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LONE STAR

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NEWS UPDATES



[VA to waive co-pays for Whole Health medical services](#)

[Some vets get 12 extra months of college benefits under new VA rules](#)

[VA to resume new electronic health record rollout in mid-2026](#)

[Senate finalizes plans for a massive junior enlisted pay boost in 2025](#)



In Eagle Pass, Texas, members of the Texas Guard's Riverine Platoon and Brush Ops team clear debris for better patrol visibility while monitoring the shoreline of the Rio Grande. Regular maintenance of existing fortifications are part of Operation Lone Star's mission to detect, deter and interdict illegal immigrants and stop transnational crime along the Texas-Mexico border.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



The Speed of Trust for Families provides participants with engaging and powerful tools to increase trust in their most valuable relationships and to create even stronger bonds with those they love and with whom they associate.
-Stephen M. R. Covey

Register For Family Wellness
ARNG-FY25-06540



Instructor's for BSRT:
[CH \(MAJ\) Gutierrez, Milton](#)

CIVILIAN
ATTIRE ONLY

WHO: TXARNG Families
WHAT: Speed Of Trust Family Wellness Event
WHEN: 24-26 Jan 2025
WHERE: Westchase Hilton Houston, TX
Use QR code to sign up for the event or each out to Alexandria Linares
Alexandria.n.linares.civ@army.mil



Weekly Devotions

Sometimes we are called to do great acts of kindness or make great sacrifices. But this is seldom normal. Usually we have the opportunity for many small acts of love and service, and are called to make many small sacrifices. The significance and power of these cannot be underestimated.



WUTHERING WAVES

Windows | Mobile | PS5

Genre: Action RP

Release Date: January 2, 2025



[Games that are funny](#)

[Best games of 2024](#)

FREEDOM WARS

REMASTERED

PS Vita | PS4/5 | Switch | Windows

Genre: Action RP

Release Date: January 10, 2025

BLADE CHIMERA

Windows

Genre: Action

Release Date: January 16, 2025



Switch | 3DS | Wii

Genre: Platform

Release Date: January 16, 2025



TF EAST

VA has updated its process for awarding GI Bill benefits, which means that many Veterans who served multiple periods of military service (for example, Veterans who reenlisted) will be eligible for an additional year of benefits for themselves or their beneficiaries.

Specifically, under the previous policy, eligible Veterans who served at least two periods of service were forced to choose between the [Montgomery GI Bill](#) and the [Post-9/11 GI Bill](#) for a maximum of 36 months of GI Bill benefits. Under the updated policy, Veterans will no longer have to make that choice when they apply for benefits, meaning that they can qualify for up to 48 months of GI Bill benefits.

Many Veterans are also now eligible for additional, retroactive benefits. Specifically, Veterans who served at least two periods of service — one that qualified them for the Montgomery GI Bill ([Active Duty](#) and [Selected Reserve](#)) and a second that qualified them for the [Post-9/11 GI Bill](#) — may be eligible to receive 12 months of additional, retroactive GI Bill benefits (bringing them to a total of 48 months). For more information on how VA education and training benefits are impacted by this change, visit the [Rudisill webpage](#).

If you have questions about your GI Bill benefits, you can submit them through [Ask VA](#). **To use Ask VA, you must have an [authenticated VA account](#).**

President Biden has authorized the closure of all federal agencies as a National Day of Mourning for the passing of President James Earl Carter Jr. through Executive Order 11582. Thursday, January 9, 2025

T32 Military Technicians (T32 MilTechs) and T5 National Guard Employees (T5 NGE) – will not report to work unless mission dictates. Employees will use ATAAPS code Leave Holiday (LH) for January 9th. Those with pre-approved leave on that day may recode the day as LH. Supervisors requiring technicians to work on January 9th will request permission from the TMD Human Resource Office no later than 1500 hrs on January 8th with justification for the requirement. No late submissions will be approved. Employees required to work on January 9th are not entitled to an “in-lieu of” holiday as they will receive premium pay. HRO will provide the appropriate ATAAPS code to supervisors upon approving their request for an employee to work on January 9th.

~~SORRY SERVICEMEMBER ON OLS – State employees – will report for regularly scheduled work~~

The Warman Trio



Sun, 2:45 – 4:45 PM
[Texas Trails RV Resort, 501 W Owassa Rd Pharr, TX](#) [Click here](#)

Gun Show

Saturday & Sunday

[McAllen Convention Center](#)
 700 Convention Center Blvd
 McAllen, Texas 78501 **Sat 9-6**
Sun 9-5 Jan 11 & 12, 2 \$8 Entry Fee
 Free Parking [Click here](#)

Edinburg, TX ROADSHOW: Free 5-Day Only Buying Event!

Tuesday, January 7th, 2025 - Saturday, January 11th, 2025 for our **FREE** five-day event. Evaluate your precious metals, coins, collectibles, and antiques! **Location: Holiday Inn Express & Suites Edinburg-McAllen Area 3801 S Business Hwy 281, Edinburg, TX 78539**

7 DAY FORECAST FOR YOUR AREA

1 PM	4 PM	7 PM	10 PM	1 AM	4 AM	7 AM
Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
50° 45°	53° 43°	59° 44°	68° 49°	62° 51°	60° 50°	61° 50°



OLS Rally Point

PAY DATES FY25							
TASK FORCE	Period	Days	Date Paid		Period	Days	Date Paid
TF EAST	1 Jan - 31 Jan 25	31	6-7 Feb	1	1 Feb - 26 Feb 25	26	6-7 Mar
TXSG	1 Jan - 31 Jan 25	30			1 Feb - 28 Feb 25	27	



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CRITICAL INFORMATION

endangered
when
neglected ...

irreplaceable
when lost.



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