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New CAAA facilities set to modernize munitions readiness

CRANE, Ind. – Army leaders and civilians ceremonially opened two new facilities at Crane Army Ammunition Activity Sept. 2. A state-of-the-art plating shop and centralized receiving building are providing munitions readiness to the military. Having two projects completed at roughly the same time is almost unheard of for Army ammunition depots. “This ribbon cutting is about more than just opening another building. It’s about how our Army is undergoing its greatest transformation in more than 40 years,” Gen. Ed Daly, commanding general of AMC, said.



Afghan evacuees arrive in Indiana, head to Camp Atterbury

CAMP ATTERBURY, Ind. – Afghan evacuees arrived in the Hoosier state Sept. 2 as part of Operation Allies Welcome. The Department of Defense is providing transportation, temporary housing, medical screening and logistics support. “The professionalism of Task Force Atterbury, as they prepared to receive Afghan evacuees, is nothing short of impressive,” said Brig. Gen. Knell, Task Force Atterbury commander. “The multi-agency, multi-component effort ensured we were ready to welcome them with open arms, providing dignity and respect to all.”



Garrison operations team works behind the scenes

KAISERSLAUTERN, Germany – As the focus of Operation Allies Refuge has shifted from Ramstein Air Base to U.S. Army Garrison Rheinland-Pfalz's Rhine Ordnance Barracks, analyzing tasks and turning data into action is critical. The Army site near Kaiserslautern is now a hub as evacuee operations continue. As many as 5,000 travelers call this place a temporary home.

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USASAC: Providing strength in cooperation

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – As employees and visitors walk through the halls of U.S. Army Security Assistance Command buildings, one distinct slogan stands out: Strength in Cooperation. “We truly believe in this motto,” said Brig. Gen. Garrick Harmon, USASAC commander. “It is about long-term relationship building, capabilities improvement, and interoperability amongst forces.” For smaller countries, like the Baltic states of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, it helps bolster each nation’s defenses and supports their independence.



Leaders present AAME, ‘Best of the Best’ awards to FMX team

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo. – Tank-automotive and Armaments Command leaders visited to present awards to the Fleet Management Expansion team. Earlier this year, the team won the calendar year 2020-2021 Chief of Staff of the Army’s Award for Maintenance Excellence, Active Army-All Others category, and was also designated the calendar year 2020-2021 Chief of Ordnance “Best of the Best” maintenance team. Fort Leonard Wood’s FMX team maintains a fleet of more than 42,000 pieces of Training and Doctrine Command equipment.



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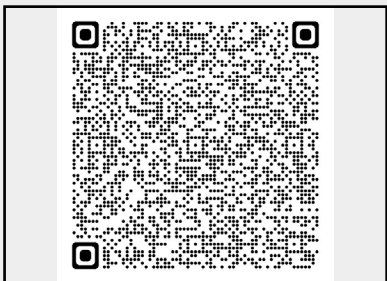
Five Army installations honored as 2020 Best Garrisons

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-FORT SAM HOUSTON, Texas – Five installations, one from each directorate of Installation Management Command, have been named IMCOM Directorates Best Garrisons for Performance Year 2020. The winners from each directorate are: USAG Fort Campbell, USAG Detroit Arsenal, USAG Hawaii, USAG Fort Knox and USAG Stuttgart. The five winning garrisons competed against other installations within their directorate to become the “Best Garrison” for that directorate.



Annual review adjusts fee policy for child and youth services

WIESBADEN, Germany – A new fee policy for child and youth services goes into effect Sept. 2 and impacts community members who use child care facilities, school age care, family child care, middle school and teen programs, youth sports and fitness programs. Child Development Programs, Department of Defense Instruction 6060.02, require the Department of Defense to annually review the fee ranges within the various total family income categories. Parent fees have been adjusted to address the lack of uniformity in the range of the TFI categories.



TLA briefs move to Microsoft Teams platform

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS, Hawaii – The Housing Service Office is moving all TLA, or temporary lodging allowance, briefs to the Microsoft Teams virtual platform system. TLA is intended to partially pay for higher-than-normal expenses incurred by a service member or dependent while occupying temporary lodging outside the continental U.S. Soldiers moving to or from Hawaii on orders may be eligible for arrival, renewal and departure TLA. All Soldiers must attend a mandatory TLA brief. Due to COVID-19, the briefs are offered virtually.

Avoid problems with your landlord – helpful tips

WIESBADEN, Germany – Army Regulation 420-1 and U.S. Army Europe Supplement 1 to Army Regulation 420-1 initially gives the U.S. Army Garrison Wiesbaden Housing Office the responsibility to resolve any landlord-tenant disputes that arise before or after moving into an off-post residence. Only after the housing office has exhausted their ability to resolve problems with the landlord, will they refer tenants to the Legal Assistance Office.

Therapists help ensure safety, success at Wiesbaden Sports and Fitness Center

WIESBADEN, Germany – Striking the right balance when approaching fitness goes a long way to ensuring a healthy, holistic, workout routine and lifestyle, according to the Wiesbaden Sports and Fitness Center’s new physical and occupational therapists. “We (community members) all know a little bit about what we should be doing,” said Occupational Therapist Sica Nielsen, who joins the Wiesbaden Fitness Center staff after having worked at the University of Miami Hospital.



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Name change underscores ASC's commitment to workforce

ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL, Ill. – Army Sustainment Command places a strong emphasis on employee and Soldier well-being. “Invest in Your Well-Being” is our theme,” said Mary Ann Wicks, Resilience program manager, and a master resilience trainer, “and it combines our programs perfectly. Well-being is the overall state of wellness and encompasses the Army’s Five Dimensions of Personal Readiness: Physical, Emotional, Social, Spiritual and Family.”

Director of Army Safety visits MCAAP

McALESTER, Okla. – Director of Army Safety and Commander of the U.S. Army Combat Readiness Center Brig. Gen. Andrew Hilmes visited McAlester Army Ammunition Plant Aug. 31. Hilmes said that it is his responsibility to be an advocate for Organic Industrial Base installations to Army senior leadership, in order to get the operational resources and support needed to keep everyone safe.

Civilians recognized for Korean theater blood mission support

CAMP HUMPHREYS, South Korea – 95th Medical Detachment (Blood Support) leaders are recognizing two civilians for their dedication to the unit’s mission. Pak So-yong and Cho Kwang-il, Korean nationals assigned to the 95th MDBS at the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Center-Korea, work to manage the blood mission’s budget, annual receipts and management of over 4,700 blood products, as well as maintenance of over \$2 million of medical equipment.

Fort Hood biologists observe rare birds with nest cams

FORT HOOD, Texas – After months of planning, coordination and a lot of patience, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Directorate of Public Works' Natural Resources Branch here have successfully monitored and filmed a black-capped vireo nest. Black-capped vireos were added to the List of Endangered and Threatened Species by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in 1987, when only 350 birds were known to exist.

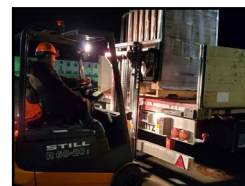
Fort Knox leadership provides COVID-19 updates

FORT KNOX, Ky. – Installation leaders and Fort Knox medical professionals hosted a live-streamed Facebook town hall meeting Sept. 1 to address community questions regarding the latest COVID-19 guidelines and recent vaccine mandates for service members. With several changes occurring over the past several months, leaders talked about a variety of topics like mask mandates, the delta variant, available vaccinations and how they’re being administered.

Presidio of Monterey builds antiterrorism awareness

PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY, Calif. – Antiterrorism Awareness Month is officially over, but members of the Presidio of Monterey community now have plenty to practice throughout the rest of the year. This year’s awareness efforts included an active shooter drill, a proclamation signing, distribution of a Department of Defense survey, four antiterrorism-themed movie nights and several community outreach events.

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Fort Lee earns Virginia
Environmental Excellence
Award for 12th year in a row

JBLM fire inspector receives
HQDA award

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20 years later: Search and rescue
Soldiers reflect on 9/11

National Guard conducts
multiple Hurricane Ida missions

Pentagon quilts, Army memorial
pays homage to 9/11 victims

Secretary of the Army swears in
first female inspector general