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Fort Sill Launches Yard of the Month Program

Fort Sill, Oklahoma, June 19, 2009 – Are you looking for a summer project you can enjoy with the kids? Do you like getting your hands dirty? Digging in the ground and working in the dirt with your hands is relaxing, as well as gratifying when you see the lush plants blooming.

The Garrison Command in cooperation with Picerne Military Housing is proud to launch the Yard of the Month program. The program was designed to recognize on-post residents who make a special effort to improve the landscaping of their homes. It's a monthly competition that runs from July through September this year.

Judging for Yard of the Month will take place on the second Friday of each month during the three months of the program. Judges will select one Neighborhood Yard of the Month for each on-post housing neighborhood. Ft. Sill currently has two Neighborhoods. Old Cavalry Post Neighborhood encompasses all homes north of Sheridan Road and Southern Plains Neighborhood includes all homes south of Sheridan Road.

Judging for this month will take place on July 10. On that day, judges will ride through their designated neighborhood and select the home that best meets the following criteria:

- Overall appearance (landscaping, lawn ornaments, etc.)
- Flowerbeds free of weeds and grass
- Driveway free of grease and oil
- Standards of policy, free of trash and debris

The Neighborhood Yard of the Month will receive a yard sign, a \$25 gift card and additional prizes provided by the installation.

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In addition to Neighborhood Yard of the Month, there will also be one “Installation Yard of the Month.” Judges will assess the two on-post Yard of the Month winners and award the overall champion. The winner will have the Installation Yard of the Month sign displayed in front of their home, a picture in the monthly newsletter and will also receive a \$50.00 gift card.

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