

Fort Bragg Area Officers' Spouses' Club

BITS~N~BRAGG

November 2008

So, many fun things are happening right now, I enjoy watching houses transform with all kind of decorations, as Mother Nature is making changes as well. Fall is in the air (at least today while writing this), and I am energized with great OSC news.

Our first luncheon was a splendid event. I can't recall when I have seen a luncheon where no one wanted to leave. Great job again to Nathalene Abreu, Hospitality chair, Carrie Davies, Reservations chair, and Karen Johnson, 2nd Vice President, in charge of Programs. Those 3 ladies, along with their committees really made that luncheon a success.

Thank you membership, for passing the budgets and for all the great donations brought in for Yule Mart's Santa's Secret Shop.

By the time you read this- we will be preparing for our October luncheon of BUNKO! This is one of my favorite games, and from the looks of the reservation numbers- I am not alone. Enjoy yourself, and please continue to give me all that feedback- what you liked and even things that maybe you didn't like. The only way to improve is to let us know, and the entire board is committed to making this organization one that you continue to be a member of.

Our luncheon in November will be held a week EARLIER than normal- because the following week is Yule Mart—and that's where we want the focus to be!! So, mark your calendar: LUNCHEON NOVEMBER 13th—the skit "The Little Black Dress" will be performed by the OSC board members! Always a crowd favorite and with our narrator it will sure to be unlike any you have seen before! Also at the November luncheon we extend a ½ price meal to all our Unit reps. just a little way to thank you for spreading our information out within your unit. Then make sure you also have written in your calendar YULE MART November 21, 22, & 23rd @ Frederick Fitness Center!! (A NEW location!) Our annual craft fair is something no one wants to miss.

November will be a historical month for our nation in regards to politics. I encourage our entire membership to exercise their right to vote!

Service First, Friends Always,
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November Birthdays:

Lory Johnston 1st
Martha Lerario 1st
Maribel Greenmyer 3rd
Cecilia Dean 7th
Ellen Bradford 9th
Tamara Say 9th
Anne Bentley 11th
Kristen Lewis 11th
Tara Farkas 12th
Sherri Jenio 14th
Jamie deFoor 17th
Kimberly Arne 21st
Sharon Rice 27th.



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November Luncheon-The Basic Black Dress

Our November Luncheon brings us the opportunity to come together as we celebrate the life of an Army wife. The Basic Black Dress, a skit written by Alice H. Rice over 25 years ago allows us to remember traditions long held by our grandmothers, mothers, and sisters. Let us enjoy this opportunity to cheer and chuckle at the traditions that make the military wife way of life and adventure greater than live across generations. We invite you to wear your favorite black dress and have fun with all of us.

Silent Auction

We will also conduct a silent auction of small table top Christmas trees. Let your imagination and talent run wild as you decorate the trees which will be auctioned to support our Welfare & Scholarship Fund.

FBAOSC Cookbook

If you have not preordered your FBAOSC cookbook yet, you still have a chance by going by the Buy N Bragg or at the October luncheon. The price of the cookbook increases to \$15 as on November 1st.

Sales tax just went up to 7%... so, the "new" cost is: \$12.84 until October 31st... \$16.05 after November 1st.

OSC has another Ways & Means item at the Buy N Bragg. Polish Pottery House ornaments that say FORT BRAGG on them. They are \$12.84. And, now there are blank Polish Pottery houses in 5 different patterns available at the Buy N Bragg for \$12.84. The blank houses may be personalized with your last name, your unit's info, your children's names, your various assignments, etc.

Star Spangled Quilters

Would you like the fellowship of other quilters and have the opportunity to hone your skills? If so, please join us on 1st and 3rd Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Armed Forces YMCA building. This is located at the corner of Woodruff and Jackson Streets on Ft. Bragg, quite near the Thrift Shop. Children are welcome.

Oct. 29 - Help with the Quilts for Comfort project

Nov. 5 - Sew Day, bring your own project

Nov. 18 - Potholder Bonanza - just in time for holiday gift giving

Dec. 3 - Christmas Party - at Nijmegen Community Center

POC: Aby Dolinger, 910-339-3864

MOAA-Doris O'Brien

This month, the ladies of MOAA will be hosting an auction during their monthly luncheon on the 23rd. If you would like more information, you can contact

Congratulations to Fran Bean!
She is the winner of the \$100.00 for
referring the most members this
year.

Thanks Fran

The 82nd Auction is quickly approaching and the Decorating Committee needs to borrow a few things for our "Phantom of the Auction" theme. We are hoping to borrow Candelabras, Chandeliers and at Cylinder shaped vases. If you are willing to lend please contact Reggie Foster at 910-728-8857 or mfoster@nc.rr.com. Hope to see you at this EXCITING event!



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FBAOSC Reservation Policy

Making a Reservation

The FBAOSC will send invitations for each OSC event using Evite, an online invitation & response system. Two weeks prior to the event, all FBAOSC members will receive an email requesting that they view the Evite invitation for the event online. To ensure a reservation, you must respond "yes" to the Evite invitation and indicate your menu choice for the event. **Your response must be received through Evite no later than 5:00 p.m., seven days prior to the event.** Responses to Evite made after the 7-day deadline will be placed on a waiting list and are not guaranteed. On the day of the event, we will accept your payment by cash or check.

Cancellation of a Reservation

To cancel a reservation, you must change your Evite response to "no" by 5:00 p.m., at least seven days prior to the event. Cancellations made through Evite after the 7-day deadline will not be honored. FBAOSC is obligated to pay for all meals reserved, regardless of attendance at the event. Therefore, if you do not cancel your reservation and do not attend the event, you will be billed by mail for the cost of your meal.

In the event of an emergency after the cancellation deadline has passed, please contact the Reservations Chairperson listed below and give notification that you will be unable to attend the event. The Chairperson will make every effort to fill your reservation from the waiting list, so you are not charged for your meal. However, this is not guaranteed.

Note: if you are billed for nonattendance, the past-due amount MUST BE PAID before your reservation for future events can be accepted. A pre-addressed, postage-paid envelope will be included with your bill for your convenience.

Walk-Ins

Walk-ins will be allowed if seats become available due to cancellations, only after the waiting list has been depleted.

Guests

OSC members may bring as many guests as they like to OSC programs. To hold a guests' reservation(s), you must indicate on your Evite response the number of guests you will bring. If your guest does not attend the event and you do not cancel their reservation by the 7-day deadline, you will be held responsible for the cost of their meal. **A guest who is eligible to become an OSC member may only attend one OSC program.** In order to attend additional events, the guest must become a member. Non-eligible guests may attend all OSC programs as guests of a member.

Childcare for OSC Luncheons

Childcare for OSC luncheons will be provided at Rodriguez Childcare Development Center or STACC located at the Soldier Support Center. Cost of childcare is \$3.50 per hour with a 2-hour minimum. Childcare will be provided from 10:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. on luncheon days. Your child must be registered with Child Development Services and have a valid CDS number. **Reservations for childcare must be made to the Childcare Reservations Chairperson listed below at least 15 days before the OSC function.** After the deadline, you can call Rodriguez CDC at 396-5429 or STACC at 396-2465 to see if any childcare slots are still available.

Kristie Phelps
910-717-2782
kristie.phelps@us.army.mil

Childcare Cancellations

When cancelling your reservation to an OSC luncheon, please do not forget to cancel your childcare reservation. You must give 24 hours notice to Rodriguez CDC at 396-5429 or STACC at 396-2465 to cancel childcare. **Failure to cancel will result in a \$7.00 charge to you.**

Reservations Chairperson

Please contact the Reservations Chairperson listed below if you do not have access to email or with any questions you may have regarding this policy.

Carrie Davies
910-425-6080
carrie.m.davies@us.army.mil

To ALL FBAOSC MEMBERS: If you are not receiving your Luncheon Evite or Club information that you signed up for, please check to make sure it did not go to your spam folder. If you are still having problems, please do not hesitate to contact us at fbaosc@gmail.com

Buy N Bragg-Anne Bentley

Happy Fall, Everyone! Hope you had a chance to stop by the Buy and Bragg for the NEW extended hours last month...if not, be sure to stop by this month on Wednesday, November 5, 2008. (Open from 4-7 pm.) We will be sure to have the Polish Pottery still at discounted prices for you, and also some cute items to help you get into the Thanksgiving spirit! Come by and check out the cute monogram travel coffee mugs, too! These make great gifts for teachers and friends...or even yourself! The Candle Queen candles are smelling very much like fall, too...yummy smells...you need to stop by and give them a whiff! We look forward to seeing you, and don't forget to bring your punch card! If you don't have one, you need to stop by and get one...wonderful savings... See you soon!

The Bragg N Barn Thrift Shop

We are now accepting Winter, Thanksgiving and Christmas items.

Over 6,000 square feet of bargain shopping. Find clothing, furniture, household items, toys and much more. Shop Tuesday -Saturday from 9-1.

Consign your goods and earn some extra money for the holidays. It only takes a few minutes and a valid i.d. card to become a Bragg N Barn consignor. We are now accepting Halloween and Winter items. Thanksgiving items will be accepted beginning October 1. Consign your items Tuesday - Thursday from 9-12 or by appointment on Saturday.

Volunteers are always needed and appreciated at the thrift shop. For more information call 910-907-4053 during business hours or visit our website: www.fbthriftshop.com.

The store will be closed on Thanksgiving Day.

Armed Services YMCA (ASYMCA)

The ASYMCA is currently selling Christmas ornaments for \$10.00. These white ornaments with an American flag say "God Bless America and Our Military Families." They are made from acrylic (so they won't break) and are packaged in a lovely box. Please call (910) 436-0500 or stop by our main office located in the same building as the OWC, behind the Thrift Shop on Jackson and Woodruff.



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Yule Mart 2008
Craft Fair
November 21, 22, and 23
At
Frederick Physical Fitness Center
Gruber Road
(between All American & Reilly Road)
Friday 10am to 7pm
Saturday 9am to 6pm
Sunday 12 pm to 5pm, after 3pm FREE!
\$3.00/day or \$5.00 for 3 day pass
Children 10 and under free

Volunteers are needed, please contact Fran Bean
At Dbean@sw.rr.com

Sponsored by the Fort Bragg Area Officers' Spouses' Club
Proceeds benefit the FBAOSC Welfare and Scholarship Fund which supports
the Fort Bragg Community.
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yulemart@aol.com



OSC CLUBS!! Come Join Us and Have Some Fun!!!!

Happy Hour Club

POC: Jeanna Larsen 717-9653 Larsen96@aol.com

Get your lederhosen and dirndls on and get ready for Oktoberfest happy hour club on **Friday, Oktober 17th** at **5:30** at the **Taste of Europe** right outside the Yadkin gate on Fillyaw Road. Hope to see you there.

Melting Pot

POC: Maribel Greenmyer 728-8068 Maribel.greenmyer@us.army.mil

Enjoy Cooking and Tasting New Recipes. Come join us for the OSC cooking club!

We will meet at Hammond Hills Community Center on the last Thursday of the month October 30th at 11:30.

Bunco Club

POC Vette Berrian vetteb66@yahoo.com

We will get started in November!!!

YOGA CLUB

Looking for a way to de-stress and get fit at the same time? I've been practicing Yoga for years (and for free) right here on the installation. Join me for Yoga twice a week and you'll soon down dog your way to a more peaceful mind and less jiggly body.

Description: Yoga (Vinyasa or flow style) All skill levels; instructor demonstrates modifications fo make poses more or less challenging.

Day/Time: Mondays and Wednesday at 10 am-11 am

Location: Pope Fitness Center

POC: Carolina Rodriguez 436-0636 findcarolina@gmail.com

"CHICK FLICKS" MOVIE NIGHT

Description: Get together for a fun "girl movie"

Day/Time: Once a month. Date and time TBA

Location: A movie theater in Fayetteville/Ft Bragg

POC: Fran Bean dbean@sw.rr.com 339 3109

RUNNING CLUB

Description: Would you like to train for a 5k Spring Race/Walk while getting together with friends for motivation and socialization. Come join us while we run/walk our way into getting fit. No experience necessary.

Day/Time: Two times per week for 30 minutes. Times to be determined

Location: Locations will be on post and or Hope Mills Area

POC: Audrey Wilkins 425-4927 or taotaquahan1@aol.com

SCRAP BOOKING & STAMP CLUB

Description: Catch up on your scrap booking and stamping in a fun motivating environment. The room will be filled with supplies and lots of great ideas!

Day/Time: The last Friday of the month. There will be a Morning Club from 9:00 am - 1:00 p.m. and a Night Club from 6:00p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Location: OSC Building

POC: Carrie Davies 425-6080 carrie.m.davies@us.army.mil

POTTERY PAINTING CLUB

Description: Get together with a group to explore your artsy side and paint pottery!

Day/Time: Once every 3 months @ night. Time & Date TBA

Location: Just Claying Around in Fayetteville

Book Club

POC: Michele Russ michruss2@yahoo.com

Day/Time: Tuesday, October 21, 6:30 @ 10 Alexander St, Fort Bragg

Book: "Three Cups of Tea" by Greg Mortenson

Theater Group-POC Carol Ann Mullins

Carolann.mullins@gmail.com

The Theater's Group next outing is to see

Lead Me A Tenor

On Sunday, November 16th @ 2pm

Deadline for reservation is November 7th

Doubles Tennis Club-POC Susie Edmonds

497-0058

The FBAOSC Doubles Tennis Club began playing on October 9th. We are getting together Tuesday mornings at the tennis courts in Normandy Housing Area. Play starts at 9:00 am and usually finishes up around 10:30. We are all out there to have fun and get a little exercise at the same time. Players of all ability levels are encouraged to come out! We have a few players who have been away from the sport for a long time and it is amazing how quickly it all comes back. If I can answer any questions for you, please do not hesitate to give me call at 497-0058! Hope to see more of you on the courts!

Lunch Bunch-Jeanne Larsen

Okay, get your lederhosen and dirndls on and get ready for Oktoberfest lunch at Max and Moritz German restaurant...on Cliffdale road right down the street from the intersection of Skibo, going towards Reilly road...in a small strip mall and says Bakery on the outside. It is also right across the street from Sonic and in front of the Sports Center and behind the Volvo car dealership. We will meet on Monday Oktober 20th at 1130. Please email and let me know if you will be able to attend...the restaurant is not that big, so I will have to get there early to get us enough seats.