

May 2019

Bolling Family Housing INSIGHTS

NEWS & STORIES



May is the Month of Remembrance...



Our President's Message



I want to welcome you to the first ever President's Message. I'm excited to have this opportunity going forward to fill you in on some of the things happening at Hunt Military Communities nationwide, and to tell you a little bit more about our employees and our dedication to you, our residents. 58% of our employees

have some personal military affiliation. They are either retired military, a veteran, spouse, or was a military child. This special bond with the armed forces allows us to understand first-hand some of the challenges military families face, and helps drive our desire to take care of everyone who is a part of a Hunt Military Community. At Hunt, an important part of our job is to share our endless gratitude with our residents. Staff shows their appreciation for residents in a variety of ways. From weekly get-to-know-your-neighbor events to partnering with military nonprofits, our mission is focused on giving back to our residents who give so much, and to the communities that support them. Hunt is committed to supporting positive change for our residents, employees and our neighboring communities through efforts that are focused on military issues, health, education, housing, and community betterment. We know you have a choice in where you want to live, and we are grateful you trust us to serve you.

Best,

John Ehle
President
Hunt Military Communities

Hunt Military Communities Non-Profit Organization- Major Sponsor of wear blue: run to remember

Our running community unites and supports military and their families, veterans, Gold Star families, and civilians through active remembrance and meaningful relationships. We motivate and empower individuals to a healthier, more inspired living. More than 500,000 military members and, their families participate.

Wear Blue Run to remember was founded following the redeployment of 5-2 Stryker Brigade Combat Team, a unit that while deployed to Afghanistan in support Operation Enduring Freedom, sustained a significant amount of combat losses and casualties

During the deployment, a small group of 5-2 wives and battalion support staff met weekly to run, seeking to create a support network for one another during this challenge and heartbreaking deployment.

When the brigade returned, two of those army wives and avid runners, Lisa Hallet and Erin O'Connor turned this small group into a nationwide vision that now helps thousands heal from and work through the more challenging aspects of military life during a time of war. Lisa's husband, CPT John Hallet, was one of four soldiers killed in that unit August 25, 2009

Today this group runs to honor all military members killed in combat and has evolved into a powerful network of active duty and retired service members, military families, Wounded Warriors, Gold Star families, and community members.

Wear Blue athletes meet to honor the fallen and train for endurance events. At the start of their runs, the name of each military member killed on that weekend over the last thirteen years of war is called out in a Circle of Remembrance. Then wear blue runners call out names of those they for whom they personally run-their husbands, wives, parents, siblings, battle buddies, neighbors and/or friends.

Hunt Wear Blue- uses the power of community and the accessibility of running and walking for community members to serve as a living memorial and honors generations of America's fallen heroes.



"Being deeply loved by someone gives you strength. Loving someone deeply gives you courage." -- Lao Tzu

The Friday in May before Mother's Day, this special day was first recognized by President Ronald Reagan in 1984. The sitting president typically issues a proclamation in recognition of the holiday, while celebrations are held on and near U.S. military bases around the world.

May is also host to a series of other military holidays, including [Military Appreciation Month](#), established in 1999; Victory in Europe (VE) Day, commemorating the end of WWII in Europe on May 8, 1945; and Armed Forces Day, designated in 1949. [Memorial Day](#), the only official federal holiday in May, is celebrated the last Monday of the month.

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SAVE THE DATES

May 5 Cinco de Mayo

Cinco de Mayo is a great way to celebrate and welcome May. Check your local D.C. events calendars for all the happenings in the area! <http://washington.org/find-dc-listings/dc-events>

May 10 Military Spouse Appreciation Day

On this day, we honor all Military Spouses for your dedication and commitment to your families, and our military community. Please stop by the Bolling Family Housing Office between the hours of 8am – 3:00pm, and pick up a rose and a box of chocolates.

May 12 Mother's Day

Celebrate Your #1 Lady - Mom - This Mother's Day. Things to Do with Mom in the D.C. area. Choose from plays and musicals, concerts and blockbuster museum exhibitions. There's also teas and hands-on craft workshops. Check out every event at the DC event website. There are even restaurant suggestions along with info to reserve your parking spot! Make Mother's Day a Memorable Day for you and your Mom.

May 15 National Chocolate Chip Day

Chocolate Chip Cookies served all day in the Bolling Family Housing Office.

May 18 Armed Forces Day

Check out all the events around the D.C. area
<https://washington.org/find-dc-listings/dc-events>

May 24 Wear Blue Run



Walk/Run, join the team in honor of our fallen heroes by participating in this year's Run to Wear Blue run to remember event. May 24, 2019. Registration 8:45am, event will be held on base at the track across from the commissary. Check your email for details.
www.wearblueruntoremember.org/memorial-day

May 24 Memorial Day Splash Park Opens

Opening, May 24, 2019. This summer is sure to be filled with FUN activities at the *Splash Park!* **Splash Park - Grand Opening** held on June 15, 2019. Details in the June Newsletter.



May Resident Calendar

			1	2 Kids Club 4-5:30pm	3 First Friday Breakfast 7:30-9am	4
5 Cinco de Mayo	6	7 Popcorn Tuesday	8	9 Kids Club 4-5:30pm	10 Military Spouse Day Flowers and Chocolates 8am to 3:00pm	11
12 Mothers Day	13	14 Pinterest Crafts 3:30pm - 5:30pm	15 Chocolate Chip Cookie Day In the officie	16 Kids Club 4-5:30pm	17	18
19	20	21 Popcorn Tuesday	22 Yard of the Month	23 Kids Club 4-5:30pm	24 Splash Park Opening	25
26	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30 Kids Club 4-5:30pm	31	

**All resident events are held in the Bolling Family Housing
 community center located at
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