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St. Patrick's Day may be better known as an excuse for a party than a day celebrating the legacy of a Saint. Green beer with corned beef and cabbage are on countless menus during the month of March. Many jokingly discuss their plans and luck at chasing leprechauns or searching for pots of gold at the end of

Do you feel lucky? Is there such a thing as luck? I appreciate games of chance, but life isn't a game --- is it. In my pre-Chaplain years, several trips to Vegas taught me a very important lesson. The odds are always on the house. We might have tools or calculations to narrow those odds but there are certain systems and ways in this world that lead to set outcomes despite our desire to change or beat them.

Some are convinced they can hone their skills at the table and play their cards in a way that will hopefully hit the jackpot or avoid going broke. After all, doesn't luck favor the prepared? Shouldn't we just be able to imagine the way things should be; work real hard; cross our fingers; and hope they work out? Unfortunately, that course of action may lead to worse odds. I had a Commander tell me one time that hope is a poor ingredient in a battle plan.

So how do we cope with the unknown and address those ways of the world that don't fit into a neat algorithm or can't be calculated by a hard drive? I do believe it's better to be prepared than lucky. It's vital

to come to grips with a foundation that helps prepare for uncertainty. This should be a preparation that provides assurance and not one that just offers an acceptable point spread. As we get ready for deployments and missions that involve many unknowns --- are you prepared or are you gambling? Are you prepared to deal with those weighty issues that most people choose to avoid --- issues of life and death? No other peoplegroup grapples with them more than military/medical personnel or first-responders. These issues take up more of our attention the closer we get to them and the more we deal with them. They bring clarity to what's really important in the time we have.

I believe it's ok to ponder the significance of life, death, love, eternity, and similar topics. It's important to discuss them with those close to us. It's important to understand there are answers to topics that many choose to leave to chance. I agree ... hope is a poor ingredient in a battle plan. However, there's a difference between rolling the dice in hopes that the gods of fortune grant a favorable outcome, and the assurance that comes from the saving grace of the One who is Hope.

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Prayer requests may be emailed to your unit Chaplain patrick.v.maae.mil@army.mil



STARS STRIPES

Read about the dismantling of a drug trafficking organization that operated between Mexico and Texas counties.

26,000 images flagged in DEI purge.

Former U.S. Marine Pleads Guilty to Submitting False Purple Heart Application.

Think OPSEC: Don't make yourself vulnerable.



Help keep us safe: if you observe a violation, report it.

## THIS WEEK



**WWE2K25** 

Console: PS4, PS5 Genre: Sports/Wrestling Release: March 14, 2025



REPLAYS COMING TO



**FUTURE VR REPLAY REVEALS** 







Click here to get help for yourself or a buddy

## III II Y CHECK!! PICK A BUDDY TO CHECK ON TODAY.

Some warning signs may help you determine if a battle buddy is at risk for suicide, especially if their behavior is new, has increased, or seems related to a painful event, loss, or change:

- Talking about wanting to die or to kill themselves
- Talking about feeling hopeless or having no reason to live
- Talking about feeling trapped or in unbearable pain
- Talking about being a burden to others
- Increasing the use of alcohol or drugs
- Acting anxious or agitated; behaving recklessly
- Sleeping too little or too much
- Withdrawing or isolating themselves
- Showing rage or talking about seeking revenge
- Extreme mood swings

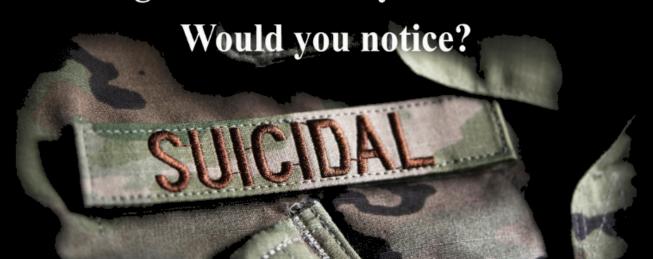
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**SUICIDE & CRISIS** <u>.IFELINE</u>

#### **Get in Touch**

The 988 Lifeline is for everyone. Through the 988 Lifeline, you have access to free, quality, one-on-one assistance. Our skilled, judgment-free counselors are here to provide compassionate support. You deserve to feel heard and cared about anytime, anywhere, 24/7/365.

The signs aren't always this obvious.











### FOB EAGLE RESOURCES GUIDE

# Upcoming Behavioral Health Classes

Join us for sessions to boost your wellbeing!



17 MARCH @ 0900: COMMUNICATION

17 MARCH @ 1500: HEALTHY THINKING

24 MARCH @ 0900: HEALTHY THINKING

24 MARCH @ 1500: COMMUNICATION

31 MARCH @ 0900: COMMUNICATION

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Support the troops in attending a class this month!



Participating in these classes not only provides valuable insights but also promotes social interaction. Engage with others who share your interests and goals for a healthier mindset.



Scan QR code to join the BH Signal chat





Click here to access the Joint Task
Force Lone Star Standards Book

#### **JOINT TASK FORCE LONE STAR**



#### STANDARDS BOOK

"Discipline is not instinctive. It must be taught, reinforced, and required!"

Author Unknown

## **OLS Workers Comp**

**Injury Report** 

Click here or scan QR to submit report



If you believe you sustained a work-related injury, submit your Worker's Compensation Injury Report through this official intake form.

## TMD Counseling Program

Promoting Emotional Wellness, Resiliency and Readiness of our Military Community.

The Texas Military Department Counseling Program can be reached via the counseling line.



The Texas Military Department (TMD) Counseling Program was created to provide free and confidential counseling to Texas Military Service Members, thereby promoting overall wellness. We are located in various cities across the state and are available to meet via telephone, video or in person. What services do our counselors provide?

- Individual counseling
- Counseling Line support
- Traumatic Event Management
- · Collaboration with Unit Leadership to promote wellness



Suicide Prevention Lifeline

1-800-273-8255



**DOD Safe Helpline** 

1-877-995-5247



**Domestic Violence Hotline** 

1-800-799-7233



\*\*Military OneSource does not apply to TXSG.

Military One Source

1-800-342-

9647



















Fri 28 March 2644 Encino Park Drive, Eagle Pass

### Click here for details

Adult Mental Health First Aid - Eagle Pass, TexasLearn how to support friends or family members dealing with mental health issues at our Adult Mental Health First Aid event in Eagle Pass.



March 15<sup>th</sup> from 1800-2200 402 E 3rd St., Del Rio

Join us on March 15th for a night of delicious eats from food trucks, awesome tunes by DJ B-RAD, and amazing vendors offering unique goodies! It's the perfect way to spend your night—supporting local, enjoying great food, and having fun!





March 14th -16th 302 Cantu St., Del Rio

### Click here for details

The Casa de la Cultura is working with the Texas Parks and Wildlife and San Felipe Creek Coalition on ways to manage the invasive fish populations in the San Felipe Creek and prevent or reduce the ecological damage caused by these invasive species, the armored catfish also known as the mud suckers.

## 7 DAY FORECAST FOR YOUR AREA



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A big shout-out to our incredible partners at The Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) and the USO for providing essential bedding items for the soldiers at FOB Eagle. We truly appreciate the continued support from our partners for the brave men and women deployed on the OLS Mission. Your generosity makes a difference!



We are committed to supporting individuals from all religious and faith backgrounds. If you need assistance or accommodations to support your beliefs, please don't hesitate to reach out.

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<b>OLS Rally Point</b>

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