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2-227th Aviation Regiment, 1ACB conduct an air assault and sling load demonstration with the 101st Airborne Division during the Market Garden 80 event in Eerde, Netherlands Sept. 17, 2024. The event commemorated the 80th anniversary of World War II's Operation Market Garden where three airborne divisions landed to seize control of road bridges along a route through Dutch towns behind Germany lines to allow the British Second Army to advance. (photo by Spc. Bailey Whilde)

## 'Thank you, welcome home' -- Fort Novosel hosts POW/MIA Ceremony



POW/MIA Recognition Day is observed in the United States on the third Friday of September, honoring those who were prisoners of war (POWs) and those who are still missing in action (MIA). Fort Novosel held a ceremony to honor and remember at Veterans Park Sept. 20 hosted by Maj. Gen. Clair A. Gill, U.S. Army Aviation Center of Excellence and Fort Novosel commander.

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## Wiregrass area CTE directors visit Fort Novosel



More than a dozen Career and Technical Education directors across lower Alabama visited Fort Novosel to learn more about potential employment opportunities for graduating high school students September 19, 2024. The workforce development event was part of the post's Meet Your Army initiative intended to foster shared understanding between the installation and its surrounding communities through scheduled engagements each month.

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## A lake by any other name



After 7 years of construction, The Lake Lodge is officially opening for business Oct. 2024. Megan Royer, Lake Tholocco Lodging business manager, is one of many that have been along every step of the way. "This is just going to be the gem of Fort Novosel," said Royer. "The lake already was the gem, but this will absolutely be it. After having my hands in this for 7 years- we are finally here. It seems like some kind of fever dream." Seven years may seem like an extended timeline for one building project, but according to Royer, no one could have prepared for the unknown.

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## AROUND THE ARMY

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**988**  
SUICIDE  
& CRISIS  
LIFELINE

**'Part of the family': McAvoy receives Military Police Friend of the Regiment Award**



The award recognizes individuals who voluntarily make significant contributions to the morale, welfare, and spirit of Soldiers and family members in various facets of the Military Police Corps Regiment. Sgt. Maj. John W. Russell, Directorate of Public Safety sergeant major, said McAvoy focuses on important issues affecting Soldiers. "From my very first and earliest impressions of Command Sgt. Maj. McAvoy, he is a leader that truly cares about the lives and welfare of Soldiers."

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The Fort Novosel Directorate of Public Safety conducted a 9/11 Moving Tribute Wednesday, Sept. 11 at Fire Station 1. After a brief ceremony, participants walked 2.33 miles to honor Stephen Siller, a New York City firefighter, who gave his life while serving others on Sept. 11, 2001.

*What's Happening*  
**FORT NOVOSEL?**

- OCT 4 - OKTOBERFEST @ THE LANDING
- OCT 8 - LET'S CHALK ABOUT DV
- OCT 17 - CARDBOARD REGATTA @ PFC POOL
- OCT 25 - RETIREE HEALTH FAIR
- OCT 25 - 26 - HAUNTED TRAIL
- OCT 26 - SPOOK-TACULAR 5k
- OCT 29 - FALL CARNIVAL @ CENTER LIBRARY
- NOV 2 - BUDDY BASS TOURNAMENT @ LAKE
- NOV 23 - TURKEY TROT 5k

# ★ BATTLE OF MOGADISHU ★

FT. NOVOSEL REMEMBRANCE EVENTS

## THURSDAY OCTOBER 3

**Iron Squad Event | NCO Academy | 0500-0800**  
Register at the main physical fitness center or by email [james.e.jackson838.mil@army.mil](mailto:james.e.jackson838.mil@army.mil)

**Memorial Ceremony | Aviation Museum | 1430-1530**  
Guest speaker **Ken Thomas** is a combat veteran of the 3rd Ranger Battalion who fought in the Battle of Mogadishu which was recounted in the highly successful book and movie "Blackhawk Down". 19 Americans died and 78 were wounded.

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# OKTOBERFEST

FORT NOVOSEL

DATE CHANGED

OCT 4 AT 5:00PM ★ AT THE LANDING

**COMMAND**

**Maj. Gen. Clair A. Gill**  
USAACE and Fort Novosel Commanding General

**Col. John P. Miller**  
Fort Novosel Garrison Commander

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