



# MSCoE CG and CSM Send: Juneteenth is a time to reflect on hard-fought steps taken for equality

On June 19, Juneteenth National Independence Day, we commemorate the ending of slavery in the United States and the formal extension of liberties enumerated in the Declaration of Independence to Black-Americans whose freedom and dignity were for so long denied.



## Fort Leonard Wood celebrates 247th Army Birthday

Fort Leonard Wood service members and civilians participated in events near and far this week, in celebration of the Army's 247th birthday.



### Army awards Fort Leonard Wood's safety excellence

Fort Leonard Wood's Maneuver Support Center of Excellence demonstrated their commitment to safety excellence during fiscal year 2021, earning three Army-level safety awards for their efforts.



### EIB, ESB testing comes to Fort Leonard Wood

More than 200 Soldiers from Fort Leonard Wood and installations as far away as Hawaii and Florida tested for their Expert Infantryman and Expert Soldier skill badges from June 6 to Friday here.

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



## Chemical Corps wraps up Regimental Week events

The U.S. Army Chemical Corps held its annual Regimental Week here from June 4 through Saturday.



## Garrison hosts employee town hall

U.S. Army Garrison Fort Leonard Wood Commander Col. Jeff Paine hosted a town hall for garrison employees today at the Main Post Chapel.



## Fort Leonard Wood's annual AER campaign draws to a close June 30

There's still time to donate to the 2022 Army Emergency Relief fundraising campaign, which runs through the end of the month.



# Fort Leonard Wood DES: Knowing how to live alongside wildlife matters

Whether it be cute and fuzzy, slimy and slithery, or big and hairy, Fort Leonard Wood is teeming with wildlife. As summer approaches, human encounters with animals are increasingly likely.



#### ID card facility closure

In observance of the Juneteenth federal holiday, the ID card facility will close at 2 p.m. on Friday.

#### **Pharmacy closure**

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

#### Housing walking town hall

Senior garrison leaders here, along with representatives from Balfour Beatty Communities – Fort Leonard Wood's housing partner – will host a walking town hall through the South Lieber Heights neighborhood, starting at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday.

#### FEVS Army window now open

The Federal Employee Viewpoint Survey window 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.

#### 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 through July 15. The program is a free, six-month combination of classroom and hands-on training

#### Happy Birthday, Army Engineers!



Photo by Amanda Sullivan, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

From left: Col. Kyle Moulton, U.S. Army Engineer School assistant commandant, Staff Sgt. Kevin Brocker – the oldest Fort Leonard Wood Soldier in the regiment – Pvt. Julia Bakels – the youngest Fort Leonard Wood Soldier in the regiment – and USAES Regimental Command Sgt. Maj. John Brennan perform a traditional Army cake-cutting ceremony today at Colyer Park in celebration of the Army Engineer Regiment's 247th birthday. According to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers website, George Washington appointed the first Engineer officers of the Army June 16, 1775, during the American Revolution, and Army Engineers have served in combat in all subsequent American wars.

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.

#### 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. 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.

#### At the movies

This weekend's movie showing at Abrams Theater is "Lightyear," rated PG, showing at 6:30 p.m. Friday, 1 p.m. Saturday, and 1 p.m. Sunday. This is a first-run film. Prices for regular showings 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.



### Community comes together to dedicate remodeled Parker Educational Center

The Parker Educational Center – located next to Waynesville Middle School – was dedicated during a ceremony June 1. The center will house a preschool, and also features community rooms and an area for school board meetings that may be reserved when not in use by the district.



## Fort Leonard Wood catfish derby 'a great success'

It was shoulder-to-shoulder fishing on Saturday, when Fort Leonard Wood held its annual Kid's Catfishing Derby at the Training Area 228 pond.

#### ARMY NEWS



## Army offers \$25K for 30-day 'quick ship'

For the first time ever and regardless of career field, the Army now offers all new recruits the opportunity to receive a "quick ship" bonus of \$25,000.

# Technologies we use every day can pose an Operations Security, or OPSEC risk.



Location data advertises where you are, where you've been and potentially when you'll return.

To mitigate risk:

turn off precise location settings when not needed for navigation, workouts or other activities, or when taking pictures, especially when on vacation;
refrain from posting information online about your vacation or extended trips away from your residence until you have returned home;

- always examine where a company is based when deciding to purchase a smart device or download an application. Understand the risk factors, and that your data could be stored by whatever country owns that technology.



Staff Sgt. Nicholas Figueroa, a drill sergeant with Company A, 554th Engineer Battalion, looks through a compass to find his first point during land navigation testing June 6 at Training Area 231 during Expert Infantryman Badge and Expert Soldier Badge training and testing here.



Fort Leonard Wood hosts Army-wide EIB and ESB training and testing May 31 - June 10



Staff Sgt. Cory Abbs, a drill sergeant with Company A, 701st Military Police Battalion, tests on treating an open head wound in a chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear hazard environment June 3 on Medical Lane 8 at Training Area 247 during Expert Infantryman Badge and Expert Soldier Badge training and testing here.



Photos by Angi Betran, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

Staff Sgt. Joseph Gutierrez, a drill sergeant with Company A, 3rd Battalion, 10th Infantry Regiment (right), tests Capt. Conor Quigley, an operations officer with the 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, Fort Riley, Kansas, on providing care under fire June 3 on Medical Lane 2 at TA 247 during EIB and ESB training and testing here.







## **RENEE COX**

#### CLOTHING ISSUE SUPERVISOR 43RD ADJUTANT GENERAL BATTALION FORT LEONARD WOOD

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Responsible for overseeing the issuing of the Initial Entry Training Soldiers clothing bag and managing the clothing warehouse at the 43rd Adjutant General Battalion.



## What brought you to Fort Leonard Wood?

I was born in the Waynesville hospital and have lived here all my life. I did food service, and then I sold jeans, and that's how I ended up working here as a sewing machine operator 19 years ago.

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

My biggest inspiration was my previous supervisor, the one I was hired under. **She worked here for 40 years, and her name was Dawn Perkins.** She always encouraged me, let me move around and gave me the opportunity to learn new things. That's probably why I'm here today.

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

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#### What has been your most memorable experience as a DA Civilian?

My most memorable experience – good and bad – was through **COVID**. We had to change our processes overnight and getting all these Soldiers dressed while **adapting to**  such quick changes was challenging. For me, it was one of the best and worst times of being a DA Civilian – you had to be flexible here at the 43rd.

#### What advice would you give to others who are thinking of becoming a DA Civilian?

Don't get discouraged if you must start at the bottom. **There are al**ways opportunities out there, but

sometimes you have to push for them – I had to, but it's a good job.

