

SIDELINES

Wrestling Club

The Amateur Athletic Union and USA Rhino Wrestling Club is accepting registrations for the 2006/2007 wrestling season. Club memberships are open to boys and girls from four to 18 years of age. Multiple membership types are available. Please check our Web site www.rhinowrestling.org for more information. Registrations will be Oct. 30 and Nov. 1 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Jack Britt High School. For more information, call Marty Bartram at 824-0024.

Soccer players

Bragg United F.C. is recruiting new players and assistant coaches. Those interested should contact David Kelley at 717-3363 or Anthony Recinos at 578-8597.

All American Trail closed

Fort Bragg's All American Trail is closed for deer hunting season since Oct. 7. The trail will re-open Jan. 2, 2007. For more information, call 396-5979.

Roller Derby

The Rogue Rollergirls will be having an open practice today from 8 to 10 p.m. We will be at Round-A-Bout Skating Rink on Bragg Blvd. If you are interested, just show up! Cost is \$5. E-mail Rogue Rollergirls@hotmail.com for information or call 498-3814.

Exhibition Game

The Fayetteville FireAntz will be playing an exhibition game against the Richmond Renegades on Saturday at 7:35 p.m. at the Crown Coliseum. All seats are only \$5. For more information, visit our Web site www.fireantzhockey.com or call Krista Lindstedt at 321-0123.

Scuba Certification Class

Fort Bragg's Sports and Physical Fitness Branch is offering the National Association of Underwater Instructors open water Scuba certification class through Oct. 22. The class is held at various times at Cape Fear Scuba and Tucker Indoor Pool. Upon completion and final testing, participants will become certified in NAUI open water Scuba diving.

The class is open to all authorized Morale Welfare and Recreation facility users ages 16 and older. The cost is \$275 per person. For more information, call 432-0883.

Racquetball Tournament

The Fort Bragg Fall Racquetball Tournament will be conducted Friday through Sunday at Ritz-Epps Physical Fitness Center. Competition will begin on Friday at 5:30 p.m. The tournament is open to all military/government ID card holders ages 18 and older.

To enter, participants must submit an entry form to the Sports Office in the Soldier Support Center. For more information, call 396-1217.

Wrestling Tournament

The Post Wrestling Tournament will be conducted Nov. 6 through 8 at Ritz-Epps Physical Fitness Center and will begin at 6 p.m. each day. To enter, participants will be required to weigh-in on Nov. 6 at Ritz-Epps PFC from 7 to 8 a.m. or noon to 1 p.m. The tournament, which is open exclusively to active duty personnel, will employ freestyle rules. Wrestling mats will be available for training at Ritz-Epps PFC. To enter, participants are encouraged to submit an entry form to the Sports Office, Building 4-2843, Normandy St., fifth floor, Wing B. Entry forms may also be faxed to the Sports Office at 396-1216 or entry information can be e-mailed to steve.johnson3@us.army.mil.



photo by Brian Lepley/Army News Service

A field of 16,676 runners start the 22nd Army Ten-Miler, America's largest 10-mile road race that begins and ends at the Pentagon. There were 15,134 official finishers in the Oct. 8 running of the event.

Army Ten-Miler draws runners from across globe

by Nicole Lord

Paraglide

The Army Ten-Miler is America's largest 10-mile road race and the Army's premier running event. Thousands of military and civilian runners come from across the country and the world to be a part of this traditional event.

On Oct. 8, more than 600 teams took off near the Pentagon and shot across the Potomac River. Of all the teams participating in the event, the Fort Bragg Army Ten Miler Teams took first and second place in the Active-Duty Open in Washington, D.C. The men's team won second place with a combined time of three hours 45 minutes and 51 seconds.

They lost to team Korea, the Eighth Army Men, who had a time of three hours 45 minutes and 37 seconds.

"We lost by 14 seconds," Troy Kirk said.

"It was a hard loss for us."

The top four runners for the men's Fort

Bragg team were Brian Foley, Roberto Revelo, Jared Pierce and Craig Williams.

The women's team won first place with a combined time of four hours 25 minutes and 11 seconds. They beat the second place team, the Fort Campbell team, by two minutes and 49 seconds.

The top four runners for the women's team were Jackie Miller, Amy Bourie, Betsy Hove and Karryn Story.

Established in 1996, the Fort Bragg Women's Ten-Miler Team was victorious at the Army Ten-Miler Commander's Cup competition in 1997, 1998, 2000 and in 2004 when they set the race record for the active-duty women's division.

"We had two teams participating this year," said Cynthia Hazel, women's team captain. "(Of course) I wasn't the fastest this time so I ran on the second team and did okay. This wasn't my fastest year but I felt good about the race all the way. It was a flat course, a beautiful day and (the race) was nice."



photo by Marny Malin/Belvoir Eagle

Karryn Story, Fort Bragg Women's Team, passes the 6.5 mile mark on Independence Avenue in Washington, D.C., during the race.

Service members run for victory

by Pvt. Jason Adolphson

16th MP Bde. PAO

About 1,000 service members gathered at the Moral, Welfare and Recreation area, Camp Victory, Iraq, with motivation and stamina as they volunteered to run a 10-mile race around the base Oct. 8.

Their chests were pounding and their bodies were hurting, but that didn't stop this dedicated group from successfully completing the race.

Participants arrived at 5 a.m. to be a part of this warrior event for different reasons. For some, it was a personal goal to complete such an extensive distance, while others were in the race to win.

Capt. Charcillea Barrett, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 16th Military Police Brigade, placed second in the overall women's category with a finishing time of 70 minutes. She was also a part of the brigade's team, Airborne MP's, who placed first in the overall mixed team category.

Sgt. Corey Connolly said their team of four finished in less than 80 minutes, and all others from the brigade performed well.

Spc. Fermin Rodriguez entered the race because he ran in a similar event with his girlfriend during a previous deployment

in Kuwait. He said thoughts of her drove him to complete the run. He entered the competition even though his last attempt to run a half-marathon resulted in three days of recovery. "It was surprisingly a less difficult task

since my last attempt," said Rodriguez. Aside from a few small blisters on the bottom of his feet, he came out of the race in fairly good condition.

Although news of the event was posted and distributed a month before the event, Soldier's busy schedules made it difficult for them to prepare for the race.

One of the participants said he was a naturally good runner, so he was just

going to show up to see what would happen. Others worked just to ensure they could attend the race.

"I marked the event in my calendar and made sure to arrive," said Maj. Maggie Pratt.

As the race concluded, the abilities of these paratroopers prevailed as they displayed their instilled discipline.

"It was long and painful, but I cut 10 minutes off the time of my last race," said Maj. John Fivian.

The 16th MP Bde. Soldiers who were able to participate in the 10-miler successfully completed the demanding contest and that is the definition of victory.



photo courtesy 16th MP Bde.

Charcillea Barrett placed second in the overall woman's category in the Baghdad 10-miler.

Picerne takes second in corporate category

by Scarlett Miller

Picerne Military Housing

More than 15,000 runners crossed the finish line of the 22nd Annual Army Ten-Miler in Washington D.C. Oct. 8.

In the U.S. Corporate Athletic Association category, Picerne Military Housing, Fort Bragg's on-post family housing provider, earned a second-place finish with a combined time of five hours, 18 minutes and 53 seconds. Winners of this category are determined by totaling the top four finishing times for participants from a single corporate team.

Fifty-two-year-old Bill Brewer, development director for Picerne at Fort Bragg, was Picerne's top finisher. He completed the 10-mile race in one hour, 17 minutes and 36 seconds.

Brewer said, "This race is special to me because it's so related to Picerne's purpose - supporting the military and their families. Besides that, it was fun."

Ten Miler participants began the race near the Pentagon in Arlington, Va. They then crossed into the District of Columbia, passing landmarks like the Lincoln Memorial, the U.S. Capitol and the Smithsonian Institution before looping back into Virginia for the finish.

Proceeds raised from the Army Ten Miler go to support Morale, Welfare and Recreation programs.

Thirty-two Picerne employees and their family members represented Picerne's five installations: Fort Bragg, Fort Meade, Fort Polk, Fort Riley and Fort Rucker. A fifth team represented

Picerne's corporate office.

"It's like the work environment; we're all responsible for carrying our own load, but we're there to support each other," Brewer said of the race's team-building atmosphere.

To make this year's race more meaningful, each of Picerne's team members ran on behalf of a Picerne employee's deployed family member or another Soldier or Army unit.

Dara Jones, pre-construction manager for Picerne at Fort Meade, ran on behalf of the 51st Chemical Company which is deployed to Iraq.

Jones, whose shirt featured a photo of the company, said, "It was like I was carrying those 26 Soldiers with me the whole race. It was very inspiring knowing that we were running for them."

"I thought to myself that if I was representing this group, I definitely wanted to make it to the finish line for them," said Jones.

At Fort Bragg, Picerne Military Housing employs 38 military family members and former or retired service members.

Heath Burleson, senior director for Picerne at Fort Rucker, Ala., said that his team began training in the spring.

"There wasn't any competition among us. There were times when some of our team members wanted to drop out, but then we rallied together and supported each other."

"At the race, we saw Soldiers who were missing limbs from their tours overseas. It was a very humbling experience just to be able run alongside them," said Burleson.