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Welcome Home for the Holidays Instagram photo contest winners Chief Warrant Officer 5 Scott Proffitt and his family enjoy the Christmas Tree Lighting on post in Dec. 2019. This photo was chosen as a throwback to holiday memories at the home of Army Aviation complete with the live post tree and custom ornaments made by children at the Child Development Center.

## NORAD is Ready to Track Santa's Flight for the 68th Year



The North American Aerospace Defense Command is ready to track Santa on Dec. 24, for the program's 68th year. NORAD monitors and defends North American airspace 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. On Dec. 24, NORAD has one additional mission: tracking Santa Claus as he makes his way across the globe, delivering presents to children. The NORAD Tracks Santa website ([www.noradsanta.org](http://www.noradsanta.org)) will launch on Dec. 1...

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## USAACE honors top instructors



The U.S. Army Aviation Center of Excellence honored its top academic instructors, instructor pilots and noncommissioned officer flight instructors in a ceremony at Fort Novosel, Ala., Dec. 11, 2023.

Each quarter instructors from across USAACE and Fort Novosel, including the 1st Aviation Brigade, 110th Aviation Brigade, 128th Aviation Brigade (Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.), Warrant Officer Career College...

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## Fort Novosel angels carry a heavy load this Christmas



Angel trees are a long-standing tradition across military bases worldwide, a way for service members and their families to both give and receive during the holidays. The angels across Fort Novosel came out with unbelievable magnitude this year, said Chaplain (Maj.) Scott Kennis, coordinator of the Angel Tree project.

"You wouldn't believe how fast the service members and organizations showed up to grab these angels," ...

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Columbus area JROTC students visit Fort Novosel

Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps students from high schools in the Columbus, Ga., area visited the Home of Army Aviation to learn more about the branch Dec. 12, 2023. The 26 students from Shaw High School, Kendrick High School, and Northside High School heard from Army Aviation subject matter experts, received an orientation flight in a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter, interacted with a drill sergeant, and flew in flight training simulators.

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Fort Novosel welcomes new garrison command sergeant major

Fort Novosel welcomed its new garrison command sergeant major to the home of Army Aviation during a change of responsibility ceremony Dec. 12 at the U.S. Army Aviation Museum. Command Sgt. Maj. Gary Williams, Fort Novosel garrison command sergeant major, assumed responsibility from Command Sgt. Maj. Christopher Doss as the garrison colors changed hands from Doss to Col. John P. Miller, garrison commander, to Williams.

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# SANTA'S LIST

OF FUN FOR SINGLE SOLDIERS CALLING FORT NOVOSEL HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS  
AS A GIFT FROM MWR AND THE GARY SINISE FOUNDATION



## FREE BOWLING

1 HOUR BOWLING | HAMBURGER + FRIES  
DECEMBER 22,23,29, OR 30



## LUNCH

COMBO MEAL + DRINK AT DIVOTS  
(NO SUBSTITUTIONS)  
DECEMBER 20 - JANUARY 2



## FLING GOLF

9 HOLE COURSE OF FLING GOLF  
+ EQUIPMENT RENTAL  
(GOLF CART NOT INCLUDED)  
DECEMBER 20 - JANUARY 2



MUST HAVE CERTIFICATE TO PARTICIPATE  
UNITS WILL DISTRIBUTE CERTIFICATES TO SOLDIERS  
NOT TAKING LEAVE FOR THE HOLIDAYS!  
FOR MORE INFO OR CERTIFICATE: 334-255-2292

# 5K POLAR PLUNGE FUN RUN

Lake Tholocco, West Beach



**JANUARY 20th**

RUN a 5K, then grit your teeth & plunge into the wintry waters of Lake Tholocco!  
"I survived the Plunge" prizes for best costume, Beary great plunge, & more!

Packet Pick Up: 0730 Race Start: 0900  
\$20 per person includes t-shirt OR winter beanie (FIRST 100 REGISTRANTS)  
Register early to guarantee t-shirt and size  
Sign up at either PFC

HOT DRINKS PROVIDED!





## Fort Novosel PLAYGROUPS

WINGS CHAPEL NURSERY  
334-255-9467/3359

Playgroup is for children and their caregivers. Playgroup provides activities that enhance parent-child interactions, peer socialization, and stimulate child growth and development.  
Registration is Required



WIGGLE WORMS 0-12mos  
Wednesday 0845-0930




12mos- 2years BUSHY BEES  
Wednesday 0945-1030



JUMPING JUNE BUGS 2-3years  
Wednesdays 1045-1130



In observance of the USAACE Holiday Season, Faulkner and Newton Gates will be closed December 20th – January 2nd and will resume normal operating hours on Wednesday, January 3rd.



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