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Thursday, September 14, 2023

Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri



## MSCoE CG and CSM Send: Recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month

National Hispanic Heritage Month runs Friday through Oct. 15. Hispanic Americans have fearlessly served our nation in every conflict in our history, dating back to the American Revolution.



## MSCoE CG and CSM Send: Happy 76th Birthday, U.S. Air Force

On Monday, we will celebrate the United States Air Force's birthday. For the past 76 years, the men and women of the United States Air Force have been diligently safeguarding the sky above.



## USAMPS leaders announce MP Competitive Challenge winners, Regimental Week events

The U.S. Army Military Police School announced the winners of the 2023 MP Competitive Challenge Tuesday, during a ceremony in Lincoln Hall Auditorium. The competition was a lead-up event to the week-long MP Corps 82nd birthday celebration, set to begin Monday.



## Fort Leonard Wood dedicates Warrior Restaurant to Medal of Honor recipient

Building 6111, a two-story Army Warrior Restaurant in the heart of the U.S. Army Engineer Regiment's barracks, now bears the name of Sgt. 1st Class Christopher Celiz—a combat engineer killed in 2018, while serving in Afghanistan.

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



## Fort Leonard Wood community remembers 9/11

As Fort Leonard Wood community members gathered around an American flag at half-staff Monday on the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence Plaza, the sun was shining brightly — but just before the Patriot Day Remembrance Ceremony began, the sun tucked away behind some clouds, leaving only an overcast of dull gray light on the plaza for the remainder of the observance.



## Fort Leonard Wood celebrates retired service members with appreciation days events

Service members — those still serving and some retired for decades — came together Friday and Saturday at locations across the installation for Fort Leonard Wood's annual Retiree Appreciation Days celebration.



## Fort Leonard Wood USO therapy dog wins Hero Dog Award

He is not your average therapist, but he is the best four-legged furry therapist in America, according to American Humane Hero Dog Awards voters — six-year-old Great Dane Maverick is the 2023 therapy dog of the year for his help comforting service members and their families through Fort Leonard Wood's USO.

### NEWS BRIEFS

#### Military appreciation night

Waynesville High School is hosting a military appreciation night at 6:30 p.m. Friday, 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.

#### Increased gate traffic

Due to multiple family days, graduations and other events next week, there may be increased traffic at the installation's access control points. Plan ahead and please be patient. Click [here](#) for visitor access details.

#### RSO lists fall Faith Skills classes

Fort Leonard Wood's Religious Support Office has a schedule of classes for their fall Faith Skills program, including "Trauma REBOOT," "Are We There Yet? The Marriage Journey," "God's Presence in Our Profession" and more. A 5:30 p.m. dinner, followed by classes, will be held Wednesday evenings through Nov. 8 at the Main

Post Chapel. Call 573.596.0089, or email [martha.a.strong.civ@army.mil](mailto:martha.a.strong.civ@army.mil) for details. Additionally, a [Faith Skills Facebook group](#) is available to join.

#### 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](mailto: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.

#### Honor Glow Walk

Fort Leonard Wood's Survivor Outreach Services is hosting an Honor Glow Walk event, starting at 6:45 p.m. Sept. 30 at the USO. The 3.5-kilometer route will take participants from the

USO to Memorial Grove and back, with a lighted path featuring the names of fallen service members, whose families live in Missouri. The event is open to anyone with access to the installation. Call 573.596.0195 for details.

#### Ready and Resilient Fair

The next Ready and Resilient, or R2, Fair is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 5 at Nutter Field House. The R2 Fair provides opportunities to learn about resources here 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](mailto:malia.h.nemetz.civ@army.mil) for details.

#### Sexual assault helpline

Fort Leonard Wood's 24/7 Sexual Assault Resource Center is available by calling 573.855.1327.

#### Suicide prevention helpline

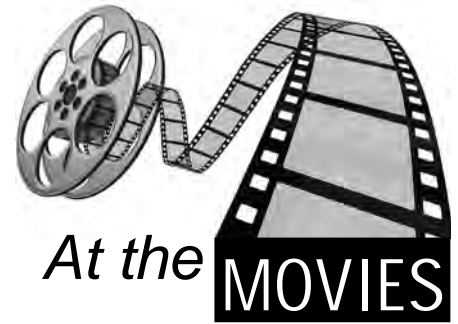
The national suicide prevention helpline is 9-8-8. Veterans may press "1" to reach a responder trained to assist military and veteran populations.

## Davidson Fitness Center pool now open



Photo by Brian Hill, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

The Davidson Fitness Center pool is now open after being closed for several months due to a construction project in the facility. The pool is open for lap swim times from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 4:30 to 6 p.m. weekdays. Unit physical training times, swim lessons and pool party reservations are also available. Call 573.596.2810 for more information.



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

"Expend4bles"\*

Rated R

Showing at 1 p.m. Saturday

"The Last Voyage of the Demeter"

Rated R

Showing at 11 a.m. Sunday

"Blue Beetle"

Rated PG-13

Showing at 2 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.

\*This is a distributor-appreciation screening. Admission is free. Seating is first-come, first served.

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### LAKE OF THE OZARKS RECREATION AREA

# CATFISH TOURNAMENT

SEP 16  
9AM-3PM

\$40 PER TEAM.  
\$10 ADDITIONAL BIG  
CATFISH (OPTIONAL)  
PER BOAT. EACH BOAT  
MUST HAVE DoD  
AUTHORIZED I.D.  
CARD HOLDER.

## Parents with Inquiring Minds

Sep 20- 11:45am - 12:45pm



**FREE** parenting discussions on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Bring your own lunch. Children welcome!

BLDG 614

573-596-0238

## HOME RUN DERBY

# Softball

SOFTBALL COMPLEX B

Come out and test your skills!  
Each batter must provide bat & pitcher.  
\$15 per person, open to age 16 & up.



SEPT 23  
10AM

Register by Sept 23, 9am  
573-596-4359

# SOLDIER SPOTLIGHT

FORT LEONARD WOOD



U.S. ARMY

*With the military occupational specialty of 31A – military police officer – 1st Lt. Emileo Ochoa-Boyce currently serves as the executive officer for Company B, 701st Military Police Battalion. There, he is responsible for the safety, morale, discipline, health, welfare and development of the Soldiers of Bravo Company.*

## **What is your hometown?**

Colorado Springs, Colorado

## **When did you join the Army? Why did you choose to be an MP?**

I originally enlisted in the Army Reserve in 2015, as an 88M (motor transport operator) and completed training with the 58th Transportation Battalion here, before commissioning as an active-duty military police officer in 2020, through ROTC at the University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Law enforcement was something that I was really eager and excited to learn about and be part of and when I commissioned – MP was one of the opportunities offered.

## **What are your thoughts on Fort Leonard Wood as a duty station?**

I love it here. The leadership here is good; they're supportive.

## **What is your favorite part about your current position?**

My Soldiers. We have gone through so much together. We've



**1st Lt. Emileo Ochoa-Boyce, Company B, 701st Military Police Battalion**

built an environment, where we can talk to each other as a team and work on things together. Same thing with my commander and my first sergeant.

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

Earning my Expert Soldier Badge at Fort Carson, Colorado, in 2021. I was the first officer to get it in our battalion.

## **What advice would you give to someone thinking of joining the Army?**

Go to the places where people don't want to go. Whether positive

or negative, I think there's always something to gain from it.



**BE ALL YOU CAN BE.**

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