

November is Military Family Appreciation Month



Military Family Appreciation Month is a time set aside to recognize you, the military family. Military families know what it means to serve. Every day, you get up and support your service member, standing by during long trainings and deployments. You know the risks, but you accept this life of service anyway. You are the backbone of our military. You are the quiet, but steady fuel at home that keeps the fire burning. You keep track of military pay, benefits and news, because you know they make a daily difference in your life. And when your time as an actively serving family comes to an end, you support your veteran.

Serving is just what you do. Traditionally, the president signs a proclamation recognizing that service and declaring November as Military Family Month. Over the month, families just like yours are honored and recognized for their commitment and contributions in support of our military and nation. – *Military.com*

“Don’t Be Good. Be Great”: Leadership from Command Sgt. Maj. Richard Moore

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On October 1, 2024, Fort Meade Garrison Commander Col. Yolanda Gore and Command Sgt. Maj. Richard Moore signed a proclamation reaffirming Fort Meade’s observance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month. This month allows communities nationwide to join forces to raise awareness about the far-reaching impact of domestic violence.

FORT GEORGE G. MEADE, MD. — Command Sgt. Maj. Richard Moore of the Fort George G. Meade Garrison consistently ends his remarks at events with a powerful mantra: “Don’t be good. Be great.” This philosophy urges service members and civilians alike to strive for personal and professional improvement, drawing from Moore’s own military journey.

Moore’s journey to this leadership philosophy began in his early adulthood, when he sought independence and better opportunities. “Living at home at 18, I had a serious girlfriend and a child. I realized working construction in the cold winter in Pennsylvania was not something I wanted to do for the rest of my life,” he recalled. In January 1998, he enlisted as a multi-channel transmissions systems operator-maintainer, a role he initially knew little about. “Turns out, it’s just a radio guy,” he joked.

After completing Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training, Moore was stationed at Fort Drum, N.Y., and later served with the 2nd Infantry Division in Korea. However, due to a family hardship, he returned to Fort Drum, intending to leave the military.

“I swore I was getting out of the military in August 2001. But three weeks later, the world had changed,” he said, reflecting on the events of September 11. “I felt a strong obligation at that point in time to do exactly what I signed up to do.”

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As he considered his career, Moore realized that his initial desire to leave stemmed from the difficulty of being away from family. However, through numerous deployments, he discovered a deeper sense of purpose. “Being part of something larger than myself had such a profound impact on me,” he stated.

Moore's “be great” philosophy was born from personal struggles, particularly after failing his Army Physical Fitness Test in 2010. “I could not reach the minimum standards because of the limits that I placed on myself,” he explained. Instead of aiming for mere adequacy, he learned the importance of setting higher goals.

“I pushed myself to get one percent better every day,” he said. This mindset extends to his rigorous morning runs and his commitment to continuous improvement in both personal and professional realms.

Moore recognized that his earlier approach, viewing training as a necessity for military development, was limited. “Those limits I placed on myself restricted my ability to become a better, well-rounded individual,” he said.

By embracing the “be great” mentality, Moore earned a bachelor’s degree, a master’s degree, and numerous certifications throughout his career.

When asked how his day is going, Moore’s response is always the same: “It’s great.”

“Great is whatever that day is,” he explained. “It’s a mindset. Just be better than I was yesterday. Not compared to anyone else, because that’s irrelevant. When I go home and look in the mirror, can I say that I am better than I was yesterday? That answer should be a resounding yes.”

Through his leadership, Command Sgt. Maj. Richard Moore inspires those around him to pursue greatness—not for accolades, but for the fulfillment of personal growth and collective purpose.



16 October 2024 - The leadership team at Fort George G. Meade, including Col. Yolanda Gore, Commander, and Command Sgt. Maj. Richard Moore, met with Anne Arundel County Council members Julie Hummer and Pete Smith.

The meeting provided an excellent opportunity to connect and discuss community engagement, infrastructure improvements, and support for the military, Meade cluster schools, and the Severn Center family.

Everyone left the meeting energized and eager to strengthen ties within the community. Together, we're looking forward to building a brighter future!

Highlight your staff/teammates and share your story in the future Team Meade Update edition. Send your highlights and/or spotlights to Chuck Yang, chul.h.yang.civ@army.mil

UPCOMING EVENTS



November

- 3 – Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 5 – Army v. Navy Flag Football Game
- 11 – Veterans Day
- 17 – German/Italian POW Wreath Laying
- 20 – Commander’s Call
- 23 – Gobble Till we Wobble 5k Run
- 28 – Thanksgiving Day

December

- 6 – Holiday Tree Lighting
- 21 – First Day of Winter
- 25 – Christmas Day
- 31 – New Years Eve

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