

# Guidon

Thursday, January 13, 2022

Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri



## MSCoE CG and CSM Send: Be safe this holiday weekend as you serve your communities

On Monday, we will commemorate the life of Martin Luther King Jr. His leadership during the Civil Rights movement reshaped our nation, and laid the foundation for America to grow into a more perfect union.



## Army asks for on-post housing resident feedback via annual tenant satisfaction survey

The Army began its annual housing tenant satisfaction survey this week to gather feedback about living in Army housing.

## Fort Leonard Wood Tax Center now open for drop-off, pick-up services

The Fort Leonard Wood Tax Center opened Monday to provide free tax return preparation services for active-duty service members, retirees, dependent family members and Department of Defense civilians.



## Stopping in time for an active vehicle barrier starts with slowing down, paying attention

Speeding, tailgating, inattentive driving and carelessness are a recipe for a potential accident if the active vehicle barriers at Fort Leonard Wood's access control points are deployed.

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

## Cut energy costs this winter by following a few home efficiency tips

Keeping a home cozy and warm in the winter here can be expensive, but with a little preparation, a stack of cash can be saved over the next few months.



## New year, new you:

*Meet 2022 fitness goals at Davidson Fitness Center*

Many people make a resolution to get fit in the new year, and Davidson Fitness Center has the individual and group training classes needed to start the journey.

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Flu shots

Tricare beneficiaries may get flu shots at the General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital Immunization Clinic, located on the first floor. Pediatric doses and 65 and older high-dose flu shots are offered on a walk-in basis. Otherwise, call 866.299.4234 to make an appointment. Tricare beneficiaries may also get flu shots at any off-post pharmacy in the Tricare network at no cost. Call 877.363.1303, or click [here](#) to find a participating pharmacy.

### Religious services suspended

Fort Leonard Wood religious services have been suspended through Sunday, with some virtual exceptions: Catholic

and Protestant services will be live streamed at 7 a.m. Sunday, and a Gospel Service begins at 10 a.m. Sunday. All services will be available to watch on the [Fort Leonard Wood Religious Support Office Facebook page](#). Call 573.596.2127 for details.

### Part-day preschool

Fort Leonard Wood's Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation is once again offering part-day preschool for children ages 3 through 5. The program runs through May 27. Call 573.596.0238 for details.

### Pre-retirement briefing

A pre-retirement briefing is scheduled

for 8 a.m. Feb. 8 in Lincoln Hall Auditorium, and includes information on the rights, benefits and privileges to which retired military personnel and their dependents are entitled. Representatives from state and federal employment agencies will be present to provide information. Call 573.596.6637 for details.

### Estate claim

Anyone with claims against the estate of Pvt. Julian Shivy, Company C, 1st Battalion, 48th Infantry Regiment, or knowing of assets belonging to Shivy, should contact the Summary Court Martial Officer, 1st Lt. Laura Leforge, at 573.596.1452, or by email at [laura.leforge.mil@army.mil](mailto:laura.leforge.mil@army.mil).

**MWR Events & Specials. Just For You.** ONLINE AT [LEONARDWOOD.ARMYMWR.COM](http://LEONARDWOOD.ARMYMWR.COM)

**FLW AUTO SKILLS CENTER**

**OIL CHANGE & TIRE ROTATION BASIC INTRO**

**SECOND FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH 5:30 PM - 7 PM**

Basics of oil changes and tire rotation from our experienced staff. Only \$11 per patron includes staff instruction and a bay card for free hour use of lift bay with impact tools for future use! First 6 authorized patrons. Facemasks and distancing will be enforced. **No open-toed shoes in the facility.**  
**573-596-0243**

**DAUGHERTY BOWLING CENTER**

**XTREME BOWLING**

**FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS**  
DAUGHERTY BOWLING CENTER

Friday nights: 10-11 pm, Saturday nights: 9-11 pm

\$5 per person, per game  
\$25 per lane, per hour (up to 6 bowlers)

BLDG 1609 S. DAKOTA AVE. **573-596-1498**

**TEXAS HOLD'EM**

**PERSHING COMMUNITY CENTER**  
JAN 21, CHECK-IN AT 5:30 PM  
PLAY BEGINS AT 6 PM

\$25 advanced registration through Jan 20, in the Installation Wide Events office in Bldg 470, Suite 1105, by phone, or online.

\$30 registration at the door. Cash prizes based on participation. Must be at least 18 to participate.  
Additional dates: Feb 25

Bldg. 470/13486 Replacement Avenue  
**573-596-6913**



**CONNIE PORTERFIELD**  
**STAFF ACTION CONTROL OFFICER**  
**SECRETARY OF THE GENERAL STAFF**  
**FORT LEONARD WOOD**

Acts as the single point of entry for all staffing actions going to the command group for signature, approval and concurrence; ensures all requirements are met and everything is accurate according to Army regulation and standard

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**Why did you choose a career as a DA Civilian?**

Like many military spouses, I became a DA Civilian **so I could have a career and travel with the military at the same time.** I was a social worker, but every time I moved I would have to start over getting a job and certifications. We went to Germany and there wasn't much opportunity for me there, so I applied to be a DA Civilian and have been doing it ever since.

**What advice would you give to others who might be looking at becoming a DA Civilian?**

Learn about the options, requirements and best way to apply. Get training or schooling if required. For spouses, take advantage of military spouse employment assistance programs. You may have to take less than you want initially, but mobility and opportunity are there after you get hired.

**What do you like most about your job/career as a DA Civilian?**

Serving Soldiers. I feel honored to have the opportunity to do this. **I get to serve our country's elite, and if I can do something to make their life better, easier or fix a problem, then it has been a good day.**

**What is your most memorable experience as a DA Civilian?**

**I was working at a commissary in Germany on 9/11.** We were all in shock. All incoming traffic was halted and there were concerns about supply trucks getting in so people ran to the commissary. **My manager announced we would stay open as long as needed and we stayed open for hours after closing time.** Everyone was quiet, calm and did their shopping and **there was such a sense of unity, togetherness and a 'we'll make it through' feeling.** It was dark as we were leaving, but along the perimeter of the

lighted fence you could see it was surrounded by flowers from the German people. **It was touching and overwhelming - a scary but beautiful experience.**

**What are the benefits of working as a DA Civilian?**

**I got to have a career and travel with my spouse,** but there are so many others aside from the obvious - pay, opportunity, growth and benefits. **You can make it what you want it to be.** Not many jobs allow that. You can travel, move, train and see a different field and work towards it. **You really get out of it what you put in.**

