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**June 13, 2019**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Food, Fun and Fireworks**

**WHAT: Fort Meade’s** Red, White and Blue Celebration

**WHEN:** Friday, June 28, 2019 4-10 p.m.

**WHERE:** McGlachlin Parade Field

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Fort George G. Meade will host the annual Red, White and Blue celebration on Friday, June 28 at 4p.m. The event is free and open to the public for a night out of fun with service men and women at Fort Meade’s McGlachlin Parade Field.

Each year several thousand participants attend. This year you can expect live music selections from The School of Rock Band, 229th Maryland Army National Guard Band: The Adjutant General’s Own and the Jukebox Heroes.

The event is family friendly, offering ride and play all day wrists bands for $5 in advance and $8 at the event. Some attractions include a swing ride, pirate ship, turbo tubs, whirly bird, and mini golf.

More than 15 vendors will offer an array of food and beverage items like beer, fried Twinkies, barbecue, kettle corn, tacos and Asian cuisine.

All visitors who do not have a military ID must enter through the gate at 902 Reece Road, Fort Meade.

Please leave your pets at home. Sparklers, firecrackers, glass bottles and grills are prohibited. Lawn chairs, picnic blankets, coolers, and small canopies are welcomed.

The fireworks showcase will begin approximately at 9:30 pm.

A 30 second radio PSA as well as high definition stills and b-roll of previous Red, White and Blue events can be downloaded from our dropbox site here:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/4yv6xceo2vosuyf/AACBuwNaXclUWMJsUo_ni3yqa?dl=0>

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**BACKGROUND**

Fort Meade is the Nation’s Platform for Intelligence, Information and Cyber Operations. . With more than 56,000 employees representing each branch of military service, Fort Meade is the largest employer in the state of Maryland and the Army’s second largest installation based on population. Some of the Fort’s 119 tenant organizations include US Cyber Command, The National Security Agency, Defense Information Systems Agency, Defense Media Activity and federal agencies including the Architect of the Capitol and the Environmental Protection Agency.

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**EDITOR'S NOTE: Media interested in covering this event must RSVP by June 24 at 5 p.m. Please contact Mary Doyle in the Fort Meade Public Affairs Office at (301) 677-5592 or** [**mary.l.doyle14.civ@mail.mil**](mailto:mary.l.doyle14.civ@mail.mil)**. You will be given instructions for entering the installation.**

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