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1. **CALENDAR NOTES:**
   - Bloodmobile, 5-7 February, Cameron Hall, 1145-2000
   - Department Head Meeting, 6 February, SHBR, 1430
   - Basketball @ Longwood University, 6 February, 1900
   - Valley District Indoor Track, 7 February, Cormack Field, 1500
   - Basketball vs. UNC-A, 8 February, Cameron Hall, 1900
   - Academic Speaker (Lt.Col. Paul Barron), 8 February, Scott Shipp Hall 448, 0900
   - M/W Rifle Team vs. North Georgia, 9 February, Kilbourne Hall, 0830
   - Rugby vs. Virginia Tech, 9 February, North Post, 1300
   - Midwinter Formal Hop, 9 February, Cocke Hall, 1900-2200
   - Fly Fishing Film Tour, 11 February, Gillis Theater, 1900
   - End of 1st Grading Period, 12 February
   - Legislative Reception, 12 February, Library of Virginia in Richmond
   - Basketball vs. Radford University, 13 February, Cameron Hall, 1900
   - 5th Demerit Period, 13 February
   - Admissions Open House, 15-16 February
   - Parade, 15 February, 1635
   - Wrestling vs. The Citadel, 15 February, Cocke Hall, 1930
   - Parents Council Meeting, 16 February
   - Basketball @ Campbell, 16 February, 1400
   - HB Johnson Lecture (RADM Matthew Klunder), Gillis Theater, 18 February, 1100
   - Basketball vs. High Point University, 19 February, Cameron Hall, 1900
   - Academic Board Meeting, 20 February, SHBR, 1430
   - American Math Competition, 20 February, Hall of Valor, 0800-1500
   - Wrestling vs. Appalachian State, 20 February, Cocke Hall, 1930
   - Basketball @ Charleston Southern University, 21 February, 1930
   - Cadet Life Ski Trip, 22-24 February
   - Baseball vs. Buffalo, 22 February, Gray-Minor, 1600
   - MAC Rifle Championships, 23 February, Kilbourne Hall, 0800
   - Baseball vs. Buffalo, 23 February, Gray-Minor, 1230
   - Conway Cup (Soccer Tournament), 23 February, Washington & Lee Campus
   - Baseball vs. Maryland-Eastern Shore, 23 February, Gray-Minor, 1600
   - Baseball vs. Maryland-Eastern Shore, 24 February, Gray-Minor, 1600

2. **FLU SEASON**: Flu continues to be widespread in Virginia. Everyone should take precautions to reduce the risk of getting sick. Regular hand washing is important to decrease the spread of viruses. Coughing into your sleeve instead of into the air can also reduce the spread of flu viruses. Avoid group activities when you are coughing and sneezing and blowing your nose a lot. If you have fever and body aches, you should stay home. If you have not had a flu shot, supplies are still available at local pharmacies. Following these simple recommendations will increase your chances of staying healthy this winter.

3. **ALERT ROCKBRIDGE**: Have you signed up for Alert Rockbridge notifications? VMI uses Alert Rockbridge for late opening and closing announcements as well as any other emergency announcements. You can sign up to have the notifications sent to your cell phone as text messages as well as e-mail messages to your computer. When you register with Alert Rockbridge you can select the groups you're interested in. The groups include: VMI (under Colleges and Universities, you can select W&L and SVU as well); Lexington, Buena Vista or Rockbridge County schools (you select the individual schools and you'll receive only the messages that pertain to those schools); weather alerts (24/7 or 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.); Crime alerts (by locality); Amber alerts; Community Events; Dam Notifications; and Parks and Recreation. Don't worry, you will receive notifications only for the groups you have selected and you can opt in or opt out of groups at any time. To register with Alert Rockbridge, go to https://www.alertrockbridge.com.

4. **BLOODMOBILE DRIVE ON POST:** Cameron Hall will be off-limits for walking on 5-7 February due to the Bloodmobile dates.

   The Bloodmobile is run by Virginia Blood Services and will be here on Post (Cameron Hall) on 5, 6, & 7 February from 1145 – 2000. Individuals are eligible to donate every 56 days. Positive ID or VBS donor card is required when donating. Make your appointment by following the link to sign-up: http://www2.vmi.edu/rcbd.

5. **BASKETBALL GAME EVENT (8 FEBRUARY)**: VMI will be playing UNC/Asheville, the Big South defending champion on Friday, 8 February at 1900 in Cameron Hall. The game will be nationally televised by ESPNU. The Glee Club will be performing the National Anthem. Cadets' dates that plan to attend the Midwinter Formal Hop on Saturday, 9 February will be admitted into the game as guests of the Athletic Department at no charge.

   The half-time show will be the United States Navy Ceremonial Guard, established in 1931. They are the official ceremonial unit of the Navy. Located at Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling, Washington, DC, the Navy Ceremonial Guard's primary mission is to represent the service in Presidential, Joint Armed Forces, Navy, and public ceremonies in and around the nation's capital.

   Members of the Navy Ceremonial Guard participate in some of our nation's most prestigious ceremonies, including Presidential inaugurations and arrival ceremonies for foreign officials. In addition, the Navy Ceremonial Guard serves as the funeral escort and conducts all services for Navy personnel buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

   Tasking for ceremonies comes from the President of the United States, the Secretaries of Defense and the Navy, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Chief of Naval Operations, and the Commandant, Naval District Washington. Navy Ceremonial Guard Sailors participate in numerous other military ceremonies at local commands. Some elements of the command, such as the Drill Team and Color Guard, have represented the Navy in public events across the nation and around the world.

6. **FLY-FISHING FILM TOUR (F3T)** is coming to VMI Gillis Theater, 102 Marshall Hall at 1900 on Monday, 11 February. A night of fly-fishing filmography that you will not soon forget including massive hatches, jungle adventures, and lots of big fish. If you do not know about "f3t" check out the following link for more information, http://flyfilmtour.com/f3t.

Tickets are free and the public is welcome. Doors open at 1800 with a pre-event social including door prizes, raffles, and Trout Unlimited (TU) information. This event is sponsored by the Virginia Council of Trout Unlimited and the 5 Rivers Program. It is being hosted by the VMI Fishing Club and the W&L Fly-fishing Club. Forward your questions about this event to COL Lee Dewald at ext. 7490 or email at dewaldls@vmi.edu.

7. **DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY COLLOQUIUM SERIES – SPRING 2013:**

When: 1100-1215 (Dean's Time), on selected Mondays
Where: Mallory Hall 135 (Physics Lecture Hall)
Who: Open to anyone; mandatory for all biology majors*

Date	Topics
4 Feb.	**Informational meeting** - Concentrations and minors available in Biology, the health professions track, and opportunities for undergraduate research.
11 Feb.	**MAJ Anne Alerding** – Developing a "super plant" optimized to produce clean-energy biofuels.
4 Mar.	**Cadet Molly Western** - Between a rock and a hot place: thermoregulation and selection of habitat by North America's smallest species of bat.
4 Apr.	**Dr. Robert Humston** – Ecology and Management of Smallmouth Bass in Virginia Rivers.
15 Apr.	**Cadet Micah Hosler** – You are what you eat: foraging ecology of insectivorous bats revealed through analysis of stable isotopes.

* Contact MAJ Paul Moosman for details

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

SUBMITTING WORK REQUESTS:

- When submitting a work order, it is important to provide as much detail as possible. Physical Plant customer service has seen an increase in requests that do not clearly explain the need. Work orders that are submitted with incomplete information will be returned. This can result in delays in service. We ask for your support in this matter.
- We are in the process of creating an on line form to be used to submit work requests. This form will be available from our website and when available, will be the primary process used by all to submit requests.

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.

POST WIDE SAFETY:

- Post wide fire sprinkler inspections will take place in mid-February.
- If a fire alarm activates, all employees and Cadets must evacuate the building, and not re- enter until the Fire Department approves.

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.

9. **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.

10. **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.

11. **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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