

Fort Wainwright

Ongoing

Foreign communications

Army Community Service offers Language Line Services for foreign-born spouses of service members Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Welcome Center.

This is a free service to help foreign-born spouses speak to family members or to take care of important business with the help of translators.

For more information, call 353-4227.

Hourly care

Child, Youth and School Services offers hourly care at Child Development Center 2, Building 4176, for youth who are 6 weeks to 5 years.

Reservations can be made two weeks in advance and care is offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information, call 361-9056.

This Week

SATURDAY

Complete madness

March Madness activities continue today and tomorrow at Birch Hill Ski and Snowboard Area. Family-friendly activities begin at 10 a.m. today and 12:30 p.m. tomorrow.

For more information, call 353-9131.

MONDAY

Spouse appreciation

Army Community Service is seeking volunteers



photo by Mona Hillstrand/FMWR Marketing

A little help

Spc. Ronald Allen, C Company, 123rd Aviation Intermediate Maintenance, helps his 6-year-old daughter, Tahleyah, line up her bowling ball at Nugget Lanes Sunday. Bowlopolis is an interactive series to teach youth the sport of bowling and help them engage in healthy activity. The next Bowlopolis event will be May 9 from noon to 4 p.m.

to help plan the May 11 Military Spouse Appreciation event. The committee will meet today at 11 a.m. in the ACS training room in Building 3401. If you can't attend the meeting, you can call to submit your ideas.

For more information, call 353-6267.

WEDNESDAY

Group play

Child, Youth and School Services is hosting a free parent and child play group for deployed families today from 1 to 3 p.m. at Melaven Gym for youth 5 and younger. Space is limited.

For more information, call 353-7372.

Money smarts

Army Community Service's Personal Financial Readiness Program is offering a personal finance class today from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Building 3437. All Soldiers and family members who would like to know more about establishing their finances are invited to attend this free class.

To register, call 353-7438.

THURSDAY

Arts and crafts

The Exceptional Family Member Program is having an activity night at the Arts and Crafts Design Center today at 6 p.m. for \$5 per craft.

For more information, call 353-4243.

Upcoming

APRIL 3

Deployed skating

The Exceptional Family Member Program is hosting an hour of free skating for all families with deployed Soldiers who present a valid North Star Card from 6 to 7 p.m. April 3 at the Physical Fitness Center Ice Rink. All others must pay regular skating fees.

For more information, call 353-4243.

Fort Richardson

This Week

SATURDAY

Creative classes

The Arts and Crafts Design Center is offering a woodworking safety class at 10:30 a.m. today and Thursday for \$10. This class is required to use the woodshop.

Those with pictures to frame are also welcome to attend a framing class today and Thursday at 10:30 a.m. to frame a 5-by-7-inch picture of their own. Participants must bring a 5-by-7-inch picture to this \$30 class.

Both classes are at the Arts and Crafts Design Center, Building 755, on the corner of Second and D streets.

For more information, call 384-3717.

MONDAY

Play groups

The New Parent Support Program offers the Pooh and Piglet play groups for infants through school-age children Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the Family Zone, Building 540, in Rooms 16 and 21 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

The interactive play groups are ideal ways to help children learn social skills while having fun and are great places for parents to network.

For more information, call 384-7506.

Tick, tock

Today is the last day to sign up for the Mobilization and Deployment family readiness group key caller class, which will be at 6 p.m. Wednesday in Building 600, Room A37.

For more information, call Tracie West at 384-7687.

WEDNESDAY

Looking for work?

The Army Community Service Employment Readiness Program

is offering views of the Looking for Work with Attitude DVD at 3:30 p.m. followed by Securing the Job of Your Dreams classes at 4 p.m. today and April 15 in Building 600, Room A112.

For more information or to sign up, e-mail mike.spann@us.army.mil or call 384-6716.

Key caller class

A family readiness group key caller class is today in Building 600, Room A37 from 6 to 8 p.m.

Participants can gain the skills and knowledge needed to become an effective link in family readiness group chains of concern.

For more information, call Tracie West at 384-7687.

Education fair

The Community Education Complex is hosting an education and library fair today from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Stop by and learn about our new vocational-technical classes; education opportunities; on-post colleges; scholarships; financial aid; GED, CLEP and DANTES tests; English as a second Language; and the Post 9/11 GI Bill.

The Consolidated Library will have a book and toy giveaway, a book fair and a book signing with Olen Hunt, author of "Buffalo Soldier."

For more information, call 384-0970.

THURSDAY

Find that job

The Army Community Service Employment Readiness Program is having a Networking: The Key to the Hidden Job Market class in Building 600, Room A112 today at 11 a.m.

For more information or to sign up, e-mail mike.spann@us.army.mil or call 384-6716.

Deployment support

Army Community Service is of-

fering a Deployed Spouses Resource Group at the Family Zone today from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

For more information, call Jennifer Fryszyk at 384-7506.

Relocation aid

The Relocation Readiness Program is having unit sponsorship training today and April 16 in Building 600, Room A-139 from 2 to 3 p.m. Pre-registration is required.

For more information or to register, call 384-1515.

Upcoming

APRIL 3

Story time

The Consolidated Library is featuring a free Wee Ones Story Time session today in Building 7 from 11 to 11:30 a.m. for children 5 and younger.

For more information, call 384-1640 or 384-1648.

Bunko party

Join us for a bunko party at Buckner Physical Fitness Center April 3 at 6 p.m.

This fun-filled event is being offered by Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation in partnership with Child, Youth and School Services. Activities will be offered for children 4 and older while their parents play bunko.

Respite Child Care is available in Building 337 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. for children 6 weeks to 12 years for bunko players only.

Pre-registration is required for this event at CYSS Central Registration in Building 600 in Room 142, at BPFC and the Family Zone. Registration ends March 30.

Space is limited to 96 competitors, so sign up quickly or you won't be in on the fun.

For more information, call BPFC at 384-1306 or CYSS at 384-7484.

APRIL 5

Ski center closure

Dyea Ski Hill's ski center closes for the season today.

For more information, call 384-2960.

APRIL 6 TO APRIL 8
Child friendly training

The Family Advocacy Program is presenting annual Child Abuse Community Awareness Training in the Community Education Complex, Building 7, from 10 to 11:30 p.m., 1 to 2:30 p.m. and 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Call 384-7506 for information.

APRIL 11

Pet fun run

A 2.5-kilometer pet fun run or walk departs from the base of Dyea Ski Hill April 11 at 9:45 a.m.

The trail will be marked for easy navigation. If your pet doesn't interact well with other animals, large numbers of people or children, this race isn't for you or your pet.

Those with problem animals may be asked to leave, and any dog that bites will be kenneled at the recommendation of the Fort Richardson veterinarian.

All pets must have current vaccinations, which the owners must have with them for their pet to participate. Pets must also be on a leash, and owners should be prepared to clean up their pet's mess with their own waste bag or scoop.

This event is open to anyone with access to the post.

Call 384-1305 for information.

Eggstravaganza

Child, Youth and School Services is having an Easter egg hunt at the Family Zone at 1 p.m. April 11. This event is free and is open to children of all ages, so don't miss out on the free fun, food and prizes.

For more information, call 384-1508.