

Between the Flyer

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DOD Notifies Congress of Preparations to Furlough Employees

[Full Article Here.](#) **If** sequestration occurs unabated, it would mean furloughing most of the civilian workforce (both Title 5 and Title 32) for 22 discontinuous days by the end of September forcing employees to incur losses amounting to a 20 percent pay cut over that period (mid April –end September 2013).

It's not too early to start planning in the event of sequestration & furloughs becomes a reality. Check out Military OneSource for their options for budgeting, cutting cost of living, as well as stress and coping resources and on demand counselors who are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. MilitaryOneSource.mil or call 1-800-342-9647.

ALSO: Stay tuned for upcoming seminars & workshops to help you & your family prepare for this events both in regards to your finances and managing your stress.



Military Saves Week 25 February - 2 March

NEW Starting this year, everyone can take the Military Saves Pledge, even if you have pledged in the past, YOU can take the pledge and encourage everyone to pledge or re-pledge today at www.militarysaves.org/take-the-pledge

Upcoming Workshops at Hanscom Airman & Family Readiness Center for Military Saves Week

TUE 26 FEB from noon–12:45p: **Refinancing Your Home** Seminar. Presented by Hanscom Federal Credit Union (HFCU)

WED 27 FEB from 1–1:45p: **Thrift Savings Plan Insights**

WED 27 FEB from 2–4p: **Family Financial Fun Fair**—for Adults: Budgeting & Savings Tools, Wheel of Fortunes & Finance Q&A with HFCU. For Kids: Paint Your Own Piggy Bank, and Feed the Pig activities.

THU 28 FEB from 5–6:30p: **Become a Successful Couponer.** Change the way you shop forever! Learn specifics on how to shop at department stores, chain drug stores, and local grocery stores.

Please email 66.fss.fsfr.cmb@hanscom.af.mil or call 781-225-2765 to register.

Serving the Total Force... Programs are free to all military personnel, DoD civilians, retired military personnel and family members.



Operation Purple Camp Registration NOW OPEN!

Summer is just around the corner and so is Operation Purple Camp! The national Military Family Association has collaborated with outstanding camp partners to continue supporting military kids with OPC. At OPC embrace being “purple” and bring together military kids from all ranks and services—to the include National Guard and Reserve components—over a unique and memorable summer camp experience.



[Apply for you child now!](#) Or learn more about [camp locations!](#)



The Society of American Military Engineers Summer Camp for High School Students

The Society of American Military Engineers offers a very unique series of engineering camps designed for High School students who excel in math, science and technical courses and are interested in pursuing engineering in college. These one-week camps are high energy, hands-on events for students from across the country and around the world. The camps are led by a professional staff of engineers from both private industry and the military services.

Society of



American Military Engineers

The link [here](#) for SAME program details. Deadlines for application vary by service branches. Deadline date are found on the [Home Page](#).

Family Day at Ecotarium SAT 16 MAR in Worcester, MA

Spend some time exploring the [Ecotarium](#) in Worcester with your children free of charge! The Ecotarium is a unique indoor-outdoor museum with many hands-on family-friendly exhibits.



Supported by [Operation Military Kids](#) this event is to honor military children who sacrifice so much when their parent is deployed. Registration 11am-2pm so bring a lunch and spend the day or pop in later for some afternoon fun. Museum closes at 5pm.



Registration is required & open to IMMEDIATE family members of servicemembers only. The servicemember does not have to be present. All children must be accompanied by an adult and chaperoned throughout the event. There is a limit so first come, first served!

To register, send the following information to: [Paula Burgielewicz](#) by email or at 800-374-4446: Name of Servicemember, Branch and Unit of Service, List the name of each person attending (IMMEDIATE family members only are allowed) and their relationship to the servicemember. Include the age of anyone under 18., Mailing Address, Email Address & Telephone (landline or cell). **Siblings of service members and survivor children are eligible to attend**

FREE Military Photo Book

The USO and RocketLife have partnered to offer a FREE 20 page personal photo book that ships to ANY US military address completely free (APO, FPO or MPO). These softcover 5×7 photo books would fit perfectly in a soldier's cargo pocket and they can hold up to 60 photos.



Directions:

1. Just head on over here and click the "Get Your Promo Code" button
2. Fill out the form with the destination shipping address (APO/FPO or MPO).
3. Load your pictures and see them transformed into amazing layouts.
4. Customize every detail or let RocketLife's Smart Arrangement™ technology do it for you.
5. If desired, copy your book design to posters, puzzles, mugs, cards, calendars, and more.
6. Enter your code at checkout to get your free photo book.

Citi Veterans Breakfast

TUE 05 MAR @ 8 a.m.
Langham Hotel, Franklin St, Boston MA

Citigroup welcomes US military veterans & business leaders from a select group of Boston area employers for an opportunity to network. Submit your resume and discuss employment opportunities with some of the area's most interesting companies.

Companies attending so far: Fidelity, Eaton Vance, TJX Companies, Digital Lumens, Ambri & Harpoon Brewery

Kindly RSVP to Nicholas.Dutter@citi.com This event is hosted by Citigroup.

Project New Hope Male Veterans Retreat

08—10 MAR @ Camp Wightman Griswold, CT

Project New Hope Inc provides free weekend retreats throughout New England for Veterans and their families to include, Active Duty, National Guard and Reserve members with education, training and skills to assist with memory difficulties, concentration, organizing daily task, stress management and to improve marriages and committed relationships to integrate back into the community.

Workshop Details: Retreats are from FRI afternoon, 3:00 p.m., to Sunday 2:00 p.m., and include workshops and holistic treatments ECT

Space is limited to 50 per event. The retreat is free and all meals are provided. If you are interested in attending, please utilize contact information below to sign up at <http://www.projectnewhopema.org/sign-up/>



FREE Seeds for 2013 Growing Season

Vegetable, flower and herb seeds are now available for use by schools, Boy Scouts, 4-H Clubs, Girl Scouts, community gardens or any educational-based or youth group for the price of postage!

You may pay \$2.00 postage and handling for every 10 packets of seed you order.

This program has been made possible through the generous donation of seeds by Ocean State Job Lot, as well as through the efforts of URI Master Gardener volunteers. NOTE: Seed can only be mailed within the New England region.

Click [here](#) for full details or contact the Outreach Center at 401-874-2900.



The American Legion Boys State & American Legion Auxiliary Girls State

American Legion Boys State and American Legion Auxiliary Girls State are the premier programs for teaching how government works while developing leadership skills & an appreciation for your rights as a citizen. As a participant in the program, you will run for office, learn public speaking, create and enforce laws and actively participate in all phases of creating and running a working government in this exciting and fun summer program.



You'll meet other students from across your state who will become friends for life; You'll develop confidence and leadership skills that will shape your future; Many states offer scholarships or admission preference for attendees of Boys or Girls State.



For more specific information about your Boys or Girls State program, (1) go to <http://www.boysandgirlsstate.org/> and click on the appropriate Boys or Girls icon below and then use the locator on that page to find the contact information for your state or (2) contact Susan LaFlame in the Child and Youth Program office, who represented American Legion Post 303 at Girls State when she was in high school.

Admission and selection criteria vary from state to state. You must have completed your junior year of high school and have at least one semester of high school remaining to be eligible to participate.

If you are interested in applying you can ask your local high school counselor about the program or feel free to call us at 1-888-301-3103 X7290 or X7952 and we can find answers to your questions. Deadlines vary depending on your American Legion Auxiliary post, we hear they are coming up in April. Ask today!



Hanscom Spouses Club
Scholarship Auction & “Shake Your Shamrock Gala”
SAT 16 MAR @ the Commons, Hanscom AFB from 5:30—9:30 p.m.

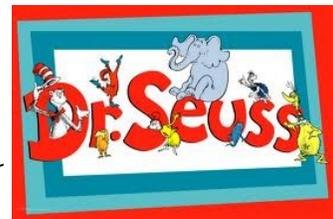
Hanscom Spouses Club sponsors this event to raise money for scholarships, which are awarded to high school seniors and spouses of service members living within a 150 mile radius of Hanscom AFB. There will be a variety of items for everyone, including homemade desserts.

Reservations are now available [online](#). Cost is \$25/pp & includes sit down dinner. Dress: Cocktail. RSVP by FRI 08 MAR. Contact Robyn Kedrow at 781-861-8642 or webmaster@hanscomsc.org with any questions.

Dr Seuss Birthday Celebration

SAT 02 MAR from 11 a.m.—noon—FREE event @ [West Falmouth Library](#)

Join Miss Amy & Miss Roseann for a family event they celebrate Dr. Seuss’s Birthday. Families with children 2.5 up to 8 can join in for games, crafts & stories.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES: Internal Security Associates

Internal Security Associates, a private security company is seeking military, highly experienced security and law enforcement personnel for employment opportunities throughout the Commonwealth as Armed and Unarmed Security officers. Click [here](#) for MA job postings.

Qualified job seekers should send their resume to Juli Lamotte at jlamotte@isa.us.com and indicate that H2H was their source for learning about the open positions.

FREE Entrepreneurial Bootcamp for Veterans' Families

Syracuse University is currently accepting applications for its FREE Entrepreneurial Bootcamp for Veterans' Families: Military Family Members/Spouses, thinking of starting a business. The Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for Veterans’ Families (EBV-F) program is currently accepting applications. For this session, current military spouses with a desire to start their own business may also apply.

The EBV-F program integrates training in small business management, with caregiver and family issues, positioning the family member to launch and grow a small business in a way that is complementary or enhancing to other family responsibilities. Modeled after the existing Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for Veterans with Disabilities (EBV) initiative, the EBV Families program will be offered without any cost to accepted applicants.

Visit them [online](#) for more information.



Making Marriage Work After Deployment Seminar

THU 28 FEB

Hanscom Airman & Family Readiness Center

If you're married and you or your spouse has been or will be deployed in the future, please join in this enlightening seminar.

A look at the unique challenges of reuniting as a couple post-deployment, with solutions and skills for building a more stable, satisfying relationship. Topics will include: how deployment impacts marriage, how to set realistic expectations, and how to communicate more effectively.



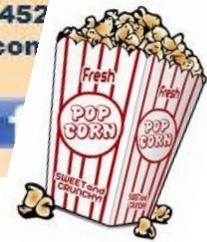
Presented by Hanscom's Military and Family Life Consultant.

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Serving the Total Force... Programs are free to all single and married military personnel, DoD civilians, retired military personnel and family members.

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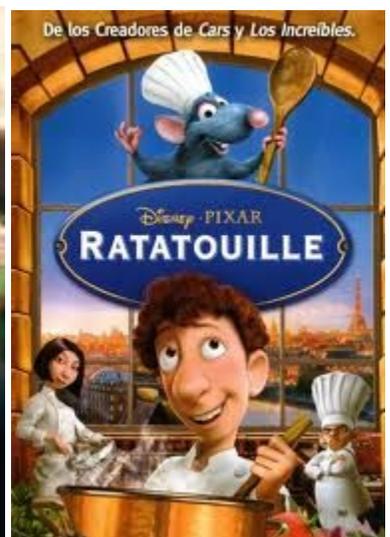
To find out what's playing http://www.mwrcapecod.com/forms/roxy_theater_schedule1.pdf

FRI 22 FEB @ 7:30

SAT 23 FEB @ 4:30

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SUN 24 FEB @ 2:00



TAX HELP

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2013 MASSACHUSETTS NATIONAL GUARD FREE INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE & ASSET BUILDING PROGRAM



The Massachusetts National Guard is proud to offer free tax preparation and asset building services to ALL SERVICEMEMBERS and POST 9/11 VETERANS in Massachusetts. In 2012 we prepared over 1,500 tax returns and saved Servicemembers, Veterans and their Families close to \$240,000 in tax preparation fees. We are experts in preparing returns for the military and we do it for FREE. We hope that you utilize our program in 2013. –MAJ Shannon McLaughlin

PROGRAM LOCATIONS

Cape Cod, Chicopee, Devens, Milford, Reading, Wellesley, Worcester



BOOK AN APPOINTMENT ONLINE

<http://massguard.org/appointments/>

If you have any questions about the program you can email SGT Marroquin at freetaxes@massguard.org

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THIS PROGRAM? : ALL ACTIVE, GUARD, & RESERVE SERVICE-MEMBERS FROM ALL MILITARY BRANCHES LIVING IN OR IN A UNIT IN MASSACHUSETTS. ALL POST 9/11 VETERANS LIVING IN MASSACHUSETTS.

CAN YOU PREPARE STATE RETURNS?: YES. ALL OF THEM.

FAQs

CAN YOU PREPARE ALL TYPES OF RETURNS: YES, WE PREPARE MOST TYPES BUT SOME ADVANCED TAX FORMS FALL OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF THE PROGRAM.

WHEN CAN I MAKE AN APPOINTMENT?: WE WILL START TAKING APPOINTMENTS THE LAST WEEK IN JANUARY. THE IRS WILL ACCEPT E-FILES STARTING ON JANUARY 31ST.

DO I NEED AN APPOINTMENT TO HAVE MY RETURN PREPARED? YES, PLEASE EMAIL SGT MARROQUIN AND SHE WILL CONTACT YOU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

IS THIS SERVICE FREE?: YES. WE PREPARE & E-FILE, ALL FOR FREE.

WHO DO I CONTACT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS?: PLEASE EMAIL SGT MARROQUIN.

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