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The Military Housing Privatization Initiative
Tenant Bill of Rights is on the [Army Housing](#) site.

Garrison leaders check on the progress on Camp Zama housing upgrades

U.S. Army Garrison Japan leaders recently inspected a 20-home renovation project here as the garrison plans to roll out several more upgrades. Col. Marcus Hunter, garrison commander, and Command Sgt. Maj. David A. Rio, garrison senior enlisted leader, toured the buildings April 9 to see firsthand the construction.

Block, Ricciardi promoted during IMCOM monthly town hall

Alex Block was promoted from staff sergeant to sergeant first class, and Joe Ricciardi was promoted from brigadier general to major general April 26 during IMCOM HQ's monthly town hall. The town halls, hosted by Lt. Gen. Omar Jones, IMCOM commanding general, are a chance to engage and honor the IMCOM professionals.

Ribbon cutting ceremony opens new section of West Point Cemetery

It was a project where its completion was 10 years in the making, but through exceptional work and numerous adjustments throughout, the reclamation project added 30 years' worth of new capacity to the West Point Cemetery with a ribbon cutting April 30.

Modernization efforts ongoing at the Holston Army Ammunition Plant

The Army is currently engaged in a 15-year plan aimed at modernizing the organic industrial base, which encompasses upgrades to facilities, processes and workforce capabilities throughout depots, arsenals and ammunition plants. Several modernization efforts have been completed, are taking place, or are planned at the Holston Army Ammunition Plant in Kingsport, Tennessee.



Japan teen gains insight, personal growth through Military Youth of the Year competition

Asiel Morales fell short of being named the 2024 Military Youth of the Year, but what he learned about himself during the competition made the journey worth it, he said. Asiel, 17, was selected as Camp Zama's winner at the Japan-wide level of the competition.



USAG Poland hosts first Anti-Terrorism Officer course on Camp Kosciuszko

In a milestone for security training, U.S. Army Garrison Poland hosted its inaugural Anti-Terrorism Officer Level 2 course for 46 Soldiers and civilians at Camp Kosciuszko, April 22-26, 2024. The course provided crucial skills to address dynamic threats in the region and marking a significant step forward in bolstering security measures.



Fort Leavenworth volunteers knit gifts for babies of the parent support program

For many new parents, the arrival of a baby is a joyous occasion filled with excitement and anticipation. But with the thrill of welcoming a newborn comes sleepless nights, diaper changes and hours spent rocking a crib. A couple of volunteers have been doing their part to help make those early days a little cozier for families on Fort Leavenworth.



Passport Day at Fort Buchanan

The only U.S. Army installation in the Caribbean hosted a U.S. Department of State San Juan Passport office team on April 22, to facilitate services to the military community on the island. While at Fort Buchanan, the agency processed approximately 98 requests from soldiers and families.



Ansbach Student-Athlete excels in national contest on democracy

Ansbach Middle High School junior, Meredith Maxwell, was recently presented with a Veterans of Foreign Wars National Merit scholarship as a finalist in the Voice of Democracy audio-essay contest. This year's theme: "What are the greatest attributes of our Democracy?"



Cultural Resource Managers convene at Picatinny for Army Alternate Procedures

U.S. Army Cultural Resource Managers (CRMs) representing 13 U.S. Army Installation Management Command (IMCOM) installations convened at Picatinny Arsenal for a three-day training course on April 9-11 organized by the Army Environmental Command (AEC).



Planet vs. Plastics: Camp Humphreys recognizes Earth Day

U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys Commander Col. Ryan Workman, Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. Monty Drummond, and Directorate of Public Works Environmental Division Chief Scott Weber cut a cake to commemorate Earth Day at the Camp Humphreys' Commissary April 22.



Fort Walker Environmental impresses, educates at 'Earth Day on the Rappahannock'

Fort Walker's Environmental and Natural Resources Division (ERND) was in full force on April 20 at Fredericksburg, Virginia's Earth Day festival dubbed "Earth Day on the Rappahannock". Gleaming smiles chased away gloomy clouds as thousands of families strolled among 74 exhibitors at the free event.



Fort Cavazos leadership, Killeen continue tradition for 82nd consecutive year

A local World War II hero was honored by community leaders for the 82nd year Thursday afternoon at the airport bearing his namesake, Robert Gray Army Airfield. The ceremony took place inside the main lobby of the city's regional airport, which regularly features displays of Robert Gray memorabilia.



Daegu honors volunteers

As the sun dipped below the horizon April 25, the Evergreen Community Club buzzed with anticipation. Inside, tables adorned with crisp linens and flowers awaited the honored guests of the evening—the dedicated volunteers of the U.S. Army Garrison Daegu community. The event's host, USAG Daegu Commander Col. Dave Henning, welcomed the honorees as they settled into their seats.



MOMC-palooza event provides Fort Leonard Wood family fun

One of the largest events of Fort Leonard Wood's Month of the Military Child celebration, MOMC-palooza, took place April 20 at Gerlach Field, giving families here a chance to relax, have fun and celebrate the resiliency of military children.



18 Soldiers receive citizenship

The lives of 18 Soldiers and one spouse from 14 different countries changed April 18 at Fort Carson, after their hard work paid off, when they officially swore into being a citizen of the United States of America. "This day means a lot to me," said Pfc. Faustina Dankwah, 115th Quartermaster Field Feeding Company, 68th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, 4th Division Sustainment Brigade, 4th Infantry Division, a native of Ghana.

IMCOM GROUNDBREAKING EVENTS

May 17, Fort Wainwright, Alaska

11 a.m. Ribbon cutting for motorcycle training range, pavilion and latrines for Motorcycle Safety Foundation basic and advanced rider courses

June 4, Fort Wainwright, Alaska

3 p.m. Ribbon cutting for Denegee Child Development Center

June 6, Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, Virginia

Ribbon cutting for Building 404, DFAC R&M project

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