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“We Are Here For You”

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When I was a child, it seemed that wherever I went, whether it was at school, the playground, or at home, adults or the “Older Folks” had a duty to continuously remind us about how tough their life was compared to ours.

I remember their epic stories about how they had to walk to school each day, through the snow, uphill, for 18.5 miles each way; or (in the summer) if you became thirsty, you’d better drink from the water hose, because running-in-and-out of the house would automatically disqualify you from returning outside to play.

Nonetheless, each time I heard those back-in-the-day-woes, the distance became longer, the snow deeper, and the hills steeper. I never questioned these

environmental conquerors’ motives or factualness; but, other people my age also, heard the same stories and experienced the same circumstances. I realize that these distinct childhood-similarities simply means that children experience great memories of being young (positive and negative).

As adults and parents, our generational goal is to make life better, safer, healthier, and enjoyable for our children. Now we are faced with new and extremely different challenges – challenges that don’t seem to really care about our age or circumstances. Now, as Americans, we desire to finally be able to get out of the house, clean up our yards, landscape, and hold backyard barbeques with all of our friends and family.

We traditionally prepare to celebrate our children’s accomplishment for successfully completing High School and college, as well as travel enthusiasts prepare for their spring

breaks and other exclusive vacation destinations. Reality sometimes has a way of forcing all us to not only make adjustments to our daily lives but allows us to truly reflect on the importance of life.

Before the pandemic we were accustomed to eating-out, socially gathering for celebrations, birthdays, retirements, and graduations. Prior to 2020, our “nine-to-fives” dominated our lives as we routinely pushed family aside for the goal to make life better for our family.

As a grateful consequence of a rather insensitive entrance into a new decade, the year 2020 is truly remarkable, yielding to us that health, family function, and freedom is far more important than any self-motivation.

Now within the year of 2020 as the result of social distancing we’ve turned our homes into family friendly-havens; we’ve turned our kitchens into catwalks, dining rooms into dancefloors, and living rooms into shared areas where collectively, we create memories of life. Instead of people remembering

those old worn-out stories from their granddads, that all began with, “When I was your age...” This new decade will provide an authentic and truly unique narrative that our children will pass down throughout each generation. And even though their childhood story will be begin with, “Remember, the pandemic of 2020...” their story’s conclusion will not all end with a pessimistic parable about the rigors of life.

For parenting tips and family engagement ideas please contact Fort Campbell Army Community Service Family Advocacy Program at 270.412.5500.



"THANK YOU" Fort Campbell Volunteers!



Article by Kim M. Hooks, Community Service Program Manager

This year, April 19th through April 25th was National Volunteer Week. Due to the un-foreseen circumstances of COVID-19, the Volunteer of the Year Ceremony was cancelled along with many other events throughout the community. On June 30th, the "Volunteer of the Year" winners were announced on the Facebook Town Hall. Army Community Service would like to "Congratulate" the Volunteer of the Year winners, and send a "Shout Out" to all of the nominees.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR WINNERS!

Soldier and Family Readiness Groups Category:

3 BCT, HHC, KAYCE MATTHEY

Child & Youth Services Category:

BARSANTI ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL, BRANDI SAUNTO

Community Services Category:

ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE,
LATISHIA "TISH" HAMPTON

Other Agencies & Organizations Category:

ASYMCA, PATRICIA LIND

Outstanding Youth Category:

"RELIGIOUS SERVICES
OFFICE" CHAPEL NEXT,
MEILIA TAYLOR

Volunteer of the Year Nominees:

- LISA BIRD, 1-327th IN
- NICHOLE FISHER, 426th BSB
- MELINDA MORENO-MILLARD, 326th EN
- ROCIO "ROSIE" OLIVAS, 1-32 CAV
- KATI WAMHOFF, 2-32 FA
- DOMINIQUE WILT, 2-506
- JULIA CREGAR, 1-75 CAV
- ANDREA MCCARTHY, 1-26
- ANGEL PATWELL, 2-502ND
- TALIA ANDERSON, 3-187th IN
- JONIE BLAKE, 1-160th SOAR
- ASHLEY EGGEMAN, 1-33 CAV
- KAYCE MATTHEY, 3 BCT
- ARISHA TOMOKANE, 626th BSB
- KATIE WATERS, 1-101 AVN
- ERIKA RIVERA, 129th CSSB
- KELLI KUDERKA, 5th SFG(A)
- ASHLEY HEWITT, 4-5th SFG
- KRISTINA REILLY, 2-5th SFG
- CHRISTIANA ROSENTHAL, 1-5th SFG
- ALYSSA ALVARADO, 160th SOATB
- SAMANTHA BURKE, 1-160th SOAR
- SAMANTHA HENKE, 160th SOAR
- JENNIFER HUNNINGHAKE, 2-160th SOAR
- JENNIFER WHITE, 52nd EOD
- SHANNON MIHLFELD, 184th EOD
- ROSA CAVINESS, BOY SCOUTS
- MEGAN HARRISON, BARKLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
- TIFFANY PIRRI, LUCAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
- BRANDI SAUNTO, BARSANTI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
- VANESSA ESPINOSA, ACS, ARMY FAMILY TEAM BUILDING
- LATISHIA "TISH" HAMPTON, ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE
- THOMAS LOEBL, TAX CENTER
- STEPHANIE PLESKACH, RELIGIOUS SERVICES OFFICE, PWOC
- YOSELIN DOYLE, AMERICAN RED CROSS
- CW2 JONATHAN GIBBS, USO
- SURAYYA HOWARD, MWR, SPORTS & AQUATICS
- PATRICIA LIND, ASYMCA
- SAMANTHA SCOTT, FORT CAMPBELL SPOUSES' CLUB
- AIDEN BELL, 2-160th SOAR
- RYLAN BELL, 160th SOAR
- SIERA MILLARD, AMERICAN RED CROSS
- MEILIA TAYLOR, RELIGIOUS SERVICES OFFICE, CHAPEL NEXT

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Family Advocacy Program (FAP)	270-412-5500
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Military Family Life Counselors (MFLC)	270-798-9322
Master Resilience Training (MRT)	270-412-5500
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Soldier and Family Readiness Group Training (SFRG)	270-798-3849
Outreach Program	270-798-2062
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Soldier & Family Assistance Center (SFAC)	270-412-6000
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