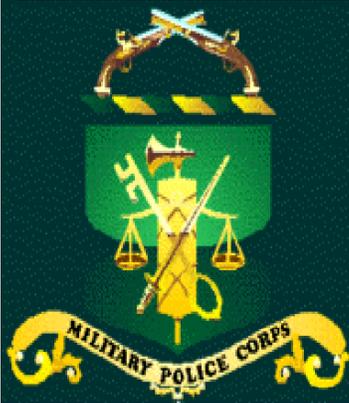


Family Readiness Group Newsletter

16th Military Police Brigade



Special points of interest:

- New Year Greetings
- Enlisted Wives to Meet
- Brigade FRG Seeks New Leader
- FRGs "Baggin' for Dollars"

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16th MP Commander Extends Best Wishes

Many wishes for a happy New Year and I hope your holidays were filled with joy. We had some great successes last quarter! The train-up and deployment of the 65th MP Company to Kosovo dominated the quarter. Thanks to the many soldiers and family members who helped to make their departure ceremony memorable and special. The company is doing exceptionally well. Please continue to offer your prayers and special thoughts for their success and safe return. Also, special thanks to the Non Commissioned Officers in the Brigade. In December, the Command Sergeants Majors conducted a first ever NCO week. It started with an all NCO air-

borne operation and ended with a Brigade sports day. Congratulations to the new inductees to the NCO Corps. One of the most memorable moments was the Dining-In and the ceremonial grog! What memories... The new millennium starts with a bang! It will be busy year for our troops. The main focus of this quarter will be on a brigade level training exercise that tests our units' abilities to deploy and operate in a Kosovo environment. Peace keeping and enforcement missions such as these are the type of military police missions we will see in the future. In February, the CSM and I will be traveling throughout and visiting our soldiers in Kosovo.

On the home front, we have appointed MSG Ferguson as the Brigade's financial counselor. I encourage you visit him and learn about the many programs offered at the local, state and federal level that can help offset and supplement your income. He is a valuable resource... please take advantage of what he has to offer. As always, I continue to feel blessed by being given the great opportunity to lead our soldiers and care for the families in this Brigade. I look forward to the many challenges yet to come and working with you in overcoming the greatest of obstacles. Happy New Year! COL Paul RAGGIO
Serving America's finest soldiers & families.

Meet and Greet 2000!

All Enlisted Spouses

Saturday, March 11, 2000
16th MP Brigade
Conference Room [Butner Road] 10:00 a.m.—12:00 noon
Casual and Informal
Come give your ideas on

group get-togethers and things you would like to do as spouses.

See you there!

Call Chaplain Macgregor for info 396-2811

FRG Seeks Leader

Our current Brigade Family Readiness Group Leader will be PCSing this spring/summer. We need a new leader. Please step forward and lead this great group!

Call Chaplain Macgregor (396-2811) for details.

Thanks for volunteering!

AFTB Level I Session
Army Family Team Building (AFTB) is conducting Level I training on Saturday, 22 January. Level I includes topics such as: military terms and acronyms; customs and courtesies; chain of command and concern; military and civilian resources; compensation;

and basic problem solving.

For more information or to sign up for training, please contact MAJ Upshaw at 396-3204.

Thinking of Reenlisting?
Call MSG McCauley at 396-7024.

It is never too early to discuss your options and opportunities!

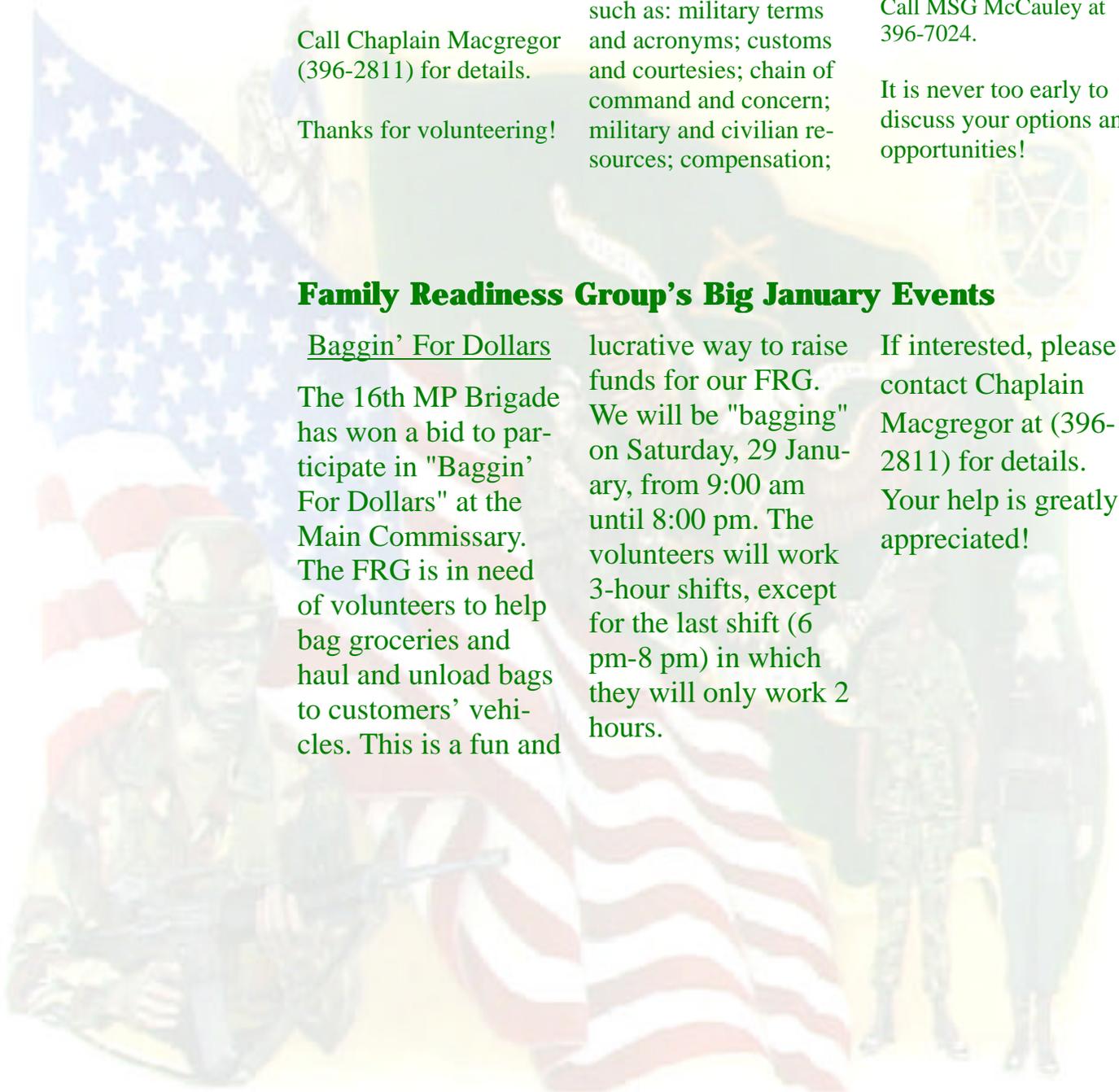
Family Readiness Group's Big January Events

Baggin' For Dollars

The 16th MP Brigade has won a bid to participate in "Baggin' For Dollars" at the Main Commissary. The FRG is in need of volunteers to help bag groceries and haul and unload bags to customers' vehicles. This is a fun and

lucrative way to raise funds for our FRG. We will be "bagging" on Saturday, 29 January, from 9:00 am until 8:00 pm. The volunteers will work 3-hour shifts, except for the last shift (6 pm-8 pm) in which they will only work 2 hours.

If interested, please contact Chaplain Macgregor at (396-2811) for details. Your help is greatly appreciated!



122d MP Detachment Seeks New FRG Leader!

The 122d FRG is seeking a new leader to represent this detachment. Although I will no longer be able to lead the 122d's FRG, I will remain active in FRG by serving under HHC. This change comes due to my husband's relinquish of his command, and his new duties in Brigade S-3 It has been a pleasure and an honor to represent the 122d in this capacity.

This unit, although small in numbers, is great in pride. The soldiers and family members thrive upon a "can do" attitude and an eagerness to support their unit any way necessary. I would especially like to thank First Sergeant Fowler for his able assistance and support. I truly enjoyed working with you, and I am grateful for your constant help.

For more information about participation, please contact SFC Fowler at 396-5420.

SHARE Program Provides Benefits

SHARE is an organization for helping people obtain food in an atmosphere of human dignity. Participants exchange cash or food stamps and two hours of volunteer work for a supplemental food package. Everyone is eligible regardless of income. SHARE is a great way to save money on food as you S-T-R-E-T-C-H your food budget. For more information on this program,

contact the 16th MP BDE Command Financial Advisor at 396-7546. MSG Ferguson. Thank You for caring for your family!

A Word From Your Brigade Chaplain

Seek every opportunity to grow spiritually in this New Year. The challenges will be great: deployments, separations, trials, and temptations.

Naturally speaking, you and I do not have the strength or the foresight to face these unknown challenges. The One Who made heaven and earth and you knows all and seeks to work in you for His glory and your good. Let Him work in you TODAY!

CH MacGregor (396-2811)

“ Volunteer work for a supplemental food package.”

The Family Readiness Group Needs You!

Soon you may receive a call from your Family Readiness Group Leader or Representative. Be well assured that that person wants to welcome you and to encourage you to become a part of a great group of 16th MP Brigade family members. Our goal is to get to know one another better and learn how each of us can sup-

port and encourage each other . We are blessed with many family members who are talented, gifted, and generous. Please make yourself available! There will be opportunities in the very near future for you to have great fun as a volunteer. On 14 September we have the MP Anniversary

Jump, 17 September the MP Ball, and 25 September the SPJP [Saturday Proficiency Jump Program] sponsored by the Brigade. Don't miss a minute of the fun that awaits! Come, Join us today!

Commander
COL Samuel Hernandez

FT BRAGG NORTH CAROLINA

Command Sergeant Major
CSM George Olavarria

WE'RE ON THE WEB!

Chain of Concern

