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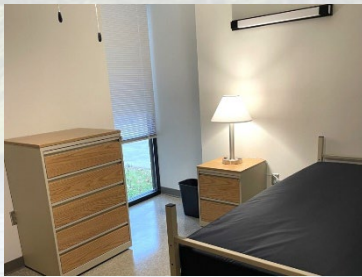


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## ☆☆☆ DID YOU KNOW? ☆☆☆

Jan. 20 is Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Find out how the Army continues to promote equality. Click on the link to learn more.



### Modern upgrades transform barracks living for XVIII Airborne Corps Soldiers at Fort Liberty

Fort Liberty Soldiers residing in the barracks are benefiting from a major upgrade as new, modern furniture is being installed across housing. These improvements aim to provide a more comfortable, functional and homelike environment, reflecting the Army's commitment to enhancing quality of life and readiness for its personnel.



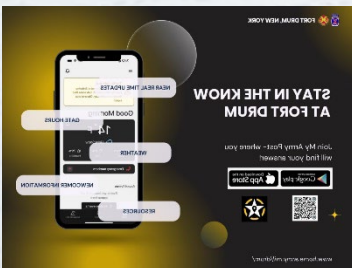
### Devens RFTA energy-efficiency projects to improve readiness, training support for tenants

The Devens Reserve Forces Training Area garrison initiated \$2.4 million in infrastructure projects to improve energy efficiency for two important tenants on the installation. A new fan-walled supply-exhaust system is expected to save at least half of the initial cost to the upgraded air handling system in Building 3413.



### ID-Sustainment signs innovative regional IGSA to support base ops at 32 installations

Leaders from U.S. Army Installation Management Command's ID-Sustainment and the University of Alabama-Huntsville formalized an innovative Regional Intergovernmental Service Agreement that will see UAH students working alongside Soldiers and civilians as Army contractors, supporting the base operations mission at 32 installations.



### New app connects Fort Drum, 10th MD community with installation resources

A new, user-friendly smartphone app is giving Fort Drum community members access to the information they need right at their fingertips. Fort Drum recently joined a growing number of installations to launch the My Army Post App (MAPA), which connects people with resources.



## Community center opens with Hawaiian blessing

The Canby Community Center at Island Palm Communities, USAG Hawaii, celebrated its grand opening this week with a traditional Hawaiian blessing led by Kahu Kekoa Cordell. The ceremony brought together military leadership and the IPC team, COL Rachel Sullivan, USAG Hawaii commander, reflected on the site's rich history, which once served as the Engineers Officers Club and Beer Garden.



## Engineer Research and Development Center at White Sands Missile Range celebrates first hydrogen-powered nanogrid

In December 2024, the U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center unveiled a cutting-edge hydrogen-powered small microgrid, or nanogrid, at the White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico.



## USAG Rheinland-Pfalz team member named USAF Spouse of the Year

Megan Miccio, a workforce development program specialist at USAG Rheinland-Pfalz, recently received the Joan Orr Air Force Spouse of the Year award at the Department of the Air Force level. Miccio was honored for her significant contributions and tireless efforts to support military families and make a positive impact in her community.



## USAG Okinawa tests hazmat suit readiness

USAG Okinawa Fire and Emergency Services recently conducted their annual hazardous materials (hazmat) suit testing to ensure the safety and effectiveness of their equipment. The tests, conducted at Torii Station on Dec. 19, are crucial for verifying that the suits remain leak-proof and can protect personnel from hazardous chemicals during emergency operations.



## Installation Planning Board process shapes future for Fort Buchanan, 81st RD

Representatives of the Fort Buchanan installation directorates and tenants met with personnel from the Plans Analysis and Integration Office on Dec. 10 to conduct a working group meeting in preparation for the upcoming Installation Planning Board.



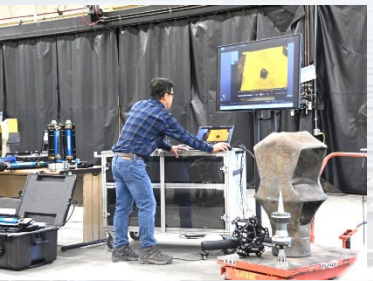
## Aquatics Center opens for Fort Wainwright, 11th ABN community with ribbon cutting

The grand opening of the Fort Wainwright Aquatics Center marked a significant step forward in enhancing the quality of life for Soldiers, Families and civilians. Presided over by COL Jason Cole, garrison commander, USAG Alaska, the ceremony celebrated years of collaboration, planning and dedication, culminating in a space designed for recreation, wellness and connection.



## Philadelphia-born Soldier and lifelong Eagles fan reenlists ahead of NFL playoffs showdown

SSG Michael C. Graves, a self-proclaimed "military brat" born in Philadelphia, reaffirmed his commitment to the U.S. Army while professing his love for the Eagles football team alongside friends and family during a reenlistment ceremony Jan. 14 at Picatinny Arsenal.



## Yuma Proving Ground looks to artificial intelligence for data efficiency gains

The U.S. Army wants to reduce sensor to shooter timelines, react to threats faster and combine all of the systems and effects available at their disposal to be ready to defend against near-peer symmetric warfare.



## Silvestre Reyes Gate: 1st AD, Fort Bliss name gate for 2005 BRAC champion

A champion of the transformation of Fort Bliss to the "Home of America's Tank Division" was recently recognized for his role in advocating for Bliss to not only be left off the Pentagon report to Congress, but to also become the largest gaining facility of any American military post around the world following the force realignment and modularization push.



## Camp Casey motor pool's renovation after 35 years improves infrastructure

Camp Casey's Fleet Management Operations, colloquially referred to as the motor pool, got a modern facelift after more than 35 years of honorable service to the community Jan. 7. The USAG Yongsan-Casey commander, alongside other military leaders, celebrated the occasion with a ribbon-cutting ceremony, tour of the renovated buildings, and an awards ceremony for employees.



## Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield welcome new command sergeant major

USAG Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield team members welcome CSM Marcus Marzett as he assumed responsibility Jan. 10 during a ceremony held at the Main Post Chapel. As the garrison's senior enlisted leader, he oversees the quality of life for Soldiers and their Families while ensuring the readiness and welfare of the Fort Stewart community.



## Fort McCoy holds January SOHAC meeting; builds community safety awareness

Fort McCoy held its first meeting of the Safety and Occupational Health Advisory Council for calendar year 2025 and the second quarter of fiscal year 2025 on Jan. 14 at the installation. The SOHAC is an installation-wide council that shares ideas and concerns about all things safety for not just garrison team members but also tenant organization members, Installation Safety Office officials said.

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