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In 2008, the Secretary of Defense designated November as Warrior Care Month in order to inform the military and their Families about the programs and initiatives currently being provided through the warrior care system. At 29 Warrior Transition Units and nine Community-Based Warrior Transition Units across the country, wounded, ill, and injured Soldiers have one mission: to heal and prepare for transition. Nearly 10,000 Soldiers from the Active Army, Guard, and Reserve are currently recovering at WTU's. Each WTU Soldier benefits from a Triad of Care made up of the medical provider, nurse case manager and the squad leader. These professionals work together to coordinate all aspects of the Soldier's medical and non-medical care.

Your installation

Samuel Adams Grille Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. Nov.7 at 4 p.m. Located at the Irwin Event and Catering Center, at the corner of Inner Loop and Goldstone Road. After the ceremony, the restaurant will be open for business.

The National Training Center and Fort Irwin is conducting a post-wide survey to determine what is a Community of Choice. The survey also assesses how well expectations are being met on Fort Irwin. The questions are designed to give you an opportunity to provide input and make suggestions to improve the Fort Irwin community. The survey is open to all at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/JTD9DPM>.

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'Regulars' road march to 'The Box'



Sergeant 1st Class Scott Veldt, infantryman with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, briefs his Soldiers on safety and about being vigilant prior to a tactical road march at the National Training Center, Oct. 25.

Soldiers of 1st Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment made their way into training area, early Oct. 25, for Decisive Action rotation

By Pfc. Andrew Ingram

Public Affairs Office
1st Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division

Soldiers of 1st Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, began an intense two-week training gauntlet with a tactical road march to their area of responsibility in the training area during the predawn hours, here, Oct. 25.

After a week at the National Training Center's reception area, known as Logistics Staging Area Warrior, the "Regulars" set out under the cover of darkness to begin a training regimen designed to test their abilities when facing a myriad of challenges, such as partnering with the fictional Atropian Security Forces, and threats, such as attacks from the fictional nation of Donovan.

"We are headed out to conduct a decisive action mission, which means we could come

up against anything," said Command Sergeant Major Timothy Edwards, senior enlisted leader, 1-22nd Infantry. "We will most likely face conventional forces from the (fictional) nation of Donovan as well as insurgents from the (fictional) local Atropian population."

Before the Regulars mounted their vehicles and convoyed to their temporary home in the Mojave Desert, senior noncommissioned officers gathered their Soldiers to conduct safety briefs.

"One thing I really want to emphasize to the young Soldiers especially, is safety," said Sgt 1st Class Scott Veldt, infantryman with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1-22nd Infantry. "We have an important mission out here, but this is training, not combat, and I don't want to see any of my Soldiers hurt or killed because of a preventable mistake."

In the months leading up to their rotation the Regulars spent weeks in the Fort Carson training area honing their skills through constant drills and exercises.

"I feel very confident in my Soldiers, said Veldt. "They are very focused and I believe they are ready for everything the trainers out here will throw at them."

Private First Class Seth Vordermark, infan-

tryman with HHC, 1st Bn., 22nd Inf. Regt., said he is eager to get out into "The Box" as Soldiers call the NTC training area, to prove his unit's competence.

"For a lot of us who haven't deployed yet, this is the biggest test we've faced so far," Vordermark said. "I think how we perform here will do a lot to earn the respect of our leaders and prove we have what it takes to handle the stress of a combat deployment."

Edwards said he looks forward to watching his Soldiers enhance their skills during the course of the two-week crucible.

"Out here all I can ask from my Soldiers is to get better every day, have fun, hone their individual skills and for our young leaders to always build on their platoon's collective tasks," Edwards said. "I believe that is where the rubber meets the road, down at the platoon level. With our young leaders handling business and looking out for their Soldiers we are going to do very well here at NTC."

The Regular convoy exited their staging area in darkness, headlights off, relying on night vision goggles to navigate the dirt roads of the training area.

"You can't be too careful," Edwards said. "The enemy could already be looking for us."

Army Values

Exhibiting the highest standards

Legal Assistance Office receives exceptional award for services to military community

Story and photo by Ken Drylie

Public Affairs Office
NTC and Fort Irwin

The Legal Assistance Office at the National Training Center and Fort Irwin was recognized for excellence in a ceremony,

here, Oct 23.

National Training Center and Fort Irwin Commander, Brig. Gen. Terry Ferrell, presented the Army Chief of Staff Award for Excellence in Legal Assistance to members of the legal assistance staff.

The Army Chief of Staff Award for Excellence in Legal Assistance is only presented to those offices exhibiting the highest standards in legal assistance. Across the entire Army, both active and Reserve, only around 10 legal assistance offices received this award, according to Ferrell.

In 2011, the Fort Irwin Legal Assistance Office saw approximately 2,000 clients, saving Soldiers and Family members almost \$400,000 in civilian legal fees. That's a tremendous contribution to Soldier and Family member quality of life, Ferrell said.

Legal Assistance provides help with wills, powers of attorney, landlord/tenant issues, marriage settlement agreements, and a whole host of other issues.

The support ensures that Soldiers and Families receive what they deserve: the absolute best legal assistance possible, said Ferrell.



Captain Jennifer Donahue, officer in charge of Client Services (which includes Claims and Legal Assistance), accepts the Army Chief of Staff Award for Excellence in Legal Assistance from Brig. Gen. Terry Ferrell, commanding general of the National Training Center and Fort Irwin, Oct. 23. Also pictured (left to right): Capt. Robert Aghassi, OIC for the Legal Assistance Office; Capt. David Mangen, attorney at Legal Assistance; Spc. Brandon Smith, military paralegal at Legal Assistance; Jessaka Menzie, attorney at Legal Assistance; Angela Turner, civilian paralegal with Legal Assistance, and; Enitima Laulu, legal and tax assistant with Legal Assistance.

'Thank you for devoting your lives to the service of our country'

Four Soldiers honored as they retired

By Gustavo Bahena

Public Affairs Office
NTC and Fort Irwin

The National Training Center and Fort Irwin Retirement Ceremony in October recognized four career Soldiers as they completed service to the nation.

The four patriots who retired are: Chief Warrant Officer 2 William Weekley, who was Eagle 18 with Operations Group; Sgt. 1st Class Clyde Henneman, who was first sergeant for 557th Maintenance Company, 1916th Support Battalion, 916th Support Brigade; Sgt. 1st Class Gregory Wilt, who was Scorpion 17A with Operations Group, and; Staff Sgt. Joseph Hawn, who was supervisor of M2 Bradley Fighting Vehicle systems with F Troop, 2nd Squadron, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment.

Presiding over the ceremony was the official party, which consisted of the NTC and Fort Irwin Dental Clinic Commander Lt. Col. Todd Kimura and Senior Non-commissioned Officer Sgt. 1st Class Terry Scott.

Kimura thanked the retiring Soldiers for having served a combined 93 years in the Army. He cited significant contributions such

as the 81 combined NTC rotations and multiple deployments to Iraq, Afghanistan and Kuwait that the four accomplished.

"Thank you for devoting your lives to the service of our country, to make it a safer place to live," said Kimura. "Thank you for mentoring those below you, beside you, and supporting those above you. We say thank you to your wives, your children, and the families and friends who have stood by you through the thick and thin, the good times and the bad times. May God bless all of your future endeavors."

Kimura presented them with their respective retirement award, a certificate of retirement and a lapel button from the Armed Forces of the United States of America for having served faithfully and honorably in the Army. Each individual also received a certificate of appreciation from the President of the U.S. for service in the Armed Forces, a U.S. flag, and a letter of appreciation from

Congress, the Secretary of the Army, and the commanding general of the NTC.

Staff Sgt. Joseph Hawn was honored for having served 22 years in the Army at a retirement ceremony, here, Oct. 16. During his career, the non-commissioned officer was deployed to Bosnia, Kosovo and Iraq. His last duty title was that of Bradley Fighting Vehicle System supervisor with F Troop, 2nd Squadron, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment. His future plans are to work as a mechanic on semi-trucks and continue his education to receive a masters of divinity in religion and become a pastor.



Chief Warrant Officer 2 William Weekley, Sgt. 1st Class Clyde Henneman, Sgt. 1st Class Gregory Wilt and Staff Sgt. Joseph Hawn were recognized at their retirement ceremony, here, Oct. 16.

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Ensuring comprehensive, coordinated community support, services available to Families with special needs

By Moug (Cindy) Saepanh

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Soldiers stationed all over the world may have a Family member with special needs. The Exceptional Family Member Program is designed to identify Family members with ongoing medical, mental health or educational needs. Soldiers with exceptional Family members (children and adults) are required by the governing authority and Army Regulation 608-75 to enroll their family member in EFMP.

The EFMP enrollment can be initiated by a medical practitioner or school/program personnel. By submitting a completed Department of Defense Form 2792, "Exceptional Family Member Medical Summary," and/or DD Form 2792-1, "Exceptional Family Member Special Education/Early Intervention Summary," the Soldier identifies a Family member with special needs.

Special needs may involve any medical care above the level normally provided by a family physician in an outpatient setting, serious chronic medical problems, physical disabilities, mental health disorders, or Family members that require early intervention/special education services.

Once enrolled, the EFMP medical enrollment summary is used for consideration during the assignment coordination process to ensure that the gaining installation can meet the Family member's educational and/or medical needs. Educational needs are not considered for Continental United States assignments. Assignments will depend on a valid personnel requirement for the Soldier's grade, specialty, and eligibility for the tour.

However, all Soldiers remain eligible for worldwide assignments. Further, enrollment in the EFMP does not adversely affect selection for promotion, schools or assignment. Information about the Family member's condition, including diagnosis, type of providers, frequency of care, medication, and special accommodations in the program is not available to selection boards.

Soldiers are responsible for maintaining their Family member's EFMP enrollment because it is a permanent enrollment. An update is required if the Family member's medical or educational condition changes significantly or the Soldier is separating from the Army. An update is required every three years, at a minimum. Soldiers can find

their EFMP status at Army Knowledge Online and it is listed on Officer Record Briefs or Enlisted Record Briefs.

In all cases, enrollment in the EFMP ensures that the special needs of your Family member(s) can be met. This program works with military and civilian agencies to ensure that comprehensive and coordinated community support, appropriate housing, educational, medical and personnel services are available to Families with special needs, prior to a permanent change of station. The U.S. Army Medical Department Activity at the National Training Center and Fort Irwin assists Soldiers and their Families with medical and/or educational enrollments, updates, disenrollment processing, overseas screening, and provides information on medical services available in the region. For further guidance contact Moug (Cindy) Saepanh at 380-3159. Walk-in hours are from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; the office is located at Dr. Mary E. Walker Center in the Blue Team section.



Army Campaign

AUSA National Meeting, Exposition addresses topics relevant to Soldiers, Families

NTC and Fort Irwin personnel tune in to forums broadcasted from Washington

By Ken Drylie

Public Affairs Office
NTC and Fort Irwin

The Association of the United States Army held the 2012 AUSA National Meeting and Exposition in Washington, Oct. 22-24. Members of the Fort Irwin community that could not travel to Washington, were able to watch several of the sessions and forums during live broadcasts hosted by the Department of Defense Digital Visual Information System.

Members of the Fort Irwin Family Advocacy Program gathered to watch four forums focused on Army Families. The main theme of all the sessions was resiliency and the ability of Families to recover issues related to the Army lifestyle.

In the first session "Our Leaders Speak", leaders from Active Army, National Guard and Reserve hosted a town hall-type of discussion. Members of the audience, as

well as viewers of the live feed, were able to ask questions directly to senior leadership.

Army Chief of Staff Gen. Raymond T. Odierno spoke about the importance of the "Ready Resilient" campaign and the "Soldier for Life" campaign.

Ready and Resilient is the Army's holistic approach to total healthcare for its Soldiers,

in order to keep them Army Strong and instill their values, ethos, and leadership within communities, according to the Army web site.

During the second session "Behavioral Health Challenges and Triumphs", Jeanne Chandler, wife of the Sgt. Maj. of the Army Raymond F. Chandler III, talked about the

Through Education," guest speaker Marilee Fitzgerald, director of DoD Education Activity, addressed some of the challenges to the education of military students.

One of the goals for the Army is to minimize the social educational and emotional disruptions that occur when Army students move to a new school. Most Army students can expect to make between 6 and 9 moves during their academic career. These students face five basic challenges, including: variations in school/academic standards, extracurricular activities, special education services, parental involvement, and social adjustments.

"Great teachers and great schools understand the military lifestyle and the impact the lifestyle has on student performance," Fitzgerald said. "With the help of great teachers and schools, Army families can overcome the issues."

The complete sessions are available at <http://www.dvidshub.net/>

For more information on Ready and Resilient go to: www.army.mil/readyan-dresilient.

For Soldier for Life information see: www.army.mil/soldierforlife.



Family members, and civilians, both on and off the battlefield. The major components of Ready and Resilient are medical and personnel readiness, according to the campaign's web site at Army.mil.

The Soldier for Life program enables Army, governmental, and community efforts to facilitate successful integration of our Soldiers, Veterans, and their Families

importance of resiliency training. Resiliency is the ability to bounce back, she said. She talked about the importance of individual recovery to the Family, as well as the Army.

The third session, "Army Families: Transitions and New Beginnings," discussed the issues faced by Families of Wounded Warriors and Gold Star families.

In the final session, "Building Resiliency

Travel

A nearby place where it feels like autumn

By Ken Drylie

Public Affairs Office
NTC and Fort Irwin

Nestled in the hills above Yucaipa, Calif., is the community of Oak Glen. About two hours from the National Training Center and Fort Irwin, Oak Glen is home to several apple orchards and related businesses that offer a great break from High Desert living.

During the fall months, the orchards in Oak

Glen are full of ripe apples just waiting to be picked by visitors.

According to the Oak Glen Apple Growers Association web site, "The mile-high climate of Oak Glen provides a beautiful change of seasons, unsurpassed in Southern California. It's always 10 to 15 degrees cooler in Oak Glen

than it is in the valleys. Apple orchards cover the slopes laden with blossoms in the spring



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and apples in the fall. The scenery is more like New England, and only 90 minutes from Los Angeles on the way to Palm Springs. Oak Glen offers wholesome family fun in every season."

Guests can visit orchards, taste fresh apples and cider, enjoy hot apple pie at one of the several family restaurants, feed the animals in the animal parks, or browse through some of the many

specialty shops. Bed and breakfast establishments, recreational vehicle facilities, camping and group accommodations are available. During the fall season, you can: pick your own apples, berries, and pumpkins; make your own cider, or; enjoy country music and dancing. You can also visit a one-room schoolhouse, take a hayride, or a nature walk, according to the web site.

To learn more and plan your trip to Oak Glen, check out <http://www.oakglen.net/>.

Safety

Easy, rider

Follow motorcycle riding guidelines for safe outings

By Safety Office

NTC and Fort Irwin

Army-wide, motorcycle accidents contribute to Soldier fatalities and serious injuries during off-duty hours. Recent accident trends suggest excessive speed, reckless operation and operator inexperience as the most common reasons. Training, leader involvement, enforcement of standards, Soldier mentorship, in conjunction with the integration of composite risk management, can assist in mitigating ongoing issues with motorcycle operations.

STATISTICS

• There are an estimated 7 million motorcycles on United States roadways, compared to approximately 130 million passenger cars.

• Motorcyclists are more than 30 times more likely to be killed and nine times more likely to be injured in an accident compared to a vehicle driver.

• During fiscal year 2012, there were 49 motorcycle fatalities compared to 45 for fiscal year 2011. The latest fatality involving a Soldier occurred Sept. 29. There was one motorcycle accident involving a Fort Irwin Soldier during fiscal year 2012 that resulted in permanent, partial disability.

• The latest motorcycle accident involving a Soldier assigned to Fort Irwin occurred on Oct. 17.

FALL SEASON RIDING TIPS

• Avoid tailgating other vehicles. Cars ahead can't see you behind the vehicle in front of you.

Cars behind may not see you because you blend in with the car in front.

• Increase your visibility in low light by adding reflective tape to your helmet and bike. Wear bright colors. Never trust that a motorist can see you. Be prepared for every car to turn in front of you.

• Stay out of automobile blind spots on the road. In cold weather, drivers are less likely to turn their heads to clear the lane next to them and with the seasonal decrease in motorcycle traffic, car drivers are less likely to notice motorcycles. When you pass, move through the danger zone quickly, but safely.

• If your tires are older than five years, it is time to replace them, even if there is still tread remaining. Tires tend to get hard with age and do not grip as well as new tires.

• Fall weather means the danger of hypothermia is present. Specific seasonal gear to

ride safely is recommended, such as: light, windproof layers that don't bunch up at the joints covering torso, arms, and legs; a neck gator; warm, but flexible gloves; a full face helmet with a non-fog shield; thick socks, and; boots.

Taking Motorcycle Safety Foundation-based training can give novice and experienced riders enhanced skills for safely navigating streets, roads and highways.

Take advantage of the experience offered by more seasoned riders by joining a Motorcycle Mentorship Program.



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Veteran wins NTC and Fort Irwin 'Rising Star' title

By Kathleen Hutchinson

Marketing Manager
 FMWR, NTC and Fort Irwin

Congratulations to the winners of Fort Irwin's 2012 Operation Rising Star Finals!

Eight members of the National Training Center and Fort Irwin community competed in the annual Operation Rising Star final competition at Shockwave, here, Oct. 17. Kristen C. Lindly, retiree and new mom, won first place. Military spouse Lysa Shreve, who placed third at Fort Polk's finals in 2011, won second place. Sergeant 1st Class Santantoniano Smith, of the post Retention Office, won third place.

The directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare, and Recreation would like to thank all the contestants that came out and participated in the finals and for all the support that came with them! The 58th Engineer Company showed their spirit and took home the Spirit Award, which gives them \$300 for their Family Readiness Group fund.

Also, special thanks to our judges, without whom this event would not be possible: Fort Irwin United States Army Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. Dale Perez; Heather Hubbert, SKIES voice instructor, and; Joseph Holland, SKIES guitar and drum instructor.

We sat down with our first place winner, Lindly, or K.C. Austin as she's fondly known, and asked her a few questions about being this year's first place winner and learned more about her than we expected.

With a history of glee clubs, choir, community theatre and directing musical theatre, Lindly is no stranger to performing. In 2006, she performed in the U.S. Army Soldier Show and was a costume designer that same year. This also isn't her first time performing and winning the Operation Rising Star competition. She won in 2008 at Fort Riley, Kan.

"For me, it's just for fun," Lindly said. "I'm a director and playwright first. I've been in the Army since I was 17, so doing this was a way to find myself again."

Lindly's husband's unit, 699th Maintenance Company, 1916th Support Battalion, came out to cheer her on. She plans to donate \$200 of her winnings to the unit for their support.

A video of Lindly's performance has been submitted to Army MWR for a chance to compete in the Army-wide finals. The top 12 garrison finalists will be announced on Nov. 13, and the finals will be aired on the Pentagon Channel in December, where you can vote for your favorite singer.

Watch <http://fortirwinfmwr.com> for further details.

Top: National Training Center and Fort Irwin Commander Brig. Gen. Terry Ferrell provides a \$500 award to Kristen Lindly for taking first place at the finals of the NTC and Fort Irwin Rising Star finals, here, Oct. 17.

Left: Brig. Gen. Terry Ferrell provides the second place \$250 award to Lysa Shreve.

Right: Brig. Gen. Terry Ferrell gives the third place \$100 award to Sgt. 1st Class Santantoniano Smith.



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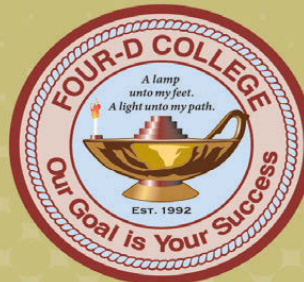
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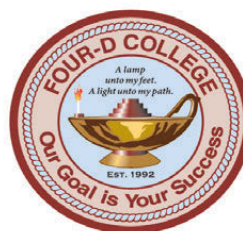
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NOV. 2

Middle School and Teen Center "Movie Night." Center is open 3:30 - 11 p.m. Zev Paul, 380-3732.

NOV. 3

Animal Vaccine Clinic. 8 a.m. - noon. Fort Irwin Veterinarian Clinic. Exam Fee, \$10. Rabies, \$10. Bordetella, \$18. DA2PP, \$15. Lepto, \$15. FVRCP, \$15. FELV, \$18. FIV/FELV/Heartworm Tests, \$25. Home Again Microchip, \$25.

Auditions for "The Awesome 80's Prom" play. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Ingall's Recreation Center. The play is a blast-from-the-past party set at Wanaget High's Senior Prom ... in 1989! And just like on "American Idol", the audience decides who is crowned Prom King and Queen! KC Austin, 310-614-1631.

Pistachio Festival. 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. 30884 Newberry Road, Newberry Springs, Calif. Free entrance. Live band, food and pistachio vendors. Jill, 257-9971.

NOV. 5

Fort Irwin N.O.W (Newcomer's Orientation Welcome). 8:30 a.m. - noon. Sandy Basin Community Center. The orientation addresses helpful, key information specific to the installation. Spouses are highly encouraged to attend with their Soldier or new civilian employee. Participants receive the Newcomer's ticket to "SPEED" (Soldiers & Family Program for Enlightenment, Entertainment and Discovery) and a packet with information and fun surprises. Extended, free child care and a sack lunch will be provided to all Newcomer's taking the Installation Bus Tour after the orientation. Maritza Ramirez, 380-3598.

Youth Karate courses. 5:15 - 8:20 p.m. STARZ Academy, building 128. Building future leaders by instructing on discipline, focus, self-confidence, and integrity. Kathy Pinsky, 380-7751, or Sensei Sharnae Weist at (702) 493-7383.

NOV. 7

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Samuel Adams Grille Opening & Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. 4 p.m. Irwin Event and Catering Center, at the corner of Inner Loop and Goldstone. After the ceremony, the restaurant will be open for business. Allison Braun, 380-7447.

NOV. 10

Fort Irwin Super Chili Bowl. 5 - 8 p.m. Fort Irwin Town Center. Early purchase tickets are \$6 or two for \$10. Tickets on day of event are \$8 or two for \$15. For more information go to www.mcsctirwin.org.

NOV. 11

Veterans Day Run. 10 a.m. VFW Post 2924 at 10184 Hesperia Road in Hesperia, Calif. Open to the public. Music, food and good times! Sonny, 617-3102.

Nov. 12 Veterans Day NTC and Fort Irwin Facilities' Hours

Open:

Freedom Fitness Center: 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Oasis Pool, building 325: 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Sgt. Fuzz Buddies: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Strike Zone, building 905: 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Commissary: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
TISA: Normal Hours, 7 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Dining Facilities: Both open normal hours

Closed:

Irwin Event and Catering Center
ACS Barstow Outreach Center
ACS, building 109
ACS, building 561
Arts & Crafts Center, building 976
Auto Craft Shop, building 910
CDC, building 1317
CDC, building 4150
CYSS Admin & FCC, building 1323
CYSS Parent Central building 109
DFMWR, building 563
Fitness Connection, building 127
Group Fitness, building 127
Hawaiian BBQ, building 127

Closed (cont.):

Ingall's Recreation, building 361
J&J Mexican, building 6074
King Leroy's Burgers & Fries, building 127
Leisure Travel, building 976
Library, building 331
Memorial Fitness Center, building 322
MST, building 1315
Outdoor Recreation, building 4100
SAC, Bldg 1322
HIRED! & Edge, building 1300
Sam Adams Grille, building 37
SFAC, building 1034
Shockwave, building 272
Youth Sports, building 122
DOL (S&S, CIF, TRANS, & HQ)
Pinnacle
RCI
Post Office
Vet Clinic: Closed Nov. 9 & 12
MEDDAC: Mary E. Walker Center and Ancillary Clinics. Emergencies proceed to the Emergency Room. For appointments call (866) 460-5305.
DENTAC: Dental Clinic: Closed Nov. 9 & 12



Chapel Activities

Worship Services

Catholic Mass
Center Chapel
Sunday, 9 a.m.
Contemporary Protestant
Center Chapel
Sunday, 11 a.m.
Multi-cultural Gospel
Center Chapel
Sunday, 1 p.m.
Traditional/Liturgical Protestant
Blackhorse Chapel
Sunday, 10 a.m.
Latter Day Saints
Blackhorse Chapel
Sunday, noon
Catholic Daily Mass
Center Chapel
Wednesday and Thursday, 11:45 a.m.
Islamic Prayer

Center Chapel annex
Friday, 12:30 p.m.
Earth Based
Center Chapel annex
Tuesday, 4 p.m.
Jewish Service
Center Chapel
Holy Days; 380-3562
Chapel Activities
Protestant Women of the Chapel
Center Chapel
Tuesday, 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Mothers of Preschoolers
Center Chapel
First and third Wednesday, 9 a.m.
AWANA
Center Chapel
Wednesday, 4 p.m.
Military Council of Catholic Women
Center Chapel

Thursday, 9 a.m.
Youth Group
Center Chapel annex
Thursday, 6:30 p.m.
Operation Helping Hand
Center Chapel
380-3562/3440
Men's Bible Study
Blackhorse Chapel annex
First and third Thursday, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Phone numbers:
Installation chaplain:
380-3562/3440
11th ACR chaplain:
380-4913
Operations Group chaplain: 380-6048

KNTC "The Heat" at 88.3 FM

Mon. 7:30-9 a.m. — "Flashback to the 80's"
Song requests can be sent to 80swithKate@gmail.com

Tue., 8-9 a.m. — "Garrison Community Updates" with J & J in the Morning

Tue., 12-1 p.m. — "Chitchat" with Silvia & Shea

Wed., 7:30-9 a.m. — "Cruiz'n with Gus and Newsmakers"

Wed., 12-1 p.m. — "11th ACR Hour"

Wed., 2:30 p.m. — "Col. Pinkerton's Facebook Roundup"

Thurs., 8 a.m.-9 a.m. — "Renita's Rewind Hour"

Thurs. 12-1 p.m. — "The TNT Hour" with Tony Untalan

Fri., 3-4 p.m. — "Traffic Jams" with Jeanette Martinez

AT THE Movies



Friday, Nov. 02
7 p.m. Lawless (R)
7 p.m. Paranorman (PG)

Sunday, Nov. 04
4 p.m. Paranorman (PG)
7 p.m. The Odd Life of Timothy Green (PG)
7 p.m. Lawless (R)

Saturday, Nov. 03
7 p.m. Lawless (R)
7 p.m. The Odd Life of Timothy Green (PG)

Monday, Nov. 05
7 p.m. The Odd Life of Timothy Green (PG)
7 p.m. Lawless (R)

This schedule is subject to change at the last minute to accommodate changes in movies and free showings. ID cards are required from all personnel not in uniform when purchasing movie tickets. For more information and movie updates, call 380-3490.

'Raiders' dig in at NTC

Story and photos by Pfc. Andrew Ingram

Public Affairs Office
1st Brigade Combat Team,
4th Infantry Division

With months of preparation and training under their belts, Soldiers of 1st Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, began a two-week training gauntlet at the National Training Center, Oct. 26.

During the first day of the exercise, the 'Raiders' convoyed to the brigade's operating environment in the Mojave Desert where Soldiers of Headquarters and Headquarters Company began building the Brigade's tactical operations center.

Master Sgt. Ron Montano, the brigade's senior operations noncommissioned officer,

oversaw the project, directing Soldiers to hoist the massive tents into place and providing support himself wherever needed.

"I'm very pleased," Montano said. "The Soldiers seem pretty motivated, the NCOs are taking the lead and teaching their Soldiers the right way to do things, and all of the staff sections are pitching in and making this mission happen as quickly as possible."

The brigade TOC, made up of multiple, interlocking tents provides an area out of the elements for brigade staff to conduct the mission of monitoring and directing units on the battlefield.

"We went through multiple field exercises with the equipment and tried multiple configurations during that training before we settled on this one," Montano said, while continuing to monitor the Soldiers as they erected the TOC's entry control point. "We finalized it during brigade maneuver week

and I'm pretty happy with the result. From a TOC like this, we will be able to effectively [give] units on the ground the direction and information they need to succeed in combat."

While most HHC Soldiers worked to turn the sheets of canvas and tent-poles into the central nervous system of the Raider Brigade's sprawling body, some formed a perimeter around their comrades, keeping an eye out from their Humvee's gun turrets for possible threats.

Specialist Kyle Zacharias, aviation operations specialist, HHC, said he looks forward to spending the next two weeks learning how a unit operates during a combat deployment.

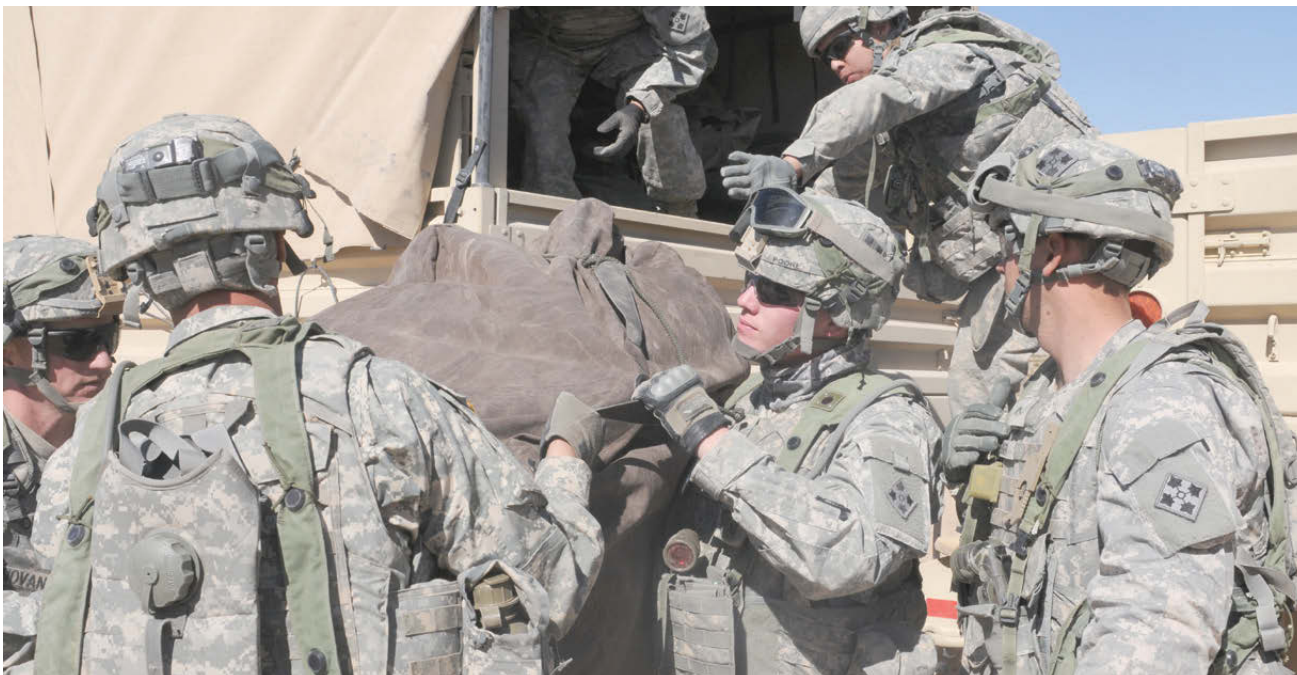
"It's probably going to be pretty tough out here, but it's an opportunity for us to learn a lot," Zacharias said. "We are off to a good start, everybody is doing their part,

and I think this experience will bring us closer together and make us stronger as a unit."

The HHC workforce continued their labors into the night, setting up computers, running cables and creating an electronic backbone to keep the brigade leadership connected to the units on the frontlines of the training exercise as Raider Soldiers pit their tactical skills against an enemy from the fictitious country of Donovia, while partnering with allies from Atropia.

The training regimen at NTC will insure the brigade can operate with a high level of competence during a combat deployment, said Maj. Robert Walker, the brigade's senior fires support officer.

"We are ready for this challenge," Walker said. "The Raider Brigade will leave here as a cohesive, trained unit prepared for whatever mission the Army calls us to do."



Left: Soldiers assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, set up the "Raider" Brigade Tactical Operations Center during their first day in "The Box," here, Oct. 26.

Right: Soldiers with 1st Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, secure the framework of the "Raider" Brigade Tactical Operations Center during their first day in the training area, here, Oct. 26.

Bottom: Soldiers with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, unload tents to set up the "Raider" Brigade Tactical Operations Center during their first day in "The Box," the training area at the National Training Center, Oct 26.

Chapel Congregations Contribute To Thanksgiving Holiday Basket Drive

By Staff Writer

NTC and Fort Irwin

On October 14th, all Fort Irwin Chapel congregations received a designated offering for FMWR's upcoming Thanksgiving Food Basket program. The chapel members donated \$4,055.80 towards providing baskets for Soldiers and Families this Thanksgiving. Mr. Bob Lucas, the POC for the program received the check from CH (COL) Fleury.

CH (LTC) Ghergich noted that a similar offering will be received for the December Food Basket drive. Last year the chapel congregations donated around \$5,000 towards the program. This year the goal is \$8,000. Lucy Castorena, the Accounting Technician for the RSO mentioned that in addition to the food basket program that the chapel congregations had also provided around \$17,000 in emergency assistance to Soldiers and Family Members in the form of Commissary Vouchers and Food Pantry items in the last fiscal year.

The Holiday Food Basket program plans

to provide up to 300 baskets for Soldiers with Families, E1-E4, based upon need. Mr. Lucas said that unit First Sergeants will identify Soldiers to receive the baskets. Details of the program were briefed at the last Community Service Council meeting and instructions were provided to CSMs for dissemination to their units. All requests for assistance must be received NLT November 14th for both the Thanksgiving and Christmas Food Basket program. Thanksgiving baskets will be ready for pick up from 19-21 November. Christmas baskets will be ready for pick-up from 17-19 December. First

Sergeants will be notified prior to those dates based upon the applications received at ACS. The Fort Irwin Commissary will once again assist in putting together our holiday meals based upon the donated money received

through DFMWR. For more information about the Holiday Food Basket program Soldiers should contact their 1SG. Mr. Bob Lucas can be reached at: 380-3513 or E-mail to Robert.C.Lucas.CIV@mail.mil



Kid 'Caught Being Safe!'

Story and photo by Kim Garcia

Safety Officer
NTC and Fort Irwin

Fourteen-year-old Justin Robertson was "Caught Being Safe" while riding his bike home from Fort Irwin Middle School, Oct. 17.

Justin was observed stopping at a pedestrian zone and dismounting his bicycle to proceed across Goldstone Road safely. Justin received a Caught Being Safe backpack that included a \$30 Exchange gift card and other goodies. He will also be entered to win a \$100 gift card at

a quarterly raffle. Justin said that his parents always enforce safety. Great job Mom and Dad! Congratulations Justin, we enjoy seeing kids staying safe and having fun at the same time.

Parents, make sure your kids are safe at all times, just as Justin's parents did. They may come home with a Safety backpack and a chance to win a raffle! Think ... S.A.F.E = Stay Accident Free Every day.



Justin Robertson

Exchange to offer fee-free Holiday Layaway program

Exchange News Release

A good program just got better as the Army & Air Force Exchange Service's Holiday Layaway program is now fee-free. Shoppers simply select their gifts for layaway and stop by customer service to complete the layaway process.

"Fee-free" means that while the Fort Irwin Exchange collects an initial \$3 processing fee for new layaways, that amount is returned to customers, via an Exchange Merchandise Gift Card, upon final payment and pick up their items.

In addition, toy layaway will be extended through Dec. 23. Gifts are safely out of sight until final payment and pick up just before

Christmas. Also, for a limited time only, Nov. 1 through Dec. 16, Fort Irwin shoppers can place computers, laptops, iPads and netbooks on layaway.

"The Fort Irwin Exchange continues to beat the competition when it comes to selection, service and value," said Exchange's Main Store Manager Diane Pagel. "Other retailers charge as much as \$15 for layaway. Our program saves shoppers money."

A deposit of only 15 percent is required when starting the layaway process. See the Exchange customer service for program details and eligibility.

To take advantage of holiday layaway and extended layaway for toys, visit the Fort Irwin Exchange today.

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for two months, 45 days of restriction and 45 days of extra duty.

A Soldier in the rank of specialist was convicted of an Article 92 offense for drunk and disorderly conduct. The Soldier's punishment: a reduction in pay grade to E-3 and forfeiture of \$435 in pay for one month.

A private first class was reduced in pay grade to E-1 a result of an Article 112a offense for marijuana use. Additional punishment the Soldier incurred: forfeiture of \$745 in pay for two months; 45 days of restriction, and; 45 days of extra duty.

An Article 92 was imposed on a private first class for underage drinking. The Soldier's punishment included a reduction in pay grade to E-2, forfeiture of \$389 in pay for one month, 14 days restriction, and an oral reprimand.

Providing alcohol to an underage Soldier resulted in a private first class receiving an Article 92. The Soldier also received an Article 107 for giving a false official statement. The punishment: reduction in pay grade to E-1, forfeiture in \$745 in pay for two months, 45 days of restriction, and 45 days of extra duty.

During September, several Soldiers stationed at the National Training Center and Fort Irwin were found guilty of offenses under the Uniform Code of Military Justice and received non-judicial punishment following Article 15 proceedings.

A staff sergeant was reduced in pay grade to E-5 for an Article 89 offense of disrespect to a commissioned officer and for an Article 90 offense of willfully disobeying a commissioned officer. The sergeant's punishment also included forfeiture of \$1,331 in pay

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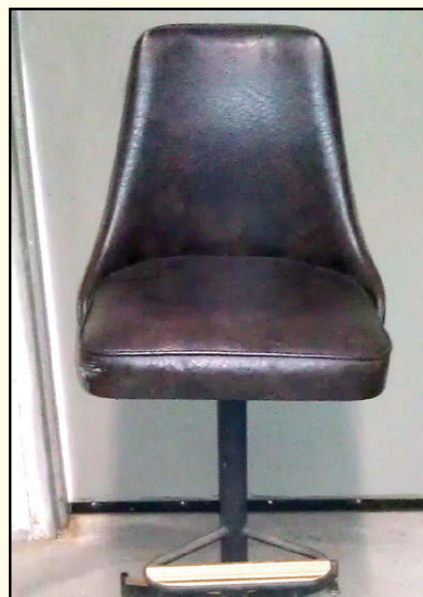
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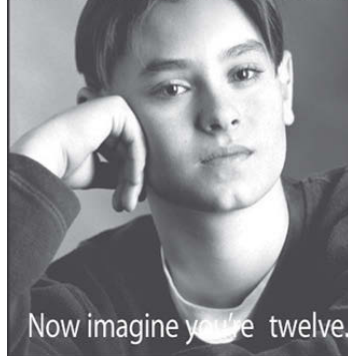
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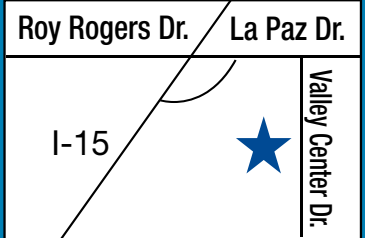
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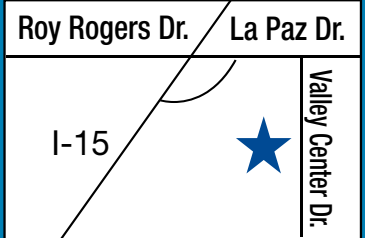
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