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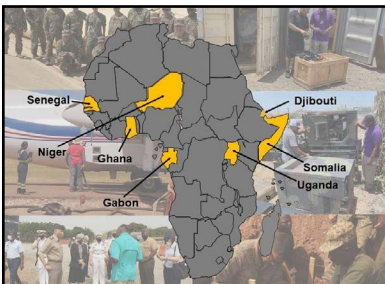
## 3rd ABCT hosts AMC commanding general

FORT CARSON, Colo. – Gen. Ed Daly, commanding general, Army Materiel Command, visited here May 20 to speak with 3rd Armored Brigade Combat Team leaders about their experiences and lessons learned following their recent rotation to the National Training Center, Fort Irwin, California. During the visit, Daly traveled to several locations at the Mountain Post, speaking with leaders, NCOs and Soldiers on a number of topics, including their recovery and preparations for future deployments.



## Patriot Press pushes forward

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – Operation Patriot Press 2021 is an Army Materiel Command initiative joining Army Reserve and National Guard units to real-world missions for annual training in order to facilitate strategic positioning objectives. It officially kicked off in late March. Two months later, the first rotation of support for the Joint Munitions Command began in which transportation companies moved munitions from Blue Grass Army Depot, Kentucky, to Crane Army Ammunition Activity, Indiana, and McAlester Army Ammunition Plant, Oklahoma.



## 405th AFSB's Africa battalion provides support to AFRICOM

CAMP LEMONIER, Djibouti – One way Army Sustainment Command provides contractual and logistical support to U.S. Africa Command, U.S. Special Operations Command, the service components and task forces assigned to the continent of Africa is through the utilization of the 405th Army Field Support Brigade's Army Field Support Battalion-Africa. The AFSBn-Africa provides one Logistics Civil Augmentation Program professional and one Strategic Planner to support Combined Joint Task Force-Horn of Africa's base operations.



## RSC leaders discuss in-theater home run accomplishment

CAMP ARIFJAN, Kuwait – Civilian technicians at the Regional Support Center recently scored a sustainment home run by rapidly establishing in-theater power generator rebuild and exchange programs here. The two new programs aim to save money while providing sustainable assists to Soldiers in the field. The 401st Army Field Support Brigade Communications-Electronics Command RSCs are technical centers located within the U.S. Central Command responsible for sustainment operations, both tactical and strategic.



## Fort Leonard Wood's TACOM FMX team named 'Best of the Best'

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo. – The Tank-automotive and Armaments Command's Fleet Maintenance Expansion team here was designated the "Best of the Best" of all maintenance provider category winners in the 2021 Chief of Staff of the Army's Combined Logistics Excellence Awards fiscal year 2021 Army Award for Maintenance Excellence. Clay Nagel, director and TACOM support officer at the FMX, said the team is made up of a highly motivated group of civilians "dedicated to mission accomplishment and Soldier success."



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## PEOPLE FIRST – QUALITY OF LIFE UPDATES



### SMA discusses leadership, addresses quality-of-life issues

FORT DRUM, N.Y. – Sgt. Maj. of the Army Michael Grinston met with Soldiers across the 10th Mountain Division, Department of Defense civilians and family members during a visit to Fort Drum on June 2-3 to discuss topics ranging from physical and mental fitness, unit discipline and the People First initiative at a professional development session for noncommissioned officers inside the Multipurpose Auditorium. “People First equals readiness,” Grinston said. “When you’re not worried about your house, you are a more ready Soldier.”



### Defense Department launches MySECO enhanced website

FORT KNOX, Ky. – Army Community Service officials at Fort Knox are encouraging military spouses to take advantage of a newly enhanced website they say could greatly increase employment opportunities. The Department of Defense launched the MySECO website to make career and education resources available for military spouses in a way that is easier and faster than ever. MySECO is part of the DOD's Spouse Education and Career Opportunities program, which provides career and education guidance to military spouses worldwide.



### Fort Jackson receives a special guest from DC

FORT JACKSON, S.C. – Fort Jackson had a special guest visit May 26-27, J. E. “Jack” Surash, the Senior Official Performing the Duties of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations, Energy and Environment. Several objectives for the visit included assessing installation management governance and effectiveness, as well as gaining a thorough understanding of how OASA (IE&E) can support Fort Jackson. Another purpose of the tour was to assess the condition of facilities, infrastructure, ranges, energy programs and Fort Jackson housing.

### Fort Polk housing undergoes renovations

FORT POLK, La. – Fort Polk residents may soon see signs of improvements to the installation’s housing as Corvias winds up Outyear Development Plan 1 and hopefully soon kicks off ODP2. Wil Motta, Corvias operations director, said work on ODP1, a \$50 million project that comprises both Dogwood and Maple Terrace housing areas, has resumed after Mother Nature put a kink in the plans by throwing two hurricanes, a tropical storm and an ice storm at Fort Polk.

### ‘Perfect storm’ of issues creates challenges during peak PCS season

FORT KNOX, Ky. – In the fall of 2020, a necessary contract rebid at the offices that generate Soldiers’ permanent change of station orders at Fort Knox turned into a small bidding war, which led to several challenges. Now, leaders are urging Soldiers to stay active in their orders process to ensure they get them, their Families and household goods to the next duty station on time. “This issue is very complicated: a lot of moving parts,” said Kevin Corbin, director of the Directorate of Human Resources at Fort Knox.

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## CDC staff reaps benefits of renovated kitchen facility

FORT RUCKER, Ala. – After more than two months of renovations to its in-house kitchen facility, the Fort Rucker Child Development Center is reaping the benefits of improved efficiency, ease of use and a more comfortable atmosphere. The \$300,000 in renovations resulted in what is basically an entirely new facility, complete with numerous repairs, new equipment, a more efficient workspace and a new air conditioning system.

## Fort Knox AAFES prepared in case of another gas shortage

FORT KNOX, Ky. – Army and Air Force Exchange Service officials at Fort Knox closely monitored the situation after the cyberattack on Colonial Pipeline’s computer system May 7. Though the attack affected fuel purchases across the nation for six days, Fort Knox gas stations remained online and operational. “It did not affect us at all,” said Danita McFarland, Fort Knox AAFES manager. “The Colonial Pipeline does not service our area.”

## LRC Ansbach supports warfighters with food service needs

ANSBACH, Germany – Great organizations are most often comprised of great people and great leaders, and the dining facilities belonging to the 405th Army Field Support Brigade’s Logistics Readiness Center Ansbach are no different. Two of the best dining facilities in U.S. Army Europe and Africa are located in the U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach community – the Katterbach Warrior Restaurant and Illesheim Warrior Restaurant.

## JMC stands up Internal Review and Audit Compliance Office

ROCK ISLAND, Ill. – Joint Munitions Command received Internal Review support from Army Sustainment Command since both commands stood-up in October 2006. A memorandum of understanding governed matrix support provided by ASC for specific functions which included IR and Audit Compliance. During the 2020 MOU update, JMC leadership decided to bring back the authorization and create a new JMC Internal Review and Audit Compliance Office in-house.

## Native Colombian pursues dream as Army aviator: Part 1

BOGOTÁ – As Chief Warrant Officer 3 Mauricio Garcia, and his Colombian safety officer counterpart, Capt. Cristian Castiblanco, walk the flight line at a Colombian Army base, inspecting for safety hazards and violations, he could not help but marvel on how his life has come full circle. Garcia, a UH-60M Black Hawk pilot and aviation safety officer, is deployed here as part of a Spanish-speaking technical assistance field team.

## USAG Daegu earns prestigious Army safety award

CAMP HENRY, Republic of Korea – U.S. Army Garrison Daegu has earned the prestigious U.S. Army Pacific Command Exceptional Organization Safety Award for the third time in four years – a testament to the safety-first mindset that permeates the workforce. The USAG Daegu Safety Office efforts resulted in a 50% reduction in recordable accidents during fiscal year 2020.

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DOD certifies Fort Rucker ACS

Carson honors 2020 Good Neighbor

USAG Benelux highlights volunteers

Engler, Hanson recognized by security enterprise



Army targets people, readiness, modernization in '22 budget

Letter to the force from the 25th Secretary of the Army

Jon Stewart to host opening and closing ceremonies for the DoD 2021 Warrior Games

12th CAB Soldiers and Hungarian forces cross-train