

From the Editor

When PCS orders come in, the typical reaction is, "Here we go again!" But your next move is what you make of it.

And while our nation's interstates will get you to your destination faster, faster is not always better. That's why, in this inaugural issue of *PCS America*, we take a look at traveling America's back roads—and taking the time to see sights off the beaten path.

And since this issue encompasses all of the United States, we have not included a directory—which would have taken up more pages than we have here. The DoD's Military Homefront site offers an extensive look at all services on all installations in an easy-to-use format at www.militaryinstallations.dod.mil. With phone numbers subject to change at any time, visiting this site is your best bet for tracking down the most up-to-date contact info.

Another welcome update for PCSers is the implementation of the new Defense Personal Property System, which allows service members to manage their moves and claims online. Read more about it on page 20.

For those of you trying to decide whether to rent or buy at your next duty station, the article on page 14 should help you weigh your options.

And as always, we've included helpful tips and timelines for your move.

So no matter where your next PCS takes you, you should take the time to enjoy the trip.

Warm Regards,

Jennifer G. Williams, Editor



On our Cover: Colorado's Wet Mountains, found along Frontier Pathways Scenic and Historic Byway
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