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*** TIP OF THE WEEK ***

Promote healthy brain activity by visiting your local garrison <u>library</u>. Click on the link to learn more.







Groundbreaking ceremony for 212 new homes at JBLM to benefit I Corps Soldiers, families

A Liberty Military Housing groundbreaking ceremony March 18 at Joint Base Lewis-McChord marked the start of construction of 212 new homes – 106 four-bedroom duplexes – in the Meriwether Landing neighborhood on Lewis North.

Army leader assesses Hawaii, 25th ID infrastructure, housing during two-day visit

USAG Hawaii hosted David H. Dentino, deputy assistant Secretary of the Army for installations, housing and partnerships, for a two-day visit Feb. 25-26. Dentino's visit focused on key infrastructure challenges, privatized and barracks housing concerns, military construction and essential partnerships supporting the Army's mission in Hawaii.

Fort Meade Child Development Center supports MDW Families by achieving NAEYC accreditation

Fort Meade Child and Youth Services Child Development Center II has successfully completed the rigorous accreditation process with the National Association for the Education of Young Children, demonstrating its commitment to providing high-quality childcare and education.



USAG Rheinland-Pfalz, unit partners incorporate Army modernization into future property plans

USAG Rheinland-Pfalz commander COL Jeffery Higgins hosted the winter Real Property Planning Board Council of Colonels Engagement Meeting at the workforce development center Feb. 18. The RPPB is a forum for the garrison to align infrastructure with tenant unit and mission partner leaders while incorporating the Army's modernization efforts.

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Fort Drum DES members take Polar Plunge to promote wellness, 10th MTN readiness

Law enforcement is a 24/7 job, and the Soldiers and civilians supporting that mission at Fort Drum have a program in place to address the stressors inherent in their profession. It's called the Officer Wellness and Peer Support Program, and it serves all members of the Directorate of Emergency Services.



Micro markets arrive at Picatinny, offering additional food options for arsenal community

Servicemembers and civilian employees here can now fuel up on food and beverages at three new micro markets made available through a partnership with the Army Air Force Exchange Service. Micro markets are fully automated self-serve stores located in high-traffic or out-of-theway areas that offer a wider product assortment compared with traditional vending machines.



Torii Station hosts joint US-Japan wildland fire training to strengthen public readiness

The USAG Okinawa Fire Department and Nirai Fire Department joined forces March 11 for a critical joint training exercise at Torii Station. The training focused on enhancing firefighter safety and interoperability during a simulated wildland fire.





MAPA connects Fort Buchanan, community members with installation resources

The only U.S. Army installation in the Caribbean recently joined a growing number of installations to launch the My Army Post App (MAPA), which connects people with resources such as current weather conditions, postwide alert messages, emergency contact numbers, and facility hours and locations.

Fort Riley dietitians emphasize nutrition as critical component of 1st ID warfighter lethality

While this year's national theme of "Food Connects Us" celebrates the social aspects of nutrition, Fort Riley's dietitians are emphasizing a more mission-focused message: nutrition as a critical component of warfighter lethality for the 1st Infantry Division.

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Defense Community Enclave Initiative Fort Gregg-Adams, home to Combined Arms Support Command, and local community leaders discussed establishing an enclave, which

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Fort Gregg-Adams announces quality-of-life







Construction continues on transient training troops East Barracks Project at Fort McCoy

Contractors continue to work on a new \$27.3 million transient training troops barracks project, known as the Fort McCoy East Barracks Project. Contractors began in May 2024 getting the site set up for the fourth transient training troops barracks project at Fort McCoy, home of the 88th Readiness Division.

Fort Eisenhower, Cyber CoE press forward in Hurricane Helene recovery efforts

Fort Eisenhower, home of the Cyber Center of Excellence, continues to make significant progress in recovery efforts following the devastation caused by Hurricane Helene. The Category 4 storm made landfall Sept. 27, bringing hurricane-force wind gusts exceeding 80 mph. The widespread damage to infrastructure, housing, and natural resources has required extensive cleanup and restoration efforts.

Fort Belvoir's off-base partnership fosters innovation in security, logistics for MDW

The U.S. military is constantly evolving and adapting to meet new threats and challenges. Each branch is a dynamic organization which must seek continuous improvement and innovation, looking for inspiration in the most unlikely of arenas. For Fort Belvoir, innovation came straight out of left field, as its leaders toured Washington Nationals Stadium on March 7.



College, career fair showcases post-graduation options for Camp Zama high school students

A college and career fair held March 6 at Zama Middle High School offered students there a showcase of post-graduation job and education options. The fair offered more than 40 booths in categories that included college, career, military and scholarship information.