

FORT GEORGE G. MEADE MEDIA ADVISORY

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Media Advisory

Red, White and Blue Celebration at Fort Meade

What: Fort Meade's annual Red, White and Blue Independence Day celebrationWHEN: June 29 from 4- 10 p.m.WHERE: McGlachlin Field, Fort Meade, Md.

The public is invited to join the service men and women of Fort George G. Meade for their annual Red, White and Blue Independence Day Celebration on Friday, June 29 from 4-10 p.m.

Several thousand people are expected to turn out for this popular community event taking place on Fort Meade's McGlachlin Field.

Free kiddie rides are available from 4-8 p.m. and include a moon bounce, Rock n' Roll Thunder, Disco Cars, Turbo Tubs, Log Jammer, Extreme Air Jumper and the 60 Seconds to Victory game.

Food vendors, including more than 15 food trucks, will be open from 4-9:30 p.m. and will offer sweets, beverages and novelties. Attendees are encouraged to picnic on the parade field.

Musical guests Jean Therapy and the local rock band Til September will provide entertainment. The opening act is School of Rock, which is made up of local teen bands.

Everyone is invited to play the Meade App-titude Challenge by downloading the free Fort George G. Meade app and completing fun tasks and challenges. Players completing all the challenges are entered to win the grand prize of an Amazon Echo, courtesy of housing partner, Corvias Military Housing.

Please leave your pets at home. Sparklers and glass containers are prohibited. Grills are only permitted on asphalt.

A spectacular fireworks display is scheduled to begin at 9:30 p.m.

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Media interested in covering this event must RSVP to Mary L. Doyle, Chief of Media Relations, 301-677-5592 or <u>mary.l.doyle14.civ@mail.mil</u> or Sherry Kuiper at 301-677-6806 or <u>sherry.a.kuiper.civ@mail.mil</u>.

BACKGROUND

Fort George G. Meade was established in 1917 and is the largest employer in the state of Maryland with more than 55,000 employees. We are the second largest Army installation in the continental United States in terms of personnel. We are the home to all branches of military service; Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine and Coast Guard and serve as the home for 119 partner organizations including U. S. Cyber Command, the National Security Agency, the Defense Information Systems Agency, the Defense Information School as well as federal agencies like the Environmental Protection Agency Environmental Science Center.

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