

**APPENDIX B**

**MCM#1 Public Education and Outreach on Stormwater Impacts**

**MCM#2 Public Involvement/Participation**

**Supporting Documents**

# ARE YOU CLEANING UP AFTER YOUR PET?



#### Pet waste can:

- ◆ Enter streams and rivers during storms.
- ◆ Harm fish and degrade water quality.
- ◆ Transmit diseases to children.
- ◆ Make recreational water unsafe.

#### Tips for proper disposal:

- ◆ Flush it.
- ◆ Bury it.
- ◆ Trash it.

Contact the DPW-Environmental  
and Natural Resources Division  
at (703) 806-4676

KEEP THE  
STORM DRAINS  
CLEAN FOR  
THOSE DOWNSTREAM



## *Pet waste left to decay on the street or grass, or waste washed into storm drains, is a threat to water quality and public health*

Pollutants from animal wastes can be washed into streams and storm drains during rain or snowmelt. Storm drains around your housing area and elsewhere on the installation usually discharge directly into streams, ponds, or rivers. Are you cleaning up after your pet?

### **How Do You Dispose of Your Pet's Waste?**

Pet waste left to decay on the street or grass, or waste washed into storm drains, is a threat to water quality and public health. When pet waste enters a stream with storm water runoff, it consumes oxygen upon decay. The oxygen reduction can harm aquatic life and adversely affect overall stream health. Pet waste also contains nutrients that encourage weed and algae growth. In addition, pet waste may carry infectious organisms, bacteria, and other pathogens that can make streams and ponds unsafe for recreation.

### **Are You Risking Your Health?**

Improper disposal of pet waste is not just a water quality issue. Pets, children who play outside, and adults who garden risk infection from the bacteria and parasites found in pet

waste. Fortunately, there are some simple things you can do to help keep the installation and our streams clean and healthy.

### **You Can Make a Difference!**

Cleaning up after your pet can be as simple as taking a plastic bag or paper cup along on your next walk. But what should you do with the waste you collect? Here are some tips for proper disposal:

#### **Flush it down the toilet.**

The water from your toilet goes to a wastewater treatment facility. Special processes there can remove animal waste prior to discharging the water to a stream, pond, or river. Remember to prevent plumbing problems by not flushing rocks, sticks, or kitty litter down the toilet. Cat feces may be scooped out and flushed down the toilet, but used litter should be put in a closed bag for disposal as household garbage.

#### **Bury it in the yard.**

Dig a hole or trench that is about 5 inches deep, and away from vegetable gardens, ponds, streams, rivers, ditches

or wells. Fully cover the waste with soil. When the waste begins to decay, valuable nutrients are released as fertilizer for nearby plants.

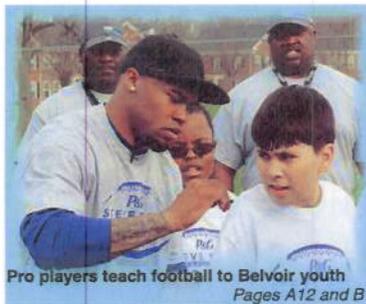
#### **Put it in the trash.**

Bag the waste and place the closed bags in the trash.

#### **Around Your Home:**

For yard pet waste, be sure to clean up areas near wells, drainage ditches, waterways, and storm drains. Promptly remove pet waste from areas where children play. To prevent possible contamination, thoroughly wash hands with soap and water, after any contact with pet waste.





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## Up Front

### National Alcohol Screening Day

Fort Belvoir Community and the Fort Belvoir Army Substance Abuse Program Staff will observe National Alcohol Screening Day today, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Fort Belvoir Exchange.

National Alcohol Screening Day is an outreach, education, and screening program that raises awareness about alcohol misuse and refers individuals with alcohol problems for further evaluation.

For more information, call James Peters, Prevention Coordinator at (703) 805-1010.

### Tax Center

The Fort Belvoir Tax Center is no longer accepting appointments before April 15. The Tax Center will only accept walk-in clients April 14 and 15. After April 15, the Tax Center will accept appointments for Tax Extensions, Tax Amendments and Prior Year Tax Returns. For more information call the Tax Center at (703) 805-5618.

### Teen Job Fair

The Fort Belvoir Army Community Service Employment Readiness Program is hosting a Teen Employment Workshop and Job Fair Wednesday at the ACS building from 10 a.m.-noon. The fair is open to teen dependents of active duty military, retired military and Department of Defense civilians. Attendees must pre-register by calling (703) 805-4590.

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### Little League baseball opening day

The 2014 spring Little League baseball season kicks off Saturday, 10 a.m. at the 21st Street Complex.

For more information, email coachbill2@verizon.net.

### Circus tickets available

The Leisure Travel Services Office, in the Fort Belvoir Community Center, sells tickets to performances of Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey Circus. Shows are at the Patriot Center, Saturday, Sunday and April 19-20. Special military pricing for children and adults is \$27. Call (703) 805-3714 for more information.

Garrison Field Day Hours

## Soldiers asked to show 'social courage' to stop sexual assault

By Brittany Carlson  
Staff writer

Army leaders want to stop sexual assault, but to do that, they need everyone's help.

At the Fort Belvoir Sexual Assault Awareness Month Kickoff and Proclamation Signing April 3, Maj. Gen. Jeffrey J. Snow, Department of Defense Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office, director, asked community members to stand up against sexual harassment.

"Every Soldier needs to personally demonstrate the kind of social courage it takes to step up and stop sexual assault," Snow said. "Social courage is having the guts to safely step up and stop it or to seek help when you see inappropriate or illegal behavior."

The theme for Sexual Assault Awareness Month: "Speak Up! A voice unheard is an Army defeated."

During the event, hosted by the Fort Belvoir Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention Office, Snow highlighted new DoD policies designed to improve sexual assault response, but stressed Soldiers' individual responsibility to intervene before as-



Photo by T.D. Jackson

Maj. Gen. Jeffrey Snow, Department of Defense Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office director, was the keynote speaker for the kickoff event for Sexual Assault Awareness Month hosted by Fort Belvoir's Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention team April 3.

saults take place.

"Sexual assaults occur in environments where crude and offensive behavior, unwanted sexual attention, coercion and sexual harassment are tolerated, condoned, or worse, ignored. These are the

behaviors we're seeking to change, and that is why we're putting specific initiatives in place," he said.

Those initiatives include the Special Victims Counsel program. (In the Military District of Washington, there are

two SVCs.)

"Victims have access to trained advocates and dedicated legal representation from the time they report," Snow said.

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## Watershed Cleanup sets trash collection record

By Brittany Carlson  
Staff writer

Volunteers collected record amounts of trash along Fort Belvoir's shorelines last weekend during Fort Belvoir's annual Potomac River Watershed Cleanup.

"This was by far the most successful year of the cleanup since my involvement in 2009," said Kevin Walter, natural resource specialist with the Directorate of Public Works Natural Resource Division.

About 200 volunteers collected 150 bags of trash, along with five 50-gallon drums, 60 tires and about 500 pounds of scrap metal from the Pohick Bay, Accotink Bay and Creek, Gunston Cove, Potomac River and Dogue Creek areas, he said.

They also found a few surprises. "I found half of a fishing pole," said Abby Heffner, 10, who volunteered with Girl Scout Troop 266, out of Lorton, Va.

"Littering is not good because then poor, innocent people have to come out to clean it up for you," she said.

Some of the biggest contributions came from local organizations, in-



Photo by Brittany Carlson

Left to right: Gale Bernatz, troop leader for Girl Scout Daisy Troop 1444 (out of Rose, Hill, Va.) looks on as Robin Bernatz, 6, and Marisol Larios, 6, pick up an old rope to throw away during Fort Belvoir's Potomac River Watershed Cleanup Sunday.

cluding Level 3 Communications, Walter added.

"This year they cleaned the western shore of Accotink Bay that has never been cleaned since Hurricane

Isabel dumped loads of trash in 2003. Level 3 cleaned up 18 tires and roughly 30 bags of trash," he said.

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## Hollister Petraeus shares money management tips

# Fort Belvoir police officer receives award

## Crawford promoted to training officer

By **Brittany Carlson**  
Staff writer

Fort Belvoir Police Officer 1st Lt. Scott Crawford was named the 2013 Civilian Police Officer of the Year by the Mount Vernon-Lee Chamber of Commerce in a ceremony Monday at the Fort Belvoir Police Department Headquarters.

He was nominated for the Civilian Police Officer of the Year award for his leadership and professionalism, said John Cerra, Law Enforcement Division, chief.

"He is the epitome of professionalism. His uniform always looks great; he's always doing the right thing," Cerra said.

"It's a pretty prestigious award," he added. "They actually vote on this at the Chamber of Commerce."

During the same ceremony, Crawford was promoted from second lieutenant to first lieutenant to take on a new position: training officer for the Law Enforcement Division.

Formerly, Crawford served as a watch commander for the patrol division — the senior police officer on a shift. Now, he's part of the command team.

"It's not every day we get to promote one of our own, and Lieutenant Crawford, I think, is almost made for

this position," Cerra said. "He loves training. He's a very knowledgeable, very professional police officer and to bring him up in rank and make him our training officer is a good thing. It's going to be great for the organization and great for him professionally."

There was also a lot of competition for the training officer position, with around 160 total applicants, he added.

Crawford has 22 years of experience as a civilian police officer at local, state and federal levels. He joined the Fort Belvoir police force three years ago. He is also an officer in the Army National Guard.

"I'm very honored by this award," Crawford said during the ceremony. "Not too long after I got here, the military side of house called up and I had to go away for a year, so I kind of dedicated myself last year to putting forth my best effort here and hopefully I did that. I tried to put a lot of effort into the training, into making my shift the best it could be. I look forward to working with you in another role and hopefully we can make some good things happen."

The Fort Belvoir Police Department is part of the Directorate of Emergency Services. For more information, visit <https://www.belvoir.army.mil/des/lawenforcement.asp>.



Photo by Brittany Carlson

1st Lt. Scott Crawford (left), now the training officer for the Fort Belvoir Law Enforcement Division receives his new rank from John Cerra, chief of the Law Enforcement Division, Monday. During his promotion ceremony, Crawford was also presented with the Mount Vernon-Lee Chamber of Commerce 2013 Civilian Police Officer of the Year award.



Photos by Brittany Carlson

Girl Scout Troop 266 members Abby Heffner, 10 (in pink) picks up trash while Alex Heffner, 15 (in green), hands litter to Tiffany Heffner, troop leader, during Fort Belvoir's Potomac River Watershed Cleanup Sunday.

## Volunteers beautify Belvoir watershed

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"The Belvoir Waterfowlers came out with four boats and 10 volunteers and collected several dozen bags of trash, 50-gallon drums and 25 tires," he added. "Two Soldiers from the 300 Area Marina cleaned up the shoreline along the 300 area, which is inaccessible to the public. They cleaned up about a dozen bags of trash and a

dozen tires using their boat as well."

On Sunday afternoon, groups spread out along Fort Belvoir's shoreline, putting trash in bags and lugging tires to vehicles.

To keep things interesting for her Girl Scout Daisy Troop 1444 (Rose Hill, Va.), troop leader Gale Bernatz played the "I Spy" game with the 6-year-olds.

"I spy something orange," she said, as one of her Daisies picked up a piece of plastic. "That's definitely



Navy Sea Cadets Jamie Hoge, 13, left, and Jonathan Barrientos, 14, carry tires they found in the Potomac River during Fort Belvoir's Potomac River Watershed Cleanup Sunday.

not something that you find in nature. How do you think that got there?"

The Watershed Cleanup presented a fun way for her Scouts to practice conservation, one of the topic's they are learning about, Bernatz said.

"We were thinking about how to take care of the Earth as part of our studies and the ladies decided they wanted to be a part of the Watershed Cleanup, so we're really fortunate to

find this chance at Fort Belvoir," she said. "This is such a fabulous place and a great opportunity for the girls to get out and help the community."

Meanwhile, Navy Sea Cadets Jonathan Barrientos, 14, and Jamie Hoge, 13, patrolled the Basin Trail and found a couple of tires in the Potomac River, which they carried back to the trash pickup site.

"It's important to clean our rivers," Barrientos said.

"We don't want any fish getting stuck in garbage. We want the rivers clean for people as well."

The DPW Natural Resources Division hosted the event in conjunction with the Alice Ferguson Foundation.

For more information on other local watershed cleanup events, visit <http://fergusonfoundation.org/trash-free-potomac-watershed-initiative/potomac-river-watershed-cleanup>.

## Month of the Military Child Events

**Friday**  
• **Military Multiples Support Group:** The support group for parents who have twins, multiples and high births is at Army Community Center, 1000...

• **Scream Free Parenting Course:** Scream Free Parenting is a "revolutionary approach" to raising your kids by keeping your cool. Parents will have the opportunity to learn how to relate to their children in a calm, cool and connected...

The fests feature a day of games, prizes and crafts. The Family Advocacy Program will conduct Bingo and the FAP staff will prepare a display table of giveaways. They are hosted by Child, Youth and School Services and Directorate of Family and...

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## Servicemembers support local community at Route 1 Cleanup

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By Justin Creech, Belvoir Eagle

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*ServiceMaster employee DiAnne Anderson and owner Jane Gandee pitch in during a Route 1 Cleanup event hosted by Fort Belvoir and the Mount Vernon-Lee Chamber of Commerce, Saturday.*

Representatives from the Fort Belvoir Garrison Command team, the installation Marine Corps Detachment, servicemembers at Fort Belvoir and local community members joined the Mount Vernon-Lee Chamber of Commerce in the annual Route 1 Cleanup Saturday.

The goal of the event is to build camaraderie among military and civilian community members while cleaning up Route 1 in the process, according to Jacqueline Leeker, Fort Belvoir Garrison Public Affairs office, community relations chief.

"It's good to volunteer to make the community a better place," said Holly Hicks Dougherty, executive director, Mount Vernon-Lee Chamber of Commerce. "All these people, the work they do, gives them a better connection to the community. If you help clean it, you are not going to do anything to make it dirty."

Dougherty has led the Route 1 Cleanup the last 12 years and likes the message that Fort Belvoir's involvement says to the civilian members of the community.

"It says they have an investment in the community even though they aren't going to be here permanently," said Dougherty. "It shows that they care about the community."

Community groups coming together for a good cause will help the community be successful in the future, according to Lt. Col. Brian P. Zarchin, Fort Belvoir Garrison Headquarters Battalion commander.

Zarchin quoted legendary Green Bay Packers coach, Vince Lombardi to illustrate his point.

"Lombardi said, 'People who work together will win, whether it be against complex football defenses, or the problems of modern society,'" Zarchin quoted.

Cleaning up the community and hanging out with friends is why Marine Sergeants Doug Watson and Nicholas Goodman, Fort Belvoir Marine Corps Detachment participated in the cleanup, according to Watson.

"It doesn't take much to get us to come out and support the community," said Watson. "We get to meet new faces and spend some time with our friends. Plus, it obviously leaves a little less trash on the highway."

The message to local community members that servicemembers care about the community's well-being is an important part of the clean up, according to Watson.

"Everywhere you go in the military there's going to be someone who doesn't want you in their area," Watson said. "So, this event says we aren't that bad and we are here to help and not overtake the community."

A Marine Corps saying is also why Watson and Goodman joined the effort on Saturday, according to Goodman.

"Just because it was trashy when we got there doesn't mean we leave it that way," said Goodman. "So, when we go somewhere, we want to try to make it look better than when we got there."

Creating a better sense of community well-being is another benefit of the clean up, according to Dougherty.

"Just clean the roads," said Dougherty. "I think it gives all of us a better sense of investment in what goes on in the community."

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