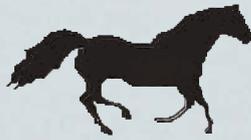


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Armed Forces Voters Week: Push to register Soldiers

by Army News Service

Armed Forces Voters Week, Sept. 3 - 11, is being viewed by Army officials as yet another chance to register Soldiers to vote and receive absentee ballots.

"We're just making sure that each Soldier has the opportunity to register to vote," said Jim Davis, the Army's voting action officer.

Davis estimates that 97 percent of all Soldiers have already been offered the opportunity to register, because it was part of last month's Personnel Asset Inventory in which all Soldiers were required to participate.

100-percent contact

The goal of Armed Forces Voters Week, though, is for voting assistance officers to attain 100-percent contact with service members and personally hand them the Federal Post Card Application to register, the Standard Form-76.

DoD voting officials said this week is the "last really safe week" to submit an SF-76 application to register and request an absentee ballot.

In fact, the Army's original goal was to help Soldiers register by Aug. 15. But Davis said that date was recommended by postal officials to absolutely ensure that the applications could be delivered to precincts in time for the absentee ballots to be mailed overseas, completed by Soldiers and returned. He said Soldiers who register this week or next should still be able to receive

their ballots in time to vote, as the Postal Service is making a big effort to speed their delivery.

Next push: Oct. 11 mailing

Once absentee ballots are received, the Army recommends Soldiers complete them and place them back in the mail by Oct. 11 in order to reach their home states by election day, Nov. 2, said Davis.

If Soldiers located outside the United States send in their request for an absentee ballot in sufficient time and don't receive their ballot, they can use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (SF 186), Davis said, which allows them to write in their votes and send it. In some cases, ballots can also be faxed to local voting officials.

All but three states require absentee ballots by close of business the day of the election. Louisiana requires the ballots to be in by midnight before the election. New York absentee ballots need to be postmarked the day before the election. North Carolina requires the ballots to be in by 5 p.m. the day before the election.

Vote for your future!

Armed Forces Voting Week will also be used by some officials to conduct voting workshops and registration drives, not only for service members, but for their families as well. Voting assistance officers at some installations are asking for support from organizations such as wives clubs, family services, boy/girl scouts and other groups to help get out the vote and coordinate voter outreach events. The slogan this year is: "It's your future, vote for it!"

For more information on federal voting policies, go to the Federal Voting Assistance Program's Web site at <http://www.fvap.gov/>.



Feed The Children, Dale Earnhardt Foundation Join Forces

The Dale Earnhardt Foundation and international relief organization Feed The Children have partnered to bring food to needy children and families in cities across the U.S. This year, the Dale Earnhardt Foundation will sponsor food distributions in or near communities where Dale Earnhardt raced. Cities that have already received deliveries include Fort Worth, Tex.; Talladega, Ala.; and Las Vegas, Nev.

The location of each delivery coincides with specific NASCAR races. Food and personal care boxes are distributed to families in need in the city in which the race is held. After the delivery, the Dale Earnhardt/Feed The Children truck is parked outside of the nearby raceway and often makes a parade lap around the track prior to Sunday races.

In announcing the partnership with Feed The Children, Teresa Earnhardt, CEO and president of Dale Earnhardt, Inc. and founder of The Dale Earnhardt Foundation, said, "One of the initiatives of The Dale Earnhardt Foundation is working with organizations that assist children and their families. By collaborating with Feed The Children, we've established a national program that will support those communities that Dale visited over his career."

"Feed The Children is delighted to work with The Dale Earnhardt Foundation to help needy children and families in cities across the U.S." said Feed The

Children's president and founder Larry Jones. "With the help of compassionate friends like Teresa Earnhardt, we can truly make a difference in the lives of these children and their families."

Founded in 1979 by Larry and Frances Jones, Feed The Children is a Christian, international, non-profit relief organization. The mission of Feed The Children is to deliver food and other necessities to families who lack these essentials. For more information please visit www.feedthechildren.org.

Founded in 2002 by Teresa Earnhardt, The Dale Earnhardt Foundation was established to carry on Dale's name and good works through charitable causes he supported during his lifetime. For more information please visit www.daleearnhardtinc.com

Feed The Children participates in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) as a member of the Christian Service Charities federation.

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COURTESY PHOTO

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Maj. Gen. Ann E. Dunwoody marches past the review stand after taking command of the U.S. Army Combined Arms Support Command and Fort Lee Sep. 2.

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Soldiers Instill Leadership In Cadets

Story and photos by Amy Clement

Fort Lee Public Affairs

For the fourteenth year, Fork Union Military Academy partnered with Soldiers from Company L, 266th Quartermaster Battalion, 23rd Quartermaster Brigade, for cadet leadership training. In late August, Lima Company conducted an intense training program to prepare 34 upperclassmen from FUMA how to become leaders!

The extreme, three-day schedule, which included physical fitness tests, rappelling, 9 mm training, the field leadership reaction course, an obstacle course and drown proofing, prepares them to grow as leaders.

The FUMA cadre observed and evaluated the cadets during training. "The three days here will help us decide which cadets will fill leadership positions for this school year," said Capt. Conrad Peterson, tactical officer, FUMA. "We come in with a predetermined notion of who we want, but we have to see who will rise to the challenge of this leadership training.



Tom Bahr, Chief, Fire and Emergency Services, briefs the importance of safety and trust before FUMA cadets train on rappelling.

something about depending on your equipment and your partner," he told cadets during their safety briefing at the rappel tower.

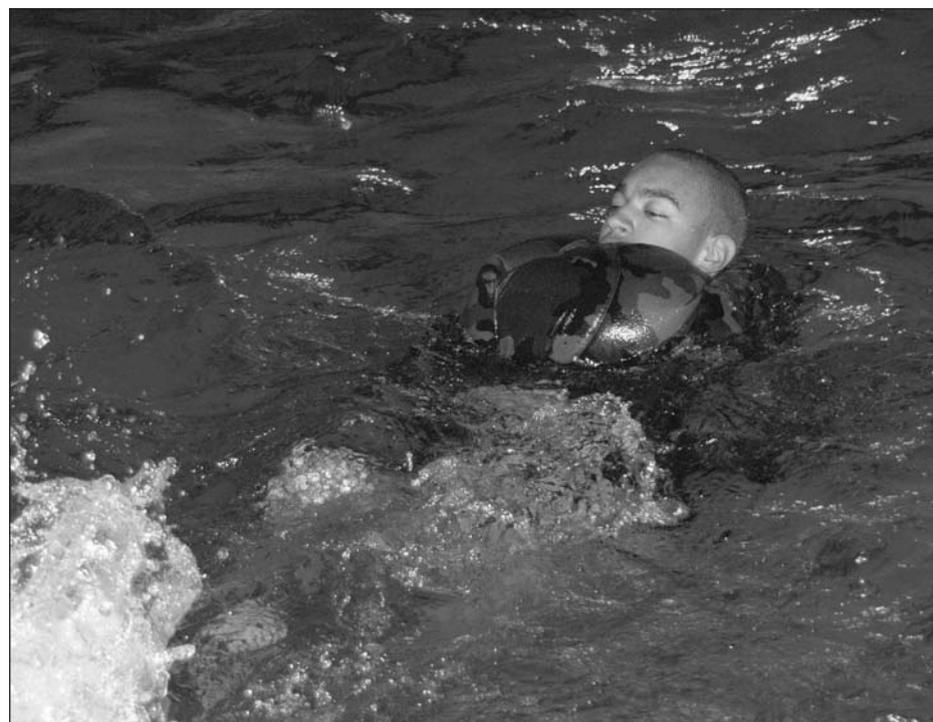
"This is a great opportunity for the cadets to develop emerging leadership skills," said Lt. Col. Scot Gleason, commander, 266 QM Bn., "It also challenges our drill sergeants' skills as teachers, coaches and mentors."

"The leadership training at Fort Lee is a rite of passage for the cadets that are



Fork Union Military Academy Cadets sprint down the track during the one-mile run of their physical fitness evaluation.

chosen to come," said Al Ivens, commandant, FUMA. They are competing for who will run the platoons, companies and the battalion at the academy. "These kids have already shown leadership potential, but the training they get with Fort Lee will help us pick the top leaders."



Corey Harris uses the trousers of his battle dress uniform as a flotation device during drown proofing training at the Hartman Pool.

"We step back, let the drill sergeants handle their training and observe," Peterson said. "We look at how the guys will react to a new environment under pressure. There training here will show us who has what it takes to be the battalion and company commanders that we are looking for at the academy."

"The Field Leadership Reaction Course was the hardest for me, said rising senior, Steven Rogers. "I felt like I was dying out there. I was glad that everybody on my team chipped in together. It took team work to do this. You can't do it alone."

Throughout all training, cadets were briefed and shown the importance of safety at all times. "It's everyone's responsibility to be safe, said Tom Bahr, chief, Fort Lee fire department. "You will learn



Fork Union Military Academy cadets inch their way down the rappel tower as crews from Fort Lee Fire & Emergency secure the lines during training at Fort Pickett, Va.

Top Soldiers and NCOs converge on post

Two dozen of the Army's finest Soldiers from major commands around the world will compete at Fort Lee, Va., and Washington, DC, in the Army's third Soldier of the Year and Noncommissioned Officer of the Year Competition, Sept. 12-17.

The Soldiers and sergeants who will compete for the Army titles have already won preliminary competitions held by their major Army commands. The competitors for Soldier of the Year will include Private through Specialist. The competitors for NCO of the Year will include Corporal through Sergeant First Class.

Sgt. Maj. of the Army Kenneth O. Preston continues the coveted Army-level competition.

"We are an Army at war, supporting a nation at war," Preston said. "Our Soldiers are the best in the world and this competition recognizes the best of the best. The NCO/ Soldier of the Year competition is a culminating event that starts at the company, troop and battery levels. The program promotes self-study and self-development throughout all the commands and culminates in this final event. The program serves as a tool for junior and senior leaders to promote excellence and proficiency in all subject areas that are important to serving as a Soldier and NCO.

"Self development and self study are an important part of our Soldiers' success on and off the battlefield".

The Soldiers will face rigorous tests that challenge their Soldier skills, qualities and abilities in every aspect. The competition begins with three days of testing at Fort Lee. There, the contenders will take the Army Physical Fitness Test consisting of push ups, sit ups and a two-mile run and attempt to maximize their score in each event: a written examination on general military topics; fire M-16 rifles for record; negotiate day and night land navigation courses; and be evaluated in a number of critical Warrior Tasks and Skills.

The competitors will also write a graded essay.

"Great care has been taken in the preparation of these events," said Command Sgt. Maj. Bradley Peat, command sergeant major, U.S. Army Combined Arms Support Command and Fort Lee. "The Soldiers and civilians at Fort Lee (Team Lee) have worked diligently in providing the competitors a very challenging and professionally-ran competition."

"Our intent is to have real world scenarios for all of the event," said Peat. "We will push the candidates to their fullest potential and give them a challenging competition to prove they are the *Best of the Best*."

In the next stage, the contenders will face selection boards convened at Crystal City, Va. Preston will chair both the Soldier and NCO selection boards, and the two boards will each be comprised of six senior command sergeants major from throughout the Army. The boards will evaluate each Soldier's appearance, military bearing and knowledge in a number of key areas.

"This event is so important," Preston said. "The Soldiers will have an opportunity to show the board how much they know about their service and in doing, set examples of their expertise and professionalism to their peers. The competition is meant to be tough to identify the best of the best".

The NCO and Soldier of the Year serve as spokespersons throughout the year of their selection. They showcase the best of the Army and regularly represent the Army at media, community and service events around the world.

The Army's Soldier of the Year and the Army's NCO of the Year will be announced during a Sept. 17 ceremony at Fort Myer, Va.

- information compiled by the
Fort Lee Public Affairs

News Briefs

Pediatric Clinic Hours Change

Effective Sept. 7, the Immunization section will operate on the following hours:

Monday, Tuesday, and Friday

0900-1100 and 1300-1500

Tuesdays

0900-100 and 1300-1530

To schedule an appointment call 1-866-645-4584.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call (804)734-9125

New Stop Signs

New three-way stops signs have been installed at Yorktown Dr. and Cassino Rd. and three-way signs at Yorktown Dr. and Battan Rd. Motorist that use Yorktown Dr. as a cut through need to observe the speed limit of 15 mph. With school starting beware of speed limit and safety of the children.

Veteran's Rights and Benefits

The Disabled American Veterans Mobile Service Office will be at the Richmond Harley-Davidson, located at 10441 Washington Highway in Glen Allen, Friday and Saturday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

For information, call (540) 857-2373.

Telephone Problems?

To report a problem with a military/official phones, call (804) 734-7515.

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to editor@lee.army.mil*

ACS Hosts Life Classes

The Fort Lee Army Community Service will host several classes in the coming weeks designed to help Soldiers and their families navigate military life. All classes will be held in the ACS building on Mahone Avenue unless otherwise noted.

Bringing It All Together: Friday, 9 - 11 a.m.

This workshop is designed to provide you with guidance on how to evaluate an Family Readiness Group and discussed its role. FRG plays in preparing Soldiers and family members to handle deployments and reunion.

Planning for Military Separations: Sept. 17, 9 - 11 a.m.

Participants learn how to recognize and deal with problems that may arise during or result because of the military missions and deployment.

Financial Planning for the Future: Nov. 12, 9 - 11 a.m.

This class looks at ways Soldiers and family members can better manage their money over time.

Coping with Separations: Oct. 8, 9 - 11 a.m.

Participants learn to recognize and deal with stress related to problems associated with deployments.

For information on classes and other ACS programs, e-mail pacsfl@lee.army.mil or call (804) 734-6388 or 734-7589.

Fall Fling

Come celebrate Colonial Heights Chambers of Commerce, Third Annual Fall Fling, Thursday Sept. 23, 5-9 p.m. 2022 Ruffin Mill Road

Brock's Barbeque Dinner will be served from 6- 9 p.m. Tickets available at:

- Chambers Office 2001 Temple Ave, Suite E
- Boulevard Flowers, 2018 Boulevard
- Old Dominion Gift Baskets, 1901 Boulevard
- Brock's Barbeque, 11310 Ironbridge Road, Chester

POW/MIA Recognition Sept. 16

The Robert E. Lee Chapter of The Association of the U.S. Army will honor former prisoners of war and those still missing in action at a luncheon on Sept. 16, 11:30 a.m.

The ceremony will take place at the Lee Club, and the cost is \$11.

For information call (804) 734-1358, 734-3248,

Blood Drive

The 262nd Quartermaster Battalion will conduct a blood drive Sept. 23, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the West Community Center.

Wine and Cheese Social

Learn about the local chapter of Military Officers of America Friday at the Fort Lee Rod and Gun Club from 4:30-7 p.m.

For information call (804)520-6816, (804)733-3383, (804)862-1162

Special Guest

Fort Lee Main Px will have the Budweiser Clydesdale Horse team and Rusty Wallis #2 Miller Lite Car for viewing Friday from noon-4 p.m.

A clown will on site to provide entertainment from 2-5 p.m.



Civil Air Patrol Meets

The Civil Air Patrol, Southside Composite Squadron meets Tuesdays, 6:50 p.m. at the Chesterfield County Airport in the Civil Air Patrol Hanger. The Civil Air Patrol is for anyone from ages 12 - 21 as a cadet, and 21 and up as a senior member.

For information, call, (804) 644-1081 or visit www.va60.datawarp.net or www.capnhq.gov

Fort Lee Cub, Boy Scout Program

Boys are invited to Join the Fort Lee, Cub or Boy Scout Program Sept. 9, 6p.m. for Cub Scouts and 8p.m. for Boy Scouts.

The membership meeting will be held in Building 400, on the corner of B Avenue and 17th Street.

Cubs Scouts are between the ages 6-10 meet on Thursday nights 6.-7p.m. and Boy scouts , ages 11-18 meet on the same night from 7 - 8:30 p.m.

For more information call Mrs. Mott (804) 733-4632 (Cub Scouts) or Mr. Hagerich (804) 862-2680(Boy Scouts) or call the Scout Hut and leave a message for the Cub Master or Scout Master (804) 734-486.

Hunters' Safety Course

A 10-hour hunters' safety course will be held Sept. 19 by the Fort Lee Game Warden's office in conjunc-

tion with the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries. The class will start at 8 a.m. at the Outdoor Recreation Log Cabin on 5th Street.

The course is mandatory for anyone wishing to purchase a Virginia hunting license. This includes archery and black powder.

The class is open to the general public.

There are no age restrictions, however, a test will be given at the class's conclusion. If less than 20 people register for the class, it will be canceled.

Pre-registration is mandatory to attend the class.

For information, call (804) 479-0849 or 479-0865.

Free Movies

MWR is hosting a movie this month for free viewing.

"Scooby Doo 2" which will be screened adjacent to the Jackson Circle Pavilion lawn on Sept. 17, beginning at 8 p.m.

Ages 12 and under must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Movie titles are subject to change.

Rain or high winds may force screening to be postponed to weather date.

Weather days for "Scooby Doo 2" is Sept. 18.



Scouts Need House Hold Items

Donate your small kitchen items, clothing books, toys, electric items, and small furniture, to the Fort Lee scouting program. Items can be left at building 4000, corner of B Ave. and 17th St., Thursday nights from 5:30p.m.-8:30p.m. Scouts will help you unload your items.

E-mail submissions to editor@lee.army.mil

Accepting the challenge

Volunteering for the Army's eCYBERMISSION Program



Recognizing the importance of science, math and technology for America's youth, the Army launched the eCYBERMISSION competition in 2002.

The eCYBERMISSION competition is a free web-based competition for students in sixth through ninth grade that provides opportunities for students to be creative and get involved in their community.

In its first year, 903 teams with more than 3,200 students registered to compete in the national competition.

Participation numbers almost doubled in the 2003-2004 competition year; 1,624 teams registered representing 5,854 students.

The Army is committed to raising interest in science, math and technology among students in all communities across our nation and in Department of Defense Education Activity Schools worldwide.

With the third year of the competition fast approaching, eCYBERMISSION is looking for volunteers to help spread the word and encourage students of diverse backgrounds and proficiency levels to get involved in the competition.

Over the past two years, eCYBERMISSION volunteers have included hundreds of active duty and reserve military personnel and Department of Defense civilians with an active security clearance serving as Ambassadors and CyberGuides.

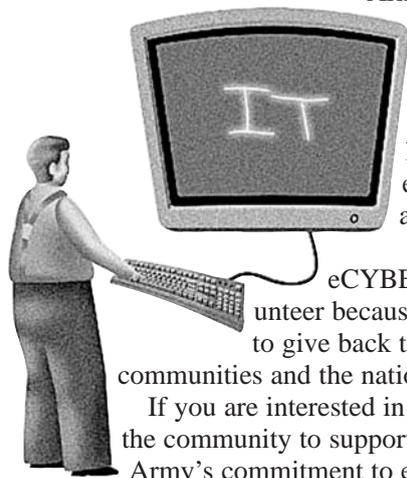
Ambassadors promote the competition to their local schools and community groups and must be willing to contribute 15-20 hours a month between August and November.

CyberGuides serve as on-line mentors and should have a science, math, or technology background with the ability to spend approximately four hours per week interacting with students on-line to provide guidance and support.

As a volunteer, you will represent the "Face of the Army" to your local

educational community.

Many volunteers have expressed how much they enjoyed serving as an



eCYBERMISSION volunteer because it allows them to give back to America's communities and the nation.

If you are interested in working with the community to support our nation's and Army's commitment to education and the achievement of excellence in science, math and technology, please visit www.ecybermission.com to register as a volunteer today.

For information, contact the U.S. Army Research Development and Engineering Command at (410) 436-4345.

— information provided by the U.S. Army Research Development and Engineering Command

AED purchases save lives



Capt. Dion Pendergast demonstrates how automated external defibrillators are designed to be used by anyone.

Story and photo by Amy Clement

Fort Lee Public Affairs Office

Training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of automated external defibrillators was conducted for Combined Armed Support Command personnel August 30 at the installation safety office.

An AED is a portable device that analyzes the heart's rhythm and allows the user to administer a controlled shock to the victim of a cardiac arrest if needed. The machines provide auditory and visual prompts to assist responders in treating a cardiac arrest. They also deliver an electrical shock to people in ventricular fibrillation.

Capt. Dion Pendergast, Fort Lee Fire and Emergency Services, conducted the half day training. The first portion of the class focused on CPR, choking and cardiac arrest. Participants were shown several videos on performing adult CPR and how to identify choking, heart attacks and strokes. They also practiced CPR techniques on "basic buddies" mannequins.

The second portion of the training was devoted to the use of AEDs. "The machine walks you through a step-by-step process from the time you turn it on," said Pendergast. "It will analyze the patient, and will literally tell you every single step you need to do. The machine also has pictures for each step on it and each one will light up when you're supposed to do it. It even lets you know if you're performing CPR compressions correctly."

"It only takes six minutes to be brain dead," Pendergast told participants. "If you're able to do something (CPR and AED), it can help save the person's life until emergency officials arrive on the scene."

"People call on me for a lot of things that take place in the CASCOM building," said Shirley Bratton, security manager, Software Engineering Center. "I figured it would be very beneficial for me to take this class and know how to use the AED."

"CASCOM asked for volunteers to take the class and since I'm already CPR certified, I figured the AED training might help save someone's life if we ever need to use it," said Gary Lichvar, SEC deputy.

The AED purchased by CASCOM is located on the second floor next to the elevators. In addition Fort Lee has purchased six AEDs to be placed throughout highly occupied areas on the installation some time in the fall. The devices will be placed at The Lee Club, the Regimental Club, the Cardinal Golf Course Club House, Memorial Chapel and the Maclaughlin and Clark Fitness Centers.

"We're hoping that other organizations on post see the importance and significance of these life saving devices and decide to purchase them for their buildings as well," Pendergast said.

The American Heart Association says that AEDs have been shown to decrease mortality when used by trained persons along with CPR.

The AHA estimated that 1.5 million Americans suffer from heart attacks every year, up to 95 percent of sudden cardiac arrest victims die because CPR and defibrillation arrive too late. The AHA also states that the use of AEDs within the first five minutes of cardiac arrest could save up to 100,000 people a year.

(Editor's note: Check future Travellers for announcements of other AED and CPR training classes.)



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Football Mania

Cutty's Corner



"Cutty's Corner" is the creation of Spc. Jason B. Cutshaw, Fort Lee Traveller staff writer and self-proclaimed football guru. Throughout the following football season, "Cutty" will go head-to-head with members of Team Lee in predicting the winners of the upcoming week's games.

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- Cincinnati at N.Y. Jets
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- Baltimore at Cleveland
- Detroit at Chicago
- Oakland at Pittsburgh
- Seattle at New Orleans
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- Dallas at Minnesota
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This week's guest picker is Travis Edwards from the Public Affairs Office, he is an avid KC Chiefs fan so I can't rag on him too much, but his hopeless UCF Golden Knights will fail. That team hasn't won a game since Dante Cullpepper left in 1998.

Mantle of Leadership Passes

Combined Arms Support Command and Fort Lee

by Travis Edwards
Fort Lee Public Affairs

The mantle of leadership of the U.S. Army Combined Arms Support Command and Fort Lee changed hands in a ceremony Sept. 2 as Maj. Gen. Ann E. Dunwoody, incoming commanding general, received the colors from outgoing commanding general, Maj. Gen. Terry E. Juskowiak.

“I cannot think of a better command team to turn the colors over to than Maj. Gen. Ann Dunwoody and her husband, Craig. They come to CASCOM and Fort Lee imminently qualified to lead this Team of Teams to new heights,” said

Juskowiak. “And I know they will do just that.”

After the passing of the colors, Juskowiak and his wife Susan were honored for their 31-years of dedicated service and then retired from the U.S. Army.

“Soldiers, like the ones standing before us today, are the reason that guys like me serve for three decades. The faces and names change, but the American Soldier remains the instrument from which freedom flows....at home and abroad,” said Juskowiak.

The two generals have an unofficial tradition of swapping commands throughout their Army careers. From the battalion and division support command levels to corps support com-

mand and now the Combined Arms Support Command, CASCOM logisticians have passed the colors many times.

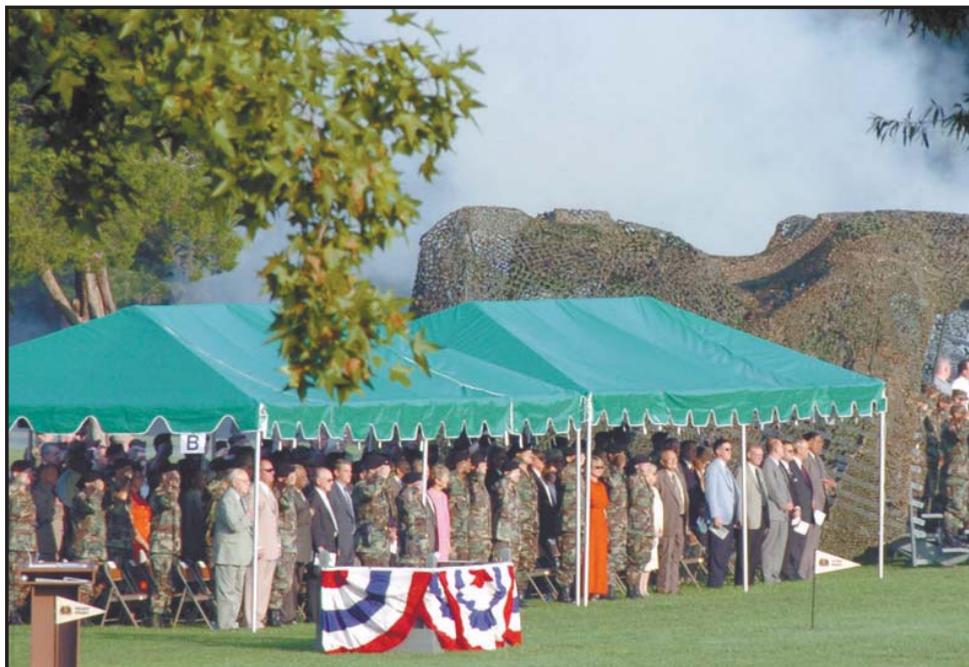
“What a great day this is to be here with Maj. Gen. Ann Dunwoody. She went on to experience the same with Soldiers and our new focused mission against terrorism. “There is not a day that I have not been deployed abroad.”

Dunwoody comes to Fort Lee as the commanding general of the Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command, Alexandria, Va. where she served for



PHOTO BY TRAVIS EDWARDS

(Above) The Soldiers of the U.S. Army Combined Arms Support Command pass by the review stand to conclude the change of command ceremony Sep. 2. (Above right) Gen. Kevin P. Byrnes, commanding general of the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command, rides beside Maj. Gen. Ann E. Dunwoody, the new commanding general of the U.S. Army Combined Arms Support Command during the change of command ceremony Sep. 2. (Right) Family, friends, and service members gathered to watch the change of command and retirement ceremony Sep. 2.



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(Above) Maj. Gen. Terry E. Juskowiak heads left towards his retirement formation while Maj. Gen. Ann E. Dunwoody heads right to assume the position of commanding general of the U.S. Army Combined Arms Support Command and Fort Lee. (Left) Maj. Gen. Terry E. Juskowiak accepts gifts, awards, and an American flag in appreciation of his 31-years of service.

Volunteers needed for NPLD 2004

by Michael McNalley

Fort Lee Recycling and Pollution Prevention

National Public Lands Day is the nation's largest hands-on volunteer effort to improve and enhance the public lands Americans enjoy. Last year nearly 80,000 volunteers built trails and bridges, planted trees and plants, and removed trash and invasive plants.

Join members of the Fort Lee community Sept. 18 for the 11th Annual National Public Lands Day and help in caring for the land.

This year's event will focus on re-planting trees that were downed by Hurricane Isabel.

Volunteers will have the opportunity to learn about the BayScape project on Fort Lee which is the starting point for this year's effort. BayScape is

the largest low-impact development demonstration project in the Army. Since its beginning more than 1000 native plants have been placed or seeded on the site, and currently provide habitat for various forms of wildlife including wild turkeys, deer, and migratory birds – a marked improvement compared to the abandoned parking lot that it once was.

Also, Alex Beehler, Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Environment, Safety, and Occupational Health and his two daughters will be present for this activity and will be planting trees along with the Fort Lee Community.

From building a footbridge along the Continental Divide National Scenic Trail in Rocky Mountain National Park, to preserving the National Monument to the Forefathers in Plymouth, Mass., 90,000 Americans are expected at 600 sites for

NPLD in 2004, preserving and protecting their favorite public places for themselves and future generations.

By educating volunteers at sites across the country, NPLD maintains the legacy of the Civilian Conservation Corps, an army of 3 million Americans who in the 1930's countered the devastation of the Dust Bowl and the American chestnut blight by planting more than 3 billion trees, building 800 state parks, and fighting forest fires.

On Sept. 18, starting at 9 a.m. at the BayScape project site next to the commissary volunteers will begin planting more than 100 trees across the installation. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Dana Bradshaw at (804) 734-5080 or email dana.s.bradshaw@lee.army.mil. All volunteers please RSVP by September 15, 2004.



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Lessons Learned . . .

(Left) Pvt. Chance Venne, Company P, 266th Quartermaster Battalion, signals for his squad to stop after spotting a booby trap stretched across a trail during common task testing Friday. (Above) Pvt. Dwayne Avis sprints across a danger area carrying a "wounded" Venne after another squad member triggered an improvised explosive device near the obvious booby trap. Realistic training like this prepares the Army's newest warriors to survive on the today's battlefield, according to Sgt. 1st Class Pamella Midgett, a 266th QM Bn. drill sergeant.

Local community to host Annual Conservation Festival

The annual Ducks Unlimited Great Outdoors Festival is set to take place at the Virginia Motorsports Park, just south of Petersburg, Friday, Sept. 17 through Sunday, Sept. 19.

The festival is made up of nine villages each filled with activities, seminars, demonstrations and exhibitions of industry related products. From all terrain vehicle test drives and mountain bike tracks to fly fishing clinics and retriever dog demonstrations, outdoor enthusiasts can participate in dozens of hands-on sporting activities.

Novice to experienced sportsmen can test the latest sporting products in real-life conditions and receive coaching from skilled professionals.

Attendees can test their skills in nine specialized festival villages:

ATV Village - Fans can test drive the latest ATV's on an off-road mud bump course.

4x4 Village - Attendees can take the latest sport utility vehicles on a specially designed off road track.

Fishing Village - Participants can paddle around the lake in a canoe or kayak or learn the latest fly-fishing, spin casting and bait casting techniques.

Biking & Camping Village - This includes a mountain bike track and rock climbing wall along latest bike and camping gear for everyone to try.

Archery Village - Fully equipped with 3-D targets and trick shooting demonstrations.

Hunting Dog Village - Attendees will have the opportunity to hear from experts in dog handling

and training, see retriever demos and water dog log jump demo's.

Exhibitor Village - This will showcase the latest in hunting accessories including duck and goose calling devices and techniques.

KidsZone - Dozens of activities designed especially for the little ones, including fishing, biking, rock climbing, archery, shooting and more.

Conservation Village - Hosted by Ducks Unlimited, the world's largest wetlands and waterfowl conservation organization. The Ducks Unlimited staff will be on-hand to educate and inform attendees on habitat conservation.

With more than one million supporters, Ducks Unlimited is the world's largest wetlands and waterfowl conservation organization. It conserves, restores and manages wetlands and associated habitats for North America's Waterfowl. Since its founding in 1937, Ducks Unlimited has conserved more than 11 million acres of critical wildlife habitat across North America.

Editor's Note: Special advance discount tickets for the festival are on sale at participating restaurants and retail stores. For times and pricing information, call the festival hotline at (323) 782-2978; Ducks Unlimited at (901) 758-3858 or checkout www.ducks.org. Military discounts are available.

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Conservation Festival

WHO:
Anyone Interested

WHAT:
Annual Ducks Unlimited
Great Outdoor Festival

WHEN:
Sept. 17, noon - 6 p.m.
Sept. 18, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sept. 19, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

WHERE:
Virginia Motorsports Park
8018 Boydton Plank Road
Petersburg, Va.

WHY:
To help promote awareness
about wildlife conservation



Florida Attractions On The Cheap

The Travel Agents International Office, located in Building 9025 on Mahone Avenue, has military discount tickets available for several Florida attractions:

SeaWorld tickets: for adults, with military discount \$42 without \$57.46; children's with military discount \$40, without \$47.87.

Universal Studios tickets: adults with military discount \$49, without \$57.46; children \$40, without \$47.88.

Disney four-day hopper passes: adults \$200 with military discount, without \$233.24; children with military discount \$160, without \$187.44.

Discounted five-day hopper passes and five-day hopper plus passes are also available.

For information, call (804) 734-6255.

Season Passes

The Travel Agents International Office, located in Building 9025 on Mahone Avenue, has Military Discount Season Passes for sale. Prices are:

Busch Gardens for \$72.50 and for Water Country \$72.50. The combo season pass is \$102.00.

These season passes can be used on the remainder of the 2004 season, including "Howl-o-Scream" at Busch Garden in October, and all of the 2005 season. Busch Gardens is open until Oct. 31, and Water Country until Sept 19. Prices will go up after Jan. 2005.

For information, call (804) 734-6255.



Virginia State Fair Starts Sept. 23

The Virginia State fair will be at the Richmond Raceway Complex Sept. 23 - Oct. 3.

The Travel Agents International Office, located in Building 9025 on Mahone Avenue, has military discount tickets available for the State Fair.

For information, call (804) 734-6255

NASCAR Tickets On Sale

Travel Agents International now has tickets on sale for two NASCAR events be held at the Richmond International Raceway this week:

The NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series, Today, start time 8:45; Military Discount general admission tickets are \$22 (\$30 if bought at the gate).

The Emerson 250 NASCAR Busch series, Friday, start time 8 p.m.; Military Discount general admission tickets are \$28 (\$35 if bought at the gate).

For information, call (804) 734-6255.

Busch Gardens' Military Days

Travel Agents International has "Military Appreciation Days" tickets for sale.

The tickets cost \$34 for a one-day admission.

The office also has Water Country discount tickets for sale. Tickets for adults cost \$30 and children (3 - 6) cost \$24.

For information, call (804) 734-6255.

Williamsburg Luxuries Tour

People who could afford the best, the newest, and the most fashionable items were eager to

show off their ability to afford these luxuries.

Learn about consumerism in colonial Virginia by studying newspaper advertisements, homes, inventories, photographs, and objects on the Necessities, Niceties, and Luxuries Tour Saturday, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Fun for the entire family. Tour begins near the Greenhow Lumber House. Colonial Explorer Activity — not included with Colonial Sampler ticket or Governor's Key-to-the-City Pass.

Call 1-800-HISTORY for reservations.

Performance at the Playhouse

The Theater Company at Fort Lee announces the opening of "How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying" from Sept. 10 through Sept. 26 at the Lee Playhouse.

"How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying" will premier on Sept. 10 with additional performances on Sept. 11, 17, 18, 19, 24 and 25 at 8 p.m., and Sept. 19 and 26 at 3 p.m.

For more information, call (804) 734-7182.

Playhouse Auditions

Auditions for the KidKapers production of "We The People" will be held September 11, 10 a.m. at the Lee Playhouse, Bldg 4300.

For information, call (804) 734-7182.

