

WHAT'S UP, DACH?

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HOT News

Golf Tournament Winners

The winning team for the Inaugural MEDDAC Golf Tournament was Isaac Howard, Henry Hurst, Joe Robert and Ronald Winn. The team scored a 59 and the event raised over \$1,000 for the MEDDAC Holiday Ball.

MEDDAC Happenings

Stairwell Renovation Continues

The bridge area between CCU and EENT will be closed March 13 through March 26. The project will fireproof the structural steel in the bridge area on the second through fifth floors. Interim Life Safety measures are required when egress is blocked. Training and increased fire drills will be conducted.

The POC is Chris Snodgrass at 286-7313.

Hearing Conservation Has Moved

The hearing conservation section, DPM, has moved from the old SMRC (bldg. 36001) to the Moore Clinic.

New contact numbers are:

OIC	285-6312
NCOIC	285-6287
Messages	285-6311



Commander's Corner



Darnall Staff,

This has been a great month for the MEDDAC. We hosted an excellent dedication ceremony for the Thomas Moore Health Clinic and we found out that we have received the funding to build a satellite pharmacy at the Main PX. This pharmacy will help ease our workload at the main pharmacy and it will help us continue to provide quality health care to our beneficiaries.

One reason why we are able to achieve all the things, to do more with less, is because of the positive attitude this MEDDAC displays. A positive attitude affects everything that we do. Of course our leadership must have a positive attitude, but it's not just their responsibility. It is everyone's responsibility. With a positive attitude, anything is possible.

A positive attitude affects the environment around us. A positive attitude can help our patients recover faster and it can make our employees be more productive. It gives visitors a good first impression when they first visit and it makes them want to return just to be around the pleasant staff.

Helen Keller said, "No pessimist ever discovered the secret of the stars, or sailed to an uncharted land, or opened a new doorway for the human spirit." A positive attitude allows us to achieve things we never thought possible. All we have to do is believe in ourselves and this organization.

I am proud of all of you for the tremendous efforts you've put into making this organization first in quality, readiness and caring.

Hooah!

-Col. Donald J. Kasperik

Training Opportunities

Newcomers Orientation

The next class will begin April 15 at 7:30 a.m. in the auditorium. New staff must attend the training within their first 60 days at DACH.

Mandatory Annual Training

Classroom MAT will be held March 19 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the auditorium. Please call Ms. Scott at 286-7249 for more information.

MAT training can also be completed on-line through the DACH intranet by accessing the HES web site. Please contact Ms. Shetler at 286-7487 for more info.

If you do not have access to a computer and would like to complete the on-line training, the CHCS classroom will be open March 19 from 1-4:30 p.m. Contact Ms. Shetler at 286-7487 to register.

Bereavement Support Group Training

The Department of Ministry and Pastoral Care is offering training for those who would like to volunteer their time in assisting others because of a loss. This program covers grief and loss issues and is taught by certified professionals. National certification and CEU's are awarded to those who successfully complete the training.

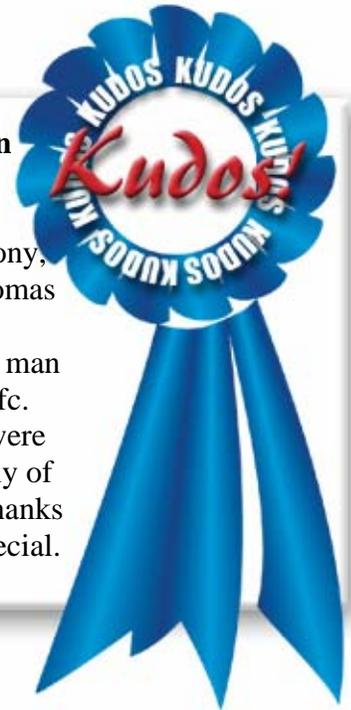
The next training course is being offered March 25-26 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Participants must attend both days of the training to successfully complete the course. For further information or for an application, please contact Chaplain Kirk at 288-8847-8849.

ACLS Course

The next ACLS course will be offered April 22-23. To reserve a seat, contact Staff Sgt. Vigneron at 286-7224.

Thomas Moore Clinic Dedication

Kudos to everyone involved in the Thomas Moore Health Clinic Dedication Ceremony. The ceremony, attended by 62 of Pfc. Charles Thomas Moore's family and friends, was a moving and thoughtful tribute to a man who gave his life saving others. Pfc. Moore's widow, son and parents were in attendance and spoke very highly of the clinic and the Darnall staff. Thanks to everyone who made this day special.
-Col. Kasperik



Did You Know?

Outlying Clinics and the Internet

DACH users in outlying clinics are reminded by IMD to use Internet Explorer to access the hospital's intranet.

Thomas Moore Health Clinic Conference Room

The conference room and classroom located in the Thomas Moore Health Clinic are now listed under the DACH calendars for viewing. The conference room can hold a total of 15 while the classroom can hold 25. To schedule use of these rooms contact Ms. Reyes at 287-5410.

Blue Cross/Blue Shield Rep. Visit

A Blue Cross and Blue Shield Rep will visit the Fort Hood CPAC March 28, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in building 4220 on South 77th Street. If you have unresolved issues or problems with this health carrier, please call 288-2059 to schedule an appointment.

Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection Training

The next ATRFP training will be held March 26 at 1 p.m. in building 36001, room 158. Please contact DRETS at 286-7252 for more information.

More News

Inventory Based Recruitment

Briefings to discuss the Inventory Based Recruitment Process at the West CPOC will be held March 20 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. and March 22 from 8:30-10:30 a.m. Both briefings are in the auditorium. These meetings are for department chiefs and admin officers. For info, contact Clementine Lewis at 286-7242.

Don't-Throw-Me-Away Book

The QI office has one book for each department/division. It is an excellent resource on QI and PI matters. Please send someone to the QI office during duty hours to pick it up.

Developmental Promotions

These promotions are not automatic. Supervisors or managers must submit a promotion Request for Personnel Action (RPA) prior to the employee's effective date to ensure the action has sufficient time to be processed. For more information, contact the Civilian Personnel Liaison Office at 286-7238.

Quotes

Tenacity

"Nothing in this world can take the place of persistence. Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful people with talent. Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb. Education will not; the world is full of educated derelicts. Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent. The slogan 'press on' has solved and always will solve the problems of the human race."

-Calvin Coolidge

"When you get to the end of your rope, tie a knot and hang on."

-Franklin D. Roosevelt

Civilian Performance Awards

When recommending an employee for an award, supervisors are reminded to submit a hard copy of the employee's appraisal/evaluation report and performance standards/evaluation support form to Personnel/CPLO, attn: Carolyn Williams, room 258.

Awards for Departing Soldiers

The awards for soldiers who are departing this summer should be turned in now. The MSMs must arrive at GPRMC at least 90 days before departure/presentation date. The MEDDAC monthly Awards Board meets in the second Thursday of each month. For more information, contact the Personnel Division.

4th Inf. Div. CME Presentations

Please contact Maj. Michael Summers at 618-8045 if you are interested in presenting a topic in your specialty at the Bennett Clinic. Your audience would consist of the 4th Inf. Div. doctors and PAs, plus the doctors, PAs, and nurse practitioners at the Bennett Health Clinic.

Visiting Fort Sam Houston?

In order to enter FSH you must have a DoD vehicle sticker and an ID card. If you don't have a sticker, there are only two entry gates where you will be allowed to enter post and receive a pass. Those gates are Bienz-Engleman Road gate, and the Walter's Street