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The Military Family Gets Honors During the Month of November

Despite extended separations, constant relocations and frequent school/job transfers, military families persevere, overcoming challenges swiftly and successfully. Their contributions are unseen but heartfelt, these loved ones support their service member and in doing so provide him or her with the determination to accomplish the mission.

On Nov 19th, ACS will be having a celebration in honor of National Military Family Appreciation Month. It will include recognizing distinguished Camp Darby families and the positive contributions they provide for our community. Join us for the cake cutting ceremony, at 3:00 p.m. in the ACS bldg. 407.



New Classes Designed to Strengthen Family Readiness

Amber Gaglione, the ACS Mobilization and Deployment Specialist, will be offering a new Family Readiness Group training series. These sessions are designed to better prepare those involved in Family Readiness Groups for the unique challenges they may face as volunteer family advocates.

PART I FRG Essentials: Money Matters

November 4, 12:00 p.m. at Global Credit Union
 Important money issues FRG face, fundraising special accounts and budgeting.

PART II FRG Essentials: Compassion Fatigue

November 18, 12:00 p.m. at Global Credit Union
 Teach volunteers how to not burnout or become overloaded while caring for others.

PART III FRG Essentials: Motivating the Group

November 25, 12:00 p.m. at Global Credit Union
 Learn how to be a creative and proactive advocate for your FRG.

Spouses of Deployed Servicemembers Monthly Social

Spouses of deployed service members face unique challenges while their loved one is gone. Acting as a single parent, spending holidays apart and worrying about the safety of the service member can

leave spouses feeling isolated. That's why ACS holds a Spouses of Deployed Service Members Social on the first Thursday of every month (Nov. 6), so those in similar situations can connect and

realize they aren't alone. Children are welcome and spouses can share tips on special items for care packages, and exchange advice on how to making a long-distance relationship truly successful.

Classes & Seminars

EMPLOYMENT READINESS

Resume Points Training

November 7, 11:30-12:00 p.m.

Learn how to make yourself attractive on paper!

Interview Skills Training

Call ACS for date and time

Get tips on putting your best foot forward.

VOLUNTEER CORPS

Volunteer Action Council for OPOCs

November 5, 10:30 a.m. at ACS

Get involved today! Quartely VAC meeting is the first Wednesday of every quarter.

Volunteer Knowledge Training

November 21, 11:30-12:00 p.m. at ACS

Stop by to join the ranks and add your skills to TEAM Darby!

RELOCATION READINESS

Benvenuti at Camp Darby

Monday, November 3, 8:15 a.m.

New to Camp Darby and don't know where to go to get answers? Learn about Italian customs, culture, local shopping, paying Italian bills and more. Please sign up for the next Benvenuti session by calling ACS. Free child-

Children's Playgroup

Wednesdays, 1100 a.m.- 1200 p.m. in the Chapel Nursery

Children's playgroup (for ages 0-3) helps little ones learn to socialize and interact. It also provides an invaluable support system for parents.

Military One Source

Military Onesource provides free private services and information:

- Counseling
- Educational Materials
- Interpretation/Translation

Stateside: 1-800-342-9647
 Overseas: 800-3429-6477
 Overseas Collect: 484-530-5908
 TTY/TDD: 1-866-607-6794
 En Espanol: 1-877-888-0727



FINANCIAL READINESS

Military Family Holiday Financial Preparations

November 4, 3:30-4:00 p.m. at ACS

The holidays can cause out of control spending if you don't budget ahead of time. Learn how to manage your money this season with some pre-planning.

Consumer Rights and Obligations

November 6, 1:00 p.m. -1:30 a.m. at ACS

Learn what you the consumer are entitled to and what your responsibilities are during this quickie class.

LANGUAGE CLASSES

Italian conversation & grammar at the Library

Mondays 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

English as a second language at the Library

Tuesdays 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Beginners

12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. Intermediate

ACS Cooking Class- Southern-Style Thanksgiving!

Thursday, November 13, 12:00 p.m.

Learn how to prepare an authentic Southern-Style turkey with all the trimmings. Class attendees will also be able to enjoy the finished products, so bring your appetite!



Coming in December

Community Action Council (CAC)

Let your concerns be heard! CAC is a great opportunity to voice your opinion or concern about Camp Darby.

Send issues to:

usaglacs@eur.army.mil

or log onto

www.usag.livorno.army.mil

and click on CAC!

ACS Staff Spotlight: *New Additions!*



From left; Sherie Colegrove, Cinzia Zahner, Jenny Sposato and Julie Gardner.

Camp Darby ACS welcomes 4 new members to the team; Sherie Colegrove, Julie Gardner, Jenny Sposato and Cinzia Zahner. Sherie is the FAP special events coordinator, currently organizing the Childrens Playgroup at the Chapel Mertz Hall. Julie is the

Unit Services Coordinator, and will act as the ACS liasion to all Camp Darby units. Jenny is the new Relocation Program Manager, and will be helping servicemembers and their families with PCS and ETS information and referral. Cinzia will be the new Relocation

Assistant, assisting those in transition with household items from the Lending Closet. Cinzia will also be conducting the ACS Italian and English as a Second Language courses. We welcome these new additions into our ACS family.