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# Supporting Army Soldiers, Civilians and their Families with Information Technology (IT)

by **LTG Lynch**,  
IMCOM Commander

The Installation Management Community is committed to leveraging the power of technology to expand our communication capabilities and enhance our ability to serve and support Soldiers, Civilians, and Families. In today's world, IT is at the core of all we do at work, at home, and at play. Smaller, more powerful, and less expensive IT products hit the market every day. Becoming savvy with state-of-the-art technology helps us work smarter, learn more efficiently, and play harder.

Over the past six months, I have visited many garrisons, listening to many members of the Army Family to better understand how they prefer to receive information and communicate. Because more than 75 percent communicate and retrieve information through the Internet and other electronic means, I now communicate through my Facebook page and the IMCOM Twitter, Flickr, and YouTube sites. This implements the Deputy Secretary of Defense,

25 February 2010, memorandum that requires DOD unclassified networks be configured for Internet-based capabilities like YouTube, Facebook, MySpace, Twitter, and Google Apps.

Because IT is so critical to how we do business and communicate, I have made IT one of the focus areas of the Services and Infrastructure Core Enterprise (SICE) in my role as co-lead of the SICE board. SICE is a collaborative and cross-functional team of more than 15 commands, organizations, and staff offices formed to develop solutions to Army-wide challenges. Presently, the SICE team is developing plans to modernize and standardize IT services on Army installations. The results will enhance delivery of IT in the deployment process, training, and programs such as Comprehensive Soldier Fitness. Also, look for improved IT to lead to improvements on how we deliver on our promises of the Army Family Covenant and Army Community Covenant.

The most important components of IT -- telecommunications, information assurance (IA), and data processing -- tie into

every aspect of installation management. We use telecommunications to connect Soldiers to their Families by video teleconference when they deploy. Tech-smart Soldiers and Family members use it when they 'tweet' to friends and family through their Twitter accounts. Information assurance (IA) measures and practices reduce risk and ensures our communication and information remain secure from malicious attacks. IA enables Soldiers and Civilians to communicate with Government-issued Blackberries, knowing conversations are secure from unauthorized individuals. Most of us use data processing to manage our bits and bytes of information each day when we work on desktop computers, laptops, scanners and copiers. And, cell phones may be the most powerful device of all since they incorporate all three of these IT components.

Every day, the universe of IT products expands. Mobile handheld devices like the current generation of smartphones open up possibilities only dreamed of a few years ago. The convergence

of cell phones, digital cameras, music players, GPS, video games, camcorders, electronic book readers and mobile web browsers rapidly change how we communicate and interact.

As the IMCOM commander, I am dedicated to embracing these new, exciting technologies and adapting them to continue to be ahead of the curve in supporting Soldier, Civilian, and Family well-being and mission readiness. Each generation of Soldiers brings a valuable, new perspective to the Army. It is up to us to stay in step with communication capabilities that are in synch with a quality of life commensurate with service.

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Defender 6



## All aboard!

by **Ransome Bush**  
DPTMS

**D**ENALI Train Tour – All aboard and right on schedule. The engineer rings the train's bell and pulls on its hollow-voiced whistle. Time to head out on the Great Alaskan Railroad.

We never rode on an American train before and I am reminded of a picturesque scene from the early 20th century.

Engine 93 slowly chugs away from the station, hissing steam

and choking black smoke while carrying 60 passengers on a 70 mile uphill jaunt to Denali.

I am amazed to find that the Alaska Railroad features large comfortable seats in coach class, a private snack rail car with extra viewing on top. We also have access to the full-dome viewing car located on the very top.

The beginning of the adventure takes me back in time  
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# Officer, I didn't know...

by Cpt. Dennis Brown  
DES

In the past few months there have been numerous violations of cell phone use on the installation. When most vehicle operators are stopped and approached by a police officer and advised of why the traffic stop was conducted most people respond with:



**"I was unaware it was illegal to talk on my phone."**

In fact it is illegal to talk on your phone or text on your phone while the vehicle is in



operation. Federal regulations and state laws pertaining to cell

phone usage are:

- Executive Order 13513, October 1, 2009.
  - 32 Code of Federal Regulation, Section 634.25, November 28, 2005.
  - AR 190-5, Motor Vehicle Traffic Supervision, July 8, 1988.
  - Alaska Statute (AS 28.35.161), September 1, 2009.
- There are many signs posted on the installation to remind personnel to not talk on their cell phone without the use of a hands free device and against texting and driving. The National Highway Transportation Safety Administration has concluded that a person talking or texting on a cell phone provides the



same impairment as someone having a .08% blood alcohol limit, which is illegal in most states.

Bottom line talking on a cell phone or texting while driving is a risk you do not need to take. Be safe and use a hands free device.

Photos courtesy of NHTSA.



## Inattentive driving kills.

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to the *romance I had with toy locomotives as a young man.*

The dome car is very quiet as are the passenger cars. There is a slight rumbling and clackety-clack noise that all trains make, but it is a lulling sound. It was a 3:30 a.m. wake-up call so this trip is not for one that gets cranky if woken up early, i.e. most kids.

The food offered on the snack car is very expensive and no meal is offered as it is only a four hour train ride. I recommend bringing along some snacks of your own.

The air quality of the passenger cars is clean, no smoking is allowed. It is a very peaceful and enjoyable trip with unsurpassed scenery.

It is a GREAT way to travel to Denali and see the interior of Alaska.

DENALI Bus Tour—  
"Stop! Stop!" Women shouted to the bus driver.

We are instructed to call out when we see wildlife so the tour could stop for a closer look. Passengers aim cameras, focus binoculars and lean to the left side of the tour bus as it came to a halt.



A dall sheep ambles up the side of the hill towards the road.

*"He's coming toward us," another passenger said in an audible whisper.*

A thrilled hush fell over the group and everyone shuffles and leans in to get a closer look.

We are allowed to quietly exit the bus for viewing several times. Cameras constantly clicked, film

rolled and passengers stared; it is absolutely breathtaking.

The bus tour is seven hours long and it is a bit dusty and no water is offered on the bus so be sure to take plenty with you.

Many of us traveled from near and far to experience the majesty of Denali National Park's tundra-topped landscape, to catch a glimpse at the elusive Mount McKinley on a clear day and to watch grizzly bears saunter. Moose and dall sheep are plentiful. An occasional fox is seen and on rare occasions, if you're lucky, a wolf can be spotted. We are not denied. It was beautiful.



On a side note, things that will make your trip even more enjoyable are:

- Good comfortable walking shoes or boots
- Rain gear - the weather in Alaska can be unpredictable
- Food, snacks and water for the bus tour- the food in town is very expensive
- A soft-sided cooler; no Styrofoam Coolers are allowed in the park
- Ice - if you are staying at a hotel the ice is easy to acquire
- Jacket or windbreaker
- Dress in layers and take a backpack to hold the clothing, snacks and other necessities.



Photos courtesy of Ransome and Jung Sun Bush

# SAFE Summer



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## Plan early for safe summer vacations

By Sam Reynolds  
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Each summer, millions of people take a vacation. Some vacation alone, some with their friends, and many take their family on vacation. If a summer vacation is in your future, equip yourself with the skills and knowledge that will contribute immensely to an enjoyable vacation and a safe return at vacation's end.

### Vacation planning

When planning a vacation, good preparation is vital to success. It is important that you outline your trip from "point a" to "point b." This simply means considering everything from the things that must be accomplished prior to departing for vacation to the potential risks faced during the time you are away.

- Lock all doors and windows throughout the house before departing and at the hotel while on the road.
- Unplug most electronic items especially those that are expensive or may have valuable data on them.
- Call and suspend your paper and mail delivery while you are gone.
- Leave a radio or a low watt light on in the house; this can be viewed as an indication that someone is home.

### Driving safety

A driving vacation can be a lot of fun, but don't leave safety and common sense behind. Here are the basics for a safe vacation.

Before you go, remember to:

- Do a TRIPS Report and discuss your travels with your supervisor.
- Check your car (battery, tires, belts and fluids) or have it serviced if necessary.
- Have a qualified technician check the air conditioner.
- Check your oil. If you will be towing a trailer or boat, or driving in the desert, switch to motor oil with higher viscosity.
- Pack an emergency kit that includes water, jumper cables, flares, a flashlight, equipment to change a tire, and a first aid kit.
- Fill up your gas tank at night or early in the morning to minimize damage to the ozone layer.
- Make sure your child safety seats and booster seats are properly installed.

On the road, remember to:

- Ensure all occupants are buckled up, with children in the back seat.
- Obey speed limits and all roadway signs.
- Drive calmly and avoid entanglements with aggressive drivers.
- Take frequent breaks – at least every two hours – and avoid driving when tired.
- Be especially careful around railroad crossings.
- Avoid driving in the "No Zone" around trucks. If you cannot see the truck driver in the truck's mirror, the truck driver cannot see you.
- Slow down in work zones, obey all signs and flaggers and pay attention to the vehicle in front of you.



## Recreation Safety

Your installation safety office and the local Red Cross are brimming with recreation safety tips to keep your family safe this summer. The best thing anyone can do to stay safe in and around the water is to learn to swim.

Also, remember to swim in areas supervised by a lifeguard; read and obey all rules and posted signs; if you are an inexperienced swimmer, take precautions including wearing a U.S. Coast Guard-approved personal flotation device when around the water; set water safety rules for the whole family based on swimming abilities; be knowledgeable of the water environment you are in; pay attention to local weather conditions and forecasts – stop swimming at the first indication of bad weather; and do not mix alcohol with swimming, diving or boating.

When boating, remember alcohol and boating never mix. Alcohol impairs your judgment, balance and coordination. Use Coast Guard-approved life jackets for yourself and your passengers when boating and fishing.

Develop a plan before leaving the shore to give a responsible person details about where you will be and how long you will be gone. This is important because if the boat is delayed because of an emergency, becomes lost, or encounters other problems, you want help to be able to reach you.

Watch the weather, know local weather conditions and prepare for electrical storms. Stop boating as soon as you see or hear a storm.

## Sun Safety

Summer means fun in the sun! But be safe — don't let a heat-related illness ruin your day.

Always drink plenty of water and take frequent breaks when working or playing in the hot weather and don't forget the sunscreen or sun block. The FDA encourages using screens or blocks that offer the highest sun protection factor (SPF) values.

There are a number of activities that many of you will be involved in this year, just remember to applying composite risk management to all your scheduled and unscheduled activities is the best way to keep you and your Family safe.

# Household Hazardous Waste Collection

## Thurs. June 17 & Friday June 18, 2010

**Drop off your unwanted Household Hazardous Waste at the designated locations**

### Drop off times & (2) locations:

9:00 am – 3:00 pm

\*\*\*\*Parking lot across from the Transportation Office, bldg. 601.

\*\*\*\*Middle School parking lot at First Street & Clearwater.

### Workshop/Painting Supplies

Adhesives & Glues  
Furniture Strippers  
Oil or Enamel Based Paint  
Photographic Chemicals  
Paint Thinners & Turpentine  
Fixatives & Other Solvents

### Miscellaneous Items

Batteries  
Mercury Thermometers  
Fluorescent Light Bulbs & CFLs  
Propane Tanks  
Fuels

### Automotive Products

Motor Oil & Automotive Batteries  
Fuel Injection Cleaners  
Air Conditioning Refrigerants  
Starter Fluids & Antifreeze  
Transmission & Brake Fluid

### Cleaning Products

Oven & Drain Cleaners  
Wood & Metal Cleaners  
Toilet, Tub & Tile Cleaners  
Bleach, Misc. Cleaning Products

**NO TIRES**

**NO APPLIANCES**

**NO MEDICAL WASTE**

**NO EXPLOSIVES OR INCENDIARY DEVICES**

**IF POSSIBLE, PLEASE TURN IN WASTE IN THE ORIGINAL CONTAINERS WITH LABELS IDENTIFYING THE CONTENTS.**

QUESTIONS? CALL DPW ENVIRONMENTAL: 873-4664  
FOR PICK UP OF SPECIAL ITEMS – CALL ECC: 873-1007



*“It is the superb fire and emergency medical response that your installation firefighters provide at any hour of any day that makes them the Best small fire department within the Pacific Region, the award is simply a formal recognition of what those of you who have called upon them in an emergency or their services already knew. And while that recognition is appreciated, it doesn’t change who they are; someone’s husband, wife, boyfriend, girlfriend, son, daughter, sister, brother, and co-workers and neighbors to each of you, who are selflessly dedicated to risking their lives to save yours and your property.” — Gene R. Koehler, Director, Emergency Services*



Courtesy training photo



Routine training on Fort Greely. Photo by Kent Cummins, Public Affairs



Courtesy training photo



# Fort Greely Fire Department

## One team . . . many heroes.

by Kent Cummins  
Public Affairs

The Fort Greely Fire Department recently garnered “best in region” honors.

The department earned the Fire Department of the Year (Small Department) 2009 for the entire Pacific Region. It garnered the award for outstanding achievements and initiatives in a variety of areas including customer service, awards, accreditations, certifications, innovativeness, quality of life, firefighter health and safety, and more.

“The Fire and Emergency Services personnel serve our community 24 hours a day, everyday; sometimes putting their own lives on the line while ‘Protecting Those Who Defend America,’” said Garrison Commander LTC Chris Chronis. “Most times their efforts go unnoticed, but their outstanding accomplishments have resulted in this well-deserved recognition. They always set a standard of excellence for other departments to emulate. I’m very proud of them.”

The Fort Greely Fire Department not only protects lives and property of those on the installation but in the community as well

through mutual aid agreements.

During January, the department responded to 17 local house fires while facing extreme arctic temperatures including a reading of 64-below zero.

During the award period, the Fort Greely Fire Department responded to 416 calls. Fort Greely’s first arriving apparatus was on scene in 5 minutes or less with 99 percent of the calls received.

The Fire Department was also instrumental in developing a water supply initiative for the family housing area to meet the requirement for water supply until the completion of a Capital Improvement Project to replace the current water supply system. The department’s innovative approach resulted in the placement of two unused 30,000 gallon fuel tanks filled with water for required fire flow to the area. This initiative was critical in keeping the installation’s privatized housing project on track.

Fort Greely Fire Department members also stepped outside of their normal duties to help improve the quality of life on post by helping complete and maintain the Outdoor Ice Rink using 85,000 gallons of water as well as maintaining and providing training on the Zamboni for Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation staff.

“The assistance that the Fire Department provided to ensure a functioning Ice Rink was a great example of innovation in terms of using available resources at a remote, austere post,” said Chronis. “Their efforts helped to enhance quality of life and morale.”

The Fort Greely Fire Department also participates in numerous on- and off-post events and activities including parades, Garrison Organization Day, National Night Out, Fire Prevention Week, Garrison Haunted House, and Tree Lighting Ceremony.



Fire Engine 19 displays its pride during the local parade. Courtesy Photo.



Fort Greely Fire Department performs routine training. Photo by Kent Cummins, Public Affairs

# SURVIVOR

## Outreach Services (SOS)

*Providing a continuous link to the Army Family and services after the loss of their Soldier.*

Losing a loved one is one of the most difficult things anyone can go through. Survivor Outreach Services (SOS) connects you with people who can help you move forward and find strength.

Many times after you have lost a loved one, there are unresolved issues or questions that may surface months or years after the loss. We understand that new issues and questions may surface long after the Casualty Assistance Officer has concluded his or her duties.



### SURVIVOR OUTREACH SERVICES

The mission of SOS is to provide enhanced services to these Families. The SOS mission is based on feedback from Survivors. It is a holistic and multi-agency approach to provide one-on-one support and a centralized place for Families to get information and ask questions. SOS works with the spouses, children, parents, siblings, and anyone grieving the loss of a Soldier. Continuous support groups will be held to allow Families to connect with each other.

### SERVICES AVAILABLE

- Financial Planning Services
- Employment and Resume Services
- Information and Referral
- Relocation Support
- Counseling Services
- Legal Assistance
- Parenting Classes
- Outreach Services
- And much more

### Our Mission

- *Provide a long term support system to answer questions and solve problems*
- *Keep the Family connected to the Army as long as they desire*
- *Provide one place where Family Members can go for information and referrals*
- *Keep Families informed of any legislative changes that may affect their benefits and entitlements*

### BENEFITS COORDINATORS

Benefits Coordinators will provide expertise on local, state and Federal benefits. They will work with the Casualty Assistance Officer to provide guidance and assistance to the Family with benefits, applications, and linkage with benefit providers.

### FINANCIAL COUNSELORS

Financial Counselors provide financial assistance, investment education and estate planning to assist the surviving Family member to reach financial goals. They can answer financial questions and provide support when a Family's financial situation changes.



### SUPPORT COORDINATORS

Support Coordinators function as the long term support personnel for Survivors. Support Coordinators will coordinate support groups, briefings to the community and leadership; and provide life skills and supportive counseling. They also make sure that Families have full access to all the programs within Army Community Services and the benefits they are entitled to.



### INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

Visit [ARMYOneSource.com](http://ARMYOneSource.com) for more information. Click on "Family Programs and Services" to go to the Surviving Families link.

[www.myarmyonesource.com](http://www.myarmyonesource.com)

[www.taps.org](http://www.taps.org)

[www.militaryonesource.com](http://www.militaryonesource.com)

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June's Spotlight Employee: Melissa Brown. Photo by Deb Ward, Public Affairs

## Spotlight Employee

### Where is your hometown?

Texarkana, Texas

### What is your complete job title?

Network Enterprise Center (NEC) Customer Support Center Lead

### What is the favorite part of your job?

The best part of my job is that every day brings a new challenges and learning opportunities. The technology is constantly changing and we are always looking for ways to improve our support to Fort Greely customers. There is never a dull moment in our work center.

### What is the most difficult part of your job?

The most difficult part of my job is also my favorite. Our priorities are always changing to fit the requirements of our users. We must stay flexible and be able to change our focus constantly.

### What keeps you motivated?

I am motivated by the challenges that arise each day. Balancing a heavy workload, maintaining customer satisfaction and meeting mission requirements are all challenges we face daily. We have a



great team that overcomes these challenges and motivates each other to succeed.

### How long have you been at Fort Greely?

I have been assigned to Ft. Greely just a little over 4 years.

### What do you like most about Fort Greely?

I love the small town atmosphere of the Delta Junction and Ft. Greely communities. Residents are always rallying together to support each other.

### What is your favorite quote?

A friend is one who knows you and loves you just the same.  
Elbert Hubbard

### What person influenced your life the most and how?

My parents definitely influenced my life the most. My parents strong values in life gave me the courage to attempt the path in life I have taken. Their encouragement and support gave me the confidence to pursue my military career and accomplish the goals I have set and achieved.

### What is your favorite hobby when not at work?

When I'm not at work I love to be around friends. We like to play cards, cook, and relax. We also like to participate in local community activities like the recent Relay for Life fundraiser.

### Favorite Alaskan Food?

It took me about two years of being here before I was brave enough to try Moose. But I'm glad I did because it is the best steak!

### Favorite spots in Alaska?

My favorite place that I have visited is Valdez. The scenery is beautiful and the wildlife viewing opportunities are endless.



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# Antiterrorism



## Suspicious Activity Reporting

Indicators of potential terrorist behavior or activities should be reported to Military Police or local law enforcement officials immediately. Examples of suspicious activities include.

- People drawing or measuring important buildings
- People asking questions about security forces, security measures, or sensitive information
- Briefcase, backpack, suitcase, or package left unattended
- Vehicle parked in NO PARKING ZONES in front of an important building
- People in restricted areas where they are not supposed to be
- A person wearing clothes that are too big and too hot for the weather
- Chemical smells or fumes that worry you
- People purchasing supplies or equipment that can be used to make bombs
- People purchasing weapons or uniforms without proper credentials

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### Primary Reporting Methods:

- Military Police
- Local law enforcement
- Security forces
- Chain of command

### What to Report

- Day & time activity occurred
- Where activity occurred
- How many people were involved
- How many and type of vehicles involved
- What type of activity
- Describe what you saw or heard
- Provide pictures if you took any

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iWATCHARMY information available at:  
<https://www.us.army.mil/suite/page/605757>

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*Because someone is depending on you*







## FOR THE DINING FACILITY

The following are **NOT** authorized to wear:

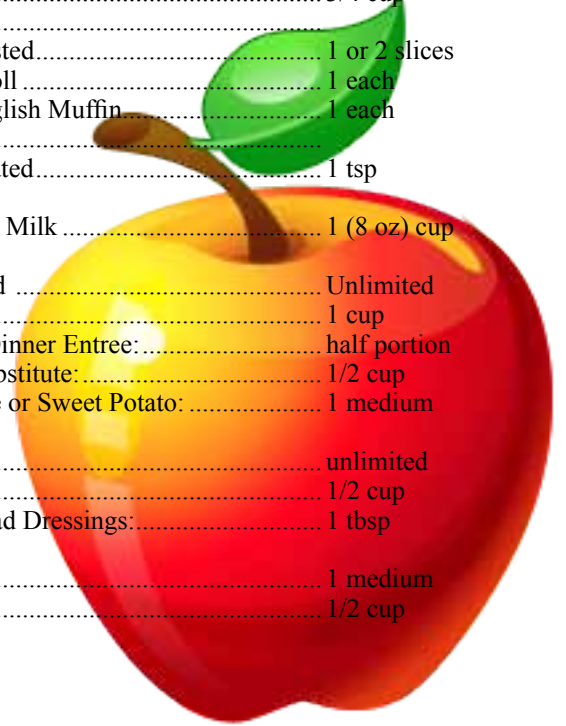
- Tank tops/Sleeveless shirts (men)
- PT Uniforms
- Bare Feet
- Flip Flops
- Pajamas/nightgowns
- Tactical Weapons and LCE
- YAK Tracks

This is for the sanitation and safety of diners and dining room furniture.

*Any questions contact the FGA Food Service Officer at 873-4462*

## FITNESS MENU STANDARD PORTIONS:

ITEM	PORTION SIZE
Fruit Juice.....	5 oz
Breakfast Entree:	
Egg/Low Cholesterol Scrambled Egg.....	1
Lean Meat Sandwich.....	2 oz
Cereal:	
Dry .....	1 individual package
Cooked.....	3/4 cup
Bread:.....	
Plain or Toasted.....	1 or 2 slices
Muffin or Roll .....	1 each
Bagel or English Muffin.....	1 each
Margarine:.....	
Polyunsaturated.....	1 tsp
Milk:	
Lowfat (1%) Milk .....	1 (8 oz) cup
Beverages:	
Unsweetened .....	Unlimited
Soup: .....	1 cup
Lunch and Dinner Entree:.....	half portion
Potato or Substitute:.....	1/2 cup
Baked White or Sweet Potato:.....	1 medium
Vegetables:	
Raw .....	unlimited
Cooked.....	1/2 cup
Fat Free Salad Dressings:.....	1 tbsp
Fruit:	
Fresh.....	1 medium
Canned .....	1/2 cup



# Adrenalin

Looking for Adrenalin packed Activity? **Airsoft** might be your answer.

This Military Simulation game is packed with fun and combines military live action roll playing and the great outdoors.

Several goals or missions may be assigned to each team, typically a minimum of four people, with no maximum number.

Teams remain in the field for the duration of play, only returning to a staging area or "safe zone" for medical issues and for other special circumstances.

Military Simulation games are played every Friday evening in Fairbanks. A starter pack is available for purchase if you don't have the required equipment to play.

Anyone interested can contact Jeffery Turner at 719-313-7842.

*All players must be 16 years of age and there is a \$40.00 registration fee.*



Quality of Life

## Vacation Bible School

**J**une 14–18 The Fort Greely Chapel will host a Vacation Bible School from 1–4 p.m. at the Chapel. The bible school is available for children ages Kindergarten through 5th-grade.

For more information please call Kim Mortrud at 873-2476





# Construction Updates

by Jim Verney  
DPW

The 2010 construction season at Fort Greely will be an extremely busy one and the following information is provided to keep the general public aware of the status of on-going projects:

### Community Activities Center:

Construction is scheduled to begin on or before June 1, 2010 with site clearing and excavation for the foundation with a construction complete date of September 2011.



The ground-breaking ceremony for the CAC didn't waste anytime in getting started. The proposed completion time is September 2011.  
Photo by Deb Ward Public Affairs

### Driving Range Project:

The contract for the seed and fertilizer for the driving range was awarded on May 24, 2010. DPW will start seeding within a week and the tentative date to open the range is scheduled for on or about July 15, 2010.

### Physical Fitness Center Upgrades:

The demolition of the old pool is approaching 50 percent complete and some demo work has been completed in the locker rooms. The project is due to be complete on or before November 2010

### Building 662:

New windows are installed and the External Insulation Finishing System (EIFS) installation should be complete around June 15, 2010.

### Building 663:

New windows are installed and the EIFS application will start in mid-June and be complete by Aug. 15, 2010.

### Building 661:

New windows installed. Installation of EIFS siding to start approximately 1 July and be complete on or before Sept.1, 2010.

### Building 655:

EIFS installation started on May 24, 2010 with



Gabriel Auditorium EIFS project is moving along nicely. Photo by Deb Ward Public Affairs

an estimated completion date of July 1, 2010.

### Building 655 (Gabriel Auditorium):

Asbestos abatement complete on auditorium floor and tile installation began May 24, 2010.

### Visitor's Center:

Parking lot renovation and paving is complete. Parking lot striping is next.

### Building 702 (Lodging Facility):

Window installation is complete.

### Building 612:

New R-60 roof pending completion.

### Building 609:

New R-60 roof pending completion.

### Building 650:

New R-60 roof construction to begin on or about June 1, 2010.

### Landfill fence:

Complete.

### Building 601 SSSC Entrance:

Entrance complete with new sidewalk to be installed by June 1, 2010.

### DOYON Utility

### Infrastructure

### Upgrades:

Ongoing all summer.

As you can see we have a full plate of work this summer. We ask that you please be patient with the disruptions, slow down while driving and follow the posted traffic pattern signs for directions.

DOYON Utility Infrastructure upgrades will require us to take alternate routes to work and home.

Please pay attention to posted signs and keep children out of the construction areas for their own safety and well being Photo by Deb Ward Public Affairs



**On the cover:** June breathtaking scenery and perfect weather for outdoor adventures. Photo by Mike Martinez, Northrop Grumman.

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# Exceptional Family Member Program supports Families with special needs

and referral and advocacy assistance, referral to support groups, medical providers, housing and respite care services. Once enrolled, the file should be updated by the Soldier every three years, or when there is a change in the Family member's medical

According to the National Health Information Center, part of U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, there were 41 National Health Observances last month alone - everything from Asthma and Allergy Awareness to Ultraviolet Awareness - and a total of more than 208 observances each year.

The sheer volume of information available to Family members with special needs can be overwhelming. The Army wants to make it easier for Soldiers and their Family members to navigate the complicated system of resources available to them.

"To do this, we've got to fix EFMP so it works better, and we have to get the word out," said Lt. Gen. Rick Lynch, commander of the U.S. Army Installation Management Command, at a recent conference.

He was referring to the Exceptional Family Member Program, a Department of Defense-mandated program to support Soldiers with Family members with special need. In the Army, the proponent activity for EFMP is the Army's Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Command. FMWRC's EFMP Managers are currently working with the Army Medical Command and sister-service counterparts to strengthen the program.

"Rather than just creating another awareness campaign, we're staffing an action plan now that includes hundreds of steps - both baby steps and sweeping changes - that will help create a seamless flow of EFMP information and resources to Soldiers and Families with special needs," said Marcia Hagood, EFMP specialist.

"It's important to note that the program isn't broken, we're just making it better," Hagood continued.

The Army's EFMP currently has 52,573 Soldiers enrolled and 69,493 Family members registered. Program managers expect enrollments to increase as program education and awareness is raised. Hagood emphasized its important for all Soldiers who have Family members with special medical and/or educational needs to enroll in the EFMP. Not only is enrollment mandatory, enrollment ensures optimum use of permanent change of station money by considering the Army's requirements, the Soldiers career and the special needs of



Tom Haley raises his hand in the air as he rides a simulated bull during a Special Needs Rodeo co-sponsored last year by the Fort Riley, Kan., Exceptional Family Member Program. Photo credit Mike Lacer

Family members.

"It's not 'big brother' wanting to know," Hagood said.

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***"It's all about ensuring the Army allows the Soldier to focus on the needs of the military without unnecessary concerns for his/her Exceptional Family member."***

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The program was established in compliance with public laws, which collectively mandate that eligible preschool and school-age children with disabilities be provided a free and appropriate education. The Army expanded EFMP to include all authorized Family members with special needs (spouse, child, stepchild, or adopted child).

If a Soldier is enrolled in EFMP, the Army reviews the special requirements of the Family member, and confirms the availability of special medical and/or educational resources and required services at the next duty station prior to orders being released.

The Army Community Service EFMP Managers also works with the Soldiers Family members by providing information

condition or educational needs.

"It can be challenging caring for a Family member with special needs and also having to worry about deployments and permanent changes of station every three years," Hagood said. "Imagine having to start from scratch seeking special medical care every time you relocate."

The EFMP works with other military and civilian agencies to provide comprehensive and coordinated community support, housing, educational and medical and personnel services to Families with special needs.

The EFMP marketing plan is slated to be implemented and information disseminated to all levels of leadership in the coming months to include new posters, brochures and campaigns, which will be launched to help raise EFMP education and awareness.

Soldiers who have Family members with special needs should visit their local ACS EFMP office at the garrison for resource and referral assistance and the nearest medical treatment facility for enrollment or to update current EFMP status.

Garrison commanders and unit leaders are encouraged to support and remind Soldiers of the importance of enrollment.



# Archery

**This program is for children and youth 8-18 years!**

**Cost: \$35 (total of 7 classes)**

**Mondays, \*5-6:30PM Start Date: mid-June**

**For questions or more info please call 873-3406.**

*\*Class fee may be waived through the Army Family Covenant for family member of deployed Soldiers or those scheduled to deploy.*

Children/Youth participating in this *SKIES Unlimited* program must be registered with CYS Services.

Please call Parent Central Services at 873-4599 to make an appointment.

Fees must be paid in full prior to participation. \*Total participation time may be less depending on number of participants and age groups.

  
U.S. Army Child, Youth & School Services **SKIES Unlimited**  
Schools of Knowledge, Inspiration, Exploration & Skills





**DATE NIGHT**

(Steve Carell, Tina Fey) Dragged down by the daily grind, suburbanites Phil and Claire try to put the spark back in their marriage by visiting a trendy Manhattan bistro. They get more than they bargained for when a case of mistaken identity hurtles them into an incredible adventure involving corrupt cops, a mob boss and a crazed cab driver. Rated PG-13 (sexual and crude content throughout, language, some violence and a drug reference) 88 min



**THE LAST SONG**

(Miley Cyrus, Greg Kinnear ) In a small Southern beach town where an estranged father gets a chance to spend the summer with his reluctant teenaged daughter, who'd rather be home in New York. He tries to reconnect with her through the only thing they have in common—music—in a story of family, friendship, secrets and salvation, along with first loves and second chances. Rated PG (thematic material, some violence, sensuality and mild language) 107 min



**OCEANS**

(Pierce Brosnan – Narrator)  
 DisneyNature, the studio that presented the record-breaking film “Earth,” brings OCEANS to the big screen on Earth Day, 2010. Nearly three-quarters of the Earth’s surface is covered by water and OCEANS boldly chronicles the mysteries that lie beneath. Featuring spectacular never-before-seen imagery captured by the latest underwater technologies, OCEANS offers an unprecedented look beneath the sea in a powerful yet enchanting motion picture program. Rated G - 84 min



**KICK ASS**

(Chloe Grace Moretz, Nicolas Cage) Dave, a comic-book fanboy who decides to take his obsession as inspiration to become a real-life superhero. As any good superhero would, he chooses a new name -- Kick-Ass -- assembles a suit and mask to wear, and gets to work fighting crime. There’s only one problem standing in his way: Kick-Ass has absolutely no superpowers. Rated R (strong brutal violence throughout, pervasive language, sexual content, nudity and some drug use -- some involving children) 117 min



**DEATH AT A FUNERAL**

(Chris Rock, Danny Glover) A day in the life of an American family who come together to put a beloved husband and father to rest. As mourners gather at the family home, shocking revelations, festering resentments, ugly threats, blackmail and a misdirected corpse unleash lethal mayhem. Rated R (language, drug content and some sexual humor) 92 min



**THE LOSERS**

(Zoe Saldana, Jeffrey Dean Morgan) On a mission deep in the Bolivian jungle, a team of elite commandos find themselves on the receiving end of a lethal betrayal. Now presumed dead, the men join forces with a mysterious operative named Aisha to hunt down their enemy and even the score. Rated PG-13 (a scene of sensuality, violence, sequences of intense action and language) 90 min



**FURRY VENGEANCE**

(Brendan Fraser, Brooke Shields ) A real estate developer moves his family from Chicago to Oregon when his job calls for him to oversee the building of a major housing development. But, when his latest project threatens the homes of the local forest creatures, the animals seek revenge by turning a peaceful cul-de-sac under construction into a battlefield of epic proportions. It’s man versus nature and the fur is gonna fly! Rated PG (some rude humor, mild language and brief smoking) 92 min



**NIGHTMARE ON ELM STREET**

(Jackie Earle Haley, Kyle Gallner ) A group of suburban teenagers share one common bond: they are all being stalked by Freddy Krueger, a horribly disfigured killer who hunts them in their dreams. As long as they stay awake, they can protect one another, but when they sleep, there is no escape. Rated R (violence, disturbing images and some sexuality) 95 min



<b>FRI</b>	<b>JUNE 04</b>	- 7 p.m. Date Night	(PG-13)
<b>SAT</b>	<b>JUNE 05</b>	- 7 p.m. The Last Song	(PG-13)
<b>SUN</b>	<b>JUNE 06</b>	- 7 p.m. Date Night	(PG-13)
<b>FRI</b>	<b>JUNE 11</b>	- 7 p.m. Oceans	(G)
<b>SAT</b>	<b>JUNE 12</b>	- 7 p.m. Kick Ass	(R)
<b>SUN</b>	<b>JUNE 13</b>	- 1 p.m. Oceans	(G)
		7 p.m. Kick Ass	(R)
<b>FRI</b>	<b>JUNE 18</b>	- 7 p.m. Death at a Funeral	(R)
<b>SAT</b>	<b>JUNE 19</b>	- 7 p.m. The Losers	(PG-13)
<b>SUN</b>	<b>JUNE 20</b>	- 7 p.m. Death at a Funeral	(R)
<b>FRI</b>	<b>JUNE 25</b>	- 7 p.m. Furry Vengeance	(PG)
<b>SAT</b>	<b>JUNE 26</b>	- 7 p.m. Nightmare on Elm Street	(R)
<b>SUN</b>	<b>JUNE 27</b>	- 7 p.m. Furry Vengeance	(PG)

**T**hank you Mercedes Ellis, age 10, daughter of Ray and Jarida Ellis for being the first to submit an example of your creative flair! Miss Ellis was 8 years old when she took over two months to create this sewn blanket. The blanket (*see image on right*) is a beautiful credit to your skills in handiwork, determination and patience.

If you would like your name displayed on the Fort Greely Marquee and your colored picture on the Command Channel please submit your artwork by the first of each month to [deborah.ward3@us.army.mil](mailto:deborah.ward3@us.army.mil). The next deadline is July 1, 2010. Hurry and get those colors out!

For the older crowd, perhaps you have artwork that you have created on your own time. Quilting, needlepoint, bead work, woodworking, auto detailing ... anything that has your creative flair to it, we'd love to see it here in the *INTERCEPTOR*.

Submit a photo of your work or a scanned image and we'll find a spot to highlight it for you. Don't let your creativity go unnoticed.

If you used one of our FMWR facilities be sure to list the location so we can give them credit too.

The year long photo contest continues so if you missed the first three months don't miss out on July's deadline. Each month three photos will be chosen to represent the best shots of Alaska. The winning photos are posted on the Command Channel (channel 12) and online at [www.greely.mil](http://www.greely.mil). At the end of the year the judging panel will meet and choose the best of the best and the winner will receive a matted and framed picture of their photo to have displayed on Fort Greely. You may submit as many photos as you like. The photos do not have to be from this year, but they do need to be from Alaska. Please list your name, contact number, title of photo and the location of where the image was taken. The top three images will be displayed in the next running issue of the *INTERCEPTOR* and the Command Channel. The deadline for submissions is the first of each month.



Sewn blanket by Mercedes Ellis, age 10.

**Submit your Alaskan photos by  
July 1, 2010  
for your chance to win.**

**June 2010  
Winners!**



*Summer Solstice*

by Michael Martinez took first place for capturing the peak of Alaska's Summer Solstice over the Trans-Alaskan Pipeline.



*Alaska's Winter Wonderland*

by Al Sheldon took second place for the dramatic framing and intense blues that caress this natural landscape.



*Alaskan Dirt*

by Michael Martinez took third place for the unique viewing aspect of this Delta Junction, Alaska farmland.



# Kids' Corner

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**Color the image below then scan your work of art and send it to: [deborah.ward3@us.army.mil](mailto:deborah.ward3@us.army.mil)**

Winners will be chosen each month and will get the chance to have their name in lights on the Fort Greely Marquee for the month!  
Be sure to include your first name, age and telephone number in the space provided below so we may contact you if selected.

**ALL ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE FIRST OF EACH MONTH.**

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY U.S. ARMY!



NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

GUARDIAN'S NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_