Coupon clipping goes digital for commissary discounts

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The base commissary began implementing the Defense Commissary Agency's rewards card program in October.

The Commissary Rewards Card allows customers to access digital coupons online and

redeem them at participating commissaries when completing their purchases.

Wayne Lintz, commissary administrator here, and Lisa Serrano, commissary director here, first began promoting the cards by handing them out in person to interested patrons.

"Now, the cashiers will

be handing out the cards," said Lintz, who added promotional signs have also been posted throughout the store.

Once issued a CRC, users can register it at the DeCA website at www.commissaries.com. Then, users can periodically log on to load

new coupons into the user's coupon account tab, labeled "My Coupons," by checking the box at the lower right hand of each digital coupon. Manufacturers post new offers on the website every two to three weeks.

"While checking out at the commissary, users scan the card at the register before scanning the groceries to apply the coupons

> to your purchases," said Lintz. "It's more convenient now for shoppers."

"These cards will allow our customers to maximize their commissary benefit by using technology to save time, effort and money," said Joseph H. Jeu, DeCA di-

rector and chief executive officer. "We are very excited about this new initiative."

Assistance is available through the customer service hotline at (855) 829-6219 or by e-mail at commissarysupport@inmar.com.

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Liberty Wing reservist killed in motorcycle accident

A reservist, assigned to the 712th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron here, was killed in a motorcycle accident Nov. 12, at about 4 p.m. in Rising Sun, Md.

Senior Airman Ryan Hartnett, was serving in an active-duty status, undergoing training in aerospace propulsion.

"Our wing is deeply saddened by the tragic loss of one of our Airmen over the weekend," said Col. Raymond A. Kozak, the 512th Airlift Wing commander. "My sincerest condolences go out to Airman Hartnett's family, friends and co-workers. I'm dedicated to ensuring the Hartnett family receives all the assistance they need from our Air Force community as they deal with the loss of their loved one."

Hartnett joined the wing in July 2011

The cause of the accident, involving another motorist, is under investigation by the Maryland State Police.

Common sense tips for safe, fun Thanksgiving holiday

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The last weeks of November are a riot of activity as the seasons begin to change. Autumn begins to give way to winter as the trees change color. The cool fall air crisps the leaves and people look forward to stuffing themselves during the biggest feast of the year - Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is a time to celebrate closeness and thanks with family and friends, but it is also a time to keep safety in mind.

Approximately 2,000 residential fires occur in the Unit-

ed States each year on Thanks-giving, resulting in an average of five deaths and 25 injuries. The leading cause of these fires is cooking accidents, which can be as simple as leaving a burner on while you are out of the room, or spilled grease catching fire. This can be prevented by remaining with the food while cooking and keeping a watchful eye to make sure it does not spill, and ensuring that no flammable items, such as oven mitts or utensils, are left near an active burner.

In the event of a small grease fire, slide a lid over the pan and turn off the stove, leaving the pan covered until it has completely cooled. It is also advised to keep a grease-fire rated fire extinguisher near the stove. If an oven fire occurs, turn off the heat and keep the door closed to prevent outside air from feeding the fire and causing it to grow. Should a fire too large to safely contain occur, the safest course of action is to leave the house and call 911. Some people enjoy frying a turkey for Thanksgiving. Master Sgt. John O. Willard, the NCO of flight safety of the 436th Airlift Wing Safety Office, has some tips on how to do this in a safe way.

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