

# USAJFKSWCS Family Programs Newsletter



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# Mission & Vision

Mission: Family Programs promotes family stability and growth through outreach, information, referral, and follow-up services. Connecting the Families to the Military and Civilian community support services that will make a positive difference in their lives.

Vision: Our commitment is to provide a connection between the Special Warfare School Center (SWCS) Families, the Command, and the community resources which promotes self-reliance and resiliency. Through this connection we will increase a Family's ability to develop the life skills necessary to adapt to the unique challenges of Special Operations.

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## **Important Announcements**

- **NICU Announcement**: The Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) will be temporarily relocating to the Women and Newborn Care Unit (WNCU). This move is to facilitate renovations to the current NICU and will last approximately 6-8 weeks. All visitors for NICU are to sign in at the Women and Newborn Care Unit Nurse's station upon arrival and will be directed to the NICU. The NICU number remains the same 910-907-7626 or 910-907-6601.
- Annual Camp Mackall Water Disinfectant Change and Flush:
  - Beginning Monday, March 1, 2024, Camp Mackall's water supplier, the Town of Southern Pines will temporarily change their disinfection method from chloramines (free chlorine with ammonia added) to free chlorine only. The North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality requires all water systems that add ammonia to their drinking water to discontinue its use for a one-month period annually to ensure that any biological growth that may have occurred within the distribution system is controlled. Southern Pines will resume adding ammonia to the water treatment disinfection process on Monday, April 1, 2024. Some water users may notice a chlorine odor as a result of this change in the treatment process. Throughout the month of March, ASUS will perform flushing at multiple hydrant locations in order to expedite the change of chloramine to chlorine residual throughout the system. Some customers may also experience periods of discolored water as a result of the required distribution-system flushing that will accompany this change back to chlorineonly disinfection. Discoloration can be mitigated by allowing faucets to run until the water clears.

### • Installation Speeding Update:

15 MPH+ over posted limit will result in 30 days suspension of driving privileges on Fort Liberty. Automatic one-year suspensions of on-post driving privileges if you speed equal to or greater than 80 mph; reckless driving; aggressive driving or speeding to elude arrest.

#### • Red Cross Mobile Apps and Voice-Enable Skills/Actions:

Be Prepared for Emergencies. Accidents happen – but you can be ready to help yourself and your loved ones with FREE Red Cross Mobile Apps. <u>Mobile Apps</u> & Voice-Enabled Skills | Get American Red Cross Apps

# **SWCS** Family Programs Upcoming Events

\* 19 Mar – SWCS All – Perinatal Support Group Click here to register

\* 20 Mar – SWCS All – Story Time at Clay Hall No Registration Required

\* To view all these events and more visit our Official Facebook Page at: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/S.W.C.S.FamilyPrograms">https://www.facebook.com/S.W.C.S.FamilyPrograms</a>

# Soldier & Family Readiness Group (SFRG) Upcoming Classes

- \* 04 Mar SFRG Coordinator Training
- \* 05 Mar SFRG Command Family Readiness Representative (CFRR) Training
- \* 11 Mar SFRG Informal Fund Custodian Training
- \* 18 Mar Care Team Training
- \* 25 Mar SFRG Key Contact Training

To view all class details and to register, click <u>here</u>.

# Fort Liberty Upcoming Events

To view all details, please visit the MWR website calendar at: <a href="https://liberty.armymwr.com/calendar?date=8/1/2024">https://liberty.armymwr.com/calendar?date=8/1/2024</a>

#### **Highlighted: Read Across America**

Let's read in Style. Join Throckmorton Library's Storytime Spirit Week as they read beloved books and authors during their themed Storytimes and take home a book. Event is open to the public.

#### **Storytime Themes:**

- \* 04 Mar Dr. Seuss
- \* 05 Mar Mo Willems
- \* 06 Mar Eric Carle

For more information: (910) 396-2665.

### Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS)

Supports the overall quality of life for the 29,000 plus single and unaccompanied Soldiers (including single parents) on the installation. The BOSS program supports the chain of command by identifying quality of life issues and concerns by providing recommendations for improvement.

It assists single Soldiers in identifying and planning recreational and leisure activities that are offered in a safe and exciting environment. It provides an opportunity for single soldiers to participate and contribute to their respective communities and gives the individual a sense of responsibility and involvement.

The BOSS program is vital to overall mission accomplishment and serves as a unified voice for single soldiers. Find out more about your unit and installation program so BOSS can become one of your many tools for success.

To find out more about the BOSS Program visit: <u>Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers</u> :: Ft. Bragg :: US Army MWR

### Resources

• SWCS Military & Family Life Consultants (MFLC) Team:

Mr. Ron Butler: 910-729-9380 Mr. Jason Martin: 910-723-3815 Ms. Lisa Davis: 910-850-4416

• Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS):

Location: Basement of Soldier Support Center

Phone: 910-396-9339

• Army Community Services:

Location: 3rd Floor, Soldier Support Center

Phone: 910-396-8682

Website: www.liberty.armymwr.com

• Humana / Tricare

Phone: 800-444-5445

Website: www.humanamilitary.com

• American Red Cross:

Location: Bldg. 1-1139 corner of Macomb St. & Hamilton St.

Website: www.redcross.org

Phone: 910-396-1231

• Womack Army Medical Center (WAMC):

Location: 2817 Rock Merritt Ave. Main Number: 910-907-9262 Information: 910-907-6000

Emergency Dept.: 910-907-7000

• Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)

Location: 3rd Floor Soldier Support Center

Phone: 910-907-3395

### Contact Us

### **USAJFKSWCS Family Programs Office**

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Facebook Page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/S.W.C.S.FamilyPrograms">https://www.facebook.com/S.W.C.S.FamilyPrograms</a>

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