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Thursday, October 27, 2022

Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri



Fort Leonard Wood's 2022 Combined Federal Campaign drive kicks off Tuesday

Fort Leonard Wood's 2022 Combined Federal Campaign solicitation period begins Tuesday and runs through Dec. 16.



Safety is top priority at Fort Leonard Wood trick-or-treating event

Halloween is right around the corner and trick-or-treating in Fort Leonard Wood's housing areas is scheduled for 6 to 8 p.m. Monday. In preparation, Fort Leonard Wood has put a focus on the safety of all the little ghosts and goblins who will be taking over the installation.



Fort Leonard Wood percussionist is Army Bands Active Component Soldier of the Year

The U.S. Army School of Music named Sgt. Bridget Olenik, a percussionist with Fort Leonard Wood's 399th Army Band, the U.S. Army Bands Active Component Soldier of the Year for 2022.



More than 500 volunteers turn out to support installation's Make a Difference Day event

Fort Leonard Wood's Army Community Service hosted a Make a Difference Day community service event Saturday at locations across the installation. More than 500 volunteers turned out to rake leaves, do basic landscaping and pick up trash.

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



Fort Leonard Wood engineers support seventh Junior ROTC Raider Challenge event

More than 200 Junior ROTC cadets from 24 schools across Missouri, Kansas and as far away as South Dakota visited Fort Leonard Wood Saturday to compete in the seventh Raider Challenge event here.



GLWACH hosts MRC, W Best Medic Competition

General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital hosted the U.S. Army Medical Readiness Command, West's Best Medic Competition from Oct. 10 to 14.



MP company takes final BCT FTX to new heights with aviation support

With the help of Soldiers with the 7th Battalion, 158th Aviation Regiment, an Army Reserve unit located in the Kansas City area, trainees with Company E, 701st Military Police Battalion were airlifted to their final basic combat training field training exercise via a C-47 Chinook helicopter.

NEWS BRIEFS

Community Information Forum

The November Community Information Forum is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Pershing Community Center. Click [here](#) for details.

FEHB open season

The Federal Employees Health Benefits open season is Nov. 14 to Dec. 12. During this time, FEHB enrollees can change their health care, vision and dental insurance coverage. More information is available on the [BENEFEDS website](#), and a [virtual benefits fair](#) is available from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 15 and 22, and Dec. 1 and 8.

GIS Day

Fort Leonard Wood's U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command Proponent Office – Geospatial is hosting a Geographic Information System, or GIS Day event from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 16 in Danner Hall. Call 573.563.8300 or 8730 for details.

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Fort Leonard Wood TAP hosts hiring fair



Photo by Amanda Sullivan, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

Spc. Francisco Alvarez speaks with Amy Jewell, an administrative management specialist with the U.S. Forest Service, about potential career options during a hiring fair hosted by the Fort Leonard Wood Transition Assistance Program today at Nutter Field House. More than 30 employers from across the country came to the installation for the event to showcase what they offer to transitioning service members.

Dental Assistant Program

Applications for the Dental Assistant Program will be accepted through Jan. 9, 2023. The program is a free, six-month combination of classroom and hands-on training designed to provide skills necessary to become employed at any dental treatment facility. Candidates must have regular access to Fort Leonard Wood. Applications are available by calling Jason Ramlow at 816.536.0108, or by email at jason.ramlow@redcross.org for details.

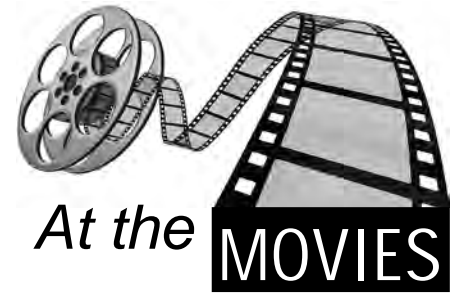
Flu shots at GLWACH

Tricare beneficiaries ages six months and older can now receive their flu shots at

the General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital Immunizations Clinic on a walk-in basis from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays. The shots will also be available for beneficiaries ages 18 to 64, federal employees, contractors who are mandated to receive the shot and tenant units without medical assists from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays at the Harper Clinic, located in Bldg. 500.

Sexual assault helpline

Fort Leonard Wood's 24/7 Sexual Assault Resource Center may be reached at 573.855.1327. Visit the [Safe Helpline website](#) for other support options.



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

"Beetlejuice"

Rated PG

Showing at 6:30 p.m. Friday

"Smile"

Rated R

Showing at 11 a.m. Saturday

"It"

Rated R

Showing at 2 p.m. Saturday

"As Above, So Below"

Rated R

Showing at 11 a.m. Sunday

"A Quiet Place"

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.

U.S. ARMY

TENANT SATISFACTION SURVEY
25 OCT - 16 DEC, 2022

Your opinion makes a **BIG DIFFERENCE** in the quality of life for Army families.

Your Army Wants to Hear from You!

Give your input on the steps taken to improve our families' housing quality and help to shape ongoing investment in Gov't-owned housing units.

**Completely confidential*

The survey will be emailed from ArmyHousingSurvey@celassociates.com. OMB Control Number: 0704-0553. For additional questions, please contact your local Army Housing office.

MWR Events & Specials. Just For You. ONLINE AT LEONARDWOOD.ARMYMWR.COM

TRUNK OR TREAT
OCT 28, 4-6PM
MAIN POST EXCHANGE

Join us for a FREE night of games, trunks, and treats for all ages! Featuring the music of the Rough Riders. To host a trunk or booth, contact us!

573-596-6913

X-TREMELY SPOOKTACULAR BOWLING
OCT 29 11AM-9PM
DAUGHERTY BOWLING CENTER

Come in costume and bowl for only \$2 per game (Shoe rental at regular rate)! Enter our costume contest!

573-596-1498

13.1 MILES
FORT LEONARD WOOD HALF MARATHON
NOV 5, 9AM
ABRAMS THEATER PARKING LOT

Open to age 13 and up. Check-in from 8-8:45am. Run along the FLW Troop Trail. Awards for first male & female finishers. Pre-registration through Nov 3: \$20. Day of event: \$30

573-596-6913

Q & A

BENJAMIN RICHARDSON

CHIEF OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
FORT LEONARD WOOD
DIRECTORATE OF HUMAN RESOURCES

Responsible for managing the official mail, Freedom of Information Act requests and Army Records Information Management System forms for DHR.



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How did you get your start as a DA Civilian?

I started as a GS-4 at the 43rd Adjutant General Reception Battalion in 2003, and have worked my way up in the years since. **I've worked hard to get to different positions within my organization.** I've always kind of wanted to be a division chief within the DHR, and so I decided to apply for the position I am in now.

What brought you to Fort Leonard Wood?

I'm originally from Alabama, and came here in 1999, as an Army dependent – my mom was in the service and retired in 2000. **There wasn't much here when I got here.**

Things have really changed since then. It's really grown, and there are many more opportunities available. My wife and I love it here in Missouri. We bought 70 acres of land and built our own home here, so we kind of put down roots. Both our families are here, so we have a great support system.

What is the most fulfilling part of your job as a DA Civilian?

The most fulfilling part of my job is taking care of Soldiers, their dependents and the civilians who work for the military, and seeing people smile after I help them resolve or troubleshoot an issue. I think sitting down with people individually is very important, and making those

connections and networking with people is a lot of fun for me. Doing little things can mean a lot, sometimes, more than you'll ever know.

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

Work hard and be loyal to yourself and your organization. Be persistent. Be ready to reach out and do something new. **Build trust with people and be the expert at your job and duties. Make sure to utilize the training opportunities offered to you.**

