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U.S. Soldiers assigned to the 2-104th General Support Aviation Battalion, 28th Expeditionary Combat Aviation Brigade, 28th Infantry Division, fly two UH-60 Black Hawk helicopters and two CH-47 Chinook helicopters at the Professional Golfers' Association Championship at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, May 16, 2026. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by 1st Lt. Kate McNelis)

Fort Rucker Welcomes New Aviation Branch CSM



The Fort Rucker community welcomed incoming Aviation Branch Command Sergeant Major, Command Sgt. Maj. Ruben A. Davila IV, and bid farewell to Command Sgt. Maj. Kirk R. Coley, during a ceremony here May 8. Davila arrives at Fort Rucker from his most recent position as Aviation Sergeant Major, Headquarters, Department of the Army G-3/5/7 (DAMO-AV)...

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A Faith Forged in Fire: Fort Rucker's National Day of Prayer Breakfast



Since 1953, eggs, coffee and faith have been shared across the country on the National Day of Prayer. Fort Rucker honored that tradition May 7, filling The Landing for the 2026 National Day of Prayer Breakfast. After the opening of prayers for our nation, military and its leaders, retired Chief Warrant Officer 5 Dale Shrader, the guest of honor, recounted a story forged in the fires of combat...

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From Typewriters to SharePoint: Fort Rucker Civilian Retires After Half a Century



After over half a century of service to Fort Rucker, longer than Army aviation has been a branch, Barbara Harper, Transformation Integrations Directorate supervisory program analyst, was honored during a retirement lunch at The Landing May 20. Surrounded by family, friends and colleagues, Harper was recognized for an enduring career that modeled sound leadership and a heart...

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AROUND THE ARMY

Army and industry make significant strides on building supply chain resiliency

Hegseth tells West Point cadets they are ready to lead

US Army meets FY26 recruiting goals

Army pushes the boundaries of next-gen warfare

The Weight of Memory: Army aviator mourns Soldiers he lost in Afghanistan 20 years ago

Innovation, readiness converge in African Lion 26 counter-UAS

Remember our fallen heroes.



U.S. ARMY

Fort Rucker Memorial Day Ceremony Honors Fallen Service Members



In a historic first, the U.S. Army's Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape (SERE) school at Fort Rucker partnered with U.S. Army South from March 14-18, 2026 to successfully execute a large-scale reintegration exercise, simulating the mass return of service members from a large-scale combat operation. The landmark exercise processed nearly 50 students acting as returned...

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Industry partners test drone-mounted rocket launcher at Fort Rucker



Defense industry partners successfully tested a new three-shot rocket launcher mounted to a logistics drone at Fort Rucker on May 20, an initiative designed to push advanced precision strike capabilities down to the battalion level. The test paired the TRV 150, a resupply drone manufactured by Survice Engineering Company, with a three-pack Advanced Precision Kill Weapon System (APKWS) developed by BAE Systems FalconWorks. The system fires 70 mm rockets and represents a proactive, industry-led effort to meet emerging military needs...

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Last month was month of the military child and CYS programs across the Army held the 'Young Lives, BIG Stories' contest highlighting essays written by military connected children. Fort Rucker CYS had 5 students enter their stories as local finalists and were awarded with a pizza party and special recognition today, May 21. Essay finalists included Dallas Brown, Jinora Gouridine, Camila Huebenthal, Vailea Cox, and Neveah Morris (not pictured.) Thank you students for sharing your creativity through personal stories as military connected children, we are honored to have you represent Fort Rucker so well!

FORT RUCKER UPCOMING EVENTS 2026



MAY

- 01 - SUNSET BOAT RIDE AT LAKE THOLOCCO
- 02 - FITNESS EXPO
- 02 - SWEET CREEK SPRING CHICKEN FESTIVAL DAY TRIP
- 02-03 - THUNDER ON THOLOCCO
- 05 - COMMANDERS CUP SOFTBALL BEGINS
- 05 - COFFEE MEET & GREET CYS & ACS
- 05 - STRESS MANAGEMENT BINGO FAF
- 07 - ART FROM THE HEART EFMF
- 08 - MOMMY & ME LIGHT OF MY LIFE
- 08 - MILITARY SPOUSE APPRECIATION LUNCHEON
- 08 - BEGINNER KNITTING (PURL STITCH)
- 08 - DEEP SEA FISHING
- 10 - MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH
- 11 - PARENT ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
- 15 - SPEECH AND LANGUAGE SCREENING EFMF
- 16 - FORT RUCKER FREEDOM SK
- 16 - DAY AT THE LAKE
- 21 - EVERY CHILD DESERVES TO BE SAFE FAF
- 22 - CROCHET FOR BEGINNERS - FUND. STITCHES
- 23 - MEMORIAL DAY GOLF TOURNAMENT
- 26-31 - LEVEL UP YOUR SUMMER! SAC
- 26-31 - YOUTH CENTER SUMMER CAMP
- 28 - VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR RECOGNITION
- 30 - SEWING FOR BEGINNERS!

JUN

- 02 - COFFEE MEET & GREET CYS & ACS
- 02 - TREADMILL SK
- 04 - SUMMER READING PROGRAM BEGINS
- 04 - FATHER'S DAY MAKE & TAKE EFMF
- 05 - B.O.S.S. GOLF LESSONS
- 05 - DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING EFMF
- 05 - SUNSET BOAT RIDE AT LAKE THOLOCCO
- 06 - DINO DAD PLATES ARTS & CRAFTS CENTER
- 08-12 - YOUTH SPORTS SOCCER CAMP
- 11 - MEET AT MIKE'S SPOUSES' NIGHT
- 12 - (CEA) LEARN HOW TO DJ
- 12 - ARMY BIRTHDAY CAKE CUTTING TENTATIVE
- 13 - DEEP SEA FISHING (PARTY BOAT)
- 13 - ARMY BIRTHDAY GOLF SCRAMBLE
- 16 - LITTLE INNOVATORS PLAYLAB EFMF
- 16 - AER CLOSING CEREMONY
- 20 - BREWTON ALABAMA BLUEBERRY FESTIVAL DAY TRIP
- 20 - PARENT-CHILD GOLF SCRAMBLE
- 25 - STRESS MANAGEMENT BINGO FAF
- 26 - FREEDOM FEST

JUL

- 02 - FOURTH OF JULY ART JAM EFMF
- 03 - SUNSET BOAT RIDE AT LAKE THOLOCCO
- 04 - RED, WHITE, & BLUE GOLF TOURNAMENT
- 07 - COFFEE MEET & GREET CYS & ACS
- 09 - SENSORY PLAY GROUP
- 16 - BABY SIGN LANGUAGE
- 17 - B.O.S.S. GOLF SCRAMBLE

ONGOING EVENTS FOR ARMY FAMILIES & SOLDIERS

- L.I.N.C.**
@ THE LANDING - 1ST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH
- GLOW BOWL / EXTREME BOWL**
@ THE FLIGHTLINE EVERY FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHT
- RIGHT ARM NIGHT & LIVE AT MIKE'S**
@ BIG MIKE'S - TYPICALLY 3RD FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH
- NEWCOMERS WELCOME**
@ THE LANDING - 2ND FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH
- TRIVIA TUESDAYS**
@ BIG MIKE'S - 2ND & 4TH TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH
- BOOKS & BREWS**
@ BIG MIKE'S - 3RD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH
- STORYTIME WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS**
@ THE CENTER LIBRARY & 3RD SAT OF EACH MONTH
- TEEN BOOK CLUB**
3RD THURS OF EACH MONTH
- STARS & STRIKES BOWLING**
JAN 19th, FEB 14th, MAR 21st, JUN 19th, SEP 19th, NOV 19th, FEB 12th, NOV 11th
- CORE & CUDDLES**
EVERY FRIDAY @ ANDREWS PFC, RM SQUASH 114

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ROME
PAUL'S UNCLE TOMMY'S CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

All Roads Lead to Rome!

Location: Wings Chapel (Bldg. 6036)

When: 14 - 16 July 2026

The fun begins at 0830
The city gates close at 1130

Religious Support Office
334-255-2989

MEET AT MIKE'S Spouses' Night
All Are Welcome!

JUNE 11 | 6PM - 8PM

Join us at Big Mike's for an opportunity to network and connect with fellow spouses!
RED, WHITE, & SPARKLING FRIENDSHIPS

Free Appetizer Buffet & Giveaways

Thank you to our sponsor!

Flowers Hospital

THEMED COCKTAILS & HOOKTAILS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE.

BIG MIKE'S BAR & GRILL
BLDG. 391, RUF AVENUE 0341 255-1616



Following a Change of Responsibility May 8, Command Sgt. Maj. Kirk Coley, outgoing Command Sergeant Major of the Aviation Branch, was honored with a retirement ceremony celebrating a distinguished 31 year career of service. Coley served as the branch Command Sgt. Maj. for 3 consecutive years here at Fort Rucker.

He and his wife Tiawannia plan to retire to the local area while their daughter JaLynn completes her degree at University Of Alabama Birmingham.



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