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Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri



MSCoE CG and CSM Send: Suicide Prevention Month 2023 – “You are a light in somebody’s life”

September marks National Suicide Prevention Month. For any member of our team struggling with issues, it is important to seek help and we – your chain of command and peers – want you to seek help. You are a light in somebody’s life, and we are very proud to serve with each of you.



MSCoE CG and CSM Send: Labor Day weekend is a time to emphasize safety

On Monday, we will celebrate Labor Day and honor everyone who works hard to build and sustain our great nation. Labor Day weekend also marks the unofficial end of summer. As our families enjoy this long weekend and settle into the new routines of the 2023-2024 school year, we must emphasize safety in all we do.



Let’s have a safe fall hunting season on Fort Leonard Wood this year

With hunting seasons approaching fast, it’s important to know the rules that affect Fort Leonard Wood.



Maintaining antiterrorism awareness is important when traveling abroad

Compared with the past few years, summer holiday traveling has increased significantly in 2023. Not only has the continental United States seen an uptick in summer travel plans, but as other nations lower their COVID-19 visitation restrictions, more Americans are booking overseas trips.

Read these stories and more at <https://www.army.mil/paowood>.



Marine Corps' 2nd MLG command group visits Fort Leonard Wood to observe training

The 2nd Marine Logistics Group command team got a first-hand look at the training Marines receive at the Marine Corps Detachment Fort Leonard Wood while touring the post Wednesday.



Leonard Wood community hears of challenges, victories at Women's Equality Day event

Fort Leonard Wood service members and civilians came together Friday afternoon in Baker Theater to celebrate the progress of women over the years, while also renewing the commitment to advance gender equality.



Riders focus on safety during post motorcycle ride and rally

Sunshine, clear blue skies and — thunder — not from the sky but from the thunderous roar of 53 motorcycles traveling together Friday during the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence and Fort Leonard Wood Thunder in the Fort motorcycle ride and rally, held to draw attention to motorcycle safety and awareness.



International military students share their cultures with the community at Know Your World event

Without even packing a bag, more than 1,200 members of the Fort Leonard Wood community were able to wander around the world Friday inside Nutter Field House as they made their way between 41 booths, each representing a different country at the 21st Know Your World event, hosted by the International Military Student Office.

NEWS BRIEFS

Community Information Forum

The September Community Information Forum is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in Lincoln Hall Auditorium. The monthly forum is designed as an information exchange between the garrison and the community to improve quality of life for service members, families, civilians and retirees.

Patriot Day ceremony

Fort Leonard Wood will hold a Patriot Day ceremony, starting at 9 a.m. on 9/11 at the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence Plaza. Call 573.596.2127 for details.

Suicide Prevention Month event

Fort Leonard Wood's Army Substance

Abuse Program is hosting an event from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 7 at Gerlach Field for Suicide Prevention Month. Service members, civilians and family members are invited to join in team-building events and learn more about risk factors, building resiliency and how to get help to those in need. Call 573.596.6754 for details.

Archaeology Month event

The Directorate of Public Works' Environmental Division is hosting a Missouri Archaeology Month celebration from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Sept. 14 at Colyer Park. Experts here will provide information on the people who have lived in this area over the past thousands of years; artifacts will be on display; prehistoric weapons and

stone tool-making demonstrations will be provided, including the chance to use an atlatl (spear thrower); and hands-on activities for adults and children will include digging for reproduction artifacts. Call 573.596.7607 for details.

Military appreciation night

Waynesville High School is hosting a military appreciation night at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 15, during their varsity football game at Tiger Stadium. Admittance to the game is free for all active-duty service members with ID, and service members will be recognized during the event. Call 573.842.2040 for details.

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763rd EOD memorial ruck

The 763rd Ordnance Company (EOD) is hosting a 6.3-mile memorial ruck, starting at 5 a.m. Sept. 28 at Bldg. 11471, in honor of Sgt. Maj. Kenneth Foster, an explosives ordnance disposal technician killed in 1976, while assigned here. The event is open to all service members. Email 1st Lt. Parker Petersen at parker.s.petersen.mil@army.mil for details.

Army Military Pay Office closure

The Army Military Pay Office will close at noon Sept. 29. Call 317.361.0198 in the event of an emergency.

Ready and Resilient Fair

The next Ready and Resilient, or R2, Fair is scheduled to run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 5 at Nutter Field House. The R2 Fair provides opportunities to participate in activities and speak with subject matter experts about resources and assistance programs that can help with life stressors. Some mandatory training opportunities will be offered. Call 573.855.6407 or email malia.h.nemetz.civ@army.mil for details.

DFAC closure

The Bldg. 3223 dining facility near the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence NCO Academy – commonly referred to as Tony’s – is closed through the end of January 2024, while improvements are made to the water and electrical systems, the heating, ventilation and air conditioning, and new floor tiles and ceiling are installed, along with new paint. While it’s closed, during the week, the Bldg. 630 DFAC, located at 5323 Colorado Ave., is providing support, and a shuttle service runs approximately every 25 minutes between the north side of the parking lot outside Thurman Hall at the MSCoE headquarters building and Bldg. 630, which is open from 5:30 to 8 a.m. for breakfast, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for lunch, and 4 to 6:30 p.m. for dinner. On weekends and holidays, the Bldg. 1792 DFAC – located between Cooley and Oklahoma avenues – is providing support, though there is not a shuttle service to Bldg. 1792. Hours are 5:30 to 8 a.m. for breakfast, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for lunch, and 4:30 to 7 p.m. for dinner. Call Master Sgt. David Barrera at 573.563.5501 for details.

New four-way stop on post



Photo by Brian Hill, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

The view looking southwest, where Fort Leonard Wood’s newest four-way-stop intersection at 4th Street and Louisiana Avenue, near Fire Station No. 3, is now in place. Based on comments sent to garrison leadership here through the [Interactive Customer Evaluation website](#), commonly called ICE, the additional stop signs were added to alleviate safety concerns due to blind spots near the intersection.

Digital IDs at the gates

Digital driver’s licenses or identifications are not accepted and cannot be used as a form of identification for the purpose of identity vetting to gain escorted or unescorted access to Army installations. Driver’s licenses and identification cards presented for gaining access to Army installations must be a valid state issued physical document or card.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Alcoholics Anonymous meets at noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays in Room 132 at the Main Post Chapel. Call 253.363.3306 or 970.390.5724 for details.

Sexual assault helpline

Fort Leonard Wood’s 24/7 Sexual Assault Resource Center is available by calling 573.855.1327. Visit the [Safe Helpline website](#) for more options.

Suicide prevention helpline

The national suicide prevention helpline is available by calling 9-8-8. Veterans may press “1” to be connected with a responder trained to assist military and veteran populations.



The **DIGITAL GARRISON** App

The Army’s Digital Garrison mobile app is a one-stop information source for military communities.

Explore all the benefits your Army post has to offer: Navigate to on-post facilities, stay updated on local weather, and be informed about gate closures or other important installation information in real time, all from your phone.

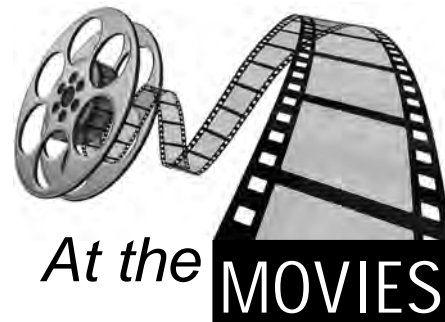
The Digital Garrison App is free and available at the [Google Play](#) and [Apple](#) stores.

USACE completes weir repair project



Photo by Brian Hill, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

U.S. Army Garrison Fort Leonard Wood Commander Col. Anthony Pollio cuts the ribbon Tuesday, with assistance from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Fort Leonard Wood garrison personnel, signifying the completion of a USACE repair project on the installation's 80-year-old weir in the Big Piney River. A weir is a low dam built across a river to raise water levels upstream. The weir here ponds water for the installation's water supply.



At the MOVIES

Abrams Theater is open for movies on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. This weekend's showings include:

"The Equalizer 3"*

Rated R

Showing at 6 p.m. Friday,
1 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m.
Sunday

Prices for regular showings are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children (ages 6 to 11). First-run showings are \$8.75 for adults and \$6.75 for children. 3D showings are \$9 for adults and \$6 for children. Children under 5 are free. Call 573.329.6176, or visit the [Exchange website](#) for details.

*denotes a first-run showing

FLU VACCINES ARE COMING



to General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital in **October**.

Call 573.596.0518 for details.



MWR Events & Specials. Just For You.

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CYS PARENT ADVISORY MEETING
SEPT 8
BLDG 470, ROOM 1129
12 PM



Meet with the entire CYS management team to discuss upcoming events for CYS as a whole as well as open the floor up to patrons' questions.

FALL YARD SALE
SEPT 9
8AM-NOON
BAKER THEATER PARKING LOT



Advanced registration online through Sept 7:
\$20 per space.
\$5 table rentals with advanced reservation.
Day-of registration on-site:
\$30 per space.

EXTREMICON
SEPT 16 & 17
ST ROBERT COMMUNITY CENTER

Get your tickets at the MWR Leisure Travel Services office!



U.S. Army Garrison Fort Leonard Wood leaders, along with the Junior Executive Development Initiative team here, put together an organizational day event today at the Main Post Chapel and Rec Plex in celebration of the installation being awarded the Army Best Garrison and Commander in Chief's Installation of Excellence awards. Attendees had the opportunity to purchase barbecue and a Rec Plex pass, while also enjoying games – including cornhole – and music performed by the 399th Army Band's rock band. More photos from the event are available to view and download on the [Fort Leonard Wood Flickr page](#).

Photos by Brian Hill, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

U.S. Army Garrison Fort Leonard Wood celebrates Army Best Garrison, Commander in Chief's Installation of Excellence awards with

EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONAL DAY



Above left: Carol Oberwager, Fort Leonard Wood Sexual Assault Response coordinator, picks out side dishes in the Rec Plex parking lot. Left: Organizational Day attendees had the chance to race go karts throughout the afternoon at the Rec Plex. Above: The USO was one of the agencies providing food and games at the event.



SOLDIER SPOTLIGHT

FORT LEONARD WOOD



U.S. ARMY

With the military occupational specialty of 12N – horizontal construction engineer – Staff Sgt. Zachary Agresta currently serves as a drill sergeant for Company A, 554th Engineer Battalion. There, he is responsible for maintaining discipline in the Soldiers assigned to the unit while they attend advanced individual training.

What is your hometown?

Morris, New York

When did you join the Army? Why?

I joined the Army back in August of 2011. After high school, I really wasn't ready for the whole college experience. I wanted to be on my own – have some freedom – so, I joined the military to defend the country.

Why do you continue to serve?

I still have goals and aspirations to achieve throughout my military career, but mostly, it takes care of my family, my children. But I get enjoyment out of the constant drive to always push and achieve different goals. I was having a conversation with a friend the other day about civilian jobs, where you just clock in, clock out, but in the military, there are always new goals and always new things to push for.

What are some personal highlights from your Army career so far?

Highlights – for me, it's all the great people I've met. I've also been around the world three times. I was able to visit countries I never thought I would go to and experience a lot of different cultures.



Staff Sgt. Zachary Agresta, Company A, 554th Engineer Battalion

What is your favorite thing about being a drill sergeant?

It was always a goal of mine to become a drill sergeant back when I was a junior enlisted Soldier. It's really cool to see – especially with the (split-training option, where certain individuals, usually high school students, attend basic combat training one summer, and advanced individual training the next summer) – you get some Soldiers who are unmolded, and I get to see what kind of Soldiers they turn into before they enter the Engineer Regiment.

What would you say to Soldiers considering becoming a drill sergeant?

Volunteer – and any job you do or goal you want to achieve, do that to the best of your ability. As long as you put forth effort, good things will come out of it.

Click [here](#) to learn about career opportunities as a horizontal construction engineer in the Army.



BE ALL YOU CAN BE.

Click [here](#) to nominate a Fort Leonard Wood Soldier for recognition.