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Check CAC expiration date

People should call the ID card section for an appointment two to three weeks prior to the expiration date on their Common Access Card. If the card is already expired, then cardholders will need to bring two types of identification, such as a driver's license and Social Security card. One of the two types must be a photo ID. The expired CAC cannot be used as identification. For appointments, call 221-0415 or 221-2278.

187th change of command

Lt. Col. Patricia Darnauer will relinquish command of the 187th Medical Battalion to Lt. Col. Michael Hershman Friday at 8 a.m. at MacArthur Parade Field. For more information, call Beatrice Gamble at 221-1696 or e-mail Beatrice.gamble@amedd.army.mil.

232nd Med. Bn. change of command

Lt. Col. Brian Kueter will relinquish command of the 232nd Medical Battalion to Lt. Col. John Lamoureux July 12 at 8 a.m. at MacArthur Parade Field.

1st LSO change of command

Col. Robert Hough will relinquish command of the 1st Legal Support Organization to Lt. Col. Barry Robinson July 15 at 10 a.m. in the Roadrunner Community Center, Building 2797, Stanley Road.

Civilian employee development

"Army Civilian Leaders for the 21st Century" training will be held today and Friday from 9 to 11 a.m. and 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. each day at Evans Theater on Garden Road. The training will include how to prepare and be competitive for promotion opportunities. John Plifka, director, Basic Course, Army Management Staff College, and Fort Leavenworth, Kansas Campus, will provide the training. The training briefs are the first phase of the new Civilian Education System, a leader development program for Army civilians throughout their careers. For more information, call Cynthia Taylor, human resource specialist, Directorate of Human Resources, at 221-0107.

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The Fort Sam Houston Recreational Vehicle Park is tops in the nation.



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Photo by Sgt 1st Class Jose Raymundo

Hang in there!

Spc. Richard Childs and Spc. John Siquian provide encouragement and a helping hand to Pvt. Sylvia Cejas during a warrior task training competition called Squad Stakes, held June 18 to 22 at Camp Bullis. The competition tested 418th Medical Logistics Company Soldiers' expertise on common warrior tasks, while also serving as a way to build unit cohesion and camaraderie. See more photos on Pages 12 and 13.

Eye on the future AMEDD merges graduate programs

By Elaine Wilson
Fort Sam Houston Public Information Office

The Army Medical Department Center and School took its first step in a transformation officials hope will poise the world-renowned facility for future excellence.

The school's nine graduate programs, once scattered throughout four departments under the Academy of Health Sciences, have been aligned into one center, called the Center for Graduate Military Healthcare Education.

"We are truly excited about this historic event," said Col. Josef Moore, interim associate dean, Monday at the center's opening ceremony in Blesse Auditorium. "My colleagues and their respective faculty and staff have spent

numerous hours in preparation for this."

The new center was formed to improve communication and collaboration between the graduate programs, which may differ professionally, but share a common need for academic and research collaboration.

"We should now be able to keep a good open dialogue and make overall processes more efficient," Moore said. "We also can look at more collaborative efforts for research, further expand on what a true graduate education is all about."

Although the future is bright, even their past successes beg a spotlight. In recent years, the Army's graduate health care programs have garnered critical acclaim. U.S. News and World Report ranked the U.S. Army Graduate Program in Anesthesia

Nursing, chaired by Lt. Col. Thomas Ceremuga, second in the nation; and the U.S. Army-Baylor University Doctoral Program in Physical Therapy, chaired by Moore, fifth in the nation. Additionally, the healthcare administration program, chaired by Lt. Col. Nicholas Coppola, is ranked 20th in the nation, an "impressive" ranking in a nation filled with renowned business schools, Moore said.

Along with improved collaboration, officials see the realignment as the first in a series of changes, or a transformation, designed to improve the facility's education and training. A key part of that transformation is the creation of four "pillars of excellence." The new center is the

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Photo by Esther Garcia

Soldiers from the Headquarters Company, U.S. Army Garrison, fire cannons during the salute to the union. They fired the cannons 50 times to pay tribute to each of the states at the July 4th ceremony last year.

Fourth of July 'Salute to the Union'

A display of the 50 state flags will grace the main post flagpole as Fort Sam Houston salutes the 231st anniversary of the Declaration of Independence Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. at the main post flagpole on Stanley Road.

The traditional ceremony will feature a cannon salute to the Union fired in succession for each of the 50 states starting with Delaware.

Members of the "Sons of the American Revolution" dressed in period uniforms will ring a commemorative bell 13 times to commemorate the original 13 colonies which first formed the United States of America.

The Alamo City Community Marching Band will perform patriotic music before and after the ceremony.

The public is invited to enter Fort Sam Houston from the Walters exit off of Interstate Highway 35 or at the Harry Wurzbach Road entrance.

Catch a ride: *VIA bus route offers Soldiers easy downtown access*

Story and photo by Elaine Wilson
Fort Sam Houston Public Information Office

A visit downtown is just a bus ride away for the Fort Sam Houston community, thanks to a new Saturday route offered by VIA Metropolitan Transit.

Route 16 runs Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. in 40-minute intervals between the Hacienda Recreation Center, Building 1462, and the United Services Organization on Commerce Street in downtown San Antonio.

The cost is \$2 each way or \$25 for a monthly pass, which includes unlimited rides on all regular bus and streetcar service throughout the month indicated on the pass.

The route started less than a month ago, but Soldiers are already raving about the service.

"It's a great service," said Spc. Troy Fuchs, D Company, 232nd Medical Battalion, who boarded a bus Saturday to eat downtown. "I'd rather pay \$2 for the bus than \$17 (and up)

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Pfc. Stephanie Thore and Pvt. Ruthi Thurston, both from A Company, 232nd Medical Battalion, check their tickets after they board a VIA bus Saturday heading to downtown San Antonio. The Soldiers said they were planning to spend the day on the Riverwalk.

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School board meeting

The Fort Sam Houston Independent School District Board of Trustees will meet for a regular meeting today at 11 a.m. at the Fort Sam Houston ISD Professional Development Center, 1908 Winans Road.

Jadwin gate to reopen

Repairs to the Jadwin gate on Jadwin Road have been completed and the gate will reopen for commercial and decaled vehicles Monday. Installation of a new canopy is scheduled for August. In conjunction with the opening, the Coliseum gate will close.

Fourth of July ceremony

The public is invited to attend the 23rd Annual Fourth of July Patriotic Ceremony sponsored by the Granaderos & Damas de Galvez Wednesday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the reserved seating area near the Flag Circle at the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, 1520 Harry Wurzbach Road. The program includes patriotic music, readings from the Declaration of Independence, a roll call of the original 13 colonies and a keynote speech by retired Lt. Gen. Ricardo Sanchez. For more information, call Joel Escamilla at 364-2391 or 679-9214 or e-mail EscamillaJ@satx.rr.com.

Pediatric Acute Care Clinic to close

The Brooke Army Medical Center Pediatric Acute Care Clinic will close indefinitely as of Saturday. For urgent matters that cannot wait until the next duty day or for advice after duty hours and on weekends and holidays, call 916-3160 and choose option 5 to access the San Antonio Patient Assistance Line. For advice regarding a child's acute illness or injury during duty hours, call 916-3160 and choose option 3 if the child is enrolled in the adolescent clinic, and option 4 if the child is enrolled in the pediatric clinic. If the illness or injury is severe, call 911 or go to the emergency room.

Camp Bullis User's Conference

Camp Bullis will host a User's Conference Aug. 23 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. starting at the Camp Bullis Theater, Building 5900. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. Senior staff and NCOs are highly encouraged to attend if they have arrived in the past year and conduct training at Camp Bullis. There will be a slide overview in the morning and a forum and tour in the afternoon. For reservations, call 295-7686 or e-mail pat.jennings@samhouston.army.mil, or call 295-7592 or e-mail ronald.lane@us.army.mil, or e-mail mabel.rodriquez@us.army.mil.

Photo caption correction

The photo caption was incorrect for this photo in the June 21 issue, Page 3.



Photo by Patti Bielling
Col. Lavern "Bullet" Young and Lt. Col. Travis Grigg discuss the Region VI concept of operations during the Texas Hurricane Exercise.

Fort Sam's RV Park named top in nation

Story and photo by Olivia Mendoza
Fort Sam Houston Public Information Office

The Fort Sam Houston Recreational Vehicle Park has been named the Special Military Active-Retired Travel Club's Family Campground of the Year for 2007-2008.

The SMART Club is a national nonprofit organization of retired veterans and active duty members who travel in their recreational vehicles meeting at local, regional and national musters.

Gerald Davis, South Mid-West assistant regional director and president of the Alamo Chapter SMART, presented the award to Marty Boulez, Morale, Welfare and Recreation recreational vehicle park manager, during a ceremony Friday.

"I love Fort Sam Houston, and when I come down to San Antonio to visit family I set up camp," Davis said. "The times I have stayed I

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Marty Boulez, recreational vehicle park manager, Morale, Welfare and Recreation accepts the Special Military Active-Retired Travel Military Family Campground of the Year plaque from Michael Waldrop, deputy to the garrison commander, at the Fort Sam Houston Recreational Vehicle Park on Friday.

USARSO conducts multinational exercise

Story and photo by Sgt. 1st Class Brenda Benner
Texas Army National Guard

QUITO, Ecuador — Peacekeeping South 2007, a multinational peacekeeping command post exercise sponsored by U.S. Southern Command and conducted by U.S. Army South, took place here June 11 to 22. Participants of the seminar included Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Columbia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay.

During the PKO South 2007 training seminar, multinational participants shared their previous mission experiences with one another as they prepared their organizations for future United Nations peacekeeping operations. Training coordination between nations is beneficial and translates into real-world mission success.

"This seminar is very helpful to us because we have a lot of experience to share with others," Uruguayan army Maj. Ramon Cabrera said. "We can teach what we know and also learn information from our colleagues. We're always learning more every day."

Information gained during the training exercise will be presented to their chain of command when they return to Uruguay, Cabrera said. He and his comrades plan to share their PKO experiences with the soldiers and officers at their own military academy of peacekeeping located in the capital city of Montevideo.

Command post training exercises are a vital planning component for multinational forces as they prepare for upcoming missions.

As of May 31, there were 12 Latin American nations and two Caribbean nations involved in 15 different U.N.-mandated peacekeeping operations worldwide. One of the busiest peacekeeping forces is, surprisingly, from the small country of Uruguay.

Cabrera said his country has a population of about 3 million people; therefore, the Uruguayan military forces are small compared to other nation's forces. This, however, has not affected their ability to contribute significantly to peacekeeping operations worldwide.

Cabrera, chief of military observers, Peacekeeping Operations



Uruguayan army Maj. Ramon Cabrera (right) and Chilean army Maj. Aquiles Gloffka coordinate their plans for the Peacekeeping South 2007 exercise scenario.

Branch, Uruguayan army headquarters, said that Uruguay military personnel are involved in two important U. N. missions: one in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the other in Haiti.

Uruguay's operation tempo means there's most certainly another mission on the horizon.

Their next PKO mission is of a large scale as Uruguay prepares to host PKO South 2008, bringing hundreds of peacekeeping professionals to their front door.

"This is the first time we'll have PKO in our country," said Cabrera. "Our experience here (in Quito) has been excellent. We hope to provide the same next year, because we enjoy working with the United States and the armies from South America."

The PKO South training exercises are only one annual event in a broad range of activities that the U.S. government carries out in Latin America. The U.S. also contributes to humanitarian assistance, economic development and the strengthening of democratic institutions.

RAPIDGate to speed post entry, boost security

Fort Sam Houston will implement a new and more restrictive access procedure Sunday that will affect vendors, suppliers and contractors who require routine access to the installation, but have not been issued a Common Access Card.

Under the RAPIDGate Program, approved employees receive personalized RAPIDGate badges, which serve as their credentials for gaining access to the post. To obtain a badge, employees must first submit personal information, photo and digital fingerprints for identity verification. The program uses the information to run a background screen on each employee who registers; the credentials are renewed on an annual basis.

The RAPIDGate Program is expected to increase post security by helping Fort Sam Houston gate personnel identify authorized workers quickly and accurately, allowing more time for security to focus on other incoming personnel.

For the most part, vendors, suppliers and contractors participat-

ing in the RAPIDGate Program will have access to Fort Sam Houston through all gates, without having to log in for a day pass. Some gates will have designated RAPIDGate lanes. However, oversized vehicles, such as semi-trailers, intermediate and interstate moving vans, and large delivery trucks will continue to use the Jadwin, Brooke Army Medical Center (off of Interstate Highway 35) and Camp Bullis commercial vehicle entrances.

At these gates, RAPIDGate badge holders may enter through the designated RAPIDGate lane and are not required to undergo a logging process before entering the installation. Commercial vehicles without a RAPIDGate badge must enter through Jadwin, BAMC IH-35 and Camp Bullis gates only, and undergo a security screening.

All vehicles, regardless of category, will be subject to random vehicle inspections.

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Scam claiming Red Cross connection targets military Families

WASHINGTON — The Federal Trade Commission is warning consumers about an identity-theft scam targeting Families of military members.

A caller, claiming to work for the Red Cross, notifies an individual that a Family Member has been injured while on duty. To get immediate aid to the injured service member, the caller says, paperwork must be completed and personal information must be verified.

The FTC, the nation's consumer protection agency, says this scheme is a variation of "phishing" — a technique identity thieves use to get personal or financial

information from unwary consumers. The identity thief claims to represent a trusted source — a bank, a government agency, or in this case, the American Red Cross — to get someone to divulge their personal information.

American Red Cross representatives typically do not contact military members or dependents directly and almost always go through a commander or first sergeant. Officials urge military Family Members not to give out any personal information over the phone if contacted by unknown individuals, including confirmation that their

spouse is deployed.

Red Cross representatives contact military members or dependents directly only in response to an emergency message initiated by a Family Member. The Red Cross does not report any type of casualty information to Family Members; the Defense Department will contact Families directly about Family Members' injuries.

For more information, visit the FTC Web site at <http://www.ftc.gov/> or the American Red Cross Web site at <http://www.redcross.org/>.

(Source: American Forces Press Service)

Ceremonies honor Army reservists

By Esther Garcia
Fort Sam Houston Public Affairs Office

Army reservists across the nation who served in the Global War on Terrorism for 180 days or more are honored with a special welcome home warrior-citizen award ceremony.

The award includes an American flag encased in a beautiful wooden case, a welcome home warrior-citizen flag, and a specially designed patriotic coin and two

lapel pins, one to share with a Family Member.

The warrior-citizen award program provides an opportunity to convey the nation's gratitude to the men and women in the military for their selfless service and sacrifice in support of the global war on terror.

Here at Fort Sam Houston, special ceremonies are being held to recognize these warrior-citizens.

On May 6, the Medical Readiness and Training Command recognized six Army reservists. The ceremony was held at Blesse Auditorium. Guest speaker and host for the ceremony, Brig. Gen. Richard Stone, commander, Military Readiness and Training Command, welcomed everyone and thanked the Families for their support.

On June 10, the 328th Personnel Services Battalion honored more than 50 Soldiers and their Families at the Roadrunner Community Center. The ceremony began with posting of the colors by members of the 328th PSB and playing of the national anthem, followed by the invocation presented by Maj. Alex McCullough. The 328th Personnel Services, Detachment 2, deployed to Kuwait for more than 12 months to provide support for reception, staging, onward movement and integration for individual Soldiers and units.

"Welcome home warriors," Ostermann said. "You are the true American heroes of this generation —



Photos by Esther Garcia

More than 50 Soldiers assigned to the 328th Personnel Services Battalion were recognized during the warrior-citizen award ceremony June 10 at the Roadrunner Community Center. The warrior-citizen ceremony recognizes military personnel who have served in support of operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom.

the finest sons and daughters of America. Thank you for a job well done."

Ostermann told the Army reservists in attendance that they are among the 168,000 Army Reserve Soldiers who have answered the call to duty since Sept. 11, 2001.

"I am inspired by your selfless service, your sacrifices and record of accomplishments," said guest speaker Col. Margaret

Barnes, group commander, 348th Personnel Group, New Orleans, La. "And, I honor your Families who supported you while you were mobilized.

"For over 230 years the Army Reserves has never failed the American people — and it never will," Barnes said. "I am proud of your service - you are indeed

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Brig. Gen. Henry Ostermann, deputy commander, 90th Regional Readiness Command, North Little Rock, Ark., presents the American flag to Sgt. Terry Mincey, 328th Personnel Services Battalion, during the warrior-citizen award ceremony June 10 at the Roadrunner Community Center.

RV park

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really enjoyed the Recreational Vehicle Park. The park is very nice and has accommodated my needs, and I am happy to volunteer today to present the SMART award."

Davis also presented a letter of recognition to Michael Waldrop, deputy to the garrison commander, who accepted on behalf of U.S. Army Garrison Commander Col. Wendy

Martinson. "Thanks to the MWR staff for providing great Family services day in and day out," Waldrop said.

SMART members travel throughout the United States and evaluate military campgrounds by living the motto "Seeing the Country We Defend." They select the top camp based on recommendations submitted by the members on cleanliness of the facilities, accommodations, customer service, support services, amenities and local directories.

Fort Sam's RV Park provides a camping environment close to many of San Antonio's tourist attractions. Reservations are recommended and can be made up to one year in advance.

The RV Park's hours of operation are Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information or reservations, call 221-5502.

VIA bus

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for a cab."

While the route is getting steady business, VIA officials hope to see increased usage among the Soldiers.

"We wanted to provide a service at Fort Sam Houston, particularly for the trainees without cars," said Tracy Manning, route planning manager, VIA Metropolitan Transit. "The route gives them a chance to go downtown and enjoy their free time."

VIA bus service is open to the public; however, on-post passengers must comply

with Army security procedures to ride the bus and gain entry to post, to include:

- Passengers must have a Common Access Card, military ID or valid picture ID to gain access to Fort Sam Houston.
- Security guards at the gate will check the interior and exterior of the bus prior to entry.
- Based on security concerns or threat assessments, bus service may be denied access.

For more information or to purchase passes, call 362-2020 or visit <http://www.viainfo.net>.

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Most vendors, suppliers and contractors who require routine access to the post already have received an information letter regarding the changes to installation access procedures. To begin the enrollment process, call 1-877-RAPIDGate. Employees of enrolled vendors and contractors may use one of the self-service Registration Stations located in the In/Out Processing Center's Vehicle Registration

Office, Building 367; BAMC Hospital Security Office, Building 3600, Room L43-17; or the Camp Bullis Police Station, Building 5050.

For information about access procedures at Fort Sam Houston, call Alberto Jorge at 221-0110. For more information about the RAPIDGate Program, call 1-877-RAPIDGate or visit <http://www.eid-passport.com>.

(Source: Directorate of Emergency Services)

Graduate programs

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graduate pillar, and programs and functions distributed throughout 14 departments will realign in upcoming months to form the other three pillars — the Center for Excellence for Leadership and Professional Development, the Center for Readiness Training and the Center for Healthcare Education and Training.

The changes will position the school for continued success, said Maj. Gen. Russell Czerw, commander, AMEDDC&S and Fort Sam Houston.

“The transformation will enhance internal and external collaborative efforts and better facilitate the Army Medical Department transformation,” the general said. “Most importantly, we’re positioning ourselves to best support the war fight by providing our medics with the skill-sets needed to be successful on many battlefields.

“The product you produce is phenomenal and helps our programs to be where they’re at today, what I feel is the best medical department in the world,” Czerw said.

“Today is an exciting day, but it is just the start,” said Col. David Maness, dean, Academy of Health Sciences. “This move today should send a powerful message through the Academy of Health Sciences and the AMEDD Center and School – get on board and move into the future.”

Graduate Programs

- Army-Baylor Graduate Program in Health and Business Administration
- U.S. Army-Baylor University Doctoral Program in Physical Therapy
- Doctorate in Pastoral Care Ministry
- U.S. Army Graduate Program in Anesthesia Nursing
- Interservice Physician Assistant Program
- U.S. Military-Baylor University Post-professional Doctoral Program in Primary Care and Sports Medicine
- U.S. Army-Baylor University Post-professional Doctoral Program in Orthopaedics and Manual Therapy
- U.S. Military Graduate Program in Nutrition
- Master’s in Social Work Service

Taking care of Soldiers:



Soldiers gain easy access to Medical Evaluation Board information

By Jerry Harben
U.S. Army Medical Command Public Affairs Office

Injured Soldiers whose military futures are being considered by Medical Evaluation Boards now have the means to track the process and ensure accuracy of relevant information through the MyMEB page on Army Knowledge Online, the Army’s Internet information network.

Medical Evaluation Boards are conducted at medical treatment facilities to determine if injured Soldiers meet medical retention standards set in Army Regulation 40-501. MEBs differ from Physical Evaluation Boards, which are conducted for the Army by Human Resources Command to determine if Soldiers can continue to serve and, if they cannot, to what disability benefits the Soldiers are entitled.

“This will provide Soldiers with an easy tool to view the progress of their own boards,” said Michael P. Griffin, deputy director, U.S. Army Medical Command’s patient administration division.

MyMEB can be reached online at <https://www.us.army.mil/suite/page/417118> using a Soldier’s AKO user identity and password. Individual board information will be available only with matching Social Security number.

Data is automatically downloaded onto the site from the Medical Evaluation Board Internal Tracking

“This will provide Soldiers with an easy tool to view the progress of their own boards.”

Michael P. Griffin
Deputy Director, U.S. Army Medical Command’s patient administration division

Tool database. A Soldier can verify dates of physical exams and consults, or when reports and appeals have been initiated or approved. Down the left side of the screen are information links to explain the MEB process and terminology.

If a Soldier finds something inaccurate or questionable in the information, he or she should call it to the attention of the assigned Physician Evaluation Board Liaison Officer, who is listed at top right on the screen.

MyMEB was developed by medical, information management and administrative personnel to address a perceived need for Soldiers to know more about the MEB process and how it affects them. A focus group of injured Soldiers at Walter Reed Army Medical Center helped evaluate and fine tune the site.

A limited release of the MyMEB occurred June 15. This limited release is designed to solicit feedback from a focus group of injured Soldiers prior to full release.

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Army Strong!”

Other guest speakers included Maj. Gen. Elvin Schofield, U. S. Army Reserve ambassador; Lt. Col. James Trola, former deployed commander, 328th PSB; and Lt. Col. Paul Brown, commander, 328th PSB.

On Sunday, the 340th Quartermaster hosted a ceremony for more than 100 Army reservists and their Families at Blesse Auditorium. The 340th Quartermaster mission is to provide shower, laundry and clothing renovation services to a division of 18,500 Soldiers.

Capt. Hector Cuellar, commander, 340th Quartermaster, described Army reservists

very well when he said, “It is not easy being a Soldier in the Army Reserves. We basically live two lives, one as productive members of our home town. We are lawyers, bankers, teachers, students, business owners, entrepreneurs, tradesmen of all kinds, insurance agents and more. But, we are also Soldiers, professional men and women ready to take up arms to defend the rights and values and beliefs of our country.”

Distinguished guests and speakers included Brig. Gen. Phillip Hanrahan, deputy commander, 90th Regional Readiness Group; and Col. Jimmie Wells, 208th commander.



Photo by Esther Garcia

(From left) Col. Jimmie Wells, commander, 280th Regional Readiness Group; retired Maj. Gen. Elvin Schofield; and Brig. Gen. Philip Hanrahan, deputy commander, 90th Regional Readiness Command, present American flags, the welcome home warrior-citizen flag and special coins and lapel pins to more than 100 Soldiers of the 340th Quartermaster during the warrior-citizen award ceremony Sunday at Blesse Auditorium.



Photo by Phil Reidinger

Brig. Gen. Richard Stone, commander, Military Readiness and Training Command, presents the American flag, warrior-citizen flag and special coins to six Soldiers assigned to MRTC May 6. The MRTC mission is to provide technical medical training and validation to Army Reserve medical command units before deployment within the United States or outside the continental United States.

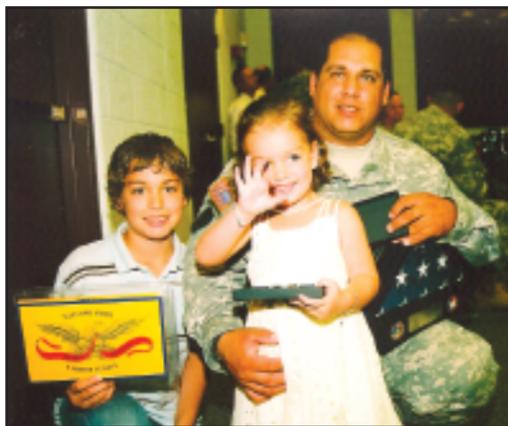


Photo by Esther Garcia

Spc. Frank Vargas, 340th Quartermaster, with daughter Cierra and son Matthew, proudly displays the American flag, warrior-citizen flag, and special coins and lapel pins he received during the warrior-citizen award ceremony Sunday at Blesse Auditorium. The 340th deployed to the Middle East in October 2004 and returned October 2005.

Watermelon Thump parade

Spc. Kellie Burch, Fort Sam Houston military ambassador; Capt. Brent Dishman, Lackland Air Force Base; 1st Lt. Manual Alvarez, Air Intelligence Agency; and 1st Lt. Jennifer Ferrer, Randolph Air Force Base, ride on the military float at the 54th Annual



Photos by Esther Garcia

Watermelon Thump Parade Saturday in Luling, Texas. The parade is part of a three-day celebration held to honor the growers and promote the Luling watermelon market. Other highlights of the three-day activities included a carnival, street dances, food booths, children's entertainment, seed-spitting and melon-eating contests, an auction of the top melons, and an arts and crafts exhibit.



The Army Medical Command Band, under the direction of Chief Warrant Officer Five Douglas Paarman, is a fixture at the Watermelon Thump Parade in Luling, Texas. The band has participated in the parade for the past several years. What is a thump? In 1954, a contest was held to name the event and the winner was a young man from Luling High School. From that time, the three-day Thump has been held every year in the last week of June.

260 health care professionals celebrate graduation

BAMC officers stand out for excellence

By Sue Campbell
59th Medical Wing Public Affairs

The San Antonio Uniformed Services Health Education Consortium graduated 260 health care professionals in a ceremony June 8 at the University of Texas Health Science Center.

One of the largest graduate medical education programs in the nation, SAUSHEC maintains a close partnership with San Antonio's University of Texas Health Science Center, Brooke Army Medical Center and Wilford Hall Medical Center.

The guest speaker for the graduation was the Senior Vice President of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences Dr. Dale C. Smith.

During the award portion of the ceremony, the Commander's awards for original medical research were presented to 15 SAUSHEC graduates for research in various fields.

The Major John H. Gillespie Award for

outstanding intern went to Capt. Ryan Haney, BAMC Internal Medicine, and Capt. Karla Adams, WHMC Pediatrics. The award is named in honor of Major Gillespie, a BAMC anesthesiologist who was killed in Saudi Arabia during Operation Desert Storm, and recognizes excellence in medical knowledge, clinical judgment and medical ethics.

The Major David S. Berry Award for outstanding resident went to Maj. Keith Lemmon, WHMC Adolescent Medicine, and Capt. Claire Gould, WHMC Obstetrics/Gynecology. This award goes to the graduating residents who best exemplify the spirit and character of Maj. David Berry, a SAUSHEC pediatric faculty member who was murdered while assigned to Korea in 2000.

The Outstanding Program Coordinator Award went to Nancy Montgomery, WHMC Neurology Program.

The SAUSHEC Outstanding Faculty Award went to Dr. Daniel Battafarano, BAMC Internal Medicine; and Maj. Kaustubh Joshi, WHMC Psychiatry.

The John D. Roscelli Award for SAUSHEC's Outstanding Program Director was awarded to Col. Elisabeth Stafford, Adolescent Medicine.

Water conservation tip

If you don't have an automatic timer on your sprinkler, use a kitchen timer as a reminder to turn off the water. Left unattended, a garden hose can waste as much as 600 gallons of water in just an hour.



Judo club



James Bruns, of Freedom Judo Club; and Sgt. 1st Class Dagoberto Chapa, of Fort Sam Houston, were participants in the Texas State Brown Belt Judo Tournament held June 16 at College Station, Texas. Bruns was the Men's Masters 1st place gold medal winner and Chapa was the 2nd place silver medal winner.



Courtesy photos

The Fort Sam Houston Judo Club participated in the Texas State Brown Belt Judo Tournament held June 16. Participants not only had a good time but received medals for their part of the competition. The teams members are (from left) Hiroko Matsuno, orange belt, third place women's division; Sgt. 1st Class Dagoberto Chapa, green belt, 2nd place Men's Masters; Pvt. Anthony Lopez, yellow belt, 100 kg silver medal, 2nd place; Pvt. 1st Class Fabian Lewis, orange belt, 90 kg, third place bronze medal; Pvt. Andrew Garnier, yellow belt; and instructor Sensei Karl Johansen, third degree black belt. The Fort Sam Houston Judo Club is open to active duty, reservists and National Guard at no cost. USA Judo insurance is mandatory and Army combat uniforms or battle dress uniforms are an acceptable uniform. Classes are available to children and civilians at a cost of \$50 a month. For more information, call Johansen at 279-1742.

Sports Briefs . . .

Softball tryouts

Players are needed for the men's and women's post softball team. For more information or to tryout, call Earl Young at 221-1180 or e-mail earl.t.young@us.army.mil.

Varsity basketball

Coaches and players are needed for the women's and men's varsity basketball teams. Tryouts for players are Aug. 27 through 31 at 6:30 p.m. at the Jimmy Brought Fitness Center. Those interested in coaching should submit resumes by Aug. 23 to Earl Young at 1212 Stanley Road, Ste. 20, Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234. For more information, call 221-1180 or e-mail earl.t.young@us.army.mil.

Varsity flag football

Coaches and players are needed for the varsity flag football team. Tryouts for players are July 30 through Aug. 3 at 6 p.m. Those interested in coaching should send resumes by July 27 to Earl Young at 1212 Stanley Road, Ste. 20, Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234. For more information, call 221-1180 or e-mail earl.t.young@us.army.mil.

Intramural teams

Letters of intent for intramural flag football and intramural fall softball are due Aug. 1. A coaches' meeting will be held Aug. 6 at 1 p.m. at the Jimmy Brought Fitness Center. Leagues begin Aug. 20. For more information, call Earl Young at 221-1180 or e-mail earl.t.young@us.army.mil.

Heart of Texas Triathlon #3

The Fort Sam Houston Heart of Texas Triathlon #3 will be held July 8 beginning at 7:30 a.m. at the Aquatics Center. For more information or to register, call 221-2020 or 221-1234.

MWR Web site, Information Hotline

Access information about Morale, Welfare and Recreation events, activities and programs 24 hours a day. For more information, call the hotline at 295-3697 or visit www.fortsamhoustonmwr.com.

Brooke Army Medical Center

July Wellness Class Schedule

Class	Dates	Time	Place
Asthma Management	Tuesday, 10, 17, 24 and 31	2 to 3:30 p.m.	BAMC, Health Promotion Center Lower Level, Room L31-9V To schedule these classes, call 916-9900 and choose option No. 4.
Blood Pressure Management	11	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	BAMC, Health Promotion Center lower level, Room L31-9V. To schedule these classes, call 916-9900 and choose option No. 4.
Diabetes Management	Monday and Tuesday, 19, 20, 26 and 27	Call for more information	To participate, call Lila Kinser at 916-0794.
Diabetes Management - Pre-Diabetes	11	Call for information	To participate, call Lila Kinser at 916-0794.
Diabetic Foot Care	9	1 p.m.	To schedule, call Family Medicine Service at 916-7932.
Weigh for Health - Weight Management	12 and 26	1 to 2 p.m.	For class information, call Nutrition Care at 916-7261.
Weigh for Health - Weigh to Stay - Active Duty Military	11 and 18	2 to 3:30 p.m.	For class information, call Nutrition Care at 916-7261.
Yoga	Wednesdays	Noon to 1 p.m.	BAMC, fifth floor, Room 531-14

Religious Briefs . . .

Vacation Bible School

The Installation Chaplain's Office will sponsor Vacation Bible School July 9 to 13 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Dodd Field Chapel's "Avalanche Ranch." Each day children will sing songs, play team-work-building games, nibble "chuck wagon chow," take on a daily challenge to celebrate God's love, experience Bible adventures and collect "Bible Memory Buddies." Each day will conclude with a "Showtime Roundup" celebration that helps participants live what they've learned. Family Members and friends are welcome to attend the Roundup, which begins each day at 8 p.m. For more information, call Brian Merry, Installation Chaplain's Office, at 221-5006 or e-mail Brian.r.merry@us.army.mil.

Rebuilding New Orleans trip

Participants are needed to assist in "rebuilding" New Orleans. The trip is tentatively scheduled for the first week of August, and will be a Wednesday through Sunday evening. People need to call to reserve a spot as soon as possible. For more information, call Brian Merry, Installation Chaplain's Office, at 221-5006 or e-mail brian.r.merry@us.army.mil.

Protestant Women of the Chapel

The Protestant Women of the Chapel will host a June summer study Thursdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Dodd Field Chapel. Childcare will be provided for children up to age 5. A DVD series, which features four Christian women speakers, will cover a different topic each week. For more information, call Paulette Jordan, at 462-7676.

For the chapel services schedule, visit www.samhouston.army.mil/chaplain.

Team builder

418th takes unique approach to common task training



Pfc. Ashley Pollock gets a leg up from Spc. Stephen Schaller as she struggles to climb a rope, while Spc. Peter Bristol and Spc. Jeffrey Debrosse offer encouragement. During the competition, Soldiers from the 418th Medical Logistics Company split into about six teams and competed for the Squad Stakes trophy. The company is attached to the 1st Medical Brigade from Fort Hood, Texas.



Sgt. Michael East puts his upper body strength to the test. Spc. Angela Luna, Sgt. Johnny Williams and Spc. Shakina Taylor are not far behind.



A Soldier attempts to take apart an M-16 rifle while fully clothed in nuclear, biological and chemical gear. For the competition, team members were timed as they donned NBC gear and disassembled and assembled an M-16.



Soldiers race to assemble a Humvee. For this portion of the competition, team members assembled parts then had to push the Humvee for 25 meters.



Spc. Jeffrey Debrosse and Spc. Lasine Konate reach the top of a wall obstacle and prepare for the descent.

Team 1 went home with first place for Squad Stakes. The team members include:
Spc. Jose Cerrano
Sgt. James Leonard
Spc. Donald Sumner
Staff Sgt. Francis Aduoffei
Spc. Brandon Russell
Pfc. Tiffany Lambers
Spc. Charles White



It's a balancing act for Spc. Adam Patterson and Sgt. Ron Carpenter as they negotiate an obstacle at Camp Bullis during Squad Stakes. The competition, held June 18 to 22 at Camp Bullis and Fort Sam Houston, offered a "unique" way for Soldiers from the 418th Medical Logistics Company to complete common task training. "The main reason we did it was to have fun, and it was also a way for us to comply with our warrior tasks and drill requirements," said Sgt. 1st Class Jose Raymundo, competition NCO in charge. "Soldiers also gained better camaraderie as they worked together as a team."

Photos by Sgt 1st Class Jose Raymundo



Squad Stakes judge, Sgt. Bennett, counts push-ups as Sgt. Michael East, Spc. Shakina Taylor, Spc. Angela Luna and Spc. Isaac Holley undergo a physical training test, which included five minutes of push ups, five minutes of sit-ups and a 1-mile relay.



Sgt. John Miorelli reaches out to give Sgt. Richard Boyce a hand at the top of a rope climb during Squad Stakes.



Spc. Richard Childs and Spc. Michael Gay navigate an obstacle hands-free. For the competition, Soldiers had to negotiate 16 obstacles, to include a 25-foot tower. Squad Stakes also included a 3-mile road march, physical training competition, Humvee competition, an obstacle course and a land navigation test.

Community Recreation

Equestrian Center youth camp

Registration for the Summer Youth Horsemanship Camp will continue until classes are full at the Equestrian Center. Camp is for youth ages 7 to 17 and consists of a one-week session held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. The last session ends Aug. 10. The registration fee is \$195 with a \$25 deposit. For more information, call 224-7207.

Outdoor pool is open

The Aquatic Center outdoor pool is open daily from 12 to 8 p.m. for the summer. Admission is free. For more information, call 221-4887 or 221-1234.

Summer swim lessons

Registrations for Red Cross swimming lessons will continue until classes are full at the Aquatic Center. Individuals must register in person Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. The cost is \$40 per student and includes lessons, certificate of completion, class photo and T-shirt. Payment is due at time of registration. Lessons are conducted in two-week sessions held Monday through Friday from 8:15 to 9:15 a.m.

Coushatta Casino resort trip

The MWR Ticket Office and the Sam Houston Club will sponsor a trip to the Coushatta Casino Resort in Kinder, La. The bus will depart from the Sam Houston Club Aug. 7 at 7 a.m. and return Aug. 8 at 10 p.m. The cost is \$49 per person and includes roundtrip motor coach transportation, overnight hotel accommodations, continental breakfast at hotel and one \$23 coupon from the casino. Patrons must be at least 21 years old and possess a valid photo ID at all times. Make reservations at the ticket office by Aug. 1. For more information, call 226-1663 or 224-2721.

and 10:45 to 11:45 a.m. Four summer sessions will be offered. For more information, call 221-4887 or 221-1234.

Golf Course, 222-9386

Red, White and Blue Golf Tournament

The Fort Sam Houston Golf Club will host the annual Red, White and Blue Golf Tournament Wednesday. The shotgun start for the four-person scramble is 12:30 p.m. Entry fees are \$35 for members and \$50 for non-members. Net and gross prizes will be awarded after the tournament at a dinner and awards ceremony. For more information, call 222-9386.

Women's golf clinic

The Fort Sam Houston Golf Course will host two women's golf clinics July 6 through 27 and Aug. 3 through 24 from 6 to 7 p.m. The cost for each session is \$120. For more information, call James Benites at 355-5429.

Warrior's Monthly Scramble tournament

Register up to four players to participate in the Warrior's Monthly Scramble held the first Friday of each month at the Fort Sam Houston Golf Club. The next tournament will be July 6 with a shotgun start time at 12:30 p.m. The entry fee is \$20 per person and includes cart rental, prizes and social following the scramble. Participants must be in an authorized pass or leave status. For more information, call the Golf Club's Pro Shop at 222-9386.

Dining and Entertainment

Sam Houston Club, 224-2721

'At the Copa'

Support the Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers during a performance of "At the Copa" today from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Hacienda Recreation Center. "At the Copa" is one of Fort Sam Houston's entries in the 2007 U.S. Army Festival of the Performing Arts. The variety show features civilian and military vocalists, dancers and musicians performing in a nightclub setting.

Great Getaways Sweepstakes

Register for a chance to win an all-inclusive grand prize vacation package for two at one of four Armed Forces Recreation Centers. The sweepstakes is open to service members, retirees, Department of Defense civilians and their Families, age 18 and older, through Aug. 31. For more information or to enter, visit <http://www.afrcresorts.com/sweepstakes>.

For more information, call 224-7250.

Texas Hold 'em

Sign up now for a new round of Texas Hold 'em July 13 at the Sam Houston Club from 6 p.m. until a winner is declared. Register by July 11 for \$20, which includes a special meal and unlimited soft drinks. The first-place winner will receive a \$700 travel voucher for Southwest Airlines, second place receives a \$300 Army and Air Force Exchange Service gift card and third place receives a \$200 AAFES gift card. For a complete list of prizes and official rules, visit the Sam Houston Club. Players must be at least 21 years old to participate. For more information or to reserve a seat, call 224-2721 or 226-1663.

Harlequin Dinner Theatre, 222-9694

The comedy, "Proposals," by Neil Simon, will play through Saturday. Tickets are \$24.95 Wednesdays and Thursdays, and \$27.95 Fridays and Saturdays. Doors open at 6:15 p.m., the buffet is from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. and the show begins at 8 p.m. For more information or to make reservations, call 222-9694.

MWR Ticket Office, 226-1663

The MWR Ticket Office has discounted tickets for Splashtown. The tickets are \$8 for daily entrance. Also available are tickets for the Daytona International Speedway's 2007 Pepsi 400, SeaWorld season passes and more. The ticket office is open Tuesdays through Fridays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and closed Sundays and Mondays. For more information, visit www.fortsamhoustmwr.com or call 226-1663 or 224-2721.

Child and Youth Services

Parent Advisory Council meeting

The Child and Youth Services Parent Advisory Council will meet July 17 from 11:30

a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Child Development Center. Lunch will be provided. All CYS patrons are encouraged to attend. This is an opportunity to meet staff, attend parent workshops and learn of upcoming events.

FCC providers

Family Child Care is looking for family members interested in becoming certified FCC providers. There is a no-cost start-up plan. For more information, call 221-3828.

Off-post childcare options

The Army Child Care in Your Neighborhood program offers military families more childcare options in the local community. There are two childcare centers and 25 civilian providers in areas surrounding Fort Sam Houston for use by local Army families. The centers and providers are monitored to ensure they meet Army standards. For more information, call Family Service Association at 431-7570 or Fort Sam Houston Central Registration at 221-4871.

Family Child Care Online

Family Child Care Online is a marketing tool that allows parents to take a virtual tour of FCC homes. In addition, parents can read about the provider's philosophy of care, hours of operation and background. This online tool can be accessed through Child and Youth Services Central Registration, Building 2797, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Sport physicals

Patrons interested in summer and fall sports should make appointments for a sport physical now. Patrons will need a sport physical to register. Sports physical must be valid for the entire sport season. Patrons must be registered with Child and Youth Services to participate in sports. For more information or registration requirements, call Central Registration at 221-4871 or 221-1723.

Fall football, cheerleading

Register for fall football and cheerleading for ages 5 to 14. Patrons must be registered with Child and Youth Services. At registration, patrons must provide a current sport physical that is valid through the entire season, Leave and Earnings Statement, spouse's W-2 form, current shot record for kindergarten through fifth graders, child's Social Security number, two local emergency contacts, \$18 registration fee and \$60 football fee and \$50 cheerleading fee. For registration information, call Central Registration at 221-4871. For sports information, call the sports office at 221-5519.

SKIES Unlimited classes

The Child and Youth Services SKIES Unlimited program offers language, music and sports classes for children ages 6 to 18 who are registered with CYS. The first month's fees are due at time of registration at Building 2797. For fee information, visit the Child Development Center, Building 2530; School Age Services, Building 1705; or Middle School and Teens, Building 1630. For more information, call 221-1723 or 221-4871.

Events

MOAA-Alamo Chapter luncheon

The Military Officers Association of America-Alamo Chapter luncheon will be held today at the Lackland Air Force Base Gateway Club; the social hour begins at 11 a.m. and the luncheon at 11:45 a.m. The guest speaker will be Brig. Gen. (Dr.) David Young III, who will discuss Base Realignment and Closure developments, TRI-CARE changes, and the new clinic and pharmacy center. The cost is \$16 per person. For more information or reservations, call 228-9955 by Monday or e-mail moaa-ac@sbcglobal.net.

Lackland's 29th Star Spangled Festival

Lackland Air Force Base is geared up for the 29th annual Star Spangled Festival Wednesday. The gates open at 3 p.m. at the base amphitheater, and admission and parking is free. The event is open to the public. Family festivities for all ages include game booths, kiddie carnival, paintball, food booth and DJ tent. For more information, call the 37th Services Marketing and Publicity office at 671-3906.

Children's Reading Hour

The NCO Wives' Club will host a children's reading hour July 5 and 12 at 1 p.m. at the Keith A. Campbell Memorial Library, 2601 Harney, on the corner of Harney at Chaffee Roads. For more information, call Jennifer Koranyi at 437-2788 or e-mail jennykor@aol.com.

Youth essay contest

Military children are invited to participate in a youth essay contest on the topic, "The Person I Admire." The contest is open to children age 18 and younger eligible to use Services and Morale, Welfare and Recreation facilities at participating bases. The contestants' essays should include name, age, telephone number and the base with which they are associated. Essays should be postmarked before July 10 and mailed to: San Antonio Missions Baseball Club, Post Cereal Youth Essay Contest, 5757 Highway 90 W., San Antonio TX 78277.

NCO National Job Fair

The Noncommissioned Officers Association will host a National Job Fair July 11 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Live Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Road. More than 70 companies will be in attendance. The job fair is free and open to the public. Dress appropriately, bring plenty of copies of your resume and be prepared to meet with local and national recruiters who are hiring in all industries. For more information, call Tony White at 653-6161, ext. 222.

'Sweet Smell of Success' dream jobs

Fort Sam Houston Morale, Welfare and Recreation and Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers have partnered with Speedstick and Army and Air Force Exchange Service to showcase the "Speed Stick 24/7 Guy Mennen Sweet Smell of Success Dream Tour" July 12 from 11 a.m. to 6

p.m. at the Dream Job Employment Center, located between the AAFES Mini-Mall and Post Exchange. Military members and civilians can apply for a weeklong dream job. Stop by and apply for one of many positions including WWE honorary time keeper, music press agent with Sony Music and Maxim Magazine photographer's assistant just to name a few. In addition to scoring a "dream job," MWR will give away \$100 AAFES gift cards. For more information, call 221-2606.

Freedom Alliance Scholarship

The Freedom Alliance Scholarship Fund honors the bravery and dedication of Americans in the armed forces. Freedom Alliance is accepting applications for the 2007-2008 academic year from children of U.S. military personnel who have been killed or permanently disabled in the line of duty during the war on terror and in other theaters of operation. Students must be enrolled or accepted at an accredited college, university or vocational school. The deadline for applications is July 20. For more information or an application, visit www.freedomalliance.org.

2007 Military Long Drive

The MWR Long Drive Championship, presented by Cadbury Schwepps, will be held Aug. 12 at 8:30 a.m. at the Fort Sam Houston Golf Club. This one-day program is a qualified Long Drivers of America event and is open only to active duty service members, Reserve and National Guard (inactive status may participate).

All competitors will compete in an open division. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place finishers. The active duty service member who hits the longest qualified drive during the military division will win \$10,000 and be featured on the ESPN coverage of the event. The top long drive competitor at each of the five geographical zones who records the longest drive will win an all-expenses-paid trip to compete in the military division at the championship in Mesquite, Nev. The San Antonio military installation that provides the most contestants will win \$1,000 worth of AAFES gift cards. For more information, call 222-9386 or visit www.mwrpromotions.org.

Meetings

Audie Murphy Club meeting

The Sergeant Audie Murphy Club will meet today with a member's lunch at 11:30 a.m. and meeting at 12 p.m. at the Sam's Sports Bar inside the Sam Houston Club. Sergeant Audie Murphy and Sergeant Morales members are invited. New members are always welcome. For more information, call 1st Sgt. Clay Istre at 286-4033 or 332-0722.

NCO Wives Club

The NCO Wives' Club will hold their July business meeting Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the Sam Houston Club. Members and non-members are invited; membership is open to all spouses E-4 and above. For more information, call Jennifer Koranyi at 437-2788, or e-mail jennykor@aol.com.

Submission guidelines:

Freebies are published on a first-come, first-served basis. The deadline is noon Monday. Freebies are intended for personal household goods, and may only be submitted by active, retired or reserve military members and civilian employees working on Fort Sam Houston. Real estate ads will not

be published. To submit a Fort Freebie, e-mail news.leader@samhouston.army.mil or fax to 221-1198. Freebies run for one week unless submitter calls to renew. Limit of five items per entry. For more information, call 221-1031.



For Sale: INSTY patio-car cover, 12 feet by 20 feet, \$100; Canon BJC-5000 printer, \$25; two 25 pound weights, \$20. Call 370-3123.

For Sale: Kirby vacuum cleaner, Generation 3, multiple attachments including carpet shampoo cleaning system, original manuals, \$70 obo; Cannon AE-1 35 mm camera with extra lenses, auto rewind and camera bag, \$50 obo. Call 324-2496.

For Sale: 1992 Ford Family Travel Conversion van, loaded, four reclining captain's chairs, electric sofa bed, trailer hitch, front and rear AC, AM/FM radio, TV/VCR, window screens, power locks and windows, luggage roof rack, service records available, needs repairs to gas tank, \$2,295. Call 659-6741.

For Sale: Rainbow play set, curved tube slide, 2 swings, rock climbing wall and numerous other features with green tent cover, \$3,700. Call 883-5502 or 682-3589.

For Sale: Glass/crackle finish coffee table, \$95; queen bed with headboard, footboard and rails; highboy armoire and nightstand, \$500; storage cube and toy chest, \$30; DVD/VHS combo player with remote, \$25. Call 224-4428.

For Sale: Four BF Goodrich radial T/A tires, size P245/60R15, \$200 set. Call 295-3210 or 494-8401.

For Sale: AKC miniature pinschers, 2 red males, 10 weeks old, first shots, dew-claws and tails cropped, great family pets, \$150 each. Call Kim at 590-2985 or leave

message at 430-0133.

For Sale: Jazzy motorized wheelchair with detachable foot rest and instruction booklet, \$1,050. Call 661-3765.

For Sale: Golden retriever, 4 years old, male, obedient, \$125; Coach bag, \$45; Nine West bag, \$12; red and white female Boston terrier, \$245; exercise equipment, \$75. Call 633-3859.

For Sale: Rectangular coffee table, 66 inches long by 25 inches wide, solid wood with three black marble inlays, very heavy, \$175. For more information and photos, call 271-3661.

Free to good home: Four kittens, 3 weeks old, need a good home. Call 654-7128.

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Program at Army Community Service offers this service. For more information, call 221-1612.

