



CLIF NOTES FOR THE FORT DRUM COMMUNITY

November 2018



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1. AMERICAN RED CROSS

KIMBERLY OKAI, 315-772-6561

- Volunteer opportunities available for casework and administrative positions.
- Critical need for casework volunteers to handle emergency communications and office volunteers.

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Click the hyperlinks

Emergency Communications Call Ctr (24/7): 1-877-272-7337

Facebook: [American Red Cross Fort Drum](#)

Email: kimberly.okai@redcross.org

2. ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE (ACS)

Catherine Ferran, 315-772-4979

MILITARY FAMILY APPRECIATION NIGHT 14 November, 1700-1900, Charles Dickens Christmas Theme with Horse Drawn Carriage rides for the Families. Event will be held at Remington Park.

- Submit AFAP Issues year round – usarmy.drum.imcom-fmwrc.mbx-aftb@mail.mil AFAP provides Active and Reserve Component Soldiers, Army Civilians, Family members, Survivors, and Retirees a voice in shaping their standards of living by identifying issues and concerns for Army Senior Leadership resolution.
- AFTB Personal Growth & Resiliency class, December 12 & 13, 0900-1600. This class is for those who are involved in unit and community activities and want to learn more for personal growth, leadership skills, and group dynamics.
- Relocation Readiness Program (315 772-6553) all classes will be held at ACS building, 1780 Restore Hope Avenue
 - Every Monday join the sewing class, 0900-1200
 - Every Tuesday and Thursday, English as a Second Language (ESL) class, 0900-1230
 - Fort Drum/Watertown Tour, Tuesdays (depending on registration and weather), departs ACS at 0930 and returns at 1400,
- ACS PLAY GROUPS:
 - Connect the Tots Playgroup at the SFAC, 1000-1130, every Tuesday
 - EFMP sponsored Playgroup at the SFAC, 1000-1130, every Wednesday
 - Little Eagle Playgroups at Eagle Ridge, 1000-1130, every Thursday
- Family Advocacy Program (315 772-5914 all classes will be held at ACS Building, 1780 Restore Hope Avenue
 - Baby Basic, 14 December, 1000-1200
 - Middle Years, 3, 4, 5 December, 0900-1130

- A three-session program for Families of children (5-10 years) that encourage positive Family interactions and offers parenting strategies that work. Must complete all three sessions for a certificate

- Stress Management, 6 December, 1330-1530
- Anger Management, 13 December, 1330-1530

ACS MONTHLY CALENDAR of classes and events can be found at: <http://drum.armymwr.com/us/drum/programs/army-community-service/>

ACS HAS MOVED:

ACS HAS A NEW LOCATION!!! BLDG. 1780, RESTORE HOPE THE EMPLOYEE READINESS PROGRAM MOVED TO THE SFAC FACILITY BLDG. 11042, MT. BELVEDERE BLVD, THE FINANCIAL READINESS PROGRAM IS LOCATED IN BLDG. 435A MWR DRIVE

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Website: www.drum.armymwr.com/us/drum/programs/army-community-service/

Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/Fort-Drum-Army-Community-Service-](https://www.facebook.com/Fort-Drum-Army-Community-Service-427062594001076/?ref=hl)

Online ACS class registration: fortdrumacs.checkappointments.com

3. DIRECTORATE OF HUMAN RESOURCES

MARK HINCHCLIFFE, 315-772-3193

In processing:

- Fort Drum provides in processing briefings and services (Mountain Reception and Integration Program) each business day of the year excluding DONSA's and Federal Holidays. You or your family does not need to be within your first few days at the Installation to attend a briefing. A schedule of briefings is attached, with the day of the week they occur, and the room number in Clark Hall where they occur. Updates can be obtained by calling 772-3043, the Fort Drum Welcome Center Desk. Further venues to provide opportunity to provide Families Welcome and Integration information will be forthcoming and announced in these notes. Welcome to the Climb!

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Click the hyperlinks

Website: <http://www.drum.army.mil/hr/Pages/education.aspx>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Fort-Drum-Army-Education-Center-321867727827654/>

4. ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY (AUSA) NNY FORT DRUM

MARK DECILLES, 315-486-1538

Nothing reported

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Click the hyperlinks

Website: <http://www.oneausa.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Northern-New-York-Fort-Drum-AUSA-288823557227/>

5. AUTOMOTIVE SKILLS CENTER

MIKE GRAVELINE, 315-772-5785

- **AUTOMOTIVE SKILLS CENTER:** Automotive Skills Center offers their Orientation Class every Wednesday and Friday at 12 pm and Saturdays at 0900 am. This is a mandatory orientation class in order to utilize the Automotive Skills Center Facility. Please see our flyer ([Orientation Class](#)) or contact the Automotive Skills Center Staff at 315-772-7902 for additional information

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Click the hyperlinks

Email: paul.s.freeman.naf@mail.mil

Website: www.drum.armymwr.com/us/drum/programs/automotive-skills-cent/

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Fort-Drum-Recreation/546416075378830?ref=hl>

6. BETTER OPPORTUNITIES FOR SINGLE SOLDIERS (BOSS)

GIA GILLOTTE-TAYLOR , (315) 772-7807

- **BOSS Bowling in the month of December:** At the Pine Plains Bowling Center, Fort Drum BOSS will be hosting a FREE bowling party for single Soldiers starting at 5 – 9 pm on Tuesday, 4 December and Tuesday 11 December only. On Tuesday, 11 December bowling night will gear up for the Holiday season as we hold an Ugly Sweater Contest. So wear your most obnoxious looking sweater for a chance to win a prize. Come out and enjoy free bowling with DJ entertainment. Food and beverages are available for purchase.
- **9-BALL TOURNAMENT:** On Saturday, 8 December, BOSS will hold a 9-ball pool tournament. Play will begin at 1:30 pm and will continue until there is a winner who will walk away with a prize. There is no cost to enter the tournament and it is open to single Soldiers only. There are 20 spots available and are on a first come first served basis. Sign-up at the BOSS Center, 10650 5th Armored Division Drive. For more information contact the BOSS Center at 772-7807.

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Click the hyperlinks

Email Address: gia.m.gillotte-taylor.naf@mail.mil

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Facebook: www.facebook.com/fortdrum.boss

7. CHAPEL

CAROL BURKE, 315-772-4451

- For the fourth year, Great Neck South High-school in Lake Success N.Y. has sponsored a winter clothing drive for Fort Drum Families. The clothing will be available at the Main Post Chapel on 1 December. Please call the chapel for more info. 772-5591
- The Garrison Chaplain's Office is pleased to announce the Fort Drum Holiday Service Schedule:
 - 21 November 1730 Protestant Thanksgiving Service – Riva Ridge Chapel
 - 22 November 0900 Catholic Thanksgiving Mass – Main Post Chapel
 - 29 November 1715 Chanukah Menorah Lighting – Commons
 - 08 December 1200 & 1730 Immaculate Conception Mass – Main Post Chapel
 - 09 December 1730 Chanukah Service – Main Post Chapel
 - 24 December 1700 Catholic Christmas Vigil – Main Post Chapel
 - 24 December 1900 Community Protestant Candlelight Service – Main Post Chapel
 - 25 December 0900 Catholic Christmas Day Mass – Main Post Chapel
 - 25 December 1000 Protestant Christmas Service – Riva Ridge Chapel
 - 31 December 2230 Gospel Watch Night Service – Po Valley Chapel
- Faith and Family Night at the Chapel is in full swing, but you can still join! We meet every Wednesday evening at 1800 for a light dinner, then break into small group studies. Some of the studies we offer are: Financial Peace University, Navigator, Truth Project, Glorious Companion, and One-on-One Discipleship. Watch-care is available.

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Click the hyperlinks

On Duty Chaplain 772-5591; After Duty Hours Chaplain 772-5647

Email: carol.a.burke.civ@mail.mil

Website: [Fort Drum Religious Support](http://FortDrumReligiousSupport)

8. CYS SERVICES/OUTREACH

CLAUDIA WHITMIRE 315-772-8672

- **CHRISTMAS DAY:** Tuesday, 25 December, 2018. All CYS facilities will be closed in observance of the Christmas Day.
- **FAMILY CHILD CARE (FCC) 10 HOUR LIMIT:** Any Family member living in government quarters providing child care for more than 10 hours per week on a regular basis must be certified as a FCC Provider. Please contact the Child and Youth Services FCC office at 315-772-1700, or pauline.i.beck.naf@mail.mil, for more information.
- **BECOME A FCC PROVIDER:** An opportunity for military spouses living on Fort Drum, to have a career from home with flexibility and room for growth. Program offers full and part time care, hourly care, and extended care. Please contact the Child and Youth Services FCC office at 315-772-1700, pauline.i.beck.naf@mail.mil for more information.

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Click the hyperlinks

Email: Claudia.f.whitmire.naf@mail.mil

Website: www.drum.armymwr.com

9. CYS SCHOOL SUPPORT SERVICES (SSS)

MATT ROGERS 315- 772-3214

- **HOLIDAY BREAK:** Most school districts are having holiday break from December 24th to January 4th. School will not be in session during those dates. Some teachers offer supplemental learning activities over break to keep minds at work. Encourage all students to read while on break.
- **SCHOOL DELAYS/EARLY RELEASES:** When inclement weather approaches, it is good to have a set plan in case of a school delay, early release, or if a snow day occurs. Make sure that you are aware of, and agree with, what is on your child's emergency release information form at school. Contact the school's main office if you are unsure.
- **HOLIDAY CONCERTS:** Many children, Kindergarten through High School, will have holiday concerts during December. These concerts are a culmination of hours of preparation and practice during and after school hours. It is encouraged for family members to go. Also, be aware that the school may have a dress code for student's participating in the concerts.

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Click the hyperlinks

Email: matthew.a.rogers36.naf@mail.mil

Website: www.drum.armymwr.com

10. CYS SPORTS & FITNESS

JON BURNARD, 315-772-4102

- **TAEKWONDO CLASSES:** Tuesdays and Thursdays, Ages 5-17. **Fees are \$70** per student per month. 45 minute classes. Classes in Taekwondo are continuous. Please call our office for more specific information. Students **MUST** be in first grade to register. Kindergarten must be evaluated by Instructor to be allowed to enroll.
- **GYMNASTICS:** Registration will continue for the upcoming school year programs, ages 18 months -16. Fees are \$30-45 per student per month. Programs will start first week of September. Classes are continuous. Please call our office for specific information.
- **FITNESS CLASSES:** Registration is currently open, or until classes are full. Functional fitness classes, free weights, Friday family day fitness, and plyometric classes. Open for ages 7-16 years old. **Cost: FREE.**
- **BASKETBALL:** Registration through **5 January**, or until teams are full. Basketball is for children grades 1-5. **Fee is \$45.** Season runs from **9 January - 3 April, 2019.**
- **WRESTLING:** Registration through **5 January**, or until teams are full. Wrestling is for children ages 5-13 years old. **Fee is \$45.** Season runs from **9 Jan- 3 April, 2019.**

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Email: Jonathan.m.burnard.naf@mail.mil

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Facebook: www.facebook.com/pages/FORT-DRUM-MOUNTAINEER-CYSS-SPORTS/214490878183

11. CYS YOUTH CENTER

STEVE FERGUSON, 315- 772-6717

- **MUSIC PRODUCTION:** Thursdays, December 2018, 5:30-6:30 pm. During this program, teens will use Garage Band software to produce music. Teens will learn how to set up, create, and use this software in order to design their own digital music. Teens are encouraged to fill out our recording studio permission slip so they are allowed to use the recording equipment after the program is completed.
- **PHOTOGRAPHY:** Fridays, December 2018, 4:30-5:30pm. Photography is a year-round program that encourages club members to learn and practice black and white, color, digital and alternative process photography. Teens are encouraged to show their creativity through their photos. Join us for this fun and interesting program.
- **MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS NIGHT:** Saturday **8 December 2018**, 7:00-10:00 pm. This is a very popular program, where teens participate in friendly competition as they enjoy the food, music and fun of the evening. The sport being played is basketball. The

cost is **\$3.00** for members, and **\$5.00** for non-members. Teens participating in the sport must be at the center at 6:00 pm, in order to be placed on a team. 6:30pm will be the cut-off to join a team. There is no admittance after 8 pm, and teens cannot leave and return to the event. This will be a fun filled night; don't miss it!

- **HIGH SCHOOL INDOOR RE-BALL:** Saturday **22 December 2018**, 2:30-7:30 pm. Re-Ball is the paint-less variation of the popular sport of paintball; however, it is played indoors with the same equipment (but with reusable rubber balls instead of paint). The cost of the activity is **FREE** for members and \$5.00 for non-members. All participants must be at the center by 2:30, to ensure they have time to: sign into the program, verify ability to play, and attend the safety brief at 3:15pm. All teens must wear long sleeves and pants. A permission slip is required for this program.

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Click the hyperlinks

Email: steven.a.ferguson.civ@mail.mil

Website: www.drum.armymwr.com/us/drum/categories/cys-services/

Facebook: www.facebook.com/pages/Fort-Drum-CYSS-YouthProgram/370723860409

12. DIRECTORATE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (DES)

MAJ James Rajchel, 315-772-4483

Access Control For questions concerning Access Control, contact CPT David Mabry at 772-9959 or Mr. Charlie Childs at 772-3105. REAL ID Update:

- Effective 10 October 2018 all license/ID do not have to be REAL ID compliant until "card-based" enforcement begins on October 1, 2020. The attached link will provide the most current information in reference to compliance: <https://www.dhs.gov/real-id>
- **The address to submit sponsorship applications:** usarmy.drum.imcom.mbx.des-acp@mail.mil
- Now that the overpass to WSAAF is open please take advantage of the time saving experience as you do not have to process through two ACPs, however please use caution with the traffic round-about as people are adjusting to it.
- **Use of drones on Fort Drum.** Commercial and/or recreational use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS/drones) are prohibited without prior approval from the senior commander. Requests must specify the scope of the recreational use to include designated locations and times approved for flying. Operators will abide by FAA requirements found at www.faa.gov/uas and register at DPTM-S. At a minimum requests must include the pilot's contact information and FAA UAS registration number. Finally, use of surveillance cameras in civilian/personal Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) and model aircraft (RC planes/AC) is prohibited.

Fire Prevention For questions concerning Fire and Emergency Services contact Assistant Chief Michael Marks, 315-772-4702, michael.j.marks.civ@mail.mil

Thanksgiving is the peak day for home cooking fires, followed by Christmas Day and Christmas Eve.

- Stay in the kitchen when you are cooking on the stovetop so you can keep an eye on the food.
- Stay in the home when cooking your turkey and check on it frequently.
- Keep children away from the stove. The stove will be hot and kids should stay 3 feet away.
- Make sure kids stay away from hot food and liquids. The steam or splash from vegetables, gravy or coffee could cause serious burns.
- Make sure your smoke alarms are working. Test them by pushing the test button.

Law Enforcement For questions concerning Law Enforcement, please contact us either 772-5156/5157/7771, or Chief Julian at 772-4483 email todd.m.julian.civ@mail.mil

- **Hot Reminder!! Winter Parking Restrictions go into effect 1 NOV 2018 – 1 APR 2019.** In accordance with Fort Drum Regulation 190-2, Parking is not permitted along the shoulder area of any roadway or highway on Fort Drum, to include housing areas, from 01 November through 01 April, except in paved marked parking areas.
- **Coffee with the Chief:** Next scheduled is 27 November, 1000 at the Rhicard Community center. Great opportunity to meet with Chief Todd Julian and discuss with him your issues/concerns within your community.
- **EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS:** dialing **911** from any land-line will direct your call to the FDNY DES Dispatch Center. If you dial **911** from your cell phone, your call will go to the Jefferson County Dispatch Center. Be sure to advise the JCDC dispatcher you are calling from Fort Drum and they will redirect your call to the DES dispatch center. Current technology does not allow for the separation of cell phone calls on or off the installation. For all non-emergency calls for service **Dial (315) 772-5156.**

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Email: matthew.e.cain2.mil@mail.mil

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Fort-Drum-Directorate-of-Emergency-Services/885121491518077>

13. EXCHANGE

Lorraine Hastings, 315-773-5631

Nothing reported

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Click the hyperlinks

Website: www.shopmyexchange.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/AAFES.BX.PX

14. FISH & WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

RAYMOND RAINBOLT, 315-772-9636

- **FORT DRUM RECREATION PASSES** – Recreational activities including hunting, fishing, wildlife viewing, hiking, canoeing, etc. are allowed on Fort Drum with a Fort Drum Recreational Access Pass. Fort Drum access passes are available on-line for free. New York State licenses are also required for hunting, fishing and trapping. See the Fish & Wildlife Management Program's web site for more information and passes: www.FortDrum.iSportsman.net.
- **HUNTING SEASON IN THE CANTONMENT AREA CONTINUES** – In an effort to manage the white-tailed deer population in the Cantonment Area as well as provide recreational opportunities, hunting with a bow or crossbow is allowed only in designated areas of the Cantonment Area by DoD ID card holders only from September 27 – December 9. To hunt in the Cantonment Area, all hunters must first show their shooting proficiency and qualify with a bow and/or crossbow. Qualifications occur near Bldg. S-2509 through the season by appointment. See the Fish & Wildlife Management Program's web site for more information and a map of designated areas: www.FortDrum.iSportsman.net.
- **QUESTIONS/CONCERNS/VIOLATIONS** – If you have questions or concerns, contact the Fort Drum Fish & Wildlife Management Program Office (772-9303). If you wish to report a violation, contact the Military Police (772-5156).

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Email: Raymond.E.Rainbolt.civ@mail.mil

Website: www.FortDrum.iSportsman.net

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/FortDrumNaturalResources>

15. FORT DRUM CHAPTER NATIONAL ASSOC. 10TH MT. DIV.

MICHAEL PLUMMER, 315-782-4178

Nothing reported

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Email: <http://www.10thmtndivassoc.org/>

Click the hyperlinks

16. FORT DRUM MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY HOMES (MCH)

Alekzandra Huttemann-Kall, 315-955-6817

- **HERE COMES SANTA:** Santa will be out and about driving through communities at Mountain Community Homes on Friday, 7 December from 4:30-6:30pm. Residents should bundle up and bring children to the posted stops to let them tell Santa what they want for Christmas. Santa sighting locations are listed on the event flyer which is posted in the Community Centers, on the fortdrummch.com website and also on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/fortdrummch/>
- **COOKIES WITH SANTA:** Mountain Community Homes Residents are invited to bring the kids out to the community centers to have cookies and hot cocoa and meet Santa, Mrs. Claus and the elves! Families will have the opportunity to snap a photo of kids with Santa, so please remember to bring cameras or camera phones. The dates for the communities are: 11 December at the Rhicard Hills Community Center from 4pm-6pm, 13 December at the Monument Ridge Community Center from 4pm-6pm, 18 December at the Crescent Woods Community Center from 4pm-6pm and 20 December at the Adirondack Creek Community Center from 4pm-6pm. For more information, visit the website our website fortdrummch.com and also on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/fortdrummch/>
- *** HOMES AVAILABLE - MOVE IN TODAY:** Fort Drum Mountain Community Homes currently has 2, 3 and 4 bedroom homes available with little to no wait time! All homes feature garages with automatic openers, 24-hour maintenance service, utilities included, access to fitness centers, nature trails, sledding hill, splash parks, dog parks all with the convenience of living on post. Interested? Contact the leasing team at the Welcome Home Center by calling 315-955-6644 or via email at welcomhome@fdmch.com.
- *** THE TIMBERS:** One and two bedroom apartments available this fall on post at lower-than-BAH rates! Single or unaccompanied Soldiers (E5p and above) can enjoy conveniently located modern apartments with spacious floor plans and ample storage. Timbers residents also have exclusive access to the Timbers Lodge, equipped with a theater room, full kitchen, outdoor wood-burning

fireplace, gas grills, WiFi, state-of-the-art sound system and more! Interested? Contact the Timbers Leasing office at 315.777.8000 or email thetimbers@fdmch.com.

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Click the hyperlinks

Website: www.fortdrummch.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/fortdrummch

17. FORT DRUM THRIFT SHOP

Stephanie Wolf, 315-772-7189

- The Fort Drum Thrift Shop Inc. is awarding two \$3,000.00 scholarships to two qualified applicants. Scholarship applications are available through the Fort Drum Thrift shop, fdtsvicechairman@gmail.com
- **NEW LOCATION OF THE THRIFT STORE:** P-1454 Fourth St M, 315-772-7189
- **Consignment Hours:** Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 0930 – 1400 and the 1st Saturday of every month 0930 - 1400
- **Donations Accepted:** 24/7M
- Storytime at the USO the second Monday of every month. There is a reading at 3:30 pm and a second reading at 6:00 pm. The first 30 kids registered at each time slot receive a free copy of the book to take home (one per family). We also have snacks and drinks for the kids as well as a fun craft.
- This year we will be awarding a total of \$9,000 in scholarships to 6 qualified applicants. Scholarship applications are available at the Fort Drum Thrift Shop and are available on our website at <https://www.fortdrumthriftshop.com>
- We are looking for a new Publicity Coordinator. If anyone is interested or knows someone who would be a great fit please contact fdtschairman@gmail.com

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Click the hyperlinks

Email: thriftshopfd@hotmail.com

Website: <http://fortdrumthriftshop.com>

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Fort-Drum-Thrift-Shop/283730534983453>

18. HOUSING

BILL BAMANN, 315-772-7256

- **APPROVED ADEQUATE RENTAL HOUSING:** The Army Housing Online Users Services (AHOUS) at www.housing.army.mil is the Army's one-stop site for all housing information, on and off-post, at any Army installation. Click on Drum on the Select your Installation drop down menu on the upper right side of the webpage. This website contains information and links for information on barracks, on-post family housing and off-post housing. Current listings, updated weekly, of available off-post rentals at approved apartment complexes are available at the Welcome Home Center. The overall rental housing market vacancy rate is about 4%; several older apartment complexes have units down for renovation and modernization. Further from post has greater vacancies and typically lower rents, while closer to post and newer rentals typically have fewer vacancies and slightly higher rents. However, all rents are generally within the BAH rates and therefore affordable. There's still choices available for most categories of rental housing with competitive rates. **On-post Family Housing and the Timbers has some availability and a few at (lower than BAH) market rates.** Coordinate early for on-post housing to ensure you get the right home for your Family with minimal delays. Check with Fort Drum's Welcome Home Center at Clark Hall (2nd floor of Clark Hall) for the latest information (315-955-6644).
- **ARMY COMMUNITY HOUSING OFFICE CAN HELP:** The Army Community Housing Office at Clark Hall (Rm A2-54) is always available to assist Soldiers with any off-post housing issue, from finding the right housing and rental inspections to resolving landlord-tenant disputes. Never enter into a lease without checking first with the Army Community Housing Office to see if the rental you are contemplating has been inspected by us for basic safety and habitability criteria. Always get your lease reviewed by Legal Assistance or the Army Community Housing Office prior to signing to be sure all your rights are safeguarded and you're not entering into a situation that could turn bad for you after you move in. Stop in or call 772-9397 or 772-8751 to speak to a counselor.

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Click the hyperlinks

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Website: www.housing.army.mil

19. INTRAMURAL SPORTS PROGRAM

ALLEN JANSSEN, 315-772-6663

- **INDOOR SOCCER TOURNAMENT:** Indoor Soccer Tournament will be conducted on 8 December at 9 am at Magrath Sports Complex. Open to all active duty military assigned/attached to Fort Drum, family members 19 years and older, retirees, reservists and DoD civilians employed on Fort Drum. Sign-up by 5 December. For more information contact the Intramural Sports Office, Bldg P-10050, 772-6663.
- **BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT AND 3-POINT SHOOTOUT:** Basketball Tournament and 3-Point Shootout will be conducted on 15 December at 9 am at Magrath Sports Complex. Open to all active duty military assigned/attached to Fort Drum, family members 19 years and older, retirees, reservists and DoD civilians employed on Fort Drum. Sign-up by COB 12 December. For more information contact the Intramural Sports Office at 772-6663.
- **FLOOR HOCKEY TOURNAMENT:** Floor Hockey Tournament will be conducted on 22 December at 9 am at Magrath Sports Complex. Open to all active duty military assigned/attached to Fort Drum, family members 19 years and older, retirees, reservists and DoD civilians employed on Fort Drum. Sign-up by 19 December. For more information contact the Intramural Sports Office, Bldg P-10050, 772-6663.

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

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Website: www.drum.armymwr.com/us/drum/programs/sports-fitness-and-aquatics-programs/

20. McEWEN LIBRARY

ALLEN GOUDIE, 315-772-9099

- **American Girl Doll Club:** Thursday, December 13, 6:30 pm at the McEwen Library. Children ages 6 to 12 are invited to the American Girl Doll Club at the McEwen Library. The club is once a month during this school year (every second Thursday). There will be readings, games, snacks, and crafts. Space is limited so please sign up in advance by calling (315)772-9099.
- **E-RESOURCE CLASS:** Learn how to get the most out of the McEwen Library's e-resources. Access e-magazines, e-books, audio books and streaming video via Overdrive, databases such as Ancestry.com, Rosetta Stone Languages, Academic Elite Plus, Military & Government, etc. These resources are FREE. Attendees must have an active library account. Classes arranged by request. Contact Brenda Greenwood at 772-4661 or brenda.a.greenwood.naf@mail.mil to schedule a date and time.

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Email: allen.r.goudie.naf@mail.mil

Website: www.drummwr.com/library.htm

Facebook: www.facebook.com/pages/Robert-C-McEwen-Library/269047099442

Online Card Catalog: <http://mylibraryus.armybiznet.com/search~S24>

Blackberry or iPhone Access: www.mylibraryusmobile.fmwr.net/

21. MEDDAC

Anna Pedron, 315-772-3992

- The Patient Family Advisory Council is opened to all beneficiaries' attached to Fort Drum that would like to offer suggestions in front of a panel of leaders to improve the patient experience. Meeting is informal and is held every 4th Thursday of every month at the Guthrie Clinic, Room 1108/1109 @ 1600-1700. Excluding holidays, post closures, inclement weather. Point of Contact: Patient Advocate, Lisa Williams 315-772-4655, lisa.m.williams34.civ@mail.mil. To FRG Leaders, if you would like for our team to meet during your scheduled meetings, we are very willing to join your group to discuss your ideas and suggestions. **We apologize, but we do not offer daycare services at the Guthrie Clinic during this meeting.
- Joint Outpatient Experience Survey (JOES): If you are seen at the Guthrie Clinic, you may have been randomly selected to fill out our JOES survey. We'd like to know your experience with the services provided at our clinic, so please take time to complete the survey. The survey does offer a QR Code to complete online for fast and convenience. Need more information? Point of Contact: Patient Advocate, Lisa Williams 315-772-4655, lisa.m.williams34.civ@mail.mil.

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Website: www.drum.amedd.army.mil

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22. NORTH COUNTRY SPOUSES' CLUB (NCSC)**Marla Bautista, President, 720-325-0943**

Nothing reported

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23. OFF THE BEATIN' PATH GIFTS (OTBP)**DANIA BANDAS, 315-583-5736**

- **Location:** Building 10502 S. Riva Ridge (In the USO Building)
- **Hours:** Monday – Closed, Tuesday 11:00-2:00, Wednesday 3:00-6:00, Thursday & Friday 11:00-2:00, Closed on DONSA's and Federal Holidays

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24. OUTDOOR RECREATION**PAUL FREEMAN, 315-772-6568**

- **POLAR EXPRESS TRAIN RIDE** – will be 8 December. Join outdoor recreation as we take a ride on the Polar Express. We will leave Outdoor Recreation at 1300 on 8 December and board the train for a 2 to 3 hour train ride with Santa Clause. Trip includes visit with Santa, story time, hot cocoa and cookies and the train ride itself. Guests are encouraged to ride in their Pajamas. The cost for this trip is \$50 per adult and \$35 per child (0-12). Please contact the Outdoor Recreation Staff at 315-772-8222 for additional information.
- **NYC NEW YEARS BALL DROP**- will be 30 December- 01 January. Join Outdoor Recreation as we travel to New York City for the Annual New Year's Ball Drop! Once we arrive at the hotel patrons will be on their own to enjoy the sights of NYC or enjoy the Ball drop. The trip will leave Outdoor Recreation at 8:00 a.m. on 30 December. This trip is \$250 per adult the fee includes transportation and hotel accommodations. Please contact the Outdoor Recreation Staff at 315-772-8222 for additional information.

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Facebook: [http://www.facebook.com/pages/Fort-Drum-Recreation/546416075378830?ref=hl](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Fort-Drum-Recreation/546416075378830?ref=hl)

25. SAFETY**JOHN DROZD, 315-772-3022**

Fall into Safety

Daylight Saving Time ends every year on the first Sunday in November. This means it starts to get darker earlier. As we set our clocks backward by one hour in most areas of the country, here are some tips for driving at night.

Aim your headlights correctly, and make sure they're clean

Dim your dashboard

Look away from oncoming lights

If you wear glasses, make sure they're anti-reflective
Clean the windshield to eliminate streaks
Slow down to compensate for limited visibility and reduced stopping time

Compromised Night Vision

Night vision is the ability to see well in low-light conditions. As we age, we have greater difficulty seeing at night.
Have annual vision exams
Reduce speed
Take a driving course; even experienced drivers can benefit from a refresher course, and some of the rules have probably changed
Minimize distractions, like talking with passengers or listening to the radio
Check with your doctor about side effects of prescription drugs
Limit driving to daytime hours if necessary

When you change your clocks, it's also a great time to check the batteries in your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.

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26. SOLDIER FOR LIFE - TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SFL-TAP)

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Nothing reported

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27. STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE

DWIGHT AUSTIN, 315-772-5261

Nothing reported

28. USO

Cheryl Christie, 315-778-0850

- Fort Drum BOSS and USO Fort Drum – Home for the Holiday's Thanksgiving Dinner November 22nd at USO Fort Drum. Doors open at 12:30 pm and dinner will be served from 1-5 pm. Single soldiers and families are welcome
- USO Fort Drum Story Time "10 Fat Turkeys" - November 19th at 3:30 pm and 6:00 pm
- USO Pathfinder Employment Transition Workshop - November 13th at 9:00 am – 3:00 pm at USO Fort Drum

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29. VETERINARY SERVICES

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Nothing to report

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30. VOLUNTEER SUPPORT FUND (VSF)

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Nothing to report

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