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Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri



Highest-ranking Marine visits Fort Leonard Wood Marine Corps Detachment

Gen. David Berger, the 38th Commandant of the U.S. Marine Corps, stepped foot on Fort Leonard Wood for the first time on March 9. He was on post to visit the Marine Corps Detachment — the largest Marine Corps Detachment on an Army installation.



MSCoE CG and CSM Send: Honoring those who served

Since 1990, Congress has designated March 25 as National Medal of Honor Day to commemorate the United States' highest military decoration and its recipients. This time of year, we also observe the anniversary of the beginning of Operation Iraqi Freedom, which began on March 20, 2003, and honor those who worked to bring sovereignty to the Iraqi people.



Linemen show off skills learned at Fort Leonard Wood's Prime Power School

Students graduating from the U.S. Army Prime Power School's Powerline Distribution Course got the opportunity to show off their new lineman skills during Storm Night and the Lineman Rodeo this week.



Have a fun, safe turkey hunting season

With spring turkey hunting season approaching fast, now is the time to read and understand the regulations. Missouri's youth turkey hunting season is April 1 and 2, and the regular spring turkey season is scheduled for April 17 through May 7.

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



Fort Leonard Wood Fire Department offers safety tips for spring cleaning

Spring is near, and soon it will be time for activities, such as barbecuing, outdoor sporting events, yard work and everyone's favorite – spring cleaning. While clearing out the unwanted items, it is a good time to check for unsafe conditions in your home, and to ensure your family is safe from potential fire hazards.



Army Career Skills Program sets transitioning Soldiers up for success

The Army's Career Skills Program, or CSP, provides transitioning Soldiers the opportunity to participate in employment-skills training, on-the-job training, pre-apprenticeships and internships with a high probability of employment in high-demand and highly-skilled jobs.

NEWS BRIEFS

Housing town hall

A town hall for on-post family housing residents is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday at Stonegate Community Center.

Lent, Holy Week, Easter schedule

Community Easter Sunrise Service is set for 7 a.m. April 9 at Soldier Memorial Chapel. Additional religious services for Lent, Holy Week and Easter include the Stations of the Cross for Catholics, starting at 6 p.m. on Friday, March 24 and 31 at Soldier Memorial Chapel, with a meatless potluck to follow at Bldg. 590. Also for Catholics will be a Palm Sunday Mass on April 2 at 9 a.m. at Soldier Memorial Chapel and 1 p.m. at the Main Post Chapel; Holy Thursday Mass at 6 p.m. April 6 at Soldier Memorial Chapel; Good Friday Mass at 6 p.m. April 7 at Soldier Memorial Chapel; Holy Saturday Easter Vigil at 8 p.m. April 8 at Soldier Memorial Chapel; and Easter Sunday Mass on April 9 at 9 a.m. at Soldier Memorial Chapel and 1 p.m. at the Main Post Chapel. Protestant Good Friday service will take place at noon April 7 at Soldier Memorial Chapel. Call 573.596.2127 for details.

TSP briefing

A briefing on navigating the Thrift Savings Plan is scheduled for 7 to 8:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Starbucks in the Mini Mall. The briefing is open to all service members and civilian employees. Email Capt.

Michelle Kokoski at michelle.m.kokoski.mil@army.mil for details.

REAL ID gate access policy

Beginning June 1, Fort Leonard Wood physical security specialists will no longer solely accept state-issued identification that does not meet the REAL ID Act of 2005 standards. Anyone with a non-compliant ID will also need to provide a secondary form of identification, such as a U.S. passport or a certified birth certificate. More information – including the full list of acceptable secondary ID – is available [here](#), or by calling 573.596.0590.

Civilian retiree ID cards

Effective immediately, Department of Defense Civilian Retiree Identification cards will no longer be issued. DOD civilian retirees must present and register an acceptable credential, such as a REAL ID Act-compliant driver's license, and their retirement Standard Form 50 at the Visitor Control Center to facilitate future visits to the installation. Previously issued DOD Civilian Retiree ID Cards will remain valid through Aug. 31, and will not be reissued.

USID online card renewal

Sponsors of individuals holding active Uniformed Services Identification, or USID, cards now have the option to request renewals through [ID Card Office](#)

[Online](#). More information on this new policy is available [here](#).

Army Engineer Association

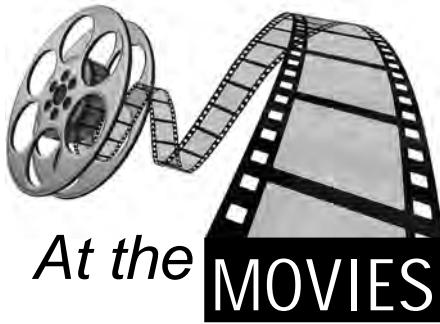
Fort Leonard Wood's local chapter of the Army Engineer Association hosts regular events, including monthly roundups, quarterly breakfasts with senior leaders, trivia nights and more. Visit [their Facebook page](#), or email sverdrupsecretary@armyengineer.com for details.

Faith Skills classes

The Fort Leonard Wood Religious Support Office is now offering its spring Faith Skills religious education classes on Wednesday evenings at the Main Post Chapel. The classes, which occur through April 26, include a dinner at 5:30 p.m., and the classes run until 7:30 p.m. Call 573.596.0089, or email martha.a.strong.civ@army.mil for details. A Faith Skills Facebook group is also available [here](#).

Tax Center information

The Fort Leonard Wood Tax Center is open from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. weekdays in Bldg. 315 for drop-off and pick-up service. Customers are asked to bring a copy of the bank account and routing number – a voided check, for example – when dropping off tax documents to ensure any refunds are deposited accurately and in a timely manner. Call 573.596.1040 during business hours for details.



At the MOVIES

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

“The Menu”

Rated R

Showing at 6:30 p.m. Friday

“Black Panther: Wakanda Forever”

Rated PG-13

Showing at 1 p.m. Saturday

“M3gan”

Rated R

Showing at 11 a.m. Sunday

“Violent Night”

Rated R

Showing at 2 p.m. Sunday

Prices for regular showings are \$6.50 for adults and \$3.75 for children.

Prices for 3D showings are \$8.50 for adults and \$5.75 for children. Call 573.329.6176, or visit the [Exchange website](#) for details.

St. Patrick's Day parade in St. Louis



Photo by Spc. Douglas Olenik, 399th Army Band

Nearly 100 Fort Leonard Wood service members march along Market Street in downtown St. Louis during a St. Patrick's Day parade on Saturday. In addition to the 399th Army Band's performance, the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence NCO Academy provided a joint-service color guard, and leaders from Company D, 35th Engineer Battalion, marched alongside their advanced individual training Soldiers along the mile-long route that ended near Busch Stadium.



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PREREGISTER
MAR 20 - APR 30

FITNESS EVENTS ANNOUNCED AT CHECK-IN: 5PM

THREE DAYS OF PURE
FITNESS ELIMINATING
COMPETITIONS!

OPEN TO I.D. CARD HOLDERS, AGE
18 AND UP, OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL.

NIGHT SWIM

at Davidson Fitness Center Pool

MARCH 25,
6:30-8:30 PM

POP-UP RECREATIONAL SWIM NIGHT!
3 PER PERSON,
\$10 FAMILIES OF 4 OR MORE,
FREE TO AGES 3 & UNDER



OPEN WATER SCUBA CERTIFICATION



ODYSSEY SCUBA
& DAVIDSON
FITNESS CENTER
POOL

MAR 25, 26, 9AM

\$650 per person, age 10 and up.
Register by Mar 23--Fee includes lifetime
PADI certification, mask, snorkel, and fins.

SOLDIER SPOTLIGHT

FORT LEONARD WOOD



U.S. ARMY

Military Policeman, Staff Sgt. Alex Reyes, is a drill sergeant with Company A, 701st Military Police Battalion. With a father who is also currently serving in the Army, Reyes continues a family legacy of military service.

Where are you from originally?

I'm originally from Alexandria, Virginia.

Why did you join the Army?

I'm an Army brat. My father is in the Army, stationed at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, and going to retire this year. He talked to me about how the Army could pay for college and the other opportunities it could provide. I met his Soldiers, and they all said great things about him as a noncommissioned officer, and I wanted to be something like that.

Where did you attend Initial Entry Training?

I attended one station unit training here 13 years ago with Company B, 787th Military Police Battalion.

Why did you choose to be an MP?

My father is an MP and I wanted to follow in his footsteps.



Staff Sgt. Alex Reyes, Company A, 701st Military Police Battalion

What has been your most memorable experience in the Army so far?

Being a drill sergeant. I just finished my fourth cycle, and every time, I've learned something new. When you see the result of the work you put in (at graduation), it's a very memorable moment. It gets to me emotionally, especially when they start crying when I shake their hand, because I know I was part of molding them into something they wanted to be.

How do you define leadership?

For me, leadership is about caring.

If you really care about the Soldiers, you can accomplish anything.

If you could tell the world one thing about drill sergeants, what would it be?

We're here to help. You came here voluntarily for a reason and we're here to help break it down. We're going to build you up the Army way. We are going to get you to that end state, which is becoming a Soldier.

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

BE ALL YOU CAN BE.

