Program of Events

Speakers in Main Room
Keystone Conference Center

11:00-11:15 am
Welcome
Colonel Samuel Hayes III,
Garrison Commander

11:15-11:45 am
Water Quality Presentation,
Ms. Stephanie Harmon,
Lebanon County Conservation
District

11:45-12:30 pm
Butterflies, Birds & Bullets
Mr. Joseph Hovis,
PADMVA, Wildlife Office

12:30-1:15 pm
Lunch

1:15-2:00 pm
Sustainability,
Mr. Monsoor Rashid,
ARNG-ILE

2:00-2:30 pm
Select topic,
Ms. Helen Olena,
Extension Master Gardener

2:30-2:45 pm
Awards Presented by the
Commander

2:45-3:15 pm
Break

3:15-3:45 pm
Tree Planting & closing

Directions to Event

This year Fort Indiantown Gap’s Earth Day celebration will be held at the Keystone Conference Center (Building number 17-104) which is located on a wooded site on the south side of Blue Mountain, overlooking Marquette Lake.

From the intersection of Asher-Miner Road and Clement Avenue proceed west on Clement Avenue (Route 443) toward Grantville approximately 300 ft; turn onto Lake Drive; follow signs to KCC.

Earth and Arbor Days Celebration
April 29, 2011

Sustaining the Environment for a Secure Future
Commander's Earth Day Message...

The Army aspires to implement a net-zero management strategy for those natural resources entrusted to its care by the American people. Net-zero means that although energy is consumed, water is used, and waste is generated, steps are taken to create energy from renewable sources, recycle water, or reuse materials. The goal is to create or conserve equal to what is used, thus a net-zero. This strategy paves the way for the Army’s ultimate goal – managing all Army installations in a sustainable manner. With the Army’s goal in mind, the Fort Indiantown Gap selected its 2011 Earth Day theme, “Sustaining the Environment for a Secure Future.”

Fort Indiantown Gap has accomplished several net-zero milestones:

- The installation recycling program has continued to grow; in 2009, it generated around $141K which was used to purchase additional recycling equipment.

- The installation’s deconstruction recycling project saved both funds and landfill space. The cost for demolition and disposal would have been about $650K. By opting for concrete crushing and reuse, the project cost just $146K, a savings of over $504K. In addition, the reuse of deconstruction concrete permitted a cost avoidance of around $50K in new concrete purchase. This project resulted in recapture of 100%, around 2,076 tons of concrete. Most of the concrete was crushed and reused in road maintenance work around the post. Some of the concrete was used to create a simulated explosion scene that can be used by the PAARNG civil support team and weapons of mass destruction unit to conduct search-and-rescue and emergency response operations.

Col. Samuel Hayes III, Garrison Commander