

Team Meade **UPDATES** A WORKFORCE NEWSLETTER



Newsletter - #9



Hello Team Meade! This edition of *TMU* brings you information and insight into all things Fort Meade and how your current leadership is addressing the installation's present and future status. We hope you will find this newsletter helpful and, coupled with our other digital communications platforms, comprehensive.

There are more ways than ever to deliver the latest news and information so be sure to visit [DIGITAL MEADE](#) for an in-depth look into more things Meade. There you will find previous *TMU* newsletters, the latest 'Meade Week' video and 'Fort Meade Declassified' podcast episode; catch up on the 'Meade Read' articles and stay up-to-date with 'News & Notes'.

And, if you haven't already, download the '[Digital Garrison](#)' app where you can choose to receive emergency notifications and important announcements regarding services, closures on the Installation, access important hotlines and phone numbers, events calendar, recreation links, PCS information, ArMA link to submit building maintenance requests, check the weather, shop the latest deals at the local PX, and much more!



NEWS & NOTES OF INTEREST:

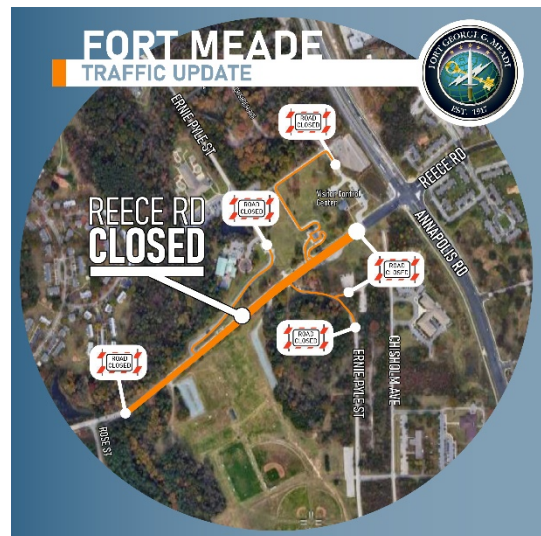
- **The next Commanders Call will be held on Wednesday July 28th, 2021, starting at 10 a.m. via Teams and DVIDS livestream.** Your participation is encouraged as we share important workforce information and give recognition to the many outstanding employees within the Fort Meade community. Here is a direct link to the next Commanders Call: [DVIDS - USAG Fort Meade Commander's Call Live Stream](#). View the previous Commanders Call meeting here: [DVIDS - Previous USAG Fort Meade Commander's Call on May 26th, 2021](#).

- **The Crofton Connector is tentatively coming back to Fort Meade!** This week Anne Arundel County Office of Transportation will be testing the route on the installation with stops at Reece Road (VCC), DISA, Candlewood Suites, Post Theater, KACC and Adjudication. The route is scheduled to resume fully on Monday, July 26, 2021.



- **Reece Road Access Control Point and road construction has begun.** The road closure is expected to last through 2022, possibly longer. Specific traffic impacts are:

1. Ernie Pyle Street will be closed at Reece Road from both southbound and northbound directions. There will be no access to Reece Road from Ernie Pyle Street.
2. Ernie Pyle Street between Mapes Road and Reece Road will be local traffic only.
3. Ernie Pyle Street between MacArthur Road and Reece Road will be local traffic only.
4. Access to all buildings along Ernie Pyle will remain open.
5. Rose Street will remain fully open.
6. The section of Reece Road from Rose Street through the intersection with MacArthur will remain open.
7. Detour for Ernie Pyle Street will be on Mapes Road to MacArthur Road.
8. Reece Road ACP/Widening Contractor will place signage for the detour routes and local traffic only on the two sections of Ernie Pyle Street.



- **Cyber Awareness Challenge training and signed AUPs, annual requirements:** IMCOM must verify all IMCOM users' profiles are current and correct for Annual Cyber Awareness training and have a digitally signed user agreement/acceptable use policy



(AUP) within Army Training and Certification Tracking System (ATCTS) to ensure continued access to the government network. An ATCTS report showing employees with expired Cyber Awareness Challenge Training, AUPs exceeding one year and/or both has been shared with directorate IMOs and IMO liaisons. Please ensure all individuals complete the required training and update their AUPs by July 30, 2021. All non-compliant individuals will be suspended from the network and their information reported to the IMCOM Information Systems Security Manager. The Cyber Awareness Challenge training and AUP can be found here:

<https://cs.signal.army.mil/UserMngmt/UserPortal.asp>

- **American Forces travel privileges extended to eligible Veterans.** The Department of Defense has announced a policy change to the current shopping privileges on the American Forces Travel website, extending online access to the website to honorably discharged veterans of the uniformed services. Follow the link for more information: <https://www.defense.gov/Newsroom/Releases/Release/Article/2696813/american-forces-travel-privileges-extended-to-eligible-veterans/>

STORIES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED:

Diversity and Service: A Courtney Family Affair



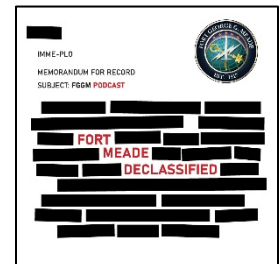
The Courtney Family has made serving in Civil Air Patrol's National Capitol Wing a Family affair. Dean Courtney (left), a resource manager with the 780th Military Intelligence Brigade (Cyber), is the Tuskegee Composite Squadron character development instructor; his spouse Victoria (center) is the Squadron's deputy commander of cadets; and Dean Courtney II (right) is a sophomore at Chesapeake Math and IT (CMIT) Academy South, joined the Civil Air Patrol (CAP)

when he was 12 years old, and is currently serving as the cadet deputy commander for his squadron. Read the entire story here: [Diversity and Service: A Courtney Family Affair :: FORT MEADE \(army.mil\)](#)

Fort Meade Declassified Ep 37 – Fort Meade Public Affairs Office says goodbye to two legacies.

This is a very special episode where we talk to Larry Whitley, Chief of Command Information and Mary Doyle, Chief of Media Relations for the Public Affairs team here at Fort Meade. They are both retiring this year and we wanted to sit down with them and hear all about their time in the military and as civilian team members here with Team Meade. Enjoy the show! Link to latest podcast episode:

<https://www.dvidshub.net/audio/66896/fort-meade-declassified-ep-37-farewell-two-our-own>



Fireworks explode over Fort Meade as service members reflect on



independence. “FORT MEADE, Md. (Tribune News Service) — Fireworks spiraled before exploding red, blues, greens and white over the Parade grounds at Fort George G. Meade. Families gathered in chairs and on blankets along the ground. Few masks were in sight, but social distancing was still being adhered to as each group stayed a healthy 6 feet from each other. There was no music, just bangs and whizzes as each mortar flew up into the sky. As the first few fireworks went off, a couple children running on the field let out a couple shrieks. Brocades, chrysanthemums, peonies, stobes, as well as other firework shapes, in various colors, lit up for nearly 20 minutes. There were not one but three displays that were at a scale that could be considered the finale, leading to the audience clapping before more fireworks would go off.” For the full article, click here: [Stars and Stripes - Fireworks explode over Fort Meade as](#)

[service members reflect on independence](#)
