

TEAM MEADE UPDATE

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From Deputy to the Garrison Commander

Hello again Team Meade! Spring is here, the clocks are forward, and although March came in like a lion, we should see signs of Spring soon! As the weather warms, we look towards spring cleaning please don't forget to include your personal workspaces also.

We are very busy as usual across the staff, and to continue improving our effort to recognize your hard work we have re-established a Quarterly Local Awards program that will recognize employees of the quarter and year in both supervisor and individual contributor positions. The program will begin in March and recognition will come with a monetary award. Details and nomination form are included in this edition of the Team Meade Update.

The GC, CSM and I have also initiated a schedule to get out and spend time with you each quarter in your workspaces. The intent is to communicate with you in small groups to provide updates on Garrison wide efforts, explain why your jobs are critical to our National Defense, and listen to your questions and concerns. We look forward to seeing you all soon!

In the meantime, keep the communication flow going up and down; share information if you have it, and ask questions if you don't. Use every resource you have as efficiently and effectively as possible and let us know your resource requirements. We will do our very best to meet them...more new computers are on the way in FY23! THANK YOU! For all you do. I look forward to seeing everyone soon!

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Mr. Brian P. Foley
Deputy to the Garrison Commander

USAG FGGM Announces Civilian of the Quarter/Year Program

The Fort George G. Meade Garrison has re-established a local awards program to recognize and reward employee contributions and behaviors that support and further the mission, goals, and initiatives of IMCOM and USAG Fort George G. Meade. The program will recognize employees of the quarter and year in both supervisor and individual contributor positions. It has been added as a key component of the overall civilian awards program and recognition will come with a monetary award.

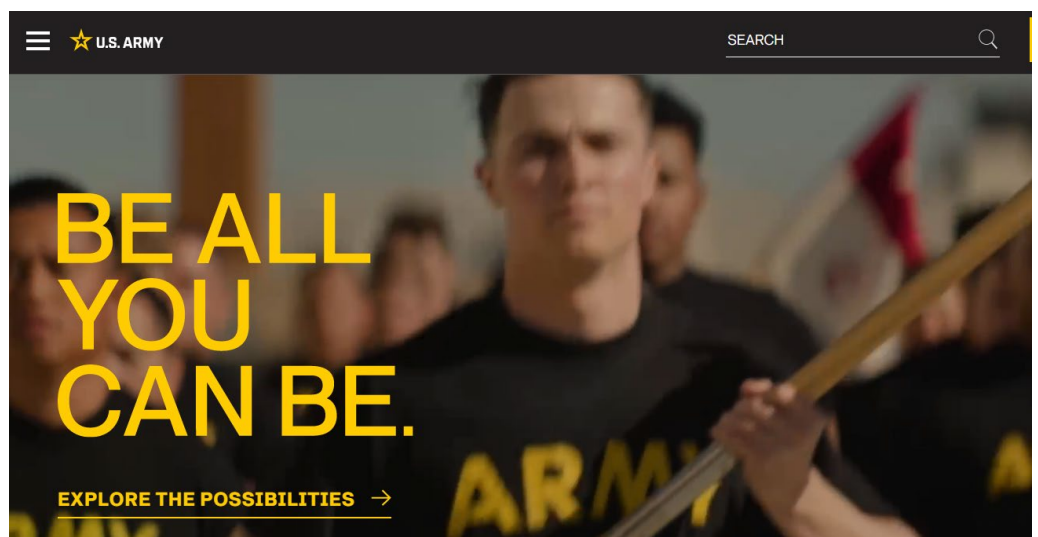
Further details are included in the 4 March 2023 version of the Fort George G. Meade Civilian Awards Program SOP for U.S. Army Garrison Personnel, and information on the Nomination process is below.

Nomination Instructions are below:

1. Complete the attached nomination form. (Anyone may nominate another individual, but the form must go through the appropriate Director/Special Staff Officer before being submitted.)
2. Submit your completed nomination form to Amber Petronio amber.m.petronio.civ@army.mil for routing to the Awards Board. (The Awards Board recorder will produce the DA1256 for the winners.)
3. For 1st Quarter-CY23, submit your nomination to Amber Petronio NLT 31 March.



Award Nomination
Form.pdf



New Army brand redefines 'Be All You Can Be'

For the first time since 2001, the U.S. Army has introduced a new brand that redefines what it means to "Be All You Can Be" for a new generation. The brand and its accompanying campaign spotlight the countless opportunities the Army provides youth to explore their passions, build community and become the best versions of themselves.

New Hire Onboard Survey

Are you a new hire who came onboard within the last 30-90 days? Don't forget to take the Onboarding Survey located at <https://forms.osi.apps.mil/r/kTbTU8Rbj5> to provide us feedback on what we could be doing better to serve you! (Survey requires CAC. One submission per person is allowed.)

Safety Corner Safety Slogan of the Week

Don't Carry Too Much Stuff at Once

During spring cleaning, you may go up and down stairs carrying a lot of things. Make sure you keep a hand free to hold onto the stair railing. - Whether you have stairs or not, always make sure you can see over the load you are carrying so you do not trip.

MHS GENESIS MILITARY HEALTH SYSTEM

PREPARE NOW

1. To prepare for the transition, make appointments early for expected health care. Please keep in mind - **the ability to request appointments through TRICARE Online Patient Portal will turn off March 17.**
2. Before MHS GENESIS goes live, verify and update information in DEERS. Ensure email and phone numbers are current, dependents are correct, and correct duty station. This step will help avoid delays.
3. Creating a DS Logon Account at myaccess.dmdc.osd.mil will allow you to access the MHS GENESIS Patient Portal from any internet-connected device.

*The MHS GENESIS Patient Portal replaces the TOL Patient Portal and Secure Messaging functions. When creating a DS Logon account, you will have to validate your identity through signing on with a CAC or through in-person/remote proofing. **CAC holders do not need to remote proof AND can request a DS Logon account for dependents who are listed in DEERS.** Dependents don't need to remote proof if a DS Logon account is requested by a CAC holder. For help with DS Logon, call 800-368-3665. For an activation guide, visit

<https://kimbrough.tricare.mil/MHSGENESIS-Resources>

4. Request an early refill of non-controlled medications when you have used 50% or more of your current supply. Call the AudioCare refill line at 800-377-1723 instead of using the TOL Patient Portal to request an early refill. Please keep in mind that **the ability to request prescription refills through TOL Patient Portal and the AudioCare refill line will turn off March 23. Please call 301-688-8800, option 4 for urgent refill requests.** You may request prescription refills by calling the AudioCare refill line (800-377-1723) after March 25.

Human Resources News

ABC-C for Benefits and Retirement Planning!

Did you know that CHRA's ABC-C has HR Benefits Specialists available to answer your questions related to any of your federal benefits or retirement?

They also have a ton of information located on their web page with Frequently asked questions, announcements, and links to the GRB and EBATS platforms: <https://portal.chra.army.mil/abc>.

The GRB platform allows you to view and make changes to things like your coverage, TSP amounts, and apply for retirement when you're ready to take the leap!

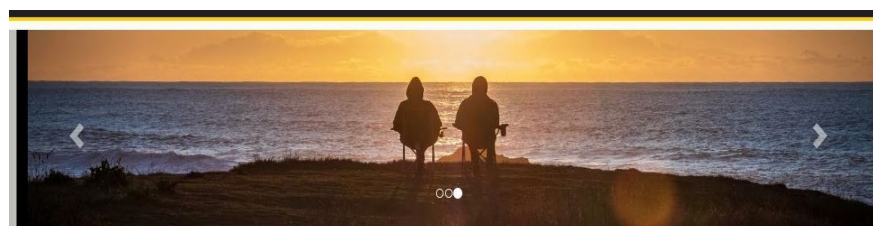
Visit the ABC-C portal today online or call/email CHRA for all your benefits questions.

CHRA HR Benefits Specialists are available from 0800 to 1600 (CT), Monday through Thursday.

Contact them via telephone or email:

Telephone: 520-2222 / (785) 240-2222 / (877) 276-9287

Email: usarmy.riley.chra-hqs.mbx.abc-c-amc@army.mil



Employee Spotlight



Martin Family
Austin, Gloriann, and Rosey

Gloriann Martin - Public Affairs Specialist

Gloriann Martin is the newest member of the U.S. Army Garrison Fort George G. Meade Public Affairs team. She has been working for the Army since she was 19 years old in various directorates from Child & Youth Services to Emergency Services, to now, Public Affairs.

Gloriann has a bachelor's in strategic communication from Liberty University, where she discovered her passion for communication and graphic design.

Her career in the Army began as a Child and Youth Program Assistant at the USAG Fort Detrick CYS School Age Center during the summers between college. After graduation, Gloriann took a job as an Emergency Services Dispatcher with the USAG Fort Detrick Police Department. Not too long after, Gloriann continued her career in communications as a Public Affairs and Communication Media Fellow under the Army Civilian Training Education and Development System.

Gloriann went through two years of on-the-job training including rotations at U.S. Army Research and Development and Command, Army Futures Command, Office of the Chief of Public Affairs, and U.S. Army Garrison Fort Belvoir. She also received formal training at the Defense Information School, where she completed the Public Affairs & Communication Strategy Qualification Course.

Born in Japan and raised in Frederick, MD, Gloriann comes from a family of military service. Her father served in the U.S. Air Force for 32 years and now works as an Army civilian alongside Gloriann's mother at Fort Detrick.

Gloriann, her husband, Austin, and their dog, Rosey, currently call West Virginia home. Where together they love to travel, watch the latest movies, and try out new recipes in the kitchen. "Even with my family background, I never expected to end up with a career in the Army," said Gloriann. "But becoming an Army civilian has attributed to many accomplishments in my career and I'm excited to see where my journey takes me here at Fort Meade."

Highlight your team members in the future Team Meade Update edition.

Send your spotlight to Chuck Yang, chul.h.yang.civ@army.mil

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

Women's History Month

- 17 – Women's History Month Obs. (Fort McNair)
- 22 – Tech Job Fair (Club Meade)
- 29 – Community Social (Potomac/Patriot)
- + 3/21-4/21 - Ramadan +

APRIL

Sexual Assault Awareness Month

- 3 – SAAPM Proclamation Signing (Smallwood Hall)
- 3-10 – Spring Break
- 9 – Easter
- 13 – Town Hall / FB Live
- 22 – Father-Daughter Ball (Club Meade)
- 27 – Community Council (Smallwood Hall)

Fort Meade Top Priorities

People are the foundation of everything we do to:

- Protect the force, protect the mission
- Enable defense of the homeland
- House and support the defenders and their families
- Posture for the future