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Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri



MSCoE CG and CSM Send: Recognizing National Purple Heart Day

On Monday, we will acknowledge the courageous actions taken by nearly two million service members, who bear physical and non-physical reminders of their sacrifices. We recognize their valiant actions by observing National Purple Heart Day.



MSCoE CG and CSM Send: Happy 233rd Birthday, U.S. Coast Guard

On Friday, we recognize the United States Coast Guard's birthday. For the last 233 years, the men and women of the Coast Guard have been diligently safeguarding coasts and waterways at home and abroad.



Fifteenth SMA offers leadership lessons to Fort Leonard Wood NCOs at LPD event

Retired Sgt. Maj. Daniel Dailey, the 15th Sergeant Major of the Army, who currently serves with the Association of the U.S. Army, visited Fort Leonard Wood this week and took the opportunity to talk leadership with more than 100 NCOs here, during a leader professional development event Tuesday in Lincoln Hall Auditorium.



The true weight of a Purple Heart

It is one of the most-revered medals, but it is also one nobody wants to earn — the Purple Heart.

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

Combined college graduation

Fort Leonard Wood's Truman Education and Personnel Testing Center is hosting a combined college commencement ceremony at 10 a.m. Friday at the Main Post Chapel. Call 573.596.0172 for details.

Blood drive event

The Armed Services Blood Program is hosting a blood drive from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in Thurman Hall, Room 1522. Call 573.596.6150 for details.

Garrison employee org day event

U.S. Army Garrison Fort Leonard Wood employees are invited to celebrate the 2022 Best Garrison Award win with a Garrison Employee Organizational Day, set to take place from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 31 at the Main Post Chapel and Rec Plex. Wrist bands for unlimited mini-golf and go-karts cost \$3, and barbecue is \$15. Each organization will have a designated employee to collect all payments.

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Fort Leonard Wood AER campaign is Army's best



Photo by Angi Betran, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

Maj. Gen. Christopher Beck, Maneuver Support Center of Excellence and Fort Leonard Wood commanding general (second from left), along with Col. Anthony Pollio, U.S. Army Garrison Fort Leonard Wood commander (left), and MScOE and Fort Leonard Wood Command Sgt. Maj. Jorge Arzabala (right), accept the ceremonial check with this year's Army Emergency Relief donation campaign total, from Capt. Paul Moody (second from right) and Sgt. 1st Class Shawn Proctor, Fort Leonard Wood's 2023 AER donation campaign volunteer coordinators Monday in the MScOE headquarters building. Not only did the donations double Fort Leonard Wood's original goal this year, but the campaign here finished No. 1 in the Army. Read more about the campaign's successes [here](#).



August is Army Antiterrorism Awareness Month

This month marks the 14th observance of Army Antiterrorism Awareness Month, when Army leaders work to instill heightened awareness and vigilance across the force to protect Army critical resources from acts of terrorism.



Battle buddies since birth brave Army Basic Combat Training together

For 18 years, the Acevedo twins have been inseparable — same school, same friends, same extracurricular activities — and now they can add, same Army Basic Combat Training unit to that list.

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Know Your World

Fort Leonard Wood's International Military Student Office is hosting the 21st Know Your World event, from 6 to 8 p.m. Aug. 25 at Nutter Field House. This year's event brings together individuals from 42 countries to share culture and customs. Additionally, smaller preview events will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 17 in Thurman Hall and Aug. 18 in Bldg. 470. Call 573.563.0068/2662/8015 for details.

DFAC closure

The Bldg. 3223 dining facility near the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence NCO Academy – commonly referred to as Tony's – is closed through the end of January 2024, while improvements are made to the water and electrical systems, the heating, ventilation and air conditioning, and new floor tiles and ceiling are installed, along with new paint. While it's closed, during the week, the Bldg. 630 DFAC, located at 5323 Colorado Ave., will provide support, and a shuttle service will run approximately every 25 minutes between the north side of the parking lot outside Thurman Hall at the MSCoE headquarters building and Bldg. 630, which will be open from 5:30 to 8 a.m. for breakfast, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for lunch, and 4 to 6:30 p.m. for dinner. On weekends and holidays, the Bldg. 1792 DFAC – located between Cooley and Oklahoma avenues – will provide support, though there will not be a shuttle service to Bldg. 1792. Hours will be 5:30 to 8 a.m. for breakfast, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for lunch, and 4:30 to 7 p.m. for dinner. Call Master Sgt. David Barrera at 573.563.5501 for details.

Peak PCS season delays

Personnel preparing for a permanent change of station should anticipate delays in the scheduling of their household goods move, and should not try to move or store their household goods prior to receiving PCS orders. Individuals should contact the Fort Leonard Wood transportation office when orders are received – any delay in contacting the transportation office may result in non-availability of Department of Defense-contracted moving companies.

Happy Birthday, Army Transportation Corps!



Photo by Angi Betran, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

58th Transportation Battalion Command Sgt. Maj. Quincy Rice (left) and 58th Trans. Bn. Commander Lt. Col. Steven Robinette, celebrate the U.S. Army Transportation Corps' 81st birthday with a cake cutting Monday at the battalion headquarters building. While the corps is based out of Fort Gregg-Adams, Virginia, all of the Army's motor transport operators – the 88M military occupational specialty – are trained at Fort Leonard Wood. 88 Mikes, as they're called, account for roughly 80 percent of the corps.

Call 573.596.0077, or visit in person in Bldg. 470, Room 1220. The transportation office is open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays. Customers also have the option to start the process on-line through the Defense Personal Property System. To request access to DPS, click [here](#). Scroll down to the red button that reads, "LOG IN TO DPS." When at the DPS landing page, scroll down to the customer column and click on "Register as a Customer," and fill out the requested information. A user ID and password is sent to the email provided when registering. For registration or log-in issues, please call 800.462.2176. Self-counseling through DPS is not available for first-time movers, retirees and separating members.

Teen ID post access policy

Fort Leonard Wood's Directorate of Emergency Services has policies on checking teenager Department of Defense ID cards at installation access points. If a child is with a parent or guardian, then no ID is required unless the child looks close in appearance to

an adult or if the child is driving. Additionally, DOD ID card holders under the age of 18 are not authorized to sponsor non-DOD personnel on post. More information on installation access policies is available on the Fort Leonard Wood [website](#) or by calling the visitor center at 573.596.0590.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Alcoholics Anonymous meets at noon on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays in Room 132 at the Main Post Chapel. Call 253.363.3306 or 970.390.5724 for details.

Tobacco cessation

A tobacco cessation information group meets at 11 a.m. on Thursdays in the General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital Primary Care conference room. Call 573.596.0518 for details.

Sexual assault helpline

Fort Leonard Wood's 24/7 Sexual Assault Resource Center is available by calling 573.855.1327. Visit the [Safe Helpline website](#) for more options.

LEONARD WOOD JUSTICE

Reprimands

- A staff sergeant received a permanently filed general officer memorandum of reprimand for driving under the influence of alcohol.
- A specialist received a permanently filed general officer memorandum of reprimand for driving under the influence of alcohol.

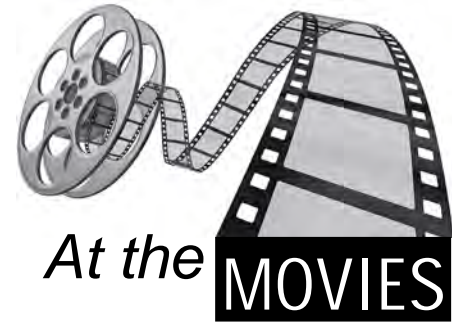
NOTE: Soldiers administratively separated receive one of three characterizations of service: Honorable, General, or Other Than Honorable. Anything less than Honorable may result in the loss of certain benefits and negatively impact employment and education opportunities.

Missouri Avenue spur to open soon



Photo by Melissa Buckley, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

Workers prepare to seal cracks Wednesday along the Missouri Avenue spur connecting North Dakota and Missouri avenues on the southwest side of General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital. Once the surface is re-sealed and lines are repainted, the spur will once again be open for traffic. The project is slated to be completed in about three weeks.



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

“Insidious: The Red Door”
Rated PG-13
Showing at 6:30 p.m. Friday

“The Boogeyman”
Rated PG-13
Showing at 11 a.m. Saturday

“Haunted Mansion”
Rated PG-13
Showing at 2 p.m. Saturday*

“Insidious: The Red Door”
Rated PG-13
Showing at 1 p.m. Sunday

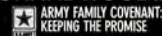
Prices for regular showings are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children (ages 6 to 11). First-run showings are \$8.75 for adults and \$6.75 for children. 3D showings are \$9 for adults and \$6 for children. Children under 5 are free. Call 573.329.6176, or visit the [Exchange website](#) for details.

*denotes a first-run showing.



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ZUMBA HEALTH & WELLNESS FAIR

**AUG 5
9AM
DAVIDSON
FITNESS
CENTER**



Join us for a fun zumba class while learning about different aspects of health and wellness! \$7 advance registration through Aug 3.

573-596-4359



AFTERNOON AT THE MOVIES

EFMP Exceptional Family Member Program

**AUG 12, 10AM-12PM
ACS BLDG 486, CLASSROOM B & C**

Please join us for a FREE afternoon of popcorn and a movie! Must be enrolled in EFMP

CARDBOARD BOAT RACE

**AUG 12, 11AM
TA250 LAKE**

CAN YOU FLOAT YOUR BOAT?

Start building today! Contact us for info. Awards for most spirited team, most creative design, and first to cross the finish line afloat. Free and open to the public.



To register, call LTS office: **573-329-8587**

SOLDIER SPOTLIGHT

FORT LEONARD WOOD



U.S. ARMY

With the military occupational specialty of horizontal construction engineer, Sgt. 1st Class Matthew Meyer currently serves as a senior small group leader with the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence NCO Academy's Engineer Advanced Leader Course. There, he acts as a facilitator of information, including providing updates and training schedules for the Soldiers attending the course.

What is your hometown?

Bristolville, Ohio

When did you join the Army, and why?

I joined in 2006. I didn't see college as a future at the time and was living in a small town, where there wasn't much to do. A recruiter came and talked to me, and I was like, well, that gives me something to do.

What has been your favorite part about being in the Army?

My favorite part has been the camaraderie, and the people I have met. You take the friendships and family that you make with you everywhere.

What has been your most memorable Army experience?

Being Airborne, my most memorable experience was doing heavy drops. A heavy drop is where everyone is rigged up with parachutes inside a plane, along with a vehicle. They open the back door, and the vehicle goes out. Right after that, the jumpmaster waives his arms and says, "Follow me," and you step out right after that vehicle. It's a big adrenaline rush and an exhilarating



Sgt. 1st Class Matthew Meyer, senior small group leader, Maneuver Support Center of Excellence NCO Academy

feeling – it's one of the most fun things I have ever done.

What is your favorite part about your current position?

It's a high-visibility job, but also a relaxing environment. It's nice to be in a quiet environment and be able to focus on the work. I enjoy creating products, like continuity books, things like that. It makes it easier for future instructors or even current instructors.

What might people be surprised to know about Fort Leonard Wood?

I think it's a nice and well-kept post, and there's plenty of stuff to do. For an outdoors person, this is like the mecca of hunting and fishing. You can go floating down the river, camp, and

there are state parks and hiking trails everywhere.

What advice would you give to someone considering a career in the Army?

Lean into your strengths, stay focused and work hard at it. Don't be afraid to go for something like a school or promotion.

Click [here](#) to learn more about career opportunities in the Army.



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