



414th Military Police Company Family Readiness Group 1001 North Murphy Boulevard, Joplin, Missouri 64801 Website: <u>www.ozarkwarriors.com</u> Unit phone: (417) 623-3904



Family Readiness Newsletter July 2004

Yellow Ribbon Campaign



Fundraiser Opportunity "Support Our Troops" \$5 each + \$.50 postage This fundraiser helps pay for our Dine-Out this year. Questions? Contact Terri at 417-483-7021.

Make check or money order payable to: 414th Family Readiness

Mail payment to: Sunrise Web Homes, PO Box 782, Joplin, MO 64801 -or-Purchase in person: from Terri, Cheryl, or Alvina.

TRICARE Highlights

Reserve soldiers ordered to active duty in support of a contingency operation, and their family members, are eligible for transitional health care for 180 days under the current temporary plan extension. Family members become eligible for TRICARE Extra. Standard. Prime. Remote and TRICARE Pharmacy Program on the first day of the military sponsor's active duty order if his or her orders are for more than 30 consecutive days. Enrollment forms must be completed. Family members also become eligible for the TRICARE Pharmacy Program* and may have prescriptions filled at through the TRICARE Mail Order Pharmacy or at retail pharmacies.

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For more details on articles and information found in this newsletter, please visit our unit website at <u>www.ozarkwarriors.com</u>

Welcome Home Picnic & Pool Party The 414th Family Readiness Group invites all members of the 414th and their families to join us in **Welcoming Home our soldiers recently returned from Afghanistan** for an afternoon of fun & sun on Saturday, August 7th from 4:00pm until 7:00pm at the Rosedale Pool located on Rosedale just off 24th in Joplin.

From 44, take the Range Line exit, head north to 24^{th} St, turn west (left) on 24^{th} to Rosedale, turn south (left) on Rosedale. Or from the unit, take Murphy to Connecticut, turn south (right) on Connecticut to 24^{th} , turn east (left) on 24^{th} to Rosedale.

Hamburgers and hot dogs provided by Bill & Sandy Wilcoxson, owners of Southtown Meat Co. Families are asked to bring one side dish along with lawn chairs, towels, sunscreen and insect repellent. Drinks provided. All families must RSVP for this event by contacting Kim Vogel or Cheryl Monroe by July 31st. Soldiers who are not yet required to attend drill, after returning from AFG, will get paid for a half-day to attend the event if they RSVP.

Cardinals Tickets Available

Cardinals and Pittsburg August 21, 2004 at 6:15pm. Interested Soldiers should email Debbie at <u>teachdeb57@hotmail.com</u>. Email should include, at minimum: name, mailing address, and phone number. Once Debbie receives your mailing address and confirms that you are in the unit, you will then be mailed two tickets. Also, indicate any additional tickets for your children.

Still in the works for this year...

We are organizing a **5K road race** and a road march on Saturday, September 11th. We are planning a fun morning of events including a pancake feed and kids fun-runs! Specific details and fees will be available at the first of August. Anyone interested in helping with this event should contact Kim Vogel.

Keep Friday, December 3rd open in your date book because this evening has been chosen for our **annual dine-out** event. Keep watching the newsletters as time gets closer for details on the event!

Marriage Retreat 24-26 September

Staffed by the 89th RRC Chaplain Office, this retreat will provide marriage enrichment instruction and ample time to relax, reflect, and strengthen your marriage. All married soldiers in our unit who have returned from a deployment of at least thirty days since June 2002 may attend with his or her spouse. Meal and hotel are furnished. **Soldiers must apply for their orders through the unit.** (Call unit for more details or see unit website.)

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KIDS CORNER Phonetic Alphabet A through Z (pronounced Alpha thru Zulu)

A-"Alpha" B-"Bravo" C-"Charlie" D-"Delta" E-"Echo" F-"Foxtrot" G-"Golf H-"Hotel" I-"India" J-"Juliet" K-"Kilo" L-"Lima" M-"Mike" N-"November" O-"Oscar" P-"Papa" Q-"Quebec" R-"Romeo" S-"Sierra" T-"Tango" U-"Uniform" V-"Victor" W-"Whiskey" X-"X-ray" Y-"Yankee" Z-"Zulu"

Can you guess why soldiers are taught to use words rather than letters when spelling over the radio?

| FRG COMMITTEE | | | | | |
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| Treasurer: Nancy Laptad | Appreciation: Holli Triboulet | Fundraising: <u>Alvina Broz</u> <u>Nikki Gonzales</u> | Event Planning: Kim Vogel Stephanie Geno | Telephone Tree: Susie Tucker | Secretary: <u>Alvina Broz</u> |

Mission statement: The mission of the 414th Military Police Company Family Readiness Group is to ensure that families within the 414th Military Police Company are prepared for separations caused by deployments, mobilizations, extended TDYs, and remote assignments. Additionally, to establish, coordinate and promote knowledge, teamwork, unity and support among the families of service members within the 414th Military Police Company.