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Vested interest



Sgt. 1st Class Marcus Baker, front, packs bulletproof vests while Staff Sgt. Toby Tirrito, back, both with Joint Force Headquarters - New Jersey Homeland Security Center for Excellence, removes donated vests from their boxes on Oct. 14. The vests, all of which have expired, were donated by the New Jersey State Police; part of a larger vest donation by various state and local agencies under the Department of Justice's International Criminal Investigative Training and Assistance Program. These vests still offer protection and will be shipped to the Republic of Albania. The Department of Justice facilitated the transfer through the State Partnership Program. New Jersey and the Republic of Albania have been partners in the State Partnership Program for 17 years. Photo by Master Sgt. Mark Olsen, NJDMAVA/PAO.

If you want total security, go to prison. There you're fed, clothed, given medical care and so on. The only thing lacking ... is freedom.

--Dwight D. Eisenhower,
34th president of the United States

A hand up during Stand Down in Newark, Oct. 16

Some of New Jersey's estimated 8,000 homeless veterans will have a chance at a "hand up ... not a hand out" on Saturday at the North Jersey Stand Down in Newark.

Soldiers and Airmen of the New Jersey Army National Guard will assist the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs by preparing food and offering medical services to the homeless vets who show up at Newark's JFK Recreation Center from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Last month, a similar Stand Down was held at the National Guard Armory in Cherry Hill.

The aim of the annual Stand Downs is to provide homeless veterans and their family members with access to healthcare, medical screening, counseling on veterans' benefits, substance abuse counseling, legal and employment services, social services, vocational rehabilitation services, religious counseling, a hot meal, a haircut, and winter clothing. The goal of the program is to bring a wide range of resources together in one location so the veteran can access the various available services and be able to recognize that the community is concerned and committed to bring these services to them.

"Stand Down" derives its name from the military term referring to the temporary removal of exhausted combat troops from the battlefield to a safe place, behind the lines, for rest and recovery.

Homeless Veterans or their families can call the New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans Affairs toll free number at 1-888-8NJVETS for more information on available entitlements.

No more savings bond program for state employees

The U.S. Department of the Treasury is discontinuing the offering of paper U.S. savings bonds through payroll savings plans. This change is effective beginning in January 2011. Because of this change, the State of New Jersey will no longer withhold deductions from employees' paychecks after Pay Period 26, 2010. Any Bond Balance remaining at the end of this calendar year will be refunded to you in a separate check.

While U.S. Savings bonds will no longer be available to you through payroll deductions from the State of New Jersey, you will still have the opportunity to continue to save automatically by using the Treasury Direct online system – a free online system that allows you to purchase, manage, and redeem electronic (paperless) savings bonds. To learn more about electronic savings through TreasuryDirect, please visit www.treasurydirect.gov.

CFC campaign kicks off; looking for federal employee participation

By Jo Anne Miller, CFC Coordinator

The New Jersey National Guard Combined Federal Campaign has officially kicked off its 2010 Campaign which will run until Nov. 30.

The CFC provides every federal employee with an annual opportunity to voluntarily help by donating to local, national and international level human, health and environmental organizations. Contributions may be made via easy payroll deductions or by check.

Over the years, our Department has been most successful in this endeavor because of your personal generosity and concern. We urge every employee to support this worthy cause. Catalogs and payroll deduction forms will be going out to all full time Federal Technicians and AGRs.

The CFC Coordinator for this year's Combined Federal Campaign is Jo Anne Miller, JI-HRO Office. For more information, call 609-562-0851.

NJ Employees Charitable Campaign kicks off its annual giving drive

The New Jersey State Employees Charitable Campaign (ECC) has officially kicked off its 2010/2011 Campaign which will run until Dec. 15.

The ECC provides each state employee with an annual opportunity to voluntarily help others by donating to any of the more than 1,400 participating agencies and organizations listed in the ECC Code Book. Contributions may be made by bi-weekly payroll deductions or by cash, or check.

Over the years, our Department has been most successful in this endeavor because of your personal generosity and concern. We urge every employee to support this worthy cause. Code Books and payroll deduction forms will be given to all full time state employees.

This year's ECC Coordinator for the State's Employees Charitable Campaign is Paul Serdiuk, of the DMAVA-HRD Office. For more information, call 609-530-6878. You may also access information on line at www.njsecc.org.

DMAVA Green

By Tech. Sgt. Barb Harbison, DMAVA Public Affairs Specialist

NOOOOOO!!! I have been in some stores and seen it – Christmas decorations and other “stuff” for the December holiday. We haven't even had Halloween yet and the stores want me to think about buying holiday presents. That just isn't fair.

If your list, like mine, includes some children – you know that toys will be filling their wish list. And you know that they are sure to have enough to overflow their toy chests already; the gifts will simply be more things they have to pick up and put away at the end of the day.

Unfortunately, toys are not recyclable, per se. Meaning when your son or daughter tires of a toy, or it is broken, you simply cannot toss it into the blue bin.

What can you do to keep them out of the landfill?

If the toy uses batteries, make sure you recycle them. And buy recyclable batteries when you have to buy new ones.

If your child tires of or outgrows a toy – there are a variety of ways to recycle the toy. Check out local nonprofits, hospitals or maybe your church nursery to donate the toy for another child's use. Or, donate it to Goodwill, Vietnam Veterans donations, or other similar place. Last, you may have a consignment shop that will sell your toys for you or you can sell them online and make a few dollars to buy this year's toys.

Do you live in a “kid neighborhood”? Set up a toy exchange with friends and families. It will be a yard sale with no money – set some basic rules so no one brings one set of wooden blocks and takes home five high-priced video games – and your kids will have something new to play with for virtually nothing.

When buying toys, look for toys made of wood or recycled plastic.

Encourage your children to use their imaginations – give them cleaned out milk cartons, egg cartons, old CDs, crayons, markers, scissors, glue – heck throw in some pieces of junk mail and magazine for artwork – and let them make their own toys.

Last, get your kids outside and take them to a park or the local playground. Meet a family or two there and you can socialize while the kids blow off steam and get some exercise. You could even join in and remember the fun times of going down the sliding board, climbing the monkey bars, or trying to swing up to the sky.

Keep Green!

Quotes

I choose my friends for their good looks, my acquaintances for their good characters, and my enemies for their intellects. A man cannot be too careful in the choice of his enemies.

--Oscar Wilde

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Families

East Hanover establishment offers fun for family at a discount

Fall and winter weather is fast approaching. What do you do with the kids when they can't play outdoors, their video games are borrrrring and they simply need to blow off some steam?

The Funplex in East Hanover, N.J. is offering a 10 percent discount on any purchase when you present your military or government ID at the door. The Funplex is located at 182 Route 10 West.

The indoor attractions include: go-karts, bumper cars, junior bumper cars, Lazer Runner, 4D theater and arcade games. For more information on their games and pricing, visit their Web site - www.thefunplex.com.

ARMS looking for children of deployed for holiday gifting

Each year since the war started, ARMS has provided at least two gifts to the children (ages newborn to 16 years old) of our deployed or about-to-be deployed troops. If your child is one of these children, please contact your nearest Family Readiness Group or Family Assistance Center or Call the State Family Programs Office toll free at 1-888-859-0352 to get the form to apply for the gifts.

Holiday mailing dates given for overseas packages, cards

By Karen Jowers, Air Force Times

For those mailing packages to friends and loved ones in the military overseas, Christmas comes early. And Hanukkah comes even earlier.

It depends on how you plan to send it, but if it's traveling the slowest way — parcel post — mail that package by Nov. 12 to get it there by Dec. 25, according to recommended holiday shipping dates provided by the Military Postal Service Agency.

Hanukkah begins Dec. 1 this year, so you'll need to send it 24 days earlier — by Oct. 19 — if it's going parcel post.

Here are the other recommended mail deadlines. Subtract 24 days from each deadline to get it there in time for Hanukkah:

- Space Available Mail (SAM): Nov. 20 to contingency locations (APO/FPO/DPO AE Zip 093); all other overseas military locations by Nov. 26.

- Parcel Airlift Mail (PAL): Dec. 1 to contingency locations; all others by Dec. 3.

- Priority Mail: Dec. 4 to contingency locations; all others by Dec. 10.

- First-class cards and letters: Dec. 4 to contingency locations; all others by Dec. 10

- Express Mail Military Services: Not available to contingency locations; other locations by Dec. 18. Check with your local post office to determine if this service is available to a particular APO/FPO/DPO address.

Family Matters Blog: Free tutors ease homework woes

By Elaine Wilson, American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13, 2010 - Last night, I sat down to help my daughter with her homework and very quickly realized I was in over my head. It's been a while since I took 3rd grade math and was hard-pressed to remember terms like place value, front-end estimation and common factors.

"Is that right?" she asked me, thrusting her worksheet under my nose. I had to hesitate for a moment before admitting I had no idea, and quickly delved into her math book to give myself a refresher.

I had a moment of panic as I realized I would have to relearn a whole host of complicated math terms in the years ahead. I think I desperately need a math refresher course for parents, or a very experienced tutor.

It was a tough evening for me, but I realized our military families have additional, weightier challenges. They frequently move, and must keep up with the different requirements of different teachers in each school. And when a parent deploys, the other must assume the sole role of homework helper along with a host of other responsibilities. And it's even tougher when both parents deploy.

Fortunately, the Defense Department offers military families access to free, online tutoring at Tutor.com. The site offers round-the-clock professional tutors who can assist with homework, studying and test preparation. Services are available to students of any age — from kindergartners to high school seniors — with help offered in more than 16 subjects.

Once online, the student and tutor work together in a secure virtual classroom, where they can chat, draw on a shared whiteboard, upload files and browse the Internet together.

Active-duty servicemembers, National Guard and reserve personnel on active duty in a deployed status, Defense Department civilians in a deployed status and their dependents are eligible to participate. Families who aren't eligible can access the service for a fee.

People can sign up by visiting <http://www.tutor.com/military>.

Free fun night for family

The Franklin Institute holds Target Community Nights at the Franklin Institute — free educational and fun-filled science nights, from 5-8 p.m., sponsored by Target. Everyone is welcome: join the fun and experience The Franklin Institute's exhibitions, special programs and themed activities.

Activities include FREE: Access to all of The Franklin Institute's hands-on exhibits like Sports Challenge and The Giant Heart; tickets to the Tuttleman IMAX Theater; 3D shows in The Franklin Theater; live science shows; Fels Planetarium shows; and access to the Joel N. Bloom observatory. The monthly schedule varies and not all community nights offer free IMAX tickets, nor are the free IMAX tickets for feature length films.

The dates of the 2010 Target Community Nights are: Oct. 20 and Nov. 17. You will be asked to register when you arrive; the registration desk opens at 5 p.m.

Et Cetera

Government benefits must be through EFTs for all

Prepare for the change. Americans who enroll for federal benefits on or around March 1, 2011 will have to choose Direct Deposit or Direct Express Debit MasterCard. The Direct Express debit card is used when the applicant does not have a bank account.

It costs the federal government \$1.03 to issue a check but only 10.5 cents to issue a electronic fund transfer. Putting all government payments into EFTs will save the government about \$400 million dollars and about 12 million pounds of paper.

By 2013, the recipients of the more than 136 million benefit checks that the federal government mails out each year will have no choice but to be on the EFT program.

N.J. Honor Guard program has openings for new members

The New Jersey National Guard Honor Guard Program is looking for new members to serve at funerals of veterans around the state.

Retirees and active National Guard members of the Army and Air Guard can apply for the openings. Retirees with 20 years or more of service from any branch can also apply. The Honor Guard members are men and women, enlisted and officers.

All personnel must meet Army/Air Force height and weight standards of AR 600-9 and their appearance must meet AR 670-1 standards.

Current Guard members are paid one day's active duty pay, but no less than \$50 plus one retirement point for each day's work. Retirees receive \$50 per day.

Many days can find the Honor Guard with more than one mission; but each person registers for the time they are available. Most services take place within a 50 mile radius of their assigned Honor Guard Office; hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Some missions can be done in the evening hours. The Honor Guard provides services seven days a week, depending on the schedule of missions.

The N.J. National Guard Honor Guard Program provides services mostly for Army veterans but has worked at other branch's funerals.

There is an initial training period for all personnel. Everyone will be taught how to perform all assignments and phases of the ceremony. If someone has a special talent such as bugle playing for Taps, it is greatly appreciated.

Anyone interested must contact the program office at 609-530-7090. They will be referred to a local regional team leader to establish an appointment time and location for an interview or in the case of a bugler, an audition.

Princeton Officers Society invites new members

From the desk of retired Col. Stan Lapidow

The Princeton Officers Society – an organization of men and women who are former or current commissioned military officers – is looking for members.

Founded in 1993 by the late Squadron Leader, Timothy Craxton, who served in the British Royal Air Force, gatherings of the society include veterans and guests who have served many countries and in all branches of the Armed Forces. Its membership represents service men and women who have served during World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm and up to and including current officers of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. The Society meets every two months for a dinner "Formation" at the Nassau Club on Mercer Street in Princeton. Members and guests are encouraged to wear their military uniform or black tie with miniature decorations. The opportunity is presented to share military experiences with one another. If you are interested in learning more about the Princeton Officers Society, visit our website at <http://princetonofficersociety.org> or call 609-896-9370.

October is open enrollment for state employees

Open enrollment for 2011 – state health benefits and tax savings programs

October is the State Health Benefits Program and State Employees Tax Savings Program open enrollment period — your annual opportunity to review SHBP and Tax\$ave coverage and make any changes for you and/or your dependents for the 2011 plan year. During the Open Enrollment you may:

- Enroll in SHBP plans if you have not previously done so, change to a different SHBP medical plan and/or dental plan, and add eligible dependents – including children up to age 26* under federal health care reform changes – see the *Health Capsule* newsletter for details.
- Enroll, or renew enrollment, in Tax\$ave Flexible Spending Account plans for the coming plan year.** See the *Tax\$ave News* for new reimbursement limits on over-the-counter medications and eligibility of children up to the age of 26.

Starting this year, open enrollment publications are only available online. See the Health Capsule and Tax\$ave Newsletter and fliers for detailed open enrollment information. Go to: www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/ and click the Open Enrollment links under "Special Announcements:"

- To change or enroll in SHBP plans, contact your human resources representative or benefits administrator to obtain an application. Medical and prescription drug coverage changes are made on the same application. Dental coverage changes are made on a separate application.
- To change or enroll in Tax\$ave plans, see the information on the Tax\$ave Open Enrollment Web site.
- Changes made during this Open Enrollment will be effective on January 1, 2011 for all employees.

*Optional coverage for dependent children until age 31 is available under the provisions of Chapter 375, P.L. 2005.

**Re-enrollment is required each year for continued participation in a Tax\$ave FSA plan.

Veterans & Military

NJARNG to give flu vaccine

From the office of Capt. Ian A. Cairns, Plans Officer, G3/JFHQ

Each year in the United States approximately 36,000, or nearly 1 out of every 10,000 people, die from influenza or its complications. Additionally, approximately 226,000 influenza-associated hospitalizations occur annually.

Vaccination remains the primary method for preventing influenza and its complications. Vaccination is mandatory for all uniformed personnel. The DoD requires the services to achieve a green status no later than Jan. 1, 2011. The 2010-2011 trivalent influenza vaccine (TIV) strains are A/California/07/2009 (H1N1)-like, A/Perth/16/2009 (H3N2)-like, and B/Brisbane/60/2008-like antigens.

The NJARNG will implement the Influenza Vaccine Immunization Program throughout the state, immediately upon receipt of influenza vaccine from the state medical command no later than Dec. 1, in order to protect the individuals at risk from developing influenza or its complications.

Golf tourney benefits OIF vet

Now is the time to sign up for the Tunnel to Towers National Golf Tournament being held at seven places on the east coast on Veterans Day, Nov. 11. Local locations include Staten Island, N.Y., Fort Monmouth, N.J., and Williamsport and Shamokin, Pa.

The golf tournament honors and supports American troops and their families. It is named Tunnel to Towers in honor of Stephen Siller, FDNY, and his fellow firefighters. Siller ran with his gear, on Sept. 11, 2001, through the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel to the World Trade Center to help save others. A golf tournament is held because Siller had just finished his tour of duty with the fire department and was on his way for a round of golf with his brothers. Instead, he turned around to help those in need.

If you are interested in participating – the local golf proceeds will be going to help build a house for U.S. Army Spec. Brendan Marrocco, a quadruple amputee due to wounds sustained in Iraq – Call Jack Furnari or Terri Magnuski at 718-987-1931 or e-mail jackf@tunneltotowersgolf.org. Cost for the round of golf and dinner is \$195 per person.

Invitation to join extended by JWV Post 972 to all veterans

The SPC Mark Seiden Post #444 of the Jewish War Veterans of New Jersey, based in East Windsor, meets the third Thursday of the month in the Community Room of the East Windsor Public Library in Twin Rivers at 7:30 p.m. All interested Jewish Army and Air National Guard along with all Jewish Veterans are invited.

The Post was renamed in 2009 in memory of Spec. Mark Seiden, a native of East Windsor who was killed while serving in Iraq in 2004.

The post is based in East Windsor and serves all Jewish military personnel including the National Guard and Jewish War Veterans in Mercer County and the surrounding areas. The Post is actively recruiting new members or transfer members. Information is available from post commander Larry Rosenthal 609-888-0646, or e-mail lrs1950@hotmail.com.

Flu shots for veterans available at Philadelphia VAMC

Veterans eligible for VA health care are reminded to receive their annual flu shot – free of charge – at the Philadelphia Veterans Affairs Medical Center or any VA outpatient clinic in the community.

The flu shot is available at the Philadelphia VAMC Free Flu Vaccine Clinic, 9 a.m. - noon and 1 - 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. Veterans will also be offered the flu vaccine at any medical care appointment, including specialty clinics and the four VA community-based outpatient clinics in the Philadelphia area.

Health care providers say the flu vaccine is the most effective way for Veterans to protect themselves and their loved ones from getting sick over the winter months. In addition, Veterans 65 and older have the option of a high-dose vaccine this year, which may offer even more protection for those who receive it.

“For the first time, public health officials are recommending that everyone 6 months and older receive a flu vaccination,” said Darren Linkin, M.D., Philadelphia VAMC hospital epidemiologist. “Universal vaccination will keep everyone healthier and decrease the spread of flu to those who are most vulnerable.”

The Philadelphia VAMC provides health care to 60,000 Veterans in Philadelphia and six surrounding counties in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. In addition to the main campus in West Philadelphia, there are VA outpatient clinics at Ft Dix, Sewell and Camden, N.J., and in Horsham, Pa. (the Victor J. Saracini VA Community-based Outpatient Clinic). More information is available at www.philadelphia.va.gov or on the dedicated flu info line at 215-823-4640.

112th Field Artillery Assoc. holding 38th annual reunion, Nov. 6, at Lawrenceville armory

From retired Lt. Col. Thomas J. Smith, Commander, 112th Field Artillery Association

The 112th Field Artillery Association will hold its 38th annual reunion on Nov. 6, at the National Guard Armory on Eggert Crossing Road in Lawrenceville, N.J. There will be cocktails at 5 p.m., Veterans Remembrance at 6 p.m., and dinner and recognitions at 7:30 p.m.

The Veterans remembrance will be marked with a tribute concert provided by the 63rd Army Band. The remarks will be given by Command Sgt. Maj. Scott Lewis. Lewis is a member of the 3rd Battalion 112th Field Artillery, which returned last year from deployment to Iraq. Recognitions include a formal induction of members and associates into the Ancient or Honorable Order of Saint Barbara and the Artillery Order of Molly Pitcher.

Meal choices are stuffed flounder, stuffed chicken or filet mignon at \$45 per person. Make checks payable to the ‘112th FA Association’ and send to the Association at 151 Eggert Crossing Road, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648. Send any questions to CO-112FAA@verizon.net or call Lt. Col. Smith at 609-937-1785. Reservations are required by Nov. 1. Specify ‘Sit With’ and we’ll do our best to see it happen.

Calendar

Job fair in Philadelphia, Nov. 11

RecruitMilitary is producing a Veteran Opportunity Expo in Philadelphia, Pa., in cooperation with the American Legion, the Military Order of the Purple Heart, and the Military Spouse Corporate Career Network to benefit veterans, transitioning military personnel, members of the Guard and Reserve, and military family members.

It will be held on Nov. 11, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Lincoln Financial Field – home of the Philadelphia Eagles, 1020 Pattison Avenue, Philadelphia.

Veteran-friendly employers, franchisors, and educational institutions will be in attendance offering a variety of opportunities. You can register for the event on the candidate information page - <https://www2.recruitmilitary.com/expos/333-Philadelphia/candidates/information>.

Run With Dennis, Nov. 7

Put on those running shoes and gear up for the fifth annual “Run With Dennis” being held at the PNC Arts Center, Garden State Parkway, Holmdel, N.J., on Nov. 7. The run honors LT Dennis W. Zilinski II, who was killed in action in Iraq on Nov. 19, 2005. The run is 3.5 miles, with a 2 mile walk for those not up to pounding the pavement.

All proceeds of the run are used to support the Lt. Dennis W. Zilinski II Memorial Fund. This non-profit fund provides support to improve the morale and welfare of members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families. Additionally, scholarships are awarded to students who embody the leadership qualities and community spirit of Lt. Zilinski.

To sign up for the run or walk or to make a donation to the memorial fund, visit www.runwithdennis.org.

Get a seat at the Macy's parade

HAI – www.hainyc.org – is offering to share their large reserved viewing space on 7th Avenue, Manhattan, for this year's Macy's NYC Thanksgiving Day Parade on Nov. 25, with military families, service members and veterans.

If you are interested in attending, you must RSVP. To RSVP, please e-mail amy.maniscalco@us.army.mil. Send your name and the service member's name; military unit, component and branch; number of dependents in your group, and priority status (see below). RSVP no later than Nov. 15.

Priority Status:

1. Immediate family members of deployed service members, families of deployed DoD employees and surviving dependents of fallen service members;
2. Wounded service members in WTU or similar program, and their immediate family members;
3. Recently returned veterans/service members and their immediate family members;
4. Service members preparing to mobilize/deploy and their immediate family members, and
5. All other Guard/Reserve/Active/veterans and their immediate family members.

Location, arrival time and other details will be shared via e-mail to all who RSVP. General parade information can be found at Macy's Web site - <http://social.macys.com/parade2010>.

Picatinny Haunted House

Ready to be frightened?

It's time for the Picatinny Haunted House 2010. The spooky place is open Oct. 23, 29 and 30. Cost is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children aged 6 to 12. Children aged 6 to 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Not recommended for kids under 6.

Entrance to the Haunted House is through the Navy Hill Gate off Lake Denmark Road in Rockaway Township. Detailed directions and updated hours can be found at www.pica.army.mil/mwr/cys/cyshomepage.htm.

Graveside dining will be available at the Cemetery Café, with a menu featuring hamburgers, hot dogs and chili.

All proceeds benefit the Picatinny Youth Program, the Military Unit Fund and the Civil Air Patrol.

Joint Base Career Fair set for Oct. 25

Here's a military job fair that's tailor-made to your career aspirations and geographic location.

The Civilianjobs.com Career Expo at Club Dix on Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst on Thursday, Oct. 21 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. allows for online pre-registration to try to match current military members and veterans with the right job.

To register online, go to www.CivilianJobs.com. Or for more information the old-fashioned way, call 1-678-819-4170.

To gain access to the Joint Base, it is imperative that veterans who are not military ID-card holders submit the following information by noon on Oct. 6 via email to vwashington@civilianjobs.com: last name, first name, middle name, state of residence, state of driver's license, driver's license number, or date of birth for those without a license.

Veterans Outreach Campaign schedule

The DMAVA Veterans Outreach Campaign has kiosk displays at malls throughout the state and other special events to help veterans and their family members discover and apply for the benefits they are eligible to receive.

Nov. 4**	Belleville Public Library
Nov. 8*, 9, 10	Ocean County Mall
Nov. 8**	Toms River Elks Lodge 1875
Jan. 11*, 12, 13	Moorestown Mall

*Medal ceremony 10:30 a.m.

**Medal only ceremony, beginning at 1 p.m.

