



CLIF NOTES FOR THE FORT DRUM COMMUNITY

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1. AMERICAN RED CROSS

KIMBERLY OKAI, 315-772-6561

Nothing Reported

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

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

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

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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.
- **Spouses Welcome, every Thursday, 9:30 am at Clark Hall, Room B1-11**
- **EFMP sponsored playgroup, every Wednesday, 10 – 11:30 am at the SFAC**
- **Army Volunteer Corps, Volunteer of the Year Ceremony, May 27, 5 – 6pm Social Hour, 6 – 8pm Ceremony at The Commons**
- **Army Volunteer Corps. (AVC) (315 772-2899/0470) Please call for April calendar dates and locations for all classes.**
 - Volunteer Management Information System (VMIS 101), Introduction to VMIS and Volunteering on Fort Drum.
 - Volunteer Administrative OPOC Training, open to all who manage volunteer records.
 - ACS Volunteer Orientation, for anyone volunteering at ACS.
 - Volunteer of the Quarter Ceremony, May 21, 11 am at The Commons
- **ACS Mobilization & Deployment, (315 772-0470/2848/0509/4-4019) Classes/trainings are designed to support on-going Family readiness. Please call for April calendar dates and locations for all classes.**
 - Key Contact Training
 - SFRG Leader Training
 - Informal Funds
 - CARE Team Training
 - SFRG Basics for Commanders/1SG's

- Soldier & Family Readiness Liaison SFRL Training
- **Relocation Readiness Program (315 772-6553/6566/6902/3241) Please call for April calendar dates and locations for all classes.**
 - Lending Closet, Monday – Friday, 7:30 am - 4:30 pm**
 - Immigration and Naturalization Assistance**
 - Sewing Class
 - English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) class
 - Hearts Apart Support Group
 - ACS In-processing Brief, Mon – Fri, 10 – 10:30 am, Clark Hall
 - Overseas PCS Brief
 - Stateside PCS Brief, every Tuesday and Thursday, 3:15 – 4 pm, Clark Hall Rm A2-86
 - Fort Drum Tour, Every other Wednesday (dates subject to change due to weather) please call for confirmation, departs from ACS at 9:30 am
 - International Spousal Support Group
- **Financial Readiness Program (315-772-2919/5059/00505196)**
 - Classes available upon request:
 - Budgeting for Your Goals
 - Power Pay: Improve Your Credit and Eliminate Debt
 - Manage Your Checking Account
 - Car Buying 101
 - Insurance Basics, Consumer Rights and Obligations
 - Prevent Identity Theft and Avoid Scams
 - TSP: Investing in Your Future
- **Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) (315-5476/5488/0664) Please call for April calendar dates and locations for all classes.**
- **CHILDREN ARE WELCOME TO ALL ACS CLASSES WITH PARENTAL SUPERVISION**

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Click the hyperlinks

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

Facebook: <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!

Family Advocacy Program (FAP) (315) 772-5914, ASAP building, 10250 4th Armored Division Road

- The InBetweeners Parenting your 5-12 year old, 16 April 9-11 am at ASAP
- Empowered Parenting: Trending Teen Topics, 8 April, 5:30 pm, at ASAP
- Champion Your Spouse: Couples Communication, 5:30 pm, 21 April, at ASAP
- Terrific Toddlers, 4 June , 9-11am, at ASAP
- "Chilin' Out" Anger Management, 26 Mar & 30 April, 9:00-10:00 am, at ASAP
- Finding Calm in the Chaos: Stress Management, 12 March & 9 April, 9:00-10:00 am, at ASAP
- Baby Basics, a look into your child's 1ST year, 20 March & 17 April, 10-12pm, at ASAP

- Parenting After Separation and Divorce, 11 March & 8 April, 9-11am, at ASAP
- Taco bout it Tuesday, 5 May, 5:30 pm, at Rhicard Hills Community Center
- Wellness Cooking Class: cook with a culinary professional. Call to inquire!
- PLAYGROUPS:
 - **Tuesday's group**, Connect the Tots @ Remington Park's Oates Overview Lodge, 10:00-11:30 am.
 - **Thursday's group**, Little Eagles @Eagle Ridge Community Center, 10:00-11:30 am
- **A TWO PART SERIES: A DAY OF UNDERSTANDING**, 1 April 1pm-4pm and 21 April 9am- noon, AT THE COMMONS. Varying guest speakers will speak to Youth Vaping trends and Drug culture, LGBTQ Youth, Youth trafficking training, child abuse in Jefferson county and mandated reporter- to name a few
- **BABY PALOOZA**, 7 APRIL, 9:00 AM – Noon, AT THE COMMONS...Giveaways, information tables, mini-workshops, demonstrations and sign up to receive a “mini baby bundle gift bag”
- **FAMILY CAR SHOW**, 9 APRIL, 5:00-7:30 PM, IN THE PX PARKING LOT. Join FAP for a family Car Show with games and “COOL” vehicles.
- **CHILLFEST**, 15 APRIL, 10:00 AM TO 2:00 PM at OATS OVERVIEW in REMINGTON PARK. In cooperation with Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H and nutrition programs, attendees will participate in interactive activities, a healthy recipe exchange, healthy eating strategies, stress relief activities and techniques, yoga, and hands on crafts. First 100 families will receive a FREE at home “Chill It”.

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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

Michelle Capone, 315-486-1538

Pizza Party with PBS Kids Characters-Free to military families – 7 March 2020 from 11AM-1PM at The Commons, hosted by AUSA and WPBS. Meet PBS Kids characters Clifford the Big Red Dog, Curious George, Cat in the Hat and Princess Presto! Enjoy crafts, activities, and face painting. You can register online at <https://oneausa.org/event-registration/>.

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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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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)

JON BANISTER, (315) 772-7806

- **BLOOD DRIVE:** On 29 April BOSS will be hosting a Blood Drive in conjunction with the American Red Cross from 1:30 – 6:30 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, 10650 5th Armored Division Drive. Participants may also walk-in to donate as space is available. For more information contact the BOSS Center at 772-7807.
- **SPCA TRIPS:** Every Thursday afternoon the BOSS Program will conduct community service at the Jefferson County SPCA in Watertown, NY. We will provide transportation for anyone that is interested in participating. Our vehicles will depart from the

BOSS Center at 4 pm and return around 6:30 pm. This event is open to all DoD ID Card Holders. To sign up just stop by the BOSS Center and file out a volunteer agreement and statement of understanding. For more information call the BOSS Center at 772-7807.

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7. 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.

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8. CYS SCHOOL SUPPORT SERVICES (SSS)

MATT ROGERS 315- 772-3214

- **SPRING BREAK:** Local area schools will not be in session from **April 10 – 17**. Classes will resume on **Monday, April 20th**.
- **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION:** Beginning in April, school districts begin allowing parents to register children entering Kindergarten for the 2020-2021 school year. For information on what school building your child will be attending, Kindergarten Registration dates, as well required registration documents, contact the School Liaison or the school district you reside in. Children must turn 5 by December 1st in order to be eligible for Kindergarten for the 2020-2021 school year.
- **GRADES 3-8 NYS MATH EXAM:** New York State will be administering statewide Math Exams for all students in grades 3-8 in April. Dates for the exam vary depending on if the school is administering the exam via computer or paper. Schools traditionally send information about the exam dates home with students. Please ensure your child is attending school during exams dates.

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9. CYS SPORTS & FITNESS

Brittany Garnsey, 315-772-4102

- **TAEKWONDO CLASSES:** Tuesdays and Thursdays, Ages 5-17 yrs. **Fees are \$70** per student per month. 45 minute classes. Classes in Taekwondo are continuous. Please call our office for more specific information. Student **MUST** be in first grade to register. Kindergarteners must be evaluated by instructor to be allowed to enroll.
- **GYMNASTICS INSTRUCTIONAL CLASSES:** Classes begin September 9th, Ages 18mos-16yrs. Classes in Gymnastics are continuous from September to June and will run 1 day a week/ 4 days a month guaranteed.
- **Parent & Tot: 18mos-3yrs: \$35 per student per month. 30 minute class**
- **Gym Mites: 4-6yrs: \$40 per student per month. 45 minute class**
- **Gymnastics 1: 7-16yrs: \$45 per student per month. 60 minute class**
- **Gymnastics 2: 7-16yrs: \$50 per student per month. 75 minute class**
- **Gymnastics 3: 7-16yrs: \$50 per student per month. 75 minute class**
- **Gymnastics 4: 7-16yrs: \$60 per student per month. 90 minute class**
- **Gymnastics 5: 7-16yrs: \$60 per student per month. 90 minute class**

- **DANCE INSTRUCTIONAL CLASSES:** Classes begin **Monday JANUARY 6**, ages 18 mos-16 yrs. Classes in Dance are continuous from January to June, and will run 1 day a week/ 4 days a month guaranteed. **Fees: Dependent on Class.** Please call sports office for more specific information.
- **FITNESS CLASSES:** Registration is currently open, or until classes are full. Functional fitness classes, free weights, Family fitness, and plyometric classes. Open for ages 7-17 years old. **Fees: Free.**
- **SPRING SOCCER:** Registration is now open. Monday, Ages 4-5yrs. **Fees: \$25** per athlete. Monday and Wednesday, Ages 6-12 yrs. **Fees are \$45** per athlete. Season will run early May-late June, start date is dependent on weather.
- **SPRING T-BALL/BASEBALL:** Registration is now open. Tuesdays and Thursdays, Ages 4-12yrs. **Fees: \$45** per athlete. Season will run early May-late June, Start Date is Dependent on Weather
- **SPRING SOFTBALL:** Registration is now open. Tuesday & Thursday, Ages U12. **Fees: \$45** per athlete. Season will begin in April and run through July. The team participates in a local league, traveling around the area for competition.
- **SPRING RUNNING CLUB:** Registration is now open. Tuesday & Thursday, Ages 7-12yrs. **Fees: \$45** per athlete. Season will run early May-late June, Start Date is dependent on Weather.
- **SPRING FLAG FOOTBALL:** Registration is now open. Friday, Ages 7-14yrs. **Fees: \$35** per athlete. Season will run early May-Late June, Start date is dependent on Weather.
- **SPRING ARCHERY LEAGUE:** Registration is now open. Tuesday and Wednesday, ages 7-16yrs. **Fees: \$45** per athlete. Season will run early May-late June. Start Date is dependent on Weather

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10. CYS YOUTH CENTER

STEVE FERGUSON, 315- 772-6717

- **SEWING BASICS:** Monday & Tuesday, **2-3 March, 4:30-6:00 pm.** Come join our sewing program where teens will learn the basics of sewing and how to make different projects with our staff. This is a two-day prerequisite to use the sewing machines and participate in the week long sewing projects. All materials are provided.
- **KITCHEN SKILLS:** Monday & Tuesday, **2-3 March, 5:30-6:30 pm.** This program serves as an introduction to the kitchen and basic cooking program. The program focuses on kitchen safety, utensils, terminology, and sanitation; as well as readying recipes. This course is a prerequisite to any cooking programs at the center.
- **SEWING PROJECT:** Monday-Friday, **09-13 March, 4:30 pm.** This week-long project will offer some challenges for both beginner and intermediate level youth in the program. Members would have had to complete the sewing basic program, prior to participating. You will have the opportunity to choose between three projects to complete during the week.
- **ART PROJECT:** Monday-Tuesday, **9-10 March, 5:30-6:30 pm.** We will be working with beads, wire, and tools; to shape the wires and create 3D works of art! This bead & wire sculpting program will focus on Celtic knots and Tree of Life sculptures.
- **SEWING BASICS:** Tuesday & Wednesday, **10-11 March, 4:30-6 pm.** Sewing is back! Come join our sewing program, where teens will learn the basics of sewing on a sewing machine & learn to make different projects. This is a two-day prerequisite course to use the sewing machines, and participate in the week-long sewing projects. All materials are provided.
- **ROBOTICS:** Thursdays, **12 March- 2 April, 4:30-6:30 pm.** Download, install, connect, and complete programming missions. Come learn how to program fun and basic features. The easy-to-use, icon-based software features fun missions and a programming interface that lets you explore the magic of making your robot do whatever you want it to do!
- **TORCH CLUB ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING:** Friday, **13 March, 4:30 pm.** Do you have what it takes to become a leader in the community? Torch Clubs provide leadership development opportunities for young people ages 11-14. Members participate in activities in three focus areas: academic success, career preparation, and community service. With the guidance of an adult advisor, Torch Clubs aim to have a positive impact on members and the community. This is our organizational meeting. If you think you may have what it takes, please come and find out.
- **DINNER & A MOVIE:** Saturday, **14 March, 5:00 pm.** Youth will make dinner and enjoy a movie! The dinner prepared will be voted on by the members. The choice will be based on two recipes developed, in part, by the cooking club. Youth are required to participate in the making of the meal. The movie will be selected by the youth from a list of recent DVD releases.
- **ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY:** Tuesday, **17 March, 5:30 pm.** Come join the Youth Center, as we celebrate St. Patrick's Day! Wear green and try your luck at finding the treasure at the end of the rainbow! Fun will be had by all, with: games, food, and some great Irish luck!
- **MARCH MADNESS B-BALL TOURNAMENT:** Tuesdays & Thursdays, **17 March-2 April, 5:30 pm.** Members will be randomly placed on a team for a 3 on 3, or 5 on 5 tournament, depending on participation. Game and practice schedules will be created and given to each team. Games will be played every Tuesday and Thursday, during March Madness. Prizes will be awarded for sportsmanship, leadership, and the team finishing in first place.

- **SPRING FLING DANCE: Saturday, 21 March, 5:00-8:00 pm.** With the snow melting and the warmer weather on the way, today we celebrate spring with music, fun, and food. Members are encouraged to come to the center to dance, enjoy the company of friends, and have fun!
- **CAREER EXPLORATION ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING: Monday, 23 March, 5:30 pm.** Workforce Preparation. Members prepare for the future post-high school, by participating in career development activities, discovering the importance of community service, building customer service skills, and completing a hands-on apprenticeship program at the Youth Center. The program develops members' interpersonal skills, work ethic, and sense of community and responsibility.
- **QUILTING BASICS: Tuesday & Wednesday, 10-11 March, 4:30-6:30 pm.** Come join our quilting program, where teens will learn the basics of quilting. This is a two-day prerequisite course, to participate in the week-long sewing projects. All materials are provided.
- **WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH PROGRAM: Thursday 26 March, 5:30-7:00 pm.** Come join us at the Youth Center for our Women's History Month Program. We will honor women who have paved the way in history through their accomplishments, bravery, and sacrifice for civil & women's rights.
- **YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM DAY 1: Friday, 27 March, 5:00 pm.** This is an important event that supports the Army Teen's Chain of Communication, and provide opportunities for Teens to develop leadership skills. Participants actively contribute to the overall success of their community as they enhance the quality of life of their peers. Teen leaders in the community are given an opportunity to raise, discuss, and prioritize issues of concern to them and their peers. Issues with possible solutions are then briefed to Garrison leadership.

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

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

11. DIRECTORATE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (DES)

MAJ MATTHEW HAMILTON, 315-772-0565

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

- The Visitor Control Center (VCC) is now open 7 days a week from 0530-2200. All visitors are required to obtain their passes there prior to going to the gates. Personnel arriving when VCC is closed require a sponsor present at Cerjan ACP to be processed unless sponsorship application has been submitted in advance and the passes are present at the gate.
- Sponsorship applications available at: <https://home.army.mil/drum/index.php/about/visitor-information> . Use IMDR-ES Form 2 for sponsored passes and IMDR-ES Form 3 for the one day, unsponsored, pass. **The address to submit these applications in advance:** usarmy.drum.imcom.mbx.des-acp@mail.mil .
- Personnel wishing to visit Fort Drum for business or leisure may do so providing they present a valid form of identification and receive a favorable NCIC-III check. A Day Access Pass (valid from 0730-2300) will be issued to visitors upon authentication. Reoccurring visits that extend over multiple days require the individual to receive sponsorship and multi-day passes.
- Effective 17 January 2020 the WSAAF Gate will operate under the following hours: Open: Monday – Friday: 0530-2300. Closed 2300-0530, weekends, and holidays. Personnel wishing to access the airfield when closed must traverse across the Bompato Bridge.

Fire Prevention: For questions concerning Fire and Emergency Services contact Assistant Chief Steve LaRue, 315-772-4702, steven.c.larue.civ@mail.mil

- Cooking is, and has long been, the leading cause of home structure fires and home fire injuries!
- Stay Alert!
- The leading cause of fires in the kitchen is unattended cooking:
 - Always use cooking equipment tested and approved by a recognized testing facility
 - Follow manufacturer's 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 at either 772-7770, 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. Dial 911 from your cell phone, that call will go directly to the Jefferson County Dispatch; advise the dispatcher you are calling from Fort Drum and they will redirect your call to the DES dispatch center. For non-emergency calls for service: Dial (315) 772-5156.

Winter Parking:

- Winter is upon us as are winter parking regulations. There is no parking on the sides of roadways on Fort Drum from November 1st until April 1st and vehicles which are found to be in violation may be ticketed and may be towed at the owner’s expense if impeding snow removal.
- Exceptions to policy for special events (holiday parties etc.) may be requested not less than 14 days in advance through DES Operations (CPT Morgan Cady, morgan.p.cady.civ@mail.mil or CPT Don Manfredi Donald.t.manfredi.civ@mail.mil)

Sobriety: Don’t Drink and Drive – Law Enforcement has increased sobriety checks, both off and on post.

Safety Compliance Checkpoints:

- Fort Drum New York will continue Safety Compliance Checkpoints.
- Safety Compliance checkpoints will focus on educating FDNY Soldiers, civilians, and family members on laws and regulations regarding safely operating a motor vehicle in the state of NY.
- Use caution when approaching established checkpoints and follow the direction of law enforcement personnel to ensure a safe operation.

Community Policing:

- Coffee with the Chief event on 25 February, 1000 at the Monument Ridge Community Center. An opportunity to have a voice and share concerns within our community.
- We also have a Facebook page (DES-Fort Drum Police) that we provide updates about our department and utilize to share information. Check out our site!
- See something, say something! Anonymous DES Tips hot-line is 315 774-TIPS (8477)

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Click the hyperlinks	Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Fort-Drum-Directorate-of-Emergency-Services/885121491518077

12. EMPLOYMENT READINESS PROGRAM (ERP)

LEON DONALSON, 315-772-1090

- **Federal Employment Workshop** educates jobseekers on the federal employment system: USAjobs.gov account set up, benefits of working for the federal government, searching and applying for federal jobs, and how to write an effective federal resume. The Federal workshop is provided primarily every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month.
 - **Resume Start to Finish** covers the development of civilian resumes for private sector careers. The class consists of 45 to 60 minutes of instruction on resume types, formatting, and content as well as cover letter writing and reference sheet tips. Remaining class time is dedicated to creating your resume using our specialized resume software. This class is given every Monday (Except Holidays).
 - **Interview & Career Fair Preparation** teaches jobseekers how to best prepare for interviews, career fairs, and other networking events. Topics include career fair strategy, professional introductions, and how to dress for success. There will be six sessions of this seminar given: each session will be prior to the previously scheduled career fairs in order to enhance the individual potential of attaining employment.
 - **LinkedIn Seminar** is a monthly course instruction explaining in detail the basics of LinkedIn, the world’s largest professional networking platform. This class includes tips and tricks for building and maintaining a LinkedIn profile to expand your professional network and enhance job search efforts.
 - **Civil Service Employment Seminar** is offered quarterly for jobseekers interested in securing local or state government jobs. Jobseekers will learn how to prepare for civil service exams and complete applications. Department of Labor representatives provide you up to date information on application requirements, including Veteran services.
- ERP also offers additional resources and services such as:
- Weekly Job Bank
 - One-on-One Career Counseling
 - Job Search Assistance

Interview Preparation & Mock Interviews
Resume & Cover Letter Writing Assistance
Computer Lab & Resource Center
Classic Closet (professional attire)

Please follow us on Facebook, LinkedIn, & Instagram! We post hot jobs and employment relevant resources daily!

www.facebook.com/fortdrumemployment

Please call or send an email a team member for an appointment or to sign up for any of our scheduled classes:

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13. EXCHANGE

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Nothing reported

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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.
- **MAPLE DAYS ON FORT DRUM** – Mark your calendars! Maple Days will be celebrated on Fort Drum for ONE day only—on Saturday, March 21 from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm in and around the historic LeRay Mansion. Parking will be at the corner of Oneida and George St. and a shuttle service will be provided. Come out to see how maple sap is collected and made into maple syrup – have a taste of warm syrup – bring home some free maple flavored cotton candy – check out Fort Drum’s natural resources displays and activities.
- **LERAY MANSION OPEN FOR TOURS** – Come to LeRay Mansion to see the holiday decorations, have a free tour, and learn about the history of northern New York. The Mansion is open during normal business hours. The Mansion is also available for events and social gatherings. Contact bookleraymansion@gmail.com for more information.
- **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION** – PCSing and have household hazardous waste that can’t be moved or in need of disposal? Household hazardous waste can be turned in to Fort Drum’s Environmental Division at Bldg. P-11144 Bedlam Rd. (behind the Auto Craft Center) 0800-1600 Monday - Friday. For more information and a list of items accepted, check out the Fort Drum Recycles Facebook page.

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Click the hyperlinks

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.

Gil Persall, 315-489-3633

- The National Association of the 10th Mountain Division will award ten \$5,000 scholarships for Academic Year 2020– 2021. Qualifications, timeline and application can be found at [Caution-www.10thmtndivassoc.org](http://www.10thmtndivassoc.org) < Caution-<http://www.10thmtndivassoc.org/> > beginning 1 Jan 2020.

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

16. FORT DRUM MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY HOMES (MCH)

ALLYSSA ROMEO, 315-955-6814

- **CONVENIENT ON POST LIVING:** Two, three- and four-bedroom homes available today at lower than BAH rates! Enjoy the convenience of living close to work and all of Fort Drum's amenities! 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.
- **FRIENDS MAKE THE BEST NEIGHBORS:** Refer one of your friends to live on post and you'll get \$500!* All homes feature garages with automatic openers, 24-hour maintenance service, utilities included, and access to fitness centers, nature trails, sledding hill, splash parks, and dog parks all with the convenience of living on post. Contact the Welcome Home Center at 315-955-6644 or welcomhome@fdmch.com to refer your friends today! *Some restrictions apply.
- **THE TIMBERS:** One- and two-bedroom apartments 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
- **KIDDIE CONCERTS:** Fort Drum Mountain Community Homes is co-hosting Kiddie Concerts with the 10th Mountain Division Band during the month of April. Each Wednesday from 10-11am (with the exception of April 8th), the band will be in a Community Center performing sing-along songs. For more information, email: programs@fdmch.com or visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/fortdrummch/events.

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Website: www.fortdrummch.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/fortdrummch

17. FORT DRUM THRIFT SHOP

CHRISTOPHER WALLACE, 315-772-7189

- Store Location: P- 1454 Fourth St M, Fort Drum (behind the Express on Ontario Ave)
- Store Location: P- 1454 Fourth St M, Fort Drum (behind the Express on Ontario Ave)
- Donation Hours: Donation drop off available during store hours or any time at the donation shed located in the PX parking lot. Please check our website and Facebook page for current accepted items.
- Volunteering: Simply complete a Volunteer Orientation then start volunteering any time during store hours! Volunteer 3 or more hours a week to receive 50% off Thrift Shop merchandise!
- Store open to DOD and Non DOD card holders!

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Click the hyperlinks

Email: thriftshopfd@hotmail.com

Website: <http://fortdrumthriftshop.com>

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/FortDrumThriftShop>

18. HOUSING

BILL BAMANN, 315-772-7256

- **BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR HOUSING (BAH):** **New BAH rates went into effect on 1 January.** Those Soldiers who were already signed in at Fort Drum and receiving the previous year's rate, will keep the same rate if higher than the new rate or receive the new rate if higher than the previous year's rate for their pay grade. If your pay grade changes or your marital status changes after 1 January, you will get the new 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 10%; 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. Many apartment complexes are running specials. 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 have availability and

some 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 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. Sports, Fitness and Aquatics

JON BURNARD, 315-772-6663

- **Indoor Triathlon Sprint**, 14 April, DFMWR will be hosting an indoor triathlon sprint. There will be an opportunity for active duty soldiers to compete during PT hours at 6:45 am. Civilian DoD card holders will be able to compete at 9 am. These will take place at Magrath Sports Complex.
- **7on7 Flag Football Tournament**, DFMWR will host a 7on7 flag football tournament at Magrath Sports Complex. All DoD card holders (civilians must be 19+) are welcome to compete. Sign-up by 13 April in the Sports, Fitness and Aquatics office.
- **Corn Hole Tournament**, 24 April, DFMWR will host a corn hole tournament at the Right Arm Night. Sign-up the day of the event.
- **Couch Potato Triathlon**, 1-30 April, DFMWR will host a triathlon throughout the month of April. Participants will have 30 days to complete a triathlon the length of an Ironman. This is done on participants own time. Mileage should be turned in as soon as completed to the Sports, Fitness and Aquatics office. Sign-up in office at Magrath Sports Complex.

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Email: allen.y.janssen.naf@mail.mil or Diane.m.sykes.civ@mail.mil

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

20. McEWEN LIBRARY

ALLEN GOUDIE, 315-772-9099

- **Movie Matinee at McEwen:** Saturday, 18 April, 3 pm. Come relax and enjoy a free movie. Popcorn is provided.
- **The Page Turner's Book Club:** Wednesday, 29 April, 6:30 pm.
- **E-RESOURCE CLASS:** Learn how to get the most out of the McEwen Library's free e-resources (<http://mylibraryus.armybiznet.com/screens~S24/resources2.html>). Access e-magazines, e-books, audio books and streaming video via Overdrive, databases such as Ancestry.com, Mango Languages, Academic Research Premier, Career Transitions, Tutor.com, etc. Attendees must have an active library account. Classes are arranged by request. Contact Brenda Greenwood at 772-8506 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.fmw.net/

21. MEDDAC

STEPHANIE MANN, 315-772-4655

- We are looking for TRICARE beneficiaries (active duty, active duty family members, retirees, retiree family members) to volunteer to be council members for our new Patient and Family Partnership Council (PFPC) All volunteers will be required to complete Fort Drum volunteer training, Annual Privacy Training (HIPPA), and sign a confidentiality agreement. The purpose of the PFPC is to make recommendations that would improve the experience of care to the Military Treatment Facility Commander, COL Robert Heath. If

you would like to receive a volunteer application please reach out to the Fort Drum MEDDAC Patient Advocate, Ms. Stephanie Mann at 315-772-4655 and/or Stephanie.m.mann4.civ@mail.mil.

• **Joint Outpatient Experience Survey (JOES):** If you are seen at a Fort Drum Military Treatment Facility (MTF), you may be randomly selected to fill out a JOES survey. The survey welcomes patients at DoD (MTFs) the opportunity to voice outpatient experiences, to compare and standardize beneficiary visits among all DOD facilities, in order to achieve superior care. The answer to each survey questions directly impacts our monthly patient satisfaction score. This satisfaction score is displayed throughout all Fort Drum MTFs. Fort Drum MTFs receive additional funding from outpatient surveys when beneficiaries answer JOES' overall patient satisfaction question, question 23, that they agree their health care visit was satisfactory. This additional funding can help us improve the patient experience, increase medical resources, improve infrastructure, and introduce new initiatives. Your feedback is important!

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)

ERIN WRIGHT, PRESIDENT, 540-588-8971

- Please like our Facebook and Instagram page IG: NCSC_Fortdrum FB: North Country Spouses' Club
- NCSC Scholarship applications are available now at www.northcounterspousesclub.com
<http://www.northcounterspousesclub.com>. Applications for the Jared C. Monti scholarship are also available on our site. Due date for both is March 14, 2020.
- NCSC Community Grant applications are available at www.northcounterspousesclub.com - <http://www.northcounterspousesclub.com>. Grants are open to local non-profit organizations that support Fort Drum soldiers and family members. Applications are due March 27, 2020.
- Casino Night, previously scheduled for March 20, 2020 is cancelled.

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Click the hyperlinks

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

Email: ncscpres@gmail.com

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

23 OFF THE BEATIN' PATH GIFTS (OTBP)

DANIA BANDAS, 315-608-6221

- **Location:** Building 10502 S. Riva Ridge (In the USO Building)
- **Hours:** New hours are 11-2 Tuesday through Friday. We will be open Saturdays from 11-2 starting November 30 through December 21
- The new manager is Rocky Wallace

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Click the hyperlinks

Email: offthebeatinpathgiftshop@gmail.com

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

24. OUTDOOR RECREATION

JESSICA PENNY, 315-772-4010

- **Utica Wine and Chocolate Festival:** Join Outdoor Recreation on 25 April, for a trip to the Utica Wine and Chocolate Festival at the Utica Memorial Auditorium. This trip is open to ages 21 and up only, ID required for entry. We will leave Outdoor Recreation at 10:30 am and will return at 6:30 pm. The cost is \$50 per person and includes transportation to and from the event as well as event admission. For additional information please contact the staff of Outdoor Recreation at 315-772-8222/5169.

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

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

2020 FORT DRUM SPRING RELIGIOUS SERVICES**Catholic**

Ash Wednesday Mass	1200	26 Feb	Main Post Chapel
Ash Wednesday Mass	1730	26 Feb	Main Post Chapel
Stations of the Cross	1730	Fridays*	Main Post Chapel
Holy Thursday	1800	09 April	Main Post Chapel
Good Friday	1500	10 April	Main Post Chapel
Easter Vigil	2000	11 April	Main Post Chapel
Easter Mass	0900	12 April	Main Post Chapel

Protestant

Good Friday Service	1800	10 April	Po Valley Chapel
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Jewish

Purim	1830	09 March	Main Post Chapel
Purim	1700	10 March	Main Post Chapel

*Every Friday during Lent (23 February—3 April) followed by a no meat potluck

All regular worship services remain.

For more information contact the Main Post Chapel at 315-772-5591

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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](#)

26. SAFETY

JOHN DROZD, 315-772-3022

It looks like winter is finally coming to an end in most parts of the country. If the warmer weather means you'll be getting outside to clear winter debris, and get your home ready for spring, make sure you do it safely.

- Take time to stretch before starting strenuous work.
- Make sure equipment is working properly with all machine guards in place and secure. Wear safety goggles, sturdy shoes, and long pants when using lawn mowers and other machinery. Wear gloves to protect from skin irritations, cuts, and contaminants.
- Follow instructions and warning labels on chemical and lawn and garden equipment.
- Protect your hearing when operating machinery. If you have to raise your voice to talk to someone who is an arm's length away, the noise can be potentially harmful to your hearing.
- Use insect repellent containing DEET. Wear light clothes and tuck pants into boots to prevent exposure to ticks. Inspect clothing and skin after yard work and remove ticks safely. Reduce the risk of sunburn and skin cancer by wearing long sleeves, a wide-brimmed hat, and sunshades. Use sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or higher.

- Keep an eye on the thermometer and take precautions in the heat. When working in hot weather, remember to drink plenty of liquids, but not those that contain alcohol or large amounts of sugar, as they can cause you to lose body fluid. Pay attention to signs of heat-related illness, including high body temperature, headache, dizziness, rapid pulse, nausea, confusion, or unconsciousness.

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

LORRIE GULER, 315-772-3284

- SFL-TAP provides counseling and workshops to assist Soldiers and Family members in making career decisions.
- **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 **07 May, 0900-1300**
- LinkedIn Seminar **8 Apr, 0900-1100**
- Career Skills Program Brief **14 Apr, 0900-1600**
- Boots to Business, **28-29 Apr, 0800-1600**

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28. STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE

DWIGHT AUSTIN, 315-772-5261

Nothing reported

29. USO

CHERYL CHRISTIE, 315-778-0850

- USO Fort Drum Story Time "Fox and Socks", March 9th, 3:30 pm & 5:30 pm
- Coffee Connections, A collaboration with USO Fort Drum and ERP, March 18th, 9:30 am – 10:30 am, Every 3rd Wednesday – various locations – check our Facebook for details

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Facebook: www.facebook.com/USOFortDrum

30. VETERINARY SERVICES

CPT BREANNA JOHNSON , 315-772-4262

Nothing reported

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Facebook: www.facebook.com/FortDrumVTF

31. VOLUNTEER SUPPORT FUND (VSF)

JENNIFER PITARD, 325-280-5539

Nothing reported

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

Click the hyperlinks

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