



## MSCoE CG and CSM Send: Celebrating 247 years of the U.S. Army

Over the past 247 years, Soldiers have stood ready to defend our nation's freedoms through any challenge, foreign or domestic. Soldiers today remain prepared to serve in any operation – they are trained, disciplined, fit and part of a cohesive team that is stronger together.



## Fort Leonard Wood brings history, esprit de corps into focus for Army Heritage Month

The Fort Leonard Wood Equal Opportunity Office hosted events on Friday at Nutter Field House and Swift Gym in support of Army Heritage Month.



### Fort Leonard Wood TAP hosts Chicago PD hiring fair

Senior recruiting officials from the Chicago Police Department visited Fort Leonard Wood Saturday and Sunday to conduct a special hiring fair, in conjunction with the Transition Assistance Program here.



## Chaplains help Fort Leonard Wood Soldiers, civilians reflect on spiritual readiness

A person's purpose, values, beliefs, identity and life vision are all part of spirituality, according to the Army, and chaplains here help ensure Fort Leonard Wood Soldiers and civilians are spiritually fit.



## Volkslauf 10k fun run returns to Fort Leonard Wood after two-year hiatus

More than 300 runners took to the streets and trails of Fort Leonard Wood Saturday for the 21st Marine Corps Volkslauf 10k Mud Run.



### Battalion command sergeant major uses life lessons to lead Soldiers in his unit

Life wasn't always about uniforms and new recruits for 1st Battalion, 48th Infantry Regiment Command Sgt. Maj. Matthew Reed. There was a day when most who know him now wouldn't recognize him.

#### FEVS Army window now open

The Federal Employee Viewpoint Survey is back. The survey window for the Army is now open and will close on July 22. This year, all eligible Army civilians - non-political, non-contractor employees on board with the Army as of Nov. 2021 - will receive an email invitation to complete the survey. The FEVS, administered by the Office of Personnel Management, is an annual government-wide survey that measures federal employees' perceptions of critical work-life areas driving employee engagement, satisfaction and retention across the workforce. The survey results help senior leaders gain valuable insights on the strengths of the civilian workforce, gauge areas for improvement and identify current challenges.

#### Kid's Catfish Derby

The Kid's Catfish Derby is scheduled from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday at the pond on Training Area 228, near the intersection of FLW 1 and FLW 38. Children ages 15 years old and younger are welcome to participate with a parent or guardian supervising. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., but there are no fees or permit requirements for the event. Call 573.596.4223 or 7604 for details.

#### **Pre-retirement briefing**

A pre-retirement briefing is set for 8 a.m. Tuesday in Lincoln Hall Auditorium, and

#### **NEWS BRIEFS**

#### **Paw Park moving**



Map courtesy of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation

The Fort Leonard Wood Paw Park is moving to a new location on Kansas Avenue. Features of the new park include nearly twice the space of the old park; more parking; better lighting; and updated benches. The large-dog play area opens Monday, and the small-dog play area is scheduled to open July 8. Call the Outdoor Adventure Center at 573.596.4223 for details. More information – including additional contacts and park "petiquette" – is available on the Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation website.

includes information on the rights, benefits and privileges to which retired military personnel and their dependents are entitled. Representatives from state and federal employment agencies will be present to provide information. Call 573.596.6637 for details.

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**Capt. Ifesonye Okwuchi** and **Cpl. Nicholas Doty**, from the 787th Military Police Battalion, recently performed field sick call for all trainees and cadre, ensuring their unit was able to perform all field training exercise tasks according to the

timeline without requiring the unit to transport ill or injured personnel to General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital or the Consolidated Troop Medical Clinic. **Oscar Powers**, Maneuver Support Center of Excellence Safety Office director, has done an incredible job supporting our units in personal weapons safety planning. He has worked diligently and tirelessly to assist units in ways to



obtain weapons locks, report safety trends, and provide overall support. Powers does incredible work each and every day, leading his team to support high-risk training and run a phenomenal program.

#### Pharmacy closure

In observance of the Juneteenth federal holiday, the main pharmacy and the satellite pharmacy at the Post Exchange will be closed June 20.

#### Estate claim

Anyone with claims against the estate of Cpl. Deshon Holloway, U.S. Army Medical Department Activity, or knowing of assets belonging to Holloway, should contact the Summary Court Martial Officer, Capt. Paul Moody, at 573.596.0535, or by email at paul.j.moody.mil@mail.mil.

#### **Dental Assistant Program**

Applications for the Dental Assistant Program are being accepted now through July 15. The program is a free, six-month combination of classroom and hands-on training designed to provide the skills necessary to become employed at any dental treatment facility. Candidates must have regular access to Fort Leonard Wood. Applications are available by calling Jason Ramlow at 816.536.0108, or by email at jason.ramlow@redcross.org for details.

**NEWS BRIEFS, continued** 

#### Peak PCS season delays

Personnel preparing for a permanent change of station in May, June, July, August – and potentially September – 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. 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. This option is not available for first-time movers, retirees and separating members. Call 800.462.2176 for details.



# LEONARD WOOD JUSTICE

#### **Courts-Martial**

— A first lieutenant was found not guilty of service discrediting conduct for posting videos on social media.

— A staff sergeant was convicted of one specification of violation of lawful general regulation by wrongfully developing a personal relationship with a trainee. Reduction to private (E-1), forfeiture of all pay, and separated from the Army with a bad conduct discharge.

— A sergeant was convicted of one specification of child endangerment. Reduction to specialist and reprimanded.

#### Reprimands

 A captain received a general officer memorandum of reprimand for driving while under the influence of alcohol.
 A married captain received a general officer memorandum of reprimand for having an improper relationship with a first lieutenant. Elimination of the officer from the Army initiated.

#### **Other Misconduct**

— A staff sergeant received nonjudicial punishment (NJP) by a field grade officer for failure to obey an order by engaging in a personal relationship with a trainee and being alone in a room isolated with a trainee. Reduction to sergeant.

— A sergeant received NJP from a field grade officer for failing to obey a lawful order by engaging in an inappropriate personal relationship on Snapchat with a trainee. Reduction to specialist and forfeiture of \$1,452 of pay per month for two months.

— A specialist received NJP from a company grade officer for dereliction of duty and disrespect to Department of the Army civilians. Reduction to private first class, forfeiture of \$250, and extra duty for 14 days.

A private (E-2) received NJP from a field grade officer for wrongful use of cocaine, a Schedule II controlled substance. Reduction to private (E-1), forfeiture of \$1,832 of pay per month for two months, and involuntary separation initiated.
A private (E-2) received NJP from a field grade officer for failing to obey an order by wrongfully bullying another trainee. Reduction to private (E-1), forfeiture of \$1,832 of pay per month for two months, and involuntary separation initiated.

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.



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

"The Bad Guys" Rated PG Showing at 6:30 p.m. Friday

"Elvis" Rated PG-13 Showing at 1 p.m. Saturday\*

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

"Firestarter" Rated R 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.

\*Denotes a free showing.

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Photos by Amanda Sullivan, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office Staff Sgt. Cherise Clark, NCO in charge of current operations for the 554th Engineer Battalion, competes in the squat event of the Strength in Diversity weightlifting challenge held at Swift Gym Friday.



Exhibition attendees learn about available resources from staff with Army Community Service, the Sexual Harassment and Assault Response and Prevention Program, the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, Defense Commissary Agency and the Army Substance Abuse Program.



Informational displays highlight the diverse cultural background of America's history.





Chris Walters attempts to play cornhole outside Nutter Field House while wearing goggles provided by the Army Substance and Abuse Program that simulate alcohol impairment.

### ARMY HERITAGE MONTH CELEBRATING STRENGTH IN DIVERSITY



Trainees from Company C, 3rd Battalion, 10th Infantry Regiment, look over some of the exhibits on display.

WILLIAM GRIFFIN

FINANCIAL READINESS SPECIALIST FINANCIAL READINESS PROGRAM ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE FORT LEONARD WOOD

Responsible for helping service members improve their financial situations by creating debt elimination plans and budgets, and assisting with credit repair.



I enjoy helping the service members because I used to be bad about spending money myself, so I know how much of a burden it can be. Whenever I see that burden lift off their shoulders... it makes it all worth it.

### What is your favorite part about being a DA Civilian?

I enjoy helping the service members because I used to be bad about spending money myself, so **I know how much of a burden it can be**. Whenever I see that burden lift off their shoulders because they can see the light at the end of the tunnel, it makes it all worth it.

### Why did you choose to become a DA Civilian?

The Thrift Savings Plan was the No. 1 reason. I made similar money as a contractor but wanted to be able to retire early, and TSP is the highest-performance retirement out there. Overall, it's super beneficial. The promotion potential is another reason; this isn't a stale career – you can see yourself progress over time.

#### What advice would you give to others looking at becoming a DA Civilian?

Don't be afraid to work. **Don't be afraid to get your feet wet because you are worried about failing** – sometimes that's the best way to learn. I think unwillingness to try new things is what holds people back. Sometimes you must step out of your comfort zone to succeed, and that's okay.

### What brought you to Fort Leonard Wood?

While I was in the Army, I came here to care for my father, who was termi-

nally ill. After 10 years in the Army, I transitioned out and stayed because the **cost of living** is relatively low, and the jobs pay well in comparison to other locations.

#### Who has inspired you throughout your career as a DA Civilian?

In general, **the service members have been, and are, my primary inspiration.** I'm always trying to do the best I can for them.

