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Office of the Garrison Commander

Dear Retiree/Surviving Family Member:

On September 9–10, 2022, Fort Leonard Wood (FLW) will host its 43rd Annual Retiree Appreciation days.

Activities will commence on Friday, September 9, at 12:30 p.m. with a bus tour of Fort Leonard Wood from Nutter Field House. At 3:00 p.m., everyone is invited to attend the retirement ceremony being held at Lincoln Hall Auditorium, Building 3201. The annual Retiree Dinner will be held at the Engineer Museum Regimental Room, Building 1607 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. At this event, the Retiree of the Year, SFC (Retired) Ron Gespach will be recognized. The event is sponsored by the Fort Leonard Wood Retiree Council and guests always enjoy renewing old acquaintances and meeting new members of the retired community.

On Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m., you are cordially invited to Abrams Theater to hear the guest speaker, CSM (Retired) William S. Lewis. His presentation is sure to be informative and beneficial. At 10:00 a.m., the health and benefits fair will open at Nutter Field House, Building 1067, 6836 lowa Avenue. General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital personnel will be there to provide health and wellness screenings and to answer health related questions. Various civilian and military agencies and post activities will also be there to provide you with an update of your privileges and benefits as well as new programs.

Thank you all for your many years of devoted service in the security of our great nation. We are looking forward to seeing you at this year's Retiree Appreciation Days activities. Please make plans to attend. This is your day!

Sincerely,

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US ARMY MANEUVER SUPPORT CENTER OF EXCELLENCE, FORT LEONARD WOOD, MO

## RETIREE APPRECIATION DAYS SEPTEMBER 9-10, 2022

SFC (Retired) DON GERSPACH

#### FORT LEONARD WOOD RETIREE OF THE YEAR





Don Gerspach was born on the 7th of March, 1957 in Spokane Washington.

His family relocated to Portland Oregon, where he attended Rockwood elementary and Parkrose middle and high schools.

After high school he worked in retail and property management, and attended evening classes at Mt. Hood Community College, in Gresham Oregon.

He joined the US Army in 1982 when he was 25 years old. He began his military adventure at Ft. McClellan AL, where he attended One Station Unit Training to become a Military Policeman. Following his Military Police Training he was stationed at Ft. Hood, TX, Ft. Stewart, GA, Ft. Benjamin Harrison, IN, and Ft. Leonard Wood, MO. He served three tours in Germany, one tour in Korea, and one tour in the

Former Yugoslavian Republic of Macedonia, with the United Nations Peacekeeping Forces. He served in many positions including Patrolman, Patrol Supervisor, Team Leader, Squad Leader, Platoon Sergeant, Special Reaction Team, member and Team leader, Desk Sergeant, Chief of the Army's Deserter Information Point, and National Crime Information Center, Instructor for Military Operations in Urban Terrain, Branch Chief for Military Police Combat Support Operations, and Tasking NCO. His military awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal (5), Army Achievement Medal (2), Army Good Conduct Medal (6), National Defense Service Ribbon (2), Overseas Service Ribbon (3), Korea Service Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, United Nations Medal, Global War on Terrorism, Expert Marksmanship Badge with Rifle, Pistol, and Grenadier Bars, Air Assault Badge, and Driver and Mechanic Badge with W Bar. Don retired from active duty as a Sergeant First Class after 21 years of military service.

**EVENTS** 

Bus Tour of Fort Leonard Wood

Retirement Ceremony Lincoln Hall Auditorium

Retiree Dinner Engineer Regimental Room Museum

Breakfast Waynesville Masonic Lodge #375

Retiree Updates Abrams Theater

Benefits & Health Fair Nutter Field House

Don married the love of his life, Brigitte Eden during his first assignment in Germany in 1986. Together they raised three children, Nicole, Dustin, and Jonathan. Both Dustin and Jonathan are graduates of Waynesville high school. Brigitte and Don are grandparents to one granddaughter.

After retiring from active duty in 2003, Don completed his Associates Degree in General Studies from Central Texas College. He went to work at the Military Police School, as a Nonlethal Weapons Specialist and Combat Developer. Don continues to support and work with Soldiers through his duties at the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence. Don has certified as an Instructor for several Nonlethal Weapons to include certification as a Master Instructor for TASER Conducted Electrical Weapons.

Don has a passion for working with veterans, service members and their families. He is active in Veteran Service Organizations supporting the services and benefits for veterans, and preserving them for future service members. He is an active member of The American Legion, having served on Post and District level committees, including District Vice Commander. He also serves as the Scouting Committee at the St. Robert Post 331. He is a member American Legion Riders, Chapter 331 where he has served at Chapter, District and Department (State) levels at various positions, including Director at each level. He was selected as Missouri's American Legion Rider of the Year for 2018. He a recipient of the American Legion Riders of Honor award, the highest award presented by the American Legion Riders.

He is also a Life Member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the District 2 VFW Riders.

Don has served as the Statehouse Wreath coordinator for the Wreaths Across America program for the Missouri Capitol Wreath.

Through his involvement in Veterans Support Organizations, he became involved in The Missing In America Project, which locates, identifies, and recovers the unclaimed remains of veterans from funeral homes, crematories, and storage facilities, across the nation, and provides them with military honors funerals at National and State Veterans Cemeteries, which they have earned through military service. He has served the MIAP as volunteer, Missouri State Coordinator, and is currently the Region 5 Coordinator, serving five states including Missouri, and sit on the National Board of Directors.

SFC and Mrs. Gerspach reside in Waynesville, and recently celebrated their 36th wedding anniversary.

#### RETIREE APPRECIATION DAYS SEPTEMBER 9-10, 2022



# CSM (Retired) WILLIAM S. LEWIS Guest Speaker

Command Sergeant Major (Retired) William S. Lewis was born in Fort Dix, New Jersey. He enlisted in the Army as a Bridge Crewman on 12 Feb 1982 from Houston, Texas. He retired on 31 May 2021 at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. Command Sergeant Major (Retired) Lewis has 3 deployments which include Africa, Afghanistan, and Iraq.

His assignments included Bridge Crewman with 38th EN CO, 7th EN BDE, Germany; Bridge Crewman and Squad Leader with 586th EN CO, 36th EN Group, Fort Benning, GA; Recon Sergeant and Bridge Section Sergeant with 814th EN CO, 130th EN BDE, Germany; Drill Sergeant with C/589th EN BN, 1st EN BDE and BNCOC (12C) Instructor, Fort Leonard Wood, MO; Squad Leader and Platoon Sergeant with 955th EN CO, 89th Regional Support Command, Fort Leonard Wood, MO; First Sergeant and Chief Instructor with 1st EN BN, 95th DIV, Fort Leonard Wood, MO; Support Group Engineer SGM with Joint Forces Command, Brunssum, The Netherlands; S3 SGM with 36th EN BDE, Fort Hood, TX; Command Sergeant Major with 62nd EN BN, 36th EN BDE Fort Hood, TX; Proponent SGM with US Army Engineer School, Fort Leonard Wood, MO; G3/5/7 and G4 SGM with HQs, Army Material Command, Redstone Arsenal, AL; Directorate of Training and Leader Development SGM with the US Army Engineer School, Fort Leonard Wood, MO; Command Sergeant Major with 554th EN BN, 1st EN BDE, Fort Leonard Wood, MO.; His final assignment was the Command Sergeant Major with 1-310th BEB, 1st Army, Fort McCoy, WI.

He is a graduate of the Primary Leadership Development Course, Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course graduating as the honor graduate, Advanced Noncommissioned Officer Course, Sergeant Majors Course (NR Class 32), Military Police Course, NBC Defense Course, Drill Sergeant School, Instructor Training Course, Small Group Leader Instructor Course, Construction and Masonry Specialist Course, Advanced Petroleum Course, Water Logistic Course, Force Management Orientation Course, SGM Force Management Course, Senior Joint PME II Course, Senior Training and Education Manager Course, Foundation Training Developers Course, Advanced Training Developer Course, Engineer Pre-Command Course, BN Pre-Command Course. CSM Lewis holds a Bachelor and master's degrees in computer science. He is certified with CompTIA A+, Security+, and open waters scuba driver w/nitrox.

His awards include a Legion of Merit (2nd Award), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (6th Award), Army Commendation Medal (4th Award), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal (5th Award), Army Good Conduct Medal (8th Award), Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal (3rd Award), National Defense Service Medal (with Bronze Service Star), Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (5th Award), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (5th Award), Armed Forces Reserve Medal ('M' Device), NATO Medal, Meritorious Unit Citation (2nd Award), and the Engineer Regimental Bronze DeFluery Medal.

CSM Lewis is married to the former Miss Elizabeth Lazcano of El Paso, Texas; and they have two daughters: Brittney and Kristen, son Duncan, and one granddaughter Viola. They retired to Saint Robert, MO. CSM (Ret) Lewis is now employed as a Senior Change Manager with M9 Solutions, LLC.

RECIATION DAYS EMBER 9-10, 2022

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2022

#### **BUS TOUR OF FORT LEONARD WOOD**

A guided bus tour will depart from Nutter Field House parking lot at 12:30 p.m. Call the Retirement Services Office at (573) 596-0947 for reservations or e-mail noah.e.stevens.civ@mail.mil in advance.

#### RETIREE DINNER

At 6:00 p. m., a no hosted social hour will be held prior to the Annual Retiree Dinner at the Engineer Regimental Room Museum. The Retiree Council is sponsoring a delicious buffet dinner for your dining pleasure. The cost of the buffet is **\$25.00** per person and must be paid by August 19, 2022. **Advance reservations with payment are required**.



#### RETIREE DINNER MENU

Roast Beef, Herb Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes w/gravy, Rice Pilaf, California Mix, Cut Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Dinner Rolls, Water, Coffee, Tea, Cheesecake Assortment, and Fruit Salad.

Cost \$25.00 Non-refundable! Payable in advance.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2022 RETIREE DAYS HEALTH AND BENEFITS FAIR



General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital (GLWACH), will be providing health screening for retirees and their families during the Services and Health Fair Expo Starting at 10;00 a.m. at Nutter Field House. Beneficiaries Will have a chance to discuss their health, medications, and fitness goals with our subject matter experts. Our staff Will answer questions on the Patient Portal and communi-



cations with your healthcare provider. Please join us for information in improving your health And quality of life. GLWACH Cares for you!

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2022

# BREAKFAST AT WAYNESVILLE MASONIC LODGE #375, 1409 OUSLEY ROAD, WAYNESVILLE, MO

Breakfast will be served beginning at 6:00 a.m. Breakfast is buffet style and is **free to retirees** and their dependents. Members of the Masonic Lodge will prepare the food. Please indicate on the enclosed response form if you will be eating breakfast.

#### RETIREMENT SERVICES OFFICE LOCATION

The Retirement Services Office is located in Dillard Hall, Building 470, Room 2110, 13486 Replacement Avenue. We offer information and assistance on all retirement topics. Please call to schedule an appointment to discuss any issues/concerns regarding retirement. Our phone number is (573) 596-0947, email address is flwrso@mail.mil. We are open Monday thru Friday, 7:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.- 4:00 p.m..

#### ARMY AND AIR FORCE EXCHANGE

The Fort Leonard Wood Post Exchange continues their support of Retiree Appreciation Days. The Exchange will hand out Gift Bags to retirees that visit the Exchange Table on Saturday September 10, 2022.



FORT LEONARD WOOD

**EXCHANGE**:

Main Store Telephone Number (573) 329-2200

General Manager - Donald Cantwell

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday - Saturday

10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sunday: 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### FORT LEONARD WOOD COMMISSARY

The Defense Commissary Agency's web site www.commissaries.com has a wealth of information. The Fort Leonard Wood Commissary will have a booth at Nutter Field House to welcome Retirees.



FORT LEONARD WOOD

COMMISSARY:

Main telephone number

(573) 596-0783

Store Director - Eric Wright

**HOURS OF OPERATION** 

Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Mon - Fri 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

#### IDENTIFICATION (ID) CARD FACILITY

Operation are 8:00 am to 4:00 pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Thursday 8:00am to 12:00 pm. The Facility is closed on Thursday afternoon for training and on federal holidays. Appointments can be made by accessing the RAPIDS Appointment Scheduler at <a href="https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/">https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/</a>. Customers may also call the ID Card Facility to schedule an appointment at (573) 596-0744. Services for walk-in customers are limited, and walk-ins will be seen based on availability.

In honor of our nation's retirees, on Saturday, September 10, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., we will at Nutter Field House. Customers must have two valid forms of ID; one must be a photo ID and be unexpired. For initial enrollment of dependents, the following documents are needed: original or certified marriage certificate, birth certificate, divorce decree, retirement orders/DD Form 214, and a social security card for all dependents.

#### JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL

The Fort Leonard Wood Legal Assistance Office is open M-F from 0800-1600; the office is closed between 1130-1300 for lunch and other administrative purposes and on Thursdays from 1500-1600. Consultations and execution of wills, living wills, and powers of attorney (both health care and financial) are done by appointment only. Under certain circumstances consultations and execution of documents may take place on the same day, however, the standard is to conduct the consultation and execution of documents at separate times on separate appointment dates. Items and information necessary to complete such appointments are as follows: 1) military ID card; 2) names, addresses, and phone numbers of individuals you intend to designate as agents, executors, and guardians, if applicable, in your documentation; 3) list of personal property to be distributed; 4) addresses and legal descriptions for all real property; 5) any other specified arrangements. On **Retiree Appreciation Day** initial will packets will be available for review, completion, questions, or to take home, however will preparation for execution will not be available. Attorneys will be present to answer will-related questions and staff will be available to schedule future appointments. The Legal Assistance Office is in Building 315 at 316 Missouri Avenue; for more information please call (573) 596-0629.

#### NEWSLETTER TO BE PROVIDED ELECTRONICALLY

Due to budget constraints, hard copy bulletins will only be mailed to individuals without computer access. Individuals without computer access must call or email to request hard copy bulletins. Future correspondence will be provided electronically, via email and website. Therefore, request you provide your civilian email address to our Retirement Services Office at flwrso@mail.mil. For additional information, please visit our website at http://www.wood.army.mil/newweb/garrison/dhr/vets.html or by calling our office at (573) 596-0947.

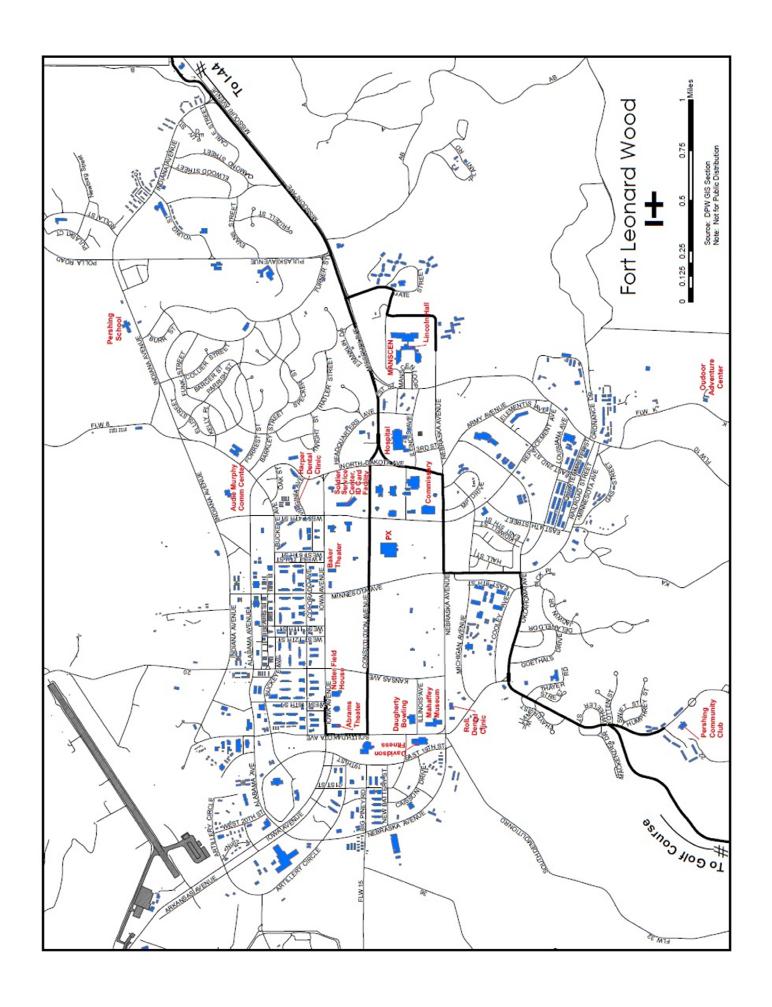
### CASUALTY ASSISTANCE CENTER (CAC)

The CAC is located in Building 470, Room 1202, at 13486 Replacement Avenue, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri 65473-8929. Normal operational hours for the CAC are from 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday excluding federal holidays. For emergencies an on call representative is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and on holidays. The CAC can be reached at (573) 596-0134/0138 or toll-free at (800) 350-7746.

#### **RETIREE APPRECIATION DAYS AGENDA**

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2022

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BUS TOUR OF POST	1230-1400
BUS DEPARTS FROM NUTTER FIELD HOUSE PARKING LOT	
RETIREMENT CEREMONY	1500-1700
LINCOLN HALL AUDITORIUM	
ANNUAL RETIREE DINNER REGRISTRATION	1730-1800
ANNUAL RETIREE DINNER	1800-2100
ENGINEER REGIMENTAL ROOM MUSEUM	
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2022	
BREAKFAST	0600-0830
MASONIC LODGE, #375	
1409 OUSLEY RD, WAYNESVILLE, MO	
FREE FOR RETIREES AND THEIR DEPENDENTS	
REGISTRATION, ABRAMS THEATER	0730-0830
COL ANTHONY F. POLLIO, GARRISON COMMANDER	0830-0835
CSM WILLIAM S. LEWIS, GUEST SPEAKER	0835-0905
TOWN HALL, Q&A	0905-1000
ID CARD FACILITY, NUTTER FIELD HOUSE, BIdg 1067	1000-1200
SERVICE AND INFO BOOTHS OPEN	1000-1300
NUTTER FIELD HOUSE	
LUNCH AT DINING FACILITY, BLDG 6111	1100-1300
BUS TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED	
DOOR PRIZE GIVEAWAY	1330-UTC



#### ST. ROBERT, MISSOURI LODGING

Please visit the below web link for accommodations:

http://www.visitpulaskicounty.org/hotel\_options.asp

#### RETIREMENT SERVICES OFFICER



Noah E. Stevens, Jr.

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RETIREE DAYS ACTIVITIES		
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FORT LEONARD WOOD, MO 654	173	
PHONE: (573) 596-0413		
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Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri

### FORTY THIRD ANNUAL RETIREE APPRECIATION DAYS



**SEPTEMBER 9-10, 2022** 

RETIREMENT SERVICES OFFICE ATTN: IMLD-HRM-S SUITE 2110 MILITARY PERSONNEL DIVISION 13486 REPLACEMENT AVENUE FORT LEONARD WOOD MO 65473-8604