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**On the cover:** Presidio of Monterey service members watch the action during Military Appreciation Day at the AT&T Pebble Beach ProAm, a PGA Tour event pairing professional golfers with amateur and celebrity players. The ProAm is conducted annually at golf courses on the Monterey Peninsula. The nationally-televised event attracts thousands spectators, hundreds of volunteers, and raises millions of dollars for local charities. U.S. Army photo by Stephen L. Shepherd, PoM Public Affairs

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# **Accept the Challenge!** Join a team, compete for prizes in new fitness competition

#### By Catherine Caruso, Presidio of Monterey Public Affairs

The Garrison Commander's Fitness Challenge begins this month, with teams of up to 10 members competing for quarterly recognition and prizes.

The competition is open to all service members and civilian employees assigned to Presidio of Monterey, contractors who work on the installation, and their families (ages 18 and older).

Team members will report weekly activity minutes in each of three categories: walking/running, cycling, and other sports & recreational Activities.

Captains will submit results to the Directorate of Family, Morale, and Recreation Sports & Fitness Manager, who will update a weekly leader board at Price Fitness Center. At the end of each quarter, the leading team's members win prizes and their names will be inscribed on the Garrison Commander's Fitness Challenge Champion permanent trophy, to be displayed in their primary work area until the next quarterly champions are announced.

Weekly activity minutes are tallied Monday-Sunday, and must be reported by the team captain no later than noon the following Monday. Late reports will not be added to the team's score.

To create a team, designate a captain and contact Miguel Pablo, DFMWR Sport & Fitness Manager, at (831) 601-3136 or <u>miguel.c.pablo2.naf@mail.mil</u> for more information.

**Take the first step!** Join us for the Garrison Commander's Fitness Challenge Kick-Off, event, March 4 from 3:30-4:30 p.m., at Soldier Field. Walk or run one, two, or three miles at your own pace. This voluntary activity will be your place of duty for military and civilian participants assigned to DLIFLC and USAG POM (supervisor coordination is required).

# Garrison Commander's Run/Walk

Friday, Mar 4, 2016 1530

#### Meet at the Flag Pole by Soldier Field.

Choose the one, two or three mile walk/run course as you participate in physical training with the Garrison Commander.

1/3 mile course around Soldier Field is also available. Select the level you are comfortable with.

This is a voluntary event open to all military and civilian personnel. You must coordinate with your supervisor to attend and partake in any of these events. It will be your place of duty if you decide to participate. None of the events will go past 1630 hrs.

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# Star treatment: Military enjoy front row at ProAm

Photos by Stephen L. Shepard, PoM Public Affairs and Amber K. Whittington, DLIFLC Public Affairs

Musician Huey Lewis prepares to putt during the AT&T ProAm, a PGA Tour event that partners professional golfers with amateur and celebrity players at three golf courses on the Monterey peninsula.

> U.S. Army photo by Stephen L. Shepherd, PoM Public Affairs



Service members enjoyed star treatment during the 2016 AT&T ProAm at Pebble Beach, an annual PGA Tour event that pairs celebrities with professional and amateur golfers and hosted annually at three Monterey peninsula golf courses.

"It's awesome," Sgt. 1st Class Mark McRae, a Presidio of Monterey Soldier, said while viewing the action from the 15th hole at Pebble Beach. He and several other Soldiers were enjoying an unobstructed view of the 15th hole on the Pebble Beach course from inside the Patriot's Outpost hospitality tent.

"This isn't my first, I was here in 2014. I'm coming back tomorrow, and bringing my daughter," he said.

The ProAm is famous for providing an opportunity to rub elbows with celebrities, and there were plenty of celebrity sightings and selfies during the tournament's

Above, service members and their guests enjoyed front-row seats at the "Patriot's Outpost" military appreciation tent, provided by Group O, a corporate sponsor and staffed by Monterey area volunteers. The tent is located on the 15th hole at the Pebble Beach golf course.

> U.S. Army photo by Stephen L. Shepherd, PoM Public Affairs



Above, service members from the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center talk to actor and celebrity golfer Bill Murray at the 2016 ProAm. Murray, who played groundskeeper Carl Spackler in the 1980 golf comedy "Caddyshack," won the 2011 ProAm while partnered with professional golfer D.A. Points.

"Military Appreciation Day" Feb. 10, with coincided with the tour's "Celebrity Shootout."

But the nationally-televised event is also a major community event in Monterey, bringing thousands of spectators, and raising millions of dollars for local charities.

That's why hundreds of volunteers also donate their time to take part, among them service members assigned to Monterey area military installations like the Presidio of Monterey.

"I got a holiday break this weekend and figured I would spend my time doing something productive and helping out. I heard this was a good event and wanted to go see it for myself," Airman Campbell Mackay, 517th Training Group, said. He was volunteering for the Carmel Youth Center at a food concession tent at the 17th hole on Pebble Beach. "It's pretty impressive, there

U.S. Army photo by Stephen L. Shepherd, PoM Public Affairs

is a lot more people than I expected... After I'm done volunteering here I will probably walk around and see some stuff, I'm hoping to see some good golf."

The military volunteers are greatly appreciated, said Clyde Klaumann, volunteer tent coordinator.

"I have been doing this for 30 years off and on... They are always here with an attitude to serve and they do what is asked of



Above, service members watch from alongside the green as actor Josh Duhamel (crouching, on left) analyzes his putt during the 2016 AT&T ProAm at Pebble Beach. Duhamel, once of the PGA Tour event's guest celebrity golfers, played an Air Force Officer, Capt. William Lennox, in the 2007 movie "Transformers." He reprised the character, who was promoted to major, for 2009's "Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen," and 2011's "Transformers: Dark of the Moon."

#### them," he said.

When not volunteering, service members enjoyed watching games on playing out on the greens, both professional, entertaining (and sometimes both. Celebrity players and fan favorite Bill Murray, a repeat invitee and star of the 1980 cult golf comedy "Caddyshack," won the tournament

with partner D.A. Points in 2011, and is infamous for his on-course antics).

Complimentary tickets were offered to all service members, veterans and their guests by non-profit organization "Birdies for the Brave."

"I thought it might be fun, I might see some famous people," Sgt. Carlos Flanders,

U.S. Army photo by Amber Whittington, DLIFLC Public Affairs

a DLIFLC Soldier, said, of why he decided to attend his first ProAm.

He recommended the experience to future service members in Monterey, even if they aren't interested in the sport.

"It's like Madison Square Garden. Even if you don't watch basketball, you go," Flanders said.



Actor and repeat ProAm participant Bill Murray hits his ball out of a sand trap at Pebble Beach during the 2016 ProAm. The nationally-televised PGA Tour event brings thousands of spectators and hundreds of community volunteers to the Monterey Peninsula each year, and raises millions of dollars for local charities.

In recent years, service members from military units in Monterey, including the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center and Naval Postgraduate School, have been invited to a Military Appreciation Day during the event's scheduled "Celebrity Shootout," non-profit Birdies for the Brave has provided complimentary tickets to service members and their guests, and a local company has partnered with volunteers to support a Military Appreciation tent at the 15th hole on Pebble Beach golf course, one of three local golf courses that hosts the event.

U.S. Army photo by Stephen L. Shepherd, PoM Public Affairs



Above, Airmen assigned to Defense Language School Foreign Language Center at the Presidio of Monterey watch the 2016 AT&T Pebble Beach ProAm. Non-profit organization "Birdies for the Brave" provided up to four free tickets for service members and their guests to use during the PGA Tour event.

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At right, Daniel Whitney, known as actor and comedian "Larry the Cable Guy," reacts to his shot during the 2016 AT&T ProAm "Celebrity Shootout" as visiting service members and other players watch.

Below, musician Kenny G lines up his putt.

U.S. Army photos by Amber Whittington, DLIFLC Public Affairs











Clockwise from top left, service members pose with actors Ray Romano, Clint Eastwood (two photos) and musician Toby Keith. U.S. Army photos by Amber Whittington, DLIFLC Public Affairs





At top, ProAm "Celebrity shootout" participants pose for photographers. Bottom row, from left: Service members pose with musician Huey Lewis, legendary former hockey player and coach Wayne Gretzky, and actor Bill Murray. U.S. Army photos by Stephen L. Shepherd, PoM Public Affairs

A service member, a golfer, and his caddy cross paths at Pebble Beach golf course during the AT&T ProAm, a PGA Tour event that partners professional golfers with amateur and celebrity players. The annual tournament takes place at three golf courses on the Monterey peninsula, and hosted a Military Appreciation Day during the "Celebrity Shootout" Feb. 10.

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# Retired general, author discusses Aberdeen sex scandal at SHARP event

Story & photos by Patrick Bray, DLIFLC Public Affairs

Retired Army Maj. Gen. Robert Shadley spoke at the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center, Presidio of Monterey, California, about sexual harassment/assault response and prevention during the institute's SHARP training Feb. 19.

"I speak to groups about eradicating the cancer of sexual harassment and assault from their organizations," said



Shadley to about 250 Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines at the Post Theater.

Shadley, the former commander of the U.S. Army Ordnance Center and School, then located at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, helped unravel the largest military sex scandal to date in 1996.

Known as the "Game ala military," a network of senior instructors competed to prey on young female trainees.

Above, MG Robert Shadley (ret.).

"We found that it was easy to cut down on trainee-on-trainee misconduct, but one day a first sergeant intercepted a love note from a trainee to her drill sergeant," Shadley said.

The investigation snowballed, eventually leading to charges against officers and enlisted Soldiers around the U.S. including Sgt. Maj. of the Army Gene McKinney.

In 2010, after believing that little has improved in preventing sexual harassment and assault in the military, Shadley wrote a book, "The GAMe – Unraveling a Military Sex Scandal," about the scandal in an effort to bring more attention to the issue.

"If you take care of your people, reward the good and correct the bad, the mission will be achieved and you and your organization will succeed," Shadley said.



Above, DLIFLC students perform a skit to generate awareness for sexual harassment and assault prevention issues during a SHARP training event.

Shadley authored "The GAMe," a book about a 1996 sex scandal involving military trainees the Army's ordnance school, which he commanded.



# **Perkins:** DLIFLC is a model for Army education

The Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center welcomed Gen. David Perkins, commanding general of the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command at Fort Eustis, Virginia, to the Presidio of Monterey Feb. 9.

Perkins visited a classroom in the Middle East I school, where he interacted with students who are learning Arabic. Afterwards, he spoke about DLIFLC as an example in the upcoming Army University, which will be a premier learning institution that prepares Soldiers and civilians to win in the future security environment.

"Something we are trying to increase and

propagate in the Army is that we want you to continue your education and your level of self-development," said Perkins. "For the rest of your life we want you to build tools to stay connected to the community of learning, and I think DLIFLC is really setting a great example of how we do that."

Since 2002, service members attending the institute have been able to earn an accredited Associate of Arts degree in foreign language upon successful graduation from their program. Nearly 12,000 associate degrees have been awarded since DLIFLC became accredited by the Accrediting Commission for



#### Patrick Bray, DLIFLC Public Affairs

Community and Junior Colleges of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. The Army has succeeded in making it possible for students to receive the two-year college degree with 45 DLIFLC credits and 18 units transferred from other accredited institutions or authorized sources.

"In many ways, DLIFLC is a part of an example we want to propagate throughout the rest of the Army in that they get accredited courses here and they are recognized around the world," Perkins said.

The Army continues to modernize its professional military education in order to improve the quality of professional training, development and schooling that its Soldiers and civilians receive.

Perkins spoke further about how he expects Army University, which encompasses all 37 TRADOC schools including DLIFLC, to be a game changer in the professionalism of both Soldiers and civilians.

"From an Army University point of view, not only does it allow us to credential and accredit courses that our Soldiers take, but it raises everyone's game to a higher level," he said. "If you want to be accredited you've got to have well developed faculty, great resource tools, and the students have to perform at a high level."

Gen. David Perkins (left) talks to students at the Middle East I school at DLIFLC, located on Presidio of Monterey, Feb. 9. Accreditation through Army University will also allow Army schools to partner with other colleges and universities, the same way DLIFLC did with MIT, for example, to develop tools for students to access in and out of the classroom.

"Because DLIFLC has a recognized level of expertise and excellence, that makes MIT want to work with them because they are a well know entity," said Perkins. "That is exactly what we want to do within other organizations within TRADOC and the Army."

Dr. Branka Sarac, director of technology integration, and Dr. Tamas Marius, director of language technology evaluation and assessment, showed the general some of the language training products produced by DLIFLC that are available for predeployment training, deployment use or refresher training.

Through technology, Perkins said he would like to see language and culture training given to the total force as he spoke about the ever-changing role of training in the military.

For 75 years, linguists have been trained at DLIFLC. Graduating with a high level of proficiency, they go on to become the language experts at the units to which they are assigned, but these language experts are too few, Perkins explained.

"Some of the technology that I just saw (the web access, voice recognition, selfpaced distance learning) I think that is going to be key so that people other than just professionally trained linguists have at least a minimum background in language and culture," he said.

"I think what we're going to find in the future is that it is not enough. When

we send a unit to a particular region for regional alignment we are going to want a level of language and cultural proficiency throughout the formation and we can't send them all to DLIFLC."

Speaking further about regionally aligned forces, "the world is going to get more and more complex," Perkins said.

"No matter what mission we give our Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines they are going to be in an environment with multiple cultures, multiple languages, and multiple backgrounds all simultaneously interacting with each other. This is a level of complexity that we are not used to."

The Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center provides resident instruction in 23 languages at the Presidio of Monterey, located in Monterey, Calif.

DLIFLC maintains the capacity to instruct another 65 languages in Washington D.C., graduating more than 200,000 linguists since 1941.

# Persian-Farsi School hosts talent show

The stands at Price Fitness Center were packed with students, staff and faculty Feb. during the Persian-Farsi School's Talent Show. Students showcased their skills as singers, musicians and comedy acts, all performed and judged in their language of study.

> U.S. Army photos by Amber K. Whittington, DLIFLC Public Affairs.







# DLIFLC hosts Commandant's Run

Photos by Amber K. Whittington and Patrick Bray, DLIFLC Public Affairs



Col. Phillip Deppert led his first Commandant's Run at the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center Feb. 17. About 3,000 service members from the Army, Marines, Navy and Air Force took part in the run, which began at the Price Fitness Center athletic field and wound its way through the Presidio of Monterey and ended on Soldier Field. They were accompanied by students from JROTC Units at Seaside High School, Marina High School (Marina, California) and Monterey High School (Monterey, California).

Pfc. Lingo, the school's mascot, helped lead the formation of runners. Lingo was adopted by the school in November, and spent several months in training to prepare for the run.

Above, Col. Phillip Deppert, DLIFLC commandant, addresses participants following the 2016 Commandant's Run at Soldier Field, Presidio of Monterey.

On the preceding page, a Soldier carries the DLIFLC guidon at the head of the running formation.

Photos by Patrick Bray, DLIFLC Public Affairs.









This page: Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines run in formation during the 2016 Commandant's Run at Presidio of Monterey Feb. 17. Approximately 3,000 service members, accompanied by JROTC students from Seaside, Marina, and Monterey high schools, took part in the run.

At top left: U.S. Army photo by Amber Whittington, DLIFLC Public Affairs. All other photos: U.S. Army photos by Patrick Bray, DLIFLC Public Affairs.



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# ACS seeks feedback:

## *'Sound-off' on community services in survey*

#### By Catherine Caruso, PoM Public Affairs

The Army Community Services Needs Assessment survey opens March 15.

If you use community services at the Presidio of Monterey, this survey is your chance to sound-off about the quality and type of services provided by ACS at PoM.

"It's imperative that you take the time to complete this survey, so we know what services are important to you and to guide what services we offer in the future," said Kevin Moore, Director of ACS programs at PoM.

The survey is open to all members of the military community who access ACS, or Army Community Services at Presidio of Monterey, including service members, military family members, DoD employees, surviving spouses, and retired service members who live or work on the peninsula.

In past years, unmet needs identified in similar surveys have had direct impact on services offered at PoM and Army-wide - for example, expanded transition assistance programs, single parent support groups, and anger management classes, Moore said.

And as military budgets, including those for community service, shrink, that feedback may also help guide decisions about what services should be reduced or cut.

In past years, some groups were underrepresented. For example, more than 90% of PoM ACS needs assessment survey respondents identified themselves as Army-affiliated, even though ACS provides to service members, families and veterans from all branches of service.

That's why it's especially important that all members of the PoM community take time to submit their feedback via this year's survey, Moore said.

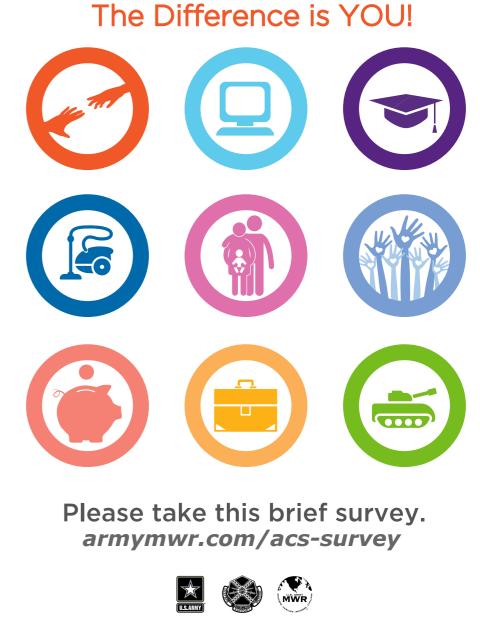
"We value everyone's opinions and input, and want people to tell us what services they need - and what services aren't meeting their needs."

The ACS Needs Assessment Survey opens March 15. To participate, visit <u>www.armymwr.com/acs-survey</u>.



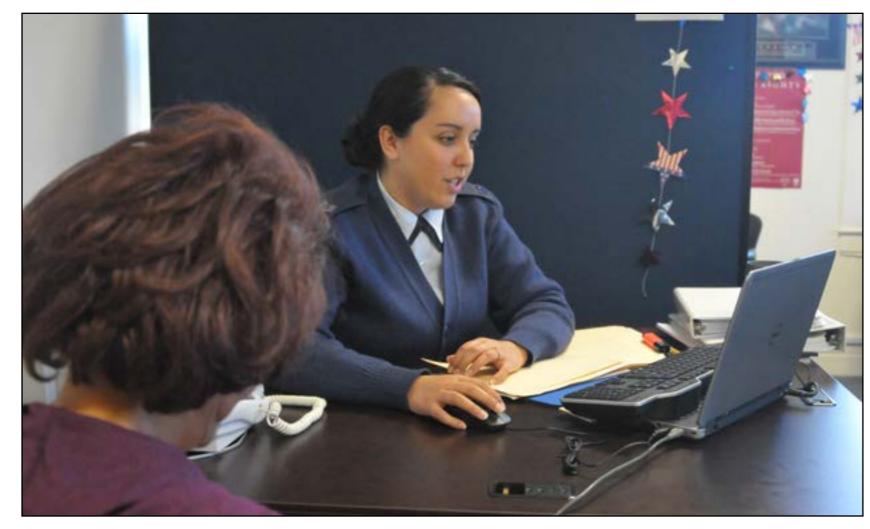
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# ACS NEEDS ASSESSMENT



# **Show me the money:** Tax Center saves \$785,000 (& counting) for PoM taxpayers

Story & photos by Catherine Caruso, Presidio of Monterey Public Affairs



Since January, the Presidio of Monterey Legal Assistance Office's Tax Center has helped Monterey service members, military families and retirees claim nearly \$700,000 in state and federal tax refunds.

Additionally, the center has also saved PoM taxpayers an estimated \$92,000 in fees compared to commercial tax preparation services.

But with 252 returns processed, to date, it's clear there are still thousands of active duty service members, families, and retirees at and around PoM who can benefit from the Tax Center's services before the April 15 federal filing deadline.

Still skeptical? Here, we'll review some common questions – and misperceptions – about the military tax preparation service.

## *"I'd rather trust my taxes to a professional."*

Many people assume a commercial tax preparer will do a better job - but clients don't always get more for their money, Matt Shelton, staff tax attorney for the Presidio of Monterey Legal Assistance Office and PoM Tax Center director, said.

"This is an industry where there's a lot of fraud, and a lot of overcharging for relatively simple returns," he said.

Military volunteer tax preparers at PoM get 80 hours of training from the IRS and California Franchise Tax Board – the same training received by entry-level tax preparers working in the private sector. Volunteers are carefully screened, and are highly motivated to provide quantifiable benefits for service members and families they assist.

Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Brian Abel, a tax center preparer, said volunteering has benefited him because he's learned information he can use to prepare his own return. But preparing returns for others pays off in other ways. The tax center tracks the total value of returns, but also accuracy rates for individual preparers.

"I do it because it's something that will look good on my evaluations," Abel said. "And, we're helping people." Renu Turner, a military family member and tax center client, said she learned the value of services provided PoM's tax center the hard way. After having her 2013 tax return prepared at PoM, a friend convinced her to try a commercial service.

"I got back the same amount as the year before, but it cost me \$500!" she said.

## *"Why does the military provide tax preparation as service?"*

It's all about financial readiness, Shelton said.

"We want to get back as much money as we can for our service members, both by maximizing their returns and minimizing their fees."

More money in your pocket means you're better prepared to tackle future financial challenges.

Ensuring your tax return is accurate and filed on-time protects you from stress, debt, and financial penalties that

#### By the numbers

- Federal returns filed:
  252
- State returns filed: **226**
- Fees saved (compared to comparable commercial services): \$92,688
- Federal refunds: \$613,733
- State refunds: \$79,350
- Cost to clients:
  \$0

could distract you from your duties and negatively affect your quality of life.

## "Won't I get my refund faster if I use a commercial tax preparer?"

The PoM Tax Center provides electronic filing. That means with direct deposit, you'll get your refund as soon as it's released by the IRS.

Some commercial preparers offer "Refund Anticipation Loans" that advances funds the preparer expects you to receive via a refund.

But most IRS refunds are released within a week or two, Shelton said.

"You'll get your refund just as fast as any other service except a loan... (With loans,) you'll pay heavy fees to get your refund just a few days faster, at most."

#### "I'd rather do my own taxes."

Tax preparation isn't always difficult - many filers can complete the job in just a few



Above, MC3 Jason Hale, on right, reviews documents with Jason Hale at the PoMTax Center Feb 18. Previous page: TSgt. Maria Skodacek helps Renu Turner complete her 2016 federal and state tax returns.

hours, using a few simple forms.

But you may still benefit from having a trained military preparer take a second look at your documents before you file. Military families move frequently, they can find themselves filing tax returns in a new state, or even in multiple states, every year.

Moving expenses, pay allowances, and income earned during a deployment are other areas where a military advisor can help save time, and sometimes money, Shelton said.

If you're newly married, a new parent, a new homeowner, or receiving income from rental property, those changes can also make a big difference in eligibility for certain tax deductions.

#### When paying a pro makes sense...

Anyone who owns a business, has multiple rental properties, or earns income from several different states should consider hiring a tax attorney or accountant with experience in those areas.

Preparers will advise clients to seek extra help with an especially complex return, but Shelton said staff can still provide information about personal deductions, and advise what to look for - and look out for in commercial tax prep services, he said.

#### How to get there:

From Pvt. Bolio Rd.; turn onto Buffalo Soldier Trail, follow signs to the SJA Legal Assistance Office and Tax Center, Building 358 (on-street parking reserved for OSJA and Tax Center clients is available). Appointments are available from 8-4 p.m., Monday-Friday. Call (831) 242-7365 for info.

# Civic leaders, Air Force officials explore Monterey Model



John Anderson, a maintenance supervisor for the City of Monterey, discusses maintenance operations and customer service in the window glazing shop at Presidio of Monterey. Visiting military leaders from Goodfellow Air Force Base, accompanied by civic leaders from San Angelo, Texas wanted to learn about the city's unique partnership with the military installation to provide maintenance services on the Army post.

#### Catherine Caruso, Presidio of Monterey Public Affairs

The Presidio of Monterey's unique civic partnerships left good impressions with San Angelo, Texas and Goodfellow Air Force leaders after a visit Feb. 11-12.

The Monterey Model saves the Army money by sharing resources with the nearby cities of Seaside and Monterey, California.

"This all started with an elevator maintenance contract. It expanded from there," said Col. Paul Fellinger, PoM garrison commander.

The arrangement also benefits the cities, adding capabilities and improving the efficiency with which the city can provide services to both its military and civilian customers, local city officials said.

"I have a civil and mechanical engineer on staff, because of the Army," Danial "Dino" Pick, deputy city manager of public works for the City of Monterey, said.

Air Force officials said they came to PoM to learn more about the Monterey Model because installation management budgets are shrinking across the military, and leaders are searching for innovative ways to preserve services without cutting costs.

"We have a lot of the same concerns, like energy efficiency. Locks (and locksmith services) are a big expense for us," said David Sulhoff, commander of Goodfellow's 17th Civil Engineer squadron.

The City of Monterey maintenance team provides locksmith services on PoM, including electronic keycards for barracks,

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and often takes a lead role in identifying opportunities for energy efficiency improvements in areas such as hot water systems, HVAC (heating, ventilation, air condition and cooling), and lighting.

During a tour of the city's on-base maintenance facilities, Col. Michael Downs, 17th Training Wing commander, said he was impressed by the quality of the customer service provided by the city partners.

"We don't know what it will mean in our

community, but our hope is it will lead to something great," he said.

A 2000 Army Audit Agency review validated the cost savings, confirming Presidio of Monterey saved 41% over the cost of reimbursements to the Navy (which also operates a small military installation in the area) under a previous agreement, a total savings of more than \$2.5 million annually.

The installation estimates the contract costs 22% less than a fixed price contract for those services with a private company.



George Eads, on right, a City of Monterey locksmith, explains a process he developed to refresh worn-out electronic key card readers, saving PoM thousands of dollars over the cost of replacing each lock. City workers are encouraged to identify opportunities to save money on maintenance costs.

## Scholarship program opens to Military Housing residents

If you're a resident of Ord Military Community or the La Mesa military housing community and plan to attend college during the 2016-2017 academic year, you could be eligible to apply for a Michaels Organization Educational Foundation scholarship.

The competition is open to service members and military family members who live in PoM family housing and meet these criteria —

**High School seniors:** 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent)

**College students:** 2.3 GPA on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent). Must be a junior or senior, and provide documentation of a declared major.

Applicants are encouraged to start their applications early. Applications are due April 12, and must include an official copy of your academic transcripts through the fall semester of the 2015-2016 academic year.

Applications also include an essay, musical or dramatic presentation, or portfolio of original artwork, and two academic references.

For more information or to request an application packet, contact Taina Perry at the Moore's Landing property manager's office: <u>tperry@themichaelsorg.com</u>.

The Michaels Company provides property management services in military family housing communities at the Presidio of Monterey and several other military installations.

The foundation, a non-profit formed to benefit high school seniors and graduates living in properties managed by the Michaels Company, has awarded \$4.5 million to high school seniors and college students since it's inception in 1991, and plans to award more than \$225,000 in scholarships this year.

# The NFL Experience

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Photos by Amber K. Whittington, DLIFLC Public Affairs

A game ball and helmet signed by players who took part in Super Bowl XXXIX (New England Patriots vs. Philadelphia Eagles) is displayed at "The NFL Experience" during Super Bowl 50 festivities in San Francisco Feb. 6.



More than three dozen service members from Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center took part in "The NFL Experience" during Super Bowl 50 festivities in San Francisco.

The service members were invited to the Moscone Center for a private fan encounter featuring photo booths, displays of Super Bowl memorabilia, player encounters, photo opportunities, and autograph sessions.

The trip was organized by USAA, which

donated tickets for service members to PoM MWR and other military installations throughout the San Francisco Bay Area.

NFL players and featured guests included ESPN host Trey Wingo and players Vincent Jackson, Tampa Bay Buccaneers; Nick Moody and Quentin Dial, San Francisco 49ers; Lee Smith and John Condo, Oakland Raiders; Steve Smith Sr., Baltimore Ravens; Roger Staubach, a Naval Academy graduate and two-time Super Bowl champion with the Dallas Cowboys. Above: A DLIFLC student attending "The NFL Experience" is interviewed by a reporter from Good Day (CBS 13; Sacramento, Calif.) Feb. 6.

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At top, Trey Wingo, host of NFL Live on ESPN, on left, interviews Vincent Jackson, Tampa Bay Buccaneers, during "The NFL Experience" Feb. 6. At lower left, A DLIFLC student poses for a photo with Nick Moody and Quentin Dial, both players for the San Francisco 49ers. At lower right, Vincent Jackson poses with military fans and other guests.







## March 1-April 8 Youth Track & Field sign-ups

Registration is open March 1-April 8 for CYSS spring track & field, open to children ages 5-13 (14 for eighth grade & younger). Cost is \$55 for the first child, and 15% off for each additional child. Practice: April 11-June 3. Local meets will be in May and June, dates and times to be determined. Children ages 9-14 may qualify to compete at the Hershey Track & Field Northern California Finals.

*Children of coaches register free of charge!* Contact CYSS early to allow time for training and background checks - call (831) 242-7809.

# March 4

**Garrison Fitness Challenge** Join the PoM Garrison commander March 4, 3:30 p.m. for the Garrison Commander's fitness challenge kick-off, a one, two or 3 mile fun run/ walk at Soldier Field.? This is a voluntary event, open to all military and civilian personnel at USAG PoM and DLIFLC, and will be your place of duty if you choose to participate (supervisor coordination is required).

Accept the challenge! Teams can compete for quarterly prizes by tracking their fitness activity. Email miguel.c.pablo2.naf@mail.mil for info.

# March 4

#### **First Friday!**

Staff and cadre - The Weckerling Center bar opens the first Friday of every month from 4:30-6:30 p.m. for permanent party service members and civilian employees, only. Get to know your colleagues and enjoy the camaraderie!

Students & guests - Enjoy dancing, karaoke, and open mic at Hobson Recreation Center on the first Friday of every month, 8 p.m.close. Also at Hobson: Java Café bar opens 8-10 p.m. for ages 21 and over, only.

# March 4-5

#### American Dream U

American Dream U, a non-profit organization promoting entrepreneurship, presents business and career seminars March 4 & 5.

- March 4, 9 a.m.- 3 p.m. at Naval Support Activity Monterey (Glasgow Hall, #102)
- March 5, 9 a.m. 1 p.m. at Weckerling Center, Presidio of Monterey (Bldg. 328).

Free, open to all service members, veterans, employees and military families. For more information, visit: AmericanDreamU.org.



# March 5

#### **UFC 196**

Watch UFC 196 at Hobson Recreation Center as Holly Holm defends the title she won by knocking out Ronda Rousey for the first

time, fighting against Miesha Tate at MGM Grand Garden Arena in Las Vegas. Also, Nate Diaz fights Conor McGregor, the current lightweight champion.

Doors open at 5 p.m. Pay-Per-View broadcast starts at 7 p.m. Admission is \$5.

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For info, call (831) 242-5447.

## March 9

#### **Positive Parenting**

Children don't come with an instruction manual! Learn to create a supportive family environment, teach your child to play well with others, and deal positively and decisively with parenting challenges. Classes meet every Wed., March 9-30; 6-8 p.m. Call (831) 242-7660 to register. Child care provided for children registered in CYSS - call (831) 242-7765 for info.

# UFC

## Home School Co-Op

The School Liaison Services (SLS) Home School Co-Op brings homeschooling families together for joint learning opportunities.

Children enjoy enrichment opportunities in arts & crafts, technology exploration, and sports (please bring gym clothes) during regularly-scheduled monthly meetings at the Porter Youth Center.

Next: March 8, 9-11:30 p.m.

March 8

Upcoming: April 19, May 17.

Children must be registered with CYSS to participate. For more information, contact SLS at (831)242-6904. For CYSS enrollment questions, call (831) 242-7765.

## **Positive Parenting Program**

Wednesdays in March 9, 16, 23, & 30 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Children don't come with an instruction manual. The Issues you face as parents are most likely not peculiar to your family but are common place to many families. This series will help you to create a stable and supportive family environment, teach your child skills to get along with others, deal positively and decisively with problems as they arise, and take care of yourself as a parent.



# March 10

#### **Parents as Partners**

Parents of children enrolled at Monterey Road Child Development Center are invited to meet March 10, 5 p.m. at the center (7693 Monterey Rd., OMC).

Participants receive Parent Points towards discounts off Registration required. Call (831) 242-7660. child care.

## March 10

#### 'Beyond the Resume' workshop

Learn about the importance of personal branding, business cards, networking, creating a reference sheet, e-cover notes, thank you notes and networking letters.

# March 10 & 24

#### **BOSS General Meetings**

Single service members are invited to attend PoM Better Opportunities for Single Service Members (BOSS) general meetings on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month, 4:30-6 p.m. at Hobson Recreation Center. For more information, contact Pfc. Shantel Phillips at *shantel.phillips@dliflc.edu*.

## March 17

#### U.S. Army Jazz Ambassadors concert

The Monterey Peninsula' "Salute to Veterans," featuring the U.S. Army's Jazz Ambassadors touring big band, is Thursday, March 17; 7 p.m. at the Golden State Theatre (417 Alvarado St., Monterey).

Formed in 1969, the 19-member Jazz Ambassadors ensemble has received acclaim at home and abroad

performing America's greatest original art form, jazz.

The band's repertoire includes big band swing, bebop, Latin, contemporary jazz, standards, popular tunes, Dixieland, vocals, and patriotic selections, many of which are written or arranged by members of the Jazz Ambassadors. To hear some of their music, visit the Listening Room on the U.S. Army Field



Band website at <u>www.armyfieldband.com</u>.

This event is free, and open to the public - but tickets are required (limit four per family).

Information and tickets: goldenstatetheatre.showare.com.



# March 24

#### Women's History Month observance, 4 p.m. at Weckerling Center

The PoM community will observes Women's History Month on March 24, 4 p.m. at Weckerling Center, hosted by 517th Training Group, U.S. Air Force.

Join us in celebrating women's history and remarkable military women throughout history, such as Col. Oveta Culp Hobby, a pioneering military leader who helped define women's role in the U.S. Army during World War II, Rear Admiral Dr. Grace Hopper, a Navy computer scientist who developed one of the first high-level programming languages (and coined the term "debugging"), and test-pilot Nancy Harkness Love, who co-founded the Women's Air Force Service Pilots (WASPs), female civilian pilots who supported the U.S. Air Force during the second world war.

This event is open to all members of the PoM community. For more information, contact the Equal Opportunity office at (831) 242-5442.



Women's History Month 1-31 March 2016

Colonel Oveta Culp Hobby, a pioneering military leader who helped define women's initial role in the U.S. Army during World War II. Colonel Hobby's convictions about diversity were straightforward: "The rule of thumb is a simple one," she wrote. "Regard each man, each woman, as an individual, not as a Catholic, a Protestant, or a Jew; not as an Indian, American, or European. Like or dislike a person for his own intrinsic qualities—not because he belongs to a different race or subscribes to a different religion. Dignify man with individuality."

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## **April 2** Celebrate Military Children

Join us for Month of the Military Child celebration April 2, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Porter Youth Center (Building 4283; Gen. Jim Moore Blvd., OMC). Enjoy face painting, bounce houses, arts & crafts, BBQ and more while we share important information about community services and child abuse prevention. For more information, call (831) 242-7197.

# April 14

#### Write a winning resume

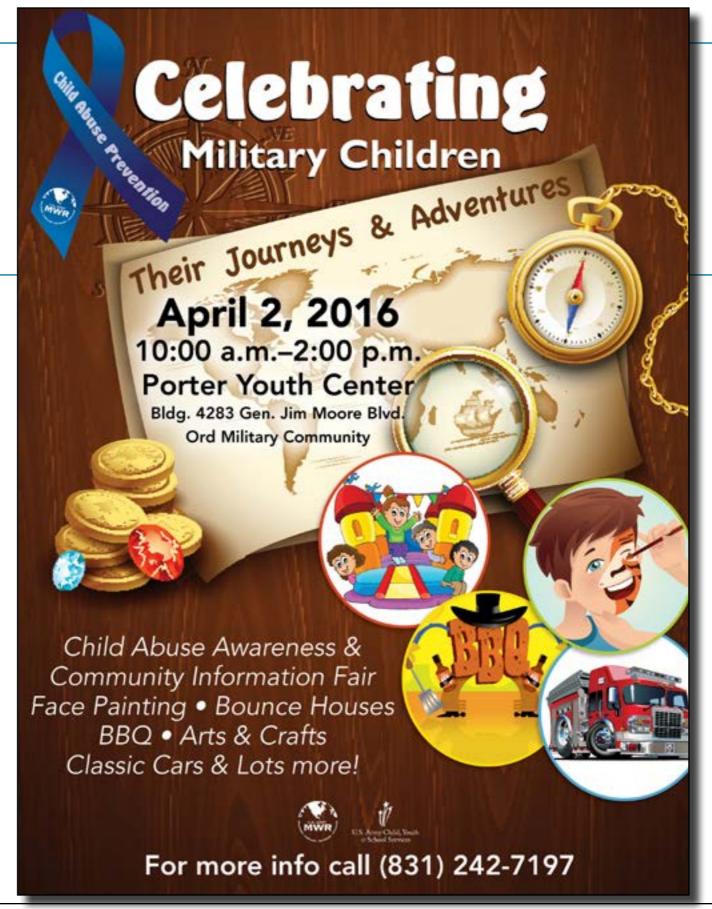
Prepare for your next career move at the "Writing A Winning Resume" workshop, April 14 from 6-9 p.m. at the ACS Gold Room (General Stilwell Community Center, OMC). Career coach Mary Jeanne Vincent will show you how to craft a resume that captures the reader, highlights your accomplishments, and helps get you hired. Registration required. Call (831) 242-7660.

## April 25 CPR/AED Certification

The ACS Employment Readiness program offers free cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and Automated External Defibrilator (AED) training monthly.

The next session is April 27, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Stilwell Community Center (CYSS conference room). Training is conducted by the PoM Fire Dept. Additional dates for calendar year 2016 include May 30, June 27, July 25, Aug. 29, Sept. 26, Oct. 24, and Nov. 28. Participants who successfully complete the training will be issued a Basic Life Saver certification card.

Spaces are limited. Registration is required. Child care is available - must be registered with CYSS. For more info or to sign up, call (831) 242-7510.





Pfc. Lingo takes a well-deserved break after assisting Col. Phillip Deppert in leading the 2016 Commandant's Run.

More than 3000 Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center students and guests took part in the run, Deppert's first as the school's commandant - and Lingo's first as the school's mascot.

U.S. Army photo by Amber Whittington, DLIFLC Public Affairs Office.