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Soldiers from the 2nd Battalion, 25th Aviation Regiment and 3rd Battalion, 25th Aviation Regiment work closely with the U.S. Navy to conduct deck landing qualifications aboard the USS Daniel Inouye in late February. The training certifies units to land and launch from the decks of moving vessels during operations. (Photo by Capt. Maurice Cotton)

## 1-58th Avn. Regt. Soldiers return safely from Horn of Africa



Soldiers of the 1st Battalion, 58th Aviation Regiment returned home Feb. 23, 2023, following a 9-month deployment to the Horn of Africa in support of Operation Enduring Sentinel.

“Mission success for the team; everybody is back home safe, so we couldn’t be happier to come back and spend time with friends and family,” said Lt. Col. Travis Betz, 1-58th commander.

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## Child and youth services recovers from youth center water damage



The Fort Rucker Youth Center received a visitor Christmas weekend, but it wasn’t Santa spreading holiday cheer, it was Mother Nature causing extensive water damage to the building.

Subfreezing temperatures the night of Dec. 23 caused an air conditioner coil system to fail on the second floor of the mechanical room and water flowed freely throughout the building over the four-day weekend before it was ...

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## Employee Assistance Program: what it is, how to use it, why to use it



Life can be hard, and when its challenges start creating problems for federal employees and their family members, they can voluntarily reach out for a free and confidential helping hand through the Employee Assistance Program. The following is a Q&A session with person who runs the program at Fort Rucker, Myliekia Francois, EAP coordinator.

**Q: What is the mission of the EAP?**

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## LESSONS LEARNED: CSM reaches out to nation’s future leaders



Fort Rucker’s garrison command sergeant major admits he would have had an easier time during the early stages of his Army career if he’d had the benefit of knowing then what he knows now.

That’s why Command Sgt. Maj. Christopher T. Doss, Fort Rucker garrison command sergeant major, decided to go out and pass on some of his hard-earned knowledge to future leaders of the nation.

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### Army ROTC cadets learn about Aviation Branch

More than 50 cadets from Reserve Officer Training Corps, the U.S. Military Academy, and the U.S. Military Academy Preparatory School had a chance to participate virtually in an informative session with Army leaders and experts highlighting Aviation Branch opportunities during Black History Month Feb. 26, 2023. The event was hosted by Capt. Matthew Manning, an Army aviator and leader who serves with 25th Combat Aviation Brigade, Wheeler Army Airfield, Hawaii, in conjunction with...

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### U.S. Army Aviation Museum’s patch collection tells Soldiers’ stories

*(Editor’s note: This is the third article in a three-part series on the U.S. Army Aviation Museum’s patch collection.)* Army shoulder sleeve insignias tell a story about the Soldiers who wear them and the Soldiers who came before them. Walking around Fort Rucker, Soldiers wear many different patches, either current unit or combat patches. But according to Bob Mitchell, curator at the U.S. Army Aviation...

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### Fort Rucker kicks off Army Emergency Relief Awareness Campaign

Maj. Gen. Michael C. McCurry, U.S. Army Aviation Center of Excellence and Fort Rucker commanding general, and Col. Robert J. Holcombe, Fort Rucker garrison commander, sign their pledge forms at the Army Emergency Relief Awareness Campaign kickoff event March 3 at The Landing. The campaign runs through mid-May to increase awareness for the program that helps Soldiers help Soldiers through no-interest loans and grants. For more information on AER or to make a pledge, contact your unit campaign representative or visit <https://www.armyemergencyrelief.org/>. (Photo by Jim Hughes)

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