



DOD announces winners of 2023 Commander in Chief's Annual Award for Installation Excellence

The Department of Defense announced Fort Leonard Wood as the U.S. Army's best garrison and will award them with the Commander in Chief's Annual Award for Installation Excellence during a virtual ceremony on July 14.



MSCoE CG and CSM Send: Think safety over this Independence Day weekend

On Tuesday, we will celebrate our nation's 247th birthday and commemorate the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Leaders, before the long weekend, talk to your teammates about their plans, prioritizing safety and managing risks.



Fourth of July celebrations at Fort Leonard Wood set to be one of the largest in central Missouri

Fort Leonard Wood is preparing to celebrate Independence Day with four days of patriotic fun – ending with the largest fireworks presentation in central Missouri.



Fort Leonard Wood's 2023 AER donation campaign is Army's best

The 2023 Army Emergency Relief donation campaign here finished in the top spot across the Army for medium-sized installations, as well as for the greatest number of Soldiers donating, highest percentage of Soldiers donating, highest dollar amount raised and highest-average Soldier donation.

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



Chemical Corps celebrates 105 years of service during regimental week festivities

Fort Leonard Wood's U.S. Army Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear School is hosting the Army Chemical Corps' annual regimental week celebration here through Friday.



New DOD policy reimburses PCS pet expenses

The Department of Defense has approved a new policy to cover pet travel expenses, like pet shipping or quarantine fees, incurred by service members during a permanent change of station.



Enhanced military working dog course unleashes maximum potential

The Patrol Explosive Detection Dog - Enhanced Course, or PEDD-E as it is commonly called, is designed to expand the capabilities of the military police patrol and explosive detection dogs by giving them the ability to operate without being physically tethered to their handler.



DAVID KANE

PROJECT MANAGER

DIRECTORATE OF PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT DESIGN BRANCH

Kane will retire in July, after more than 50 years of federal service, first with the Navy, then with the Army, including work with the Army Corps of Engineers.



Where are you from originally? I'm from Salinas, California.

Why did you choose to become an Army civilian?

The Army was the next step. I served in the Navy before working for the Navy as a civilian, then I worked for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and then made the final step to the Army. I made a commitment to myself to continue with federal service until I was ready to retire, and now the planets have aligned.

What has been your favorite part about your career as an Army civilian?

I look forward to coming to work and seeing what the day brings, including developing projects, working with

my core group as a sounding board for issues and looking for the next opportunity to find what the contractor is trying to accomplish.

What are the benefits of becoming an Army civilian?

Working for the Army as a civilian can be a jumping off point. There are opportunities to develop yourself, and there is job security and the opportunity to find the right fit. I was fortunate and have enjoyed my time with the Directorate of Public Works.



FEVS extension

The Office of Personnel Management has disabled all links to the Federal Employee Viewpoint Survey for individuals with open surveys between May 28 and June 7, due to a cyber security incident involving a vendor that provided technical support for the survey (OPM's systems were not impacted). New links are being emailed, and OPM has asked individuals to complete the survey through the new link by July 14. Email EVS@opm.gov for more information.

Museum closure

The John B. Mahaffey Museum Complex will be closed Monday and Tuesday.

AMIC hours change

Starting July 17, the Acute Minor Illness Clinic in General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays, and 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturdays. Call 573.596.9602 for details.

Career summit

The Fort Leonard Wood Transition Assistance Program is hosting a career summit and hiring fair from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 27 at Nutter Field House. More than 40 employers are expected to attend, as well as experts on job interviews and salary negotiations. Call 573.596.0175 for details.

Combined college graduation

Fort Leonard Wood's Truman Education and Personnel Testing Center is hosting a combined college commencement ceremony at 10 a.m. Aug. 4 at Nutter Field House. Call 573.596.0172 for details.

Legal services delays

The Fort Leonard Wood Office of the Staff Judge Advocate is limiting some legal services over the next several months due to workforce shortages. Appointment wait times may be longer, and client services hours are now 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday and closed on Maneuver Support Center of Excellence training holidays. Additionally, certain clients may need to be referred to other installations' legal services and delays should be expected in resolving federal misdemeanors. Call 573.596.0629 for details.

Water bead guns on post

Water bead guns shoot gel water beads propelled by a spring-loaded air pump, which makes them an air rifle. If a child is shooting others on post with a water bead gun, that is assault. With an adult present, the adult can be charged; without an adult, the juvenile can be charged. Per FLW Regulation 190-11: No firearm, bow, crossbow, slingshot or other projectile weapon shall be discharged in the cantonment area except as part of an approved activity within authorized areas.

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.

CDC facility survey

Parent Outreach Services is requesting feedback from the Fort Leonard Wood community regarding which services are needed most in Bldg. 614, set to open later this year. To receive a copy of the survey, send an email here. Call 573.596.0238 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. For registration or log-in issues, please call 800.462.2176. Self-counseling through DPS is not available for first-time movers, retirees and separating members.

TRADOC CELEBRATES 50 YEARS

U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command was created to modernize and enhance institutional military training across the force. 50 years later, TRADOC is still conducting its original mission. Learn more about TRADOC's effects on Army training here, and some of the major events from each of Fort Leonard Wood's three schools – the U.S. Army Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear School, the U.S. Army Engineer School and the U.S. Army Military Police School – over the years, on the Fort Leonard Wood Flickr page.





Abrams Theater is now open for movies on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. This weekend includes a first-run showing of:

"Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny" Rated PG-13 Showing at 6:30 p.m. Friday, 1 p.m. Saturday, 1 p.m. Sunday and 1 p.m. Monday

Prices for regular showings are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children (ages 6 to 11). Firstrun 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.

Garrison leaders walk Eagle Point neighborhood



Photo by Melissa Buckley, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

Col. Anthony Pollio, U.S. Army Garrison Fort Leonard Wood commander (left), takes notes while on-post family housing resident Jill Jones (second from left) speaks with her community mayor, Sarah Saalman, during a walking town hall June 22 through the Eagle Point neighborhood. Pollio, along with representatives from the garrison housing office and Balfour Beatty Communities – Fort Leonard Wood's housing partner – conduct walking town halls through the installation's neighborhoods to provide an opportunity for residents to get the most up-to-date housing information, voice any concerns or ideas and have issues addressed. The next walking town hall is scheduled for July 27 in the Piney Estates neighborhood.

DIGITAL GARRISON



keeping military communities connected!

The Army's Digital Garrison mobile app is a one-stop information source for military communities. It's free and available at the Google Play and Apple stores.









Photos by Angi Betran, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

Above: To kick off the 2023 Chemical Corps Regimental Week, more than 40 CBRN Soldiers participate in a static-line parachute operation Monday over Forney Airfield, in memory of Sgt. 1st Class Jeremiah Johnson, a CBRN specialist, who was killed while performing a mission in Africa, in 2017.

Left: More than 20 military spouses experience a little of the CBRN training performed at the Lt. Joseph Terry CBRN First Responder Training Facility during a spouses event Tuesday. The spouses also visited the John B. Mahaffey Museum Complex and the Chemical Defense Training Facility during the event.

CELEBRATING 105 YEARS OF THE ARMY CHEMICAL CORPS



The U.S. Army Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear School is hosting the Chemical Corps' regimental week festivities through Friday. More photos from throughout the week are available to view and download on the Fort Leonard Wood Flickr page.



Photo by Brian Hill, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

Above: Warrant Officer Mahmood Mokhayesh, a Reserve Soldier with the 355th Chemical Company, out of Sloan, Nevada (center), and Sgt. 1st Class Carl Council, with the USACBRNS's Directorate of Training and Leader Development, speak with Bill Arganda, one of more than 30 industry technology partners at the Chemical Corps Regimental Association's 2023 CBRN Exhibition, which took place Tuesday and Wednesday at Nutter Field House.

Right: Soldiers compete in the Regimental Dragon Challenge this morning at the NCO Academy track and field. The team-based competition included team events such as sled pulls, pushups and litter carries.

