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Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri



Garrison leaders announce Thanksgiving holiday hours for offices, installation services

Fort Leonard Wood garrison leaders have announced Thanksgiving holiday hours of operation for offices and installation services, including Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation, Army and Air Force Exchange Service and Defense Commissary Agency facilities.



Fort Leonard Wood collects tons of e-waste on America Recycles Day

The Fort Leonard Wood Recycling Center celebrated America Recycles Day, a Keep America Beautiful national initiative, Wednesday by accepting e-waste, such as batteries, cell phones and other electronics, in addition to items commonly recycled there.



Fort Leonard Wood celebrates American Education Week with several events

Fort Leonard Wood's Truman Army Education and Personnel Testing Center is hosting a week of events in celebration of American Education Week, which concludes Friday.



Trees for Troops returns to Fort Leonard Wood

Fort Leonard Wood service members will get the opportunity to pick out a free, live holiday tree again this year, as the Trees for Troops program returns to the Auto Skills Center Dec. 8 and 9.

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

Holiday hourly child care options

Child Youth Services is currently offering holiday hourly care for children ages 3 to 5, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays at Child Development Center 615. To apply for hourly care, an orientation must be completed and children must be registered with CYS. Meals will be offered at 8:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Hourly care is limited to 15 hours per week. Cost is \$8 per hour per child. Call 573.596.0238 for details on registering. Call 573.596.0197 or visit the [online hourly care system](#) to make a reservation.

Flu shots

Flu shots are now available on post for beneficiaries within the Fort Leonard Wood community. For Tricare beneficiaries, mandated Department of Defense and non-appropriated funds civilians and contractors, and tenant units without organic medical teams (call 573.596.3663 for group scheduling) between the ages of 18 and 64, without a complex medical history, walk-in hours are 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays at Harper Clinic, Bldg. 500. For beneficiaries between the ages of 6 months and 17 (along with the parents of children being vaccinated) and beneficiaries 65 and older, and beneficiaries with a complex medical history, walk-in hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays at the General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital Immunizations Clinic. Active-duty service members with a U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command Organic Medical Team should contact their unit operations or TOMS for times and locations. Additionally, a pediatric influenza rodeo is scheduled for 4 to 6 p.m. today at the Immunizations Clinic for Tricare beneficiaries between the ages of 6 months and 17. Call 573.596.0518 for more information.

FEHB Open Season

This year's Federal Employees Health Benefits open season runs through Dec. 11. During this time, FEHB enrollees can change their health care, vision and dental insurance coverage. More information is available on the [Army Benefits Civilian website](#) and the [BENEFEDS website](#).

AMIC new location, hours

The General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital's Acute Minor Illness Clinic will relocate to the Leonard Wood Medical Home beginning Monday. Weekday hours of operation will be 6:30 to 8:30 a.m. for active-duty sick call, and 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for Tricare Prime beneficiaries. Check in will be in the Internal Medicine Clinic on the first floor of the hospital in the Primary Care Clinic wing.

Female Mentor Program meeting

The November meeting of the Female Mentorship and Morale Program will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 29 in Thurman Hall, Room 1521. This month's guided discussion topic is avoiding burnout and maintaining healthy habits. Email michelle.m.kokoski.mil@army.mil or milana.m.taylor-turnbough.mil@mail.mil or click [here](#) for details.

H2F clinic

Holistic health and fitness experts here will be on hand to discuss healthy eating and sleeping habits, along with physical and spiritual fitness, during an H2F clinic from 9 a.m. to noon Dec. 2 at Cunningham Gym. Activities will be available for all ages, and families are invited. Call 1st Lt. Oluwaleke Ajenifuja at 573.596.3087, or email oluwaleke.k.ajenifuja.mil@army.mil for details.

Holiday craft and antique fair

The Fort Wood Community Spouses' Club is hosting a holiday craft and antique fair from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 2 at Waynesville High School. Admission is \$5 (children ages 15 and younger get free admission). Click [here](#) or email craftfairfwsc@gmail.com for details.

Victorian Ball

A Victorian ball is set to take place at 7 p.m. Dec. 2 at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4107, 1617 Lynn St., Lebanon, Missouri, featuring live period music, Victorian dance lessons, food, a silent auction, tintype photography and more. Admission is \$15 per person, or \$25 per couple if purchased before the event date. Visit the Lebanon/Laclede County Historical

Museum and Society [Facebook page](#), or call 417.453.6700 for details.

Tree-lighting ceremony

Fort Leonard Wood's annual holiday tree-lighting ceremony will take place at 5:30 p.m. Dec. 4 on the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence Plaza.

Quarterly housing town hall

U.S. Army Garrison Fort Leonard Wood leaders will host the quarterly on-post housing town hall at 5:30 p.m. Dec. 6 at Stonegate Community Center.

Chanukah celebration

The Fort Leonard Wood Jewish community will host a Chanukah celebration at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 7 at the South Iowa Chapel. Email Lt. Col. Kathryn Shaw at kathryn.l.shaw4.mil@army.mil for details.

Photo studio closure

The Fort Leonard Wood Visual Information Service Center will be closed through mid-December.

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.

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.

Suicide prevention helpline

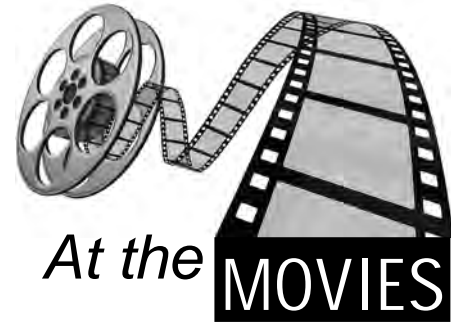
The national suicide prevention and mental health helpline is available by calling 9-8-8. Veterans may press "1" to be connected with a responder trained to assist military and veteran populations.

Fort Leonard Wood celebrates GIS Day



Photo by Brian Hill, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

Army Geospatial Engineer Soldiers in training with Company B, 169th Engineer Battalion, speak with industry partner Jason Mussi about high-resolution imagery collection as it relates to geographical information systems Wednesday in Danner Hall, during a GIS Day event hosted by Fort Leonard Wood's U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command Proponent Office-Geospatial. The annual event provides opportunities for the geospatial community to come together, build camaraderie, discuss cutting-edge technology and inspire service members to pursue careers in geospatial fields.



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

"A Place in the Field"

Rated R

Showing at 11 a.m. Saturday*

"The Marvels"

Rated PG-13

Showing at 2 p.m. Saturday**

"Napoleon"

Rated R

Showing at noon 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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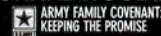


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Above: Formations of Fort Leonard Wood Soldiers, Sailors and Airmen march from the City of St. Robert Municipal Center to the St. Robert Community Center during Saturday's Veterans Day Parade. More photos from the ceremony are available to view and download on the [Fort Leonard Wood Flickr page](#).

Left: Col. Mark Glaspell, Maneuver Support Center of Excellence chief of staff, provides remarks outside the St. Robert Municipal Center before the parade Saturday morning.



Photo by Dawn Arden, Public Affairs Office

FORT LEONARD WOOD SERVICE MEMBERS PARTICIPATE IN WAYNESVILLE-ST. ROBERT VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION



Above: Fort Leonard Wood fire fighters participate in the Veterans Day parade Saturday in St. Robert.

Right: A joint-service color guard prepares to present the colors Saturday outside the City of St. Robert Municipal Center.



Q&A

MADELINE HENDERSON

CONTRACTING OFFICER'S REPRESENTATIVE
FOOD SERVICE QUALITY ASSURANCE
LOGISTICS READINESS CENTER
407th ARMY FIELD SUPPORT BRIGADE

Responsible for monitoring a food service contract that provides 33,000 meals in Army Warrior restaurants each day on Fort Leonard Wood.

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Where are you from originally?
Waukegan, Illinois

What originally brought you to Fort Leonard Wood?

My husband was active duty when we arrived here, and I was hired here in 2017, but I have been in food service my entire career. I joined the Air Force as a Services Specialist in 1997, and then, I switched to the Army National Guard, where I was a 92G Culinary Specialist.

Would you explain what a contracting officer's representative does?

I make sure the government is receiving everything they are paying for. We have three quality assurance evaluators who work in our department.

They go out to the 13 (Army Warrior restaurants) to monitor the contract, and I review their inspections.

What do you like most about your Army career?

I enjoy coming to work every day. We feed about 11,000 service members at each meal, three times a day. We are the second-largest food program in the Army.

What is something you are most proud of in your career?

Thanksgiving. A lot of people don't realize that Thanksgiving on post is like our Super Bowl. We work hard to make sure these service members feel like they have a safe place to belong when they aren't at home. It is amazing to

see the work our contractors put into the meals and the care they take to decorate the dining areas. Think about what it takes to cook a special Thanksgiving meal for your family – now, do that for 11,000 service members. It is just amazing to see each year.

What advice do you have for those considering an Army civilian career?

It is the best thing you can do. I have a great sense of pride, knowing these service members have good, quality meals and are being taking care of.



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