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March 29 is <u>Vietnam Veterans Day</u>. Learn more about the sacrifices made by over 9 million Americans. Click on the link to learn more.



Award-winning living: Cavalry Family Housing at Fort Cavazos earns accolade for 10th year

Continuing a now decade-long streak, Cavalry Family Housing has won the SatisFacts 2024 Resident Satisfaction Community Award. All neighborhoods on Fort Cavazos received the award, including the installation's most recent addition, Heritage Heights.



Camp Humphreys Soldiers conduct field training exercise to master skills, support garrison

USAG Humphreys Soldiers conducted 48-hour field operations as part of the Freedom Shield 25 on March 14. In addition to mission preparation, leaders emphasized basic soldiering skills relevant to emergency situations and supporting the garrison's mission.



Picatinny Arsenal leaders emphasize munitions modernization at executive summit

Senior leaders from Picatinny Arsenal and defense industry executives convened this week at the National Defense Industrial Association's 2025 Munitions Executive Summit, highlighting ambitious efforts to modernize and expand America's ammunition industrial base amid rising global tensions.



Thunder Brigade Soldiers embrace history during iconic tour of Korean DMZ

Just 27 miles away from the capital of South Korea, less than an hour's drive, a new generation of American Soldiers stare at a tense moment of military history in Korea, carved into 1.1 miles of granite bedrock at Third Tunnel of the Korean Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) on March 20.

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Aberdeen PG inducts nine into NCO Corps

A ceremony honoring legacy, tradition and military leadership was held March 7 at Aberdeen Proving Ground as nine noncommissioned officers were formally inducted into the NCO Corps. The induction, part of a series of commemorative events at the historic installation, underscored the Army's ongoing commitment to developing its next generation of leaders.



Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall firefighters recognized for response to jet-helicopter crash

In a small, informal ceremony Feb. 21 at the Fort Myer Fire Station, senior military officials from the U.S. Military District of Washington gathered to recognize the immediate action of several local firefighters who were among the first responders to the crash site near Reagan National Airport that claimed the lives of 67 people.



Marathon honors USAG Italy retired CSM

Rhythmic sounds of running feet echoed through Rome's streets – those that belonged to 173rd Airborne Brigade Soldiers marked a tribute to a favorite senior noncommissioned officer upon his retirement. The March 16 marathon was an endurance test for some. But for a group of Soldiers from the 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment – known as First Rock – the run honored CSM Bryan O'Neal, who served 22 years and retired three days earlier from U.S. Army Garrison Italy.



V Corps on the shoulder, USAG Poland celebrates growth during patching ceremony

USAG Poland commemorated two major milestones March 21, with a patching ceremony and celebration of its second anniversary, underscoring the Army's enduring commitment to Poland and the steady growth of the garrison.



New patch, same mission: Fort Meade now under MDW patch

Soldiers of Fort George G. Meade Garrison stood in formation Wednesday as MG Trevor Bredenkamp, commanding general of the Joint Task Force-National Capital Region and the U.S. Army Military District of Washington, oversaw a repatching ceremony to mark the official adoption of a new unit emblem.

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Impending Clay Kaserne running trail upgrades to enhance Soldier fitness and readiness

To enhance Soldier readiness and fitness, improvements are being constructed on the existing running trail on Clay Kaserne. The USAG Wiesbaden Department of Public Works has started upgrades that are scheduled for completion by the end of July, such as adding Sprint-Drag-Carry, training lanes and permanent physical fitness equipment.

Fort Drum internships offer work experience for Soldiers transitioning to new careers

Nearing her retirement from the Army, SFC Roxanne Nissen has already gained invaluable experience in the civilian workforce while interning with the Fort Drum Soldier and Family Readiness Division. Nissen, who served as the sexual assault response coordinator for the 10th Mountain Division (LI), started her internship last year to fulfill a requirement for her master's degree in social work.

New Red Cross office strengthens support for military community at Fort Hamilton

The USAG Fort Hamilton marked a significant milestone in supporting service members and their Families with a ribbon-cutting ceremony for a new American Red Cross office March 12. The office, located on the first floor of the Installation Support Office, will provide critical emergency family assistance and hero care messaging to military personnel and their dependents.

U.S. Soldiers, local park staff in Yokohama team up for joint cleanup of ditches, gutters

U.S. Soldiers stationed in Yokohama, Japan, joined Japanese staff at Mitsuike Park near Yokohama North Dock for an inaugural joint cleanup effort March 12. The Soldiers, assigned to the 5th Transportation Company, 765th Transportation (Terminal) Battalion, worked with the staff with a focus on cleaning out drainage ditches and gutters at the park.



Contractors take advantage of good weather at Fort McCoy to move a WWII-era barracks

Contractors took advantage of ideal sunny weather March 18 to successfully move a third World War II-era barracks at Fort McCoy. Two World War II-era barracks buildings were already moved Jan. 22 and Feb. 12-13. This third building was moved to the same area as the first two.