

Thursday, June 3, 2021

Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri











Remembering fallen heroes on Memorial Day

To honor those who paid the ultimate price for freedom, Fort Leonard Wood service members participated in Memorial Day events around Missouri this past weekend.



MSCoE names top civilians, instructors of the year

Maneuver Support Center of Excellence leaders recognized the center's calendar year 2020 instructors of the year and 2021 civilians of the year during a ceremony Wednesday at Lincoln Hall Auditorium.



Annual AER fundraising campaign ends June 15

The 2021 Army Emergency Relief fundraising campaign ends June 15, and Fort Leonard Wood is currently ranked No. 1 in U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command for the percentage of trainee donations.



Bailey assumes command of 'Fightin' Fifth'

During a change-of-command ceremony Wednesday on Gammon Field, Lt. Col. Stewart Bailey assumed command of the 5th Engineer Battalion, as he accepted the battalion colors from Col. Joseph Goetz, 36th Engineer Brigade commander (left) — outgoing battalion commander, Lt. Col. Brandon Bowman, and 5th Engineer Battalion Command Sgt. Maj. Dwayne Beckles (right) look on.



Conservation officials urge Missourians to be 'Bear Aware'

Missouri's growing population of about 800 black bears are on the move in search of food, territory and mates, increasing the chance of encounters with humans.

NEWS BRIEFS

A pre-retirement briefing for active-duty service members, is scheduled for 8 a.m. to noon Tuesday at Lincoln Hall Auditorium. For all Soldiers with approved retirements, attendance is mandatory at least 12 months before their retirement date, and at the start of the medical retirement process for medical retirements. Spouses are encouraged to attend. Call 573.596.0947 for details.

A female mentorship event

for Soldiers and Department of Defense civilians is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at the 31st Engineer Battalion classroom. The host of the event is Col. Niave Knell, U.S. Army Military Police School commandant.

A Red Cross blood drive is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. June 11 at the General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital. To make an

appointment, call 1.800.733.2767, or visit the Red Cross website.

Blood Donor Center operations

will remain in Bldg. 822 for the forseeable future. Hours of operation remain the same: unit-level blood drives are Sundays through Tuesdays, and appointment and walk-ins may donate from 8 a.m. to noon Wednesdays. Call 573.596.5385 for details.

June is Army Heritage Month,

and the Equal Opportunity office is seeking volunteers to share their culture and traditions via dance, food, poetry, and more at an event from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 29 at Nutter Field House. Call 573.596.0601 for details.

The face-mask policy has been updated. Fully vaccinated Department of Defense personnel — 14 days after final dose — are no longer required

to wear a face mask while indoors or outdoors here. DOD personnel will continue to comply with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidance regarding wear of masks in airports and taxis. Additionally, masks will be worn by DOD personnel in medical and dental treatment facilities. Anyone not yet fully vaccinated must continue to wear a mask inside installation facilities and outdoors when social distancing cannot be maintained.

The sexual assault helpline is 877.995.5247 (Department of Defense-wide). Fort Leonard Wood's sexual assault resource center can be reached at 573.855.1327. Both are available 24/7 for assistance.

The veteran's crisis hotline is anonymous and available 24/7 at 1.800.273.8255 (text 8-3-8-2-5-5) for anyone experiencing suicidal thoughts.

Have an upcoming event or an interesting idea for a story? Submit it here.



HEROES OF THE BATTLEFIELD

Fort Leonard Wood's Army Emergency Relief contact team is made up of two Soldiers — 1st Lt. Rom Pollack and Sgt. 1st Class Steven Hooper — and one Department of Defense civilian — Chuck Matthews. Together, they have contacted more than 6,000 Soldiers, civilians and retirees, with well over half

of those donating to AER. They are inspiring communicators, explaining the need for Soldiers to help Soldiers and yielding results, and are deserving of recognition. For their successes in hiring seasonal civilian employees for recreational and morale-building services, **Maj. Donovan Herron** and **Ace Harden** deserve recognition. While multiple Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation team members were involved, Herron led the overall efforts for



hiring activities by identifying requirements and making connections with community members. Harden adjusted his schedule to accommodate after hours fingerprinting requirements.

LEONARD WOOD JUSTICE

Courts-Martial

— A staff sergeant plead guilty at a Summary Court-Martial to four counts of wearing unauthorized badges in violation of UCMJ, Article 106a. The NCO was reduced in rank to sergeant.

Reprimands

- A captain received a General Officer Memorandum of Reprimand for forging his leave form. Following his reprimand, the General Officer Show Cause Authority initiated elimination proceedings..
- A sergeant first class received a General Officer Memorandum of Reprimand for carrying a concealed firearm and possessing unregistered firearms at his on-post residence.
- A staff sergeant received a General Officer Memorandum of Reprimand for refusing to provide a breath sample after arrest for Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants.
- A staff sergeant received a General Officer Memorandum of Reprimand for attempting to interfere with a criminal investigation.
- A staff sergeant received a General Officer Memorandum of Reprimand for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol.

Other Misconduct

— A sergeant received nonjudicial punishment pursuant to UCMJ, Article 15 from the commander for disrespect

towards officers on Tik Tok. The Soldier was reduced in rank to specialist; forfeited half a month's pay for two months; and received 30 days of extra duty.

- A specialist received nonjudicial punishment pursuant to UCMJ, Article 15 from the commander for disrespect towards a noncommissioned officer and violating lawful written orders. The Soldier was reduced in rank to private first class; received extra duty for seven days; and was restricted to the limits of the company area, dining/medical facilities, and place of worship for seven days.
- A specialist was separated from the Army with an Other Than Honorable Discharge for sexually harassing female trainees while in basic training.
- A private was separated from the Army after the commander imposed nonjudicial punishment pursuant to UCMJ, Article 15 for wrongful use of drugs.
- A private was separated from the Army with an Other Than Honorable Discharge for engaging in a sexual relationship with cadre.

NOTE: Soldiers administratively separated receive one of three characterizations of service: Honorable, General, or Other Than Honorable. Anything less than Honorable may result in the loss of certain benefits and negatively impact employment and education opportunities.

Total Fort Leonard Wood Actions:

Article 15s: 50 Administrative Separations: 87 Reprimands: 9