

on Post reported. The unit, with 17 counselors, psychiatrists and social workers, crisscrosses the city daily to provide treatment and curb unnecessary admissions to psychiatric wards.

Florida: Tampa — Police said a father helping his daughter clean a gun after a target shooting accidentally fired the weapon and killed her. Melissa Kupferberg, 37, died at a hospital after being shot in the upper body. The father, Stephen Kupferberg, 65, was visiting from Maryland. Police said he was trying to tear down the gun when it went off. No charges have been filed.

Georgia: Atlanta — Beginning Jan. 5, patients at the seven state mental hospitals will no longer be able to light up. Tom Wilson of the state Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities said people with serious mental illness die 25 years younger than the general public in part because of smoking. Nationally, 75% of people with mental illness or addictions smoke.

Hawaii: Honolulu — Hawaiian Airlines' 31 dispatchers overwhelmingly ratified a four-year contract, the airline and the Transport Workers Union said. Airline CEO Mark Dunkerley said the pact is consistent with the one ratified by Hawaiian flight attendants. The dispatchers' deal provides increased pay and benefits, as well as profit sharing for the dispatchers and operational improvements for the company.

Idaho: Boise — Sixty-seven members of the Idaho Army National Guard's 2nd Squadron of the 116th Cavalry Brigade Combat Team have re-enlisted — the single largest re-enlistment in the history of the squadron. The 116th was notified by the Department of Defense in September that soldiers need to get ready for possible deployment in support of overseas operations, though no mobilization order has been given yet.

Illinois: Chicago — A state-run loan program is expanding to help service members when their deployments end. State Treasurer Alexi Giannoulias announced that Illinois National Guard and U.S. Military Reserve members will be eligible for low-interest loans of up to \$10,000 when they return home. The loans had previously only been available to those on active duty.

Indiana: Brookville — State wildlife officials plan to collect 650 deer heads from hunters to test for bovine tuberculosis. The Department of Natural Resources is testing after the chronic bacterial disease was confirmed at deer or elk farms in Franklin, Harrison and Wayne counties. Deer biologist Chad Stewart said no signs have yet been found of the disease among wild deer.

Iowa: Mount Pleasant — Local authorities said they are investigating a

