

## IN BRIEF

Ever think you would be a great social worker, teacher or secretary? The Army Spouse Career Assessment Tool can let you know what career you are best suited for. The Employment Readiness Program will host ASCAT sessions from 1 to 3 p.m. and from 4 to 6 p.m., May 28 at Army Community Service. ASCAT will let you know what leadership style you have, what kind of work environment you prefer and your personal strengths that you contribute to the work force. Call 785-239-9435 for more information or to register.

The Employment Readiness Program will be offering a month-long program of events to assist job seekers in becoming an expert Career Pathfinder. Just follow the Pathfinder map available at Army Community Service, Building 7264, and let ERP assist you with the path to finding the career of your choice. The four steps to the program are Scout Your Path; Navigate Your Path; Approach Your Destination; and Celebrate Your Success.

All events are free. For more information, call 239-9435 or e-mail [teresa.jo.johnson@us.army.mil](mailto:teresa.jo.johnson@us.army.mil).

**Get on the Fort Riley Middle School Teen Center's e-mail list** and stay in the loop on activities coming up at the center. The teen center will send an e-mail each month to parents and youth in grades six through 12 with teen center events and projects. Call 239-9222 for more information or to be added to the list.

At Fort Riley's **Son Rock Kids Camp, June 8-12**, kids will experience an adventure camp like no other. Children will have a great time singing songs, watching skits, creating crafts, playing games, making new friends and more. The Fort Riley Religious Education Office is looking for adult volunteers who are willing to share their time and talents with the community. We need camp counselors, decorators, skit performers, center coordinators, helpers and more. Opportunities are available to even fit the busiest of schedules. A preschool program will be available for volunteer's children, ages 3-4, as well as a nursery. For more information, contact Don Ericson at 239-0979 or [donald.ericson@conus.army.mil](mailto:donald.ericson@conus.army.mil).

**The Post Thrift Shop is taking applications** for a store associate to operate the Dollar Bag Room. The hours will be Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. (May - September) and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. (October - April). They will also be needed on the first and third Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Additional hours as needed. Applications will be accepted thru April 23 and can be picked up at the Thrift Shop during normal business hours. For more information, call 785-784-3874.

Current thrift shop hours are 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday with consignments from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. the first and third Saturday of each month with consignments from 10 a.m. to noon. The Dollar Bag Room will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesdays and from 10 a.m. to noon the first and third Saturdays of each month.

## COMMUNITY CORNER

## Lt. Dan Band to play for Fort Riley troops, Families

By Col. Richard Piscal  
GARRISON COMMANDER

Next weekend, a hangar at Marshall Army Airfield will be transformed into a concert venue to welcome home recently deployed troops from the 1st Infantry Division's Combat Aviation and Sustainment Brigades and provide our Families with a night of free music.

Gary Sinise and the Lt. Dan Band will take the stage at 7 p.m. May 9 inside Hangar 863, USO Fort Riley and Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation worked together to bring the band to post to honor our troops. Sinise often performs on USO tours and plays about 30 to 40 shows a year. Some of our Soldiers may have even seen the band while deployed in Iraq or Afghanistan. All Defense Department ID card holders are welcome at the



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show and each can bring one guest as well. ID cards will be checked at the entrance.

Many people may recognize Sinise from the 1994 film "Forrest Gump" where he played Lt. Dan. According to the band's Web site,

while visiting troops, people often recognized Sinise as Lt. Dan. The band's name stemmed from that recognition. Besides touring with the band, Sinise also stars on CBS' CSI: NY.

The band plays a wide range of music from Bruce Springsteen to Aretha Franklin, with Sinise on bass guitar. Because of the variety of music, just about everyone should hear something they like during the free, two-hour show.

## TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING

Concert goers will be able to access the airfield off of Henry Drive from Marshall Drive. Ample parking will be available at the site, and spaces will be designated for vehicles with handicap placards. If someone needs a ride to the venue from their parking space, golf carts will be running shuttles to and from the gate.

## WHAT TO BRING

Folding lawn chairs and blankets will be allowed at the concert. Those who want to purchase beer will need a valid photo ID. Attendees who want to purchase beer can show their photo ID to personnel at the beer stands to get a wristband. Soda, water and food such as hamburgers, hot dogs and nachos will be sold at the concert by the CAB and Sustainment Family Readiness Groups.

Each FRG will be selling combo meals as well.

## WHAT NOT TO BRING

Outside food or beverages, and coolers are not permitted at the concert. Security personnel will check bags at the spectator area gate.

## TIMELINE

The site will open at 5:30 p.m. The show will begin at 7 p.m. and end at 9:15 p.m.

## ON-SITE SERVICES

Beer, soda, water and food will be sold on site. A first-aid station will be located at the rear of the spectator area and port-a-johns will be the only available restrooms on site. The band does not sell merchandise, so you don't

need to bring more than a few dollars for dinner to be able to enjoy this great event.

The concert is open to all DoD ID holders, so I hope to see Hangar 863 packed with Soldiers, Family members and civilian employees and their guests. Partnerships between organizations such as the USO and FMWR are just one way we are able to bring great programs and events to Fort Riley. Take advantage of these opportunities so they keep coming. If we all participate in making Fort Riley the world's premier installation, it will happen. And, we are well on our way.

*If you would like to comment on this article, or suggest a topic to be covered in the Community Corner, e-mail [rile.vic@news.paper@conus.army.mil](mailto:rile.vic@news.paper@conus.army.mil).*

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## VOLUNTEERS OF THE QUARTER

Maj. Terri Andreoni, DHHB, 1st Inf. Div.

Deborah Baer, Officer and Civilian Spouses Club

Barbara Barlow, 2nd HBCT

Sgt. Zakariah Bass, American Red Cross

Spc. Kacie Chandler, BOSS

Michelle Clark, 1st Sust. Bde.

Christina Clover, 2nd HBCT

Ian Davis, Middle School Teen Center

Sandi Farrington, Officer and Civilian Spouses Club

Spc. Steven Hines, BOSS

Jennifer Hinson, 2nd HBCT

Meredith Jeffers, 1st Bde.

Shannon Johnson, 2nd HBCT

Amie Jones, 2nd HBCT

Kelly Kreis, Historical and Archeological Society of Fort Riley

Dana Libby, Enlisted Spouses Club

Kara Martinez, 4th IBCT

Denise McCarell, Officer and Civilian Spouses Club

Erica McMannes, CAB

Pat Medill, 1st Sust. Bde.

Gina Menoldi, CAB

Angela Merritt, ACS

Connie Miller, HHD, 97th MP Bn.

Master Sgt. Jeffrey Morris, DHHB, 1st Inf. Div.

Janet Nichols, 1st Bde.

Sgt. Timothy O'Neill, DHHB, 1st Inf. Div.

Jimi Parker, HASFR

Sgt. Timothy Parker, 1st Sust. Bde.

Spc. Marcus Phelps, 1st Sust. Bde.

Spc. Amber Phillips, BOSS

Tracey Potter, 1st Bde.

Tracey Potter, Fort Riley Elementary School

Celeste Snyder, 4th IBCT

Staff Sgt. Scott Spangler, CGMCG, 1st Inf. Div.

Kimberly Thurston-Bynum, CAB

Sherry Trunck, 1st Sust. Bde.

Danna Vazquez, DHHB, 1st Inf. Div.

Karen Wilborn, Fort Riley Chapel Services

## VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR NOMINEES

Carroll, Nicole Carroll, 2nd HBCT

Sarah Claus, 4th IBCT

Charles and Sherry Finger, Fort Riley Chapel Services

Erain Garcia, 1st Sust. Bde.

Sgt. Michelle Gonzales, 1st Sust. Bde.

Susan Hayes, 1st Sust. Bde.

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Jennifer Kent, HHD, 97th MP Bn.

Patricia Lahan, 2nd HBCT

Nicole Leuci, CAB

Chris McCoy, Enlisted Spouses Club

1st Sgt. Ryan Matthew McLane, 1st Bde.

Erica McMannes, Officer and Civilian Spouses Club

Yvette Montes, ACS

Nolan Family, HHD, 97th MP Bn.

Spc. Kindra Smith, BOSS

Sgt. Paul Trujillo, 2nd HBCT

Erin Voinoi, CAB

Kathleen Whittle, HASFR

## Volunteers give back across Fort Riley

By Bill Armstrong  
STAFF WRITER

Three women stood behind a folding table April 21 at the Post Exchange, handing out goodie bags to those who volunteer their time at Fort Riley. Jennie Mosley, outreach program coordinator, Heather Stewart, Army Community Service volunteer coordinator, and Faith Barnes, Army Family Team Building and Army Family Action Plan program manager, had volunteers sign a sheet before handing them their gift bag to thank them for their donated labor. The gifts from ACS and the Army and Air Force Exchange Service were part of Volunteer Recognition Week on post.

Natalie Davis has been an Army volunteer for six years. For the past three years on Fort Riley, Davis has served others as a Family Readiness Group leader for Headquarters Support Company, 601st Aviation Support Battalion, Combat Aviation Brigade, 1st Infantry Division. Her husband, Capt. Scott Davis, commands the company. "As a junior spouse, I didn't know anything about the Army," Davis said. "When we moved to Germany, I had some spouses who helped me out and showed me the ropes, and I like to do that for other spouses."

Tenisha Wilson works without pay



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Tina Hobson stopped by an Army Community Service table April 21 at the Post Exchange to claim her free goodie bag. Hobson and other volunteers were thanked for their donated hours April 20-24 during Volunteer Recognition Week.

as a key caller for Special Troops Battalion, 2nd Heavy Brigade Combat Team, 1st Inf. Div.

"I help out by making phone calls to all the spouses while the guys are deployed," Wilson said. "We let them know about things going on around post. We also call them to let them know about things that are going on

with the guys."

Wilson has been an Army volunteer for about one year.

"I do it because I'd want someone to do it for me while my husband's deployed. It helps to get the information in," she said.

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## AT THE MOVIES

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$4 for adults and \$2 for children 11 and under. Children under the age of 5 are free except during children's matinees or expected sell-outs.

May 1 - Race To Witch Mountain, PG

May 2 - I Love You Man, R

May 3 - Race To Witch Mountain, PG, 5 p.m. showing

For more information, call Barlow Theater at 239-9574.



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