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Island Insight



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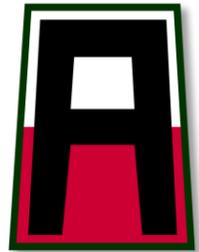
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Sharpening the Blade: One of America's greatest military minds, Gen. George S. Patton said, "Untutored courage is useless in the face of educated bullets." Although Patton's words were written in 1922, the meaning still holds true; the best military training and readiness is essential to the success of troops on the battlefield. First Army ensures America's reserve component (RC) Soldiers have the skills necessary for

success in combat. First Army was officially established on Aug. 10, 1918 in France, and has consistently answered the call to defend freedom and democracy around the world. To mark the anniversary, First Army's commanding general Lt. Gen. Mick Bednarek took a moment to reflect on its storied past and luminaries with the members of his command Friday. "We can look back with pride on the 93-year legacy we have enjoyed, and honor

those who have forged the path for us toward the future," Bednarek said. "There is a common expression in the military which says, 'we stand on the shoulders of the veterans who have gone before us, because they are the ones who set the conditions for success,'" Bednarek continued. First Army's lineage includes some very recognizable names such as "Black" Jack Pershing, George



Marshall, Douglas MacArthur, Omar Bradley, and George Patton. ([More](#))

POTUS Thanks Arsenal Island Workforce at Atkinson, Ill. Town Hall:

Hall: "Let me thank everybody who does work at the Arsenal, because you guys are out there and you've been saving lives and making sure our troops are well equipped for generations now. So thank you."

President Barack Obama's quote is located in the following article from the Chicago Sun-Times, in the [middle of the page](#). The President made the comment before answering a question from Larry Floreani who works on Rock Island Arsenal (as noted in the article). Floreani works in the Civilian Human Resources Agency (CHRA), North Central Region. Numerous newspapers carried the transcript of the town hall in their online editions, including the Kewanee Star Courier that featured Floreani's question in its article ... ∞ "In response to a question from Rock Island Arsenal employee Lar...ry Floreani, Obama said he feels a 'balanced approach' is needed to solve the government's debt and deficit problem



— meaning federal revenue increases, as well as budget cutting, are necessary, in his view." ([More](#)) ([CSPAN coverage](#))

Fallen Soldiers Remembered: "I hope that you see this exhibit as a visual, tangible promise that their incredible sacrifice will never be forgotten. It is our duty to keep their spirits alive," said Brig. Gen. Brian Layer at the Aug. 15 opening of the "Remembering Our Fallen" photo display. Layer, Army Sustainment Command deputy commanding general for sustainment, spoke at the Davenport, Iowa, Public Library's opening ceremony to honor Fallen Soldiers. Special guests included ASC Command Sgt. Major Stephen D. Blake, Quad Cities-area Gold Star families, Davenport Mayor Bill Gluba, Central High School's Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps color guard and the Patriot Guard. ([More](#))



Agencies Outline Plans to Eliminate Unneeded Regulations: The IRS is streamlining tax forms and consolidating reporting requirements to eliminate 55 million hours in yearly paperwork burdens. The Defense Department

Upcoming Dates

- Aug. 24:** Single-Parent Family Day
- Aug. 26:** National Women's Equality Day 🏠
- Aug. 27:** Motorist Consideration Day
- Aug. 28:** Read Comics in Public Day
- Aug. 29:** 95th Marine Forces Reserve Birthday
- Aug. 29-Sept. 4:** Burning Man 🏠
- Sept. 1:** 72nd Anniversary of the Start of WWII
- Sept. 2:** 66th Anniversary of the Signing of the Japanese Instrument of Surrender
- Sept. 4-10:** National Suicide Prevention Week 🏠
- Sept. 5:** Labor Day (*Federal Holiday*)
- Sept. 8:** National Day of the Working Parent
- Sept. 8:** International Literacy Day
- Sept. 9-11:** National Days of Prayer and Remembrance
- Sept. 10:** World Suicide Prevention Day 🏠
- Sept. 10:** Federal Lands Cleanup Day 🏠
- Sept. 10:** Aunt's Day
- Sept. 10:** Sequential Day (9/10/11) 🏠
- Sept. 11:** 10th Anniversary of 9/11 🏠🏠🏠🏠
- Sept. 11:** National Grandparents Day 🏠
- Sept. 11:** National Pet Memorial Day
- Sept. 11-17:** National Assisted Living Week 🏠
- Sept. 11-17:** National Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Week 🏠
- Sept. 12:** National Video Games Day
- Sept. 12-16:** National No Bully Week
- Sept. 14:** 197th Anniversary of the National Anthem 🏠
- Sept. 16:** POW/MIA Recognition Day 🏠
- Sept. 16:** Mexico's Independence Day 🏠
- Sept. 16:** National Step-Family Day
- Sept. 17:** Constitution Day 🏠
- Sept. 18:** 64th U.S. Air Force, Air National Guard Birthday
- Sept. 18:** World Water Monitoring Day 🏠
- Sept. 18-24:** Child Passenger Safety Week 🏠
- Sept. 24:** National Seat Check Saturday 🏠
- Sept. 24:** National Public Lands Day 🏠



recently issued a rule to speed payments to small-business contractors, thus helping their bottom lines. The Health and Human Services Department will propose eliminating unneeded regulatory and reporting requirements on hospitals and other health care providers, potentially saving \$4 billion over five years, according to the Obama administration. ([More](#))

TACOM Retirement/Closure:

TACOM-RI will conduct its final retirement ceremony on Tuesday, **Aug. 30**, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m., at the iWireless Center in Moline. The ceremony will also serve as the final closure event for the TACOM-RI organization. TACOM LCMC commander, Maj. Gen. Kurt Stein, and TACOM-RI site manager Jerry Jackson will lead the ceremony. Refreshments will follow. All current and former TACOM-RI associates are welcome to attend. POC is Kris Novak, (309) 782-0728.



OMB Directs Agencies to Cut 2013

Budgets: The Obama administration is directing agencies to submit fiscal 2013 budget requests that are at least 10

percent below their current appropriation level. Citing fiscal pressures and the recently enacted deficit reduction package that raised the debt limit, Office of Management and Budget Director Jacob Lew sent an Aug. 17 memo to agencies instructing them to plan a 2013 budget that is at least 5 percent below their 2011 spending level. Agencies also should identify additional savings that would bring their 2013 budget requests to at least 10 percent below their current enacted appropriation. ([More](#))

Obama Orders Agencies to Develop Plans to Increase Workforce Diversity:

President Obama on Thursday issued an executive order directing federal agencies to develop strategic plans to recruit and retain a more diverse workforce. The directive will promote diversity in the federal workforce through a governmentwide initiative and a timeline for results, Office of Personnel Management Director John Berry said during a conference call with reporters. ([More](#))



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Rock Island Arsenal via First Army
Congressional Staff Delegation Visits First Army Headquarters
www.army.mil
First Army Commander, Lt. Gen. Mick Bednarek, brief congressional staffers and community leaders on First Army mission to mobilize, train, deploy and demobilize Res Component units.
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Rock Island Arsenal
Eagles are abound around the Rock Island Arsenal in the winter, and once awhile you see them fly in and out of the woods here on Arsenal Island, the summer. However, to date, none have been photographically captured. Rock Island National Cemetery like this one was at Fort Snelling National Cemetery. Great photo and article behind the inspiring image.

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Secretary of Army Announces

Transformation Commission: The Army announced Aug. 15 the creation of a new commission to help transform the service and prepare it for inevitable cuts to the defense budget.



"There is no question that our Army, indeed, the entire Department of Defense, is under tremendous, and I think we all understand, inescapable pressure to reduce costs," said Secretary of the Army John McHugh. ([More](#))

Agencies Will Suffer in Wake of Cuts,

Union Says: The Office of Management and Budget will only produce more job losses in the midst of an unemployment crisis by instructing agencies to cut their budgets, said the leader of the largest federal employee union. In a statement, American Federation of Government Employees President John Gage asserted that OMB's instructions to agencies to slash 5 percent from their fiscal 2011 discretionary appropriations for their 2013 budgets will rob the federal workforce of vital resources. ([More](#))



Ribbon Cutting Opens Installation Management Command on Fort Sam:

Lt. Gen. Rick Lynch and five representatives of the Soldiers, Civilians and Family members served by the U.S. Army Installation Management Command officially opened the command's new headquarters campus Aug. 19. The ceremony officially completed IMCOM's Base Realignment and Closure-mandated move from Arlington and Crystal City, Va., and Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., to historic Fort Sam Houston, an Army stronghold since 1876. ([More](#))



What is OPSEC?: Eighty percent of the intelligence our adversaries collect is from "open source" that someone placed on unsecure websites. What are they are looking for:

- Names/photographs of important people
- Present and future U.S. capabilities
- Meetings of top officials
- News about U.S. diplomacy
- Important government places
- Information about military



facilities: –Location –Units –Amount of lighting –Exterior size and shape of buildings –Number of Soldiers / officers –Ammunition depot locations •Leave policies •Brigade and company names •Degree & speed of mobilization ([More](#))

Water Outage: A water outage is planned for buildings 60, 61, 62, 73, 75, and 360 Saturday through Sunday, **Aug. 27 - 28**, beginning at 5 a.m. All buildings will be without drinking water and restroom services until Sunday when all buildings should have restroom service. Boil orders will be posted at each entrance until rescinded.



U.S. Army Enterprise Strategic

Management System: The Army intends to field this upgrade and engage in an intensive education program for existing and new users. Training includes traditional instruction methods, such as in-person and online training plus new features like computer based training modules and social network peer-to-peer assistance. ([More](#))

Patriot Day Prayer Luncheon: The First Army Patriot Day Prayer Luncheon is at the Arsenal Club. Tickets available until **Sept. 1**, at the First Army Chaplain



Office, Bldg. 68, Suite 1044 or the Retail Store in Bldg. 60. Ticket cost: \$11.50. Guest speaker is CH (COL) Terry Meek, First Army Command Chaplain. Music provided by Crimson River.

Date: **Friday, Sept. 9**

Time: **11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

ASC's 2011 "Real Time Resiliency"

Golf Scramble: The event will take place at the Arsenal Island Golf Course, Thurs., **Sept. 15**, 10 a.m., the format will be a four-person scramble (shotgun start).



The entry fee is \$50/player, which includes green fees & cart, as well as beverage tickets for use at on-course drink stations. There will be an award ceremony for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place teams. Prizes for "real time resiliency" golf skill challenges: Longest Drive: men & women (Hole #10, Par 5); closest to the pin (Hole #17, Par 3); and longest putt (Hole #15, Par 5). A breakfast buffet will be available at 9 a.m. for \$11. For payment contact: [Sgt. Maj. Nicholas Castillo](#), (309) 782-5934 (w), (309) 752-3105 (BB); NLT Fri., **Sept. 9** (Limited to first 124 paid slots).

Annual Red Cross Golf Outing at TPC Deere Run: Mark your calendars

now for this premier golf fundraiser in the Quad Cities. For information & registration, go to www.qcredcross.org or contact Kasey at (309) 277-4027 (kellykas@usa.redcross.org)

Date: **Monday, Sept. 19**

Time: **1 p.m.**

Antiterrorism Awareness Month:

Antiterrorism awareness empowers the entire Army (units, leaders, Soldiers, DA civilians, families, and contractors) to take prevention measures and serve as "sensors" which extend the overall protection posture of the force. This year AT awareness month focuses on high priority areas such as AT doctrinal principles (supporting the fourth quarter fiscal year 2011 (4QFY11) theme), suspicious activity reporting, integrating AT into the operations process, and active shooter response. ([More](#))



Blood Drives at the Arsenal: Our blood drives scheduled during the month of August are particularly critical times. Summer vacations and activities mean fewer donors coming in the doors to give blood. "But the need



for blood by patients in our area hospitals never takes a vacation!" In the **Navy Operational Support Center**, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.: **Friday, Sept. 9**. To sign up for these drives, donors may email Sharee Hoegerl at shoegerl@mvrbc.org or call (563) 359-5401 ext. 119. Donors may also log on to www.bloodcenter.org and click on "IMPACT" to schedule a donation time for these drives. 2nd Shift – to be held in the Cafeteria, Bldg. 210 – Friday night: **Aug. 26**. To sign up for these drives, donor should sign up with their supervisors. The drives will begin at 2:15 am. Goal is 18 donors each night. **The Army encourages its employees to volunteer as candidates for any of the variety of medical donor programs, including blood, bone marrow, and organ donor/transplant programs. For additional information [click here](#).**

Thomson Photo Contest: The Corps of Engineers Mississippi River Project's [Thomson Park Rangers](#) are sponsoring the 20th Annual Thomson Causeway Photo Contest. Categories for the photo contest include Wildlife, Recreation and Landscape with both an amateur and advanced division. Photo contest entries are



accepted through **Friday, Aug. 26**. The contest is free and open to the public, but registration is required. Entry forms are available at the fee booth or Thomson Ranger office. POC: (815) 259-3628 or [email](#).

2011 Cards for the Troops: Please join the [Rock Island Arsenal Welcome Club](#) at the Arsenal Island Golf Course clubhouse for a fun evening of stamping cards for our deployed troops. Must RSVP to: mssipple1@gmail.com. No stamping experience necessary. Please bring one roll of Scotch double-sided tape; all other materials supplied. Optional dinner at 5 p.m. RSVP: (309) 782-4372.
Date: Tuesday, **Sept. 27**
Time: **6:30-9 p.m.**

Family Readiness Group Benefit: The Curtainbox Theatre Co. is doing a benefit performance of their current production "Time Stands Still" on Sunday, **Sept. 18**, to raise money for the Family Readiness Group. This organization raises money and volunteer support for veterans, currently deployed and active Soldiers and their families stationed here in our community through the Rock Island Arsenal. The event will take place Sunday, **Sept. 18**, at the Village Theatre in the Village of East

Davenport, 2113 E. 11th St. Pre-show reception at 2 p.m., and "Time Stands Still" begins at 3 p.m. Post Show Q & A with cast, crew and panel from Family Readiness Group immediately following the show. Half of the ticket price goes to the Family Readiness Group stationed at the Rock Island Arsenal. Come support local theatre and a wonderful cause at the same time.

Arsenal Attic Thrift Shop and Boutique: Thrift Shop has beautiful "new" boys and girls baby clothes. Fall and Halloween decorations will be out starting **Sept. 6**. We need furniture. If you have some you don't use, consign with the Thrift Shop. Open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, Aug. 20, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. POC: (309) 782-6977

RIA Mixed Looking for Bowlers: RIA Mixed Bowling League is looking for 3-person teams or individuals to join in the fun. This is a 20-week, handicapped league at Miller Time on Thursday nights. Bowling starts on **Sept. 15**. For more details, contact Jared Shuppy at (309) 269-1132.
Time: **5-7 p.m.**

Bowlers Wanted for Men's League: The SNAFU men's bowling league is looking for individual bowlers or teams.

This is a handicap league at Miller Time Bowl in Davenport on Wednesdays starting on **Sept. 14** at 6 p.m. Contact David House (309) 737-8642 for more information.

VFW Show & Shine Car Show: Cars, bikes, trucks, ratrods, and imports, are all invited to the VFW's Show & Shine Car Show on Sunday, **Sept. 18** at VFW Post 1303, 3715 9th St., Rock Island. Registration begins at 8 a.m. and awards will be given out at 2:30 p.m. Vehicles finishing in the top 30 will earn awards. Door prizes will also be given out and an all-you-can-eat American breakfast will be included in the morning. Entry fee is \$10 in advance; \$15 day of show. POC: (309) 786-6798

Benefit for Chloe Jo Drehman: A benefit will be held for Chloe Jo Drehman, granddaughter of a Rock Island Integrated Services employee here on Rock Island Arsenal, that will take place on Saturday, Oct. 1, at 4 p.m., at the Milan American Legion, located at 515 W. 1st Ave. Chloe is four-years-old and has a rare chromosome disorder. As a result, she has many medical conditions. She



cannot walk or talk and requires a feeding tube. Please join us to support Chloe. For more information contact (309) 756-8410 or (309) 428-4904, or [email](#).

Arsenal Traffic/Construction

Partial Closure of South Avenue:

There will be a partial closure of South Ave. on Thursday, **Aug. 25**, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. The partial closure will be located at the intersections of Gillespie St. & South Ave. and Second St. & South Ave. This closure is required to allow room for a crane to install a new radio antenna on the roof of Bldg. 102.

Reopening - Moline Bridge Ramp to 14th Street & 4th Avenue:

With the reopening of the Moline Bridge Ramp, the USAG-RIA Directorate of Emergency Services would like to remind all drivers to please use caution. Vehicles entering the installation on the Moline Bridge Ramp have the right away. Vehicles entering from the River Drive Ramp are required to yield before proceeding. This morning there were several close call incidents where drivers may have not noticed the ramp was open and proceeded toward the Access Control Points without yielding,

almost hitting vehicles on the approach. Please be alert and safe.

Annual Cleaning/Sealing of Bridge Roadways - R.I. Viaduct, Moline Arsenal Bridge, Government Bridge:

Due to the rain this past weekend (Aug. 6 & 7) the Bridge Sealing has been rescheduled to **Aug. 27 & 28**. Schedule is as follows: * **Saturday, Aug. 27:** Moline Arsenal Bridge closed 6 a.m. – 6 p.m., to clean and seal paved surfaces. * **Sunday, Aug. 28:** Government Bridge and R.I. Viaduct closed 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. to clean and seal paved surfaces. The closure(s) are necessary to facilitate application of the sealant and to allow for proper curing once it applied to the roadway surfaces.

Building/Space Closures

Freight Elevator Closure: The Number 1 freight elevator in Bldg. 220 will be taken out of service beginning at 7 a.m., **Sept. 12** through 3:30 p.m., **Sept. 13**. The closure is required to shorten ropes and replace operating mechanisms on the fourth floor doors.

Active Duty/Reserve Zone

Panetta: Any Retirement Changes Won't Affect Serving Military: In his clearest statement on the subject to date, Defense Secretary Leon E. Panetta said today that if the military retirement system changes, it will not affect serving servicemembers. "I will not break faith," the secretary said during a roundtable meeting with military media representatives in the Pentagon. Panetta's predecessor, Robert M. Gates, asked the Defense Business Board to look at the military retirement system and make recommendations. The final report is due later this month, but Panetta said he is familiar with the outlines of the proposal. ([More](#))

Soldiers, Vets Initially Denied Purple Heart for Concussive Injury May Resubmit: Active-duty and reserve-component Soldiers, as well as veterans, who were denied Purple Heart awards for concussive or mild traumatic brain injuries, are encouraged to resubmit documentation for reconsideration of the medal. Since the Vietnam War, concussions or mild traumatic brain injuries, or MTBIs, as a direct result of an enemy action has always been an injury that warranted the award of the



Purple Heart -- according to Defense Department guidelines. Nevertheless, field commanders have sometimes been unclear on what constituted concussion. ([More](#))

Soldiers, HR Specialists Must Understand Importance of Casualty Docs:

America has now been at war since October 2001, almost 10 years of putting Soldiers in harm's way. Ten years of rushing Soldiers through personnel-readiness checks to provide them the opportunity to update their emergency data and life-insurance beneficiary information. Ten years of war with almost 4,400 deaths and 30,000 wounded Soldiers. It is the responsibility of all Soldiers to update their own casualty documents and to ensure their intent is annotated properly. After all, only the Soldier knows when changes need to be made to either the Record of Emergency Data, the DD Form 93, or Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance, or SGLV. Likewise, Army leaders and human resources specialists must understand every field on these forms as well as the ramifications of uneducated choices by Soldiers and how they affect their Survivors. ([More](#))

Military Members: Did you know that your location, skills and job can change allowances and eligibility for special and incentive pays? We've added a list of current special and incentive pays to our website with links to definitions and requirements to help keep you informed. Knowing what you will receive this month/months down the road can help you budget for your personal or family's future. ([More](#))

Privatization of U.S. Army Lodging To Raise Quality of Life for Soldiers on the Move:

The U.S. Army privatized the on-post lodging operations at 11 installations Aug. 12, reinforcing the Army's commitment to improving transient lodging and enhancing the Quality of Life of Soldiers and their Families. The installations are Fort Belvoir, Virginia; Fort Bliss, Texas; Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico; Fort Campbell, Kentucky; Fort Huachuca, Arizona; Fort Hamilton, New York; Fort Gordon, Georgia; Fort Knox, Kentucky; Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri; Fort Wainwright, Alaska, and the White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico. ([More](#))

Program Supports Military Families With Special Needs:

About a year ago, Air Force Maj. Nicholas Sabula received

word of an upcoming assignment following his deployment in Afghanistan. He became concerned, however, when he learned that his new duty station and the local area didn't have adequate services for his son, who was diagnosed with autism in 2006. But shortly after, based on a recommendation from his Exceptional Family Member Program coordinator, Sabula's assignment was canceled and he moved here instead. ([More](#))

Family GAT Streamlined, Back

Online: For those Army family members who put off completing the Global Assessment Tool survey due to the sheer number of questions, the folks who run the program listened and brought down the number of questions from 260 to 80. Additionally, a Common Access Card will no longer be needed to access the Global Assessment Tool, or GAT, or the modules it offers. Family members will need internet access and be enrolled with the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting Systems or sign on through Army Knowledge Online to gain access to the GAT. ([More](#))

TRICARE Encourages Back-to-School Eye Exams:

For many TRICARE kids, the first day of school is



quickly approaching. New backpacks, notebooks, folders, pencils – there is much to be done to guarantee your child's success this school year! A key part of this success starts with healthy eyesight in the classroom. In an effort to encourage parents to learn about ways they can help protect their child's vision, Prevent Blindness America has designated August as Children's Eye Health and Safety Awareness month. Recognizing that the most common types of eye problems seen in school-age children are: myopia (nearsightedness), strabismus (crossed eyes) and amblyopia (lazy eye); Prevent Blindness America believes a child's eyes should be checked shortly after birth, before starting school (age 3 or 4) and throughout the school years. ([More](#))



Safety Spotlight



5,000 Kids a Year Hurt in Falls From Windows: The number of children treated in U.S. emergency departments for falls from windows approached 100,000 between 1990 and 2008, says a study in the journal Pediatrics. The research shows that the number of injuries declined during the first decade of the study period, but has since plateaued. "We still are seeing over

5,000 children a year treated in hospital emergency departments across the country for injuries related to window falls, said Dr. Gary A. Smith, study author and director of the Center for Injury Research and Policy at Nationwide Children's Hospital in Columbus, Ohio. "That's 14 children a day. This continues to be a very common, important problem." ([More](#))

Handwashing: Clean Hands Save

Lives: Keeping hands clean through improved hand hygiene is one of the most important steps we can take to avoid getting sick and spreading germs to others. Many diseases and conditions are spread by not washing hands with soap and clean, running water. If clean, running water is not accessible, as is common in many parts of the world, use soap and available water. If soap and water are unavailable, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60 percent alcohol to clean hands. ([More](#))



Equal Opportunity Focus



Prevention of Sexual Harassment Training (POSH) for New Hires: The Garrison EEO Office will offer POSH training for new hires on **Oct. 11** in the

Baylor Conf. Room, Bldg. 102, 3rd Floor, at 8:30 a.m. To sign up for this training, register through [TEDs](#); key word: "posh for new hires." POC for special accommodations is Mary Gale, (309) 782-5024

Women's Equality Day Observance:

The U.S. Army Sustainment Command Equal Opportunity Office cordially invites you to attend the Women's

Equality Day

Observance,

Aug. 25, in the Baylor Conf.

Rm., Bldg 104,

10-11 a.m. The

Keynote speaker

is Mrs. Kathryn

T.H. Szymanski,

chief counsel for

the U.S. Army Sustainment Command and the Joint Munitions Command.

Award Presentation for the Essay

contest will be presented upon

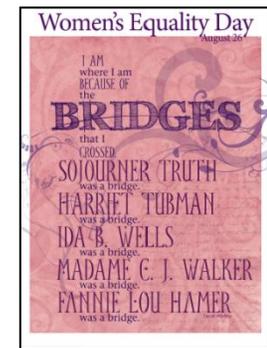
completion of speech. Registration is

available in [TEDs](#), key word (Women's Equality). Please contact Sgt. First Class

Leyla Lesmes at (309) 782-3021 for any

special accommodations or additional

information.



Morale, Welfare & Recreation (MWR)



Morale, Welfare & Recreation

(MWR): Visit the MWR website at www.riamwr.com for information on all MWR programs. Also [click here](#) to become a fan on Facebook and stay up to date on all the great MWR offerings here at the Arsenal.

MWR Closures for Labor Day: In observance of Labor Day the following MWR facilities will be closed: Outdoor Recreation Office, Leisure Travel Office, Auto Skills Shop, Fitness Center, and all Child, Youth and School Services. The Arsenal Island Golf Course will have extended hours and will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Date: **Monday, Sept. 5**

August/September Swing (golf)

Newsletter: Check out the latest edition of the Swing Newsletter for info on all the new and exciting things happening at the Arsenal Island Golf Course and Clubhouse. You can download the [newsletter here](#) and send a [blank email](#) to have it delivered direct to your inbox every month.

Fall Softball League: We are considering organizing a fall softball

league and are attempting to assess interest and demand. If you have a team or would like to play but don't necessarily have a team please contact Kyle at the RIA Fitness Center at (309) 782-5124. This 6-8 week league would start the second week of September with games played on Wednesday nights. If there is sufficient interest we will publish more information soon.

New Menu Items and Lunch Offerings at the Arsenal Island Golf Clubhouse:

Think you've tried everything on our lunch menu or just want to see something new? Come check us out to see all the new and exciting changes to our lunch menu. Some of the new additions include: Roast Beef & Turkey Panini's, a Chicken & Brie Quesadilla, a Chicken Cutlet Sandwich, a Veggie Pita, and a BLTT (Bacon, Lettuce, Tomato & Turkey) Wrap. Effective Aug. 17, we started a new, quick, all-you-can-eat lunch special option for only \$7.50. These Wed. - Fri. weekly themed/unique specials will be a great option for those who have a limited timeframe for lunch. Some of the themes will include International Day, Home-style Day, and Fish Day. Call (309) 793-1601 or visit www.arsenalislandgolf.com for more

information. The new menu is [available here](#).

July/August Auto Skills Newsletter:

Hey all you Gear-Heads, check out this special double edition of the Auto Skills Monthly Newsletter for some great info on all the things going on at the Auto Skills Shop located in Bldg. 351. You can download the [newsletter here](#), and send a blank email with the subject line "Auto Skills Newsletter" to this [email address](#) to be added to our distro list and have it delivered direct to your inbox every month.

Employee Appreciation Day Survey:

If you attended the Employee Appreciation Day event, thank you for braving the heat and joining us for a fun day. If you attended please consider taking a few minutes to take the quick online survey found here <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ZNF-TL9M> and let us know how you felt about it. We use your input to continually adapt this great annual event to truly make this your event. As our way of saying thanks, if you take the survey and give us your email address we'll enter you into a drawing for a free standard oil change from the Auto Skill Shop and a drawing for a pair of free



movie tickets from the Leisure Travel Office.



MWR Leisure Travel Office



Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., Bldg. 60. The office is closed for lunch from 10:30–11 a.m., (309) 782-5890,

anna.winters@us.army.mil.

<http://riamwr.com/BusPgms/special.htm>

Leisure Travel Closure: The Leisure Travel office will be closed on **Sept. 5** in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

Quad City Symphony Orchestra

Tickets: The Quad City Symphony Orchestra presents the Riverfront Pops: A Tribute to the Beatles. The park opens at 3 p.m. and the show starts at 6:30 p.m. Discount tickets for this great show are \$17 and can be purchased at the Leisure Travel Office in Bldg. 60 or call (309) 782-5890 for more info.

Date: **Saturday, Sept. 10, 6:30 p.m.**

Downtown Chicago Shopping Bus

Trip: Shop on the famous Michigan Avenue. Find the perfect restaurant, see what's new on the shopping scene and stay informed on the incredible events that make The Magnificent Mile 'One of

the Great Avenues of the World'. Contact your Leisure Travel Office at (309) 782-5890 for more information.

Date: **Saturday, Dec. 3**

Time: **6:30 a.m. – 8 p.m.**

Woodfield Mall Bus Trip: Woodfield has the finest collection of department stores and specialty shops in the Great Lakes region including Nordstrom, Macy's, Lord & Taylor, JcPenney, Sears and nearly 300 stores and restaurants. Call the Leisure Travel office at (309) 782-5890 for more information.

Date: **Saturday, Nov. 12**

Chicago Museum Bus Trip: The Museum of Science and Industry opened its doors in 1933 and is the largest science museum in the Western Hemisphere. The cost for this trip is \$39. Please call the Leisure Travel Office at (309) 782-5890 for more information.

Date: **Saturday, Oct. 22**

Time: **6:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.**

Books Are Fun Book Fair: Bldg. 60 Main Cafeteria ... come visit the New Books are Fun Book Fair in the convenience of your workplace. With more than 250 titles at great prices, you're sure to find something for everyone on your list.

Date: **Wednesday, Aug. 24**

Time: **9 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

MWR Outdoor Recreation Canoe

Outing: Join Outdoor Recreation for a day of canoeing on the Maquoketa River from Canton, Iowa, to the Royertown Bridge. Cost is \$40 per canoe. Each canoe can hold up to three adults or two adults and two children. Sign up at the MWR LTO Office in Bldg. 60 or call (309) 782-8630 for more info.

Date: **Saturday, Oct. 1**

Time: **9 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

Tour Ireland Trip: Your Ireland experience begins for just \$3,900 round trip air from Los Angeles, Baltimore, or Washington. Cruise/Land/Intra-Air transportation, motor coaches to each destination and hotel stay. Ten breakfasts and seven dinners included. Contact us for more details.

Date: **Thursday, Aug. 30**

Ringling Bros Barnum & Bailey

Circus: We have ticket for the circus for Saturday and Sunday. Two different times for each day. Children one and under on lap are free. Children 12 and under are \$13, lower bowl is \$18, upper bowl is \$15. Seats on sale until **Aug. 15**.

Date: **Saturday, Sept. 3**

Time: **11 a.m.**



Adler Theatre: My Fair Lady: My Fair Lady is triumphant. With "Wouldn't It Be Lovely?," "With a Little Bit of Luck," "The Rain in Spain," "I Could Have Danced All Night," it's no wonder everyone – not just My Fair Lady is triumphant. Discounted seats are \$48.
Date: **Sunday, Oct. 30**
Time: **7 p.m.**

Iowa Hawkeyes vs. Tennessee Tech Golden Eagles: Leisure Travel had 20 discounted seats to this game at Kinnick Stadium in Iowa City, Iowa, for \$57.
Date: **Saturday, Sept. 3**
Time: **11 a.m.**



Iowa Hawkeyes vs. Louisiana-Monroe Warhawks: Twenty discounted seats for this game Kinnick Stadium in Iowa City, Iowa. Game time TBA.
Date: **Saturday, Sept. 24**



Circa 21 Presents: Nana's Naughty Knickers: Bridget and her Grandmother are about to become roommates.

However, what Bridget saw as a unique opportunity to stay with her favorite Nana in New York for the summer, quickly turns into an experience she will never forget. Grandma is running an illegal boutique from her apartment, selling handmade naughty knickers. Seats are \$43.50.
Date: **Saturday, Sept. 17**
Time: **5:45 p.m.**

Mt. Olympus Water & Theme Park: The remaining one-day wristbands we have on hand are now on sale from \$25 to \$10. Get yours will supplies last.

Please Join Us For the Starved Rock Bus Trip: This tour includes bus transportation to beautiful Starved Rock in Utica, Ill., a buffet lunch, historical trolley tour and a leisurely one-hour cruise on an authentic paddle wheel boat. You will also have personal time to explore the trails and visit the waterfalls. Please call the LTO at (309) 782-5890 to reserve your seat.
Date: **Saturday, Sept. 24**
Time: **8 a.m. - 6 p.m.**

Need a Vacation?: Do you need help planning your vacation - let the leisure travel staff help turn your vacation into a dream vacation. Stop by or call our

office at (309) 782-5890. Let us do the work.

Walt Disney Military Salute: Active and retired U.S. military, including members of the U.S. Coast Guard and active members of the National Guard or reservists, may purchase (six) 4-day Disney military promotion tickets with the park hopper option or water park for \$138. This offer has been extended until October 2012.

Disney LIVE! Phineas and Ferb: Phineas and Ferb are going on a live tour and coming to the iWireless Center. Phineas, Ferb, and the whole tri-state area gang embark on a bold escape from television to a live action adventure. Seats on sale until **Oct. 1**. Discounted seat price \$14.75 & \$19.75.
Date: **Friday, Oct. 21**
Time: **4 & 7 p.m.**

Mt. Olympus Water & Theme Park: Lose yourself in an ancient world as you brave four thrilling lands. Thirty-seven steep and slippery slides. Six hair-raising roller coasters and eight curve-hugging go-kart tracks. Wrist bands available for the 2011 season (**May 28 – Sept. 5**) Discounted price is \$25. A savings of \$14.99. ([website](#))



Danube Group Cruise: From the splendor of Prague to the Gypsy violins of Budapest, you'll treasure every moment of this memorable Danube River cruise. Enjoy guided sightseeing. Experience the music, art, culture and historical sites. More than \$1,000 savings per person when booked through Leisure Travel Office. Contact LTO to schedule an appointment for this cruise offer. ([Flyer](#))
Date: **Friday, Oct. 21**

QC River Bandits: Discounted box seat tickets available for all home games. All tickets are \$8. Enjoy Thirsty Thursdays and Firework Fridays.

Six Flags Great America: Visit this amazing theme park with awesome rides, great shows, and incredible attractions, plus Hurricane Harbor. Discounted admission tickets available for the 2011 season. Tickets are \$36 for Adult/Child.

Child, Youth & School Services

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SKIESUnlimited Martial Arts: SKIESUnlimited is offering Martial Arts for 6-18 years old. Fall classes will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays **Sept. 6** –

Nov. 29, 5-5:55 p.m. Please contact (309) 782-5969 for additional information.

Babysitter Training: SKIESUnlimited is offering FREE Babysitter Training on Saturday, **Sept. 17**, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., for 12-18 years old. CPR will be offered on Saturday, Oct. 15, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Register [online here](#) or call (309) 782-0791.

Review of Select Army Family and Child, Youth and School Programs and Services: The Commanding General of IMCOM, [Lt. Gen. Rick Lynch](#), requests your help to evaluate Army Family and Child, Youth and School Programs and Services. The Army Family Covenant represents the Army's commitment to provide standardized programs and services to Soldiers and Families. The promise of the AFC will be sustained through continuous review and measurement of programs and services. As we continue to seek ways to improve programs and address gaps and redundancies in existing Soldier Family programs and services, it is important to evaluate Family and CYS programs and services to determine those most and least valuable to Army Families. Please take a moment to evaluate programs/services

today. It is easy - just click on the web-links above and complete as specified. Your responses are important to us. We appreciate your time and thank you for your service to our great country. ([Rank your 10 most valuable programs](#)) ([Rank your 10 least valuable](#))

More Childcare Spaces Available!: Have you been looking for affordable, top quality child care for your child aged 2-5? Look no further! Due to an expansion of spaces at the Child Development Center, we will have additional child care spaces available beginning in September for children ages 2-5 including spaces in the pre-K program. Call (309) 782-0791 for more info and to reserve your space.

Army Community Service (ACS)

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ACS is located in Bldg. 110, 1st floor SE; Visit our [ACS website](#) or phone (309) 782-0829. Call ahead for special accommodations when attending ACS classes. Find us on Facebook [click here](#). 24/7 Sexual Assault Hotline: (309) 229-8412



AER's Commander's Referral

Amount Increased to \$1,500: Army Emergency Relief (AER) announced effective Aug. 1, the maximum amount a Soldier can receive through the Commander's Referral Program will increase from \$1,000 to \$1,500. The repayment period will be extended from 12 up to 15 months. For more information contact AER (309) 782-0815.

Employee Assistance Program

☉ **Employee Assistance Program:** For free, confidential counseling assistance or for information on services that are available, call (309) 782-4357. Normal business hours are 7 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. For additional information on the Employee Assistance Program, go to www.riamwr.com or [Facebook](#).

Anonymous Online Mental Health Screening -- August 2011:

Posttraumatic Stress Disorder has been receiving greater attention in recent years as reports of the high incidence of the disorder among soldiers returning from deployment in Iraq has increased awareness and research of this disorder

(Bell, 2007). However, Soldiers are not the only people who can develop PTSD. PTSD affects approximately eight percent of the United States population, with between a quarter and one-third of people who experience a significant trauma developing PTSD (Grinage, 2003). ([More](#))

Smoking Cessation Group: Do you want to learn effective ways to kick the habit? The Employee Assistance Program offers an ongoing educational support group for people who would like to quit smoking. The group meets each Wednesday from 3-4 p.m. at the EAP office located in Bldg. 110, 1st floor, SE wing.

PTSD Support Groups: Is the quality of your life being affected by Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder? The Rock Island Arsenal Health Clinic and Employee Assistance Program are sponsoring support groups to assist you through this difficult challenge. Contact Rita Baugh, EAP counselor, at (309) 782-2552 for more details.

Education/Training Review



Army Continuing Education Services:

The Army Continuing Education Services office, located in Bldg. 56, 1st floor, has a new Education Service Officer, Alison Hemmert. The Education Center has new hours of operation. The office is open Monday through Friday 7 a.m. – 3 p.m. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact this office at (309) 782-2065.

Defense Commissary Agency / PX

☉ The [Rock Island Commissary](#) makes fresh fruit baskets daily for you! Shopping for someone who has everything? Problem solved. They are hungry for fresh fruit. Just buy them a fruit basket and relax. Ask our friendly staff to make you one or order one in advance. Check out local specials and get POC information [HERE](#). For information on this and other Commissaries, visit: www.commissaries.com

September Case Lot Sale: Our next case lot sale will be **Sept. 16-17**. We look forward to seeing you here for the great savings. Customers who want to experience savings well beyond their usual commissary shopping and



customize their own cases in the process cannot afford to miss the Defense Commissary Agency's worldwide case lot sale in September, said the agency's director and CEO. "We always have great oversized deals at these sales events - often at savings of 50 percent or more," Joseph Jeu said. "What's more, this will mark the second worldwide event where we've offered customers a unique opportunity to create their own cases by mixing and matching products." Charlie Dowlen, DeCA's promotions manager, said, "Case lot sales offer our customers hundreds upon hundreds of items, many in club pack packaging that resembles the multiple bulk-sized products they'd see in off-post warehouse club stores. You'd think the county fair was in town, with all the people looking for great deals beyond the everyday savings they see in their commissaries." ([More](#))

Can't Find an Item at the Commissary -- Attention All Commissary Shoppers:

Is there something you just can't find at the commissary? Just let a member of our management team know and we will see if we can bring it in for you. Your commissary - it's worth the trip.

Sales Flyers: Patrons can visit the [AAFES website](#) and sign up to receive free online sales flyers.

Arsenal Archive

Information for the *Arsenal Archive* is made available by the [Rock Island Arsenal Museum](#). The Museum is open Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, Noon to 4 p.m. The museum is closed on Mondays and major holidays. Admission is free.

Rock Island Arsenal Museum Closed: The Rock Island Arsenal Museum will be closed on Saturday and Sunday, **Aug. 27 & 28**, due to a Public Works project. Time: **12-4 p.m.**

Rock Island Arsenal Historical Society Meeting: The Rock Island Arsenal Historical Society meeting will have its first meeting of the year, at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, **Sept. 1**, at the pavilion on the river, near the Col. Davenport House on Arsenal Island. Tour of the Corps of Engineers' Clock Tower will be 6:30 p.m. For reservations call (563) 355-2823
Time: **5:30-8 p.m.**

This Week in Rock Island Arsenal

History – Aug. 22-28: On Aug. 28, 1868, Bvt. Major Gen. Lorenzo Thomas, Inspector of National Cemeteries visited the RIA. General Thomas recommended that the cemetery be relocated on higher ground at the east end of the Island. The cemetery was moved to its present location.

Healthbeat

Just 15 Minutes of Exercise a Day May Add Years to Your Life: U.S. fitness guidelines recommend at least 30 minutes of exercise five days a week. But increasingly, evidence suggests that even half that amount can extend significant health benefits. Only about a third of Americans currently meet the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) guidelines for physical health, which advise a minimum of 150 minutes of moderate exercise per week, plus additional strength-training. Now here's the good news for the rest of us: even just 15 minutes of moderate exercise a day (or 92 minutes per week) was associated with a three-year increase in life expectancy and a 14 percent reduction in risk of death by any cause, compared



with a sedentary lifestyle, according to a new study. ([More](#))

Health Clinic Announcement: Sick Call Hours 7-8 a.m. Clinic closed **Aug. 26** at 11:30 a.m. - Staff Meeting and Training.

Notes for Veterans

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Soldiers, Vets Initially Denied Purple Heart for Concussive Injury May Resubmit: Active-duty and reserve-component Soldiers, as well as veterans, who were denied Purple Heart awards for concussive or mild traumatic brain injuries, are encouraged to resubmit documentation for reconsideration of the medal. Since the Vietnam War, concussions or mild traumatic brain injuries, or MTBIs, as a direct result of an enemy action has always been an injury that warranted the award of the Purple Heart -- according to Defense Department guidelines. Nevertheless, field commanders have sometimes been unclear on what constituted concussion. ([More](#))

VA Program That Boosts Safeguards for Research Participants Wins Approval from Accrediting Body: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

Human Research Protection Program (HRPP), which helps ensure high ethical and scientific standards for multi-site research projects involving Veterans or their health information, has been accredited by the nonprofit Association for the Accreditation of Human Research Protection Programs (AAHRPP). A key component of the HRPP is the Department of Veterans Affairs Central Institutional Review Board (IRB), launched in 2008 by VA's Office of Research and Development. VA's Central IRB oversees large clinical trials and other human research projects conducted at multiple VA medical centers and often involving hundreds or even thousands of Veterans. More than 100 VA sites have approval to ... ([More](#))

Got Shots? Vets Will Need Flu Shots ... Maybe More: You can't stop time, but you can stop some serious diseases before they ever start. August is National Immunization Awareness Month, the perfect time for Veterans and their families to catch up on their vaccinations. As VA health care workers prepare for the upcoming flu season, it's important for all Vets to get the right vaccines in the right doses at the right time. ([More](#))

VA Paralympic Program Office Launches Website for Disabled Veterans:

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has launched its Paralympic Program website as part of VA's ongoing commitment to support the rehabilitation and recovery of disabled Veterans through participation in adaptive sports. "Adaptive sports participation among disabled Veterans has many proven benefits such as increased independence, reduced dependency on pain and depression medication and stress reduction," said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric K. Shinseki. "Providing resources for disabled Veterans to participate or compete in adaptive sports supports the holistic wellness of Veterans, which is a key component of VA's Veteran-centric care." ([More](#))

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Car Pooling Announcements

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Submit car pooling announcements via the [Island Announcements](#) page. Please use that page to contact ROCK-RIA-PA to take your announcement off once you have found a ride.

Car Pool:



- **Carpool:** Current carpool looking for additional driver/rider with reliable vehicle. Commuting from Galesburg/ surrounding areas along Interstate 74 to RIA. Contact (309) 782-5688 for details.

Around the Q.C.

- **Aug. 25-28:** [World Series of Dragracing](#) (Cordova Dragway)
- Aug. 26-28:** [Tribute to Our Fallen](#) (Davenport Memorial Park Cemetery)
- Aug. 27:** [Quad Cities Irish Festival](#) (Downtown Rock Island)
- Aug. 27:** [Silvis Family Run](#) (Silvis, Ill.)
- Aug. 28:** [QC Ride for the Cure](#) (Milan)
- Sept. 3-4:** [17th Annual Rock Island Grand Prix](#) (The District, Rock Island)
- Sept. 5:** [Run with Carl](#) (Bettendorf)
- Sept. 10-11:** [Beaux Arts Festival](#) (Figge Plaza, Davenport)
- Sept. 9-10:** [¡Viva Quad Cities!](#) (Lot West of Isle@ Casino Hotel Bettendorf)
- Sept. 10:** [Run for ¡VIVA!](#) (Lot West of Isle@ Casino Hotel Bettendorf)
- Sept. 10:** [Quad-City Symphony Riverfront Pops](#) (LeClaire Park, Davenport)
- Sept. 17:** [WQPT Brew-HaHa](#) (LeClaire Park, Davenport)
- Sept. 17:** [Celtic Highland Games of the Quad Cities](#) (Centennial Park, Davenport)
- Sept. 17:** [Taming of the Slough](#) (Sylvan Slough & Island)
- Sept. 17:** [Golf FORE Homes](#) (Byron Hills Golf Course, in Port Byron, Ill.)
- Sept. 17:** [VanderVeer Park Fall Festival](#) (VanderVeer Park, Davenport)

- Sept. 17-18:** [Riverssance Festival of Fine Art](#) (Lindsay Park, Davenport)
- Sept. 23-25:** [Hot Air Balloon Festival](#) (Kennedy Square, East Moline)
- Sept. 24-25:** [Quad Cities Kite & Family Fun Festival](#) (Centennial Park, Davenport)
- Sept. 25:** [Quad Cities Marathon & Festival](#) (John Deere Commons, Moline)
- Sept. 25:** [QC Marathon](#) (Downtown Moline)
- Oct. 8-9:** [Four Kingdoms Renaissance & Pirate Fest](#) (Camelot KOA Campgrounds, Rock Island)
- Oct. 8:** [Killer Bee](#) (St. Ambrose Campus, Davenport)
- Oct. 9:** [Mississippi Valley Welcome Center's Apple Festival](#) (LeClaire)
- Oct. 23:** [CBRC Pumpkin Dash](#) (Credit Island, Davenport)
- Oct. 27:** [Fright Night](#) (The District)
- Oct. 29:** [Witches Walk](#) (LeClaire, Iowa)
- Nov. 12:** [Hawk Hustle](#) (BlackHawk College, Moline)
- Nov. 18-27:** [Quad City Arts Festival of Trees](#) (RiverCenter, Davenport)
- Nov. 19:** [Festival of Trees Parade](#) (Downtown Davenport)
- Nov. 19:** [Lighting on the John Deere Commons](#) (Moline)
- Nov. 19:** [Holiday Pops Concert](#) (Downtown Moline)
- Nov. 24:** [25th Annual Scott County Y Turkey Trot](#) (Downtown YMCA, Davenport)
- Sept. 7-16, 2012:** [East West Riverfest](#)

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9/11 Anniversary at the Rock Island Arsenal

Currently there is no indication of any specific threats of terrorism to the Rock Island Arsenal or surrounding region in connection with the 10-year anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attacks.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and Department of Homeland Security (DHS) have both expressed concern over information showing interest by al-Qaeda to mount some type of attack on the anniversary. Additionally, with the death of Osama bin Ladin in May 2011, there is concern of retaliatory strike against the United States.

Recent al-Qaeda-related propaganda messages have also encouraged independent (“lone wolf”) or small-scale attacks. Attacks of this nature can occur with little to no warning, involving one or more attackers targeting a wide range of locations and victims. Popular choices and suggestions for these types of attacks have included hotels, shopping areas, special event crowds, and military and government installations.

Small-scale attacks can also involve multiple locations, moving from one target to another before an organized response by authorities can be mounted. This tactic is apparent in recent attacks in Israel, Norway, and Mumbai.

Since September 11, 2001, there have been at least 40 terrorist plots discovered or prevented inside the United States, indicating an ongoing interest in extremist violence.

We need to remain vigilant in our community...



REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY IMMEDIATELY
YOUR CALL MAY SAVE LIVES

Call Rock Island Arsenal (RIA) Police at
9-1-1

When calling from RIA, advise the dispatcher that you are on RIA



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