



CLIF NOTES FOR THE FORT DRUM COMMUNITY

July 2019



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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

Army Community Service Birthday, 25 July 2019, 11:30 am to 2:00 pm, cake and ice cream will be served.

- 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, 9 Jul, a class will be held at the SFAC from 10-12 pm and at ACS from 2-4 pm.
- Volunteer Administrative Training, 10 Jul, open to all who manage volunteer records, all classes will be held at ACS building, 1780 Restore Hope Avenue, 2-4 pm

- 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 Jul, 10 – 11:30 am and 2 – 3:30 pm
- FRG Leader Training, 17 Jul, 9 am – 12 pm
- Informal Funds, 17 Jul, 1:30pm – 2:30 pm
- CARE Team Training, 24 Jul, 9 am -12 pm
- Resilience Training, 31 Jul, 1 – 4 pm

- **Relocation Readiness Program (315 772-6553/6566/6902/3241)** all classes will be held at ACS building, unless otherwise noted

1780 Restore Hope Avenue

Lending Closet, Monday –Friday, 7:30 am - 4:30 pm

Immigration and Naturalization Assistance

- Sewing Class, every Monday, 9 am - 12 pm
- Evening Sewing Class, every Monday, 4:30 – 8:30 pm
- English as a Second Language (ESL) class Every Tuesday and Thursday, 9 am -12:30 pm
- Advanced English as a Second Language (ESL) class Every Tuesday, 1 - 3 pm
- Hearts Apart Support Group, First Friday of every month, call for time and location
- Overseas Orientation, Third Thursday of each month, 9 am
- Fort Drum Tour, Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month, departs from ACS at 9:30 am
- Pre Departure Briefing, follows the Levy Brief at Clark Hall, Every Tuesday and Thursday,
- International Spousal Support Group, Third Friday of the month, call for times and location
- Kids Trek: Dairy Farm Day at Homestead Fields (must register), 9 Jul, 10 am – 12 pm
- Fort Drum and Watertown Tour (must register), 10 Jul, 9:30 am – 2 pm
- Kids Trek: Nature Journaling with TIAC at Otter Creek Preserve and Nature Trail (must register) 11 Jul, 10 am – 12 pm
- Fort Drum and Watertown Tour (must register), 24 Jul, 9:30 am – 2 pm
- Kids Trek: Treasure Hunt Introduction to Geocaching at Chippewa Bay Preserve (must register), 26 Jul, 1 pm

- **Employment Readiness Program: (315-772-9611/1090/2737/7987)**

- Resume Start to Finish, every Monday in July, 9 am-12 pm, at the SFAC
- Federal Employment, 3 Jul, 9:30 am-11:30 am at the ACS, building,
- Build Your Own Business, 11 Jul, 9:30 am-11:30 am, at the SFAC
- Career Fair Preparation & Interviewing, 16 Jul, 9:30 am – 11:30 pm, at the ACS building
- Federal Employment, 18 Jul, 9 am-11:30 am at the SFAC
- LinkedIn: Building Your Living Resume Seminar, 19 Jul, 9 – 11 am

- **ACS PLAY GROUPS:**

- Connect the Tots Playgroup at the SFAC, 10 -11:30 am, every Tuesday
- EFMP sponsored Playgroup at the SFAC, 10 -11:30 am, every Wednesday
- Little Eagle Playgroups at Eagle Ridge, 10 -11:30am, every Thursday

- **Financial Readiness Program (315-772-2919/5059/00505196)** all classes will be held at the ACS Annex, 435A MWR Drive, South Post (1st Term Financial Training is at Clark Hall)

- In-Processing Soldiers' Mandatory Financial Training, every Wednesday at Clark Hall, 1 – 4:30 pm
- Budgeting for Your Goals, 11 Jul, 10 am – 11 am
- Managing Your Checking Accounts, 11 Jul, 11 am – 12 pm
- Car Buying 101, 18 Jul, 1 - 3 pm

- **Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) (315-5476/5488/0664:** all classes will be held at ACS building, 1780 Restore Hope Avenue unless otherwise noted

- Watertown Farmers Market Trip, 3 Jul, 8 am
- Parent Workshops & Trainings, Thompson Park Playground and Splashpad, 11 Jul, 10 am
- Caregiver Support Group Discussion – Online Facebook Meeting @
Facebook.com/FortDrumExceptionalFamilyMemberProgram, 12 Jul, 10 – 11:30 am
- Home Again Farm Alpacas Tour (must register), 17 Jul, 11:30am – 2 pm

- **Family Advocacy Program (FAP) (315) 772-5914, ACS building, 1780 Restore Hope Avenue**

- **Breastfeeding Support is available by a Certified Lactation Counselor, lactation education and support for new and expecting mother's, 315-772-4070**

- Taco bout it Tuesday, 9 Jul, 5:30 pm at Adirondack Community Center
- Parenting After Separation and Divorce, 10 Jul, 9 - 11am, at ACS

- Finding Calm In The Chaos: Stress Management, 11 Jul, call for location and time
- Baby Basics, a look into your child's first year, 19 Jul, 10 - 12pm, at ACS
- Couples Cooking Class, 19 Jul, 5:30 – 7:30 pm at Adirondack Creek Community Center
- We are our environment, creating a kid friendly space, 25 Jul, at ACS Birthday Bash
- Chillin' Out: Anger Management, 25 Jul, 1:30 – 3:30 pm Crescent Woods Community Center
- Terrific Toddlers, 31 Jul , 9 - 11am, at ACS
- Empowered Parenting, trending teen topics, 7 Aug, 5:30 pm
- Scream Free Marriage, 20 Aug, call for location and time
- The Inbetweeners: parenting your 5-12 year old, 4 Sept. 9 – 11 am @ ACS
- Scream Free Parenting, 17 Sept., call for location and time

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

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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

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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.

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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

- **MOUNTAIN MUDDER:** Get ready to crawl through the mud, hurdle obstacles and just have a good time at the Mountain Mudder on **Friday, 9 August 2019**. There are four waves for the event, **6:30 am, 7:30 am, 8:30 am and 9:30 am**. Registration for the Mountain Mudder is through Eventbrite.com. The cost for the event is \$25 for pre-registration and \$30 the day of the event. This event is open to all DoD card holders 18 years of age and older and to the first 1,200 participants. For more information contact the BOSS Center at 772-7807.
- **BOSS BEACH BASH:** BOSS is hosting a Beach Bash on **Friday, 23 August 2019** at Westcott Beach. Come out for a day full of variety of activities from Soccer, Ultimate Frisbee and Corn hole, to just relaxing on the beach or on the water. There will be music, kayaks and pontoon boats. This event is open to single Soldiers only. There is no cost for this event. Transportation will be provided if needed and will depart from the BOSS Center at **10 am**. Sign-up at the BOSS Center, 10650 5th Armored Division Drive, by 22 August 2019. For more information contact the BOSS Center at 772-7807.

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Click the hyperlinks

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. RELIGIOUS SUPPORT OFFICE

CAROL BURKE, 315-772-4451

- There is a new Liturgical Service held Sundays 1100 at Riva Ridge Chapel. Holy Communion is offered weekly. POC CH (CPT) Aaron Oliver 315-772-4303 or email aaron.j.oliver6.mil@mail.mil
- Vacation Bible School is scheduled for 29 July - 2 August at the Main Post Chapel. This year's theme is The Incredible Race! Register at <https://fortdrumvbs2019.myanswers.com/incredible-race>
- Catholic Kidz Camp will be held 22-26 July at the Main Post Chapel. The theme this year is Around the World in 5 Days! Register at <https://vbspro.events/p/catholickidzcampft-drum>
- 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)

8. CYS SERVICES/OUTREACH

ELENE NEMERGUT, 315-772-3677

- **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.

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?*Click the hyperlinks*Email: terri.l.spencer6.naf@mail.milWebsite: www.drum.armymwr.com**9. CYS SCHOOL SUPPORT SERVICES (SSS)****MATT ROGERS 315- 772-3214**

- **REGISTERING FOR SCHOOL EARLY:** School districts make many critical staffing and placement decisions for the start of the school year based around its enrollment numbers. It is important for families new to Fort Drum to register your children for school as soon as you arrive. Please do not wait until the end of the summer to begin the registration process. If you need information about registering or where your child will attend school, contact the Fort Drum School Liaison Officer.
- **SCHOOL SUPPLIES:** Many on-post, as well as community agencies, donate school supplies for families. School supply lists will be posted on your child's school district website during the summer. Remember that those list are typically a generic list for their grade and additional supplies may be required by specific teachers. For information about agencies donating school supplies or obtaining your child's school supply list, contact the School Liaison Officer.
- **FIRST DAY OF CLASSES:** The 2019-2020 school year will begin for the majority of area students on **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH**.

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?*Click the hyperlinks*Email: matthew.a.rogers36.naf@mail.milWebsite: www.drum.armymwr.com**10. CYS SPORTS & FITNESS**

- **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.
- **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**
- **FALL SPORTS:** Registration dates and Season dates vary. Please call sports office for more specific information.
 - **Tackle Football- \$75- Ages 11-12; Enrollment thru August 9th, Season: Aug 1st-Nov 15th**
 - **Flag Football- \$45- Ages 5-12; Enrollment thru August 9th, Season: Aug 19th-Oct 26th**
 - **Archery League-\$50- Ages 7-16; Enrollment thru August 30th, Season: Sep 3rd- Oct 8th**
 - **T-Ball-\$25- Ages 4-6; Enrollment thru August 30th, Season: Sept 3rd-Oct 8th**
 - **Mini Soccer- \$25- Ages 4-5; Enrollment thru August 30th, Season: Sept 9th-Oct 14th**
 - **Soccer- \$45- Ages 6-12; Enrollment thru August 30th, Season: Sept 4th-Oct 23rd**

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?*Click the hyperlinks*Email: Jonathan.m.burnard.naf@mail.milWebsite: www.drum.armymwr.com/Facebook: www.facebook.com/pages/FORT-DRUM-MOUNTAINEER-CYSS-SPORTS/214490878183

11. CYS YOUTH CENTER

STEVE FERGUSON, 315- 772-6717

- **MAGIC THE GATHERING TOURNAMENT: July 29- August 2, @ 2:00 pm daily.** Come play, share and compete in this fun card game of strategy. Cards are available at the Youth Center.
- **5-5 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT (FULL COURT): Saturday, August 3 2019, 2:00- 7:30 pm.**
- **ECOSYSTEMS: August 5th -10th.** Take a trip on the wild side! To begin a week packed-full of learning, observing, and exploring; we will be taking a trip to the Wild Center in Tupper Lake on **Monday, August 5th, from 09:00 am-7:00 pm; the cost is \$11.** We will explore pond & stream ecosystems and actually create our very own to take home and monitor!
- **IRON CHEF JR.: August 21-23.** This program is a culinary competition for middle and high school students. Participants will create healthy dishes, using set recipes. This cooking competition will foster team work, collaboration, and team building as participants work in teams to complete tasks and prepare the assigned dish.
- **END OF SUMMER BLOCK PARTY: Saturday, August 31st, 3:00-6:00 pm.**

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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: American 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 WSAF 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

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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 SEASON CONTINUES** – All fishing seasons are underway in NYS. Recreational activities including fishing, hunting, 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.
- **STILL 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>
- **LERAY MANSION OPEN FOR TOURS** – Come to LeRay Mansion for a free tour of the mansion and learn about the history of northern New York. Open during normal business hours. The Mansion is also available for events and social gatherings. Contact bookleraymansion@gmail.com for more information.

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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.

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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

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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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19. INTRAMURAL SPORTS PROGRAM

ALLEN JANSSEN, 315-772-6663

- **Army Ten-Miler Qualification** will be conducted on **7 August** at Magrath Sports Complex the run is open to all active duty military assigned/attached to Fort Drum, sign-up at the Intramural Sports Office Bldg. P-10050, 772-6663.
- **Softball Midnight Madness:** DFMWR will host double elimination Softball Tournament on **16 August**. The tournament will be officiated using NCAA rules and is open to all DoD ID card holders and family member who are 19 years or older to participate.
- **Soccer Tournament** on **17 August** will be located at Magrath Sports Complex. This tournament is open to all DoD ID card holders and military family members 19 years or older, sign-up at the Intramural Sports Office Bldg. P-10050, 772-6663.
- **10th Mountain Division/DFMWR Golf Challenge Cup** will be held on **23 August**. This tournament is open to all DoD ID card holders and military family members 19 years or older. The tournament will be conducted at Ives Hill County Club, please register on Eventbrite.com.
- **Flag Football Tournament:** DFMWR will host double elimination **Flag Football Tournament** on **24 August**. The tournament will be officiated using NCAA rules and is open to all DoD ID card holders and family member who are 19 years or older to participate.

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20. McEWEN LIBRARY

ALLEN GOUDIE, 315-772-9099

- **Summer Reading Program 2019: 22 June – 17 August 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>.
- **Summer Reading Program 2019 End of Summer Party: Saturday, 17 August, 1 pm – 15 pm.** "It's Showtime at Your Library Finale!" More information at 315-772-9099.
- **The Page Turner's Book Club: Wednesday, 28 August, 6:30 pm** at the McEwen Library.

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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

WARREN WRIGHT, 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
- Saturday School Physical Clinic 13 July and 27 July. Appointments are still available. Call 315-772-2778 today to secure your child's slot. Appointments are from 8:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Ages 4-18, registered for Pre-K to 12th grade. No College.

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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)

ERIN WRIGHT, PRESIDENT, 720-325-0943

- Erin Wright is the newly elected President of Spouses' Club for the 2019/2020 season.
- Membership for the 2019/2020 is now open. Visit our website to become a member.
- If you are a Brigade or Battalion level Spouse that is not receiving emails please email me at www.ncscpres@gmail.com
- Please like our Facebook and Instagram page IG: NCSC_Fortdrum FB: North Country Spouses' Club

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

Email: ncscpres@gmail.com

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, 315-772-4010

- **RENTAL EQUIPMENT:** Outdoor Recreation is extending the hours of operation to Saturdays! Saturdays the facility will be open from **7 am** until **3 pm**. Stop in and reserve boats, campers, party rentals, or even table and chairs. For more information please contact the Outdoor Recreation staff at 315-772-8222/5169 or see our [Price List](#).
- **HIKING:** Join Outdoor Recreation as we hike the Tupper Lake Triad on **3 August**. The hike will be at all three mountains (Mt. Arab, Coney Mountain and Goodman Mountain). This hike is \$20 per person and includes transportation and your challenge patch at the end of the hike. For additioanl information please contact Outdoor Recreation Staff at 315-772-8222/5169 or see the [Tupper Lake Triad Flyer](#).

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

25. SAFETY

JOHN DROZD, 315-772-3022

July is the height of the summer season in upstate NY. Here are some tips to avoid summer hazards:

Driving

- Millions of people hit the road starting Memorial Day
 - Safety check your vehicle
 - Plan your drive and drive your plan (rest prior, weather check, breaks)
 - Avoid distractions (don't depend on "vehicle infotainment")

Sports

- Probably most injuries occur during this activity
 - Stretch prior
 - Don't overdo it
 - Wear proper PPE required by sport

Swimming

- Numerous lakes and parks in NNY
 - Always swim with a partner and only at guarded bodies of water
 - Know capabilities and limitations
 - Observe warning signs

Always test water depth before diving; if you can't see below surface, don't dive

Boating

- Plan your float/float your plan
 - Approved flotation devices for you and all passengers
 - Boat like you would drive (no alcohol, avoid distractions, watch for other craft and swimmers)

Grilling

- Cook the food, not yourself; Feed your guests, don't poison them
 - Keep food chilled until cooking, don't let it sit out afterward
 - Place grill in well-ventilated area and away from play areas
 - Wear fitted clothing to avoid contact with fire
 - Stand upwind when starting fire
 - Don't use flammable liquids to start fire or relight coals

Heat Injuries

- Don't become a casualty catching some rays
 - Hydrate often
 - Avoid hottest part of the day
 - Wear light, loose clothing and use sunscreen

Fireworks

- Per Fort Drum Regulation 420-4, The Fire Prevention Program, fireworks are illegal to possess on Fort Drum. You can; however, enjoy an awesome fireworks display during Mountainfest put on by a licensed, approved vendor.
- According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, on average, 280 people go to the emergency room every day with fireworks-related injuries in the month around the July 4th holiday. Even sparklers can burn at temperatures exceeding 2000 degrees.

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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 **01 Jul, 0800-1600**
- Career Skills Program Brief **02 Jul, 0900-1600**
- Davis-Ulmer Employer Brief **10 Jul, 0900-1100**
- Career Exploration and Planning Track **15 Jul, 0800-1600**
- Entrepreneurial Track Workshop **23 Jul, 0800-1600**

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27. STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE

DWIGHT AUSTIN, 315-772-5261

Nothing reported

28. USO

CHERYL CHRISTIE, 315-778-0850

- Story Time "The Pout Pout Fish, Far, Far From Home", July 8th, 3:30 pm and 5:30 pm. Register at Eventbrite
- USO Fort Drum Scavenger Hunt, Registration begins June 1st, Scavenger Hunt is from July 8th - 13th, Event & Prizes on Association Island for all participants July 14th. The scavenger hunt is free for DoD card holders. There will be LOTS of prizes at the event on Association Island July 14th. PRIZES - current value \$2,300! Register at <http://usohunt.com>

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