respond to situations they face every day in school and in the local community. We teach them the importance of their influence on their peers and what their action or lack of action says to their peer group about what is acceptable behavior.

In the Youth Center, we continue to expand

upon the skills and pillars of character that we teach our younger community members. We also offer more structured opportunities to expand upon leadership roles.

We have regular mentoring and buddy activities for the youth to participate with the school age children. We expand upon our community service projects to promote a renewed responsibility to the community at large.

We offer several forums for teens to use to voice their ideas, concerns and drives for change. We provide programs in which teens can communicate with other teens across the Army and express their ideas and hear from others. We reiterate with them how they influence their friends and different social circles, and how they can effect change through their influence in positive, constructive ways. We encourage them to step outside of themselves and consider how they can improve the world around them, and then how to encourage those around them to follow in their footsteps.

Leadership is a skill that we learn through our interactions with others and through opportunities to express our influence and decisions. CYSS is committed to offering our children and youth the structure to make good decisions, to learn the impact these decisions have on their community and peers, and the opportunity to shape these skills into a force to be reckoned with. We strive to shape our future leaders and provide each one with the self confidence to stand for what is right.





## 2013 Greely Intramural Volleyball Champions

**By Richard Lester** Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation

The 2013 Ft. Greely Intramural Volleyball season came to a close with an exciting double elimination tournament to crown a champion. Despite some hard fought contest there was little drama in terms of results as the Hellraisers who stormed through the regular season undefeated continued their stellar play in the tournament going unbeaten on their way to the championship.

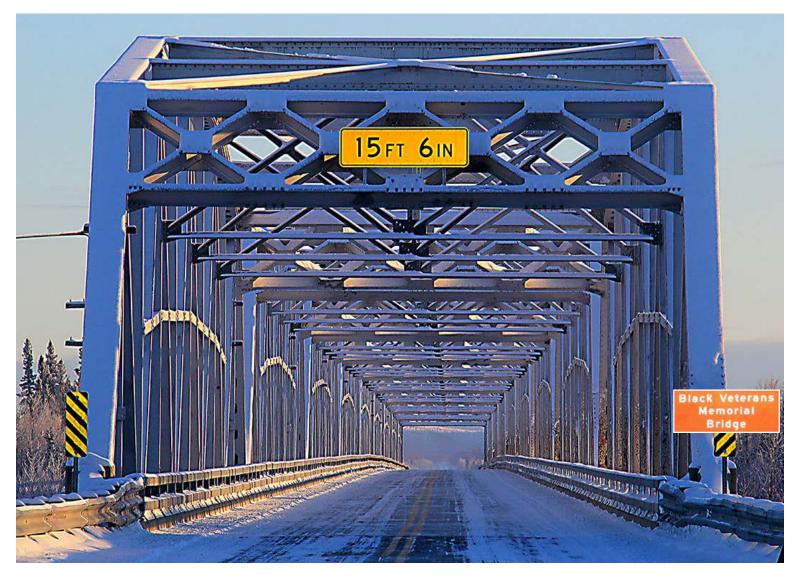
The Hellraisers led by team captain Allison Long swept the Los Patriotas in the championship game to cap an impressive run that included an undefeated 14-0 in the regular season.

This year's Volleyball season boasted the most talent across the board than any previous season since Fort. Greely was reopened and play began in 2002. The Fitness Center would like to thank the Fort Greely Garrison Commander, Lt. Col. Brian Speas and Fort Greely Garrison Command Sergeant Major, Command Sgt. Maj. Chris Brown for not only crowning our champions but also participating in the league as players.

The action will pick back up in January as basketball season is about to tip-off and we are anticipating our biggest season yet. If you have any questions about our Intramural Sports Program please call 873-2696 for more information.

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# **African American Engineer Units -**Forging 1,400 miles through the Yukon



**By Treva Slaughter** Installation Protocol Office

With the attack on Pearl Harbor in December of 1941, the United States began to worry that the territory of Alaska would be attacked also leading to the birth of the ALCAN Highway project (renamed to the Alaska Highway in 1943). Within a month of President Roosevelt's approval in early 1942 the U.S and Canada reached an agreement on the location of a U.S constructed highway through the Canadian and Alaskan Yukon territories. With only eight months given to finish the project and much of the Army's Soldiers sent to fight the war in Europe and Pacific theaters, the U.S Army Corps of Engineers looked to young African-Americans in engineering units. Three Engineer units were comprised of African-Americans, the 93<sup>rd</sup>, 95<sup>th</sup> and 97<sup>th</sup>. These young men were often fresh from the deep south and had never seen cold as we know it in Alaska! With strength of heart and mind, these units overcame the elements, training issues, equipment shortages and the mindset of white leadership in a precivil rights era to finish construction of the Alaska Highway in just nine months.

Located at mile 1388.5 is a 1,820 foot

warren through truss steel bridge. Built in 1944, the bridge is one of only four truss-style bridges located on the Alaska Highway. In 1993 the bridge was renamed the "Black Veterans Memorial Bridge" in honor of the contribution of 3,693 Soldiers of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in building the Alaska Highway. I believe it is a fitting monument to the group of men who are such an integral part of the history of the U.S. Army and Alaska. The steel that makes the bridge reminds us of the steel in the character of men, who far from hearth and home and facing many difficulties, worked tirelessly to pioneer a highway in the remotest part of the United States and Canada.

Lúnasa

### Thursday, February 13 at 7pm Fort Greely Aurora Community Activity Center (CAC) (post will be open to the public)

Sponsored by the Delta Library Association, Boeing, Alyeska Pipeline Service Company, Sophie Station, Northern Alaska Tour Company, and Fairbanks Concert Association



The Lúnasa tour was made possible with funding by Basmuson Foundation through the Harper Arts Touring Fund, and is administered, under contract, by the Alaska State Council on the Arts

Alyeska pipeline

Forever New Frontiers

CONCERT \*



Staff Sgt. Nicholas Powers, 49th Missile Defense Battalion, was selected as the National Guard Missile Defender of the Year and presented with the award Jan. 10.

The award is presented to members to each of the Service components that deploy a Missile Defense System who demonstrate a commitment to excellence and their outstanding contributions to the Missile Defense Community. The award was presented by Rikki Ellison of the Missile Defense Advocacy Alliance, during an awards banquet in their honor at the Kimpton Hotel in Alexandria, Va.

The Missile Defense Advocacy Alliance is a private organization whose mission is to make the world safer by advocating for the development and deployment of missile defense systems to defend the United States, its armed forces and its allies against missile threats.

Lt. Gen David Mann, Commander, US Army Space and Missile Defense Command, introduced Power before the banquet.

"I was blown away by how big the event was," remarked Power. "It was amazing to see how we mean something. Serving up here in Alaska you lose some awareness of just how big Missile Defense is and how many people are involved in making it happen."

Rikki Ellison, a former NFL football player and Director of the MDAA has been a strong proponent and advocate for Missile Defense and it showed in his opening speech.

"Rikki Ellison is passionate about Missile Defense," said Power. "He has a genuine concern for the Soldiers and Service Members. He wants to ensure that the war fighters get the best systems to do their mission."

The Servicemembers also took a tour of Mt. Vernon before the awards dinner. In addition to the Missile Defender Award, Rikki Ellison passed out autographed jerseys, footballs and personalized coins for all of the awardees.

# Greely Soldiers selected to Army Hockey Team

**By Army Maj. Michael Odgers** 49th Missile Defense Battalion

Capt. Michael Long and Sgt. Robert Haas both of Alpha Company, 49th Missile Defense Battalion, were selected as part of the Army team to represent Fort Wainwright to play against Eielson Air Force base in the

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#### Commander's Cup.

The Commander's Cup has been an annual tradition between the Soldiers of Fort Wainwright and the Airmen of Eielson Air Force base since 1996, when they competed against each other as part of Hockey Week, and annual event celebrated in Fairbanks.

This year the Commander's cup will be held Feb. 28 at the Patty Ice Arena at the University <u>Take me to the Fort Greely Facebook Page</u> of Alaska, Fairbanks Campus at 1:30 p.m. There will also be an expedition game between the two teams at 11:00 a.m. Feb. 1 at the Dipper in Fairbanks during Hockey Week.

"It was a challenging tryout. I'm, excited to be a part of something that's just bigger than myself," said Haas. "It's a great venture between the Active duty, the National Guard, and the Reserves. It's going to be a blast and I hope everyone can make it to the games."

Haas now 31, has been playing hockey since he was eight. He started out playing street hockey until he was 14 and then switched to ice hockey.

"Texas is clearly a Football state," commented Haas. "But once the Dallas Stars came to town ice hockey really took off."

Haas grew up watching the Dallas Stars play. His father would take him to the games. It's there that he was influenced by Stars' goalie Andy Moog.

"I was inspired by Moog's defensive nature and that lead me to choosing to play goalie."

Haas was the head coach of the Delta High School Hockey Team last year and serves as an assistant coach of the Pee Wee Team in Delta. His demanding work schedule has prevented anything more.

Capt. Michael Long, Commander Alpha Company, has been playing for the Army team for the last nine years. And as a Military Policeman he has also represented the Fairbanks Police Department when they play against the Fairbanks Fire Department.

"I look forward to this event every year," remarked Long. "It gives me a reason to keep in shape and put my best skate forward."

Long, a New York native has been playing hockey as long as he has been on two feet. He participates in the Delta Junction Men's League and assists the coaching staff at Delta High School.

"Every place I've gone growing up in the military I have found my balance in hockey," reflected Long. "It has been my outlet and a great way to stay resilient during the long Alaskan winters."



### Hypothermia: Know the signs and how to prevent it!

**By Todd Foulkes** Fort Greely Safety Office

Hypothermia is a medical emergency that occurs when your body loses heat faster than it can produce heat, causing a dangerously low body temperature. Hypothermia is most often caused by exposure to cold weather or immersion in a cold body of water.

Hypothermia symptoms tend to develop gradually. As your body temperature drops, it can become harder for you to think clearly, so you may develop hypothermia and not realize you have it. Shivering, clumsiness, fumbling hands, exhaustion, memory loss, and slurred speech can occur. As hypothermia progresses, the victim may lie down and drift into unconsciousness.

Hypothermia is treated by warming your body and removing wet clothing. It is important to focus first on warming the central portion of the body; otherwise, blood vessels of the skin may dilate and your temperature may drop. Once your temperature starts to increase, your extremities can also be warmed. The person should be kept warm and dry, and medical attention should be sought as soon as possible. Before you step out into the cold remember to follow the acronym COLD: cover, overexertion, and layers, dry:

**Cover**. Wear a hat or other protective covering to prevent body heat from escaping from your head, face and neck. Cover your hands with mittens instead of gloves. Mittens are more effective than gloves because mittens keep your fingers in closer contact with one another.

Overexertion. Avoid activities that would cause you to sweat a lot. The combination of wet clothing and cold weather can cause you to lose body heat more quickly.

Layers. Wear loose fitting, lavered, lightweight clothing. Outer clothing made of tightly woven, water-repellent material is best for wind protection. Wool, silk or polypropylene inner layers hold body heat better than cotton does.

Dry. Stay as dry as possible.

RMO's 6th Annual

"Cheesecake Throw Down" Resource Management is having its 6th Annual "Cheesecake Throw-Down". We are looking for participants to enjoy the sweet taste of victory! Please email the RMO at any of the email addresses below no later than the 21st of February to register. Judging will be based on flavor, aroma, design and presentation. Date: February 26, 2014 Time: 12:00 Participation must be confirmed by 21 February Location: Chapel Annex Cheesecake must be leticia.donaldson.civ@mail.mil or homemade Contact RMO at: penny.f.anderson.civ@mail.mil or nadine.m.hoague.civ@mail.mil

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Please note: Students will be working with electric sewing machines and sharp scissors during their classes. Focus and good behavior are required for these classes to be successful.

Students have the opportunity to further explore these skills with the CYSS 4H clubs. Projects would also be appropriate for entry into the yearly state fair this coming summer. For more information on either of these topics, please call 873.4600.

Classes may be videotaped for reuse in the Youth Center and School age center programs or for marketing purposes.



February is African American Black History Month

#### SKIES Enrollment Information

#### Youth Enrollments

Fiber Art Fusion classes vary. Students must sign up by the 25th of the previous month and pay fees in full to attend class. Students only have to enroll in the classes they are interested in. A minimum of three students are needed to hold classes. To enroll, contact Parent Central Services in Building 847 and complete the paperwork. Initial registration takes 15 minutes to complete.

#### Adult Enrollments

Fiber Art Fusion classes vary. Students must sign up by the 25th of the previous month and pay fees in full to attend class. Classes are focused on youth and space for adult participation is limited. Students only have to enroll in the classes they are interested in. To enroll, contact Parent Central Services in Building 847 and complete the paperwork. Initial registration takes 15 minutes to complete.

#### Parent Central Services 873-4599



Child, Youth and School Services

> Fiber Arts Fusion



February 2014 – June 2014 Ages 7 & Up







### Pool Games!!

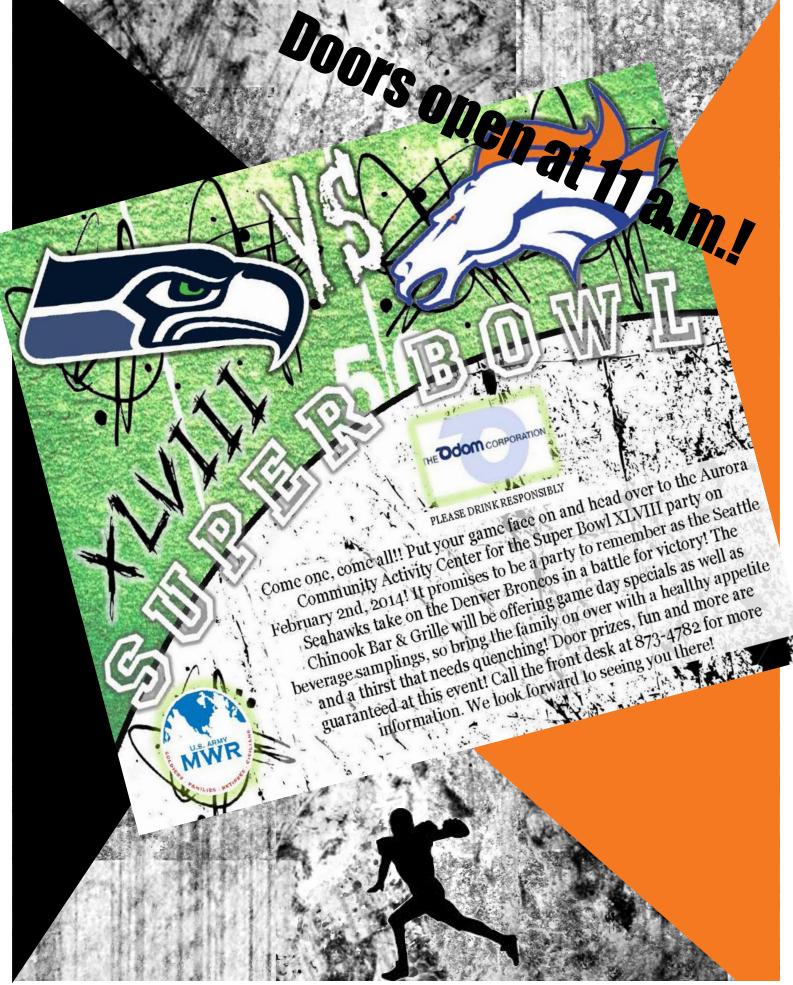
### Join us to have fun while keeping fit!

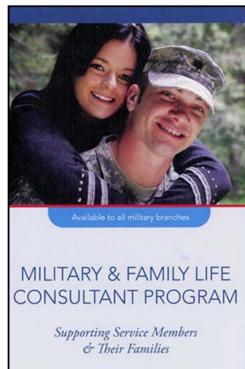
For Youth ages 6 to 18 February 1-22 Saturdays 1530-1630 at the Pool Cost: FREE for youth

Registration Ends January 28th For More information call 873-4599



Youth at the YC will be bussed to the pool at 1500 and will return by 1700. Any youth not picked up at the pool will be transported to the YC.





Fort Greely MFLC 907-803-3563



### The Fort Greely Education Center

Interested in going back to school but don't know how?

Want to get your GED?

Want to apply for Tuition Assistance to pay for college courses?

Need access to a computer/WIFI?

Need help completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Find out about military spouse opportunities. Visit the Fort Greely Education Center! We are located down the hall from the Launch Room Dining Facility in Building 661.



Phone: 907-873-4369 Fax: 907-873-4379 Email: diana.newman@us.army.mil



# build and maintain a healthy relationship

ACS presents a multi-disciplinary workshop with Chaplain Palmer; Laura Parsons ,FAPM, and current adult MFLC.

When: February 8th @ 0900 to 1600 hours Where: Chapel Annex RSVP Mandatory RPOC Laura Parsons 873-4385

- Communication
  - Healthy Relationships
- Self Talk
- Conflict Resolution
- And more

\*to maximize experience smaller groups are needed. Additional workshops available upon request.

**North Haven at Fort Greely** 

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North Haven offers spacious 2, 3, and 4 bedroom homes on Fort Greely and has immediate availability! Live amongst your peers and the convenience of living inside an installation (PX, Commissary, and Family Support Services).

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- Technicians, including lawn care and snow removal Dedicated professional staff
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  Neighborhood programs and events
- Washer & dryers, dishwashers, and refrigerators are included in ALL of our homes

Our homes are also conveniently located within walking distance to schools, the gym with an indoor pool, the Community Activity Center (watch movies, go bowling, play darts, shoot pool and more!).

Stop by our Community Center for more information or give us a call at (907) 869-3032 for more details!

Visit our website at <u>www.nhcalaska.com</u> to learn more!

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### February SKIES Classes for Children 2-5 years

Tuesdays 1030-1130 Cost: \$25 for the Month!

#### Art and sensory activities for parent's and children!

**February 4**<sup>th</sup> : Sensory Bottles and Heart Creations Students will make their own sealed sensory discover bottles to explore how things mix and move, then finish up the class making their own handprint Heart decoration.

#### February 11<sup>th</sup> : Creature Creations

Students will complete a piece of art from a starter square using a variety of materials and mediums.

#### February 18th : Snowflake Murals

Students will practice cutting techniques on a variety of materials and decoupage their creations onto a canvas mural. (fine motor development, creative expression



# **Youth Cross Country Skiing**

U.S. Army Child, Youth & School Services

> For youth ages 7-18 February 5- April 16, 2014 Wednesdays 1530-1730 Cost: \$45 for the season Registration closes January 28<sup>th</sup> For more information call 873-4599

Skiing will be dependent on the weather conditions. Fee includes equipment for those that need it. Youth will meet at the Youth Center and then be bussed to the CAC to ski the Bison Trail. Appropriate dress is required.





Below are a few upcoming events and announcements throughout the Delta-Greely community:

The Delta Library Baby Laptime program meets Tuesday mornings from 11:00 to 11:30 a.m.. Babies up to 3 years-old and a parent or caregiver are invited - no registration needed. Join Miss Angie for songs and stories that help develop a love of books and reading.

Preschool Story Hour meets every Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. to Noon at the Delta Library. Three to 5 year-olds and a parent or caregiver will enjoy a story, craft and healthy snack. Children must be registered for each session so we can prepare materials - call the library at 895-4102.

The Knitting Circle meets on first Mondays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Delta Community Library. Everyone welcome -come knit, sip tea, swap patterns and trade yarn with like-minded yarn lovers -- yes, we're also crochet friendly!

Junction Readers Book Club meets third Mondays from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Delta Community Library. Join us for lively discussions - we read one book per month. No dues or fees, and we order books as needed. Tea, cookies, and good company included. For more information, call the library at 895-4102.

Delta Community Library

2291 Deborah Street, across from City Hall. Hours of Operation: Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:00 a.m. to 7 p.m. Closed on Sundays. Wi-Fi is active from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. You can logon to their website at mydeltalibrary.org. Call 895-4102 to renew or reserve materials.

There's a FREE movie every Friday and Saturday starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Aurora Community Activity Center. Call 873-4782 for movie listings.

Need help with your budget or planning out your retirement? Call Angela Murphy, M.S. Personal Financial Management, AFC at 873-4649 today.

February - June: SKIES Unlimited Art Classes - don't keep your creativity bottled up. Youth and adults alike may enroll in SKIES Unlimited Art Classes, but hurry...deadline is the 25th of every month.

**Feb. 1-28:** African American/ Black History Month and Youth Leadership Month.

**Feb. 1- 22:** Come splash around with us during a month's worth of Pool Games on Saturday's from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. This activity is for youth ages 6-18.

Feb. 2: Superbowl XLVIII Party 11 a.m. at the Aurora Community Activity Center. Game day specials, beverage samples and more await you.

Feb. 4 & 18: Delta Jct. City Council Meeting, 5 pm at City Hall. If you are interested in what's going on in the City of Delta Jct., you are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Feb. 4: Sensory Bottles and Heart Creations SKIES Unlimited Class for children 2-5 years-old, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Child Development Center. Cost \$25/month.

**Feb. 5 - April 16:** Youth Cross Country Skiing for ages 7-18. Join CYSS on Wednesdays from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. \$45 for the season.. **Feb. 8:** Couples Workshop from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Chapel Annex. Learn how to develop skills to build and maintain a healthy relationship. Call 873-4385 to reserve your spot. Space is limited.

Feb. 11: Creature Creations SKIES Unlimited Class for children 2-5 years-old, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Child Development Center. Cost \$25/ month.

**Feb. 13:** Free concert: "Lunasa" 7 p.m. at the Aurora Community Activity Center. This is a special access event - all Delta-Greely community members are welcome.

Feb. 18: Snowflake Murals SKIES Unlimited Class for children 2-5 years-old, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Child Development Center. Cost \$25/ month.

Feb. 20: African American/ Black History Month Celebration at 1 p.m. at the Aurora Community Activity Center. All Team Greely Members are welcome!

Feb. 21: Last day to let Resource Management know that you will be participating in the 6th Annual Cheesecake Throw-down. Don't miss out on this "sweet" opportunity!

**Feb. 25:** Last day for youth and adults alike to sign up for March's SKIES Unlimited Art Classes. Lot's of creativity brewing, be sure to sign up prior to the deadline!

**Feb. 26:** 6th Annual Cheesecake Throw-down, Noon at the Chapel Annex. Participation must be confirmed prior to Feb. 21.

\* Note: All dates/times and events are subject to change. This list is not all inclusive; to list everything is neither possible nor practical.

#### Public Service Announcement:

Several pieces of property have been located inside the Recreational Vehicle Storage Lot without registration paperwork. To best serve our customers, Outdoor Recreation asks that if anyone has property in the lot to stop by Building 627 or call 873-4058, and make sure that you have the correct property listed on your registration paperwork.

February is Youth Leadership Month



# Sexual Harassment Assault Response Program (SHARP):

SHARP Provides awareness and prevention, training and education, victim advocacy, response, reporting and followup for sexual harassment/assault issues. Army policy promotes sensitive care, advocacy, treatment, reporting options for victims of sexual harassment/ assault and accountability for those who commit these crimes.' For the purpose of this policy, restricted reporting is defined as allowing a Soldier or civilian to report a sexual harassment/ assault to specified individuals. Restricted reporting option gives the Soldier or civilian access to medical care, counselling, and victim advocacy, without initiating the investigative process and/or the legal process. Report to a SHARP specialist, Sexual Assault Response Program Manager, Installation Victim Advocate, Health Care Provider, Chaplain for Restricted reporting option.

For further assistance and information on the Army Sexual Harassment/Assault Response & Prevention (SHARP) program call DOD Safe Helpline-Sexual Assault Sexual Assault Support for the DOD Community 1-877-995-5247 Live 1-on-1 help. Confidential. Worldwide 24/7. www.safehelpline.org or locally at (907) 750-0937 /(907) 388-0421 or (907) 505-0275. For further assistance and information on the Army Sexual Harassment/Assault Response & Prevention (SHARP) program, visit http://www.sexualassault. army.mil/.

**On the cover**: SKIES Unlimited Art Classes at the Fort Greely Youth Center is a great way to stay engaged during the long winter months at Fort Greely. A group of our future youth leaders pose with their recent artwork. Back row: James, 10 years. Middle row left to right: Andrew, 8 years, Campbell, 9 years, John, 6 years. Front row: Matthew, 3 years. Photo courtesy of Treva Slaughter. If you'd like a chance to have your Alaskan photo on the cover of the Interceptor and displayed in Garrison Headquarters Building 501 for a year submit your photo to the Installation Public Affairs Office (deborah.a.coble2.civ@mail.mil) prior to the 15th of every month.

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