



Fort Leonard Wood impresses SecArmy civilian aides during conference visit

About 100 civilian aides to the Secretary of the Army are here this week to attend their national conference. CASAs, as they're commonly called, are business and community leaders appointed by the Secretary of the Army to advise and support Army leaders across the country.



Brito talks recruiting at CASA conference

With recruiting a hot topic on the agenda of this year's conference for the civilian aides to the Secretary of the Army – being held this week at Fort Leonard Wood for the first time – Gen. Gary Brito, commanding general of U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command, visited the mid-Missouri installation on Wednesday to discuss the topic with the 100 or so CASAs, as they're called.



MSCoE CG and CSM Send: Celebrating Military Spouse Appreciation Day

On Friday, we will celebrate Military Spouse Appreciation Day. Military spouses serve alongside their service member — enduring long training days, deployments, frequent moves and the uncertainties of military life.



Military, Missouri dignitaries, community honor future service members

High school students from across South-Central Missouri were celebrated Wednesday night for volunteering to serve as future military members at the Community Salute to Service event in Waynesville High School's gymnasium.

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



New DOD policy limiting storage, movement of certain lithium batteries takes effect on Monday

Service members getting ready for a move will need to look a little more closely at their battery operated household goods starting on Monday, when a new Department of Defense policy takes effect. The policy places limitations on certain lithium batteries, when included as part of a service member's personal property shipment.



Reserve Soldiers travel more than 2,000 miles to train with subject matter experts here

Reserve Soldiers with the 276th Support Maintenance Company, out of Juana Diaz, Puerto Rico, are gaining on-the-job experience at their military occupational specialties with Fort Leonard Wood's Fleet Management Expansion Directorate, as part of a U.S. Army Materiel Command initiative called Operation Patriot Press.



Temporary program benefits borrowers with defaulted federal student loans

A new, temporary program by the Department of Education called Fresh Start can greatly impact your life if you have defaulted on federal student loans.

Military Spouse Appreciation Day

Army Community Service is hosting an event from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday at Bldg. 486, in honor of Military Spouse Appreciation Day. Activities include classes on resume writing, self-defense, healthy eating and more. Call 573.596.0212 for details.

Awards deadline extension

Civilian awards program nominations are being accepted through Monday. Email sarah.b.martin13.civ@army.mil or click here for more information on how to submit nominees.

Education discussion

The Female Mentorship and Morale Program is hosting a discussion on education opportunities from 7 to 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday at the Starbucks in the Mini Mall. All genders, ranks, branches and civilian employees are invited. Email Capt. Michelle Kokoski at michelle.m.kokoski. mil@army.mil for details.

Ready and Resilient Fair

The next Ready and Resilient, or R2, Fair

is scheduled to run from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. May 23 at the Main Post Chapel. The R2 Fair provides opportunities to participate in activities and speak with subject matter experts about resources and assistance programs that can help with life stressors. Some mandatory training opportunities will be offered. Call 573.596.6754 for details.

NEWS BRIEFS

Army Pay Office closure

The Army Military Pay Office will close at noon on May 26. Call 573.596.0003 for details.

REAL ID gate access policy

Beginning June 1, Fort Leonard Wood physical security specialists will no longer solely accept state-issued identification that does not meet the REAL ID Act of 2005 standards. Anyone with a non-compliant ID will also need to provide a secondary form of identification, such as a U.S. passport or a certified birth certificate. More information – including the full list of acceptable secondary ID – is available here, or by calling 573.596.0590.

Volkslauf 10K fun run

The Fort Leonard Wood Marine Corps Detachment is hosting their Volkslauf 10K fun run on June 3. Click here to register or for more information.

USO Support Motorcycle Ride

The 17th USO Military Support Motorcycle Ride is scheduled for June 17, beginning at American Legion Post 43, in Lebanon, Missouri. Riders will depart at noon and travel along Historic Route 66 to the American Legion Post 331 for a ceremony honoring the Fort Leonard Wood USO. Participation fee is \$15 per motorcycle. Call 573.528.1528 or 573.586.7221 for details.

Vacation Bible School

Fort Leonard Wood's Vacation Bible School runs from 9 a.m. to noon July 17 to 21 at the Main Post Chapel for children 4 years old through those entering sixth grade. A kick-off event is set for 4:30 to 6 p.m. July 16 at the MPC. Volunteers between the ages of 12 and 18 are also needed. Click here, or call 573.596.0089 for details.



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

"The Super Mario Bros. Movie" Rated PG Showing at 6:30 p.m. Friday

"Big George Foreman: The Miraculous Story of the Once and Future Heavyweight Champion of the World" Rated PG-13 Showing at 1 p.m. Saturday*

"65" Rated PG-13 Showing at 11 a.m. Sunday

"Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 3" Rated PG-13 Showing at 2 p.m. Sunday*

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

* denotes a first-run showing.

Prime Power School changes command



Photo by Brian Hill, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

Incoming U.S. Army Prime Power School Commander, Chief Warrant Officer 4 Russell Fratello (center), accepts the school guidon from USAPPS Commandant Lt. Col. Elizabeth Walgren, as outgoing USAPPS Commander, Chief Warrant Officer 5 Willie Gadsden Jr. (second from right) looks on, during a change-of-command ceremony today in the Engineer Regimental Room at the John B. Mahaffey Museum Complex. Fratello comes to Fort Leonard Wood from Fort Drum, New York, where he served as the Division Instruction Technician for the 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry). Gadsden will next assume duties as the U.S. Army Engineer School Regimental Chief Warrant Officer. The USAPPS trains service members – primarily Army and Navy – to become Prime Power Production Specialists.

Slow down when passing service members



Per FLW Regulation 190-5, vehicle operators should drive no more than 10 mph when passing troops marching or standing in formation.

