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WASHINGTON NATIONAL GUARD 81ST BRIGADE

Guard unit joins forces with 7th ID

Ceremony celebrates 81st Brigade's transition to stryker combat team

BY SPC. BRIANNE KIM
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For more than 45 years, the Washington National Guard's 81st Brigade has worn the iconic Ravens patch, officially approved for wear in May 1970. On Saturday, they adopted the 2nd Infantry Division's Indian Head patch and revealed the

new brigade colors symbolizing the unit's transformation from an armor brigade to a Stryker brigade combat team.

All seven units within the 81st Bde., along with high-ranking officials from the U.S. Army Forces Command, Army National Guard, Washington National Guard and 7th Infantry Division filled the Washington National

Guard's Army Aviation Support Facility during the patch and flag-changing ceremony.

"This is a historic and proud day for the cascade rifle brigade," said Col. Bryan Grenon, commander of the 81st Bde., in his opening remarks at the ceremony. "The reflagging ceremony signifies one significant chapter of our history serving as an armored BCT but it solidifies our future as a Stryker brigade."

"The whole squad is excited



SGT. MATTHEW SISSEL 122nd Public Affairs Operations

Col. Bryan Grenon, right, and Command Sgt. Maj. Alfonso Cadena case colors during a repatching and reflagging ceremony on Lewis Main Saturday.

446TH AIRLIFT WING

Exercise puts crisis readiness to the test

Training will aid first responders

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The 446th Security Forces Squadron collaborated to plan and execute a comprehensive active shooter exercise at Joint Base Lewis-McChord Sunday.

The exercise was intended to both ensure the readiness of first responders directly involved and to heighten safety and awareness around the wing.

The exercise called upon participation and resources from several key squadrons, such as the 446th Aeromedical Staging Squadron that provided medics to respond to simulated injuries received during the active shooter scenario.

The exercise was primarily planned by 446th Airlift Wing Inspector General Inspections in conjunction with the 446th SFS. Together, planners sought to achieve several key training objectives.

Among the most vital purposes of the exercise was to validate the efficacy of the shoot-move-communicate training to include the use of reasonable force. During the exercise, quick response forces reacted and had to make split-second decisions about the level of force that was necessary to engage.

Keeping in line with valued partnerships, many of the actors used during the exercise were young recruits of the 446th

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IN THE NEWS



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The 56th Army Band will perform at Carey Theater Dec. 15.

'TIS THE SEASON

Bring family and friends to enjoy the 56th Army Band's free, I Corps Holiday Concert at Carey Theater, located on Lewis Main, Dec. 15 at 7 p.m. See story, 8A

TREES FOR TROOPS PROGRAM

'THE JOY OF THE HOLIDAY'



SCOTT HANSEN Northwest Guardian

7th Infantry Division troops unload trees for the Trees for Troops event at the American Lake Conference Center on Lewis North Dec. 2.

Donated trees arrive in time for Christmas

BY RUTH KINGSLAND
Northwest Guardian

Christmas spirit was in the air as nearly 700 fir Christmas trees were distributed to local service members at Joint Base Lewis-McChord's American Lake Conference Center Dec. 2 and Saturday.

The trees are part of Trees for Troops, a holiday program sponsored by the FedEx Corp. and Christmas SPIRIT Foundation. The program began in 2005 and has since delivered 176,000 real Christmas trees to service members and their families in all



Pvt. Jonathan Graham, right, of Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 6th Military Police Group, picks a tree for his family at the Trees for Troops event at the American Lake Conference Center Dec. 2.

TREE AND MENORAH LIGHTING CEREMONIES

Annual lighting events brighten holiday season

BY RUTH KINGSLAND
Northwest Guardian

Christmas and Hanukkah will both be celebrated Dec. 25 this year, so combining tree and menorah lighting ceremonies at Madigan Army Medical Center and McChord Field made a lot of sense as a way to kick off the Judeo-Christian holiday season.

A Menorah and Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony was held Dec. 2 at Madigan's Medical Mall and Monday outside the McChord Field Chapel.

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Young Madigan patient lifts holiday spirits during annual tree lighting ceremony, 10A

The Yakima Training Center held its tree lighting ceremony Saturday where about 90 people attended, according to Judy Jacobson, the YTC Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation manager.

The Madigan and McChord

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Col. Leonard J. Kosinski, commander of the 62nd Airlift Wing, coordinates children before the McChord Field Menorah and Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony Monday.

CROTT'S BUILDING



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Crotts family members visit the JBLM building named for their uncle, Cpl. Lawrence Leigh Crotts, a World War II hero, Tuesday. Pictured from left to right: James Crotts; Susan (Crotts) Swenson; JBLM Network Enterprise Center Director Amy Ridgeway; and, Lawrence Lee Crotts.

A family honor revisited

Family of Soldier who died in WWII visits building that bears his name

BY RUTH KINGSLAND

Northwest Guardian

Joint Base Lewis-McChord's only permanently-named building is the two-story concrete structure on Lewis Main inscribed as the Crotts Building.

The 15,398-square-foot structure was built in 1951 and is named for World War II hero, Cpl. Lawrence Leigh Crotts, a technician fifth grade with the Third Signal Company, Third Infantry Division, who was killed by enemy fire in 1944, while leading a team laying signal wire in Italy.

Crotts was selected in order to honor a Signal Corps hero and Washington resident who also trained at Lewis Main, according to JBLM's history of the Crotts Building.

Although Crotts received the Bronze Star and Purple Heart posthumously and the Lewis Main structure was named in his honor complete with a ribbon cutting ceremony attended by several of Crotts' family members June 15, 1952, none of the local family members living now were at that ceremony. In fact,

prior to this week none had seen the structure and its memorial plaque with Crotts' photo and a brief history that graces the inside hallway of the building.

"My grandmother wouldn't let me attend the dedication because she thought I was too young and might be disruptive," said Crotts' 69-year-old nephew and namesake, Lawrence Lee Crotts, of North Bend, Wash., Tuesday afternoon. He and his siblings, Susan Swenson of Granite Bay, Calif., and James Crotts of Gig Harbor, Wash., were treated to a VIP tour of the main floor of Building 2003—the Crotts Building.

The Crotts siblings were all in town this week for a family funeral. Corporal Crotts' sister, Edith, recently passed away, according to Swenson.

"It's sad, but she lived a full life and it was good for the family to get together," she said.

The Crotts family's tour Tuesday included very little access to the structure, being as—in line with Crotts' chosen career field in the Army—the building is used for IT equipment, cyber

security and data center. All are off limits to civilians, according to Amy Ridgeway, director of the JBLM Network Enterprise Center, 106th Signal Brigade, who organized and led the tour. Ridgeway also provided each of the Crotts siblings a framed history of the Crotts Building when they arrived at the installation.

Crotts was born in Tacoma in 1920 and grew up in Snoqualmie, Wash. He enlisted in the Army on Nov. 27, 1940, and completed basic training at Joint Base Lewis-McChord. Crotts' body was originally buried in the Sicily-Rome American Cemetery but was returned to the United States in 1948. He was laid to rest in the Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Washelli Cemetery in Seattle.

Lawrence Lee Crotts said he remembers hearing war stories about "Uncle Bud" as a child.

"There were pictures of Uncle Bud, and we knew he was a war hero who saved lives and watched over his men in the field," the younger Crotts said.

It was perhaps because of those stories that he joined the Navy as a young man and served from 1965 to 1971.

"The stories about Uncle Bud made us all proud," he said.

COMBAT INFANTRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Local vet receives prestigious honor

BY RUTH KINGSLAND

Northwest Guardian

Local retiree Jacob "Jake" Robinson's humility didn't stop him from being selected by the national Combat Infantrymen's Association for a very prestigious honor.

Robinson, a 76-year-old veteran from University Place, was selected last month as one of two veterans from across the country to represent the Combat Infantrymen's Association—for which he also serves as its commander of the Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 1st Regiment, at Joint Base Lewis-McChord—to lay a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery during a military service Nov. 10, the day before Veterans Day. President Obama performed the same duty the following day.

"It was quite an incredible honor," Robinson said. "I'm just a normal guy; you'd think they'd pick someone who was really impressive. I know me—I'm nobody special."

Robinson retired as a master sergeant with 1st Special Forces Group at JBLM in 1986. He served 23 years in the Army and was stationed in Korea, Germany and Vietnam. After he returned stateside, he served on Reserve Officers' Training Corps duty at the University of Montana before being sent to JBLM. He also has served for the past 20 years as chaplain of the 1st Special Forces Association's Chapter 16 at JBLM.

Robinson is originally from Sandpoint, Idaho, and graduated from Sandpoint High School in 1958.

He later earned a bachelor's degree in political science from St. Martin's University and a master's degree in human resource management from Chapman University.



Jake Robinson, of University Place, was selected by the national Combat Infantrymen's Association to lay a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier during a Veterans Day service at Arlington National Cemetery Nov. 10.

Courtesy photo

He and wife, Grace, have been married for 43 years and have two adult children and three grandchildren.

Robinson learned he'd been selected for the wreath laying month prior to the event. The Combat Infantrymen's Association paid for his trip, and he brought along his daughter, Nina Hufford, and 11-year-old grandson, Roarke Hufford, for the four-day excursion.

While in Washington, D.C., Robinson and his family members were treated to tours of several military sites and visited the White House. They also were able to visit Congress and watch it in session.

Although his several years serving in Korea were after the Korean War, Robinson said his favorite place to serve was in Korea, in part because that's where he met his wife. For that reason, he said, seeing the Korean War Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., as well as the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, which is a short distance from the other memorial

were extremely meaningful to him.

Visiting the Vietnam Veterans Memorial was especially poignant for Robinson, he said. He wore his uniform and was thanked for his service by many at the site and also received hugs from some there.

He also enjoyed the trip because his grandson is enthusiastic about history, which made every site more special, Robinson said. This was Robinson's first visit to the U.S. Capitol. He said everything about Washington, D.C. and its historic monuments was bigger than life and exceeded his expectations.

"You have a mental image before you go there, and when you see it all for the first time, it's whoa—it just doesn't occur to you it could be like that," he said.

One of his best memories though was his visit to Arlington Cemetery.

"Arlington is so vast; it's huge," he said. "Acre upon acre, all those stones. You can't even imagine it."

NEWS IN BRIEF

First responder vehicles will stage at McChord for memorial Friday

A couple thousand police, fire and other emergency response vehicles are expected to gather at McChord Field Friday morning in preparation for a memorial procession to the Tacoma Dome in honor of Tacoma Police Officer Reginald "Jake" Gutierrez.

Emergency response vehicles will access Joint Base Lewis-McChord via the McChord Field North Gate from 5 to 9 a.m. (112th St. South and South Tacoma Way) The memorial procession will start between 10 and 11 a.m. Vehicles will exit the JBLM McChord Field North Gate and proceed north on South Tacoma Way to Tacoma.

On Dec. 8, 2009, McChord Field was used as a staging area for emergency response vehicles for the memorial procession for four Lakewood Police officers, and again on March 1, 2012, JBLM for the memorial procession for Washington State Patrol trooper Tony Radulescu.

"We are very proud to be partners with the Tacoma Police Department and to stand alongside those who serve," said Col. Daniel S. Morgan, JBLM commander. "We interact with the Tacoma Police Department almost daily on items of mutual interest. On behalf of all of the service members, military families, and DOD civilians at JBLM, we express our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Officer Gutierrez."

Updated information on the memorial procession can be found on the Tacoma Police Department Facebook page.

—JOINT BASE LEWIS-MCCHORD PUBLIC AFFAIRS

'Rainier Wing' civilian named as weapons safety officer of year

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. — A civilian with the 446th Airlift Wing was named as the Air Force Reserve Command's Outstanding Weapons Safety Civilian of the Year Award.

Scott W. Plocar, 446th AW's weapons safety manager, was announced as the AFRC's Weapons Safety Civilian of the Year winner in a Nov. 30 AFRC news release about the command's fiscal 2016 safety awards.

The following units and individuals were selected for recognition of their outstanding accomplishments in general, flight, ground and weapons safety.

• General Safety:

AFRC Safety Office of the Year — 911th Airlift Wing Safety Office, Pittsburgh International Airport Air Reserve Station, Pa.

• Flight Safety:

AFRC Aircrew of Distinction Award — 512th Airlift Wing, Dover Air Force Base, Del., "Reach 595" aircrew members Lt. Col. James S. Mann, Maj. Blain S. Brown, Capt. Francis D. Lessett, Senior Master Sgt. Broderick B. Williams, Master Sgts. Troy S. Heller and Scott A. Obrien, Technical Sgts. Justin T. Walker, Jason C. Goodsell and Marcello M. Lindo, Staff Sgt. Brandon R. Jones and Senior Airmen Vasean O. Townsend and Rebecca L. Lehota.

AFRC Pilot of Distinction Award — Lt. Col. Bart D. Wilbanks, 419th Operations Group, Hill Air Force Base, Utah.

• Ground Safety:

AFRC Outstanding Achievement Award for Ground Safety — 482nd Fighter Wing, Homestead Air Reserve Base, Fla.

AFRC Outstanding Ground Safety Civilian of the Year Award — Arly J. Paulus, 914th AW, Niagara Falls International Airport Air Reserve Station, N.Y.

• Weapons Safety:

AFRC Weapons Safety Civilian of the Year — Plocar

AFRC Weapons Safety NCO of the Year Award — Master Sgt. Anthony B. Terral, 307th Bomb Wing, Barksdale Air Force Base, La.

— AIR FORCE RESERVE COMMAND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

A season for donating blood on Joint Base Lewis-McChord

Many of the military blood program's regular donors are on leave over the holiday months, enjoying time with family and friends—but the need for blood does not stop.

For this reason, the holiday season can sometimes be a difficult time of the year for the Armed Services Blood Program to collect much-needed blood for military operations overseas and here at home.

Those service members who are still deployed supporting contingency operations will not have a Christmas or New Year's like those serving state-side. The Armed Services Blood Bank Center-Pacific Northwest asks you to take some time during the last two weeks of December and come by its center to donate and give the gift of life.

There are two blood drives scheduled at JBLM over the Christmas holiday.

• Madigan Mall, Dec. 27 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

• Waller Hall, Dec. 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This will not meet the entire blood requirements necessary to support contingency operations nor our local military hospitals.

The center will be open and accepting walk-in donations from Dec. 19-23, and Dec. 27-30 in order to meet the needs of our service members. If you are unable to attend one of the scheduled blood drives, you can visit the center at the Madigan Annex, located in Building 9904, on East Johnson Street, on Lewis Main from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For more information, call 253-968-1850.

— VICTOR L. SHERMER, ASBP-NW BLOOD DONOR RECRUITER

Knights of Columbus distribute more than 70 coats for children

Joint Base Lewis-McChord Knights of Columbus brought a lot of happiness to area youngsters with the distribution of 48 coats Nov. 29 to children in need. This was in addition to the already 25 distributed coats in October.

Distribution took place at Tacoma's Trygve I. Blix Elementary School. The effort was conducted by the JBLM Council 10652 of the Knights of Columbus with the assistance and guidance provided by Guadalupe Villela, a teacher at the school as well as a parishioner and instructor for the Catholic community on JBLM.

The coat initiative, along with other Knights of Columbus jurisdictions, builds on the Knights' annual Black Friday distribution, which began in Connecticut in 2012. While the event is relatively new, the Knights of Columbus in the United States and Canada has given away more than 370,000 coats to children in a variety of settings since 2009.

Distribution of these 72 coats in Tacoma will certainly help the receiving families.

"In our area, we've had many businesses close or reduce their work force over the past few years," said Gregory S. Mahoney, state program director for the Washington Knights of Columbus.

— JBLM COUNCIL 10652 OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"I have known General Jim Mattis for many years and hold him in the highest regard. I will continue to do everything I can to help ensure a seamless transition at the Department of Defense."

Ash Carter
Secretary of Defense

ALSO INSIDE



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Child, Youth and School Services needs volunteer coaches for upcoming youth sports programs. **See story, 1B**

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• **Pearl Harbor 75:** On that fateful Sunday morning, Dec. 7, 1941, the men ran to their battle stations and to the sound of the guns as they moved boldly to begin the defense of our country, the commander of U.S. Pacific Command, Navy Adm. Harry Harris, said Wednesday.

"It was a day of gallantry and unquestionable heroism even as it was a day of sacrifice and immeasurable loss," Harris said. "In less than two hours, there were over 2,400 killed, 1,200 wounded and a majority of the U.S. Pacific Fleet taken out of action."

• **Lunch and Leadership:** Retired Maj. Gen. Donald Brown, former 62nd Airlift Wing commander, shared his leadership experience at the Lunch and Leadership Lecture Dec. 2 at the



McChord Chapel Support Center at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington.

This month's Lunch and Leadership Lecture was called "Leadership over Time" and was about how leadership has changed over different generations. Brown shared his experiences in the military and spoke about how he's identified many aspects of leadership displayed by the Airmen.

418TH FLIGHT TEST SQUADRON

C-17 drag reduction test continues

BY KENJI THULOWEIT

412th Test Wing Public Affairs
EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. — The 418th Flight Test Squadron is completing the final three of five phases on the Air Force Research Laboratory's C-17 Drag Reduction Program using 3-D printed parts by Lockheed Martin at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif.

The squadron is testing parts in various configurations to see if external modifications can reduce drag and improve fuel efficiency. Areas on the C-17 showed excessive drag and were targeted for improvement during previous simulations and tests.

A combination of laser positioning — for locating — and sealant bonds the parts to the aircraft. The 3-D laser positioning allowed the team to skip the design and build an installation tool that would only be used during flight tests.

The bonding simplifies installation and more importantly leaves the aircraft in its pretest condition after removal at the end of the flight test program.

"A one-percent improvement in drag reduction will result in 7.1 million gallons of fuel reduction per year," said Bogdan Wozniak, 418th FLTS, project engineer. "One-to-two percent drag reduc-



KENJI THULOWEIT U.S. Air Force Photo

tion could translate to \$24 to \$48 million in fuel savings per year."

The first two phases of testing were completed in the spring. The tests were conducted with two different configurations of parts made by Vortex Control Technologies.

Currently, the team is preparing to test the fifth and final configuration using the Lockheed Martin parts. The third and fourth phases consisted of placing 12 microvanes toward the aft

of the C-17 and then adding three fairings to each wing. The fifth phase will keep the 12 microvanes and six-total fairings with the addition of two fairings on each winglet.

At least three flight tests are conducted with each phase — flying qualities regression flight and cruise performance flights at .74 and .77 mach. The team will also conduct airdrop tests in December to ensure the microvanes do not interfere with the

C-17's airdrop mission.

The flights are always the same to ensure the data collected in each phase can be accurately compared to each other. The 418th FLTS is also using the same C-17 for all the flights. The plane is on loan from Joint Base Lewis-McChord along with four maintenance Airmen.

Aircraft and atmospheric data are collected with the aircraft flying straight and level at a constant airspeed and constant altitude with low winds and low air turbulence at 90 degrees to the wind to mitigate head- and tailwind effects," Wozniak said.

Each flight requires eight hours to acquire sufficient data for the analysis. Flight data is collected and put into a computer program developed by Boeing that puts out parameters for lift and drag and then compares everything to see how much drag is reduced.

The flight tests at Edwards are the final stage of AFRL's program following computational fluid dynamics simulations and wind tunnel tests with a scale model. The data collected will be sent to AFRL at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, to see if any of the modifications increase streamlining and reduce drag. After that, Air Force leaders will ultimately decide whether or not any of the modifications should be implemented throughout the C-17 fleet.

The test team at Edwards consists of 412th Test Wing personnel, Lockheed Martin and Boeing contractors along with representatives from Canada, the United Kingdom and Australia, who have a stake in the program.

The final flight for the C-17 Drag Reduction Program is expected to happen later this month.

MCCHORD FIELD USO NORTHWEST SHALI CENTER

Volunteer receives USO Northwest award

BY SENIOR AIRMAN

JACOB JIMENEZ
62nd Airlift Wing Public Affairs

The McChord Field USO Northwest Shali Center recognized a longtime volunteer for outstanding service in a presentation Nov. 28.

Wayne Jackson, USO Northwest Shali Center volunteer and retired Army staff sergeant, was awarded the USO Northwest Volunteer of the Year Award and a gold Presidential Volunteer Service Award for his many hours of volunteer service at the USO on McChord Field.

Jackson was nominated for the volunteer of the year award for completing the most amount of volunteer hours in a year. He was awarded the Presidential Volunteer Service Award for



SENIOR AIRMAN JACOB JIMENEZ 62nd Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Don Linegang, left, USO Northwest executive director, presents Wayne Jackson the USO Northwest Volunteer of the Year Award.

give back, whether it be to the military or homeless," Jackson said. "My goal is 10,000 volunteer hours. I will do this until I can't do it anymore."

Jackson said he enjoys volunteering at the USO for the opportunity to work with Joint Base Lewis-McChord service members.

"The most rewarding part of this is to see the smiles on their faces," Jackson said. "I love seeing them joking around and relaxing."

Because the food and services provided by the USO are free, Jackson said he thinks the help he provides makes a difference.

"This really benefits the lower enlisted," Jackson said.

"Here, they can get a free lunch, and this provides a place

for them to have a short break from work to socialize and eat."

Andrew Oczkewicz, USO Northwest Shali Center director of operations, said Jackson's contributions to the USO have been indispensable.

"He is my early morning go-to guy if someone gets sick," Oczkewicz said. "He never says no, and he goes above and beyond what we ask of him."

Jackson said volunteering for the USO is more fun than it is work.

"I get to joke with Airmen and Soldiers, and they enjoy interacting with me," Jackson said.

"I've had so many people shake my hand and thank me; it's thrilling. The servicemen and women here appreciate what we do."

INTER-COMMUNICATION SET CONTROLLER

ICSC plate for C-17 Globemaster III aims to cut costs

BY SENIOR AIRMAN

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62nd Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Two 62nd Maintenance Squadron avionic technicians recently reintroduced the implementation of the Inter-Communication Set Controller cover plate of a C-17 Globemaster III after an increase of broken ICSCs at Joint Base Lewis-McChord.

The original design was developed by Chris Parcasio, a former avionics technician, in 2008.

"The initial ICSC plate idea was in 2008," said Tech. Sgt. James Adams, 62nd MXS avionics technician. "The concept was approved in 2010, but further approvals were denied due to initial cost estimates. The idea was addressed again by Master Sgt. Andrew Wasson, 62nd MXS

avionics flight chief, and Carla De Ruysscher, 62nd MXS avionics technician, and has recently gained a lot of support from squadron, group, wing, 18th Air Force and Air Mobility Command leadership."

The ICSC cover plate is a sheet of polycarbonate material that fits over the front panel of the Inter-Communication Set Controller. The ICSC cover plate is used to protect the ICSC front panels fragile glass displays and control knobs against seat belts, aircrew iPads, boots, oxygen masks, aircrew and maintenance personnel and any other item that can damage it.

"Recently, we've worked closely with the 62nd MXS fabrication flight to finalize the cover plate's design," Adams said. "The design took several



The new Inter-Communication Set Controller cover plate could save \$19,000 for the Air Force, compared to the older version.

weeks and several templates. Now that the final design is complete, manufacturing a single cover plate will be about 10 minutes."

The ICSC unit provides the crew with the ability to select microphone inputs and control audio volume for the communications, high frequency, ultra-high frequency and Internation-

al Maritime Satellite transceivers and interphone. The ICSC allows pilots to use the aircraft radios and aircrew to communicate with each other throughout the aircraft. Damage to the ICSC's front panel would limit aircraft communications.

"So far, the ICSC cover plate is still in the developmental stage," Adams said. "Upon approval of the final material we use, which is estimated to cost between \$5 to \$25, each panel could save \$19,000 in ICSC front panel damages and replacements of the front panel."

The 62nd MXS, to date, has made nine plates of different anti-glare, thickness and tints for testing purposes only.

"We are still in the testing phase and really hope to find a viable solution that will work for the pilots," Adams said. "We are hoping to get approval for final testing on the aircraft very soon. If that passes, then we are hoping to have these on the aircraft within a few months after that."



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STRAIGHT TALK

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Tell us about your family's favorite holiday tradition.

"At the South Hill Mall in Puyallup there is a giving tree, mainly for infants. For years, my family and I have gone and grabbed as many tickets as we can. It means a lot to know the gift of a blanket will keep a baby warm or the gift of a toy will bring a smile."

— LYNSEY MATELJAK MCCOLLUM

"Volunteer at the homeless shelter."

— NORMA FRANCO

"When we began our family, we didn't have a lot of extra money. So at Christmas time, we bought our infant son one special Christmas ornament and hung it on our little tree. Every year after we decided to do the same; 22 years and four children later, our tree is filled with years of tradition and warm memories."

— KIMBERLY MEDINA

"Having prime rib for Thanksgiving instead of turkey."

— JIMMIE HARRIS

"My favorite holiday tradition is watching "Christmas Vacation" on Christmas Eve while sipping hot apple cider and wrapping presents with my brother, mom and sister-in-law after the kids have gone to bed. I only make it home for Christmas every few years, so this tradition is extra special to me."

— RAYNA HOLLEY

Next week's question

What's your favorite memory from 2016?

VIEW FROM THE TOP



STAFF SGT. ROBERT TINGLE U.S. Air Force Photo / 2009

About 2,000 emergency services vehicles depart McChord Field for a memorial service honoring four Lakewood police officers in 2009. Law enforcement agencies will gather at McChord Field for another memorial service Friday.

Public, JBLM to honor fallen Tacoma officer

BY JOSEPH PIEK

JBLM Public Affairs Officer

I had just walked out of a Spanaway hardware store Nov. 30 at 6:43 p.m., when I took the call.

"Joe, are you tracking what's going on in Tacoma?"

That was how the call I received from the 62nd Airlift Wing public affairs office started.

"No," I responded. "What's going on?"

He called to tell me they were shifting their nighttime C-17 flight pattern away from the neighborhood where a Tacoma police officer had been shot.

This was the first I'd heard of the shooting. I appreciated his call because I know several Tacoma police officers.

I drove home listening to radio news reports, and over the next two hours watched the situation develop over social media and breaking news reports on TV.

Earlier that evening at about 5 p.m., Tacoma Police Officer Reginald "Jake" Gutierrez, 45, a 17-year veteran of the Tacoma Police Department, was shot while responding to a domestic violence call. He was taken to Tacoma General Hospital for surgery.

Later that evening, around 9 p.m., Tacoma Police spokeswoman Loret-

ta Cool confirmed the officer's death, however, his name was withheld until the next day.

Just like "that," local news feeds on Facebook posted word of the officer's death, and condolences poured in. Many sites had a graphic with a Tacoma Police Department badge wrapped with a black band.

This show of public support doesn't surprise me. Throughout the Global War on Terror, JBLM received similar support from residents living in neighboring communities following a service member's death.

That's why I borrowed a badge and black-band graphic from social media and posted the following message on the JBLM Facebook page:

"On behalf of all of the service members, military families, and DOD civilians at JBLM, we express our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of the Tacoma police officer who died this evening. Our thoughts are with you."

To all the men and women in Blue who support and protect us every day, we salute you and thank you — JBLM Public Affairs."

I posted this message to express our sympathies fully knowing this post would also help deliver news of the police officer's death to

many nationwide who might not have heard about this tragedy otherwise.

Friday at 1 p.m., the Tacoma Police Department will have a memorial at the Tacoma Dome for Officer Gutierrez. Once again, law enforcement agencies from all around the Pacific Northwest will stage at McChord Field Friday around 5 a.m. and start leaving around 10 a.m. for the procession toward the Tacoma Dome.

Sadly, McChord Field was used for the same staging area for Pacific Northwest law enforcement agencies Dec. 8, 2009 — almost seven years to the day — for the memorial service for the four Lakewood Police officers gunned down in a coffee shop just a short distance from the McChord Field flightline — Nov. 29, 2009.

We should use this solemn ceremony as an opportunity to remember the fallen officer and his community legacy.

His death also provides a somber reminder of the dangers faced daily by the dedicated men and women nationwide who serve this nation in law enforcement, as firefighters and in other first responder roles on the front lines every day. We owe them a debt of gratitude and a grateful thanks for their service.

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JBLM DIRECTORATE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

Important to stay vigilant with fire safety this holiday

BY RIO FERNANDES
Northwest Guardian

The holidays are a joyous time, filled with cheer, loved ones and traditions. Still, it's more important than ever to remain vigilant and prevent fires from breaking out and ruining the best time of the year.

"We got through Thanksgiving, but now we want to make sure everyone is still prepared and aware for the remainder of the holiday season," said Ed Chavez, JBLM's Directorate of Emergency Services fire inspector. "Much like Santa, check your house, especially the cooking area, not just once but twice to ensure that all is nice."

Holidays often mean more cooking, which means an increased risk of fire. It's critical to make sure to not cook food unattended, which is a contrib-



PAMELA KULOKAS Northwest Guardian

uting factor in more than a third of house fires and nearly half of deaths and injury, according to the National Fire Protection Agency.

While cooking is a major concern, people would also be wise to keep an eye on their decorations around the house.

Decorating your home or tree for the holidays should be done with safety in mind. Use electronic tea light candles instead of regular candles to prevent tree fires, fire safety officials said.

Due to this fact, Chavez recommends that people be aware where they are hanging decorations and follow manufacturer's directions.

"You are going to want to make sure that your decorations, the lights, in particular, are (approved by) Underwriter's Laboratories, the world renowned safety organization," Chavez said. "Most companies don't recommend connecting more than three strands together. If you notice that your circuit breaker is struggling to handle all the lights, that is a good sign that you need to cut back."

Christmas trees, while being one of the most iconic images of the holiday season, need to be taken seriously, as they cause an average of 210 fires a year, according to the NFPA. Because of this, it's important to make sure your tree is away from

heating sources, being sprayed with flame retardant and, if you have a real tree, that it is healthy and not drying out.

It's also important to make sure that your tree isn't blocking your second exit out of the house. Finally, make sure to never place candles in the tree. It's much smarter to simply use the electronic tea light candles, Chavez said.

Finally, with the temperature continuing to drop, it's important to be smart about using space heaters. They need to be three feet away from anything combustible.

There was a recent fire on Joint Base Lewis-McChord, and although no one was hurt, Chavez said he sees it as a reminder of why people need to be on top of fire safety so they can focus on enjoying the best parts of the holidays.

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56TH ARMY BAND

Army band to play holiday tunes

BY RIO FERNANDES

Northwest Guardian

The 56th Army Band's free annual holiday concert is just around the corner, and musicians are hoping to see a packed house when they perform at Carey Theater Dec. 15 at 7 p.m.

"We want to help everyone get in the right mood for the holidays," said the band's 1st Sgt. Shelby Warren Barber. "It's a tradition that military bands have a holiday concert. It shows the service members and the communities around Joint Base Lewis-McChord that we support them."

This year's concert's theme, the most wonderful time of the year, is fitting with the upbeat atmosphere people will find at the show. The concert normally draws a few hundred people, but the venue is more than capable of holding more, and Barber is hoping for a giant turnout this year.

There will be a broad range of music including a variety of holiday staples. One of the band's most popular songs, "Christmas Eve Sarajevo," has drawn rave reviews at previous holiday-themed shows, Barber said. The band is also committed to covering the span of the holidays by including different seasonal songs.

"We perform a lot of very recognizable songs," Barber said. "We make sure to steep the show with traditional holiday songs, which people always seem to really enjoy."

Breaking from tradition, the majority of the concert is being



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Members of the 56th Army Band will perform a selection of holiday-themed carols during the annual I Corps Holiday Concert at Carey Theater on Lewis Main Dec. 15. Breaking from tradition, the majority of the concert is being organized by noncommissioned officers.

organized by noncommissioned officers. This will allow new people to lead the band and showcase the ensemble's broad range of talent.

"It'll be a great chance for the NCOs to get out there and work on their conducting skills," Bar-

ber said. "It is always good to highlight that our band members have large skill sets. It will also give people that don't normally conduct a chance to show us what they are capable of."

December is often the band's busiest time of the year. This

year hasn't been any different, with this holiday concert being the band's fourth show in 30 days.

Even with the expanded workload, the more than 50 band members are giddy to perform for the JBLM community.

"We are so excited for the chance to play in front of all the (service members) and community members," Barber said. "It's the least we can do to give back. Hopefully, everyone will leave even more excited for the holidays than when they came."

JBLM INSTALLATION DESTRUCTION FACILITY

Shred your documents free, first Friday

BY RUTH KINGSLAND

Northwest Guardian

Looking for a way to get rid of the boxes of old tax records or other confidential papers cluttering up your home?

The first Friday of each month is a free personal shred day at Joint Base Lewis-McChord's Installation Destruction Facility. On those Fridays from 8 to 11 a.m., anyone with access to the base can bring up to three printer-sized boxes of papers to be destroyed.

Military units wishing to shred documents and other papers need to make an appointment, according to Gerald Persons, facility operator.

"This is a good way to clean up your house or unit," Persons said.

On an average personal shred day, about 1,000 pounds of paper are shredded.

Seven to 10,000 pounds of



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Tammy Weinberg, of University Place, sorts through income tax returns at the Installation Destruction Facility on Lewis Main Dec. 2.

material is shredded each week, Persons said.

The unclassified paper goes through a cross-cut shredder and is carted away to be recycled by LeMay Pacific Disposal. Classified documents are

shredded through one of two finer cut shredders at the Destruction Facility and turned into a sand-like quality mulch.

The mulch is then available for people to pick up, also for free, at the facility. It can be

Dec. 2. About a dozen people came to drop off papers, including Tammy Weinberg, of University Place.

Wienberg's husband was a retiree who died six months ago. Since then, his wife has been left with the task of destroying the family's old documents.

"Oh man, I was destroying taxes from the 1980s," she said. "You're only required to keep your tax records for seven years. These are more than 30 years old."

Many of the documents had papers stapled together, which meant she had to remove all the staples prior to putting them through the shredder.

"It was a lot of work, but this (facility) was very convenient for me," she said. "My husband was very organized, but he left a lot of papers and a lot of staples."

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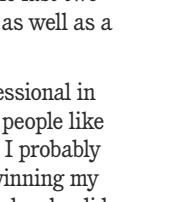
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MILITARY YOUTH OF THE YEAR

Teens should apply for military scholarships

Military Youth of the Year award deadline Jan. 27

BY RUTH KINGSLAND
Northwest Guardian

There's still time for local youth to vie for a share of tens of thousands of dollars in scholarship monies awarded annually to teens in the Military Youth of the Year competition.

The competition is part of the national Boys and Girls Club's annual Youth of the Year contest, and contestants must be a member of Boys and Girls Clubs of America or affiliate organizations, including the Hillside Youth Center on Lewis Main.

Jan. 27 is the deadline for applications for the competition. Although there is a lot of paperwork involved — including writing a handful of essays — the opportunity to win isn't as unattainable as some might imagine, according to Charissa Lizama, assistant director at Hillside Youth Center.

She recalled one Hillside teen who won \$45,000 in the competition after climbing to state and regional Military Youth of the Year in the 2015-2016 competition.

"It's a wonderful opportunity for kids; it's too bad so few choose to take advantage of it," Lizama said.

The local aspect of the competition is open to young people who have been involved in the Hillside program for at least one year, with some exceptions made for military dependents who have recently moved to Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Lizama said.

Three JBLM teens so far have filled out paperwork and written the essays necessary to participate. The next step after applying is an interview process, planned for Feb. 7 to 9. After that, a selected candidate's paperwork will be reviewed and they could proceed to the state



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Daniela Suarez, left, the 2015-2016 Military Youth of the Year, with her step-father, Army Reserve Spc. Daniel Hoferer at Hillside Youth Center recently. Suarez earned \$45,000 in scholarships.

level competition in Seattle at the end of March.

In addition to the possibility of winning money, competitors also gain self-worth and improved speaking abilities, Lizama said.

As for the teen who made Hillside proud one year ago, 17-year-old North Thurston High School senior, Daniela Suarez,

said she hopes to enroll in the United States Air Force Academy in a few years. She'd eventually like a career in political science, possibly serving her country as a politician.

The Lacey teen also is a freshman at South Puget Sound Community College, through its running start program. She said

she has the self-confidence and passion to pursue her dreams thanks to her involvement at Hillside Youth Center and its Boys and Girls Club-affiliated programs, including Smart Girls, Keystone and Diplomas 2 Degrees.

Suarez used what she learned in those activities to propel her

"In the beginning, it's very hard to see how far you could go. That's why it's so important to tell teens it's not just about the papers you have to fill out. If you stick it out, you could, like me, go all the way to nationals."

Daniela Suarez
North Thurston High School, senior

to state and regional wins in the competition. Although she didn't take first place in the overall National Youth of the Year competition in Washington, D.C., she walked away with \$45,000 in scholarship monies.

"The competition has elevated my whole life and given me opportunities galore," Suarez said.

Not bad for a girl who was bullied and had low self-esteem after moving to America with her family from Peru when she 5 years old and spoke no English. Suarez suggests other young people apply and begin the process no matter how much chance they feel they have of winning.

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Suarez is the daughter of Maria Hoferer, of Lacey, and step-daughter of Army Reserve Spc. Daniel Hoferer, 448th Civil Affairs Battalion, 364th Civil Affairs Brigade. She has two sisters, Kristina, 14, a freshman at North Thurston High School, and Valerie, 8, a third-grader at Meadows Elementary School.

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MADIGAN ARMY MEDICAL CENTER

Young patient ignites the holiday spirit

BY SUZANNE OVEL
Madigan Public Affairs

As he walks into the hospital, he sees a winter wonderland of a Christmas tree ahead, decked in gold and white decorations, with birds, deer and other wildlife placed amidst a snow-like scene.

Garen Moore, 6, knows what his job is going to be.

"I get to light the Christmas tree," he said.

Every year, Madigan Army Medical Center picks one young patient to help leadership light the Christmas tree and menorah in the Medical Mall to kick off the holiday season. While Garen wouldn't have been able to walk to the tree months ago when he was first diagnosed with leukemia, thanks to his braces he strolled to the center of attention with his dad, Nathan, and his mom, Vanessa.

The symptoms of his illness started in April, right after he and another little boy spent a day purposely tumbling off of monkey bars. The first remedy was rest and ice, since the falls might have caused the hip pain.

"That didn't work, so we went back," his mom said. "He got to the point where he would not even walk."

He'd had Lyme disease when they lived in Georgia, with a side effect of joint pain, so Vanessa insisted that Garen get tested for it again. They were on their way to the emergency room when they got the call with the diagnosis.

"We were halfway to the hospital when our (primary care manager) called and said don't go to the (emergency room), the phlebotomist had called and when they were running the blood work they noticed something was off with the white blood cells and it sent up red flags," Vanessa said.

They detoured straight to Madigan's Pediatric Hematology/Oncology clinic where doctors explained Garen's diagnosis and treatment plan, and the then-five-year-old boy got started on morphine for his bone pain.

That night, he became an in-patient on the 4 North pediatrics ward.

"The (hematology staff) have been wonderful," said Nathan, a



Garen Moore, 6, sits on Santa Claus' lap after helping to light Madigan Army Medical Center's Christmas Tree in the Medical Mall Dec. 2 at Joint Base Lewis-McChord.

staff sergeant and information technology specialist with the 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment. "And the 4 North staff have been just excellent nurses. They have such big hearts."

While Garen got morphine and a chemo port (what his family calls "his heart string,") he also celebrated his sixth birthday in the hospital. Vanessa said his nurses brought in balloons and gifts and scrubbed down the floor's toy room so they could

throw him a birthday party.

Although he's now an outpatient who goes to physical therapy a few times a week to strengthen his legs which weakened when he couldn't walk, Garen is still on antibiotics and on chemo. He gets a break for the holidays before starting back into treatment; in February, he'll get to step down his chemo even more as he goes into the maintenance phase.

Altogether Garen will undergo

three and a half years of treatment.

"He's a champion," Vanessa said. "He has handled every single treatment amazingly well."

And he has people all over the world cheering him on. Garen pipes up to share that he has more than 100 patches from firefighters, police and other emergency services fields. He also has a patch from the Naval Criminal Investigation Service, a coin from Interpol, packages

from the Broncos and a White House counter-sniper team and helmets from a fireman and the Seahawks.

"It lifts his spirits a lot," Vanessa said. "Even to get get-well cards in the mail — they make him so excited."

Garen lets his brothers, Gideon, 8, and Logan, 10, help him open and share the packages.

"They're having to deal with it as well," Vanessa said. "Having a sick brother kind of changes the family dynamics."

Garen's suppressed immune system means the boys can't bring friends over for fear of getting him sick, and that the family has to stay within 60 minutes of the hospital in case of an emergency.

"They're troopers just like Garen, (just) in different ways," Nathan said of his other sons.

He's thankful for his leadership "for supporting us through Garen's treatment, regardless of what that means."

The Moores are now in the Exceptional Family Member Program, and it looks like they'll be able to stay at Joint Base Lewis-McChord for a while.

"We don't want to change doctors at this point — they're taking really good care of him," Vanessa said. "I love the doctors and the nurses; it's a wonderful, wonderful team."

It was his hematology team who nominated Garen to light the tree. "I thought that would be just so awesome for him," Vanessa said.

At game time, Garen straightens his shirt and vest and puts his mask on again as he gets ready to face the crowd.

With chemo suppressing his immune system, he can't take any chances.

As he waits to light the tree with Col. John Kent, Madigan's deputy commanding officer, the crowd starts chanting a countdown. Garen's face brightens as he presses the button to light the tree and ignite the holiday spirit in the hospital.

Afterward, he meets a man with a white beard and a red suit, and for a few minutes, before he heads off to his next treatment, he's just a little boy again sitting on the lap of Santa Claus.

SERGEANT MAJOR OF THE ARMY

Accessing behavioral health care should be easy

BY C. TODD LOPEZ

Army News Service

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Both the Army secretary and the sergeant major of the Army are on the record: There must be a substantial change in the way Soldiers think about behavioral health care.

"There needs to be a paradigm shift in how we look at behavioral health," said Sgt. Maj. of the Army Daniel A. Dailey. "It needs to become common practice — an everyday event."

Dailey believes that, across the force, seeking out such assistance must be as common and accepted as going to the dentist for a checkup or to see the doctor for an injury. Soldiers ought to value being squared away psychologically as much as they value being squared away physically.

The Army aims to promote this attitude, Dailey said, by making behavioral health assistance as common as medical health assistance.

"We screen all of our Soldiers for all kinds of medical reasons," Dailey said. "One of those (rea-



STAFF SGT. CHRISTOPHER CALVERT U.S. Army Photo

The sergeant major of the Army believes Soldiers ought to value being squared away psychologically as much as they are physically.

sons) should be behavioral health. And it should be a common practice. That way, we become accustomed to (it as) an acceptable thing to do. It is acceptable to ask for help."

Right now, Dailey said, it's expected that a Soldier who gets hurt will seek medical assistance. It's also expected that a Soldier who sees another get injured will get that injured Soldier to a medical

center.

In the Army, seeking help under such circumstances is not a sign of weakness. The same ought to be true for behavioral health assistance, Dailey said.

"Just like you would rush to their aid on the battlefield when they are wounded, you should rush to their aid if you see the signs and symptoms of behavioral health issues," he said.

According to Dailey, the Army's behavioral health care system has grown tremendously over the past several years, including at unit level, where it takes the form of embedded behavioral health programs that promote behavioral health right where Soldiers work and live.

As of October, the Army had filled 100 percent of its planned 61 embedded behavioral health

teams. Each team typically involves about 12 to 13 members, including 10 service providers. Currently, the teams provide direct support to 31 brigade combat teams across the Army, as well as an additional 142 other battalion and brigade-sized units.

Already, the Army deployment of embedded behavioral health has achieved statistically significant improvements in areas such as mission readiness, outpatient behavioral health care services and acute inpatient psychiatric care.

Not every Soldier who deploys will need behavioral health assistance, but research has shown that 20 percent of the Soldiers who deployed to Operation Iraqi Freedom or Operation Enduring Freedom meet the criteria for post-traumatic stress disorder, while 15 percent of those Soldiers will likely experience other behavioral health problems that could benefit from treatment.

"This is not something we can change, but it is something we can treat," Dailey said. "(I) urge everybody to break the silence and promote dialogue within

your formations at home and in your communities. Seek help and take the first step in recovery in overall resiliency."

The Army must also still contend with the stigma associated with seeking behavioral health assistance, Dailey said.

"I know for a fact we've done a lot to break that paradigm," he said. "I'll tell you, we have to continue to do it. It needs to become common practice that leaders and Soldiers and everybody seek behavioral health assistance when they need it."

In addition to lifting the stigma, the Army must ensure that Soldiers can recognize when their fellow Soldiers need behavioral health assistance and are prepared to intervene — so their units will be ready to fight when called on.

"It's a real injury, and it needs real circumstance to fix it," Dailey said. "I think as we continue on our path we finally will break that stigma. Soldiers will seek behavioral health assistance and leaders will encourage and even mandate it when they know their Soldiers need it."

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ATTENTION

Event announcements must be received no later than the Friday before publication. They can be emailed to nweditor@nwguardian.com. Announcements can be viewed online at nwguardian.com. The Northwest Guardian office is in the basement of 1010 Liggett Ave. on Lewis Main. For more information, call 253-477-0182.



SNAPSHOT

Pearl Harbor 75

Ensign Sheryl Acuna renders honors aboard the guided-missile destroyer USS Halsey (DDG 97) during a pass-in-review of the USS Arizona Memorial at the 75th Commemoration Event of the attacks on Pearl Harbor and Oahu Wednesday.

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LET'S HEAR IT

What do you want to know in 2016? The Northwest Guardian, Joint Base Lewis-McChord's command authorized source for installation news and information, wants to hear from you. Go to the JBLM Facebook page to answer the Straight Talk question of the week on Page A4, or submit a 1MB JPEG of your favorite photo of life on JBLM. Got a news tip or know a story you'd like to see in the Guardian? Coordinate with your unit public affairs section, then call 253-477-0182.

SCHEDULED FAMILY DAYS FOR 2016

The following are the scheduled dates for Army's Day of No Scheduled Activity, Air Force's Family Days and federal holidays on Joint Base Lewis-McChord.

Dec. 23 — Army DONSA
Dec. 26 — Christmas Day observed

UGLY SWEATER PARTY AT SAM ADAMS

Samuel Adams Brewhouse invites you to its Ugly Sweater party Friday from 4 p.m. to midnight. Wear your ugliest sweater for prizes, plus enjoy giveaways and live DJ music. Sam Adams is at 2400 Bitter Ave. and Division at Lewis Main. For more details, call 253-964-2012.

SEE THE NUTCRACKER AT EVERGREEN

Parents and children, attend SKIESUnlimited's "The Nutcracker" at Evergreen Theater Friday at 7 p.m. or Saturday at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$5 each and are available Monday-Thursday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at SKIESUnlimited. SKIES is located at 6398 Garcia Blvd. at Lewis Main. For more information, call 253-966-3539.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTING FEST IN LEAVENWORTH

Want to give someone some holiday magic? Plan now to take a motor coach trip with Leisure Travel Services from Lewis Main to the mountain village of Leavenworth for the Christmas Lighting Festival Friday and Dec. 17. The cost is \$45 per passenger. Trip isn't recommended for children ages 5 and younger due to the long ride and 14-hour day. Call 253-967-3085 for reservations.

ARMY, AIR FORCE PCS MOVE WORKSHOPS

Joint Base Lewis-McChord's Armed Forces Community Service hosts a First PCS Move workshop every Monday from 3 to 4 p.m. at Waller Hall, 2140 Liggett Ave., Lewis Main, and the second Thursday of each month at the Service Member and Family Readiness Center, 551 Barnes Blvd., McChord Field. For more information, call 253-967-3633 or 253-982-2695. To register, visit jblmafcscheckappointments.com.

JBLM HOME FIRE SAFETY CLASS

Base housing residents are required to take a Family Housing Fire Safety class within 30 days of moving in. Service member must attend; spouse is welcome and encouraged. Classes take place Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1 p.m. at Bldg. 2014, Fire Station 107 Pendleton on Lewis Main.

JBLM NEWCOMERS' ORIENTATION/TOUR

Joint Base Lewis-McChord has grown and changed over the years. Whether you're new, returning or just want to learn your way around, all service members, civilians and adult family members are invited to attend the Newcomers' Orientation Tuesday at American Lake Conference Center, 8085 NCO Beach Road on Lewis North. Report time for Soldiers and Airmen is 7:30 a.m. Orientation begins at

8 a.m. Complimentary hot breakfast and free on-site child care is available with registration; call 253-966-2977. For more information, call 253-967-3633 or visit jblmafcscheckappointments.com.

JOIN MCCHORD FIELD LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

Do you like to discuss books? Join the McChord Library's Novel Navigators. This adult discussion group meets the second Wednesday of each month at the McChord Library at 4:30 p.m. The next meeting is Wednesday to discuss "The Girl with All the Gifts" by M.R. Carey. Registration is required; register in person for the group. Copies will be available at the circulation desk, 851 Lincoln Blvd., ground floor, on McChord Field. For questions or more information, call 253-982-3454.

LIBRARIES' HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSES

Grandstaff Library is hosting a Holiday Open House Wednesday; the McChord Library is hosting its open house Dec. 16. The entire community is invited to both events from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Stop by to enjoy refreshments and music, with a chance to win a giveaway and meet your librarians and library staffers. For more details, call Grandstaff at 253-967-5889 or McChord at 253-982-3454.

SMA OF NORTHWEST MONTHLY MEETING

The monthly general membership meeting of the Sergeants Major Association of the Northwest meets at the Joint Base Lewis-McChord Samuel Adams Brewhouse (renovated Cascade Community Center, Bldg. 2400 on South Division Street) on

the third Thursday of every month. Social time begins at 4:30 p.m. and official business at 5 p.m. Next meeting is Thursday.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA AT THE CLUB

Santa's looking forward to having company for breakfast Dec. 17. Join in the fun when you reserve your places for Breakfast with Santa at the Club at McChord Field from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Also bring your camera for a photo with Santa and let your kiddos create and take home a holiday craft with help from the Arts and Crafts Center. Family or individual photos with Santa taken by Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation staff will also be made available online. The cost is \$13 for ages 10 and older, \$10 for ages 3 to 9 and \$2 for ages 2 and younger. Advanced purchase is required; call 253-982-5581. Payments can be made by phone. The Club is located at 700 Barnes Blvd.

OPERATION ANGEL TREE AT EXCHANGE

Brighten the holiday season for a McChord Field family in need at Joint Base Lewis-McChord. Now through Dec. 18, the Angel Tree is located between the two entrances at the McChord Field Exchange food court. Remove an angel from the tree, purchase a gift and put it in the box with angel attached. For more information, contact ruan.brits@us.af.mil or dawn.kloos.2@us.af.mil or your first sergeant.

BUILDING MANAGERS FIRE SAFETY CLASS

All building managers on Joint Base Lewis-McChord are required to take a

Building Managers Fire Safety Class. Classes take place on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 9 a.m. Bldg. 2014, Fire Station 107 Pendleton, on Lewis Main. The next class is set for Dec. 21. For more information, call 253-966-7164.

PAJAMA STORYTIME AT MCCHORD LIBRARY

All children are invited to a free special holiday pajama storytime at McChord Library Dec. 21 at 6 p.m.; registration required. Sip hot cocoa and snuggle with stuffed animals while listening to holiday favorites under the Christmas tree. A super-secret holiday guest will make a special appearance. Register at JBLMmwr.com/libraries and click on the calendar of events. McChord Library is at 851 Lincoln Blvd., ground floor, JBLM-McChord Field. Questions? Call 253-982-3454.

HOST YOUR HOLIDAY PARTY AT THE CLUB

Host your unit or squadron holiday party at The Club at McChord Field. Your group, large or small, can plan fully catered options — sit-down, buffet and more. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 253-982-5581. Take a look online at what you'll get for your party at jblmwr.com/club/catering.

ORDER HOMEMADE HOLIDAY DESSERTS

Not into baking or don't have time for finding fancy dessert recipes? Order freshly baked festive desserts from American Lake Conference Center. Place your order a week ahead for parties, meals or cookie exchanges. Choose from freshly made fruit, cream, holiday and pumpkin pies.

A variety of cookies and assorted cookie platters have all your favorites. Candies, flavored fudge platters, cakes, pound cakes and bread pudding are also available. For the entire selection and menu of prices, visit AmericanLakeConferenceCenter.com or call 253-966-4998.

American Lake Conference Center is located at 8085 NCO Beach Road on Lewis North.

NOON YEAR'S EVE STORYTIME AT LIBRARY

All children are invited to McChord Library's free Noon Year's Eve party Dec. 30 at 11:30 a.m.; registration is required. Help count down the end of the year to start 2017 with a celebration. Register at jblmwr.com/libraries (click on the calendar of events) starting Dec. 16. The McChord Library is located at 851 Lincoln Blvd. on the ground floor, McChord Field. For more information, call 253-982-3454.

NEW YEAR'S EVE AT SOUNDER LINES

Enjoy New Year's Eve with your friends and family at Sounders Lanes and ring in 2017 on east coast time. The doors open at 6:30 p.m. and bowling starts at 7 p.m. The party includes pizza, finger foods and veggies, the laser maze, party favors, door prizes and a glass of sparkling cider to ring in the new year. The cost per person is \$25. You must purchase your tickets in advance. Capacity is limited to 72 people. Get your spaces saved early; this popular party sells out fast.

For more information and tickets, call Sounders Lanes at 253-982-5954 or visit 737 Jackson Blvd. at McChord Field.

VEHICLE STORAGE AT AUTO CENTER

Indoor heated storage will be available at the Lewis Main Auto Center in January, in addition to the current outdoor covered storage for vehicles. Outdoor space is \$45 per month for vehicles 20 feet and under, \$50 for 21 to 30 feet, \$55 for 31 to 39 feet and \$60 for more than 40 feet. Indoor space is \$83 for vehicles up to 20 feet. Call 253-967-3728.

MILITARY CAREGIVER PEER FORUM SET

The Military Caregiver Personalized Experiences, Engagement and Resources Forum meets the first Wednesday of the month from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Fisher House, 9999 Wilson Ave., on Lewis Main. Military family life counselors will listen to issues impacting your day-to-day quality of life, hear your needs and connect you with other military caregivers for practical and social support. The next forum is set for Jan. 4. For more information, call 253-329-6546.

REGISTER FOR 2017 HOMEBREW

If you're into making homebrew, start your mash and get ready to enter your best batches into the 2017 JBLM homebrew competition for bragging rights — Best of JBLM or Best of DOD. Military competitors who identify themselves at registration also have a chance at the Commander's Cup award. Online registration is open Jan. 1-30. Competition is only open to beer; ciders and meads will not be judged. Fee is \$7 per entry. Entries will be judged by certified experts Feb. 4. Winners will be announced at Brewfest Feb. 10. Event organizers are encouraging homebrewers to provide samples at Brewfest, where winners will be announced and awarded prizes and medals. The event is an AHA/BJCP sanctioned competition, hosted by JBLM Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation and Homebrewers of Puget Sound. Call 253-967-5776 for more information, or visit jblmwr.com/brewfest.

CATCH NFL GAMES AT THE WARRIOR ZONE

Catch all the NFL action at the Warrior Zone. With 53 big screen TVs, there's not a bad seat in the house. During football season, the Warrior Zone opens Sundays at 9:30 a.m. with \$5 pancake breakfasts with sausage or bacon. The Warrior Zone is at 11592 17th and D Street at Lewis North. For more information, call 253-477-5757.

USE OF SPACE HEATERS AT JBLM

The Joint Base Lewis-McChord Fire Department is not the authority for the use of space heaters on the installation in your work area. Directorate of Public Works' Energy Conservation is the OPR for the use of all space heaters. Point of contact is Eric Waehling at 253-966-1772, eric.r.waehling.civ@mail.mil or Sakhawat Amin at 253-966-9011, sakhawat.amin.ctr@mail.mil. If DPW authorizes the use, JBLM Fire Prevention will ensure space heaters are used in a fire safe manner.

TRANSITIONS: INFORMATION TO HELP WITH LIFE CHANGES

Find jobs on the "JBLMUnlimited" website at jblmuni.com or on Facebook at facebook.com/jblmuni.

A LIST OF UPCOMING EMPLOYMENT FAIRS

The following is a snapshot look into some upcoming employment fairs and networking opportunities:

Operation GoodJobs! Fridays 2 p.m. Starbucks, 10314 S. Tacoma Way, Lakewood. For more information, email veteranservicesinfo@goodwillwla.org or call 253-573-6789.

What's My Next Move? Second Monday of the month from 1:45 to 3:15 p.m. at Work Source Pierce. Next meeting is Monday. Email kmyers@esd.wa.gov or call 253-552-2547.

Washington State Department of Veteran Affairs Hiring Event Monday-Tuesday from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Walla Walla WorkSource, 1530 Steven St., Walla Walla, Wash. If you are interested in working at the brand new Walla Walla Veterans Home, the Washington State Department of Veteran Affairs will be conducting interviews for various positions. This event is open to the public. For more information, contact: recruiters@dvawa.wa.gov or call 253-552-2547.

Civilian Jobs/Recruit Military Hiring Event Jan. 18 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at American Lake Conference Center, JBLM.

This event targets transitioning service members, spouses, dependents, and veterans. We provide the opportunity for service members, families and veterans to meet face to face with companies looking to hire. These companies are hiring for a multitude of different markets including: law enforcement, healthcare, finance, educational institutions, federal/contract positions, transportation, logistics and more.

This event is free for those attending. To pre-register visit: www.civilianjobs.com.

Career Skills Program Briefings take place Mondays at Hawk Transition Center Auditorium. Walk-ins are welcome. Noon: trades/skills/technology/business brief.

Mini Career Technical, Apprenticeship and Education Fair takes place Mondays at Hawk Transition Center Auditorium at 10:30 a.m. Walk-ins are welcome.

Brown Bag Mini Job Fair takes place every Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Hawk Transition Center lobby.

Walk-ins are welcome.

Worksource Pierce Weekly Meetings Every Thursday from 1 to 4 p.m., the WorkSource Pierce Career Center will host a meeting for job seekers unemployed for 27 weeks or longer, seeking assistance to re-enter the workforce. Location is 1305 Tacoma Ave. South, Tacoma. Call 253-593-7300 or email backtowork@workforce-central.org.

WorkSource Veterans Service Orientation Briefings take place the first and third Wednesdays of the month from 9 to 11 a.m. at 500 SW 7th St., Renton, Wash. The next meeting is Dec. 21. For more information, call 206-205-3500.

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Camo2Commerce Attention military leaders in mid-level management roles, ideally staff and senior noncommissioned officers and junior to mid-grade officers in transition. Camo2Commerce has created the Heroes Corporate

Fellowship Academy to help you land a job in a position commensurate with your knowledge, skills, abilities and experience. This goes above and beyond the traditional job-seeking efforts and puts you in the driver's seat of a corporate management level role.

For more information, visit: camo2commerce.com/heroes/. Attend orientation on Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. at the Stone Education Center on Lewis Main. Email rob@pacmtn.org with any questions.

Spotlight Events and Employer Hiring Check for employer spotlight events on social media at facebook.com/jblmuni for more information. Sign up at sfl-tap.army.mil or with your SFL TAP Center at 253-967-3258/559.

EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM SPECIALIST 3

Tacoma Community College HR — Salary: \$2,925 to \$3,807 monthly. TCC is pleased to invite applications for the early childhood program specialist 3.

Serving the role of lead teacher, this position interacts with parents, volunteers, and team members to guide the educational activities of children one month to 5 years old enrolled in the college's early childhood program to provide educational instruction. This position also interacts and responds to each child with respect, courtesy and understanding their developmental stage of growth.

Work is performed following Department of Early Learning requirements, Association for Early Learning Leaders standards, Child and Adult Care

Food Program requirements and center policies and procedures. For more information, visit tinyurl.com/gpvzjpy.

CIVIL ENGINEERING JOB IN KABUL

Sallyport Global — Salary: DOQ. The operations manager must be a degreed and professionally licensed civil engineer, have a minimum

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7TH ID

to be a part of the 2nd ID," said Lt. Col. John Quails, commander of the 1st Battalion, 82nd Cavalry Squadron, 81st Bde., stationed in Bend Ore. "It is such a historic organization, but it's kind of sad as well because the National Guard and its patches have earned a name for themselves."

The 81st Bde. will be assigned to the 7th ID, stationed at Joint Base Lewis-McChord. The 81st Bde. and 7th ID have a great deal of shared history — serving in both world wars, the Cold War and Operation Enduring Freedom to name a few — but this new milestone is expected to strengthen an already sturdy relationship.

"We look forward to seeing this partnership grow and set the stage for how we will train, build readiness and ultimately fight together as one Army in the future when our country calls," said Maj. Gen. Bret D. Daugherty, the adjutant general, Washington National Guard.



Maj. Gen. Thomas S. James, left, commander of the 7th Infantry Division, and Col. Bryan Grenon, 81st Brigade commander, shake hands after Grenon's brigade received the 2nd Infantry Division Indianhead patch during a repatching and reflagging ceremony at Joint Base Lewis-McChord Saturday.

The 81st Bde. and 7th ID were paired together as part of the Army's Associated Units program. The program was announced in March in response to the Army's force reduction, creating increased readiness across all components of the Army and further strengthening the One Army concept.

The program focuses on amplifying the relationships between active and reserve components and building greater interoperability through training, ensuring that the Army remains a highly capable and elite fighting force.

Since transition of the 81st Bde. to a Stryker brigade, the

unit will begin actively training with the 7th ID's 2nd Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division.

"One of the reasons we wanted to convert the 81st to a Stryker unit is that we believe it will allow us to have a much closer working relationship with our active-duty brothers and enhance the readiness of both the National Guard and the active-duty units that we will be training with," Daugherty said.

The change to a Stryker unit requires a nearly complete overhaul of training for the National Guard Soldiers.

"I'm really excited about the new patch and look forward to the cross-training we will have with active-duty forces so we're more familiar with working together," said Sgt. Alex Maldonado, Alpha Company, 1st Battalion, 161 Infantry Regiment, 81st Bde.

Gaining a Stryker brigade is a tremendous benefit to not only Washington state but to Oregon and California, who both host units of the 81st Bde. Strykers will be more useful in the event of a future state or regional emergency, such as the inevitable Cascadia Subduction Zone

earthquake state agencies continuously plan and prepare for.

"The Strykers will have more mobility and versatility to respond to natural disasters within the state of Washington," said Lt. Gen. Timothy J. Kadavy, director of the Army National Guard.

Grenon said the 81st Bde. is ready to conquer the many challenges associated with converting to a Stryker brigade and being restructured under a new command, adding that both units are ready to let the new structure and the Army's Associated Units program cement their already strong partnership.

"This transition is not and will not be easy, but the opportunities and the great challenges that come with the transition will make us a stronger brigade," Grenon said.

"We have enjoyed our phenomenal relationship with the Washington, Oregon and California National Guard for years and look forward to strengthening this partnership through the Associated Unit program," said Maj. Gen. Thomas S. James, commander of the 7th ID. "We are truly One Army."

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TREES

branches of the military at 65 bases in 17 countries.

This year, more than 18,000 Christmas trees were donated by tree farmers across North America. They were distributed to service members E-5 and below.

More than a dozen trees were also delivered to families at the Yakima Training Center, according to Natalie Boutte, chief of community recreation for JBLM's Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation.

Prior to the Saturday event — through which 684 families each received a tree — one family representing the Army, Sgt. 1st Class Jonathan Graham, and one representing the Air Force, Senior Airman Jediah Stebbins, were gifted a free tree.

"This is such a good program; it's a win for the (service members) and their families and rewarding for the service members giving out the trees," Boutte said, as she helped direct traffic at the event.

Receiving a tree was a good start to the season for Stebbins, 627th Logistics Readiness Squadron, 627th Air Base Group, his wife, Madison, and the couple's two sons, 4-year-old Jackson and 2-year-old Walter. Last year, Stebbins was deployed overseas, so the family didn't put up a tree, his wife said. This year, the Stebbins family is looking forward to sharing time at home and decorating for the holidays.

"We're getting to do all the fun traditions, like driving around to look at lights, and now we can decorate our own



SCOTT HANSEN Northwest Guardian



ABOVE: Senior Airman Jediah Stebbins, right, his wife Madison, left, and children Walter, 2, and Jackson, 4, find a tree. AT LEFT: Spc. Javier Solis, left, gets help loading a tree from Spc. Anthony Garcia.

tree," Madison said. "It's all very exciting."

The family also plans to visit extended family this year, as Madison grew up in Longview, Wash., and her husband in nearby Rainier, Ore.

"Christmas is about family, so it's good to spend time together,"

she said.

JBLM Command Sgt. Maj. Richard T. Mulryan was on hand Dec. 2 to chat with the families, as were Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus.

"This is such an awesome thing," Mulryan said, as he shook Stebbins' hand and

looked around at all the trees being unloaded from a FedEx trailer.

Graham, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 6th Military Police Group (CID), was excited to pick up a tree for his family. He and his wife, Jasmine, haven't had a real tree before, but they do have ornaments for one, he said.

"This is definitely great," he said. "I love Christmas; it's my favorite holiday. Having a tree brings out the Christmas spirit and reflects the joy of the holiday."

Kaylin Creedin waited in her car Saturday with her 4-month-old terrier puppy, Indy, and 6-year-old son, Aiden, as her husband, Spc. Adam Creedin, 2nd Battalion, 1st Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, tied a 7-foot-tall fir Christmas tree on top of the sedan.

The Creedin family moved to JBLM in June from Indianapolis and is expecting a second son in a few months.

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Kimmel said he enjoyed distributing trees to fellow service members but wouldn't be getting a live tree for his own family.

"My wife and I have an artificial tree that we brought from Kansas," he said, explaining that the tree has sentimental value, as it was passed down from his grandmother.

"When my grandmother died, we got the tree; it's special," he said, adding that he and wife, Lydia enjoy Christmas and decorating their tree together.

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"Having a tree is a great family tradition, and there are a lot of good memories associated with it," he said as his wife agreed.

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Development and Training Flight, providing them with an opportunity to see firsthand how Citizen Airmen train and fight.

"Never underestimate the value of this kind of training," said Master Sgt. Anthony Ebio, 446th AW IGI planner. "It was great to see that our Airmen applied this training without the need for guidance. Anything that can prepare you for real-

world situations is so valuable."

Another important objective of the exercise was to validate medical first response within a mass casualty situation. The 446th ASTS arrived during the scenario to provide triage and use their skills to assess what kinds of care was most appropriate for each victim.

The exercise also provided an opportunity to partner with the 446th AW public affairs shop to train their understanding of the combatant command release authority of deployed forces.

The public affairs team

trained on crisis communication and practical real-world questions enabling them to determine how best to respond during an active shooter scenario.

"Forty minutes of real exercise training like this is worth 40 hours in a classroom," said Senior M/Sgt. Joel Eyster, 433rd Airlift Wing IG, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas. "There's so much you don't get in the classroom setting that you can learn so quickly out here from firsthand experience."

JBLM Command Sgt. Maj. Richard T. Mulryan was on hand Dec. 2 to chat with the families, as were Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus.

"This is such an awesome thing," Mulryan said, as he shook Stebbins' hand and

looked around at all the trees being unloaded from a FedEx trailer.

Graham, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 6th Military Police Group (CID), was excited to pick up a tree for his family. He and his wife, Jasmine, haven't had a real tree before, but they do have ornaments for one, he said.

"This is definitely great," he said. "I love Christmas; it's my favorite holiday. Having a tree brings out the Christmas spirit and reflects the joy of the holiday."

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Judah the Maccabee, this small band of pious Jews led guerrilla warfare against the Syrian-Greek army."

The story goes on to tell of Antiochus sending thousands of well-armed troops to crush the rebellion, but God's people prevailed.

In something similar to the Christian belief of the multiplication of the loaves and the fishes and Christ's miracle of turning water to wine, a small jar of pure oil was said to be used in miraculous fashion to burn for eight days the menorah candles in the Holy Temple, until a new supply of oil could be brought there.

"From then on, Jews have observed a holiday for eight days, in honor of this historic victory and the miracle of the oil," Soussan said.

In addition to singing "Ma'oz

Tzur," the Hanukkah song, and a few traditional Christmas carols, Garen Moore, the 6-year-old son of Vanessa and Staff Sgt. Nick Moore, 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, was selected to light the massive Madigan Christmas tree. Garen, who has leukemia, enjoyed flicking the switch to turn on the tree.

"I was so excited," he said.

At the McChord Field Chapel ceremony, all of the young children in attendance were allowed to help in the menorah lighting, as Capt. Elie Estrin, a chaplain with the 627th Air Base Group, shared the Hanukkah story, known as the first recorded historical fight for religious freedom.

The McChord ceremony culminated in a visit with Santa Claus and a handful of service members in elf hats, as well as a meal for all in the McChord

Field Chapel Support Center.

Although they also enjoyed seeing Santa and helping light the menorah, several of the children at the event said they enjoyed singing the Christmas music most of the event.

Army wives, Amber Nealey and Estrella Morales brought their children to the McChord event because they missed the tree lighting event on Lewis Main the previous week. Morales said her husband is deployed, so she's trying to find ways to keep her children, Carlos, 5, and Cielo, 3, excited about the holidays.

Nealey's children Alina, 5, and Arianna, 2, both said they had a good time participating in the event.

"The music was the most fun," Alina said.

"I like(d) the music it was fun," her little sister echoed.

Sports

42ND MILITARY POLICE BRIGADE

Soldier helping to bridge gaps as mentor

Service member helps local youth football program strive for success

BY DEAN SIEMON

Northwest Guardian

Last month, the Puyallup Roughriders youth football team won the 2016 Gold Rush Bowl in Palm Desert, Calif. Between two games, the Roughriders scored 110 points while giving up zero.

With that kind of margin, a lot of credit might be given to quarterbacks and running backs on offense, as well as defensive secondary players and linebackers; however, a group that is sometimes overlooked are of-

fensive and defensive linemen who help provide or fill gaps to open up plays.

Sergeant First Class Clarence Massey of the 42nd Military Police Brigade at Joint Base Lewis-McChord is part of a group that develops the Roughriders' linemen for the program's eighth grade team. The 110-point differential at the Gold Rush Bowl shows how their approach has worked at the youth level.

"We teach skill sets that other

line coaches are definitely not coaching their kids," Massey said. "Things like angle blocking and reach blocking — these are things that other kids aren't learning."

Massey just finished his fifth season with the Puyallup Roughriders. It all started after he brought his kids to a practice back in 2012. Massey was sitting on a bench while his sons, Caleb and CJ, were in their first practice, still in his Army Combat Uniform, when program head coach Chris Johnston approached him.

The team was in need of vol-

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Courtesy photo

Sgt. 1st Class Clarence Massey, right, of the 42nd Military Police Brigade, has helped coach the Puyallup Roughriders youth football program's eighth grade team since 2012.

JBLM CHILD, YOUTH AND SCHOOL SERVICES



SCOTT HANSEN Northwest Guardian

Kinard Wilder encourages his players during basketball practice at the Child, Youth and School Services gymnasium on Lewis Main Monday.

ON THE SCHEDULE

JBLM SPECIAL OLYMPICS COACHES, PLAYERS NEEDED

Youth: Friday is the final day to register children to join the upcoming basketball and cheerleading seasons for the Joint Base Lewis-McChord Special Olympics program. Open to children ages 8 to 18. Additionally, the JBLM Tigers team is looking for volunteer coaches for both activities. Register through JBLM Child, Youth and School Services at jblmmwr.com/cys. For more information, call 253-967-2405.

'SMART START' YOUTH SPORTS CAMP DEC. 20-22

Youth: Joint Base Lewis-McChord Child, Youth and School Services will host a Start Smart youth sports camp Dec. 20-22 from 10 to 11 a.m. at the gymnasium inside the JBLM Child, Youth and School Services Parent Central Services on Lewis Main. The camp provides an introduction to the fundamentals of various sports. Registration is \$20 for each child, ages 3 and 4. Enrollment is due by Dec. 18. For more information, call 253-967-2405.

REGISTRATION FOR YOUTH VOLLEYBALL DUE DEC. 18

Youth: Joint Base Lewis-McChord Child, Youth and School Services will host a Youth Volleyball Camp Dec. 20-22 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the JBLM Child, Youth and School Services Parent Central Services' gymnasium on Lewis Main. Registration is \$35 for children ages 9 to 18. For more information, call 253-967-2405. Register online at jblmmwr.com/cys.

CYSS YOUTH SOCCER REGISTRATION BEGINS

Youth: Registration is open now through Jan. 20 for Joint Base Lewis-McChord children interested in playing soccer this spring. Child, Youth and School Services is offering an introductory Bumblebee Soccer program for ages 3 and 4 (\$25) in addition to having regular soccer for ages 5 to 15 (\$55). Register online by visiting jblmmwr.com/cys. Volunteer coaches needed. For more information, call 253-967-2405.

CYSS YOUTH FOOTBALL CAMP SET FOR DEC. 27-29

Youth: The Joint Base Lewis-McChord Child, Youth and School Services will host its Youth Flag Football Camp Dec. 27-29 at the CYSS Athletic Fields on Lewis Main. Practices run noon to 2 p.m. each day; open for children ages 9 to 18.

Enrollment is \$35, due by Dec. 25. Register at jblmmwr.com/cys or call 253-967-2405.

VOLUNTEER COACH PAYING IT FORWARD

CYSS needs coaches for sports programs

BY DEAN SIEMON

Northwest Guardian

The gymnasium inside the Parent Central Services office of Joint Base Lewis-McChord's Child, Youth and School Services has a special place in the heart of Kinard Wilder. As a child, he played CYSS basketball from 1993 to 1997 while his dad served in the Army.

Now a captain in the Army Reserve, Wilder is paying it forward to his 7-year-old son Kinard Jr. In addition to his son playing basketball for CYSS this winter, Wilder has volunteered as a coach for CYSS for the last



Volunteer coach Kameron Paulson works with team members on ball handling during basketball practice at the Child, Youth and School Services gymnasium on Lewis Main Monday.

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728th Airlift Squadron pilot now an Armed Forces Triathlon champion

BY STAFF SGT. MADELYN MCCULLOUGH
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Contrary to her current status,

Coyle didn't grow up with an above average fitness level. Besides being a swimmer in high school, she ran sporadically in college but after graduating, worked a desk job while raising her three-year-old son. Fitness was not a top priority for her back then the way it is now.

How does one make such a change in their life?

This journey began for Coyle when she traded in her engineering hat for a pilot's seat in the Air National Guard in 2002.

At KC-135 tanker aircraft pilot training at Altus Air Force Base, Okla., in 2004, she found herself focused more on her fitness.

From that point on, she stayed in shape but it was not until joining the 728th Airlift Squadron with the Rainier Wing that she rose to the next level of fitness. In this squadron, she joined a group of Airmen

and retirees competing in the Boise Half Ironman Triathlon.

"That was my first triathlon," she said. "After that, I got bit. I got the bug and I haven't stopped."

Since then, she has been in many competitions, all leading up to her most recent victory at the Armed Forces Triathlon. Training for events such as these has challenged her physically and mentally, forcing her to

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ARMED FORCES TRIATHLON

Service member discovers competitive spirit during triathlon

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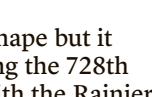
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unteer coaches at the time. Massey was asked about coaching the offensive and defensive linemen. He accepted, but he had to do some research. Massey played fullback and linebacker when he played at Northern High School in Baltimore, Md.

"I became a student of the position," Massey said. "YouTube videos, books, anything I could get my hands on. I was able to learn a lot — quick, fast and in a hurry."

Massey also worked with a coaching staff that included



Courtesy photo

The Puyallup Roughriders are 61-6 since Sgt. 1st Class Clarence Massey arrived in 2012.

Jason Wilson, who played at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas, and Dave Johnston, a line coach

for Bellarmine Preparatory School in Tacoma. Their focus on the fundamental skill sets is part of why the team has accumulated a 61-6 record and three youth league championships, including this year's Greater Puget Sound Youth Football League title.

But for Massey, football is the fun part. The biggest job for him and any other youth coach is to bridge gaps and be a mentor, he said.

"(We are) talking about things outside of football," Massey said. "How are you doing in school? Sometimes, you'll pick up on things with kids — like mom and dad are having this issue."

That's when Massey said is

the time for a coach to be a mentor and be a positive role model. Massey said the program, which has teams with kids as young as first graders up to the eighth graders, includes youths who come from families who are struggling financially.

That's why the program has a scholarship fund to help with everything from hot meals and rides between practices to necessary football equipment.

"Filling in those spaces that normally wouldn't happen is the greatest thing I can take away as a coach," Massey said.

He does have aspirations to coach at the high school level. Massey said he knows he has

support from his unit to allow him to continue working with the Puyallup Roughriders; this has helped him juggle both passions.

He said he understands the challenge in being a youth sports coach and an active-duty service member. There are too many who want to make an impact who "stand on the sideline and say they don't have the time," Massey said.

"If you're committed to changing the community and our environment, just get out there and do it," he said. "We can all make a difference. We are all blessed with gifts."

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Coach Kameron Paulson puts team members through a shooting drill during basketball practice at the Child, Youth and School Services gymnasium on Lewis Main Monday.

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three years.

"I wanted to put my son in the same situation that I came up through — in this same building," Wilder said.

Wilder is just one example of the type of person who takes time out of his day to work with kids as a coach and mentor. Throughout the year, CYSS provides opportunities for kids to play sports that include football, basketball and soccer. There are also seasons for cheerleading and Special Olympics.

These programs currently need volunteer coaches to teach kids the fundamentals. The volunteer coaches are also there to help boost kids' self-confidence and self-esteem through practices and exhibition games. Many of the youth are playing sports for the first time through JBLM CYSS programs.

The leagues are not the kind of place for teaching complicated defensive and offensive schemes. It's a recreational activity where kids learn and officials and coaches gain experience at games.

"If they want to (play) somewhere like (Amateur Athletic Union) or competitive ball, we give them information for local



Volunteer coach Kinard Wilder works with players on proper floor spacing during basketball practice at the Child, Youth and School Services gymnasium on Lewis Main Monday.

resources," said Allen Reece, CYSS youth sports program director.

Volunteers have experience playing different sports while growing up, but learning how to teach kids the basics has been an exciting challenge for Kameron Paulson, an Army staff sergeant, who coaches soccer and basketball through CYSS.

"It's been rewarding seeing them develop into better athletes and to see them build that team cohesion," Paulson said.

The registration process is simple. A background check is part of the application to become a volunteer coach for CYSS. Volunteers also need to be trained and certified through the National Association of

Youth Sports.

The training covers a number of necessary skills that go beyond the proper techniques to teach sports to children. The National Association of Youth Sports course also covers first aid, safety, drug awareness and the psychological and emotional needs of youth.

Reece said some volunteer

applicants stand out when they come into the Parent Central Services office with National Association of Youth Sports certification already in hand.

"When they come in and let us know that they have most of the requirements, to me, that's letting me know they're motivated," he said.

Being a volunteer coach is open to everyone in the JBLM community. Active-duty service members have been known to benefit from earning the hours toward the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Reece said. Spouses are also invited to sign up, as well as family members.

The minimum age to be a volunteer is 16, which allows some high school students to coach for their community service requirements. Regardless of age or reason, the most important part for CYSS in finding volunteer coaches is how they will interact with the youth athletes.

"We want people who like working with children and have patience," Reece said.

For more information about becoming a volunteer coach for CYSS Sports on JBLM, visit jblmmwr.com/cyss_youth_sports or call 253-967-2405.

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learn time management and prioritize what was important to her.

"When I'm training for an Ironman, I'm doing 20-25 hours a week," Coyle said. "What sounds crazy becomes so normal. You learn so much more about yourself when you are pushing yourself. I have a 19 year old son and I'm thinking, 'Aren't I supposed to know everything at this point in my life?' But I'm still learning so much. It puts you in situations you wouldn't normally find

yourself in and challenges your priorities."

Recently, Coyle was hired by Delta Airlines as a pilot, making managing her time even tougher.

"Right now, I go in spurts," she said. "I'm on the road about five or six days and I'm home for a couple of days and feel like I have to cram it all in when I'm home. I still probably train 10 to 15 hours a week."

Though she wishes she could do more, she knows she can no longer sacrifice things like sleep like she did when she worked a desk job.

"Now I'm in a flying job with 150 or 160 people in the back of my airplane," she said. "I can't

fly tired. So I have to make that choice and let it go and be at peace with it."

As she is based in New York, she has an eight-hour commute from Seattle to her crash pad there. When she is flying her passenger plane, she stays seated during her entire flight, unless it's a long trip. This is due to the difficult procedure involved in leaving the flight deck because of high security protocol post 9-11.

Despite this challenge, she still finds time wherever she can to get her workout in.

"There are people who say, 'I don't have enough time so I'm not going to do that.' You have to get to that point where you

say, 'OK, I can't do 20 hours but I can do five.' Five is better than nothing."

Even if this means working out during a two-hour layover or getting up before work to squeeze in a run, she does it.

"Fitness is my sanity," Coyle said. "That's when I work through everything. I see athletes that train and are all about that next race. For me, I don't do that. I'm thinking that when I'm 80 years old, I still want to be riding a bike. I don't want to be stuck in a chair. I want to still be active, so I try to train for that. I train for the rest of my life."

This training has changed her.

Besides learning how to manage her time wisely, she has learned how to never accept no as an answer and that truly anything is possible, she said.

Coyle hopes to participate in more triathlons, marathons, and international competitions. She is also planning to try out for the Air Force Armed Forces team again.

"It's amazing to me now to think that I got through some of the most stressful times in my life without exercise," she said. "Now I need it. You don't have to be the Ironman triathlete. You don't have to even do anything competitive. Just be active. Being active makes life better."

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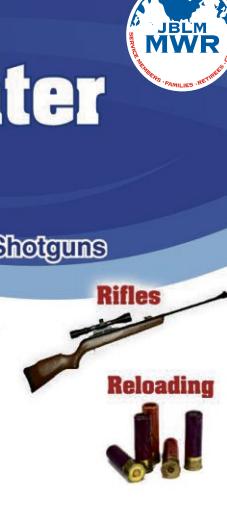
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BLUE MOUSE THEATRE: 253-752-9500**Deepwater Horizon (PG-13)** 7**GRAND CINEMA: 253-593-4474****The Eagle Huntress (G)** noon, 2:10, 4:20, 6:30, 8:40 **Loving (PG-13)** 11:50, 2:30, 5:10, 7:50 **Moonlight (R)** 1:10, 3:45, 6:15, 8:45 **Arrival (PG-13)** 1:25, 4:05, 6:40, 9:15**LAKEWOOD TOWNE CENTER CINEMAS: 888-262-4386****Office Christmas Party (R)** 11:30, 12:40, 2:10, 3:10, 4:40, 5:40, 7:10, 8:15, 9:45, 10:50 **Incarnate (PG-13)** 1, 3:30, 6, 8:20, 10:45 **Allied (R)** 10:40, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:25 **Bad Santa 2 (R)** 4:10, 9:30 **Moana 3-D (PG)** 3:10, **Moana (PG)** 11, 11:40, 12:30, 1:40, 4:30, 6, 7:10, 8:40, 9:50 **Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them (PG-13)** 11, 2, 5, 8, 8:50 **Nocturnal Animals (R)** 11, 1:45, 4:50, 7:40, 10:25**Arrival (PG-13)** 11:10, 2:20, 5:10, 7:50, 10:35 **Doctor Strange (PG-13)** 10:45, 1:40, 4:25, 7:15, 9:55 **Hacksaw Ridge (R)** 1, 6:25**Trolls (PG)** 10:40, 1:50, 4:10, 6:30, 10:55**REGAL LAKEWOOD STADIUM 15: 844-462-7342****Office Christmas Party (R)** 1, 2, 4:10, 4:50, 7:10, 7:50, 9:50, 10:25 **Miss Sloane (R)** 12:50, 4, 7, 10 **The Bounce Back (PG-13)** 1:40, 4:40, 7:30, 10:20 **Believe (PG)** 10:05 p.m. **Incarnate (PG-13)** 5, 10:30 **Allied (R)** 12:20, 3:20, 6:15, 9:40**Moana 3-D (PG)** 1:30, 4:15 **Moana (PG)** 12:40, 3:40, 6:40, 9:35 **Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them 3-D (PG-13)** 7, 10 **Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them (PG-13)** 12:15, 3:15, 6:20, 9:30**Nocturnal Animals (R)** 1:20, 4:30, 7:20, 10:10 **The Edge Seventeen (R)** 3:50, 9:15**Almost Christmas (PG-13)** 12:45, 6:35 **Arrival (PG-13)** 12:30, 3:30, 6:30, 9:20**Doctor Strange 3-D (PG-13)** 3:55, 9:45 **Doctor Strange (PG-13)** 1:10, 6:50**Hacksaw Ridge (R)** 12:15, 4:20, 6, 9:10 **Trolls (PG)** 1:50, 3:35, 7:40**Man Down (R)** 2:10, 8**CENTURY POINT RUSTON AND XD: 800-246-6215 #3238****Office Christmas Party (R)** 11:30, 2:15, 5, 7:45, 10:30 **Allied (R)** 10:05, 1:10, 4:10, 7:25, 10:35 **Bad Santa 2 (R)** 12:15, 2:50, 5:25, 8, 10:40**Moana 3-D (PG)** 10, 10:40, 1, 1:40, 4, 7:40, 10:50 **Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them 3-D (PG-13)** 9:10 p.m. **Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them (PG-13)** 11, 2:30, 5:50, 7, 10:25 **Arrival (PG-13)** 10:20, 1, 2:40, 4:20, 7:20, 10:20**Doctor Strange 3-D (PG-13)** 1:15 **Doctor Strange (PG-13)** 10:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15**Trolls (PG)** 10:30, 1:05, 3:40, 6:15, 8:50**PUYALLUP LONGSTON PLACE: 253-770-9901****Office Christmas Party (R)** 1, 4, 6, 7, 9, 9:40 **Miss Sloane (R)** 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 9:20**Incarnate (PG-13)** 1:40, 4:40, 7:10, 10:30 **Allied (R)** 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15**Bad Santa 2 (R)** 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 10:30 **Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them 3-D (PG-13)** 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 9:10 **Fantastic****Beasts and Where to Find Them (PG-13)** 1, 4, 7, 9:50 **Nocturnal Animals (R)** 1:50, 4:50, 7:40, 9:40 **The Edge of****Seventeen (R)** 1:05, 3:40 **Almost Christmas (PG-13)** 1:45, 4:15, 6:45, 10:20 **Arrival (PG-13)** 1:05, 3:45, 6:45, 9:30 **Doctor Strange (PG-13)** 1:15, 3:50, 6:30, 10:20**Hacksaw Ridge (R)** 2, 5, 8 **Jack Reacher: Never Go Back (PG-13)** 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 9:45**SOUTH HILL MALL SIX: 253-445-8801****The Bounce Back (PG-13)** 1:05, 3:45, 6:25, 9:05 **Moana 3-D (PG)** 12:50, 3:0#, 6:10, 8:55 **Moana (PG)** 1:10, 3:50, 6:30, 9:10 **Loving (PG-13)** 12:45, 3:25, 6:05, 8:45**Trolls (PG)** 1, 3:35, 6:20, 9 **The Accountant (R)** 12:55, 3:40, 6:15, 8:50**BONNEY LAKE REGAL TALL FIRS 10: 253-891-5445****Office Christmas Party (R)** 1, 4, 7, 9:55 **Allied (R)** 12:10, 3:45, 6:45, 9:50 **Bad Santa 2 (R)** 3:40, 10 **Moana 3-D (PG)**

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A children's 1K Reindeer Romp will take place prior to the 5K Jingle Bell Jog at the American Lake Conference Center on Lewis North.

HEALTH & FITNESS

Holiday race to help make spirits bright

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BY DEAN SIEMON
Northwest Guardian

With 2016 wrapping up, the holiday season is in full swing. That festive feeling is being felt throughout all parts of Joint Base Lewis-McChord, including the running community.

The final event for the 2016 JBLM Race Calendar is Saturday's 5K Jingle Bell Jog and 1K Reindeer Romp that starts and ends at the American Lake Conference Center on Lewis North. Similar to the extremely popular JBLM Turkey Trot in November, holiday cheer will be a focal point of the event.

If you go

What: JBLM 5K Jingle Bell Jog and 1K Reindeer Romp.

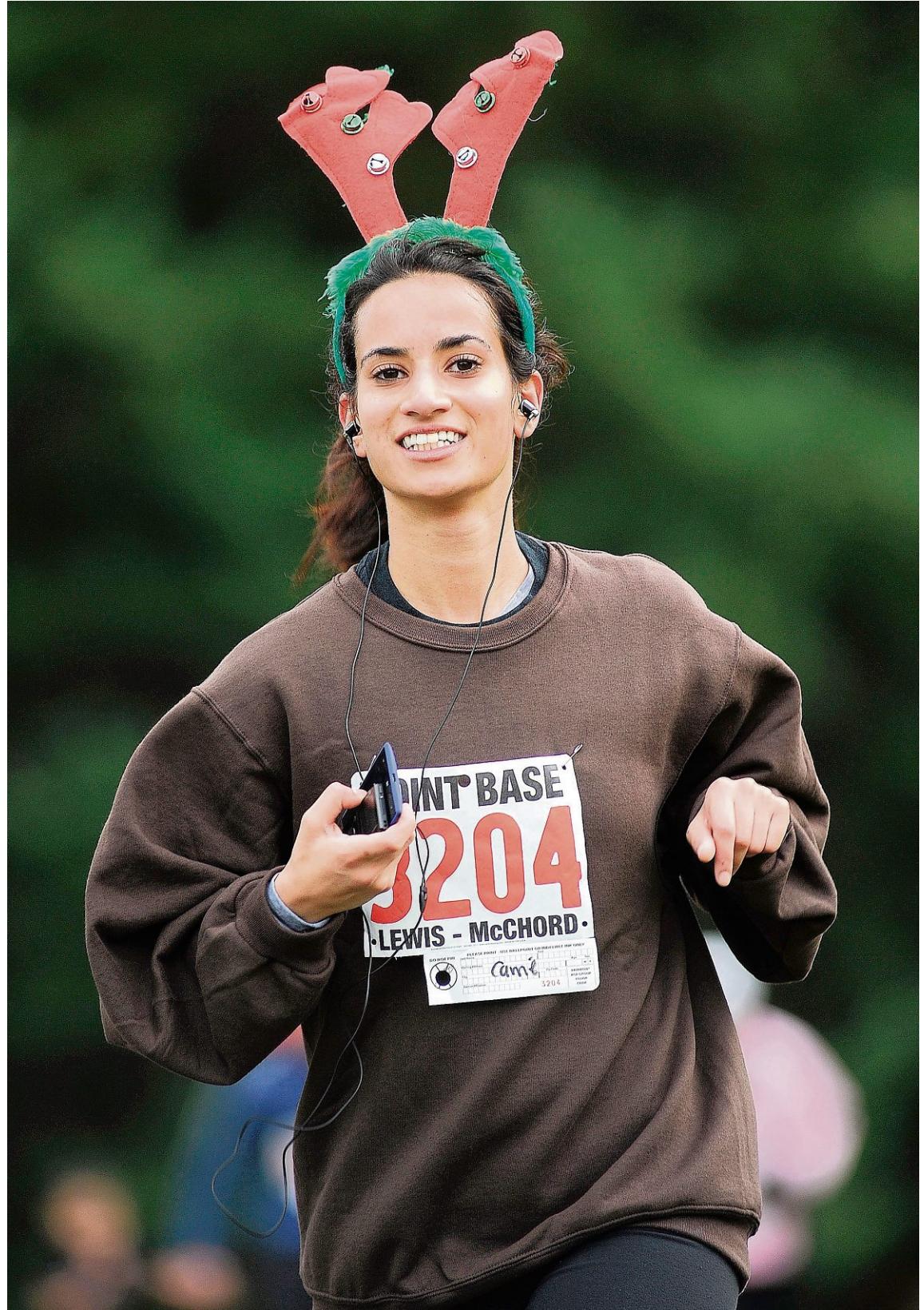
When: Saturday at 10 a.m.

Where: American Lake Conference Center, 8085 NCO Beach Road, Lewis North.

"We've already surpassed last year's final day-of numbers," said Jennifer Helm, race coordinator.

Helm also noted that a week before the late registration period closes, more than 450 runners were registered for the 1K and 5K.

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SCOTT HANSEN Northwest Guardian

Holiday cheer will play big part during the annual JBLM 5K Jingle Bell Jog and 1K Reindeer Romp at the American Lake Conference Center on Lewis North Saturday.

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DECEMBER 10

SEA KAYAK TRIP TO CUTTS ISLAND

Don't miss this South Sound classic. Start in Carr Inlet, paddling to Cutts Island and around Raft Island. Difficulty: beginner to intermediate; distance: six miles; paddle time: three-and-a-half hours. Minimum age: 12. Depart from the Northwest Adventure Center at Lewis North at 8 a.m. Trip with NAC expert guides. **\$60.**

HIKING TRIP THROUGH RATTLESNAKE TRAIL

Hike your way through the views of this amazing state. The Pacific Northwest is such a unique location with the mountains offering visitors tranquility in its vast forest. Difficulty: moderate/hard; distance: nine miles; time: three to four hours. Minimum age: 12. Meet at Northwest Adventure Center at Lewis North at 8 a.m. or McCord Field's Adventures Unlimited at 8:15 a.m. Trip with NAC expert guides. **\$50.**

DECEMBER 11

BICYCLE RIDE THROUGH TACOMA'S RUSTON WAY

Ride a bike while exploring

the beautiful boardwalk of Tacoma's Ruston Way. Cruise by Chihuly glass art, restaurants, Point Defiance Park and other stunning landscapes on the nearly 10-mile path. Enjoy a picnic and potential yoga in the park to loosen up your muscles after all that pedaling. Minimum age: 16. Depart from the Northwest Adventure Center at Lewis North at 8 a.m. **\$70.**

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Ever wanted to hike the Wonderland Trail but only have time for a sneak peek? Here's how to

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Momtrepreneur Winter

Market 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday. Freighthouse Square, 430 E. 25th St., Tacoma. Free. blondieandbrunetteevents.net.

The Village 253 Handmade Market and Mingle 3 to 7 p.m. Saturday. The Spire, 710 S. Anderson, Tacoma. Free. 850-339-5691.

COMMUNITY

Hilltop Artists Winter Glass Sale 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. Jason Lee Middle School, 602 N. Sprague Ave., Tacoma. hilltopartists.org.

Film Screening and Discussion: "Colored Frames" Documentary that explores the

experiences of Black artists, beginning at the height of the Civil Rights Era and leading up to the present. 6 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday. Tacoma Art Museum, 1701 Pacific Ave., Tacoma. Free. 253-272-4258, tacomaartmuseum.org.

HOLIDAY

Light Up the Night: St. Lucia's Festival Crafts, games, and traditional Swedish snacks. 4:30 to 6 p.m. Friday. Harbor History Museum, 4121 Harborview Drive, Gig Harbor. \$2 for all ages 253-858-6722, harborhistorymuseum.org.

City of DuPont Historical Museum Santa's Workshop Kids can buy and make gifts for their family and loved ones. Noon to 3 p.m. Saturday. DuPont Historical Museum, 207 Barksdale Ave., DuPont. \$5. 253-312-3273.

Dickens Festival 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday. Stadium Business District, Tacoma. Free. 253-363-2956, dickensfestival.net.

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CHORAL

South Sound Classical Choir 7:30 p.m. Friday. Puyallup United Methodist Church, 1919 W. Pioneer Ave., Puyallup; 3 p.m. Sunday. St. Patrick Catholic Church, 1001 North J St., Tacoma. Free. 253-507-4183, southsoundclassicalchoir.org.

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Featuring Ralph Vaughan Williams' "Magnificat" with flautist Roxanne Rhea, the Sonoro Scandinavian Children Choir, 8 p.m. Friday. St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10630 Gravelly Lake Drive SW, Lakewood; 7 p.m. Saturday. Christ Episcopal Church, Tacoma, 310 N K St., Tacoma. \$15. sonorochoralsociety.com.

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DECEMBER 11

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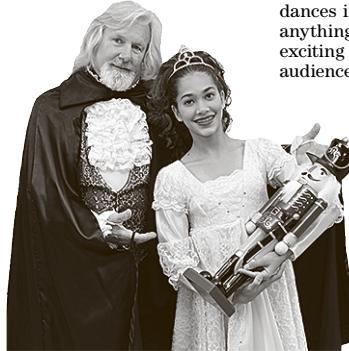
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R&B

The Average White Band 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. Friday. Dimitriou's Jazz Alley, 2033 Sixth Ave., Seattle. \$35.50. 206-441-9729, jazzalley.com.

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ON SALE THIS WEEK

Country music star **BLAKE SHELTON** will perform at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 27 at the Tacoma Dome, Tacoma. Tickets are \$29.50-\$65 and go on sale at 10 a.m. Friday. The megaband **GUNS N' ROSES** is coming to the Gorge Amphitheater for a show at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 3, part of the group's "Not In This Lifetime Tour." Tickets are \$90-\$275 and will go on sale at 10 a.m. Saturday.

ALREADY ON SALE

STEVIE NICKS 8 p.m. Sunday, KeyArena, Seattle. \$35-\$145. **TIG NOTARO** 8 p.m. Thursday, Moore Theatre, Seattle. \$32.50. **TRANS-SIBERIAN ORCHESTRA** 3 and 9 p.m. Dec. 31, KeyArena, Seattle. \$41-\$79.50. **FINDING NEVERLAND** Jan. 10-15, Paramount Theatre, Seattle. \$30-\$95.

SMOKEY ROBINSON 8:30 p.m. Jan. 13, Emerald Queen Casino, Tacoma. \$70-\$170.

KATHY GRIFFIN 7 p.m. Jan. 14, Moore Theatre, Seattle. \$42.50-\$72.50.

WAYNE McGREGOR CO. 7:30 p.m. Jan. 20, Moore Theatre, Seattle. \$32.50-\$52.50.

MARGARET CHO 8 p.m. Jan. 27, Tulalip Resort Casino, Tulalip. \$45-\$55.

ADAM ANT 9 p.m. Feb. 3, Neptune Theatre, Seattle. \$31.50.

ODD SQUAD LIVE 7 p.m. Feb. 6, McCaw Hall, Seattle. \$26.25-\$47.50.

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Runners usually come dressed for the occasion.

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JOG

The first thing regular JBLM runners might notice is the location change for the event. Last year's Jingle Bell Jog took place on Eagles Pride Golf Course, but previous runs have been hosted around American Lake and the trails and neighborhoods nearby.

"American Lake just has a wonderful parking lot and the ability to map a 5K course around it," Helm said.

Runners will find a festive atmosphere once they cross the finish line and go inside the ALCC. While cups of hot chocolate will warm up the participants from a cool morning run, Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus will be making a visit for photo opportunities with JBLM families.

There will be prizes handed out to participants such as a variety of holiday-themed baskets. Prizes will be awarded through a raffle drawing and also for a special ugly Christmas sweater contest.

It's the second year the



SCOTT HANSEN Northwest Guardian

The annual JBLM 5K Jingle Bell Jog and 1K Reindeer Romp will include prize drawings for gift baskets and airline tickets and a best 'ugly' holiday sweater competition.

Jingle Bell Jog event will feature a sweater competition. Last year's event brought some creativity with many participants decorating their own. One runner even used artificial garlands to wrap around a sweater to make a tree-like top. Another hung small ornaments and Christmas lights.

"The ones that will always stand out are the ones who take the time to create something," Helm said.

The prize that might be the most popular is a pair of airline ticket vouchers to anywhere in the United

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T-shirts available), it's still a lasting memory by dressing up and being with family and friends," Helm said.

Day-of registration cost will be \$30 for 5K runners who can show military affiliation with a valid Department of Defense ID card. Otherwise, the cost for the 5K run will be \$40. The youth 1K Reindeer Romp will cost \$20 with a military ID and \$25 for those without.

The youth run will start the day at 10 a.m., followed by the 5K runners starting at 10:45 a.m. For more information, visit jblmmwr.com/races/jingle_jog.

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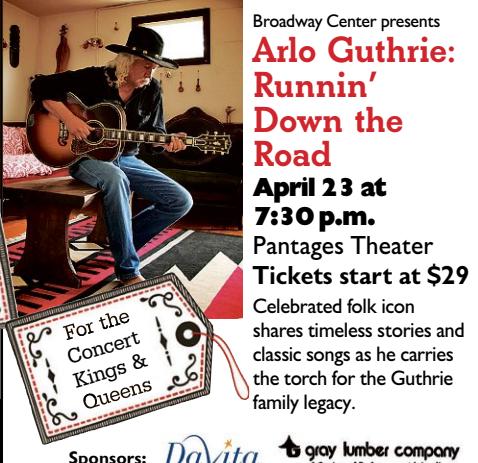
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