



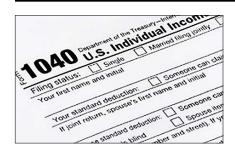
#### **MSCoE Sends: Happy Birthday, National Guard!**

On Sunday, Dec. 13, we celebrate the 384th birthday of the oldest military force in the Department of Defense — the National Guard.



# Combat engineer trainee finds life lessons and assistance as a homeless Army recruit

Adjusting to life as a trainee at Fort Leonard Wood can be tough. The long ruck marches alone are enough to test the physical limits of some. For Pfc. Jackson Emory, long walks and sleeping in the woods are nothing new — he spent six months of this year homeless.



### Fort Leonard Wood Tax Center set to open Jan. 11

The Fort Leonard Wood Tax Center is scheduled to open Jan. 11 through April 16 to provide free tax return preparation services for active-duty service members, retirees and their dependent family members.



#### **Blood donors especially important during HBL**

Fort Leonard Wood Blood Donor Center officials said the Holiday Block Leave period is an especially important time to consider giving blood because most of the center's donor pool is away for the holidays.



### Temporary promotions for NCOs to begin next year

The Army plans to adjust how it promotes its noncommissioned officers that could impact Soldiers who are serving in combat, starting a family, or attending the non-resident Sergeants Major Course, said the Army's top enlisted Soldier.



# Clean teams offer advice to assist with mitigating COVID-19 risk

For eight months, Fort Leonard Wood's on-call clean teams have been assisting the installation's population in COVID-19 risk mitigation measures.



# Time to decompress: Six ways you can minimize holiday stress

The holiday season is upon us, and the joy of gift-giving and seasonal activities are on the minds of many people. While this season is meant to bring feelings of love and cheer, it is also a time when many endure holiday stress and over-whelming demands.



## **MSCoE Sends: Remembering Pearl Harbor**

Imperial Japan attacked our naval base at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941 – 79 years ago – launching the United States into World War II. President Franklin D. Roosevelt called it "a day that will live in infamy," as more than 2,400 Americans were killed in what was the deadliest attack on American soil until 9/11.



### Heroes of the Battlefield

Staff Sgt. Christian Davies is executing three duties flawlessly and Dr. Nancy Alavanja worked directly with units, around critical training events and on site to administer flu shots to trainees and cadre.



### Drive-through parks light the night

Holiday light parks aren't a new phenomenon in mid-Missouri, but in the era of COVID-19 lockdowns, quarantines and mask mandates, there's been a renewed interest in them.

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