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Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri



## MSCoE CG and CSM Send: November is Military Family Appreciation Month

People are our military's greatest strength and most valuable assets, and our military families are an invaluable component of our team. During the month of November, our nation seeks to recognize their resilience and commitment through the observance of Military Family Appreciation Month.



## Fort Leonard Wood TPO-GEO office hosts Army geospatial working group, celebrates GIS Day

The U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command Proponent Office – Geospatial, or TPO-GEO, is hosting a Geospatial Engineer Working Group here this week, where Army geospatial leaders from around the world are discussing the current geospatial climate and working to solve current issues. They also celebrated GIS Day on Wednesday.

## Truman Education Center offers lunchtime info sessions as part of American Education Week

Counselors at Fort Leonard Wood's Truman Education Center hosted information sessions this week on some of the programs available here, in celebration of American Education Week.



## Fort Leonard Wood dining facilities getting ready for annual Thanksgiving Day celebration

Fort Leonard Wood plans to hold its traditional Thanksgiving Day celebration on Nov. 25 in 13 dining facilities on post, with meals for service members, as well as a specific time and location for Department of Defense ID cardholders, retirees and their families.

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

## MSCoE senior leaders highlight Fort Leonard Wood retention successes at awards presentation

Maneuver Support Center of Excellence senior leaders hosted the fiscal year 2021 Commanding General's MSCoE Retention Recognition Ceremony Nov. 10 in the Command Briefing Room.



### NEWS BRIEFS

#### COVID-19 vaccine for children

The General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital will offer the COVID-19 vaccine for Tricare beneficiaries ages 5 to 11 from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday in the GLWACH Immunization Clinic, with a follow-up appointment Dec. 11 for the second dose. Appointments may be made by calling 866.299.4234. The dose is one-third the amount in the adult formulation and requires two shots at least 21 days apart. Visit the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website](#) for more information on the COVID-19 vaccine for children.

#### Flu shots

Service members may get flu shots on a walk-in basis from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Harper Clinic. Family members, retirees and Defense Department civilians with a flu vaccination requirement in their position description may get flu

shots by appointment at the PX vaccination clinic from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call 866.299.4234 to make an appointment. Pediatric doses and 65 and older high-dose flu shots are offered on a walk-in basis at the General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital Immunization Clinic. Tricare beneficiaries may also get flu shots at any off-post pharmacy in the Tricare network at no cost. Call 877.363.1303, or click [here](#) to find a participating pharmacy.

#### Virtual health benefits fair

The 2021 open benefit enrollment season for Federal Employee Health Benefits coverage runs through Dec. 13, and a virtual benefits fair will be available to assist eligible individuals enroll in or change their healthcare coverage. Register at [www.benefeds.com](#) to participate in a live chat on one of the following dates: Friday, Dec. 1 or Dec. 8. Click [here](#) to find

and compare 2021 FEHB healthcare plans.

#### Military Equal Opportunity help

Fort Leonard Wood has a hotline available 24/7 with information on discrimination and harassment policies. Soldiers may report incidents — anonymously or not — and receive a professional response within 24 hours. Call 573.528.0056 for details.

#### DOD sexual assault helpline

The Department of Defense sexual assault helpline is 877.995.5247. Military members, their families and DOD civilians can also call the Fort Leonard Wood 24-hour Sexual Assault Resource Center at 573.855.1327.

#### Suicide prevention helpline

Need help overcoming suicidal thoughts? Call the Veterans Crisis Hotline at 1.800.273.8255, or text 8-3-8-2-5-5). It is anonymous and available 24/7.



## MWR Events & Specials. Just For You.

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### DISCOVERY SCUBA TANKSGIVING

**NOV 23, 6 AND 7 PM**  
DAVIDSON FITNESS CENTER POOL

Learn the basics of scuba and then afterward, fill out our "Thankful" sheets to add to our Wall of Thanks! \$29.99 per person, age 10 and up. Register by Nov 19.

**573-596-3529**



### BLACK FRIDAY NOV 26

Check our website to find amazing Black Friday Specials at our MWR facilities in places like:

- AUTO SKILLS CENTER
- LAKE OF THE OZARKS RECREATION AREA (LORA)
- SPECKER GYM
- DAVIDSON FITNESS CENTER
- OUTDOOR ADVENTURE CENTER
- DAUGHERTY BOWLING CENTER

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### CARDS TO THE COMMUNITY

JOINT SERVICES PARK

Enter the competition—design your larger-than-life card to be displayed throughout the season. Bragging rights for the top three entries will be announced at the Dec 7th Tree Lighting. Guidelines available on the MWR website. Register by Dec 5 by calling the number below or emailing [flwspcialevents@gmail.com](#)

**573-596-6913**



# Q&A

## SGT. 1ST CLASS JASON ROBINS

NCOIC  
DEPUTY COMMANDER FOR READINESS  
GENERAL LEONARD WOOD  
ARMY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

GLWACH's medical readiness liaison for Fort Leonard Wood



*“I have always felt a strong connection with helping others. The Army offered me the opportunity to help people all over the world.”*

### What do you like most about your Army career?

As a 68W (combat medic specialist), **there is a spot for me on every military installation, with each holding a different mission** set that requires critical thinking, determination and perseverance while still being a contributing member to the team.

### What advice would you give to others who might be looking at joining the Army?

**The Army is more than what is portrayed in movies and the media.** The opportunities that will be made available to you are endless. **The people you work with will forever be a part of your extended family.** The memories you make will be treasured and shared for generations to come.

### What is your most memorable Army experience?

**My most memorable Army experience was before I enlisted.** In February 2007, I went to pick up a friend from the airport. It was busy - there were people rushing to their flights and friends and family waiting for their loved ones to arrive - **then it went absolutely silent.**

Everyone in the airport turned and looked toward a passenger making their way down the aisle and then erupted in applause and appreciation for this Soldier who was home for rest and recuperation. **I knew at that moment I would join the Army and deploy so I could offer more Soldiers the opportunity to take a break from the war.** The next day, I met with the Army recruiter and began the enlistment process.

### What made you decide to have a career with the Army?

I have always felt a strong connection with helping others. **The Army offered me the opportunity to help people all over the world.**

### What are the benefits of working for the Army?

The Army is a family that takes care of each other. **Through it all we have each other's strengths to lean on, cementing our bonds as brothers and sisters in arms.**



# FORT LEONARD WOOD ANNOUNCES LEADERSHIP AWARD

## OCTOBER RECIPIENTS

The Fort Leonard Wood Leadership Award recognizes local students who make a positive impact on their community by demonstrating the Army Values.

October's value was Loyalty.

**Name:** Jaren Doyen

**School:** Newburg High School

Lt. Col. Marlon Ringo, 35th Engineer Battalion commander (left), presented Jaren Fort Leonard Wood's Leadership Award Nov. 3. Jaren has a strong loyalty to his family, and enjoys listening to his "Opa" tell stories about the family's history. That is where it starts for Jaren – with family history – but he is also very loyal to his friends and community. His goal is to become a history teacher in his hometown.



**Name:** Trent Fimpel

**School:** Waynesville High School

Lt. Col. Wendy Tokach, 787th Military Police Battalion commander (second from left), and 787th MP Bn. Command Sgt. Maj. Cari Rajewski (right) presented Trent Fort Leonard Wood's Leadership Award Oct. 28. Trent demonstrates loyalty to his school and community as an excellent student and natural leader. Trent shows hard work and dedication through participation in soccer, football and French Club, and he can always be counted on to participate in discussions to seek a deeper level of understanding.

**Name:** Clayton Gregory

**School:** Richland High School

Maj. Jason Overstreet, 795th Military Police Battalion executive officer (left), and 795th MP Bn. Command Sgt. Maj. Michael Moore (right) presented Clayton Fort Leonard Wood's Leadership Award Nov. 4. Clayton is a volunteer firefighter for the Tri-County Fire Protection District and dresses up as firefighter mascot "Sparky" for younger kids in the community. Clayton also volunteers as a referee for youth soccer and enjoys dressing up as Santa Claus for senior citizens as well.







**Name:** Sophia Knehans  
**School:** Rolla Junior High School

Maj. Matthew Songe, 701st Military Police Battalion executive officer (second from right), and Master Sgt. Jason Gushanas, 701st MP Bn. noncommissioned officer in charge of operations (right), awarded Sophia Fort Leonard Wood's Leadership Award Oct. 29. Sophia stands up for what is right in a kind and thoughtful way, which shows her genuine concern for those around her.

**Name:** Austin McBride  
**School:** Rolla High School

Lt. Col. Richard Dunning, 2nd Battalion, 48th Infantry Regiment commander (left), and 2-48th Command Sgt. Maj. Kiana Bell (right) awarded Austin Fort Leonard Wood's Leadership Award Oct. 29. As a senior, Austin participates in our Wood program and Rolla Technical Institute, takes a number of upper-level classes and works with other students in our A+ Cadet Teaching Program. His commitment to the success of his fellow students is second to none.



**Name:** Kileigh Van Slyke  
**School:** St. James Middle School

Lt. Col. John Moran, 554th Engineer Battalion commander (left), awarded Kileigh Fort Leonard Wood's Leadership Award Nov. 3. Kileigh is very loyal to her friends and family, and is very passionate about loving people for who they are.

