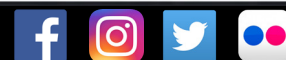


# Guidon

Thursday, July 1, 2021

Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri



## MSCoE Sends: Happy Fourth of July!

245 years ago, our nation's founders dreamed of equal treatment for all. In signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, they began to make that dream a reality. We thank America's sons and daughters, who have answered the call to serve and who protect and defend our nation's ideals. We also thank their families for sharing their loved ones with us.



## AER program here is No. 1 in the Army

In an announcement June 28, Fort Leonard Wood's Army Emergency Relief 2021 fundraising campaign was named No. 1 in the Army. In total, the three-month campaign raised \$213,405, with 53.9 percent of service members here donating.



## Officials update Independence Day celebration

As confirmed cases of the novel coronavirus, also known as COVID-19, continue to rise in Missouri, and as a matter of prudent precaution, Fort Leonard Wood's Independence Day Celebration will only feature a fireworks show beginning at 9:30 p.m. July 4.



## GUIDON print edition comes to an end

After 55 years and nearly 2,800 issues, the July 1 GUIDON is the final printed edition of Fort Leonard Wood's newspaper.

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



## Army IG visits Fort Leonard Wood

Lt. Gen. Leslie Smith, Army Inspector General, conducted a series of listening sessions and met with key garrison and Maneuver Support Center of Excellence leaders during his two-day visit last week. He also hosted a leader professional development event June 24 at Lincoln Hall Auditorium.



## Fort Leonard Wood celebrates Army heritage

Fort Leonard Wood held an Army Heritage Month Organization Day June 29 at Nutter Field House. The one-day event provided service members, their families and Army civilians here the opportunity to recognize and honor the diversity of the Fort Leonard Wood community and the Army as a whole.



## Fort Leonard Wood hosts educators tour

Three groups of educators from high schools in Oklahoma and Texas visited Fort Leonard Wood this week to learn more about the Army and career opportunities available to their students. The three-day tour took nearly 60 teachers, counselors and administrators from Houston, Dallas and Oklahoma City to locations all over the installation.



## Quick-thinking supervisor saves stroke victim

June 10 started out like any regular Thursday for Kay Lowder, a field studies program coordinator at Fort Leonard Wood's International Military Student Office. Her supervisor for the past three years, Julissa Craven, field studies program manager, was in a meeting. Lowder could've just sent her a text message to say she was leaving, but decided to stay and speak with Craven in person. That decision may have saved her life.

### NEWS BRIEFS

#### New blood center location

Fort Leonard Wood Blood Center operations are now located in Bldg. 759, and a grand-opening ceremony is scheduled for 10 a.m. July 8. Hours of operation remain the same: unit-level blood drives are Sundays through Tuesdays, and appointments and walk-ins may donate from 8 a.m. to noon Wednesdays. Call 573.596.5385 for details.

#### Estate claim

Anyone with claims against the estate of Staff Sgt. Damien Preston, Company B, 701st Military Police Battalion,

or knowing of assets belonging to Preston, should contact the Summary Court Martial Officer, Capt. Michael Hardin, at 573.563.7826, or by email at michael.a.hardin17.mil@mail.mil.

#### Dental Asst. Training Program

Applications are being accepted now through July 10. The program is a six-month, 40 hours per week combination of classroom and hands-on basic education and clinical skills, and is scheduled to begin Aug. 2. Email leonardwood@redcross.org, or visit [Facebook](#) to download an application. Call 573.596.0300 for details.

#### Waynesville HS Transition Day

7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Aug. 13 for all incoming freshmen and students entering grades 10, 11 and 12 who are new to the district. Participants will receive a tour of the high school, meet mentors and learn about school procedures. Register by filling out [this online form](#) by Aug. 6. Email Kymberly Rodriguez at krodriquez@waynesville.k12.mo.us for details.

#### Sexual assault helpline

Fort Leonard Wood's sexual assault helpline can be reached 24/7 at 573.855.1327.

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