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Thursday, January 20, 2022

Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri



Officials declare January OPSEC Awareness Month

National security officials have designated January as National Operations Security Awareness Month. The designation is in recognition of the signing on Jan. 13, 2021, of National Security Presidential Memorandum 28 – the National Operations Security Program – which updates the previous policy issued in 1988, and outlines new requirements for all government departments and agencies.

Fort Leonard Wood safety experts take home TRADOC-level awards

Fort Leonard Wood's Maneuver Support Center of Excellence demonstrated their commitment to safety excellence during fiscal year 2021, earning five U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command safety awards for their efforts.



Use a space heater safely with these tips

Space heaters can also be a welcome supplement to any central heating system, or a handy and inexpensive way to heat a space without fixed heat, but exercising great caution and care when using a space heater is extremely important.

Phelps County Sheriff's Department deputies get training opportunity at Fort Leonard Wood

Phelps County Sheriff's Department deputies spent two days on Fort Leonard Wood this week, gaining some valuable law enforcement refresher training.



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

HEROES OF THE BATTLEFIELD

Sgt. 1st Class James Boyette, noncommissioned officer in charge of operations at the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence, was instrumental in coordinating Holiday Block Leave activities with the St. Louis Airport and USO. His early engagement and coordination led to our success in securing a feasible and executable solution for the transfer of trainees between terminals without overloading shuttle busses. Additionally, his coordination with the USO ensured their continued overnight support to trainees with delayed travel schedules.



Edgar Edelman, assistant Commissary officer, has superbly run the Fort Leonard Wood Commissary over the past three months filling a critical underlap position. Edelman is an incredibly engaged teammate, making an impact across the post while also providing fantastic communication of key information, including shortages and mitigations. In addition to being proactive in managing stock, Edelman led the team in executing our “Click to Go” curbside pickup program. Edelman is a tremendous asset to our team – a selfless servant deserving of recognition.

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.

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 lauraleforge.mil@army.mil.

Part-day preschool

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

Army Traffic Safety Program

The Garrison Safety Office offers Army Traffic Safety Program courses year-round. Contact John Lackey at 573.596.3449, or by email at john.e.lackey.civ@army.mil for details.

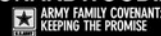
Suicide prevention helpline

Call 1.800.273.8255 (text 8-3-8-2-5-5). It is anonymous and available 24/7.



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HIRING FAIR

SESSION 1: 9:00AM-11:00AM
SESSION 2: 11:30AM-1:30PM

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Preregistration required. On-the spot interviews will be conducted.
Scan the QR code below for more details!

Children are welcome. Masks are mandatory. Please register to ensure proper COVID guidelines and social distancing compliance.



For any questions,
please call 573-596-0241.



CALLING ALL ARTISTS!
We're looking for artists to show their work at the Taste of the Arts event Feb 4, 5-7pm at the Pershing Community Center.
Entry fee: Adults: \$10, K-12: \$5.

Artwork registration is open online from Jan 1-31.
All artwork must be originals.
Entries will be judged in the following categories:
drawing, painting, photography, and sculpture.

573-596-6913

BOOK BRIGADE

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Join us the last Thursday of each month at 4 PM for a book club that's designed to allow YOU to choose your own titles. Join us and find your next favorite read!

JAN 27: A BOOK WITH A TIGER ON THE COVER OR IN THE TITLE
FEB 24: BOOK WITH A PROTAGONIST WHO USES A MOBILITY AID
MAR 31: A BOOK SET ON A PLANE, TRAIN, OR CRUISE SHIP
APR 28: A BOOK BY A PACIFIC ISLANDER AUTHOR

Open to the public. All ages welcome—must be 13 or older to attend without an adult.

573-563-4113

Q&A

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Manages the natural and cultural resources on Fort Leonard Wood, including archaeological sites, fish, wildlife, plants, fungi, invertebrates and their habitats, such as forests, caves, grasslands, glades and riparian areas

Why did you choose a career as a DA Civilian?

The Army owns a lot of real estate on many installations, which require sustainable resource management, so **there are many opportunities within my profession.** I conducted my biology master's thesis studying birds at Robinson Maneuver Training Center and Little Rock Air Force Base. I documented initial bird lists for their Integrated Natural Resource Management Plans, and that experience was a fabulous initiation into the distinctive niche of the military natural resources management world.

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

I enjoy conducting conservation science on such a diverse landscape and sharing conservation interests with a wide variety of professionals within the Army system. **The opportunity to accomplish impactful ecosystem management and protection for the Army community is particularly rewarding for me.** Educating others about the importance of cultural and environmental protection, compliance, and supporting those habitats that sustain training has been personally gratifying. **I get much satisfaction in explaining what we do and how it supports the Army mission by maintaining healthy Army lands.**

What are the benefits of working as a DA Civilian?

You get to do fantastic resource management - or whatever career profession you do - while serving and supporting service members. **There are tremendous cultural and natural resources within**



the Army system and opportunities to work on vital resource conservation and management with professionals from other installations, agencies and universities who all work to protect irreplaceable cultural and biological sites by sustainable management of training lands long-term.

What is your most memorable experience as a DA Civilian?

My most memorable experience is conservation of the endangered Eastern Hellbender. I have partnered with state and federal agencies on innovative management techniques such as captive rearing and release, habitat augmentation and intensive monitoring of this unique endangered amphibian. **I enjoy sharing information about the benefits of protecting hellbenders** as they are sensitive to environmental pollution and environmental changes so **they are good bioindicators of the health of their aquatic**

habitats within our Ozark streams.

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

Consider the Army system no matter what your specialization or career interests, but especially biologists, foresters, ecologists and archaeologists because there are tremendous natural and cultural resources and opportunities here. In fact, Army installations hold many rare species because they are a last refuge in many cases as urban sprawl and development destroy dwindling habitats outside the gates. **Working for the Army as a civilian has unique challenges, but also offers many one-of-a-kind opportunities and the chance to have a real impact on sustainable resource management.**

