



Army Community Covenant; What Gratitude Looks Like

by Lt. Gen. Lynch IMCOM Commander

As our Nation commits to preserving freedom through the uncertainty of deployments and conflicts across the world, Americans give us a special gift -- embracing Soldiers and their Families with sincere support. It warms my heart to see adults, children, organizations and businesses that represent all walks of life sending care packages to deployed Soldiers and extending special invitations when they return. In a larger way, the Army Community Covenant (ACC) generates a great deal of community support for Army Families while their Soldiers are away.

The Secretary of the Army created the ACC in 2008 to build mutual relationships and strengthen bonds between Soldiers, Families and American communities. It fosters and sustains effective state and community partnerships with the Army to improve the quality of life for Soldiers and their Families. On the ground, the ACC accomplishes two things. First, it recognizes the selfless service of community volunteers, highlighting their great personal contributions. It also shows Soldiers the compassion and support of the American public.

Now in its third year, the ACC kicked off with a series of signing ceremonies affirming the mutual support and trust between the military and local communities. To date there have been more than 450 signing ceremonies.

While the signing ceremonies are the public, outward display of a vital mutual relationship -- support from communities helps build resilience in our Families -- the

ACC is a highly beneficial two-way partnership that strengthens ties between our Soldiers and home town America.

The generosity of America's neighborhoods, towns, cities, and counties is astounding. Every day communities devise new ways, both small and large, to demonstrate their appreciation for Soldiers and Families. Adults, children, organizations, and businesses send care packages to deployed Soldiers, offer emergency relief to Families in need, welcome Soldiers home after deployment, and most importantly provide a support network to complement and enhance Soldier well being. From students baking cookies for deployed units, to elected leaders promoting legislation that builds equity in school transition for children of Military Families, each is a gift.

Volunteers from all walks of life devote countless hours to giving back to those who defend our Nation's freedom. Here are a few Community Covenant initiatives to give you an idea of the scope of support that target financial, employment, health, youth programs, training, or other needs unique to a particular garrison or group of Soldiers or Family members:

- Camps focus on fun learning experiences for young people that last a lifetime. Some camp sponsors are private organizations like the 4-H Clubs, Girl Scouts, Operation Military Kids; state National Guards sponsor others. Kids form new, lasting friendships with children from a variety of military backgrounds.
 - Educator seminars help teachers

learn what makes life different for children with parents serving in the military. From frequent moves to deployment and redeployment, military children have a special set of experiences that moves with them, school to school, and that affect their education experience.

- All volunteer Adopt-A-Unit programs support deployed units in-theatre and celebrate returning units with event invitations. These programs also enthusiastically remember those currently deployed through the Yellow Ribbon program, encouraging community members to display yellow ribbons at their homes and offices.
- Financial support programs from states, counties and private organizations take many forms, whether help with property taxes, assistance for Soldiers of all components who deploy in support of the Overseas Contingency Operations, or grants or no-interest loans for emergencies for Reserve Component Soldiers.
- Programs abound to help
 Families focus on building quality
 time together. Reduced or free
 admission to state parks, amusement
 attractions, and sports events
 help Soldiers and Families enjoy
 memorable time together. Retreats
 for Families of fallen Soldiers build
 strong networks of friendship for
 those members of the Army Family
 who have experienced the ultimate
 loss.
- There are community-based organizations that solicit donations exclusively to fund a variety of programs with 100 percent of all donations going to the designated programs. In-kind donations from community members and businesses entirely fund administration

expenses.

- Education support for Soldiers and Family members through scholarships, continuing education opportunities, or grants helps further both individual and Army readiness through access to education.
- Special programs honor the children of wounded warriors, and Families and children of fallen heroes with personalized, commemorative items like handmade quilts.

These best practices embody selfless service on the part of Americans around the country, but there are many more. I mention them here as great examples of how citizens endure in their support with lasting relationships in the face of multiple and lengthy periods of military conflict. The ACC web site, http://www.army.mil/community, is a great resource for Soldiers, Family members, leaders, and community organizations to see best practices from around the country. Follow the latest developments and get ideas for your community by following the ACC on Facebook, and join in the discussion on Twitter, both linked via the ACC homepage.

As the Army reflects the face of America, the ACC reflects the face of America's gratitude. It's all about relationships. Go out of your way to thank a Community Covenant partner for their active caring for Soldiers and their Families. Work together with community leaders, private organizations, faith-based groups, and individual American citizens.

Help America help Soldiers by always taking to heart what partnering opportunities may be possible.

Command Corner



he days are getting longer, temperatures are slowly on the rise, and winter will soon loosen its icy grip on Fort Greely.

We start gaining light at a rapid pace during March ... from the beginning of the month to the end of the month you can expect 3 more hours of daylight! The average high temperature at the beginning of March is 18 degrees but by month's end the average climbs to 30 degrees.

Spring is only a few weeks away. The first day of Spring, known as the vernal equinox in the Northern Hemisphere, is March 20. With Spring on the way, that means Daylight Saving Time is coming up soon too. This year, we set our clocks ahead one hour at 2 a.m. on March 14.

During this time of year as the pace quickens, please don't forget to include risk management in all your decisions and activities. Think "Safety First."

March can be a tricky weather month, especially in Alaska. Please remember "break-up" is not here yet and the dangers of Winter still linger. Don't become lackadaisical when it comes to safety.

Road conditions can still be treacherous especially when temperatures rise and fall causing a "thaw and refreeze" cycle. This creates hazardous icy driving conditions. Take caution when walking too!

As the days get longer the sun can help remedy "cabin fever." Take time to enjoy this transitional time. The Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation staff offers numerous recreation events and activities. So get out and enjoy one of the most beautiful places on Earth ... Alaska! I expect the Valdez Campground will get plenty of visitors this season so make plans early. If you do feel the effects of "cabin fever", you need to get some sunlight (real or artificial – at the gym), get some exercise, talk to the Chaplain, our Army Community Service staff or our Military Family Life Consultants – the Army has provided you with these resources – use them!

March is Women's History Month. Mark your calendars for the Fort Greely observance at 11 a.m. March 25 at the Gabriel Auditorium

Get ready to enjoy a great Spring and Summer! Thanks for your continued dedication and hard work. Your efforts are having a positive impact here on the Army's Frontier.

- Lt. Col. Chronis Garrison Commander

Directorate of the month: PAIO

What is your mission? The Plans, Analysis, and Integration (PAI) Office provides oversight of assigned management programs; performs analytical reviews; monitors Army Common Levels of Support; customer relationship systems; captures and enables implementation of best business practices; identifies, tracks, and reports performance measures; and integrates and optimizes use of technology. This office is the Commander's focal point for strategy and management planning for the installation.

How many staff members do you have to complete this mission?
There are four members currently assigned to PAIO – Strategic Planner (Chief), Plans Specialist, and two Management Analysts.

What does a typical work day for one of your staff members look like? We monitor use of the Installation Status Report (input and training); we facilitate the Health Care Consumer Council meetings; we facilitate the Quality of Life Council for the Command Sergeant Major; we facilitate the Installation Planning Board; we are representatives on the EO Council; we write the Strategic Plan; we support sustainability efforts; we facilitate the creation of the Garrison Commander's briefs: we create and administer the Garrisonlevel survey; we administer and monitor the Lean Six Sigma program.

What is your staff's greatest accomplishment in the last year? We have been recognized as accomplishing the most comprehensive Installation Planning Board.

What is your staff's greatest obstacle for this year? Ensuring that we continue to provide the best possible customer service for every organization associated with Fort Greely.

What are the top three goals for your directorate this year? Increase the Strategic Plan to include action plans as an addendum; complete the Organizational Self Assessment so we can compete for Army Communities of Excellence; improve our customer support initiatives and support our Quality of Life Council.

How can we, the Fort Greely community, help your directorate reach your goals? Participate in surveys by giving us usable and helpful feedback.

How can we, the Delta Junction community, help your directorate reach your goals? Attend Quality of Life and sustainability events to continue our emphasis on Army Community Covenant initiatives.

How does your directorate benefit the Delta Junction community now? We are the proponents of Army Family and Community covenants. We are here to serve the needs of the Soldiers, their Families, our Civilians, and the Retirees of the community.

How does your directorate benefit the Fort Greely community now? As stated for the community, we are here to serve the Fort Greely community through the Army Family Covenant guidelines.

If there were no budget restraints what would be the top three items you would seek to acquire? We would like the ability to enact all Quality of Life and Lean Six Sigma suggestions to improve the community as a whole.

How would these items benefit the Delta Junction community? Why? Every time we improve the quality of life of our Soldiers and their Families, we improve the Delta Junction community. These benefits make this a better place to live and that provides the local community additional resources.

How would these items benefit the Fort Greely community? Why? As stated above, we are improving the life of our community in general but also the community as a whole.



PAIO Director, Kris Bailey

Greely gal 'slam dunks' Army Community Covenant

by Deborah Ward Public Affairs Specialist from the Fort Greely

Middle School Athletic

Junior Varsity (6th - 7th

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The weather turned colder and the fallen leaves crunched underfoot. In a cool autumn drizzle an 11 year-old girl stands bent on a crumbled cement pad dribbling, concentrating and taking aim.

From the time
Marsha Renaud, PAIO
Management Analyst at
Fort Greely, was in 6th
grade, basketball has
been her sport
of choice, her
challenge and
her escape.
With such

with such passion it's no wonder that Renaud accepted an offer in 2008 demands of the FGMS basketball team due to her own continuing education. Two weeks into the 2008 season and with 30 girls waiting for a coach, Renaud found the decision to coach an easy one to make in her mind and heart, but as life often stands firmly in our paths, there were hurdles for her to leap.

Renaud's family life

and work schedule are demanding. Those schedules needed to be flexible if she was going to be able to coach. When Renaud approached her supervisor, Kristine Bailey, with the idea of coaching basketball Bailey immediately supported her 100 percent. Bailey

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Greely employees supporting the Soldiers, Families and Community Citizens as identified in the Army Community Covenant. The command backed Renaud with full

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The command backed Renaud with full permission to adjust her work hours to meet the needs of the game and practice schedules.

With all the support that was given her Renaud has been running strong for two years of coaching.

In the 2009 season every week for four months Renaud fulfilled her 40 hour work requirement, spent three to four hours of her own annual leave to travel to and from Fairbanks for games and completely turned her life upside down so that she could make a difference to nearly 30 girls who desperately wanted to play basketball.

Renaud believes that at this age level every player is important. They should believe in themselves and trust that they have something vital to contribute to the team.

"I always reminded the girls that as a coach and team we focus on what we do well and work extra hard on improving the fundamental areas where we are weaker," Renaud

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said.

The concept of "team" is vital to Renaud. She is against building a team around a few great players.

Renaud said, "When coaches do this at this age, they demoralize the other players and this is destructive to a child's confidence; not to mention it is in direct contrast to the 'team' concept."

The joy that Renaud experiences when she coaches can be seen when she smiles. Watching her team learn a drill, such as the loose ball drill, brings out a lot of laughs from everyone in the gym.

Renaud sets the team standards at the beginning of each season and it's clear that her girls know what their coach expects.

Throughout each season Renaud collects the girls from their classrooms and escorts them down to the gym for practice.

Practice isn't easy for anyone.

"I tend to forget that I'm not 20 anymore. The girls quickly remind me on scrimmage days. They are tough I tell you, I try to keep up with them on the court and they run circles around me," said Renaud

No matter how the tummies cramp or the sweat stings the eyes Renaud reminds her girls that quitting is not an option whether it is on the court, in the classroom, or in life.

She is proud of all the girls on her teams and encourages them that regardless of the challenges and adversity in life that they will face to never stop believing in themselves and to never give up.

Coaching for Renaud



Coach Marsha Renaud, of the FGMS Grizzlies, makes suggestions to the team during the conference tournament at Ryan Middle School in Fairbanks.





Coach Renaud goes over a game plan during half time at the conference tournament (top). Jess Reiter evades a TMS forward as she makes her way down the court (middle). Photos by Deborah Ward

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– Marsha Renaud

is a constant learning process.

"I learn something new every time we take the court, but the number one thing is that every single player learns differently and that requires me to be adaptable, understanding and patient," said Renaud.

Renaud feels the rewards of coaching every time she works with a group of kids that want to learn the game.

"Watching players take what they learned in practice and then execute it on the court is so rewarding," Renaud said.

Renaud's selfless dedication to FGMS basketball team and her desire to afford the community something extra comes from a long love of basketball.

Growing up, one of Renaud's role models was North Carolina State women's basketball coach, Kay Yow. To Renaud, Yow's success of over 700 career wins and a gold medal from the 1988 Seoul Olympics, was something to be proud of, yet it was Yow's contributions to society off the court that solidified Renaud's respect of Yow.

When Yow was diagnosed with breast cancer in Renaud's Senior year of high school she became a major force in fund-raising efforts to fight cancer. To Renaud, Yow's determination, dedication and love for the sport of basketball, was similar to that of Renaud's aunt who was lost to breast cancer when Renaud was in her Sophomore year.

"Until my aunt's battle with cancer ended, she never missed any of my basketball games."

Now Renaud continues to play the game by helping others.

Her son Drew and

something that needed to be done.

The fact is, it takes more than a loving and understanding family to make great things like being able to coach two teams and help out a community of families happen.

It takes volunteers from the local area too. Scheduling a basketball clinic or organizing a youth basketball tournament to give the teams more time on the court would be a life enhancing event for all involved.

If that seems a bit too daunting then perhaps consider volunteering to be a team manager, van driver, practice assistant Fairbanks league. That meant less games, nine in 2009 season versus 16 in 2008. Of those nine games only two were home games.

"That makes it really hard on the girls because most of their parents work and couldn't make the trips to Fairbanks to watch their daughters play," said Renaud.

As a coach, Renaud would love the opportunity to work as the assistant high school basketball coach and progress to the head coach position in the future.

Renaud is aware of the dedication it takes from everyone with a child in a sport and never wants to miss an opportunity to say, "thank you" to all of those that contribute to the team's success.

With most of the games in Fairbanks, it created a lot of late nights for the girls and for the parents. Many parents had jobs to go to early the next morning and the girls certainly had school. It was tough at times, but Renaud remains firm in her belief that with all of the great attitudes from the girls and their strong determination it was worth it

The heartache for Renaud comes from having to say good bye to her eighth grade girls as they transition to high

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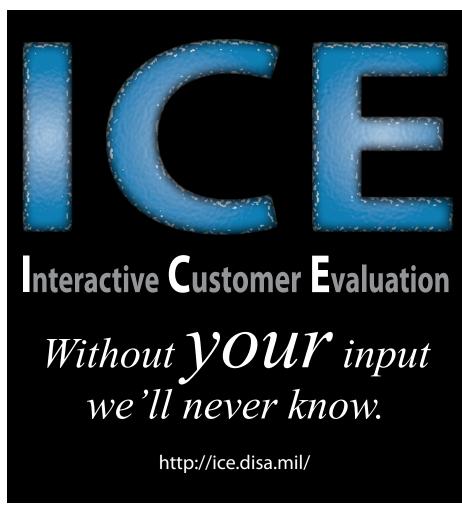
Marsha Renaud

her husband Rick are Renaud's biggest supporters. The early mornings and late evenings aren't something they complain about. It was a change in the normal routine and or tutor any of the team members struggling with their studies.

Money is always an issue too. With this year's high travel expenses it forced the middle school to join ranks with the

school. She will miss them.

For the rest of the girls, Renaud assures them that she'll see them on the court again next year.



ust in case you have forgotten, here is a little more about the Interactive Customer Evaluation (ICE) system. This system is designed to allow Department of Defense customers to rate services provided. The system is web-based and gives our customers a way to interact with the service providers to ensure we "hear" their voices. To access the system, just go to the nearest computer and type in: http://ice.disa.mil. Just follow the prompts from there and select the appropriate branch, community, service category, and, finally, service provider. Input your information and then submit it. You should receive a response within 72 hours. The response can only be received if you become Interactive

and provide your followup information which is currently optional.

Special emphasis must be on the word Interactive. According to dictionary. com, Interactive is defined as, "interacting with a human user, often in a conversational way, to obtain...immediate results or updated information." ICE is based on an ability to respond to our customers. Even if you provide a less-thancomplimentary Comment Card, the service provider would like to respond to you. There could be reasons that the service was less than you desired. If you allow an Interactive response, you may understand how the situation could be fixed and possibly how you could assist or could have assisted in making the service better.

Remember, ICE is to

allow customers to rate services. The system should not be used for personal attacks or to address issues that are not appropriate to the service provider. And.... not everything can be fixed immediately; change often takes time. However, nothing, and I repeat nothing, can be "fixed" if the service provider doesn't know about it. Let them hear honest and appropriate feedback about their services. We also have comment card boxes at the Delta Junction Family Medical Center and the Crossroads Family Dentistry which are monitored by Plans, Analysis and Integration Personnel to ensure your feedback is appropriately handled.

So you might ask
-- if it is so important
to remain Interactive,
then why am I even

being given the choice to remain anonymous? The following is from the Frequently Asked Questions on the ICE web site:

Why does ICE allow anonymous comment card submissions?

The designers of ICE decided to accept anonymous submissions primarily to protect customers from retribution or fear of retribution. A customer who is afraid he/ she will receive backlash for negative feedback may hesitate to submit a comment. In this way. ICE is no different from paper comment cards or suggestion boxes. Customers utilizing those methods of giving feedback may do so anonymously as well. Also, even if ICE stated that contact information was required to submit a comment; customers could work around that restriction by entering false contact information in order to provide feedback.

This is an appropriate method to allow people to submit information; however, we at Fort Greely are committed to making sure we "hear" our customers and respond to their concerns. Please assist us by adding your contact information to the Comment Cards so we can provide a proper follow-up. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kris Bailey; Chief, Plans, Analysis and Integration Office, 873-7346, and she will personally assist you with your Comment Cards and the necessary responses.







A reminder from the Safety Office:

Keeping your car(s) in good condition will decrease your chance of being stranded in cold weather. Have a mechanic check your battery, antifreeze, wipers and windshield washer fluid, ignition system, thermostat, lights, flashing hazard lights, exhaust system, heater, brakes, defroster, and oil level. If necessary, replace existing oil with winter grade oil. Make sure you have good winter tires and that they have sufficient tread. All-weather radials are usually adequate for most winter conditions.

- Carry your cell phone, keep the battery charged and keep it with you whenever traveling. If you should become stranded, you will be able to call for help, and tell people your location.
- Keep a windshield scraper and small broom in your car for ice and snow removal.
- Put together an emergency kit for your vehicle.
- Keep your car's gas tank full.
- Traveling during winter weather can be hazardous. Find out what the road conditions are for the time that you will be traveling. Plan to travel during daylight and, if possible, take at least one other person.
- Let someone know of your destination, your route, and when you expect to arrive. If your car gets stuck along the way, help can be sent along your predetermined route.
- Be aware of the weather conditions, which can make driving very hazardous. The leading cause of death during winter is from automobile or other transportation accidents. During winter weather conditions, multiple vehicle accidents are more likely to occur, resulting in injury and death.

Ten Key Indicators of Potential Terrorist Associated Insider Threats to the Army

by Jeff Kinsman Antiterrorism Officer

These indicators are intended to highlight behaviors or activities that point to potential terrorist insider threats to the army (i.e. potential national security threats). The following activities may be indicators of potential terrorist activity and should be reported immediately to your chain of command:

 Advocating violence, the threat of violence, or the use of force to achieve goals that are political, religious, or ideological in nature.

 Advocating support for international terrorist organizations or objectives.

- Providing financial or other material support to a terrorist organization or to someone suspected of being a terrorist
- Association with or connections to known or suspected terrorists
- Repeated expressions of hatred and intolerance of American society, culture, government,





or the principles of the U.S. Constitution. Repeated browsing or visiting internet web sites that promote or advocate violence directed against the United States or U.S. Forces, or that promote international terrorism or terrorist themes without official sanction in the performance of duty. Expressing an obligation to engage in violence in support of international terrorism or inciting others to do the same.

- Purchasing bomb making materials or obtaining information about the construction of explosives.
- Active attempts to encourage others to violate laws, disobey lawful orders or regulations, or disrupt military activities.
- Familial ties to known or suspected international terrorists or terrorist supporters.

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CRIME PREVENTION TIPS ON PREVENTING IDENTITY THEFT

Information provided by News USA and the National Crime Prevention Council

In the course of the day, you do many activities that put your personal information at risk - from writing a check at the store to charging merchandise in person, over the phone or online. You may not think twice about these transactions, but others might. Identity theft — when a perpetrator assumes someone's identity for personal or financial gain, like stealing a credit card to make financial transactions in the victim's name is the fastest-growing crime in America. According to the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, there were almost 10 million cases of identity theft in 2004, which cost consumers \$5 billion. The National Citizens' Crime Prevention Campaign, sponsored by the National Crime Prevention Council, aims to educate consumers about what they can do to prevent identity theft. The council offers the following tips.

- Do not give out your personal information unless you initiate the contact or know the person or company with whom you are dealing. Also, never disclose personal information, such as a Social Security number or bank account number, in response to an email. Legitimate businesses will not ask you to do this.
- Do not disclose your credit card number to an online vendor unless it is encrypted and the site is secure. Look at the first part of the Web address on your browser. It should read "https://."
- Do not write your Social Security number or telephone number on checks or credit card receipts.
- Remove all documents with personal information from your hard drive before discarding your computer or sending it in for repair.



- Shred discarded documents, including preapproved credit card applications, bank statements, store receipts and utility bills. "Dumpster divers" can gain access to your personal information if such items are thrown in the trash.
- Cancel all credit cards that have not been used in the last six months. Open credit is a prime target for thieves.
- Order your credit report at least twice a year and report any mistakes to the credit reporting agency in writing.

If you are a victim of identity theft, contact your local police department as soon as possible. If your identity was stolen in one jurisdiction but used in another, you may have to report the crime in both jurisdictions. To learn more about preventing identity theft, visit the National Crime Prevention Council's Web sites at: www.weprevent.org and www.ncpc.org.

For Emergencies call 911
Fort Greely Police 873-COPS
Fort Greely Fire 873-FIRE
Anonymous Crime TIPS 873-CRME
Fort Greely Crime Prevention 873-9149

America's Forgotten

Black Fortress of Freedom

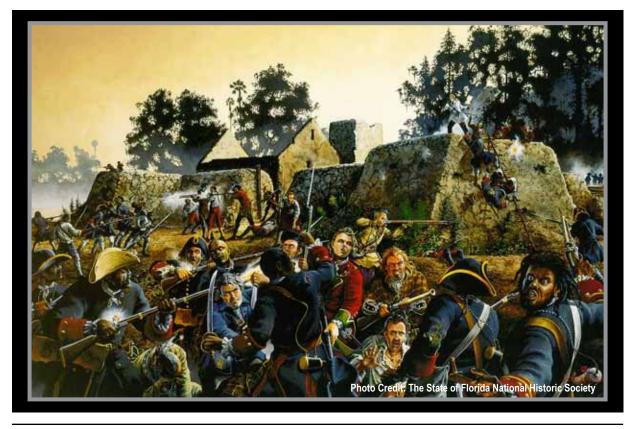
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Hidden away in the marshes near St. Augustine, Fla. is one of the most important sites in American history.

Following the 1670 establishment of the colony, Charlestown in South Carolina by the English, enslaved Africans began making their way down the Atlantic coast to the Spanish settlement of St. Augustine, Fla. There they were offered liberty and religious sanctuary.

In 1681, African and African American runaways established the farming community of Gracia Real de Santa Teresa de Mose about two miles north of the Spanish Settlement. African born slaves risked their lives battling slave catchers. hostile Indians and alligator infested swamps to escape Colonial England. They helped establish the first free Black Settlement in North America.

In Florida Territory the Spanish offered every man a chance for freedom. The price was a pledge of allegiance to the King of Spain and religious



conversion to the Catholic Church.

The Spanish welcomed skilled laborers of any race, and these freed men were also welcome additions to the St.

Augustine garrison's weak military forces. Fort Mose provided Spain's northernmost defense in the Americas.

The African born Captain of the militia, Francisco Men'ndez, was recognized by Florida's Spanish governor as "chief" of the community. In 1738 the Spanish governor, Manuel de Montiano, officially recognized the fortified town and Mose (pronounced "Moh- say") became the first legally sanctioned free black town in what is now the United States.

Ft. Mose is a critically important site for Black American history. Ft.

Mose provides important evidence that Black American colonial history was much more than slavery and oppression. The men and women of Mose won their liberty through great, daring effort and made important contributions to Florida's multi-ethnic heritage. Ft. Mose shows that African Americans played important roles in the rivalry and confrontations between England and Spain in the colonial Southeast.

The people of Mose were guerrilla fighters who made politically astute alliances with the Spaniards; their Indian allies, and waged fierce war against their former masters.

The Black militia fought bravely alongside Spanish regulars to drive off the English and Spanish forces who attacked St. Augustine in 1740. The black troops also fought in the Spanish counteroffence against Georgia two years later.

The men and women who formed the community at Mose are no longer anonymous. Centuries-old documents recovered in the colonial archives of Spain, Florida, Cuba, and South Carolina tell us who lived in Mose and something about what it was like to live there.

We know that in 1759 the village consisted of twenty-two palm thatch huts which housed 37 men, 15 women, seven boys and eight girls. These villagers attended Mass in a wood church where their priest also lived. The people of Mose farmed the land and the men stood guard at the fort or patrolled the frontier.

The villagers came from

many different tribal and cultural groups in West Africa and were taken as slaves to English Carolina. While struggling to gain their freedom they had extensive contact, both friendly and hostile, with many Native American peoples, and ultimately settled among the Spanish.

Mose stands as a monument to the courageous African Americans who risked, and often lost, their lives in the long struggle to achieve freedom.

When Florida was ceded to Britain under the 1763 Treaty of Paris, the free blacks of Mose, along with the rest of the Spanish population of Florida and their Indian allies, all left for Cuba, where they were resettled by the Spanish government. A least

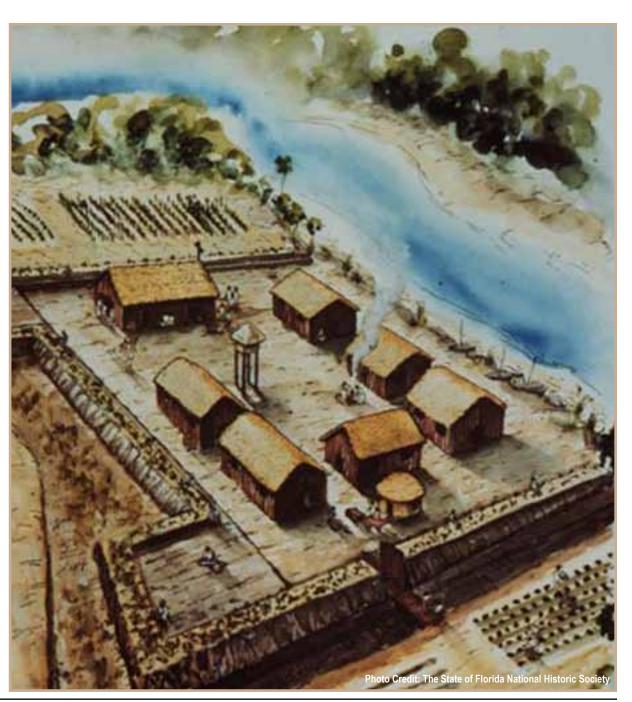
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251 British slaves joined the Spanish under the sanctuary policy, and many others fled to the flourishing villages of the Seminoles in North Florida.

Although nothing remains of the fort, the former site is listed on the National Register of Historic Places as of 1994 for its importance in American history. It is the only site of its kind in the United States and is a precious and valuable part of our American History.





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OPSEC AND SOCIAL NETWORKING SITES

SOCIAL NETWORKING SITES (SNS), like Facebook® and Twitter®, are software applications that connect people and information in spontaneous, interactive ways. While SNS can be useful and fun, they can provide adversaries, such as terrorists, spies and criminals, with critical information needed to harm you or disrupt your mission. Practicing Operations Security (OPSEC) will help you to recognize your critical information and protect it from an adversary. Here are a few safety tips to get you started.

SAFETY CHECKLIST

Personal Information

Do you:

- Keep sensitive, work-related information OFF your profile?
- Keep your plans, schedules and location data to yourself?
- Protect the names and information of coworkers, friends, and family members?
- Tell friends to be careful when posting photos and information about you and your family?

Posted Data

Before posting, did you:

- Check all photos for indicators in the background or reflective surfaces?
- Check filenames and file tags for sensitive data (your name, organization or other details)?

Passwords

Are they:

- Unique from your other online passwords?
- Sufficiently hard to guess?
- Adequately protected (not shared or given away)?

Settings and Privacy

Did you:

- Carefully look for and set all your privacy and security options?
- Determine both your profile and search visibility?
- Sort "friends" into groups and networks, and set access permissions accordingly?
- Verify through other channels that a "friend" request was actually from your friend?
- Add "untrusted" people to the group with the lowest permissions and accesses?

Security

Remember to:

- Keep your anti-virus software updated.
- Beware of links, downloads, and attachments just as you would in e-mails.
- Beware of "apps" or plugins, which are often written by unknown third parties who might use them to access your data and friends.
- Look for HTTPS and the lock icon that indicate active transmission security before logging in or entering sensitive data (especially when using wi-fi hotspots).

THINK BEFORE YOU POST! Remember, your information could become public at any time due to hacking, configuration errors, social engineering or the business practice of selling or sharing user data. For more information, visit the Interagency OPSEC Support Staff's website.







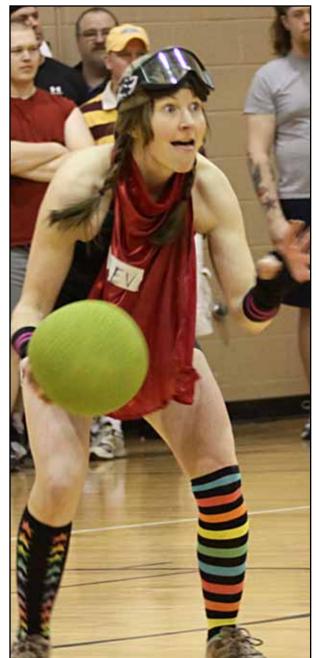


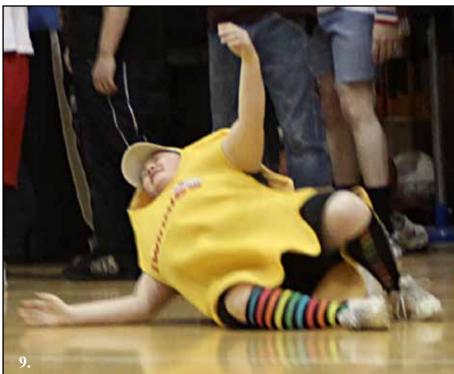
































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Motorcycle Safety Training

If you are interested in
Motorcycle
Safety Training
Please call the Ft. Greely
Safety Office and sign up
at 873-5239.
Class dates are
dependent upon
the weather.

Ft. Greely Garrison Safety Office

Out and about photos

- 1. Shana Wilburn keeps her eye on the ball against rival from Tanana Middle School during the conference tournament held at Ryan Middle School, Fairbanks, Alaska.
- 2. Coach Marsha Renaud and her FGMS varsity team: (from top left to right) Thea Levinson, Shana Wilburn, Jess Reiter (from bottom left to right) Kailey Mills, Beth Hanson, and Sondra Perkins.
- 3. Command Sgt. Maj. Carolyn Reynolds congratulates Deputy Commander Will Wiley on a job well done.
- 4. Richard Lester and Brooke Whipple from FMWR steal a backward glance at the highly popular Dodge Ball Tournament held at the Fort Greely Fitness Center.
- Reynolds and Lt. Col. Chris Chronis pose with Deb Anderson during the most recent Garrison Award Ceremony at Gabriel Auditorium.
- 6. Brad Reed, DES, takes a moment to pose for a photo. Even during stressful workdays Reed finds a reason to be cheerful.
- 7. Tyler Coble, FMWR, sports

- a witty southwestern costume during the Dodge Ball Tournament.
- 8. Whipple, FMWR, is ready for the kill in her crazed stance at the Dodge Ball Tournament.
- 9. The Twinkie's down! Poor Jessica Smith, FMWR, takes a dive when she's eliminated from a round of dodge ball.
- 10. Three time Super Bowl Champ, Riki Ellison, shows his enjoyment with the entertainment dodge ball provided.
- 11. Jessica Gomez holds her daughter, Amber, for a hug while they await their turn at the Fort Greely Tax Assistance Center. Tax assistance was provided by staff from Fort Wainwright.
- 12. David Edalgo is always ready for a snapshot, even during tax time.
- 13. Beth Hanson, FGMS Delta Grizzlies, goes up for a shot against Tanana Middle School.
- 14. Gabriel Cavedo takes a moment to ponder the Black History Month Brochure.

- 15. Ta-Bin Brown recites perfectly the Gettysburg Address during the 2010 Fort Greely Black History Month Celebration at Fort Greely Middle School.
- 16. A group of FGMS students study the Black History Month Challenge at the most recent Equal Opportunity event.
- 17. Kirsten Anderson, DES, shows off her new hat and gloves as she heads outside for another windy day at Fort Greely, Alaska.
- 18. Donna Brooks, DHR, looks on as the Fort Wainwright Tax Assistance Specialist, Spec. John Denney explains the process.
- 19. A Fort Greely Middle School student waves in appreciation at the Black History Month Celebration.
- 20. Squirt Fairbanksfest Champs! Front: Mercedes Ellis Kneeling (left to right): Max Kulikovsky, Patrick Kiser, Michael Yearty, Harrison Kiser, Moses Halbert, Standing: Jacob Schmidt, Ryan Schmidt, Thomas Warren, Cobey Cupp, Sam Fellman Coaches: Corey Kiser, Rob Warren

Photos by Deborah Ward



March 2010



Anchorage in Spring
by Lynn Carroll took first place for vibrant colors and alluring
pulchritude so many of us find in Alaska.

Submit your Alaskan photos by April 1, 2010 for your chance to win.

Each month three photos will be chosen to represent the best shots of Alaska. The winning photos are posted on the Commander's Channel and on line at www.greely.mil At the end of the year the judging panel will meet and choose the best of the best and the winner will receive a matted and framed picture of their photo to have displayed on the Garrison.



Brown Bear in Valdez by Brad Reed took second place for capturing one of the true and rightful inhabitants of Alaska.



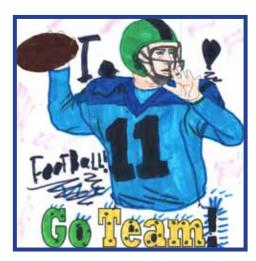
Duck at Quartz Lake
by Brad Reed took third place for
the monochromatic color scheme and
picturesque framing of subject matter.













hank you to Sabine Anderson, age 3, son of Kevin and Kirsten Anderson (top left), Wesley Seymore, age 3, son of Kenneth and Sarah Seymore, (top middle), Glory Reed, age 2 (top right), Penny Reed, age 5 (bottom left), Hayden Reed, age 7, (bottom middle) and Jaycie Reed, age 11, (bottom right) daughters of Brad and Chelsea Reed for your submissions, we look forward to seeing your name in lights on the Fort Greely Marquee! Don't forget to check out the Command Channel (channel 6) to see your art work on display.

If you would like your name displayed on the Fort Greely Marquee and your colored picture on the Command Channel please submit your artwork by the first of each month to deborah.ward3@us.army.mil. The next deadline is April. 1, 2010. Hurry and get those colors out!

For the older crowd, perhaps you have artwork that you have created on your own time. Quilting, needlepoint, bead work, woodworking, auto detailing ... anything that has your creative flair to it, we'd love to see it here in the *INTERCEPTOR*.

Submit a photo of your work or a scanned image and we'll find a spot to highlight it for you. Don't let your creativity go unnoticed.

If you used one of our FMWR facilities be sure to list the location so we can give them credit too.

The year long photo contest continues so if you missed the first three months don't miss out on March's deadline. Each month three photos

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deborah.ward3@us.army.mil

We had a great number of submissions this month for the photo contest and I would like to thank everyone who contributed. I am proud to be part of a community with such fantastic talent. Kudos to you Team Greely!

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NAME:

Color the image below then scan your work of art and send it to:

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Four winners will be chosen each month and will get the chance to have their name in lights on the Fort Greely Marquee for a week!

Be sure to include your first name, age and telephone number in the space provided below so we may contact you if selected.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE 1st OF EACH MONTH.



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