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The H2F program is changing the culture of Army health and fitness to meet the demands of modern combat. Click [here](#) to learn more.



Fort Irwin breaks ground on first-of-its-kind privatized apartments for junior enlisted Soldiers

Fort Irwin and the National Training Center recently broke ground on a \$500 million privatized housing development that will significantly enhance the quality of life for junior enlisted Soldiers. The Army's decision to invest in these 276 modern units marks a pilot program with the potential to reshape junior unaccompanied housing across the Army.



VIDEO: Fort Knox Range Operations team ensures support of Soldiers with training assets

With roughly 6,000 target devices spread out on around 100,000 acres of training area, Fort Knox Range Operations aids Soldier lethality and Army readiness daily. Rodney Manson, Fort Knox Installation Range Management Officer, explains what goes on behind the scenes to make all this possible.



Fort Hunter Liggett strengthens partnership ties, hosts Naval Mobile Construction Battalion-5

Sailors from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 5, based out of Port Hueneme, California, strengthened Seabee readiness during a two-week field exercise at Fort Hunter Liggett, building permanent facilities and refining command-and-control skills to enhance the Navy's warfighting advantage.



USAG Ansbach begins \$330 million modernization project at Barton Barracks

The U.S. Army launched a massive \$330 million modernization project at Barton Barracks, marking a significant investment in the future of the U.S. Army presence in the Franconian region. The project will support two newly activated units: the 7th Engineer Brigade Headquarters and the 1st Battalion, 57th Air Defense Artillery Regiment.



Parks Reserve Forces Training Area supports warfighter readiness in the Bay Area

The Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security at Parks Reserve Forces Training Area leads the charge in preparing America's warfighters for the demands of modern conflict, delivering integrated, high-impact training solutions and logistical support to Army Reserve and National Guard Soldiers from 180 units across Northern California.



Franconia-Springfield Bridge Walk strengthens Fort Belvoir community ties

Community members, civic leaders and military personnel gathered at Springfield Plaza to join the Franconia-Springfield Bridge Walk on Aug. 30. Leaders guided the walk across Veterans Bridge, a tradition that for 24 years has symbolized the covenant between Fort Belvoir and its surrounding communities.



Ownership of historic cannon returns to Picatinny Arsenal after 20 years

A M1897 Quick Firing Field Gun, with more than a century of service, has been placed in possession of Picatinny Arsenal officials for the first time in more than 20 years. The M1897 was the most advanced artillery weapon of its day. It weighs 1,700 pounds and fired a 16-pound shell.



USAG Miami School Liaison Officer sets military-connected students up for success

With the state of Florida establishing the Purple Star School of Distinction to help military-connected students, U.S. Army Garrison-Miami School Liaison Officer Garth Gourley has been working the past year to change the participation of those students in Miami-Dade and Broward counties. His efforts have paid off with 13 Miami-Dade schools earning the Purple Star, which affects 101 students.



USAG Wiesbaden bids farewell to first budget officer after 46 years of supporting readiness

Julijana Halilagic recently ended a 46-year career in resource management, culminating in her retirement as USAG Wiesbaden's first budget officer. "The Army is a great employer, and I will tell this to every young person I meet on the street," said Halilagic, a native of Bosnia who immigrated to Germany when she was 13. "Go and work for the U.S. Army. It's a great place to work and I'm honest about it."



Fort Drum, 10th Mountain Division Soldiers 'Get a Grip' on suicide prevention

The Army's theme for Suicide Prevention Month is "We are Stronger Together – Connect to Protect" and that message was evident Sept. 5 during the fourth annual Get a Grip Competition at Fort Drum. Dozens of 10th Mountain Division Soldiers put their grip strength to the test in a four-event contest.



Presidio of Monterey Dental Clinic ensures Solider readiness with modern technology

The Presidio of Monterey Dental Clinic ensures warfighter readiness through the safe employment of modern dental technology. Dr. (MAJ) Dustin Davis, the officer in charge of the clinic, says the clinic's advanced technology allows it to accomplish a crown replacement in one day when traditional clinics might take weeks.



Fort Bragg Housing Services Office a battle buddy for off-post renters

The Fort Bragg Housing Services Office wants to ensure Service Members know they have an off post rental support at their convenience through the installation's Housing Services Office during the 2025 permanent change of station season levels out. HSO is part of the Garrison's Directorate of Public Works and assists military personnel and their Families.



'Prepare to Protect': APG urges families to build emergency kits in September

Aberdeen Proving Ground observes National Preparedness Month in September under the national theme "Prepare to Protect," Installation Emergency Manager Essie Washington-Bennett said, with a monthlong campaign that stresses personal responsibility and practical steps families can take to prepare for emergencies..



Fort Rucker Education Center conducts 2025 combined college graduation

The Fort Rucker Education Center conducted its 2025 Combined College Graduation Ceremony at the U.S. Army Aviation Museum on Sept. 5. Twenty-three graduates from Fort Rucker and Camp Shelby, Miss., earned a total of three associate's degrees, 12 bachelor's degrees, five master's degrees and one doctoral degree from six different universities.