

FORT JACKSON ACS
January 2012
CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Happy New Year



**ALL ACS CLASSES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE,
PLEASE REGISTER TO ENSURE CLASS
AVAILABILITY.**

**Free Child Care MAY BE available for
military spouses who attend ACS training.
All child care needs must be coordinated
and approved with ACS prior to attending
the training.**

**REMEMBER: Children must be registered
with Fort Jackson Child and Youth
Services hourly care program.**

**Program contact information can be found
in the back of this booklet.**



Highlighted Events

Tuesday, 17 January

0830-1030

FRG Basic Course

Family Readiness Center (FRC)

Building 3499 Daniels Street

Please call to register 751-7220/7352

Free childcare may be available

1100-1300

FRG TREASURER/FUNDS CONTROL/FUNDRAISING

Family Readiness Center (FRC)

Building 3499 Daniels Street

Please call to register 751-7220/7352

Feel free to bring your lunch

(803) 751-6315

Free childcare may be available

Tuesday, 24 January

0830-1200

FRG Key Caller, Sponsor A Spouse and Welcomes

Family Readiness Center (FRC)

Building 3499 Daniels Street

Please call to register 751-7220/7352

Free childcare may be available

Tuesday 31, January

0900-1400

“New Year, New You- Volunteer!”

AFTB Volunteer Drive

Family Readiness Center (FRC)

Building 3499 Daniels Street

Please call to register 751-7220/7352

Refreshments will be served

POC: Veronica Jackson-Patrick

751-6315

1730-2000

FRG Basic Course (Night)

Family Readiness Center (FRC)

Building 3499 Daniels Street

Free childcare may be available

Wednesday, 4 January

0900-1100

Post Newcomer's Orientation/Tour:

Just PCS'd to Fort Jackson?

Attend the 'orientation and tour' to find out where to go and who can provide the service
Post Conference Room

Free childcare available, must attend CYS mandatory Orientation. Call 751-1962 for more information

Monday, 9 January

0900-1130

English as a Second Language Class
English instruction for ID card holders or DOD employees

Strom Thurmond Bldg., Room 222

Free childcare may be available

1800-1930

Career Exploration for Teens

Youth Center

Bldg. 5975

Chestnut Road -beside Pinckney School

Tuesday, 10 January

1700-1900

English as a Second Language Class
English instruction for ID card holders or DOD employees

Main Post Library, 4679 Lee Road

Across from Burger King and Wachovia Bank

Wednesday, 11 January

0830-12:00

Job Searching Strategies

Strom Thurmond Bldg, room 222

1200-1400

Child Abuse/Safety Course

Main Post Chapel

This class is required for all persons working with or around children or youth

1700-1900

English as a Second Language Class
English instruction for ID card holders or DOD employees

Main Post Library, 4679 Lee Road

Across from Burger King and Wachovia Bank

Thursday, 12 January

1100-1200

Stress Management

Building 5614 Hood Street

Room 10

1230-1500

English as a Second Language Class
English instruction for ID card holders or DOD employees

Strom Thurmond Bldg., Room 222

Free childcare may be available

Friday, 13 January

0900-1200

Steps to Federal Employment

Strom Thurmond Bldg. Rm 222

***Free child care available-Must coordinate with ERP Office in advance.**

Tuesday, 17 January

0830-1030

FRG Basic Course

Family Readiness Center (FRC)

BLDG 3499 Daniels Street

Please call to register 751-7220/7352

Free childcare may be available

1100-1300

FRG TREASURER/FUNDS CONTROL/FUNDRAISING

Family Readiness Center (FRC)

BLDG 3499 Daniels Street

Please call to register 751-7220/7352

Feel free to bring your lunch

Free childcare may be available

1000-1100

Relocation Planning Stateside Workshop:

Are you Moving? This brief will assist you in preparing for your next INCONUS move

Strom Thurmond Bldg., Room 213

Free childcare may be available

0900-1130

Starting and Running A Small Business
Education Center.

Call the ACAP office at 751-4109/6062 to register.

***Free child care available-**

Must coordinate with ERP Office in advance.

1700-1900

English as a Second Language Class

English instruction for ID card holders or DOD employees Main Post Library, 4679 Lee Road

Across from Burger King and Wachovia Bank

Wednesday, 18 January

0830-1630

Personal Financial Readiness for 1st Term Junior

Enlisted Soldiers

Education Center, Room 206B

RSVP 803-751-5256

0830-1200

Resume Writing/Interviewing

Strom Thurmond Bldg. Rm 222

***Free child care available**

Must coordinate with ERP Office in advance.

1430-1530

Phase II Levy "Overseas Move" Brief

This brief will assist you in preparing for your overseas move

Strom Thurmond Bldg., Room 213

Free childcare may be available

1700-1900

English as a Second Language Class

English instruction for ID card holders
or DOD employees

Main Post Library, 4679 Lee Road

Across from Burger King and Wachovia Bank

Thursday, 19 January

0900-1030

**Financial Planning for Initial PCS
and Relocation Readiness**

Education Center, Room 206B

RSVP 803-751-525

1100-1200

Anger Management

Learn tips on managing anger by
controlling, thoughts feelings and behaviors

Building 5614 Hood Street

Room 10

1230-1500

English as a Second Language Class

English instruction for ID card holders
or DOD employees

Strom Thurmond Bldg., Room 222

Free childcare may be available

1330-1430

Total Army Sponsorship Training

Training is for command appointed sponsors
and those interested in becoming a sponsor

Strom Thurmond Bldg., Room 213

Saturday 21 January

1100-1300

Survivor Outreach: "Dining Out"

FATZ Restaurant

Forest Drive

Survivors of Fallen Soldiers

POC: Leslie Smith 751-4867/1103

RSVP Requested

Tuesday, 24 January

1000-1100

Relocation Planning Stateside Workshop:

Are you Moving? This brief will assist you in
preparing for your next INCONUS move

Strom Thurmond Bldg., Room 213

Free childcare may be available

1530-1700

EFMP Bowling Outing

Century Bowling Center; 4464 Gregg Street

Must be enrolled in EFMP

RSVP: 751-5256

1700-1900

English as a Second Language Class

English instruction for ID card holders
or DOD employees

Main Post Library, 4679 Lee Road

Across from Burger King and Wachovia Bank

0830-1200

FRG Key Caller, Sponsor A Spouse and Welcomes

Family Readiness Center (FRC)

Building 3499 Daniels Street

Please call to register 751-7220/7352

Free childcare may be available

Wednesday, 25 January

1430-1530

Phase II Levy "Overseas Move" Brief

This brief will assist you in preparing for your overseas move

Strom Thurmond Bldg., Room 213

Free childcare may be available

1700-1900

English as a Second Language Class

English instruction for ID card holders
or DOD employees

Main Post Library, 4679 Lee Road

Thursday, 26 January

1100-1200

Parenting Class for parents with teens

Learn how to communicate, resolve conflicts,
and build parent teen relationship

Building 5614 Hood Street

Room 10

1130-1245

Budgeting, Banking and Checkbook Maintenance

Education Center, Room 206B

RSVP 803-751-525

1230-1500

English as a Second Language Class

English instruction for ID card holders
or DOD employees

Strom Thurmond Bldg., Room 222

Free childcare may be available

Friday, 27 January
1800-1930

Foreign Born Spouse Support Group

This is an opportunity for you to get together and discuss all concerns or issues while sharing ideas and methods to help overcome specific language or culture barriers. Refreshments will be provided.

Saturday 28 January
1000-1200

ATTENTION ALL TEENS!
HOW TO GET A SUMMER JOB AT FT JACKSON!!!!
Family Readiness Center
Bldg. 3499-Daniel Street

Monday, 30 January
0900-1130

English as a Second Language Class
English instruction for ID card holders
or DOD employees
Strom Thurmond Bldg., Room 222
Free childcare may be available

Tuesday, 31 January
0830-1200

Job Searching Strategies
Strom Thurmond Bldg. Room 222

9:00-14:00

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POC: Veronica Jackson-Patrick
Family Readiness Center (FRC)
Building 3499 Daniels Street
(803) 751-6315

1200-1300

Lunch and Learn: Brown Bag Event
Scholarships for Military Family Members
Strom Thurmond Bldg. Room 222
*Free child care available-Must coordinate with ERP
Office in advance.

1700-1900

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English instruction for ID card holders or DOD
employees
Main Post Library, 4679 Lee Road
Across from Burger King and Wachovia Bank

1730-2000

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BLDG 3499 Daniels Street
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ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICES

MISSION

ACS assists Soldiers and Families in maintaining readiness by coordinating and delivering comprehensive, responsive services that promote self-reliance, resiliency, and stability.

VISION

Self-sufficient Families, safe homes and cohesive communities, enhanced readiness

MOTTO

“Real-Life Solutions for Successful Army Living”

EMPLOYMENT READINESS

Barbara Martin, 751-4862

English As a Second Language (ESL) Workshops are designed to help individuals improve their English skills, better understand the citizenship exam, improve social skills, find employment, and more!! Classes are held on Mondays from 9:00-11:30 a.m. and Thursdays from 12:30-3:00 p.m. Call 751-1124/5256 for more details.

Fort Jackson Virtual Job Fair, 1 February - 31 March 2012 Summer Employment Opportunities for Teens at Fort Jackson!!!! Go to website for details @

http://www.fortjacksonmwr.com/acs_emp/webResources.html Teens are encouraged to attend Jan 28th to learn how to use the Teen Virtual Job Fair and how to complete applications!!!

How To Get A Summer Job at Fort Jackson!!! Teen Employment Workshop. Find out how to gain the upper edge on summer employment for teens. This workshop will show you how to access the Fort Jackson Teen Virtual Job Fair and how to complete an employment application. Sign up now!! Space is limited!! Jan 28th (Saturday), 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Family Readiness Center Bldg. 3499-Daniel Street. Must register to attend, call 751-4862.

Scholarships for Family Members!!! Brown Bag Event!! Lunch and Learn Seminar-Bring YOUR OWN LUNCH!!! Wanting to attend college but can't afford it? This seminar will cover information on federal, state and military financial assistance and scholarship information for military spouses and children. Jan 31, 12:00-1:00 p.m., Strom Thurmond Bldg, Room 222. Must register to attend, call 751-4862/5256. Workshop will be co-instructed by ACS ERP and TRIO. Each participant will receive a CD-ROM containing military and civilian scholarship websites and information.

Job Searching Strategies. Seeking employment on Fort Jackson or in the surrounding area? Get a jump-start on your job search by obtaining relevant information about employment, education and volunteer opportunities. Topics include on and off post employment opportunities, Military Spouse Employment Partnership (MSEP), Job Searching Tips, SC WORKS WIA Program, learn basic resume writing techniques and interviewing skills and much more!! All military spouse attendees will be eligible to enroll in the ERP to receive one-on-one employment assistance, receive daily e-mail job postings and have resume sent to prospective employers!! Jan 11th and 31st, 8:30 a.m.-12:00 a.m., Strom Thurmond Bldg, Room 222. Must register to attend, call 751-4862/5256.

Resume Writing and Interviewing Skills Workshop. This workshop is designed to provide you with tools and knowledge useful in building your resume and improving your interviewing skills. Workshop is *conducted by BlueCross BlueShield Human Resources Department*. Excellent opportunity to network with BCBS personnel!! Jan 18, 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Strom Thurmond Bldg. Room 222. Must register to attend, call 751-4862/5256.

Steps to Federal Employment (Information on the new Military Spouse Hiring Authority-Executive Order 13473 will be covered). Attention job seekers! Looking for Federal Employment? This workshop will walk you through every step of the new Army Civilian Service On-Line Resume process for federal jobs. Jan 13, 9:00-11:30 a.m., Strom Thurmond Bldg, Room 222. Must register to attend, call 751-4862/5256.

Teen Career Exploration Workshop. It's time to discover your skills, interests and abilities. This workshop will assist you in building your inner confidence; look at best career options that will help you reach your employment goals. Jan 9, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Youth Center Bldg. 5975, Chesnut Road (beside Pinckney School). Must register to attend, call 751-4862/5256.

Starting and Running A Small Business. The seminar will be presented by the University of South Carolina Small Business Development Center. Jan 17, 9:00-11:30 a.m., Education Center. Call the ACAP office at 751-4109/6062 to register. Topics include: Start-up Information, Business License and Plan, Internet Resources, and Small Business Planning Resource Guide & more!!! This event is co-sponsored by ACS ERP Office and ACAP.

FINANCIAL READINESS PROGRAM

Madelyn Mercado—Rm 120 - 751-5256

Personal Financial Management Readiness Training:

A mandatory class for all first term junior enlisted Soldiers (E1-E4) where Fort Jackson is their first permanent duty station. Covers areas such as Payroll Systems & Military Pay Issues; Understanding the Leave and Earnings Statement (LES); Principles of Personal Finance, Planning and Budgeting, Banking and Checking Accounts, using Credit Wisely, Getting Insurance, Making Large Purchases (such as car buying) , Consumer Scams and Getting Help, and the Thrift Savings Plan (TSP). This is an 8 hour class and must be taken within 90 days of arriving at Fort Jackson

Financial Planning for Initial Permanent Change of Station (PCS) Move:

A mandatory class for all junior enlisted soldiers (E1-E4) preparing to PCS for the first time. This class covers costs, allowances, and entitlements associated with a PCS move. This is a one hour class and must be taken no later than 90 days before out processing Fort Jackson.

Army Emergency Relief Commander's Referral Training

This class is designed to teach Company Commander, 1SGs, or any Soldier in a command position about the process and procedures for obtaining AER assistance.

Prevention and Education

Annette McLeod—Rm 218 - 751-6325

Child Safety Class, Main Post Chapel, This Class Focus is on child abuse awareness, identification, and reporting. A required class for ACS-FAP, MPs, CYS, Coaches, Hospitals staff and all individuals who work with or have contact with children and youth on Fort Jackson (AR-608-18). A class certificate is provided. Bring Your Lunch.

Stress Management Class, 5614 Hood Street, Fort Jackson, SC, This Lunch time class focus is on learning techniques to manage stressors, and learning how to relax. A class certificate of attendance. To register, call 751-6325. Bring your Lunch.

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Anger Management Class, at 5614 Hood Street, Fort Jackson, SC, This lunch time class teaches how to identify your triggers and manage anger effectively. A class certificate is provided. To register, call 803 751-6325. Bring Your Lunch

NEW PARENT SUPPORT PROGRAM

Annette McLeod—Rm 218 - 751-6325

Bright Honeybee Explorers Play Group

Bright Honeybee Explorers Play Group is an interactive group designed to help parents learn developmentally appropriate play to help children improve their social, cognitive and motor skills. It is for parents with children aged 0 to 4 years old. Contact for Location and time by calling (803) 751-1071.

Baby Basics

The Baby Basics is a workshop for expecting parents. You will learn the basics of taking care of infants including: handling, diapering, dressing, bathing, safety concerns, feeding, when baby is sick, and postpartum care. Parents will receive a free bag full of items for baby! Workshop is held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Location given once you register to attend. Contact for Location and time by calling (803) 751-1071.

1-2-3 Magic Program

The 1-2-3 Magic Program, developed by Thomas W. Phelan, Ph.D., offers parents practical information on child discipline and helps parents find solutions to the challenges of disciplining children ages 2-12. Parents will receive a packet full of resource materials! Workshop is held on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Location given once you register to attend. Contact for Location and time by calling (803) 751-1071.

RELOCATION READINESS

Miranda Broadus—Rm 223 - 751-4862

FOREIGN BORN SPOUSE SUPPORT GROUP

An opportunity for spouses from various cultures and countries to meet and join other spouses to network, discuss the American way of life, develop friendships, and learn about the many resources available to make new their life experiences positive.

RELOCATION PLANNING “STATESIDE” WORKSHOP

This brief will assist you in preparing for your next INCONUS move. Information provided includes; PCS process and procedures, finance entitlements, shipping household goods, passports, Family travel, legal assistance for claims and shipment of POV and pets.

HEARTS APART SUPPORT GROUP

The Hearts Apart Program is for Families who are living separately from their Soldier due to the Soldier being deployed or on an unaccompanied tour. Hearts Apart provides a supportive group setting for activities; opportunities to learn about available resources; discusses the stresses and concerns of the separation; shares coping skills with one another; and to network with other families. For more information contact ACS Relocation at (803) 751-5256.

Post Newcomer Orientation/Tour

Just PCS'd to Fort Jackson and want to know what services/resources are available to you while you enjoy your stay at Fort Jackson, SC? The Post Newcomer Orientation and Tour is the answer for you. The Orientation and Tour is a way to welcome and inform newly arrived Soldiers and Family Members of resources available at Fort Jackson and is also a one stop shop for information in one location so you don't have to drive all over the post looking for information. The Newcomers Orientation and Tour is held the first Wednesday of each month at the Post Conference Room, on Jackson Blvd – Bldg 4376, at the corner of Jackson and Gregg (near Post Headquarters). Starting time is 0900 with doors open at 0830. Normally, a representative of the Command Group will open the Orientation with a personal welcome to Soldiers and their spouses. Soldiers should check with their unit on the question of mandatory attendance. Spouses are encouraged to attend and child care is provided and should be coordinated with the Hood Street Child Development Center. Prior to making child care reservation, attendance at a mandatory orientation and registration with Child & Youth Services are required. Additional information may be obtained by calling, 751-4865. Once all requirements are met, reservation for child care can be made by calling 751-1972. For further information on the Orientation, please call ACS at 751-5256.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Don't miss this opportunity to: improve your English skills; find a job or a better job; better understand the citizenship exam; improve your social skills; continue your education; have more confidence; better understand your English speaking friends or families. This class will assist with enhancing these skills plus more! Classes are free to participants and all instructional materials will be provided. The class is designed for foreign-born spouses, but is open to anyone needing basic English language instruction who are ID card holders or DOD employees. Call Miranda Broadus, ACS Relocation Mgr., 751-1124 or email miranda.broadus@us.army.mil to register and to discuss childcare for day classes. Registration is required.

TOTAL ARMY SPONSORSHIP TRAINING

Training is designed to educate command appointed sponsors (military and civilians) and those interested in becoming a sponsor on their roles and responsibilities; provide the knowledge and resources for effective sponsorship; and to provide access to all the tools needed to do an outstanding job. Registration is required to attend training by calling 751-1124 or by email miranda.broadus@us.army.mil.

LEVY "OVERSEAS MOVE" BRIEF

This briefing is mandatory for Soldiers but is also open to spouses moving overseas. Information provided includes; PCS process and procedures, finance entitlements, shipping household goods, passports, Family travel, legal assistance for claims and shipment of POV and pets. Please call our office at 751-1124 for more information on the mandatory overseas orientation.

Army Family Action Plan

Veronica Jackson-Patrick

Bldg 3499 Daniel Street - 751-6315

Army Family Action Plan

A Mechanism for Change, Issue Submission, Issue Resolution, Annual AFAP Conference

ARMY FAMILY TEAM BUILDING

Veronica Jackson-Patrick

Bldg 3499 Daniel Street - 751-6315

AFTB Level I

Also nicknamed our "Learn Army" course or "Army 101", this is ideal training for new spouses and civilian employees. Topics include mission of the Army, rank structure, acronyms, intro to family readiness groups, how to read an LES (military pay stub) and more!

AFTB Level II

A series of personal development classes including topics such as time management, group dynamics, conflict management, personality traits, etc. Ideal training for FRG leaders, housing mayors, and other community volunteers as well as civilian employees.

AFTB Level III

A series of professional development classes centered on advanced leadership skills.

MOBILIZATION AND DEPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Elizabeth Maher -751-5458

Tamera Boles 751-7352

Family Readiness Center (FRC)

Bldg 3499 Daniel Street -

FAMILY READINESS GROUP TRAINING – “FRG 101”: Open to everyone. Everything you need to know about Family Readiness Groups. How you can make a difference in your FRG.

TREASURER/FUNDS CONTROL TRAINING: How to be an effective Treasurer, fundraising polices and guidelines.

POINT OF CONTACT/KEY CALLER TRAINING: What is a Point of Contact (POC)/Key Caller? Everything you need to know as a volunteer FRG POC/Key Caller.

CARE TEAM TRAINING: What is a Care Team, why is it important, how to participate in the Fort Jackson Care Team.

FRGS EXPECTATIONS AND ATTITUDES: What should I expect from my FRG?

FRG FORUM: FOR FRG ADVISORS/LEADERS/FRG COMMITTEE MEMBERS/FRG VOLUNTERS. Information sharing, what is working, what is not working and how can we help each other? Gain Valuable insight by talking with other FRG leaders.

FRG SPONSOR A SPOUSE TRAINING AND WELCOMES: How Spouse sponsors and welcomes can increase your FRG participation and change perceptions about FRGs..

Army Volunteer Corps Coordinator

Marilynn Bailey Bldg 3499 Daniel Street - 751-5444

Recruitment, training and placement of volunteers, Recognition of volunteers, liaison between command Group and installation volunteers.

Information & Referral Program

Kimberly Bottema—Rm 120 - 751-5256

Key source of integrated information that brings Soldiers and services together every day with ease, compassion, and quality to meet vital needs of all Soldiers, DA Civilians, retirees and their families.

Exceptional Family MemberProgram

Cheryl Jackson—Rm 120 - 751-5256

Outreach Program

Elizabeth Maher—Rm 120 - 751-5458

Survivor Outreach Program

Leslie Smith—Rm 120 - 751-4867



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