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## FORT LEE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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#### Army End Strength Reductions; Community Input Valued

The Army must reduce and reorganize its force structure in order to achieve the cost savings required by the Budget Control Act of 2011, and to remain consistent with future defense strategies. While the specifics of any cuts/realignments are yet to be determined, the Army anticipates an active component reduction of 80,000 Soldiers – from a 2010 high of 570,000 to 490,000 – by the end of FY17, which will impact many installations.

Army realignment/re-stationing decisions are based on military and operational factors. Other considerations include strategy, investment/regeneration, statutory requirements, installation mission and manning requirements, cost-savings and economic impact. Implementation of Army realignment decisions would take place between FY13 and FY17.

Force Restructure Community Listening Sessions will be conducted in April at up to 30 installations with significant military and civilian populations. The sessions will allow communities to provide input ensuring the Army captures their unique aspects and concerns, thus enabling better decisions about reorganization and mitigating, as much as possible, the impact on local communities.

These force structure changes are not related to sequestration. As the President's 2014 Budget is released and the impacts of sequestration are continually assessed, additional force structure reductions may be required.

Fort Lee will host a Force Restructure Community Listening Session in the latter half of this month. Civic leaders are invited to present information about the potential impact on their communities at the session. Subject matter experts from Headquarters, Department of the Army will answer questions and consolidate comments to take back to their senior leaders for consideration before final decisions are made on force structure realignments. An overview of the stationing decision process, focusing on the tools and factors the Army looks at when reorganizing the force, will be provided.

Once a date for the listening session is identified, the Public Affairs Office will send invitations to members of the Civilian Military Council and run an ad in the Times-Dispatch newspaper to publicize the event.

#### Off Duty In the Community



[Governor's Residence Offers Glimpse of History](#)

[Annual Richmond Run is Monumental](#)

[War Memorial Hosts 5K Run Walk to Remember](#)

[Dog Jog, 5K Run Set](#)

Submit your event information to [susan.n.garling.civ@mail.mil](mailto:susan.n.garling.civ@mail.mil) to be featured.

#### Fort Lee Ceremonies & Events



Holocaust Observance, April 10, 11:30 a.m., Memorial Chapel

Transportation Chief Relinquishment of Command Ceremony, April 12, Seay Field, 9 a.m.

Col. Edward Daly Promotion Ceremony, April 12, 3 p.m., Ball Auditorium, Hatcher Hall

Poker Run, April 13, Registration 10 a.m., Hideaway

Day of Prayer Breakfast, April 23, 7 a.m., Lee Club

Installation Volunteer Appreciation Reception, April 24, 2 p.m., Lee Club

Wine & Beer Tasting, April 26, Cardinal Golf Course, 5 p.m.

Golf and Dinner, 2nd and 4th Tuesday at the Cardinal Golf Course, 5 p.m.

Music In Our Schools, area public schools, 392nd Army Band Performances through April

#### Traveller Articles of Interest



[Senator Kaine Visits Army Sustainment Think Tank](#)

[Fort Lee Teen Set to Attend West Point](#)

[Fort Lee Band Brightens Up Sunnyside Elementary](#)

[Clinic Earns Recognition](#)

[Fort Lee, IMCOM Celebrate Month of the Military Child](#)

["Invisible Wounds" Taking Toll, Congress](#)

[Lee Youth Earns Military Child of the Year Honors](#)

[ROC Drill Participants Help Shape Future of Sustainment](#)

[Funding Dwindles for Bellwood Elk](#)

[DLA Aviation Welcomes New Commander](#)

[BRAC: Paring Army Infrastructure Would Sharpen Warfighters' Edge](#)

[ALU Students Donate Time, Goods to Various Causes](#)

[Army's Ready and Resilient Campaign Kicks Off](#)

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