



## Fort Detrick's Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony

*The Fort Detrick community gathers around the Installation holiday tree to kick-off the season with the annual tree lighting ceremony Dec. 5, 2019.*

*Led by Director Tyler Miller, the Frederick High School Chorus performs holiday selections and leads the crowd in festive carols, setting the mood for the joyous occasion.*

*As Brig. Gen. Michael J. Talley, U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command and Fort Detrick commander starts the countdown, attendees shout out in merriment to light up the enormous tree as Santa is ushered in by a Fort Detrick Fire Truck to spread cheer and well wishes to all.*

*Photos by Jenni Benson, USAG Public Affairs*





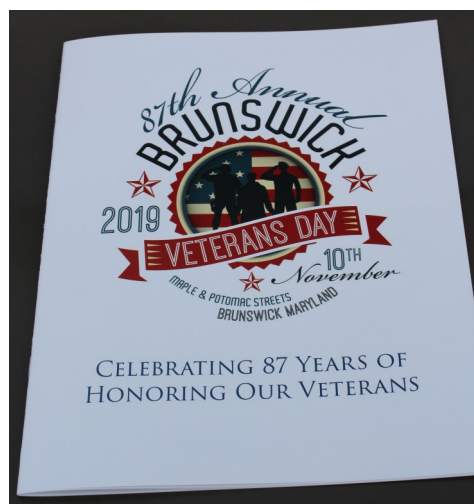
# Fort Detrick Participates in the 87th Annual Brunswick Veterans Day Parade



U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command and Fort Detrick Commanding General, Brig. Gen. Michael J. Talley (top right photo) delivers the keynote address at the 87th Annual Brunswick Veterans Day parade on Nov. 10, 2019. The Fort Detrick Color Guard present honors to the Nation (pictured top left and bottom row, middle) and U.S. Army Garrison Chaplain, Gregory Jackson (pictured bottom right) delivers the invocation.

The Brunswick event is one of the longest-running Veterans Day parades in the country. Over 80 parade entries including school bands, local businesses, elected officials and historical reenactors, roll along the parade route to celebrate and honor America's veterans for their devotion, patriotism, selfless service and sacrifice.

Photos by Lanessa Hill, USAG Public Affairs





# Patriotism, Pride Abound at Local Veterans Day Celebration

By Jenni Benson, USAG Public Affairs

Walking into the Montevue Assisted Living Facility in Frederick, Maryland, on most any day you'll catch the standard scenes: visiting relatives, busy nurses, and residents going about their day. But on Nov. 7, 2019 patriotism was on display as residents, staffers, guests and Service Members from Fort Detrick joined together to honor veterans. American flags, a prominent feature of the dining room décor for the special celebration, set the scene where nearly two dozen U.S. veterans residing at the facility gathered to both celebrate their service and to pay homage to the Nation.

"Today we honor your service and dedication to the Nation, for dedicating your lives to ensure the freedoms that so many take for granted," said Fort Detrick U.S. Army Garrison Commander Col. Dexter Nunnally during a brief address to the veterans and other attendees. "Without your sacrifice we wouldn't be the Nation that we are today and aspire to become in the future. It is you, American veterans, who answered the call to support and defend the constitution against all enemies. Thank you for all you've done, I salute you and I thank you."

Members of the program Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers at Fort Detrick also joined facility residents to hand out appreciation certificates to the assembled veterans.

Montevue Assisted Living Facility resident and World War II veteran Robert Hardesty was among those in attendance. Hardesty was just 20 years old when he was sent overseas.

"There is a feeling that it is the responsibility of all veterans to leave the generations to come their personal interpretation of wartime existence," writes Hardesty in his memoirs, which he shared with Nunnally. "Lacking this information they will never appreciate the freedom and greatness of our country that is felt in the hearts of our veterans."

Adds Hardesty near the end of those same memoirs, which paints a gritty, realistic portrait of the heroism and bravery required to fight our Nation's wars, "The journey was great and I'll never forget it."

Said Nunnally in closing, "The American veteran is the best recruitment poster for all of the services. When you all go out and share your stories, it encourages the younger generations to serve."



Soldiers from Fort Detrick attend the Veterans Day Celebration at Montevue Assisted Living Facility in Frederick, Maryland on Nov. 7, 2019.



Fort Detrick Garrison Commander Col. Dexter Nunnally, poses with WWII Veteran Robert Hardesty at the Montevue Assisted Living Veterans Day Celebration Nov. 7, 2019 in Frederick, Maryland.



Members of the Fort Detrick Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers program assist in delivering certificates of appreciation to veterans at the Montevue Assisted Living Veterans Day Celebration in Frederick, Maryland on Nov. 7, 2019.

Photos by Jenni Benson, USAG Public Affairs



# Fort Detrick Serves Up Festive Feast at Annual Thanksgiving Meal



Over 200 members of the Fort Detrick community gather to enjoy a Thanksgiving meal Nov. 22, 2019 at the Fort Detrick Community Activities Center.

Photos courtesy of Family and MWR

## Chapel Staff and Volunteers Make the Season Bright



Volunteers pack 200 Turkey Baskets for active duty Service Members at the Fort Detrick Chapel Nov. 24, 2019 .

Photo by Lanessa Hill, USAG Public Affairs



# Local Scouts Participate in Flag Lowering

*Local Scouts take part in the Retreat and flag lowering, Nov. 5, 2019 in front of Building 810 on Fort Detrick. Soldiers from the flag detail explained the tradition of the flag lowering at the end of each work day, and how to properly fold and store the colors to help continue the Scouts' civics education.*

*Photos by Lanessa Hill, USAG Public Affairs*



## Fort Detrick Designated as a “Tree City USA Community” for 17th Consecutive Year



*By Melanie Moss, USAG DPW Environmental Management Office*

The Arbor Day Foundation named Fort Detrick a 2019 Tree City USA community on November 21, in honor of its commitment to effective urban forest management. This is the 17th consecutive year Fort Detrick received this recognition.

Fort Detrick achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the program's four requirements: a tree board or department, a tree-care ordinance, an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

A red maple tree was planted, with the help of children from the Fort Detrick Child Development Center, and a proclamation was read before Becky Wilson, Western Maryland Regional Coordinator of the Urban and Community Forestry, Maryland Department of Natural Resources presented the award.

The official Arbor Day observance in Maryland is recognized the first Wednesday in April; however, communities can be recognized for their efforts by the Arbor Day Foundation any time a tree is planted and the four program requirements are met.

For more information about Tree City USA, visit [www.arborday.org/TreeCityUSA](http://www.arborday.org/TreeCityUSA).



## Talley Talks Partnerships, Pathway to Progress at SMART PROC

BY: Ramin A. Khalili, USAMRDC Public Affairs Office

Celebrating the one hundred day mark of his tenure as the commander of the U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command and Fort Detrick, USAMRDC Brig. Gen. Michael J. Talley delivered a clear, concise message during his keynote speech at the 17<sup>th</sup> annual “Strengthening the Mid-Atlantic Region for Tomorrow Procurement Conference (SMART PROC)” on November 19 in Frederick, Maryland.

“We are in the business of saving lives at USAMRDC,” said Talley to the more than one hundred small business owners, employees, and industry partners in attendance. “And we’re always looking for the right people to help us do that.”

Talley’s opening words provided a backdrop for the rest of his speech, which was designed to explain the mission and vision of the USAMRDC and, further, how attendees can work with the federal government to achieve those mutually-desired ends. In addition, his commentary provided a general theme of sorts for the final day of the two-day event, which is noted for its ability to create unique partnerships and contracting pathways for the benefit and support of the USAMRDC and the larger DOD.

“Over the years, this conference has been a continuing fusion of science and technology at the federal, state, and local levels,” said Phil Jaurigue, chairman of SMART, who – in a nod to the potential impact of the conference – further noted that federal contracting accounts for ten percent of the entire gross domestic product of the state of Maryland.

For his part, Talley focused the majority of his speech on current Army and command priorities; notably the need for modernization and increased Soldier lethality – areas ripe for the introduction of new and emerging viewpoints and technologies. Specifically, Talley highlighted continued medical innovation as an integral force in maintaining dominance on the future battlefield, and further paired this capability gap with his own personal desire to streamline the process by which products evolve from mere ideas into actual tools for Warfighter usage.



USAMRDC Brig. Gen. Michael J. Talley delivers his keynote speech during the 17<sup>th</sup> annual SMART PROC event in Frederick, Maryland, on November 19, 2019.

Photo By: Ramin A. Khalili, USAMRDC Public Affairs

“It takes too doggone long to get these products into the hands of the Warfighter,” said Talley. “And so we’re trying to remedy that.”

Those potential remedies lay in the pathway interested businesses take en route to ultimate partnership with the federal government; one that starts with the DOD Office of Small Business Programs. In addition to advocacy work, the OSBP works collaboratively with Contracting Officers, Commanders, Program Managers, and the Small Business Administration during the early stages of acquisition planning to determine the extent of small business utilization.

“The OSBP is responsible for empowering small businesses with useful and transparent information that encourages increased participation in the procurement process which directly supports current and future capabilities within the U.S. Army,” said Jerome Maultsby, OSBP Assistant Director for the U.S. Army Medical Command.

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The two-day event further featured representatives from the offices of Maryland state senator Michael Hough and U.S. Senators Ben Cardin and Chris Van Hollen, all of whom urged continued cooperation on behalf of both the federal government and private industry to strengthen the economic base of the state of Maryland and the entire mid-Atlantic region.

To that end, a slew of entities within the larger USAMRDC structure held sessions dedicated to topics ranging from the specifics of technology transfer opportunities to proposal writing to understanding the intricate nature of any number of federal support services. USAMRDC subcommands participating in the event included the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Development Activity, the

Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs, and the Telemedicine and Advanced Technology Research Center, among others.

Talley closed his remarks by advertising the number of ways by which contracting companies and industry partners of all stripes can partner with the USAMRDC, a point expressed by other USAMRDC personnel during later sessions as well.

Said Talley, "We're going to need the whole government approach, and we're going to need to the small business approach to achieve our goals."

## Honoring Those Who Paved the Way: Focus of Veterans Day Run



*The Fort Detrick community take part in the Installation Veterans Day run on Nov. 7, 2019 on the Blue and Gray Field. Pictured center, U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command and Fort Detrick's Commanding General, Brig. Gen. Michael J. Talley huddles the team to start the run.*



*At the Installation Veterans Day run the morning of Nov. 7, 2019, U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command and Fort Detrick's Commanding General, Brig. Gen. Michael J. Talley honors veterans from the Vietnam, Panama, Grenada, and Gulf War eras (left) with words of gratitude and appreciation.*

*Photos by Jenni Benson, USAG Public Affairs*



# Employee Spotlight



*Fort Detrick's Chief of Police, Nelson Oliveira (fifth from left) receives Installation Management Command's most prestigious award during a luncheon Nov. 19, 2019 in San Antonio, Texas.*

*The Stalwart Award is given to employees who distinguish themselves amongst their peers and leaders as outstanding IMCOM civilians and exceed the call of duty to achieve the Army and IMCOM objectives. The program honored recipients for their work in 2018.*

*"The professionals we're going to recognize today have demonstrated a passionate commitment to their role within IMCOM and the Army," said Maj. Gen. Timothy McGuire, acting commanding general for U.S. Army Installation Management Command. "They have done what it takes to get the job done, and they have set a new, higher standard for service to others."*

*IMCOM Directorate-Sustainment Stalwart Award recipients from left to right: Ms. Nancy A. Mitchell, Child Youth Services Coordinator, U.S. Army Garrison Detroit Arsenal, Michigan; Mr. Nelson S. Oliveira, Chief of Police, U.S. Army Garrison Fort Detrick, Maryland; Mr. Michael L. Howard, Chief Public Affairs Officer, U.S. Army Garrison Joint Base Myer Henderson Hall, Virginia .*

*Photo Credit: Mr. Joshua Ford, IMCOM*



## Fort Detrick CYs Participate in Military Appreciation Night with the Washington Wizards

Members of the Fort Detrick Youth Sports program attend the Washington Wizards vs. Cleveland Cavaliers basketball game Nov. 8, 2019 for Military Appreciation Night at the Capital One Arena in Washington, D.C. Fifteen children from Fort Detrick's youth sports program stood on the court with Washington Wizards team members during the singing of the National Anthem. The game concluded with a meet and greet as the children spoke to and took pictures with rookie player Admiral Schofield.

Photos by Ashley Medina, Fort Detrick CYs





# Expanded Patronage at Commissaries Worldwide

On Jan. 1, 2020 commissaries welcome home select veterans to their new shopping privileges

*By Keith Desbois, DeCA public affairs specialist*

Starting Jan. 1, 2020 all service-connected disabled veterans, Purple Heart recipients, former prisoners of war and primary veteran caregivers will be eligible to shop at commissaries worldwide.

“I want to be one of the first to welcome home this group of veterans to their commissary,” said retired Rear Adm. Robert J. Bianchi, DOD special assistant for commissary operations. “Whether they shopped at the commissary when they were on active duty, or are first-time shoppers, we are sure they will enjoy the savings and excellent customer experience associated with this benefit.”

The newly eligible customers, about three million in all, will also be able to shop the military exchanges and use certain morale, welfare and recreation activities. The expanded privileges and access are the result of the 2019 National Defense Authorization Act.

The Department of Defense, Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Homeland Security (the expansion also applies to Coast Guard facilities) have partnered to make the expansion possible. Details of eligibility and military installation access follow:

**Disabled and other eligible veterans:** The Veteran Health Identification card, with “Purple Heart,” “Former POW” or “Service Connected” printed on the front, will be required for access into the installation and entry to the stores.

**Caregivers:** The benefit applies to the approved and designated primary family caregiver of service-connected disabled veterans who are registered in the Department of Veterans Affairs Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers to receive shopping privileges. Visit the VA’s [caregiver page](#) for more information. Beginning in November, the VA will start sending memos for caregivers to be used for access at the front gate, along with a [REAL ID](#)-compliant driver’s license or other approved government-issued photo ID.

“Our new patrons have earned this benefit through their service and subsequent personal sacrifice to our Nation or by caring for a veteran with a service-connected disability,” Bianchi said. “We are honored to open our doors to these heroes and eligible caregivers.”

For more information on this new program, go to [www.militaryonesource.mil/expanding-access](http://www.militaryonesource.mil/expanding-access), or to determine eligibility, visit a local VA medical facility; call 1-877-222-VETS (8387), Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m., Eastern time or apply online at [VA.gov](http://VA.gov).



## USAMMDA Team Spotlight:

### Warfighter Deployed Medical Systems Project Management Office

*By Ashley Force and Jeffrey Soares, USAMMDA Public Affairs*

As the newest project management office of the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Development Activity, the Warfighter Deployed Medical Systems Project Management Office maintains a mission to develop, deliver and sustain deployable medical capabilities for the Warfighter. Composed of two product management offices, Medical Device Assemblage Management and Medical Modernization, the WDMS PMO is considered the focal point for medical materiel lifecycle management within the Army.

In this new installment of USAMMDA's spotlight series, our public affairs team sat down with Dr. Tyler Bennett, project manager of the WDMS PMO, to discuss the ongoing projects and success stories involving his team. Bennett has been with USAMMDA since earlier this year, when his team moved under the organization, transferring from the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Agency in an Army realignment effort designed to streamline its workforce.

The WDMS PMO plays the central role in the equipping and sustainment of critical devices for the Nation's military forces, which helps to keep our Warfighters ready for the fight. Among its numerous responsibilities, the WDMS PMO maintains the medical materiel database to ensure standardization and the availability of materiel, while it also provides continuous "technical watch" to rapidly replace obsolete medical devices to help ensure a minimal or zero gap in critical field capability. Without question, the combined efforts of its team members help to support the USAMMDA mission of developing and delivering important medical capabilities to protect, treat and sustain the health of our Nation's Warfighters, and Bennett remains both supportive and proud of his entire staff of dedicated professionals.

**PAO:** Please describe the mission of the WDMS PMO.

**TB:** Warfighter Deployed Medical Systems is one of the final steps in the acquisition process. We procure and field the things that come out of the U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command's Decision Gate system, and out of the Milestone process. We execute all of the medical procurement dollars. If this PMO did not exist, the deployed medics would not have the critical medical equipment necessary to provide lifesaving diagnosis and treatment of injured Warfighters.

**PAO:** What do you like most about your job?

**TB:** What I like most about my job is that we interact directly with the end-users — those Warfighters who actually use our devices. We get feedback almost daily on items such as ventilators, vital signs monitors — I received a message recently regarding a suction apparatus. So, when there is an issue with maintaining or using a device, or training on using it, we get phone calls directly from the

field. I really like the daily interaction with the folks using these devices.

We recently fielded a concern from users in a deployed environment because of an issue with their ventilators that were failing. In fact, they had nine failures over the last year, and the user told me, "This is so serious, that if I didn't have a backup ventilator that worked, the patient would have died — so we need to get these things replaced immediately."

In response to this, we were successful in obtaining additional funding, to replace ventilators, and these are on the way right now. And we received a thank you note from them just yesterday. So what we do here directly impacts patient care in the deployed setting, and that's really the most rewarding part of my job.

**PAO:** Please describe what the WDMS PMO does on a daily basis.

**TB:** We work directly with both users and developers to ensure that what makes it to the field is what the users want. Our PMO is divided into two groups right now. We have one team, the Medical Device Assemblage Management product management office, that focuses directly on the things that are already out there. We manage 207 line item-numbered pieces of equipment that are currently deployed, and they're fielded in 140 Sets, Kits and Outfits, or SKOs. The MDAM team manages the day-to-day activities of these items. So if there is a maintenance issue, or if a Unit needs a specific item to fill out its SKO, those are the folks that do the analysis for this, and the procurement.

Of these 207 items, there are roughly 30 that are no longer procurable right now, so we also have a Modernization product management office, and its focus is placed on modernizing the equipment (to ensure functionality). The suction apparatus I mentioned earlier is one of our recent successes. The company no longer made the item, so we had to source a new solution, and then get that fielded along with the other equipment that supports it. Our Modernization team also manages the major force design updates, like the Combat Support Hospital conversion. They have a smaller team within their office that focuses solely on doing this for the force. So, between the day-to-day activities of the MDAM team, and the modernization and future activities managed by the Modernization office, these two groups help us get the *right* product to the *right* Warfighter at the *right* time!

**PAO:** What are your thoughts on your team's move from USAMMA to USAMMDA?

**TB:** It's been very exciting, actually — so, as the Army has moved and developed, it has stood up the Army Futures Command, and it's one of the biggest changes the Army has undergone in the last several decades.

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As part of this move, Army Medical was affected, and there was a change at the organization I used to work at, the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Agency, which remained under the Army Materiel Command to focus on the sustainment of the medical equipment. While we are responsible for the entire lifecycle of medical devices, my team's primary focus is on the upfront procurement and fielding. So our group moved over to USAMMDA to be more closely tied to the acquisition PMOs in the organization. It was really a great move for our team, as we're more closely intertwined with the people doing the development. It's a much better alignment of our mission space, as it allows us to work with the other PMOs, to meet our shared objectives. At the same time, however, we still maintain a very strong link to USAMMA, to make sure the sustainment of these items occurs when it needs to after the products are fielded.

**PAO:** Can you share some recent success stories involving your WDMS PMO team?

**TB:** Army Maj. Janessa Moyer is the current product manager for our Modernization group, and she's been very successful in bringing the other Services together for joint procurements. Right now, there is really no forcing function to bring the Army, Navy and Air Force together to the table. It's more a coalition of the willing, but Maj. Moyer has done an excellent job of bringing all of the Services together for procurement actions, and a great example of this is the CT [computed tomography] scanner. She led a joint team, to include the Air Force and Navy, to put out a solicitation for the new CT scanner of the future, and they awarded the contract a few months ago. It's currently being integrated by a commercial partner in Oregon, with delivery expected in late November.

By going with this joint procurement, we receive a volume discount, so we save a lot in procurement costs. We also save a lot in sustainment costs because now the other Services will be buying the same parts, which will keep the production base alive longer — this will allow us to sustain these items longer in the field. In addition, we also did the same thing with the vital signs monitor, which was a joint

procurement, driving down the costs significantly, which saves taxpayer dollars. Right now, most of the 30 devices in the Modernization office are joint Service efforts, and I think this is a great success story for all of the Services.

**PAO:** Can you describe the WDMS PMO's role in product development?

**TB:** Well, we work at the very end of the development stage, as we work to modernize items that already have been fielded, so right around Milestone C. For those things that are earlier in the development process, or even in the Science & Technology stage, our team provides subject matter expertise on integrated product teams for each device. So, for everything that is in Decision Gate, going through the acquisition process, we're at the table with the program managers to ensure that factors such as procurability and sustainability are looked at as early as possible in the acquisition process.

One of the other things we bring to the table, which I really appreciate, is that we have clinicians — active-duty Army clinicians — that rotate through our team every two to three years. We have a nurse consultant, a lab consultant, a pharmacy consultant, and these folks bring incredible expertise to our group. Many of them have been deployed, or may have recently come off of a deployment, so it's an excellent resource for the rest of our team, many of whom may have never been deployed or may not understand how a particular device can be used in a deployed environment. So, having this expertise on our team, and providing support to the IPTs is extremely valuable, and it's something I haven't experienced in any of my other program management positions.

**To view the full USAMMDA PAO interview with Dr. Tyler Bennett, click on the following link:**

[USAMMDA PAO interview with Dr. Tyler Bennett](#)



*Dr. Tyler Bennett (center), project manager for the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Development Activity's Warfighter Deployed Medical Systems Project Management Office, leads his team in various programs that include Role of Care and Medical Modernization programs. Bennett, along with members of his team, presented an overview of the WDMS PMO during a demonstration at Fort Detrick, Maryland. From left to right, Army Capt. Scott Wynocker, Bennett, Saba Getachew and Army Maj. Janessa Moyer.*

*Photo by Ashley Force, USAMMDA Public Affairs*





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MEMORANDUM FOR Residents Living in Privatized or Army-Managed Family Housing

SUBJECT: Fall 2019 U.S. Army Resident Satisfaction Survey

1. People are our number one priority. Our most important obligation as Army leaders is to take care of our Soldiers, Families, Army Civilians and Soldiers for Life, and our people deserve the best quality housing possible. Army leaders are committed to improving housing, but we need your candid feedback! In just a few weeks, you will be asked to participate in a resident satisfaction survey. This survey will provide Army leaders your perspective on what we are doing well and where we need to improve. The Army will use the survey results to help shape our actions as we work to improve both our privatized and Army-owned housing facilities and services to ensure we provide the best quality of life for our residents.
2. Around the middle of November, you will receive an email with the survey link from the following email address - [ArmyHousingSurvey@celassociates.com](mailto:ArmyHousingSurvey@celassociates.com). CEL & Associates, Inc., (CEL) will administer the survey, which will be made available to over 100,000 residents living in privatized or Army-managed family housing. The survey respondent information will be kept completely confidential and will not be linked in any way to the survey results shared with the Army or private companies. We welcome and value your candid opinions and thoughts.
3. Please take a moment now to add CEL's email address to your allowed senders in any anti-spam software that might filter your email. Only one member of each household will receive the email. If no member of your household receives the email by 18 November 2019, please contact your garrison housing staff or property-management office, who have an alternate means of providing you access to the survey.
4. Army Soldiers, Civilians, Retirees and their Families deserve the highest quality housing and services possible, and your feedback will drive future resources to this end state. Thank you in advance for your participation in our Army survey – it is greatly appreciated!

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# United States Army

## Criminal Investigation Command

### CID Seeks Military Police Investigators to Join Warrant Officer Ranks

As part of the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command's continued effort to recruit the best of the best to become special agents, CID is currently seeking Military Police Investigators from Career Management Field 31 to become CID Special Agent Warrant Officers.

"The MPIs possess valued training, investigated skills and experience," said CID's Command Chief Warrant Officer, CW5 Joel Fitz, who served as an MPI early in his Army career, "These Soldiers will undoubtedly bring a lot to the fight and have a positive impact on CID's highly-skilled teams by providing what they have learned from the Military Police Corps. MPIs are strongly encouraged to take the next step and take advantage of this career growing opportunity by applying now."

The application timeframe begins in December and runs through May 2021. Approved applications will be considered by warrant officer accession boards convening in FY 20 and FY 21. Qualified MPI applicants are encouraged to coordinate with the USACIDC Recruiting Operations Cell (ROC) at [USArmy.Join-CID@mail.mil](mailto:USArmy.Join-CID@mail.mil) to speak with the USACIDC recruiting team regarding questions about the process and to start the application process.

Eligible applicants must be Regular Army Soldiers who hold Military Occupational Specialty 31B or 31E in the ranks of staff sergeant, staff sergeant (promotable), and sergeant first class (non promotable). They are required to have completed V5 training at the U.S. Army Military Police School and have at least two years of investigative experience in the past four years, according to Military Personnel Message 19-346, MPI Application Requirements for Appointment to CID Warrant Officer (MOS 311A). Upon completion of the required military and law enforcement training, the Soldiers will qualify for appointment to warrant officer as a 311A. Agents receive training at the [USAMPS](#) and advanced training in a wide range of specialized investigative disciplines.

"CID agents are sworn federal law enforcement officers who investigate felony crimes with an Army nexus," said Thomas Seaman, chief, Special Agent Management Division, and retired CID special agent. "Our highly trained special agents receive some of the most state-of-the-art law enforcement training in the world today."

CID special agents routinely work closely with other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to solve serious crimes of corruption, fraud, homicide, sexual assault, cybercrimes and drug trafficking. They also provide protective services to high ranking DOD and Army officials.

Once individuals become CID special agents, opportunities exist to become forensic science officers, digital forensic examiners or even polygraph examiners. There are many other professional opportunities for career growth within CID.

For questions about application procedures, see MILPER 19-346, MPI Application Requirements for Appointment to CID Warrant Officer (MOS 311A), or contact the CID Special Agent Management Division ROC team at [USArmy.Join-CID@mail.mil](mailto:USArmy.Join-CID@mail.mil) or 571-305-4348/4369/4337/4112.

*For more information about CID, visit [www.cid.army.mil](http://www.cid.army.mil).*





## UPCOMING HOLIDAY HOURS AROUND THE INSTALLATION



**Federal Holidays Observed:**  
**Christmas Day – Wednesday, Dec. 25, 2019**  
**New Year's Day – Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020**

### HOLIDAY GATE HOURS AND CLOSURES

All visitor centers and gates EXCEPT Nallin Farm Gate at Fort Detrick and Brookville Gate at Forest Glen will be closed on the following days:

#### **GATE CLOSURE – Christmas and New Year's Holidays**

In observance of the Christmas and New Year's Holidays, all visitor centers and gates EXCEPT Nallin Farm Gate at Fort Detrick and Brookville Gate at Forest Glen will be closed on the following days:

**December 24-25, 2019 and Dec. 31, 2019 – Jan. 1, 2020**

**\*\*Vetting operations at Fort Detrick for all Holidays will occur at Nallin Gate.\*\***

**\*Nallin Farm Gate and Brookville Gate will be open 24/7.\***

### BARQUIST Closures:

13 December: Training Afternoon - close at 1130  
 24 December: Reduced hours (DONSA) – close at 1130  
 25 December: Christmas Day holiday – closed all day  
 31 December: Reduced hours (DONSA) - close at 1130  
 1 January, 2020: New Year's Day holiday – closed all day

#### **Staff Judge Advocate Office**

OSJA will be closing at 2:30 pm on Dec 12 for their annual holiday party. This includes Legal Assistance.

**Legal Assistance and Claims Office Reduced Holiday Hours**  
**Fort Detrick Legal Office, 521 Fraim Street, Fort Detrick (301) 619-2221**

Thursday, Dec. 12 - office closing at 2:30 for office holiday party  
 Monday, Dec. 23 - 9-11 a.m.; 1:30-2 p.m.  
 [Notaries and emergency Powers of Attorney for clients eligible for services under AR 27-3];  
 Tuesday, Dec. 24 - Closed  
 Wednesday, Dec. 25 - Closed  
 Monday, Dec. 30 - 9-11 a.m.; 1:30-2 p.m.  
 [Notaries and emergency Powers of Attorney for clients eligible for services under AR 27-3];  
 Tuesday, Dec. 31 - Closed  
 Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020 - Closed

#### **Commissary Holiday Hours**

Dec. 22, 10 am-5 pm  
 Dec. 23 10 am -6 pm  
 Dec. 24, 10 am – 4 pm  
 Dec. 25, Christmas Day- Closed  
 Dec. 26, 10 am -7 pm

Dec. 27, 10 am – 6 pm  
 Dec. 28, 9 am-6 pm  
 Dec. 29, 10 am -5 pm  
 Dec. 31, 10 am – 7 pm  
 Jan. 1, CLOSED NEW YEARS DAY

### FMWR Holiday Hours

#### **ADMIN AND NAF SUPPORT**

24 - 27 December 2019	Closed
30 December 2019	8:00am - 3:00pm
31 December 2019	Closed
1 January 2020	Closed

#### **ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICES**

24 - 27 December 2019	Closed
31 December 2019	8:00am - 4:00pm
1 January 2020	Closed

#### **ARMY EMERGENCY RELIEF**

24 - 27 December 2019	Closed
31 December 2019	8:00am - 4:00pm
1 January 2020	Closed

#### **LEISURE TRAVEL OFFICE**

24 - 25 December 2019	Closed
31 December 2019	Closed
1 January 2020	Closed

#### **CAFE TOO**

24 - 31 December 2019	Closed
1 January 2020	Closed

#### **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES CENTER**

24 - 31 December 2019	Closed
1 January 2020	Closed

#### **ODOM FITNESS CENTER Manned hours**

24 December 2019	8:00am - 4:00pm
25 December 2019	Closed
31 December 2019	8:00am - 4:00pm
1 January 2020	Closed

#### **INDOOR POOL**

24 December 2019	8:00am - 4:00pm
25 December 2019	Closed

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## HOLIDAY HOURS AROUND THE INSTALLATION CONTINUED



31 December 2019 8:00am - 4:00pm

1 January 2020 Closed

### AUTO SKILLS CENTER

24 - 25 December 2019 Closed

30 - 31 December 2019 Closed

1 January 2020 Closed

### EQUIPMENT CHECK OUT CENTER

24 - 25 December 2019 Closed

30 December 2019 9:00am - 1:00pm

31 December 2019 Closed

1 January 2020 Closed

### RV STORAGE

24 - 25 December 2019 Closed

30 December 2019 9:00am - 1:00pm

31 Dec. 2019 and 1 Jan. 2020 Closed

### PET LODGING & DAYCARE

24 December 2019 7:00am - 12:00pm

25 December 2019 Closed

31 December 2019 7:00am - 4:00pm

1 January 2019 Closed

### PARENT CENTRAL SERVICES Fort Detrick

24 December 2019 8:00am - 4:00pm

25 December 2019 Closed

31 December 2019 8:00am - 4:00pm

1 January 2020 Closed

### SCHOOL LIAISON SERVICES

24 December 2019 7:30am - 4:00pm

25 December 2019 Closed

31 December 2019 7:30am - 4:00pm

1 January 2020 Closed

### CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER Fort Detrick

24 December 2019 6:00am - 4:00pm

25 December 2019 Closed

31 December 2019 6:00am - 4:00pm

1 January 2020 Closed

### SCHOOL AGE CENTER

24 December 2019 6:00am - 4:00pm

25 December 2019 Closed

31 December 2019 6:00am - 4:00pm

1 January 2020 Closed

### SPORTS & SKIES UNLIMITED

24 December 2019 9:00am - 4:00pm

25 December 2019 Closed

31 December 2019 9:00am - 4:00pm

1 January 2020 Closed

### PARENT CENTRAL SERVICES Forest Glen

24 December 2019 7:30am - 4:00pm

25 December 2019 Closed

31 December 2019 7:30am - 4:00pm

1 January 2020 Closed

### CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER Forest Glen

24 December 2019 6:00am - 4:00pm

25 December 2019 Closed

31 December 2019 6:00am - 4:00pm

1 January 2020 Closed

### FOREST GLEN ANNEX FITNESS CENTER Manned hours

24 - 25 December 2019 Closed

31 December 2019 Closed

1 January 2020 Closed



## Fort Detrick Soldiers Spend Time with Local Veterans



*Fort Detrick Soldiers visit with residents of the Homewood Retirement Center in Frederick, Maryland on Nov. 11, 2019 for their annual Veterans Day Breakfast.*

*Courtesy Photos*

## Local Veteran Honored at Fort Detrick Observance

*By Caree Vander-Linden, USAMRIID Public Affairs*

The U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases hosted Fort Detrick's annual Veterans Day observance Nov. 7, 2019, featuring World War II Veteran and local retirement community resident John Lehman, age 97.

Lehman was the radar operator on the U.S.S. Barb, one of the most decorated submarines during WWII. It was credited with sinking 25 Japanese ships, four warships, including an aircraft carrier, and more than 50 smaller vessels. The Barb's combat awards include the Medal of Honor, six Navy Crosses, 23 Silver Stars and 23 Bronze Stars.

USAMRIID personnel lined the hallways in silent tribute as Lehman, flanked by his colleague, Frederick Burton, entered the building. USAMRIID Commander Col. E. Darrin Cox presented Lehman and Burton, a Korean War Veteran, with coins and certificates of appreciation. During the reception that followed, Soldiers lined up to shake hands with the two men and thank them for their service.

Veterans Day was originally established as Armistice Day in 1919 to honor those who fought and died in World War I. In 1954, a national effort by World War II veteran Raymond Weeks led to the establishment of November 11 as Veterans Day to honor all the men and women who have served our Armed Forces.



*Col. E. Darrin Cox, USAMRIID commander, chats with WWII Veteran John Lehman during a Nov. 7, 2019 ceremony at Fort Detrick.*

*Photo by Bill Green, courtesy of the Frederick News Post*

# Cooking Safety

Cooking brings family and friends together, provides an outlet for creativity and can be relaxing. But did you know that cooking fires are the number one cause of home fires and home injuries? By following a few safety tips you can prevent these fires.

## "COOK WITH CAUTION"

- Be on alert! If you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol don't use the stove or stovetop.
- Stay in the kitchen while you are frying, boiling, grilling, or broiling food. If you leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, turn off the stove.
- If you are simmering, baking, or roasting food, check it regularly, remain in the home while food is cooking, and use a timer to remind you that you are cooking.
- Keep anything that can catch fire — oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels or curtains — away from your stovetop.

## If you have a small (grease) cooking fire and decide to fight the fire...

- On the stovetop, smother the flames by sliding a lid over the pan and turning off the burner. Leave the pan covered until it is completely cooled.
- For an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the door closed.

## If you have any doubt about fighting a small fire...

- Just get out! When you leave, close the door behind you to help contain the fire.
- Call 9-1-1 or the local emergency number from outside the home.



## Cooking and Kids

Have a "kid-free zone" of at least 3 feet (1 metre) around the stove and areas where hot food or drink is prepared or carried.

## FACTS

- ! The leading cause of fires in the kitchen is unattended cooking.
- ! Most cooking fires in the home involve the kitchen stove.



**NATIONAL FIRE  
PROTECTION ASSOCIATION**

The leading information and knowledge resource  
on fire, electrical and related hazards





# TWELVE HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS

- 1** Keep decorations at least three feet away from heat sources – especially those with an open flame, like fireplaces and candles.



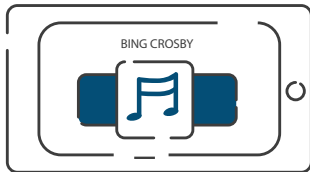
- 3** If you have a natural Christmas tree water it to keep it fresh and safe.



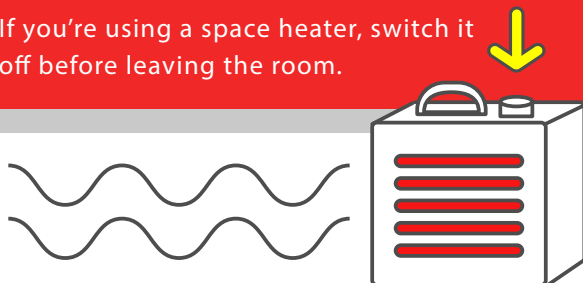
- 5** If you're using extension cords or adapters that add receptacles, consider having a qualified electrician add more outlets to your home.



- 7** Remember that phones and tablets should stay on your nightstand.



- 9** If you're using a space heater, switch it off before leaving the room.



- 11** Keep batteries stored safely in their packaging and out of reach from small children and pets.



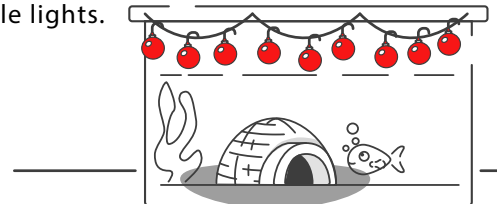
- 2** The best decorations are safe decorations, so when you're decorating, make sure not to run cords under rugs or furniture.



- 4** Always turn off your decorations when you leave your home and when you're sleeping.



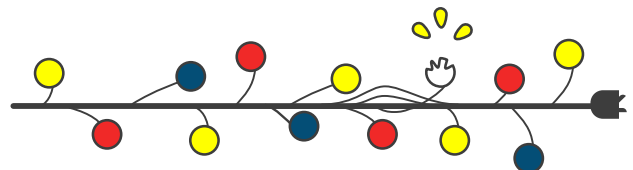
- 6** Only use electronics in dry areas. As tempting as it is, you just can't decorate your aquarium with icicle lights.



- 8** Every home needs a working smoke alarm in each bedroom, outside sleeping areas and on every level, including the basement.



- 10** Inspect your decorations and discard any that are damaged or worn out.



- 12** The best gift for your family is an Arc-Fault Circuit Interrupter breakers or outlets. Many electrical fires that occur every year could be prevented by AFCIs.



# Winter Weather Resources

## Public Notification

1. PAO updates the following resources in the order listed:
  - a) Social media (Facebook & Twitter)
  - b) Phone line (301) 619-7611
  - c) Media outlets (TV & Radio)
  - d) Alert System
2. Media outlets engaged are in Baltimore, Washington D.C., Hagerstown and Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

Baltimore	Pennsylvania	Washington D.C.	Hagerstown	W. Va	Frederick
WBAL Ch. 11	WGAL NBC Ch. 8 (York)	WJLA ABC Ch. 7	WDVM NBC Ch. 25	WMRE AM 1550	WFMD AM 930
WMAR ABC 4	WCRH FM 90.5	Fox 5 D.C	WWEG FM 106.9	WKSI FM 98.3	WFRE FM 99.9
WJZ Ch. 13	WGTY 107.7	NBC Ch. 4	WARK AM 1490		
WCAO AM 600	WGET 1320 AM	WUSA TV Ch. 9	WJEJ AM 1240		
WPOC FM 93.1	WWMD FM 101	WTOP AM 1500	WILD 96.7 FM		
		WWVZ FM 104.1			
		WRQX FM 107.3			



## FORT DETRICK HAZARDOUS WEATHER GUIDE

To download the Fort Detrick Hazardous Weather Guide, visit:  
<https://home.army.mil/detrick/index.php/about/Installation-Status>



# Around Fort Detrick

## USAG Fort Detrick on Social Media

You can follow USAG Fort Detrick on social media for daily updates and information. On Facebook go to: [www.facebook.com/DetrickUSAG](https://www.facebook.com/DetrickUSAG) and "Like" us or follow us on Twitter: @DetrickUSAG.

As a reminder, all social media sites must be registered with Army. For more information, contact the Public Affairs Office.

The Fort Detrick Weeklies can now be found on the Fort Detrick homepage <https://home.army.mil/detrick/> under "Weeklies" and "Announcements." For a complete list of upcoming FMWR events, visit the Fort Detrick FMWR website: <http://detrick.armymwr.com/us/detrick/>.

## GATE CLOSURE – Christmas and New Year's Holidays

In observance of the Christmas and New Year's Holidays, all visitor centers and gates EXCEPT Nallin Farm Gate at Fort Detrick and Brookville Gate at Forest Glen will be closed on the following days:

**December 24-25, 2019 and Dec. 31, 2019 – Jan. 1, 2020**

**\*\*Vetting operations at Fort Detrick for all Holidays will occur at Nallin Gate.\*\***

**\*Nallin Farm Gate and Brookville Gate will be open 24/7.\***

## Combined Federal Campaign

It's time to Show Some Love! This year's Chesapeake Bay Area Combined Federal Campaign began Monday, Sept. 23 and runs through Jan. 10, 2020. You are invited to join the hundreds of thousands in the federal community who pledge through the CFC year after year. Donate online at <https://cbacfc.org/>. You can also do an online charity search at <https://cfcgiving.opm.gov/offerings>. If you have questions on the importance of the program or the process please contact the Fort Detrick CFC Chair, Nicole Schwab directly at (301) 619-2209.

## ICE

Did you get the results you wanted? We pride ourselves on providing great customer service. Let us know how we did! By sharing your honest feedback, together we can work to improve this service. Visit [https://ice.disa.mil/index.cfm?fa=site&site\\_id=438](https://ice.disa.mil/index.cfm?fa=site&site_id=438) to go directly to our ICE page.

## COMMISSARY NEWS

Santa is Coming to the Commissary! Dec. 13 from 12:30-2 p.m.

## Operation Happy Holidays (October 7 – December 20)

Fort Detrick is again implementing Operation Happy Holidays. OHH collects gift cards from well-wishers and distributes them to military and civilian families exhibiting a valid financial need during the holidays. All military service units and activities on Fort Detrick and Forest Glen Annex communities are welcome to participate.

For additional information on how to donate or for nomination information please contact the lead action officer for Operation Happy Holidays, Ryan Yarnell at (301) 619-3455 or email [ryan.d.yarnell.civ@mail.mil](mailto:ryan.d.yarnell.civ@mail.mil).

## Fort Detrick Chapel Prayer Breakfast

Dec. 17 at 7 a.m.  
CAC, Building 1529

## Fort Detrick Chapel Coat Drive

If you have coats that you have outgrown or no longer need please consider donating them to the coat drive. You can drop them off at the Chapel until Dec. 9. They will be donated to a local shelter.

## FY20 ASAP Personal Readiness Training

Overview: The Army Substance Abuse Program (ASAP) Personal Readiness presentations are approximately 1 hour long to assist Unit Commanders and

Directorates in meeting the annual mandatory Personal Readiness training requirements for DA Civilians and Military personnel as outlined in AR 600-85 and AR 350-1. ASAP Personal Readiness will be offered monthly throughout FY20 in the 1520 Building Auditorium from 10-11 a.m.

FY20 ASAP Personal Readiness Training Dates / 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Jan. 22/ Feb. 5/ March 4/ April 1 / May 12  
June 3 / July 22 / Aug. 5 / Sept. 2

**Notice: Parking at Fort Detrick Exchange**  
Increased Enforcement Underway To Monitor Parking at the Fort Detrick Exchange

Effective immediately Fort Detrick Police will increase patrol in the Fort Detrick Exchange parking lot to ensure the spaces marked as two hours are being used correctly. Initially warnings will be issued however beginning Jan. 1, 2020 anyone parking more than two hours will be ticketed. We appreciate everyone's cooperation.