



CLIF NOTES FOR THE FORT DRUM COMMUNITY

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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

- **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.
- **Army Volunteer Corps. (AVC) (315 772-2899/0470)**
 - Volunteer Management Information System (VMIS 101), Introduction to VMIS and volunteering on Fort Drum, 11 Jun, a class will be held at the SFAC from 10-12 pm and at ACS from 2-4 pm.
 - Volunteer Administrative Training, 12 Jun, open to all who manage volunteer records, all classes will be held at ACS building, 1780 Restore Hope Avenue, 2-4pm
- **ACS Mobilization & Deployment, (315 772-0470/2848/0509/4019)** Classes/trainings are designed to support on-going Family readiness, all classes will be held at ACS building, 1780 Restore Hope Avenue
 - Key Contact Training, 11 Jun, 10 – 11:30am and 2 – 3:30pm
 - FRG Leader Training, 12 Jun, 9 am – 12 pm
 - Family Readiness Liaison (FRL) Training, 19 Jun, 10 am -2 pm
 - FRG Basics for Commanders/1SG's, 26 Jun, 1 – 3 pm
- **Relocation Readiness Program (315 772-6553/6566/6902/3241)** all classes will be held at ACS building, 1780 Restore Hope Avenue
 - Lending Closet, Monday –Friday, 7:30-4:30

- **Immigration and Naturalization Assistance**
- Every Monday join the sewing class, 0900-1200 – Call for the dates of the evening class, 4:30pm -8pm
- Every Tuesday and Thursday, English as a Second Language (ESL) class, 9 am -1230
- Every Tuesday, English as a Second Language (ESL) class, 1-3 pm
- First Friday of every month, Hears Apart Support Group, call for time and location
- Third Thursday of each month, Overseas Orientation, 9 am
- Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month, Fort Drum Tour
- Every Tuesday and Thursday, Pre Departure Briefing, follows the Levy Brief at Clark Hall
- Third Friday of each month, International Spouse Spousal Support Group, call for times and location
- **Employment Readiness Program: (315-772-9611/1090/2737/7987)**
 - Every Monday in June, Resume Start to Finish, 9:00 am-1200 pm, at the SFAC
 - Federal Employment, 6 Jun, 9:30 am-11:30 am at the ACS, building,
 - Federal Employment, 20 Jun, 9:00 am-11:30 am at the SFAC
 - Career Fair Preparation & Interviewing, 18 Jun , 9:30 am – 11:30 pm, at the ACS, building
 - Build Your Own Buisness, 13 Jun, 9:30 am-11:30 am, at the SFAC
- **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
- **Financial Readiness Program (315-772-2919/5059/00505196) all classes will be held at the ACS Annex, 435A MWR Drive, South Post**
 - Budgeting for Your Goals, 6 Jun, 10 am – 11am
 - Managing Your Checking Accounts, 6 Jun, 11 am – 12 pm
 - Home Buying, 11 Jun, 10 am – 12 pm
 - TSP: Investing in Your Future, 13 Jun, 10 am – 12 pm
- **Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) (315-5476/5488/0664: all classes will be held at ACS building, 1780 Restore Hope Avenue**
 - Parent Workshops & Trainings, 13 Jun, 10 am -11:30 am
 - Caregiver Support Group Meeting, 14 Jun, 10 am – 11:30 am
- **Family Advocacy Program (FAP) (315) 772-5914, ACS building, 1780 Restore Hope Avenue**
 - The Inbetweener Parenting your 5-12 year old, 5 Jun, 9-11 am at ACS
 - Empowered Parenting: Trending Teen Topics, 12 Jun 5:30 pm, call for location
 - Scream Free Parenting, 18 Jun, call for location and time
 - Terrific Toddlers, 31 Jul , 9-11am, at ACS
 - Scream Free Marriage, 20 Aug, call for location and time
 - Anger Management, 27 Jun, call for location and time
 - Stress Management, 13 Jun, call for location and time
 - Baby Basics, 21 Jun, 10-12pm, at ACS
 - FAP Book Club, 6 Jun, 9 am & 6 pm, , call for location
 - Parenting After Separation and Divorce, 12 Jun, 9-11am, at ACS
 - Taco bout it Tuesday, 11 Jun, 5:30 am, call for location

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

➤ **ACS IS LOCATED IN BLDG. 1780, RESTORE HOPE**

- **THE EMPLOYEE READINESS PROGRAM IS LOCATED AT THE SFAC FACILITY
BLDG. 11042, MT. BELVEDERE BLVD**
- **THE FINANCIAL READINESS PROGRAM IS LOCATED IN BLDG. 435A MWR DRIVE**

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME TO COME WITH PARENTS TO ALL ACS CLASSES

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Click the hyperlinks

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

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 **Noon**, and Saturdays at **9 am**. This is a mandatory orientation class in order to utilize the Automotive Skills Center. Please contact the Automotive Skills Center Staff at 315-772-7902 for additional information.

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Click the hyperlinks

Email: michael.e.graveline.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

- **HIKING TRIP TO SLIDE MOUNTAIN:** Join BOSS as they travel to Shandaken, NY for a hike up to the top of Slide Mountain on **Saturday, 8 June**. Transportation will be provided to and from Shandaken. Transportation will depart from the BOSS Center, 10650

5th Armored Division Drive, at **7 am**. This event is open to 10 single Soldiers and spots are available on a first come first served basis. Sign-up is at the BOSS Center. For more information contact the BOSS Center at 772-7807.

• **COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENT:** Join BOSS for a Community Service event at Thompson Park in Watertown, NY on **Sunday, 9 June**. Help give back to the community by assisting with cleaning up the trails around Thompson Park. Transportation will be provided to and from Thompson Park and will depart from the BOSS Center, 10650 5th Armored Division Drive, at **11:45 am**. This event is open to all DoD ID Card Holders. Sign up at the BOSS Center. For more information contact the BOSS Center at 772-7807.

• **BLOOD DRIVE:** On **Thursday, 18 June**, BOSS will be hosting a Blood Drive in conjunction with the American Red Cross from **11:30 am – 4:30 pm**. Come out and support those in need by donating blood. This event is open to all DoD card holders 18 years of age and older. To sign up for an appointment time visit the American Red Cross website or stop by the BOSS Center, Bldg. P-10650. Participants may also walk-in to make a donation as space is available. For more information contact the BOSS Center at 772-7807.

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

Website: www.drum.armymwr.com/us/drum/programs/boss/

Facebook: www.facebook.com/fortdrum.boss

7. CHAPEL

CAROL BURKE, 315-772-4451

Mark your calendars! Vacation Bible School is scheduled for 28 July - 2 August at the Main Post Chapel. An online registration will be open as the time approaches.

Catholic Kidz Camp will be held 22 - 26 July at the Main Post Chapel.

Your chaplain is always only a phone call away. The Religious Support Office receives an average of 6 crisis calls each day. You can reach us by calling 772-5591 during the duty day, or 772-5647 anytime.

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

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.com)

8. CYS SERVICES/OUTREACH

TERRI SPENCER, 315-772-1565

• **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 315-772-2250, pauline.i.beck.naf@mail.mil for more information.

• **STAFF DEVELOPMENT/ORG DAY:** All CYS Facilities will be **CLOSED Friday, June 14th**, due to our Staff Development Day.

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Click the hyperlinks

Email: terri.l.spencer6.naf@mail.mil

Website: www.drum.armymwr.com

9. CYS SCHOOL SUPPORT SERVICES (SSS)

MATT ROGERS 315- 772-3214

• **HIGH SCHOOL REGENTS EXAMS:** The last regular day of classes for high school students is **Monday, June 10th**. Starting on **Tuesday, June 11th**, students will only need to be present at school if they have a New York State Regents Exam or a local course final exam. Visit your school district website or talk to the school guidance department for more information about final exam dates and times.

• **END OF THE YEAR (KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 8TH GRADE):** Student districts' last day of classes for students in Kindergarten through 8th grade varies by school district. Contact your school directly, or visit your school's website for up-to-date information about when the last day of classes are for your child.

- **HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION:** Many of our local area graduations take place at night, or on the weekend. If you are unable to attend, many districts live-stream the graduation ceremony online. Contact your school directly, visit your school's website, or contact the school liaison for more information.

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Click the hyperlinks

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

Website: www.drum.armymwr.com

10. CYS SPORTS & FITNESS**JON BURNARD, 315-772-4102**

- **COLOR RUN:** Registration is underway. **June 21st**, for ages 5 and up (adults too!). Cost is **\$5** per person.
- **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. Kindergarteners must be evaluated by Instructor to be allowed to enroll.
- **GYMNASTICS SUMMER CAMPS:** Registration begins **May 1st**. Each camp will be 6 weeks in duration, starting **July 8th** through **August 16th**. Classes range from ages 18 months-16 years; and from **\$40-70**. Please call sports office for more information on class times and dates.
- **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 7-17 years old. **Cost: FREE**.
- **SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS:** Registration begins **May 1st**. Please call sports office for more specific information.
 - **Archery Camp- \$30- Ages 7-13, July 8th-11th / August 5th-8th *limited spots available**
 - **Soccer Camp- \$30- Ages 7-13, July 15th- 18th**
 - **Adventure Camp- \$125- Ages 7-15, July 22nd-25th / August 19th- 22nd *limited spots**
 - **Sports Fitness Bootcamp- \$30- Ages 7-13, July 29th- August 1st**
 - **Lacrosse Camp- \$30- Ages 7-14, August 12th-15th**
 - **Basketball Camp- \$30- Ages 7-14, August 26th-29th**
 - **Wrestling Camp- \$30- Ages 5-14, August 12th-16th**

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

Website: www.drum.armymwr.com/

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

11. CYS YOUTH CENTER**STEVE FERGUSON, 315- 772-6717**

- **KITCHEN SKILLS:** Kitchen Skills will meet on **Wednesday & Thursday, June 5th and 6th**, from **5:30-6:30 pm**. This program serves as introduction to the kitchen, and basic cooking. The program's focus is on: kitchen safety, utensils, terminology, and sanitation; as well as, reading recipes. This course is a prerequisite to any cooking programs at the center.
- **LIBRARY FIELD TRIPS:** **Thursday, June 6th 2019** from **4:30 pm- 6:30 pm**. Youth will be taking field trips the McEwen Library every 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month. Youth will be given a library orientation, participate in exciting activities and register to use the library. (We will not have our Library FT on June 20th due to Mountain Fest).
- **BOWLING FIELD TRIPS:** **Thursday June 13th and June 27th 2019**, youth will be taking field trips to the Pine Plains Bowling Center every 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month. This field trip is **FREE** to youth and includes: bowling shoes, 2 games, and a drink/snack combo. Space is limited and youth must have a signed permission slip the Monday before the field trip.
- **COOKING CLUB:** **Wednesday and Thursday, June 12th and 13th**, from **5:00 - 6:30 PM**. Come join us as we bake a cake to celebrate the Army's Birthday!! **Kitchen Skills is a prerequisite for this event.*
- **MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS NIGHT:** **Saturday, June 15th 2019, 7:00-10:00 PM**. Come join us for Middle School Sports Night! The program is much more than just sports. Regardless of whether you plan on participating in the sport, or cheering from the stands; the fun, food, music, and excitement of the program should not be missed! This event will cost **\$3 for members** and **\$5 for Non-members**. The Center will open at 2:00 PM.
- **REGENTS EXAM PREP:** It's that time again. Middle Schoolers and Teens will be taking their Regents Exams **June 18th – June 25th**. Once again, the Youth Center at Fort Drum will be offering Regents Prep/Study sessions. The Youth Center will offer preparation

sessions in English Language Arts, Global History, U.S. History, Algebra I, Living Environment, Earth Science, and Geometry. There will be water and snacks available for youth who choose to take advantage of this preparation opportunity. For more information, please call the Youth Center at (315)772-6719.

- **MOUNTAIN FEST: Thursday, June 20th, 2019** the Youth Center will be **CLOSED** due to Mountain Fest activities being held on post. The staff from the YC will be working at Mountain Fest so come out and see us!
- **MIDDLE SCHOOL INDOOR RE-BALL: Saturday, June 22nd 2019, 2:30-7:30 pm.** Re-Ball is the paint-less variation of the popular sport of paintball; played indoors with the same equipment, but using reusable rubber balls instead of paintballs. There is no mess, and since the balls are reusable, you can shoot all you want with no extra costs! The cost if this activity is **FREE** for members and **\$5.00 for Non-members**. We provide all the equipment for this program, you just have to have a signed permission slip, and come to the program wearing longs sleeves and pants. All players are required to help setup and take down all the equipment used for this program.
- **SUMMER CELEBRATION PARTY: Saturday, June 29th from 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm.** Come join us in celebrating the summer with our Summer Celebration Party. We will have water games, Slip & Slides, and a cookout. Appropriate attire is required.

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.

Access Control

REAL ID Update:

- States that issued the resident's license/ID must be either compliant or have been granted an extension in order for that resident to use that license/ID for accessing Federal facilities. The license/ID itself does not have to be REAL ID compliant until "card-based" enforcement begins on October 1, 2020. All states are currently compliant. However, the following states only have extensions until: January 10, 2019: California, and Guam; April 1, 2019: Virgin Islands; May 1, 2019: Rhode Island; June 1, 2019: Alaska, Illinois, and North Marianas Islands; August 1, 2019: Kentucky, Missouri, and Pennsylvania; October 10, 2019: America Samoa, Maine, New Jersey, Oklahoma, and Oregon.
- 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

- **Use of drones on Fort Drum.** Commercial and/or recreational use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS/drones) within Fort Drum is prohibited without prior approval from the senior commander or Garrison Commander. The senior commander may authorize use of UAS for recreational purposes on a case-by-case basis. Each authorization will 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, registration will include the pilot's contact information and FAA UAS registration number. The use of surveillance cameras in civilian/personal Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) and model aircraft (RC planes/AC) is strictly prohibited.

- 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.

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

The leading cause of fires in the kitchen is unattended cooking:

- Always use cooking equipment tested and approved by a recognized testing facility.
- Follow manufacturers' instructions
- Plug microwave ovens and other cooking appliances directly into an outlet.

- Never use an extension cord for a cooking appliance
- Stay in the kitchen when you are frying, grilling, or broiling food.
- If you leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, turn off the stove

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

- **EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS:** dial 911 from any land-line. That call will go directly to the DES Dispatch Center. If you dial 911 from your cell phone, that call will go directly to the Jefferson County Dispatch Center; advise the 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 non-emergency calls for service: Dial (315) 772-5156.

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

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Click the hyperlinks

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

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Click the hyperlinks

Website: www.shopmyexchange.com

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

14. FISH & WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

RAYMOND RAINBOLT, 315-772-9636

- **FISHING & TURKEY HUNTING SEASONS BEGIN** – Trout have been stocked on Fort Drum. Northern pike and walleye season begins May 4; bass season begins June 15. Turkey hunting season begins in the Northern Zone (including Fort Drum) on May 1 and runs through the entire month. 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 and fishing. See the web site for more information and passes: www.FortDrum.iSportsman.net.
- **YOUTH FISHING DERBY AT REMINGTON PARK** – Mark your calendars! The 23rd Annual Youth Fishing Derby will be Saturday, May 18 at Remington Park. Registration begins at 11:45; the derby will be from noon until 3:45 p.m. and awards will be presented at approximately 4:00 p.m.
- **LOOKING FOR FRGs TO BE FOOD VENDORS FOR OUTDOOR ADVENTURE DAY** – The 7th Annual Outdoor Adventure Day will be 10:00 am – 4:00 pm Saturday, August 17 near Buildings S-2507/2509 off of NYS Rte. 26 between Great Bend and Wheeler-Sack Army Airfield. This is a free family-friendly event with live demonstrations and hands-on activities related to the outdoors and natural resources. Contact Jason Wagner (Jason.E.Wagner.civ@mail.mil) if your FRG is interested in a fund-raising opportunity! For more information: <http://fortdrum.isportsman.net/outdoor-adventure-day>

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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

- **Effective 1 June, 2019 Col. (Ret.) Mark Manns** will become the president of the Fort Drum Chapter of the National Association of the 10th Mountain Division replacing Col. (Ret.) Mike Plummer who has been the president since 1994. Mark can be reached at markmanns1971@yahoo.com.

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

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

16. FORT DRUM MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY HOMES (MCH)

Allyssa Romeo, 315-955-6814

- **HOMES AVAILABLE ON POST: PRICES START AT \$1095!** Enjoy the convenience of living close to work! Apply today to secure your next home with Fort Drum Mountain Community Homes! 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.
- **HOMES AVAILABLE ON POST: PRICES START AT \$1095!** Enjoy the convenience of living close to work! Apply today to secure your next home with Fort Drum Mountain Community Homes! 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.
- **SPLASH INTO SUMMER:** Residents are invited to come out for a day of fun in the sun at the **Rhicard Hills Community Center** on **26 June** from **1:00 pm – 3:00 pm**. The Splash Park will be open and the event will feature other water activities including an inflatable slip-n-slide. Games, refreshments and music will also be part of the fun as we kick off summer! Stay tuned to our event page on [Facebook](#) for more information, including any rain-out details.
- **COMMUNITY WIDE YARD SALE DAYS:** Residents are encouraged to take part in the annual Yard Sales from **8:00 am – 2:00 pm** on the following dates: **15 June** and **16 June** in **Crescent Woods** and **Monument Ridge Communities**; and **22 June** and **23 June** in **Adirondack Creek** and **Rhicard Hills Communities**. Residents should read more about yard sale details and restrictions in their Resident guide or on the yard sale flyers which can be found hanging in the community centers, posted in mail kiosks or in the events section on [Facebook](#).

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Click the hyperlinks

Email: Allyssa.romeo@fdmch.com

Website: www.fortdrummch.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/fortdrummch

17. FORT DRUM THRIFT SHOP

Stephanie Wolf, 315-772-7189

- **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

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

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

• **NEW BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR HOUSING (BAH) RATES FOR 2019:** New BAH rates went into effect on 1 Jan 2019. Those Soldiers who were already signed in at Fort Drum and receiving the 2018 rate, will keep the same rate if higher than the 2019 rate or receive the 2019 rate if higher than the 2018 rate for their pay grade. If your pay grade changes or your marital status changes after 1 Jan 19, you will get the 2019 rate. Refer to the Department of Defense BAH website for more information:

<https://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/site/bah.cfm>

• **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 in Clark Hall. The overall rental housing market vacancy rate is about 5 to 7%; 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, there are plenty of rentals available and all rents are generally within the BAH rates and therefore affordable. **On-post Family Housing and the Timbers has some availability and some at (lower than BAH)**

market rates for some ranks. 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 HOUSING SERVICES OFFICE CAN HELP:** The Army Housing Services 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 Housing Services 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 Housing Services 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.

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Website: www.housing.army.mil

19. INTRAMURAL SPORTS PROGRAM

ALLEN JANSSEN, 315-772-6663

- **MOUNTAINFEST GOLF TOURNAMENT:** will be conducted **14 June** at Ives Hill County Club, 465 W. Flower Ave, Watertown, NY. Tournament is 4-person captain and crew and will start at **9 am**. Sign-up by **7 June** or day of event. Cost TBA per person. The tournament is open to all active duty military assigned/attached to Fort Drum, family members 19 years and older, reservists, National Guard and DoD civilians employed on Fort Drum. Sign-up at the Intramural Sports Office Bldg. P-10050, 772-6663.
- **MWR SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT:** Intramural Sports will host a double elimination Softball Tournament on 29 June at the Magrath Sports Complex fields. The tournament will be officiated using ASA rules and is open to all DoD ID card holders and family member who are 19 years or older to participate.
- **MWR DISC GOLF TOURNAMENT:** Intramural Sports will host an 18-hole Disc Golf Tournament on 29 June at the Magrath Sports Complex. This tournament is open to all DoD ID card holders and military family members 19 years or older, some equipment is on hand but request players bring their own disc if they have them.

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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, 13 June, 6:30 pm** at the McEwen Library. Children between the ages of six 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.
 - **Movies at McEwen:** **Saturday, 15 June, 3 pm.** Relax in the library and enjoy a film! Free to attend, and popcorn provided.
 - **The Page Turner's Book Club:** **Wednesday, 26 June, 6:30 pm** at the McEwen Library.
 - **Summer Reading Program 2019:** **June 22 - August 17, 2019.** "It's Showtime at Your Library!"
- The program is for children age 0-18, read books and complete activities! More information at 315-772-9099 or see our web page at <https://fortdrumlibrary.beanstack.org/reader365>.

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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.fmw.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, Stephanie Mann 315-772-4655, Stephanie.m.mann4.civ@mail.mil. To FRG Leaders, if you would like for our team to meet during you scheduled to 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, Stephanie Mann 315-772-4655, Stephanie.m.mann4.civ@mail.mil

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Click the hyperlinks

Website: www.drum.amedd.army.mil

Facebook: www.facebook.com/pages/US-Army-Medical-Department-Activity-Fort-Drum-NY/291076844239665

22. NORTH COUNTRY SPOUSES' CLUB (NCSC)

Marla Bautista, President, 720-325-0943

- Scholarship and grant applications are now open and available on our website. Please make note of application requirements and deadlines to submit.
- Anyone interested in joining the Spouses' Club can do so any time. We welcome new members. Visit our website for more information.
- Stop by Off the Beatin' Path Gift Shop for all your unit gifts and Pando gear. Check out our Facebook page for the latest deals, newest inventory, and hours of operation.
- www.northcounterspousesclub.com

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Website: <http://northcounterspousesclub.com/>

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Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/NorthCountrySpousesClub?ref=br_tf

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

24. OUTDOOR RECREATION

KEVIN SMITH, 315-772-6568

- **WHALE WATCHING:** Outdoor Recreation will be traveling to Massachusetts for a fun filled weekend **June 14th – 16th**. We will be going out on a Whale Watching tour as well as visiting the historical town of Salem. The trip includes a two night hotel accomidation, transportation, and Whale Watching tour. Registration is **\$200 per adult** and **\$125 per child (0-12 yrs)**. The last day to register for the trip will be June 6th. For more information please contact the Outdoor Recreation staff at 315-772-8222/5169.

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Website: www.drum.armymwr.com/us/drum/programs/o-recreation/

25. SAFETY

JOHN DROZD, 315-772-3022

June is the start of swimming season and is the most popular activity in the summer months. Remember these simple rules to keep you and your family safe in the water:

- Swim in designated areas supervised by lifeguards.
- Always swim with a buddy; do not allow anyone to swim alone. Even at a public pool or a lifeguarded beach, use the buddy system!
- Ensure that everyone in the family learns to swim well. Enroll in age-appropriate Red Cross water orientation and Learn-to-Swim courses.
- Never leave a young child unattended near water and do not trust a child's life to another child; teach children to always ask permission to go near water.
- Have young children or inexperienced swimmers wear U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jackets around water, but do not rely on life jackets alone.
- Establish rules for your family and enforce them without fail. For example, set limits based on each person's ability, do not let anyone play around drains and suction fittings, and do not allow swimmers to hyperventilate before swimming under water or have breath-holding contests.
- Even if you do not plan on swimming, be cautious around natural bodies of water including ocean shoreline, rivers and lakes. Cold temperatures, currents and underwater hazards can make a fall into these bodies of water dangerous.
- If you go boating, wear a life jacket! Most boating fatalities occur from drowning.
- Avoid alcohol use. Alcohol impairs judgment, balance and coordination; affects swimming and diving skills; and reduces the body's ability to stay warm.

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

LORRIE GULER, 315-772-3284

• **SFL-TAP SEMINARS:** Call the SFL-TAP Center at 772-3434/3286 to reserve a seat in seminars. Pre-registration is not required for the career fairs. Family members are encouraged to attend these events. The following seminars and events are scheduled:

- Career Fair **01 August, 0900-1300**
- Career Exploration and Planning Track **03 Jun, 0800-1600**
- Career Skills Program Brief **04 Jun, 0900-1600**
- Davis-Ulmer Employer Brief **12 Jun, 0900-1100**
- Career Exploration and Planning Track **17 June, 0800-1600**

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27. STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE

DWIGHT AUSTIN, 315-772-5261

Nothing reported

28. USO

Cheryl Christie, 315-778-0850

- USO Fort Drum Story Time "The Color Monster," May 13th, 3:30 pm and 5:30 pm
- Superhero Pancake Breakfast, May 11th, 9:00 am – 10:30 am

- Hula Dance Class, Every Tuesday, 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm
- Join us at the Armed Forces Day Parade, May 18th, 10:00 am at starting at Watertown High School

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29. VETERINARY SERVICES**CPT DAVID HUTSEBAUT , 315-772-4262**

Nothing reported

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30. VOLUNTEER SUPPORT FUND (VSF)**JENNIFER PITARD, 325-280-5539**

Nothing reported

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