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OCTOBER OBSERVANCES

- ❑ **National Military Family Month** All Month
- ❑ **Warrior Care Month** All Month
- ❑ **Marine Corps Birthday** Nov 10
- ❑ **Veterans Day** Nov 11
- ❑ **Thanksgiving Day** Nov 28

IMPORTANT OBSERVANCES

NATIONAL MILITARY FAMILY MONTH

FROM: Military.com

Military Family Appreciation Month is a time set aside to recognize you, the military family.

NOV 2019



Military families know what it means to serve. Every day, you get up and support your service member, standing by during long trainings and know the risks, but you accept this life of service anyway.

You know service is an honor.

You are the backbone of our military. You are the quiet, but steady fuel at home that keeps the fire burning. You keep track of military pay, benefits and news, because you know they make a daily difference in your life. And when your time as an actively serving family comes to an end, you support your veteran.

Serving is just what you do. [READ MORE](#)



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WARRIOR CARE MONTH

FROM: www.woundedwarrior.af.mil

The Department of Defense, military services, and collaborating organizations will use November to celebrate the strength and resilience – physically, mentally, and spiritually – of our wounded, ill, and injured service members, as well as their families and caregivers; raise awareness of the warrior care resources and programs available today; and inspire year-round discourse regarding today's warrior care priorities.

BACKGROUND

On Nov. 5, 2008, then Secretary of Defense Robert F. Gates established November as Warrior Care Month as a "DoD-wide effort aimed at increasing awareness of programs and resources available to wounded, ill, and injured service members, their families, and those who care about them."

Secretary Gates charged the DOD to "continue to make it easier for our troops and their families to take advantage of all the assistance now available to them." [READ MORE](#)

DCS COMMUNITY SERVICE "HAVEN FOR HOPE"



SAN ANTONIO HAVEN FOR HOPE

Every quarter, DCS employees volunteer to host a day of entertainment, fun and camaraderie for Homeless Veterans on the San Antonio Haven for Hope Campus.

The day consisted of Bingo games, small prizes, great conversation and best of all friendships made.

For more information, please visit their website at:

HAVEN FOR HOPE

Haven for Hope

ABOVE PICTURE: DCS President Frank Crowder, DCS's Jonathan Viladiu and Mr. Jason Favela enjoying the event .



SAN ANTONIO BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL

DCS AGAIN RECOGNIZED BY SAN ANTONIO BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL

DCS was recognized again this year with the San Antonio Business Opportunity Council (SABOC) "Minority Enterprise Development Award" for 2019! As a reminder DCS won this same award in 2017! DCS is proud to serve it's customers and the community.



MP ARTICLE PRESENTED BY US ARMY LEOSA FACEBOOK

SOUTH DAKOTA BATTALION NAMED MOST OUTSTANDING ARMY GUARD UNIT

By: South Dakota National Guard - Posted Oct 23, 2019

WASHINGTON – The 139th Brigade Support Battalion received the Gen. Walter T. Kerwin, Jr. Award as the most outstanding Army National Guard battalion in the nation presented by the Association of the United States Army, Oct. 14.

The 139th BSB received the award at the AUSA annual conference in Washington, D.C., which recognizes the top performing Army National Guard and Army Reserve units in the country.

The Brookings-based 139th BSB demonstrated excellence in operational planning, execution of training and maintaining high readiness standards above all other Army National Guard units for training year 2018. [READ MORE](#)



PATRIOT'S POINT



TINA GARCIA, JD, LLM

CRB, CIPS. GRI

Tina Garcia is a true trail blazer. She is one of approximately 100 female airmen who were a part of the historic 1976 Air Force, Security Police, Female Integration Test Program (Security Specialist AFSC). These women graduated the Security Police Academy and Air Base Ground Defense Training and were later assigned to Air Force bases worldwide. In March 1978, the Air Force ended the test program, and these historic Security Specialists were either re-assigned to other areas of law enforcement or allowed to retrain, which is what Ms. Garcia did.

Once the test was over she cross-trained into Public Affairs and then to the Office of Special Investigations (OSI), but to this day still cherishes her Beret and Shield as mementos of that historic time.

Upon separating from the Air Force she became President and CEO of Special Properties of Denver, CO and later President and CEO of Militaryhousing.com. She provided such programs as real estate appraisal and assessment services to include corporate and government relocation. She also provided global resources in the areas of land and resource management to corporate and government agencies.

She currently serves as an intern with the Colorado Office of the Attorney General for issues involving land and water privatization and environmental impact studies of military privatization.

DCS EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

JEFF SIMMONS

Jeff was working the HARPS INFORMATION Desk, when he noticed one of the male Housekeepers, sitting down and sweating profusely. Mr. Simmons inquired "Are you alright?" and Mr. Cole said he wasn't feeling well. Mr. Simmons asked if anything was hurting, and the gentleman said his chest, and that he just wanted to rest for a minute. Mr. Simmons's first aid training kicked in, and he thought of the symptoms of a heart attack. Mr. Simmons suggested that the gentleman go to the Emergency Room in Wilford Hall Clinic, but he was very reluctant. Mr. Simmons insisted that he go to the Emergency Room and offered to escort him there, which he did.

The Emergency Room doctors examined him and, and had him transported by ambulance to Westover Hills Emergency Room. He was in fact having a heart attack. He was treated for the heart attack and is now resting comfortably at home. Mr. Simmons intervention and insistence may have saved the gentleman's life.

Jeff not only displayed the DCS Core Values of Capable, Credible and Competent, but he also displayed true care and compassion!



LEOSA INFORMATION

RECENT ARMY CHANGES

6 YEAR RULE: DCS received guidance from OPMG that the "6 Year Requirement" for 926B Active applicants has officially been lifted!

"The 6 year requirement is no longer relevant. 926B applicants are authorized as long as they have proper documentation that they HAVE GRADUATED from the school house (MP School or acceptable formal LE Training School) and currently hold an MP MOS. This is IN ADDITION TO THE PRE-EXISTING REQUIREMENTS (one of which is the Commanders Letter, which means they must be actively serving in, and assigned to a unit), and is only applicable to 926B applicants."

MEDICAL LETTER: DCS also received guidance from OPMG that the "Medical Letter Requirement" for Retired/Separated applicants who separated due to a service connected disability has officially been lifted

TRAINING CERTIFICATE: DCS is no longer checking Army Training dates through Army Training Requirements and Resources System (ATTRS).

Now Army Applicants must include with their applications the following:

For 926B, Active applicants: "Copy of their USAMPS certificate to validate the completion of authorized/accredited MP/LE training. This can consist of any academy that the U.S. recognized as valid at the beginning of their Law Enforcement career. For civilian officers, Federal Law Enforcement Training Course (FLETC) or other Army recognized formal training school (i.e. civilian Academy) is acceptable.

For 926C, Retired/Separated applicants: "DD-214 (member 4 copy) indicating the USAMPS training date annotated in the education block, NGB 22, last SF-50 or other service documentation showing performance as a Military Police or DA Civilian Police member. For civilian officers, FLETC or other Army recognized formal training school (i.e. civilian Academy) is acceptable. If there is no school listed in the education block, applicants must submit a copy of their USAMPS certificate to validate the completion of authorized/accredited MP/LE training. This can consist of any academy that the U.S. recognized as valid at the beginning of their Law Enforcement career.

Both: "If the applicant does not have a copy of the graduation certificate, they must provide a personnel or training document, which includes an annotated training date (obtained via iPERMS, OMPF, SRB (ERB), etc.)."

TOTAL ISSUED

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Note: ALL Navy applicants must include the SECNAV 5580/1 with the DCS application. A sample Commanding Officer Letter of Verification (NOT page 3 of the 5580/1) is also located on the [CNIC](#) website.

AIR FORCE RENEWALS: Card holders can begin applying for renewal up to SIX MONTHS before the expiration date with the Early Bird renewal program and discounted pricing! **Early Bird pricing (\$100) will be applied to renewals submitted 4-6 months before the expiration date.** Applications received within 3 months and up to the expiration date will require the full renewal price (\$125). Renewals will require updated personal information, a new passport style photo, Endorsement letter for 926B cards, and new FBI Identity History Summary for **Air Force 926C** card holders. **NOTE:** The issuance/expiration date of renewed cards will be the same month/day as the initial card unless the application is received AFTER the initial issuance date.

NAVY LEOSA

926B Active Credential Applicants, please remember to include in your application both parts of your Commander's Endorsement Letter.

1. The top portion that you insert your training date and your signature
2. The bottom portion where your commander puts his/her signature

NEW WEBSITE INFO

ALL USERS WILL NEED TO CREATE A NEW ACCOUNT ON THE UPDATED WEBSITE! If you submitted a COMPLETE online application before the update, your application and status will not be visible on the new website. **YOUR APPLICATION AND PAYMENT DID NOT DISAPPEAR.** If you did not complete your application before the update, you will need to start again on the new website.

AIR FORCE LEOSA

Currently there are over 200 applications at the AFSFC waiting on official approval. DCS does not control the approval process and our hands are tied until we receive the signed Approval Letter from the AFSFC. Once we have that letter we can then and only then can produce those credentials.

HAVEN FOR HOPE SPOTLIGHT



Jason Favela

During our Haven for Hope Community Event, DCS's Jonathan Viladiu sat down and interviewed one of our homeless veterans, Mr. Jason Favela:

Mr. Favela was born and raised in San Antonio, TX. He is a Tom C. Clark High School Alumnus (San Antonio, TX), Class of 1999. During his years at Clark, he played Defensive End on the football team and sang in the choir.

After high school, Mr. Favela attended International Bible College again here in San Antonio. He then traveled to Eastern Europe for two months of Christian Missionary work. As an avid public speaker, he enjoyed sharing the Word of God and learning about new cultures.

Once he returned from Eastern Europe he enlisted in the U.S. Army. PVT Favela trained to be a 14-J Army Air Defense Command, Control,

Communications, Computer Maintainer at Ft Bliss. His favorite memory in the Army was jogging nine miles with his platoon through the mountains surrounding El Paso, TX.

DCS wishes Mr. Favela good luck in his endeavors and his life, we hope he can utilize the Haven for Hope programs to once again get back on his feet.

NAVY NEWS

Midway Movie Takes War in the Pacific Seriously

Story Number: NNS191018-14 Release Date: 10/18/2019

1:36:00 PM From U.S. Navy Pacific Fleet Public Affairs

PEARL HARBOR, Hawaii (NNS) -- This Veterans Day, moviegoers everywhere can witness the most pivotal Pacific battle in World War II: "Midway." The production reminds viewers just how precariously America's future teetered in the early 1940s, and what cost, sacrifice and luck was required to achieve a free and open Indo-Pacific.

Director Roland Emmerich (Independence Day, The Patriot, White House Down, Independence Day: Resurgence) waited 10 years before embarking on the heroic story, written by Wes Tooke. The ambitious storyline begins in earnest in Asia the 1930s, and follows the war in the Pacific through the Midway battle that ultimately changed the tide of war. [READ MORE](#)



ABOVE PICTURE: PACIFIC OCEAN (Aug. 11, 2018) Actor Woody Harrelson, second from left, poses for a photo with Sailors aboard the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74) while observing flight operations with Sailors.

ARMY NEWS

MPRA Introduces Order of the Marechaussee in Steel

By: Erin Kaberline October 14th, 2019 / MPRAonline.org

Earlier this year, the Military Police Regimental Association, along with the U.S. Army Military Police Corps Regiment, added a new level to the Order of the Marechaussee award. In addition to the Gold, Silver, and Bronze levels, Military Police service members will now be able to receive the award in Steel.

This new award allows the MPRA to fully live out our mission of promoting the history and preserving the traditions of the Military Police Corps Regiment while supporting all Military Police leadership, Soldiers, and Families Army-wide. This award recognizes a degree of professionalism, high standards of integrity and morality, and esprit de corps consistent with the long standing history and traditions of our Regiment.

This award was specifically designed for Military Police Soldiers with less than 10 years of service. Like all other Marechaussee awards, the Steel award must be approved by the Chief of the Military Police Corps Regiment, the Regimental Command Sergeant Major and the Regimental Chief Warrant Officer.

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AIR FORCE NEWS

SECAF visits first base: F.E. Warren AFB

By Senior Airman Abbigayle Williams, 90th Missile Wing Public Affairs / Published October 28, 2019

F.E. WARREN AIR FORCE BASE, Wyo. (AFNS) --

Secretary of the Air Force Barbara M. Barrett made her first official trip, and visited **F. E. Warren Air Force Base**, Oct. 27.

Barrett, the 25th Secretary of the Air Force, visited various facilities to gain a better understanding of the pivotal nuclear mission that defends the U.S. and its allies.

During her visit, Barrett met with Wyoming Gov. Mark Gordon and thanked him for his leadership and continued support to the military.

"First off, thank you for taking time out of elk season to welcome me here to Wyoming," Barrett said. "The relationship between the community and the military throughout the state is impressive." [READ MORE](#)

