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Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri



Army MP Corps celebrates 81st anniversary during Regimental Week

The U.S. Army Military Police Corps celebrated its 81st anniversary during Regimental Week festivities, held Sept. 19 to Saturday here.



Fort Leonard Wood suicide prevention event strengthens community awareness

Fort Leonard Wood resiliency experts hosted a suicide prevention awareness and education event Tuesday on Gerlach Field, in line with Suicide Prevention Awareness Month.



New BOSS president works to grow program

The Fort Leonard Wood Better Opportunity for Single Soldiers program has a new president, and she wants the community to know more about the benefits of the program. BOSS is designed to help single service members of all branches, single parents and geo-bachelors – a service member stationed here without their family – to meet new people and learn valuable life skills.



Fort Leonard Wood DES police officer's 'gut feeling' brings life-saving help to on-post resident in need

Brittany Marsh, a police officer with Fort Leonard Wood's Directorate of Emergency Services, recently trusted her "gut feeling" that something wasn't right — and it paid off, when she came to the rescue of a retiree living on post, most likely saving her life.

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



Installation archaeologists bring prehistory to life for community during Archaeology Month event

Members of the Fort Leonard Wood and surrounding communities had the opportunity to get hands-on with prehistory at an Archaeology Month presentation held Wednesday at Colyer Park.



Fort Leonard Wood hosts naturalization ceremony

Eight of Fort Leonard Wood's newest U.S. citizens took the Oath of Allegiance surrounded by senior leaders, fellow service members and family Wednesday on the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence Plaza. The eight individuals, from eight different countries, include Junell Barron, Hien Quang Tran, Gbolahan Afeez Lawal, Marvin Andrew Adair, Vivian Rono, Saphira Athara Reyes, Brian Suatia Sione and Freddy Jose Pinto Curay.

NEWS BRIEFS

Museum hours to change

Starting Saturday, the John B. Mahaffey Museum Complex hours of operation will be 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays, and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays.

Fire Prevention poster contest

Fort Leonard Wood's Fire Department is hosting a poster contest in honor of October's Fire Prevention Week. This year's campaign theme is "Fire won't wait. Plan your escape." Winners will be chosen from two groups: kindergartners and first graders, and second and third graders. Entries are due by 11 a.m. Tuesday at Fire Station No. 3, Bldg. 2375. Call 573.596.0886 for details.

Community Information Forum

The October Community Information Forum is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Pershing Community Center. The monthly forum is designed as an information exchange and dialogue between the garrison and the community, to improve quality of life for service members, families, civilians and retirees.

Combined college graduation

Fort Leonard Wood's Truman Education Center is hosting a combined college commencement ceremony at 10 a.m. Oct. 7 at Nutter Field House. Call 573.596.0172 for details.

Walking housing town hall



Photo by Amanda Sullivan, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

Col. Anthony Pollio, U.S. Army Garrison Fort Leonard Wood commander (right), speaks with community mayor, Brian Bolton (red shirt), during a walking town hall event Tuesday in the Piney Estates neighborhood. Garrison leaders, along with representatives from Balfour Beatty Communities, Fort Leonard Wood's housing partner, conduct walking town halls in different on-post neighborhoods each month as a way to engage residents in a casual environment regarding issues and concerns in privatized housing here.

Fire Fest

The Fort Leonard Wood Fire Department is set to host their annual Fire Fest celebration from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 8 at the Main Exchange parking lot. Meet local firefighters, see fire trucks and learn about fire safety. Sparky the Fire Dog will be on hand, along with the 399th Army Band's rock band. Food and refreshments will be available

courtesy of the USO. Call 573.596.0886 for details.

Pre-retirement briefing

A pre-retirement briefing is scheduled for 8 a.m. Oct. 11 in Lincoln Hall Auditorium, and includes information on the benefits to which retired military personnel and their dependents are entitled. Call 573.596.6637 for details.

HEROES OF THE BATTLEFIELD

Staff Sgt. Armando Hernandez, a drill sergeant with 1st Engineer Brigade, was on his morning commute to work, when he identified and provided support to an injured, unconscious person. Hernandez was commended by the Waynesville Police Department

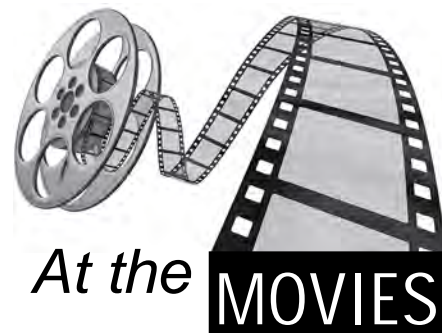
for his actions that ensured the injured individual received emergency medical attention and prevented further serious injury.

Brittany Marsh, a police officer with the Directorate of Emergency Services, without hesitation or regard for her own safety, entered a residence and performed life-saving measures to an occupant.

Her rapid assessment, immediate reaction and care ultimately saved a life within the



Fort Leonard Wood community. She exemplified herself as a role model for all law enforcement officers and we are exceptionally proud of her.



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

"Bullet Train"
Rated R
Showing at 6:30 p.m. Friday

"Top Gun: Maverick"
Rated PG-13
Showing at 1 p.m. Saturday

"The Invitation"
Rated PG-13
Showing at 11 a.m. Sunday

"Jurassic World: Dominion"
Rated PG-13
Showing at 2 p.m. Sunday

Prices for regular showing 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.

DIGITAL GARRISON

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The Army's Digital Garrison mobile app is a one-stop information source for military communities.

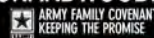
Explore all the benefits your Army post has to offer: Navigate to on-post facilities, stay updated on local weather, and be informed about gate closures or other important installation information in real time, all from the palm of your hand.

The Digital Garrison app is free and available at the links at the [Google Play](#) and [Apple](#) stores.



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Oktoberfest
PERSHING COMMUNITY CENTER
OCT 1 VOLKSMARCH: 1-3PM
KEG TAPPING: 3:30PM
Preregister for Volksmarch until Sept 29 for only \$25—Includes a commemorative filled mug, bratwurst or pretzel. Day-of registration: \$30. 3:30 keg tapping ceremony—live music, dancing, food, and cold beer!
PCC: BLDG 4109 / 16593 PINEY HILLS DR.
573-596-6913

Pretty in Pink
SURVIVOR CELEBRATION
Oct 15
Davidson Fitness Center
DAY OF REGISTRATION: 7:45 - 8:15 AM
Zumba, color run, & aqua zumba!
Preregistration (Sep 12-Oct 12): \$25
\$35 day-of registration.
573-596-6913

DOWN 4 POWERLIFTING TOURNAMENT
OCT 15, 9AM
DAVIDSON FITNESS CENTER
Advance registration (Sept 12-30): \$25,
Late registration (Oct 1-10): \$35
Weigh-ins: Oct 13 between 9am-6pm.
573-596-4359

Hospital construction update

Work on the project to replace the General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital, currently scheduled for completion in 2025, continues to progress.

Officials said underground utilities are complete and most of the building is dried in, which means installation of weather-resistant materials is complete and weather-sensitive materials can be brought inside for installation.

Work is also complete on the pavement, curbing and sidewalks on the Headquarters Avenue realignment – the road directly north of GLWACH – and landscaping is near completion.



Courtesy illustration

Underneath the building's precast panels is a series of framed walls and electrical systems. Wall framing throughout both the hospital and clinic is close

to completion, with in-wall inspections and drywall installation started. Window and curtain wall installations are also close to completion.

ARMY NEWS



Secretary of Defense pledges to 'ease the load' for service members

The Defense Department laid out an array of efforts — some already underway and some on the horizon — that address the needs of married service members and their families, as well as single service members.



Fort Bragg set to host first-ever U.S. Army Best Squad Competition

The 12 best squads from across the U.S. Army have battled their way to the top of their respective commands, and they will now represent their senior commands during the U.S. Army's first-ever Best Squad Competition, set to take place today through Oct. 7 at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.



New E-EFMP system supports Army families with special needs members

The U.S. Army recently launched a new digital platform to streamline care for families enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program. The automated Enterprise EFMP System makes enrollment, assignment coordination and family support access easier and synchronizes all aspects of care for families with special needs.



Virtual Branch Outreach platform leads branching cadets to success, expands with livestream events

The U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command launched the Virtual Branch Outreach platform in 2020, as a response to COVID-19 restrictions on in-person branch selection events, but it evolved into an interactive platform that provides guidance for cadets at the start of their Army careers.

Q & A

KIRSTAN CARPENTER

SPECIAL EVENTS COORDINATOR

DIRECTORATE OF
FAMILY AND MORALE, WELFARE
AND RECREATION

Assists with planning and execution of community special events that respond to the needs and interests of the military and civilian population.



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Why did you want to work for the Army?

I saw the needs of my family, and the needs of my husband as a Soldier and myself as a spouse as far as leisure activities. After speaking to other families, Soldiers and other members of the community, I was inspired and started getting ideas. I wanted to start a career, and it just happened organically because I knew what my family needed and was able to apply that.

What do you enjoy most about working for the Army?

I have been so lucky to be able to evolve my career and have leadership who challenge me and push me to

think outside the box. It's given me the ability to provide the best programming and services that I didn't think I was capable of at times. They've even given me the opportunity to develop and obtain more education so that I could continue to thrive and make my family proud.

What advice do you have for those considering a career with the Army?

Any place can be a job, but taking the opportunity to invest your time, effort and knowledge and sharing what you have to offer, could inspire or educate someone without you realizing it. We have a great team and the ability to educate you.

What brought you to Fort Leonard Wood?

This was my husband's last duty station. After he retired, we decided to make this our forever home. We love it here.

