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1. **CALENDAR NOTES:**
   - Founders Day (No Classes), 9 November
   - Rat Olympics, 9 November, 0800
   - DSA Luncheon, 9 November, Moody Hall, 1130
   - Founders Day Convocation, 9 November, Cameron Hall, 1300
   - Foundation Board of Trustees Meeting, 9-10 November, Neikirk Hall/Turman Hall
   - Parade, 9 November, 1530
   - Institute Society Dinner, 9 November, Marshall Hall, 1830
   - Class Agents Update, 10 November, Moody Hall
   - Military Appreciation Day, 10 November
   - Club Lacrosse & Women's Rugby vs. Citadel, 10 November, North Post, 1000
   - Parade, 10 November, 1030
   - Football vs. Citadel, 10 November, Foster Stadium, 1330
   - Rugby (D2) vs. Citadel, 10 November, North Post, 1800
   - Marine Corps Birthday Ball, 10 November, Marshall Hall, 1800
   - ABET Post Visit, 12-13 November
   - 3rd Grading Period Ends, 13 November
   - Corps Thanksgiving Dinner, 13 November
   - Basketball vs. Central Pennsylvania, 13 November, Cameron Hall, 1900
   - American Math Competition, 13 November, Marshall Hall, 0800
   - 3rd Demerit Periods Ends, 14 November
   - DSC Awardee Plaque Dedication, 14 November, Kilbourne Hall, 1115
   - Academic Board Meeting, 14 November, Smith Hall Board Room, 1430
   - Rat Challenge Picnic, 14 November, Crozet Hall, 1700
   - Ring Figure Supper, 15 November, Evans Dining Hall, 1900
   - Third Period Grades Due, 16 November, NLT 1600
   - Ring Figure Presentation, 16 November, Cameron Hall, 1330
   - Ring Figure Ball, 16 November, Marshall Hall, 2000
   - Parade, 17 November, 1030
   - Football vs. Liberty University, 17 November, 1330
   - Rifle vs. Morehead University, 17 November, Kilbourne Hall, 0800
   - Rat March, 18 November

2. **FOUNDERS DAY EVENTS:** On Friday, 9 November, VMI will celebrate one hundred and seventy-three years of distinguished service to the Commonwealth and to our Nation. There will be **no classes held** on 9 November. The Founders Day Convocation will take place at 1300 hours in Cameron Hall, followed by the Founders Day Review at 1530 hours. All members of the VMI family are urged to attend all events. Uniform for the day will be Dress Blues. The Corps of Cadets will be in Gray Blouse for the Convocation. Additional details may be found in Memorandum 15.

3. **MILITARY APPRECIATION DAY: Saturday, 10 November.** Football game event – Back in 2009, VMI Athletics Department and The Citadel agreed to bring back the *"Military Classic of the South."* General admission tickets for Saturday's 1330 kickoff are $20 for adults, $10 for youth and available at www.vmitickets.com, the Cameron Hall ticket office or by calling 540-464-7266. Presenting game day sponsor is USAA with whom the VMI Alumni and Foundation have recently "partnered". Performing the National Anthem will be the reigning Miss Virginia, Rosemary Willis of Chesapeake, VA and a student at The College of William & Mary followed by a pre-game flyover by a C-0Rugby team will compete with The Citadel in a Sevens Match. The *U.S. Army Adventure Semi 1* is scheduled for public display in the Cameron Hall parking lot just north of Foster Stadium this Saturday as part of Military Appreciation Day. The climate controlled, 18-wheel tractor trailer is 53 feet in length with a culmination of hands-on and interactive systems, which enable the public to get a glimpse of what it's like to be a Tank Crew member, Apache Pilot, Infantryman and Explosion Ordinance Disposal Soldier, just to name a few. Visitors can experience the excitement of flying or firing weapons on a helicopter, test their skills and accuracy in operating an Abrams tank, improve their marksmanship in firing the M9 on the target system, or go to the world of virtual reality in the asset's new Immersa Dome. Other Adventure Semi 1 features include: LaserShot Target System (M9), EOD Suit Display, Army Careers Kiosk, and Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Simulator. Come out and support the VMI Keydets!

4. **THE CENTER FOR LEADERSHIP AND ETHICS**
Rescheduled Lecture: Dr. William Lad Sessions, 2012 Floyd D. Gottwald '43 Visiting Chair in Leadership and Ethics, will give his lecture entitled "Morality, Honor and Brotherhood" on **Monday, 12 November from 1105 – 1215 hrs in the Gillis Theater of Marshall Hall**. Morality, honor and brotherhood are fundamental values for VMI. But what do they mean, and how do they fit together? The answers may surprise and challenge you. Join a philosophical inquiry into your basic principles. This lecture is mandatory for the second class cadets and open to others who may wish to attend as space allows.

5. **USAA ON POST:** USAA is going to be here in the PX area on Wednesday, 14 November from 0800 - 1800. USAA provides a full range of highly competitive financial products and services.

6. **AMERICA RECYCLES DAY: On November 15 – Take the Pledge!** The national recycling rate has increased every year since 1980. The current recycling rate is 34%. The VMI Recycling Club urges you to join the nation in RECYCLING MORE. For America Recycles Day 2012, take a pledge to learn what materials can be recycled, and take action to reduce your personal waste. It just takes a moment. Please get more information at http://americarecyclesday.org/pledge/.

7. **37TH ANNUAL GREAT AMERICAN SMOKEOUT (15 NOVEMBER)**: The VMI Wellness Committee and the Center for Cadet Counseling encourage tobacco users to quit for a day (Thursday, 15 November) in the hope that they may quit for good. Stop by Crozet Hall from 1100-1300 and sign an interest form so you can remain "in the loop" as VMI Wellness and the Center for Cadet Counseling plan for a tobacco cessation educational program and support group, slated for January 2013. If you are unable to stop by Crozet, send an email of interest to wellness@vmi.edu.

8. **THANKSGIVING FURLOUGH:** Thanksgiving Furlough for cadets will begin on Tuesday, 20 November, at the close of academic duty and continue through 2200 hours on Monday, 26 November.

9. **THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY:** VMI will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday beginning at noon on Wednesday, 21 November, and reopening on Monday, 26 November.

10. **UNIFORM CHANGE**: Cadets and Faculty will switch over to the winter uniform on Tuesday, 27 November.

11. **PHYSICAL PLANT UPDATES AND INFORMATION:**

Physical Plant Employee Recognition for the month of October 2012

Team Member of the Month

- CS&L – Sonya Balser
- FMT I – Cory Claytor
- FMT II – Scott Schulke
- Grounds – Eddie Sheilds
- Heat Plant – Les Marvin
- HMT/WP – Jason Davis
- Custodial I –Clayton Burch
- Custodial II – Robin Harvey
- Custodial Barracks – Freda Crawford
- Support – Aaron Groah

Congratulations! ***Eddie Shields*** Physical Plant EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Lease Vehicle Program:

- When leaving your personal vehicle at Physical Plant (Hinty Hall) to take a lease vehicle on a trip, please park your personal vehicle in a "visitor" spot when available. These parking spaces have brown signs indicating "Visitor Parking". Physical Plant employees are not allowed to park in these six spaces.

Surplus Program:

- Any request to visit K-Mart to identify needed surplus items, must be sent to: physicalpant@vmi.edu or call the help desk at 464-7357 to receive a work order number.
- K-Mart visits will only be accommodated on Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 1300 – 1500 hours.

Fire Systems Inspection:

There will be a Post-wide sprinkler inspection November 12-16. There will be no disruptions to cadets, facility or staff. If you have any questions please contact Mark Hall at 464-7048 or hallms@vmi.edu.

POST WIDE SAFETY:

Seasonal Fire Safety

http://www.vafire.com/fire_safety_education/seasonal_safety_information.htm

Fire Safety

- Keep all exit routes clear
- No items may be stored in stairwells at anytime
- All electrical panels must be accessible at all times
- All appliances must be plugged directly into a receptacle or into fused adaptors (i.e. power strips). Extension cords are for temporary use only.

All items listed are fire code violations.

12. **POST PEDDLER:** A weekly email compilation of unofficial notices for your review. Please visit the Post Peddle at www.vmi.edu/peddler. Please update or delete your previous postings as needed. Contact the Mrs. Sandra Ewald in the Human Resources Office at ext. 7322 with questions, concerns or to have old postings removed.

13. **INSTITUTE CALENDAR:** The Office of the Chief of Staff maintains the Institute calendar. If you need to add or change events currently shown on the Institute calendar, or need the most recent version of the calendar, please contact Katrina Butner at ext. 7104 or by email at (butnerkk@vmi.edu). Sherri Tombarge in the Office of Communications and Marketing maintains the Web calendar. Please contact Sherri at ext. 7207 or by email at tombargesk@vmi.edu with edits and additions.

14. **BULLETIN INFORMATION:** Anyone wishing to have information included in the bulletin should send the information to Katrina Butner (butnerkk@vmi.edu) before noon on Wednesdays.

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