



### MSCoE CG and CSM Send: Enjoy Thanksgiving safely

On the fourth Thursday in November, Americans may remember those who came to this land searching for freedom; the community relationships they built with those living here when they arrived; the service and sacrifice of all who have fought to establish and maintain the United States as a free country; and the gratitude for the things and the people enriching our lives every day.



# Fort Leonard Wood dining facilities getting ready for Thanksgiving

Fort Leonard Wood plans to hold its traditional Thanksgiving Day celebration on Nov. 24 in 11 dining facilities on post, with meals for service members, as well as a specific time and location for Department of Defense ID cardholders, Gold Star families, retirees and their families.



# Fort Leonard Wood TPO-Geo highlights technologies, geospatial career opportunities at GIS Day event

Hundreds of students, surveyors and geospatial engineers joined the U.S Army Training and Doctrine Command Proponent-Geospatial team and more than 25 academic and industry experts to highlight the worldwide impact of geographical information systems during a GIS Day celebration Wednesday at Danner Hall.



# Officials expect East Gate bridge to open in late January

Officials with Fort Leonard Wood's Directorate of Public Works said today the improvements being made to the bridge that connects J Highway to the installation just outside the East Gate is scheduled for a late January completion. The East Gate remains closed while the work continues.

The next eGuidon will be emailed on Dec. 1. Happy Thanksgiving!



# Fort Leonard Wood celebrates America Recycles Day 2022

The Fort Leonard Wood Directorate of Public Works' Environmental Division helped the installation celebrate America Recycles Day 2022 with an e-waste event held Tuesday at the Recycling Center.



# Free lifetime pass to federal recreation areas now available for veterans, Gold Star families

Military veterans and Gold Star families are now able to obtain a free lifetime pass to thousands of federal recreation sites spread out across more than 400 million acres of public lands, including national parks, wildlife refuges and forests.

### **NEWS BRIEFS**

#### FEHB open season

The Federal Employees Health Benefits open season runs through Dec. 12. During this time, FEHB enrolees can change their health care, vision and dental insurance coverage. More information is available on the BENEFEDS website, and a virtual benefits fair is available from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1 and 8.

### Thanksgiving week museum hours

The John B. Mahaffey Museum Complex is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Wednesday; closed on Thanksgiving; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 25; and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 26.

### ROTC cadre positions open

The Army ROTC program at Missouri University of Science and Technology in Rolla, Missouri, has two positions open. A captain or major, who has completed Captains Career Course, is needed as an assistant professor of military science. Responsibilities include coordinating and supervising the overall training program and serving as the adjunct instructor for all 200-level military science course sections (which includes developing curriculum, lesson plans and evaluations). A sergeant first class or master sergeant is needed as a military science instructor. Responsibilities include coordinating and supervising cadet physical development, leadership labs, training management and resourcing requirements, and serving as an adjunct instructor for 100- and 200-level military science course sections (which includes developing curriculum, lesson plans and evaluations). Duty

location is on campus. Applicants must be Army Reserve or Individual Ready Reserve, have current height and weight compliance, medical and personnel readiness, generally positive evaluations, and professor of military science approval. Call 573.341.6802 for details or to apply.

### **Dental Assistant Program**

Applications for the Dental Assistant Program will be accepted through Jan. 9, 2023. The program is a free, six-month combination of classroom and hands-on training designed to provide 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.



# **DIGITAL GARRISON**

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The Digital Garrison app is free and available at the Google Play and Apple stores.

### **Trees For Troops returns to Fort Leonard Wood**

Hundreds of live Christmas trees will be free for the Fort Leonard Wood community again this year as the Trees for Troops program returns to the Automotive Skills Center Dec. 2 and 3.

# Fort Leonard Wood Thrift Shop gives back to community, offers 'affordable' items

With the holidays right around the corner, many people are looking for those special gifts for friends and family. One place shoppers here can turn to is the on-post Thrift Shop, which has the added benefit of giving back to the community.





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

"Black Adam" Rated PG-13 Showing at 6:30 p.m. Friday

"Black Panther: Wakanda Forever" Rated PG-13 Showing at 1 p.m. Saturday

"Halloween Ends" Rated R Showing at 11 a.m. Sunday

"Black Adam" Rated PG-13 Showing at 2 p.m. Sunday

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.







Photos by Angi Betran, Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office

Above: Fort Leonard Wood's joint-service color guard presents the colors as attendees render honors during the playing of the national anthem at the Waynesville-St. Robert Veterans Day Ceremony at Waynesville Middle School prior to the start of the parade.

Left: Airmen from the 368th Training Squadron march along U.S. Route 66 during the parade, which ended on the square in downtown Waynesville.

## **Fort Leonard Wood community celebrates Veterans Day**

Fort Leonard Wood service members participate in Friday's Waynesville-St. Robert parade.



Above: More than 100 Fort Leonard Wood service members march along U.S. Route 66 through Waynesville during the parade. This event has been held almost every year since 1997, and alternates locations between the cities of Waynesville and St. Robert. Right: Maj. Gen. James Bonner, Maneuver Support Center of Excellence and Fort Leonard Wood commanding general, waves to the crowds while tossing candy to the parade spectators.





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## **BRANDON MUNCY**

#### INFORMATION RECEPTIONIST GENERAL LEONARD WOOD ARMY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

Responsible for directing patients, staff and visitors throughout the hospital, directing phone calls and providing information about the installation and the hospital to callers and visitors.



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

I was an air transportation specialist in the Air Force. I spent my final three years on special duty doing executive airlift in the 89th Aerial Port Squadron in Washington, D.C. It was high stress, but very prestigious and exciting. I chose a career as a DOD Civilian to work with service members again. I feel at home here.

### What are the benefits of working as a DOD Civilian?

The benefit I like the most is being able to network with many

people. The value of networking cannot be overstated. Networking is one of the most important parts of career growth, since you can learn from and enrich other people. Build bridges; don't burn them.

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

I haven't had anything of note yet on duty. However, the moment I knew I would have secure, stable employment was the most meaningful experience for me. I've been working dead ends for years and I have a feeling that I've finally made it. Sometimes I can't believe it's real.

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

I'm happy to know my position was created specifically to help ease the burden on our GLWACH Soldiers, leaving them free to do their duties. I like being able to help people in a meaningful way. I feel happiest when people can find what they need with ease and provide affirmative feedback.

