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## MAHC team earns humor honors in Wild West Fest Outhouse Race



Photo by Dan Stillian/1\_Good\_I Photography

Members of the “Call of Doody” Outhouse Race team — military family member Mason Wells and Munson Army Health Center soldiers Sgt. Alexander Shannon, Sgt. Felicia Wells, Sgt. Jon Hall and Staff Sgt. Francisco Martinez — scramble for rolls of toilet paper while the “driver” tries to throw the rolls into a bucket from within the outhouse during the Outhouse Race, part of the Buffalo Bill Wild West and Military History Festival, June 26 in downtown Leavenworth. The “Call of Doody” MAHC team earned the Most Humorous Entry title of the competition. For more images from the festival, see pages A6-7.

## CAC inactivates MCCoE

By Randi Stenson/Combined Arms Command Public Affairs

The U.S. Army Combined Arms Command inactivated the Mission Command Center of Excellence during a ceremony June 30 in the Lewis and Clark Center’s Eisenhower Auditorium, formally concluding 16 years of work shaping Army doctrine, leader development and command-and-control modernization.

The inactivation aligns with the Army Transformation Initiative, a service-wide effort to optimize force structure and improve unity of effort. As part of the transition, all MCCoE personnel, functions and proponent responsibilities will move to the Combined Arms Command, primarily the new CAC Transformation Integration Directorate.

CAC Commanding General Lt. Gen. James P. Isenhower III highlighted MCCoE’s enduring impact and the importance of carrying its work forward as the Army continues its transformation.

“Today is more than a flag lowering,” he said. “It’s a metamorphosis. We come to a close with a name, but not with the word. The doctrine taught here, the leaders developed here and the technological integration nurtured here will persist and

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## Wellness Center reopens in MAHC



Photo by Christina Yager/Munson Army Health Center Public Affairs

Armed Forces Wellness Center Officer in Charge Capt. Lorrie Santoy tells Munson Army Health Center Deputy Commander for Nursing and Ancillary Services Lt. Col. Baron Moehlenbrock about the Bod Pod during a walk-through of the center’s new spaces June 29 at MAHC. The Bod Pod provides a detailed body composition analysis, helping patients understand how much of their weight is muscle, fat and lean tissue to help track progress toward health and fitness goals.

by Christina Yager/Munson Army Health Center Public Affairs Officer

With a ceremonial ribbon cutting June 29, the Fort Leavenworth Armed Forces Wellness Center officially reopened in its new location inside Munson Army Health Center, marking a new chapter in the delivery of preventive health and wellness services to the military community.

The relocation brings the Armed Forces Wellness Center into the heart of the health center, strengthening collaboration between healthcare providers and wellness professionals while making it even easier for beneficiaries to access resources that support lifelong health, fitness and military readiness.

The Armed Forces Wellness Center is a Department of Defense health promotion program that provides evidence-based education, coaching and assessments designed to help individuals improve their health through sustainable lifestyle changes. Services are available at no cost to active-duty service members, military retirees, their eligible family members and De-

partment of Defense civilian employees.

"The Armed Forces Wellness Center is about empowering people with the knowledge and tools they need to take control of their health," said Capt. Lorrie Santoy, physical therapist and officer in charge of the Fort Leavenworth Armed Forces Wellness Center. "Our mission is to partner with individuals on their wellness journey by providing personalized coaching, scientific assessments and practical strategies that help them achieve their health and fitness goals, whether they're preparing for military readiness, improving athletic performance or simply striving for a healthier lifestyle."

The center offers a variety of individualized services, including metabolic testing, body composition analysis using the Bod Pod, fitness and cardiovascular assessments, healthy sleep education, stress management, tobacco cessation counseling and personalized exercise prescriptions. Health educators work one-on-one with

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### AT A GLANCE

■ Fort Leavenworth’s **AMERICA 250 FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION** starts at 6 p.m. with music, food trucks and more, the Salute to the Union is at 8 p.m. and the fireworks show is at dusk July 4 at Merritt Lake. Call 913-684-1674 for more information.

■ **PERSONAL FIREWORKS, INCLUDING SPARKLERS, ARE PROHIBITED ON FORT LEAVENWORTH.** Personal fireworks are also illegal in the City of Leavenworth.

■ The **NEXT ISSUE OF THE FORT LEAVENWORTH LAMP** WILL BE JULY 16. Happy Independence Day!

■ The **COMMANDING GENERAL’S DEFENSE ORGANIZATIONAL CLIMATE SURVEY OUT-**

**BRIEF** for soldiers and Department of the Army civilians is at 9:30 a.m. July 9 in Eisenhower Auditorium in the Lewis and Clark Center.

■ The Combined Arms Research Library’s **SUMMER READING PROGRAM** for all ages is underway. To register, visit <https://carl.beanstack.org>.

■ **HANCOCK OUTDOOR POOL** is open for the season. For more information, visit <https://leavenworth.armymwr.com/view-event/outdoor-pool-info/7282639/89843>.

■ **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** is Aug. 4-6 from 9 a.m. to noon at Frontier Chapel, with registration starting July 7. To volunteer or for more information, e-mail [syeeda.j.echols.civ@army.mil](mailto:syeeda.j.echols.civ@army.mil) or [carl.l.tillery](mailto:carl.l.tillery).

[civ@army.mil](mailto:civ@army.mil).

■ The **BUFFALO SOLDIER DAY LECTURE** is at 9 a.m. July 24 at the Frontier Conference Center.

■ The **ARMY CORRECTIONS BRIGADE’S CHANGE OF COMMAND** ceremony between outgoing Commander Col. Douglas Curtis and incoming Commander Col. Andrew Sergent is at 9 a.m. Aug. 5 at Main Parade.

■ The **ARTS AND CRAFTS STUDIO OFFERS CLASSES** and activities for all ages, to include birthday and special event parties. Classes fill up fast, so call 913-684-3373 or drop by at 310 McPherson Ave. to register. See the *Lamp’s* Post Notes section for July class calendars.

# Be safe this holiday weekend

# Your service ensures liberty endures

by Fort Leavenworth Garrison Commander Col. Todd Sunday and Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. David Franks

While we prepare to celebrate our nation’s 250th Independence Day, let’s take a moment to reflect on what this day truly represents rather than just focusing on grocery shopping, fireworks and getting the grill ready.

On July 4, 1776, 13 colonies declared their independence from Great Britain, laying the foundation for the great nation we serve today. Your service ensures that liberty

## SENIOR LEADERS’ MESSAGE

will endure in this land for many years to come.

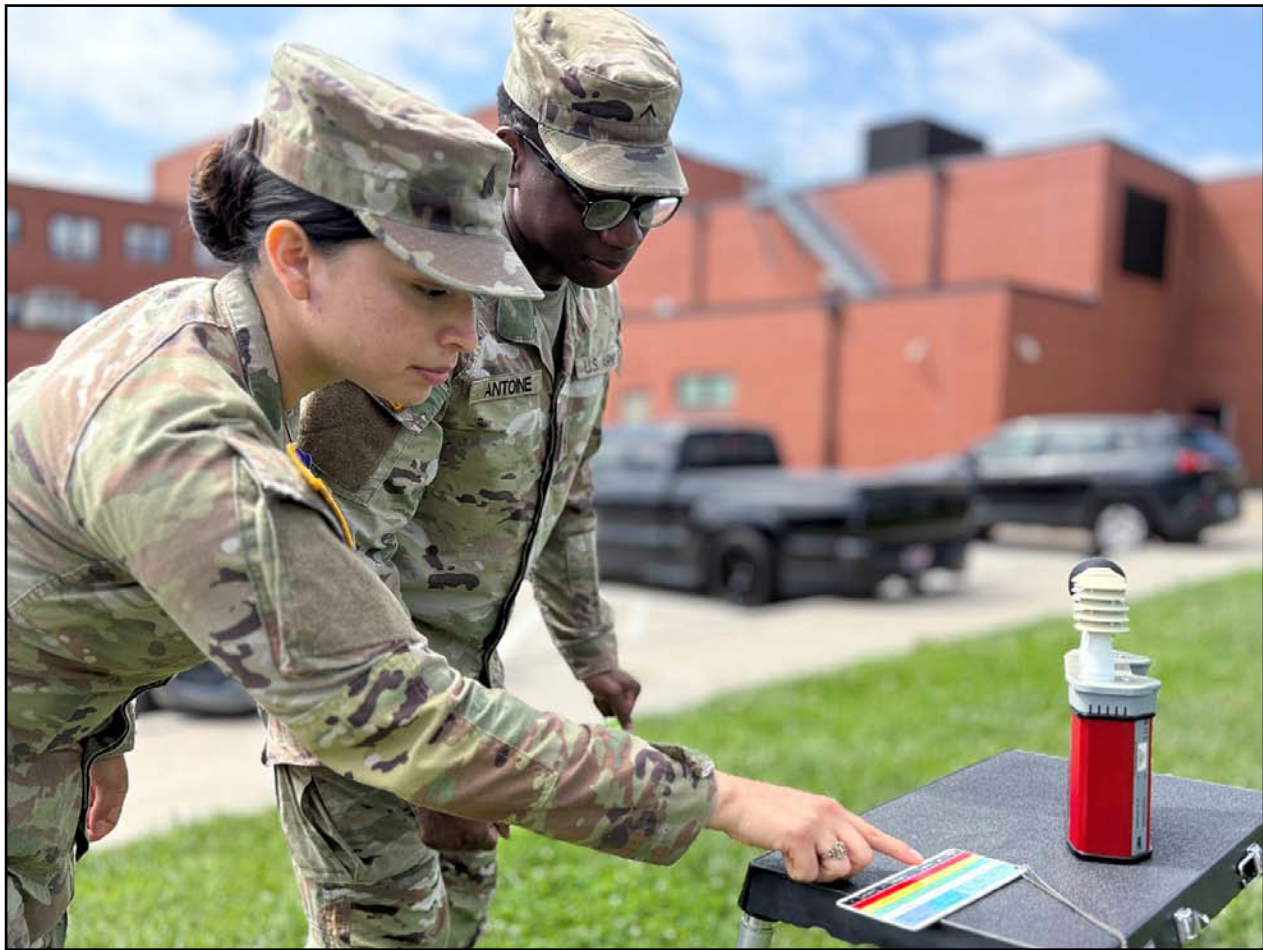
As you enjoy well-deserved time off, please keep in mind the risks that can ac-

company the “critical days of summer,” a time when accident rates across the Department of War tend to rise due to increased travel and recreational activities. Careful consideration of the hazards and mitigation measures associated with using roadways, swimming, barbecuing, playing sports, boating and using fireworks is absolutely essential. Our mission depends on you and your safe return.

More information on staying safe during the holiday weekend, and other risk mitigation tools and information can be found at <https://safety.army.mil/media/seasonal-safety-campaigns/spring-summer-safety-2026>.

We appreciate your service and everything that you do for our Army and nation. Let’s collaborate to ensure that the entire Garrison family has an accident-free holiday, free from loss of life or serious injury. Each one of you is a crucial member of the Garrison team.

# MAHC monitors heat category amid Midwest heat advisories



Photos by Christina Yager/Munson Army Health Center Public Affairs

**LEFT:** Sgt. Delilah Wells and Pfc. Edward Antoine, from Munson Army Health Center’s Department of Public Health, monitor the Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT) to determine the morning heat category for the Fort Leavenworth community June 29. Much of the Midwest is currently under heat advisories as dangerously hot temperatures and high humidity increase the risk of heat-related illness.

Much of the Midwest is currently under heat advisories as dangerously hot temperatures and high humidity increase the risk of heat-related illness. The Army uses five heat categories to communicate the risk of heat-related illness based on temperature and humidity.

• **Heat Category 1 – Low Risk**

Stay hydrated and be mindful of the heat.

• **Heat Category 2 – Moderate Risk**

Increase your water intake and take breaks as needed.

• **Heat Category 3 – Elevated Risk**

Drink water frequently, take periodic rest breaks and watch for signs of heat illness.

• **Heat Category 4 – High Risk**

Hydrate often, limit strenuous activity when possible and keep an eye on your battle buddies, family and co-workers.

• **Heat Category 5 – Very High Risk**

Reduce strenuous outdoor activity, seek shade or air conditioning whenever possible and know the signs of heat stroke.

Heat injuries are preventable. Check the daily heat category, adjust your activity, and stay safe this summer.

# BEAT THE HEAT!

**TAKE STEPS THIS SUMMER TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM BECOMING A HEAT CASUALTY.**

- SCHEDULE WORKOUTS EARLIER OR LATER IN THE DAY WHEN THE TEMPERATURE IS COOLER.
- START ACTIVITIES SLOWLY AND PICK UP THE PACE GRADUALLY.
- DRINK MORE WATER THAN USUAL. DON'T WAIT UNTIL YOU'RE THIRSTY.
- MONITOR YOUR BATTLE BUDDY'S CONDITION AND HAVE THEM DO THE SAME FOR YOU.
- WEAR LOOSE, LIGHTWEIGHT CLOTHING.
- IF YOU FEEL FAINT OR WEAK, STOP ALL ACTIVITY AND GET TO A COOL PLACE.

Source: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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# MCCoE inactivates (continued from Page A1)



Photos by Spc. Wilfred Salters Jr./Combined Arms Command Public Affairs

**ABOVE:** Lt. Gen. James P. Isenhower, Combined Arms Command commanding general; Brig. Gen. Antwan L. Dunmyer Sr., Mission Command Center of Excellence director; Howard K. Brewington, MCCoE deputy director; and Sgt. Maj. Joseph C. Cobb, MCCoE senior enlisted advisor, stand on the Eisenhower Auditorium stage for the inactivation ceremony for MCCoE June 30 at the Lewis and Clark Center.

**BELOW:** Brig. Gen. Antwan L. Dunmyer Sr., Mission Command Center of Excellence director; Howard K. Brewington, MCCoE deputy director; and Sgt. Maj. Joseph C. Cobb, MCCoE senior enlisted advisor, listen as Lt. Gen. James P. Isenhower, Combined Arms Command commanding general, delivers remarks during the inactivation ceremony for MCCoE June 30 at the Lewis and Clark Center.

must flourish under a new canopy, with the same mission command spirit.”

Army leaders established the Mission Command Center of Excellence on Dec. 10, 2010, as the service was transitioning following nearly a decade of continuous combat operations. They recognized that future success required not just advanced technology, but commanders and soldiers able to understand the operational environment, make sound decisions and act decisively in uncertainty. The center became the Army’s focal point for mission command and the command-and-control warfighting function.

Over the next 16 years, MCCoE helped the Army adapt to profound changes in warfare, leadership and technology. Its history reflects the Army’s evolution — from the wars of the early 21st century, to preparation for large-scale combat operations, to today’s efforts to build a more integrated, data-enabled force capable of operating in contested environments.

As technology and information demands increased, MCCoE helped the Army better understand the relationship between command and control, data and decision-making. Its efforts informed the modernization of C2 systems, the integration of emerging technologies and the develop-



ment of more agile command nodes and operational processes.

In its final years, MCCoE supported major Army initiatives including C2 integrated assessments, the Army’s C2 Fix and Next Generation C2 modernization efforts. These initiatives shaped doctrine, leader development and materiel solutions while helping the Army prepare for future conflict.

Brig. Gen. Antwan Dunmyer Sr., the final of 11 MCCoE directors, reflected on the organization’s legacy and the soldiers and Army civilians who contributed to its mission.

“Over the last year, I remained impressed by the professionalism of the workforce. These were professionals who understood that command and control is not a technology challenge alone. It is a

leadership challenge. A training challenge. A trust challenge. And ultimately, a human challenge,” he said.

Although the organization was inactivated, its mission and the work continue. Personnel, expertise and responsibilities remain within the Combined Arms Command, and support will continue to advance command-and-control concepts for future opera-

tions.

“That is MCCoE’s legacy: people, professionals, teams, leaders,” Dunmyer said. “And an Army that is better because of their efforts. Be proud of what you built and what you accomplished. But never satisfied. There is still important work ahead.”

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# Public Health Team to share summer safety tips

by Christina Yager/Munson Army Health Center Public Affairs Officer

As temperatures rise and families spend more time outdoors, representatives from the Munson Army Health Center Department of Public Health will be at the Fort Leavenworth Post Exchange from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. July 10 sharing practical tips to help the community stay healthy and safe throughout the summer.

The outreach event will focus on common seasonal health concerns, including heat illness prevention, hydration, sun safety, mosquito- and tick-borne diseases, water safety, and injury prevention. Visitors will have the opportunity to speak with public health professionals, ask questions, and pick up educational materials to help protect themselves and their families during the summer months.

"Summer is a great time to get outside and enjoy everything our community has to offer, but it's also important to understand the health risks that come with the season," said 1st Lt. Kennedy Reeves, chief

of the Department of Public Health at Munson Army Health Center. "Simple steps like staying hydrated, wearing sunscreen, using insect repellent, and recognizing the early signs of heat illness can make a big difference in preventing injuries and illness."

The event may be especially beneficial for families who are new to Fort Leavenworth experiencing their first Midwest summer. Public health staff will share information about local environmental health concerns, seasonal hazards and services available through Munson Army Health Center to help families stay healthy year-round.

Community members are encouraged to stop by the PX, meet the public health team, and learn how small preventive actions can help keep their families safe while enjoying the summer season.

No registration is required, and the event is free and open to all Fort Leavenworth community members.

STAY SAFE. STAY HEALTHY.

ENJOY  
your Summer!

PROTECT YOURSELF.  
YOUR FAMILY.  
YOUR MISSION.

VISIT OUR TEAM  
AT THE FORT LEAVENWORTH  
POST EXCHANGE  
Get tips, resources and information to  
help keep your family safe this summer!

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Munson Army Health Center graphic

Members of the Munson Army Health Center's Department of Public Health will be offering summer safety tips from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. July 10 at the Fort Leavenworth Post Exchange. The free event may be especially beneficial for families who are new to Fort Leavenworth experiencing their first Midwest summer.

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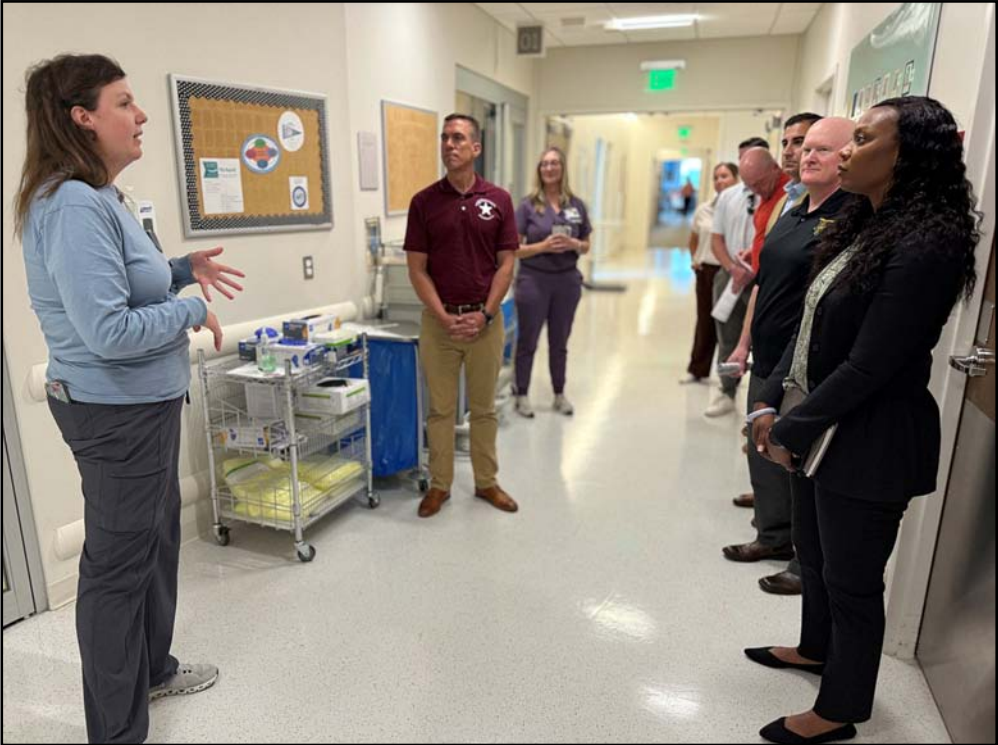
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# Regional partnership gives Army healthcare professionals critical trauma experience



Photos by Christina Yager/Munson Army Health Center Public Affairs

**Rebekah Nuss, a University of Kansas Health System nursing shift supervisor on the Pre/Post Op Unit, talks with Munson Army Health Center team members about how soldiers participating in the health system's Military Training Program are integrated in the health system's clinical training areas June 24 in Kansas City, Kansas. Training opportunities are customized based on participants' military occupational specialty, licensure, experience and unit readiness objectives. The health system has partnered with MAHC and other active-duty, Guard and Reserve units in Kansas and Missouri to provide service members opportunities to train in its high-volume, trauma and intensive care settings where they can refresh their skills caring for patients with complex illnesses, traumatic injuries and other high-acuity medical conditions.**

**Munson Army Health Center Senior Enlisted Advisor Sgt. Maj. Jason Trevino examines a wireless ultrasound device used by participants in the University of Kansas Health System Military Training Program during a visit to the health system with MAHC Director Col. Jolanda L.J. Walker, Medical Company Commander Capt. Nickalas Snyder and Medical Company 1st. Sgt. Scott Munday to observe the program firsthand June 24 in Kansas City, Kansas.**



by Christina Yager/Munson Army Health Center Public Affairs Officer

KANSAS CITY, Kansas — Munson Army Health Center leaders visited the University of Kansas Health System June 24 to observe firsthand how the health system's Military Training Program helps sustain readiness of military healthcare professionals in the region.

First launched in 2008 the health system has partnered with Munson Army Health Center and other active-duty, Guard and Reserve units in Kansas and Missouri to provide service members opportunities to train in its high-volume, trauma and intensive care settings where they can refresh their skills caring for patients with complex illnesses, traumatic injuries and other high-acuity medical conditions.

"Part of our mission is to ensure Army healthcare professionals are ready to support the warfighter anytime, anywhere. Clinical immersion at a Level I trauma center exposes our soldiers to the types of traumatic injuries and high-acuity patient care they may encounter during deployments," said MAHC Director Col. Jolanda L.J. Walker. "This training helps sustain perishable clinical skills and helps our soldiers get the sets and reps to deliver lifesaving care in austere and operational environments and avoid a phenomenon called the Walker Dip."

The Walker Dip, identified by former Surgeon General of the British Armed Forces Vice-Admiral Alasdair Walker in 2018, is the decrease in medical readiness that happens during peacetime, when military healthcare professionals' clinical skills can regress in service members no longer practicing medical skills at operational levels.

Since MAHC's mission on Fort Leavenworth is focused primarily on outpatient healthcare delivery, partnerships with civilian healthcare systems are extremely helpful.

"Our healthcare professionals have an incredible breadth of knowledge and training," Col. Walker said. "Partnerships

like this ensure they have opportunities to practice those skills in high-acuity clinical environments so they remain ready to deliver exceptional care wherever the Army sends them."

During the visit, Walker and other MAHC leaders toured the health system's clinical training areas and met with program leaders to learn more about how military healthcare professionals are integrated.

During rotations at the health system, MAHC soldiers can train in emergency medicine, trauma services, intensive care units, specialty clinics and other hospital departments while working alongside experienced civilian preceptors and healthcare teams.

"As the region's academic medical center, education is part of everything we do," said Angie Bobst, a nursing professional development practitioner in the Department of Nursing Practice, Research and Professional Development at the University of Kansas Health System. "We train medical students, resident physicians and other healthcare professionals every day. Integrating military healthcare professionals into that learning environment is a natural extension of our mission, and we're proud to help them sustain the clinical skills they'll need to care for soldiers when it matters most."

Bobst said training opportunities are customized based on participants' military occupational specialty, licensure, experience and unit readiness objectives. Clinical experiences can range from a single shift to multi-day rotations, allowing units to tailor training to operational requirements while maximizing exposure to real-world patient care.

The visit reaffirmed the value of military-civilian healthcare partnerships in sustaining clinical proficiency, strengthening interoperability and preparing Army healthcare professionals to deliver lifesaving care in combat, humanitarian and domestic emergency response operations.

## Wellness Center now at MAHC (continued from Page A1)

participants to interpret assessment results and develop customized plans based on each person's unique goals.

By relocating within Munson Army Health Center, the Armed Forces Wellness Center is better positioned to integrate wellness services with primary care and other clinical specialties, reinforcing a whole-person approach to health. The new location also supports greater collaboration with providers and expands opportunities to connect patients with wellness resources that complement their medical care.

In the coming months, the Armed Forces Wellness Center plans to expand its community outreach through additional wellness classes and educational programs covering topics such as nutrition, physical activity, sleep optimization, stress management and healthy behavior change.

"We're excited to welcome the Fort Leavenworth community into our new space," Santoy said. "This is more than a new location — it's an opportunity to strengthen partnerships, expand wellness education and help more people build



Photo by Christina Yager/Munson Army Health Center Public Affairs

**Munson Army Health Center leaders joined the Fort Leavenworth Armed Forces Wellness Center Team for a ribbon-cutting ceremony June 29 to mark the reopening of the AFWC in its new location within MAHC. Pictured are Sgt. Maj. Jason Trevino, Drake Grinde, Brooks Roth, Lt. Col. Baron Moehlenbrock, Capt. Lorrie Santoy, Brett Stoddard, Marie Dubois and Theodore Paul.**

healthy habits that last a lifetime."

The Armed Forces Wellness Center is now scheduling appointments for eligible beneficiaries. Call 913-758-3403 for more

information or to schedule an appointment. Whether you're looking to improve your fitness, better understand your metabolism, manage your weight, develop a

personalized exercise plan or take the first step toward a healthier lifestyle, the Armed Forces Wellness Center team is ready to help.

# Parents/guardians reminded to bring required forms to school, sports physical appointments

by Munson Army Health Center Public Affairs

Before your child's school or sports physical at Munson Army Health Center, please obtain the required forms directly from your child's school or school district and complete the parent/guardian portion before arriving.

Why do we ask families to provide the forms?

Our community is served by multiple elementary, middle and high schools in Kansas and Missouri, and each school or athletic organization might use different paperwork.

When families arrive without the required forms, MAHC staff must spend valuable ap-

pointment time locating the correct paperwork and waiting for it to be completed. That can delay appointments for other military families during the health center's busiest season.

By bringing completed forms with you, you're helping us keep appointments running on time.

If you're unsure which forms your student needs, please contact your child's school before your appointment. Thank you for helping us make this busy season a success for everyone.



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1

GET THE RIGHT FORMS

Visit your child's school or school district website to download the required forms. School requirements may vary by district.

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2

COMPLETE YOUR PORTION

Fill out all parent/guardian sections before your appointment.

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3

BRING YOUR PAPERWORK

Bring the completed forms to your appointment so your provider can complete the medical portion.



PARENTS AND GUARDIANS ARE RESPONSIBLE

for obtaining the forms required by their student's school or athletic program.



NOT SURE WHICH FORMS YOU NEED?

Contact your child's school.



ARRIVING WITH COMPLETED FORMS HELPS KEEP APPOINTMENTS ON SCHEDULE AND ALLOWS US TO CARE FOR MORE FAMILIES.



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READY TO CARE. READY TO SUPPORT.

# Community explores past through contests, games, displays, more at BUFFALO BILL WILD WEST AND MILITARY HISTORY FESTIVAL



Photo by Dan Stillian/1\_Good\_I Photography

Leavenworth High School Junior ROTC Raider “Road Rage” team members Peter Ikena, Devin Kaminski and Liam Hintz sprint toward the finish line of the Outhouse Race, a Buffalo Bill Wild West and Military History Festival event, June 26 in downtown Leavenworth. The Raider team took the top spot in the outhouse contest.



Photo by Dan Stillian/1\_Good\_I Photography

Members of the “Call of Doody” Outhouse Race team — military family member Mason Wells and Munson Army Health Center soldiers Sgt. Alexander Shannon, Sgt. Felicia Wells, Sgt. Jon Hall and Staff Sgt. Francisco Martinez — near the toilet paper finish line of the Outhouse Race, part of the Buffalo Bill Wild West and Military History Festival, June 26 in downtown Leavenworth. The “Call of Doody” MAHC team earned the Most Humorous Entry title of the competition.

CONTEST WINNERS

OUTHOUSE CONTEST

Race Winner:  
Leavenworth JROTC  
Raider Team

Humorous Entry:  
Army Medical Team

Most Creative Entry:  
JF Denney Team

WHISKER CONTEST

People’s Choice:  
Floyd Guilford

Mustache Contest:  
David Todd

Beard Contest:  
Fluffy (no other name  
given)



Leavenworth High School Junior ROTC Raider “Road Rage” team members Devin Kaminski, Daniel Bethea, Peter Ikena, Carson Schowengerdt and Liam Hintz toss corn cobs into a bucket during the Outhouse Race, which included an obstacle course and challenges before the sprint to the finish, during the Buffalo Bill Wild West and Military History Festival, June 26 in downtown Leavenworth. The Raider team won the race.

Photo by Dan Stillian/1\_Good\_I Photography

# Buffalo Bill Wild West & Military History Festival (continued from Page A6)

Staff Sgt. Travis Hawthorne, 67th Military Police Detachment (Military Working Dog), Special Troops Battalion, wears a bite suit as Spc. Abdeley Fernandez, 67th MP Detachment (MWD), and MWD Zara demonstrate their skills during the Buffalo Bill Wild West and Military History Festival June 27 in downtown Leavenworth.

Photo by Dan Stillian/1\_Good\_I Photography



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Spc. Hayden Stewart, 67th Military Police Detachment (Military Working Dog), Special Troops Battalion, and MWD Mamut provide a demonstration at the Buffalo Bill Wild West and Military History Festival June 27 in downtown Leavenworth. MWD teams from the 67th MP Detachment provided two afternoon demonstrations for festivalgoers.



Photo by Spc. Wilfred Salters Jr./Combined Arms Command Public Affairs

Maj. Jonathon Krisko, assigned to the Combined Arms Command, Office of the State Judge Advocate, educates members of the local community on vintage weapons during the Buffalo Bill Wild West and Military History Festival June 27 in downtown Leavenworth. The festival was a salute to the U.S. Armed Forces mixed with 19th-century frontier life.



John R. Anderson tells Susan Baska about the history of the Buffalo Soldiers and early African-American military officers during the Buffalo Bill Wild West and Military History Festival June 27 in downtown Leavenworth. The festival was a salute to the U.S. Armed Forces mixed with glimpses of 19th-century frontier life.

Photo by Spc. Wilfred Salters Jr./Combined Arms Command Public Affairs

## Heat Exhaustion

### ACT FAST

- Move to a cooler area
- Loosen clothing
- Sip cool water
- Seek medical help if symptoms don't improve

Dizziness  
Thirst  
Heavy Sweating  
Nausea  
Weakness



Heat exhaustion can lead to heat stroke.

## Heat Stroke

### ACT FAST

## CALL 911

- Move person to a cooler area
- Loosen clothing and remove extra layers
- Cool with water or ice

Confusion  
Dizziness  
Becomes Unconscious

Heat stroke can cause death or permanent disability if emergency treatment is not given.

# International military students take part in Leavenworth's Honorary Citizens Day



Photos by Melissa Bower/City of Leavenworth Public Affairs

**ABOVE:** June 30 was proclaimed International Military Students' Honorary Citizens Day and recognized the international military students in the 2026-27 Command and General Staff Officer Course, which officially begins in August.  
**RIGHT:** International military students talk with Leavenworth City Commissioner Holly Pittman over lunch June 30 at Riverfront Community Center.



International military students in the 2026-27 Command and General Staff Officer Course socialize before a lunch in their honor June 30, proclaimed International Military Students' Honorary Citizens Day, at Riverfront Community Center in Leavenworth.

Photo by Melissa Bower/City of Leavenworth Public Affairs

## Warfighter Exercise



Maj. Gen. Thomas Feltey, 1st Cavalry Division commanding general, presents his intent during Warfighter Exercise 26-4 June 2 at Fort Hood, Texas.

WFX 26-4 featured four training audiences including the 1st Cavalry Division, the 29th Infantry Division, the 35th Infantry Division, and the 20th Special Forces Group (Airborne).

The Mission Command Training Program deployed observer coach trainers to four locations to observe, coach and mentor these units at Fort Hood; Fort Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania; Camp Atterbury, Indiana; and Fort Bragg, North Carolina, for nearly three weeks.

Submitted photo by Mission Command Training Program

## Fort Leavenworth Tornado Public Shelter Locations

Munson Army Health Center  
550 Pope Ave  
Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027

Lewis & Clark Center  
100 Stimson Ave  
Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027

### Things to remember:

- Go to shelter locations when Tornado Watch is issued. Tornado Warnings are too late!
- Have NOAA Weather Radio or phone app to receive weather alerts.
- Sign up for ALERT! (<https://alert.csd.disa.mil>) to receive information for FLKS
- Identify Best Available Refuge Area for your residence. (Basement, Interior Room)
- Seek shelter early.
- Be Informed, Build A Kit, Make A Plan
- <https://ready.army.mil/>



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# Adoptable Pet of the Week: Izzy



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Fort Leavenworth Lamp

Izzy is a female shiba inu mix available for adoption at the Fort Leavenworth Stray Facility. She has already been spayed, vaccinated and microchipped. The fee to adopt a dog is \$155. E-mail [fortleavenworthstrayfacility@gmail.com](mailto:fortleavenworthstrayfacility@gmail.com) for an adoption application or submit an adoption application online at <https://new.shelterluv.com/matchme/adopt/FLSF/> Dog. Military affiliation is not required to adopt from FLSF. The Fort Leavenworth Stray Facility, at 510 Organ Ave., is only open by appointment this week. Normal hours are noon to 3 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday

and by appointment. Call 913-335-0788 for an appointment or more information. Visit <https://www.petfinder.com/member/us/ks/fort-leavenworth/fort-leavenworth-stray-facility-ks174/> for adoptable pet profiles. Volunteers are needed to help cover pet care shifts, walk dogs, clean kennels and more. Foster homes for adoptable pets are also needed. To apply to volunteer with the Fort Leavenworth Stray Facility, visit <https://vmis.armyfamilywebportal.com/>, enter ZIP code 66027, then

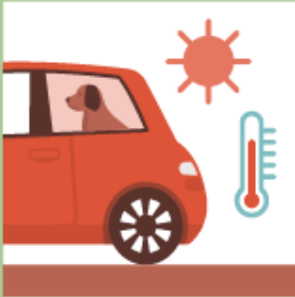


### Hot Weather Rules For Pets





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KEEP PAWS AWAY FROM HOT PAVEMENT



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|                                         |                                         |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
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# FOURTH OF JULY

## AMERICA 250

4th of July Festivities Located at : Merritt Lake

Music, Food Trucks, & More! The fun starts @ 6pm

Salute to the Union @ 8pm

Spectacular Fireworks Show begins @ Dusk

YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS OUR BIGGEST FIREWORKS DISPLAY YET!

For more info: 913-684-1674

Important Information: Grant Gate is the public access point for our 4th of July event. Visitors will be vetted at the Grant Gate before entering the installation. All visitors will be required to show a REAL ID form of identification. This does not apply to Service Members, Installation Personnel, Dependents or Retirees who already possess a Military ID, Military Dependent ID, a Common Access Card (CAC), or a Federal Government-issued PIV Card. Visitors without REAL ID will need a secondary identification. List of acceptable secondary IDs at [www.tsa.gov/travel/security-screening/identification](https://www.tsa.gov/travel/security-screening/identification). Prohibited (per CAC & FT LVN Reg. 420-2): Privately-owned fireworks, including sparklers, smoke bombs, personal grills

Thank you to our Sponsors!



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## Outdoor Pool Opens May 22nd!

Join us during our special opening day after school hours! 3 pm - 7 pm



Make it a summer to remember at Fort Leavenworth's Pools!

Please check the Fort Leavenworth MWR FB page or call the aquatics center at 913-684-2190 for weather updates and pool closures before you go!

### Fort Leavenworth 2026 Pool Season

#### Hancock Pool

Open 7 days a week / when school is not in session

10 am - 7 pm Family Swim

Open on Training Days and Holidays

#### Bernstein Memorial Pool

Indoor

5 am - 6 pm Adult Lap Swim / M - F

8 am - 1pm Adult Lap Swim / Sat & Sun

Closed on Training Days and Holidays

#### Outdoor Pool Passes

Passes must be purchased at Harney

\$5 daily admission (cash only at the door)

\$120 Family Season Pass for 4 (\$20 each additional member)

\$60 for half pass May 22 - July 8 or July 1 - Sept 7

\$40 for Individual Season pass

scan here for more info





## INDEPENDENCE DAY

### RED, WHITE, & BLUE SCRAMBLE

SATURDAY, JULY 4TH

8am shotgun start

\$40 MEMBERS - \$50 NON MEMBERS - \$25 YOUTH 17 & UNDER

REGISTRATION CLOSES 7/2

PICK YOUR TEE BOX ALONG THE WAY, PLAYING FROM 6-BLUE TEES, 6-WHITE TEES, & 6-RED TEES.

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Post Theater // 375 Grant Avenue

Movies start at 7PM

Must show your DoD ID at the door!

July 10



Come out and join us as the BOSS program gives back to the Community by playing FREE movies inside the Post movie theater.

Prepackaged snacks and drink can be purchased at the snack bar. No outside food or drinks are authorized.

For all movies children 12 and under MUST be accompanied by an ADULT!

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FORT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS

# COMMANDING GENERAL'S DEOCS

## Out Brief



09 JULY 2026

0930-1030

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FORT LEAVENWORTH, KS 66027

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## RAINFOREST FALLS

### Exploring The Nature of God

Join us for VBS 2026!

4-6 August

0900 - 1200

Frontier Chapel

Registration begins 7 July

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Syeeda Echols, [syeeda.j.echols.civ@army.mil](mailto:syeeda.j.echols.civ@army.mil) or Carl Tillery, [carl.l.tillery.civ@army.mil](mailto:carl.l.tillery.civ@army.mil)



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FORT LEAVENWORTH Catholic Women of the Chapel

## POPSICLES at the Playground!

JOIN US FOR A SWEET TIME OF FUN, FELLOWSHIP & FROZEN TREATS!



18 JUNE, 2026

FHCC Playground

0930-1100

2 JULY, 2026

FHCC Playground

0930-1100

23 JULY, 2026

EFMP Playground

0930-1100

6 AUGUST, 2026

EFMP Playground

0930-1100

All are welcome! ♥ Bring a friend! ♥ Let's make summer sweet!

## PWOC SUMMER EVENTS!

POPSICLES AT THE EMFP PARK

June 23 & 30  
July 7 & 14  
August 4 & 11  
9:30-11:00am



Kicking off the week of May 25<sup>th</sup> in different neighborhoods on different days. Sign up on Facebook!

COMMUNITY GROUPS

SUMMER SESSIONS AT THE CHAPEL

July 21 & 28  
9-11am  
Child care provided



Join us for Fall Kick-off! August 25<sup>th</sup> 8:45-11am Frontier Chapel

PWOC KICK-OFF!!!

## Family Advocacy Program Brief

POST THEATER | 375 GRANT AVE | FT. LEAVENWORTH

Recognizing and reporting potential Domestic Abuse and Child Abuse is not always black and white.

Have big questions?  
We have answers.

The Family Advocacy Program (FAP) is Command supported and Soldier focused. FAP is the Army's official program for preventing and responding to Family violence.

This free, mandatory, annual training will educate Soldiers and leaders about preventing, identifying and correctly reporting Domestic abuse and Child abuse. (In accordance with AR 350-1)

**2026 TRAINING DATES:**  
From 1300 - 1500

- 25 MARCH
- 29 APRIL
- 27 MAY
- 24 JUNE
- 15 JULY

Training is free and for 18+. There is no registration required. For more information call: 520-692-6378 / 6303





FORT LEAVENWORTH HUNT

# Summer Rides

Save the dates

June 3, 17<sup>th</sup>  
July 1, 15<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>  
August 12<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>  
<sup>th</sup> confidence ride

Wainwright  
Riding Complex  
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Fort Leavenworth, KS

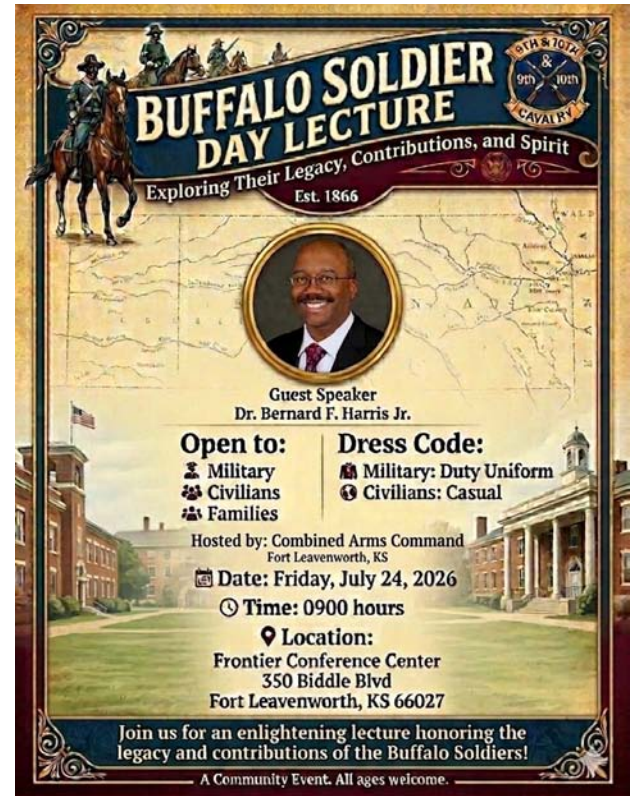
Rides start at 5pm with a potluck to follow. Bring a dish to share!

Check Facebook and GroupMe for weather updates.  
For more information:  
info@ftleavenworthhunt.org  
913-684-1703





Important information: Riders must sign a Hold Harmless agreement before the ride. Riders must wear boots with a heel and an ASTM helmet. Minors must be able to ride their own horse and be accompanied by an adult for the duration of the ride. This is a FREE event and open to anyone with Post access. Must be at least an "experienced beginner". If a rider is in need of a horse, there are limited mounts available. Please reach out ahead of time to the Fort Leavenworth Hunt.



## BUFFALO SOLDIER DAY LECTURE

Exploring Their Legacy, Contributions, and Spirit  
Est. 1866

Guest Speaker  
Dr. Bernard F. Harris Jr.

**Open to:**

- Military
- Civilians
- Families

**Dress Code:**

- Military: Duty Uniform
- Civilians: Casual

Hosted by: Combined Arms Command  
Fort Leavenworth, KS

**Date:** Friday, July 24, 2026

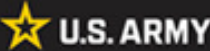
**Time:** 0900 hours

**Location:**  
Frontier Conference Center  
350 Biddle Blvd  
Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027

Join us for an enlightening lecture honoring the legacy and contributions of the Buffalo Soldiers!  
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1:06 PM

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# Legal lowdown

## Where fireworks are allowed or prohibited near Fort Leavenworth in Kansas and Missouri

| Kansas             |                      |                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CITY/COUNTY        | Are Fireworks Legal? | When are they legal?                                         | Notes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Atchison           | See note             |                                                              | <b>Legal:</b> fireworks like poppers, snakes, smoke bombs<br><b>Illegal:</b> any firework bearing the logo of the U.S. Dept. of Transportation, fireworks like bottle rockets, M-80s, M-100 and silver salutes                                                                                       |
| Basehor            | Yes                  | July 1-3: 10 a.m.-10 p.m.<br>July 4: 9 a.m.-midnight         | Not allowed to be shot off any closer than 300 feet to a hospital, infirmary or retirement home                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Bonner Springs     | Yes                  | July 3-4: 9 a.m.-11 p.m.                                     | Not to be shot off any closer than 1,000 feet of a hospital, sanitarium or infirmary                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Johnson County     | See note             |                                                              | It is illegal to set off fireworks in unincorporated parts of Johnson County without a permit                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Lansing            | Yes                  | July 1-3 from noon to 10 p.m.<br>July 4 from noon to 11 p.m. | Bottle rockets and skyrockets are illegal in Lansing                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Lawrence           | No                   |                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Leavenworth        | No                   |                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Leavenworth County | No                   |                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Fort Leavenworth   | No                   |                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Tonganoxie         | Yes                  | June 30-July 4: 8 a.m.-11 p.m.                               | <b>Prohibited locations:</b> within 50 feet of a gas station                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Kansas City        | Yes                  | July 2-4: 9 a.m.-11 p.m.                                     | <b>No:</b> bottle rockets and skyrockets<br><b>Prohibited locations:</b> public roads, alleys and sidewalks; within 150 feet for a fireworks stand; within 100 feet of a gas station.                                                                                                                |
| Wyandotte County   | Yes                  | July 2-4: 9 a.m.-11 p.m.                                     | Prohibited locations: into, under or from a vehicle; gathering of people; roads, alleys and sidewalks; within 150 feet of a fireworks stand; within 100 feet of a gas station; within 1000 feet of a hospital or retirement home<br><b>No:</b> bottle rockets, missile-type rockets and sky lanterns |

| MISSOURI      |                      |                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|---------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CITY/COUNTY   | Are Fireworks Legal? | When are they legal?                                                                         | Notes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Kansas City   | No                   |                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Parkville     | Yes                  | June 28-July 3, July 5: 10 a.m.-10 p.m.<br>July 4: 10 a.m.-midnight                          | <b>No:</b> Aerial devices cannot be discharged in city limits                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Platte City   | Yes                  | June 20-July 3: 10 a.m.-10 p.m.<br>July 4: 10 a.m.-midnight                                  | Must be discharged on private property only                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Platte County | Yes                  | Fireworks are legal if you follow Missouri's state laws and any applicable local ordinances. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Weston        | Yes                  | June 27 - 4 July                                                                             | No person shall use fireworks within a city building, public park or recreational facility. Bottle rockets are prohibited. Fireworks can't be set off within 50 feet of a gas station; 100 feet fireworks stand or 600 feet of any church or public school. |

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Fort Leavenworth, Kansas



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**JUNE 17**  
2026  
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

**JULY 9**  
2026  
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

**JULY 29**  
2026  
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

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2026-2027 School Calendar

July 2026 calendar grid showing days of the week and dates.

August 2026 calendar grid showing days of the week and dates.

September 2026 calendar grid showing days of the week and dates.

October 2026 calendar grid showing days of the week and dates.

November 2026 calendar grid showing days of the week and dates.

December 2026 calendar grid showing days of the week and dates.

Monthly calendar for July 2026 with specific events like 'Patton New Parent Meeting' and 'First Day of School' highlighted.

School Hours and Early Dismissal/Release Times table.

Fort Leavenworth USD 207 Board Approved: 01/27/2026

January 2027 calendar grid showing days of the week and dates.

February 2027 calendar grid showing days of the week and dates.

March 2027 calendar grid showing days of the week and dates.

April 2027 calendar grid showing days of the week and dates.

May 2027 calendar grid showing days of the week and dates.

Progress Reports and Grade Cards table.

Fort Leavenworth USD 207 Board Approved: 01/27/2026

Fort Leavenworth School District USD 207 Elementary School Supply List table.

Fort Leavenworth School District USD 207 Patton Junior High School Supply List table.

Fort Leavenworth School Assignments by Street for the 2026-2027 SY

Table listing school assignments by street for Bradley, Eisenhower, and MacArthur schools.

Table listing school assignments by street for Ottawa Village, Main Post, and Kansas Village schools.

Table listing school assignments by street for Shawnee Village, Nez Perce, and Osage Village schools.

Patton Junior High - Bus or Walking by Street for the 2026-2027 SY

Table listing school assignments by street for Patton Junior High.

As of 01/26/2026 - Boundaries are subject to change based on actual 2026-2027 SY Enrollment.

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FREE SUMMER MEALS FOR KIDS AGES 1-18. Includes logos for USDA, SunMeals, and Kansas State Department of Education.

FREE SUMMER MEALS FOR KIDS & TEENS. JUNE 1 - JULY 24. Includes locations and hours for David Brewer Elementary, Henry Leavenworth Elementary, Anthony Elementary, and Leavenworth High School.

Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program. Includes eligibility requirements, income guidelines, and application information.

ARMY MWR LIBRARY 2026 SUMMER READING PROGRAM. Includes a cartoon character and a T-Mobile logo.

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CH (MAJ) Joshua M. Portwood is a trained Pastoral Counselor in Marriage and Family Life. His formal education includes a Masters of Divinity from Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary, a Masters of Science (Marriage and Family Therapy) from Texas A&M-Central Texas, and a Doctorate of Ministry from Vanderbilt University Divinity School.

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625 Thomas Avenue



**Memorial Chapel**  
626 Scott Avenue

- PROTESTANT**
- Traditional Worship – 0830 (Children’s Church – K-5th grade)
  - Sunday School – 0945
- MULTI-CULTURAL GOSPEL**
- Sunday Worship – 1000
- CATHOLIC MASS**
- Tuesday-Friday – 1200-1230
  - Sunday Religious ED - 0810

- CATHOLIC MASS**
- Sunday – 0930
  - Sunday Religious ED - 0810
- PROTESTANT**
- Sunday School – 0945
  - Contemporary Worship – 1100 (Children’s Church – K-5th grade)

- LITURGICAL**
- Sunday Worship – 0930
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# FURNITURE DISPOSAL & DONATION GUIDE



Scan the QR code to view important information regarding furniture disposal and donations at Fort Leavenworth.



## FORT LEAVENWORTH UPPER KANSA DEMOLITION



Coming soon, more quality family housing in Fort Leavenworth!

Demolition of the Upper Kansa housing area is projected to start soon and will necessitate the closure of a small portion of Hancock Ave. Fencing will begin being installed as soon as next week from the intersection of Walker and Hancock Avenues to just before the pool parking lot (yellow section). Hancock Pool Trail/Parking Lot and 5th Artillery Rd. sidewalks will remain open.

Currently the road is expected to be closed through the summer. DPW and post leadership will monitor and evaluate the need for road closure as the project progresses.

When complete, the new Upper Kansa housing area will provide 9 townhome units serving 48 future families.

## Looking for Community? Join Campus Life Military



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Samantha Odle  
(605) 569-3820 / sodle@yfc.net



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# MILITARY FAMILY FEE WAIVER

Scouting America is committed to expanding access to Scouting for military-connected youth.

### OVERVIEW

Scouting America is waiving the **\$85 national youth registration fee** for eligible military families through a verification and code process during online registration.

- Youth members only
- New and renewing online registrations
- Funded nationally through philanthropic efforts

### ELIGIBILITY

Youth in families with current service in:

- Active Duty
- Reserve
- National Guard

### FEE COVERAGE

- \$85 National Registration Fee – Waived**

Reduced to \$0 after verification and code application. Applies only to the national fee.

### HOW IT WORKS

- National fee reduced to \$0
- Select **"Get Military Discount Code"**
- Complete verification process
- Receive code
- Enter code at checkout
- National fee reduced to \$0**

### ADDITIONAL COSTS

Local council, unit, optional add-on (e.g., Scout Life magazine), and processing fees may still apply.

Effective June 1, 2026



### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### WHO QUALIFIES?

Eligible youth in Active Duty, Reserve, or National Guard families.

#### WHY DOES THE \$85 FEE APPEAR?

The national fee appears at checkout and is removed after the verification code is applied.

#### WHAT FEES DOES THE WAIVER COVER?

The waiver applies only to the national youth registration fee. Other local, unit, optional, and processing fees may still apply.

#### IS THIS AVAILABLE FOR ALL REGISTRATIONS?

No—this waiver is available for online registrations only.



### June - July Workshops

#### Watercolor

\$30 per workshop

**Watercolor (Basic Techniques)**  
Tuesday, July 7  
9:30am - 11:30am

**Watercolor (Color Theory)**  
Tuesday, July 14  
9:30am - 11:30am

**Watercolor (Landscapes Part 1)**  
Tuesday, July 21  
9:30am - 11:30am

**Watercolor (Landscapes Part 2)**  
Tuesday, July 28  
9:30am - 11:30am

#### Calligraphy

\$20 per workshop

**Modern Calligraphy (Basic Techniques)**  
Friday, July 17  
10am - 11:30am

**Modern Calligraphy (Intermediate)**  
Friday, July 24  
10am - 11:30am

**Modern Calligraphy (Birthday Cards)**  
Friday, July 31  
10am - 11:30am

**Pre-registration required for all classes. Cost includes all supplies!**

Tues & Thurs 9am - 7pm, Wed & Fri 9am - 4pm  
4th Sat of the month 9am - 2pm  
Call now to register: (913) 684 - 3373

### Ft. Leavenworth Arts & Crafts Studio

**Paint & Sip**  
\$35  
Must be 21 years or older. BYOB

**Surf's Up**  
Friday June 5  
6pm - 8pm

**Jellyfish**  
Friday July 10  
6pm - 8pm

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leavenworth.armymwr.com   artsandcraftsfortleavenworth@gmail.com

### Pottery Studio

**Wheel Throwing (Basics)** \$45 per class  
Part 2 Tues, June 2  
6pm - 8:30pm

Part 1 Tues, June 16  
11am - 1:30am  
Part 2 Tues, June 23  
11am - 1:30pm

Part 1 Fri, June 26  
9am - 11:30am  
Part 2 Fri, July 10  
9am - 11:30am

Part 1 Sat, June 27  
10am - 12:30pm  
Part 2 Sat, July 25  
10am - 12:30pm

**Wheel Throwing (Mugs)** \$45  
Tues, June 23  
6pm - 8:30pm  
Tues, June 30  
6pm - 8:30pm

**Wheel Throwing (Berry Bowls)** \$45  
Tues, July 28  
6pm - 8:30pm

**Hand Building (Mugs)** \$35  
Tues, June 9  
9am - 11am  
Thurs, June 18  
2pm - 4pm  
Thurs, July 16  
1pm - 3pm

**Hand Building (Charcuterie Board)**  
Fri, June 5  
9am - 11am  
Thurs, June 25  
2pm - 4pm  
Thurs, July 9  
10am - 12pm  
Tues, July 21  
1pm - 3pm

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## HARROLD YOUTH CENTER'S SUMMER ADVENTURE

12 WEEKS OF FUN AND FRIENDSHIP!!!  
CAMP STARTS MAY 26TH

Join other 6th - 12th graders for a memorable summer of water play, sports games, scavenger hunts, obstacle courses, cooking, team challenges, STEM, swimming and awesome FIELD TRIPS!

**SPACE IS LIMITED**  
**SIGN UP NOW TO ENSURE YOUR SPOT**  
**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL OR STOP BY THE YOUTH CENTER**  
**(913) 684-5118**  
**45 BIDDLE BLVD**

## WORLDS OF FUN & OCEANS OF FUN

Harrold Youth Center / 45 Biddle Blvd / Ft. Leavenworth, KS / 913-684-5115

### TEEN SUMMER TRIPS

2026 Dates:  
• Friday June 12  
• Friday July 10  
• Wednesday July 15  
• Friday July 24  
• Friday August 7

Leaving from HYC at 10am, returning at 7pm  
Bring your swimsuit, sunblock, and a towel.

\$45 for each session or \$10 with a season pass (season passes can be purchased from Leisure Travel Services) includes a sack lunch, transportation, and supervision. Trips are for 6th - 12th graders who are eligible to attend the Youth Center. Registration is at HYC two days before trip.

## Summer 2026 Youth Sponsorship TEEN MEET & GREETs

New home? New friends?  
New awesome memories!  
5pm - 7pm @ HYC

12 June: Games, snacks, and music  
17 June: Music, snacks, and games  
30 June: Water balloon games, snacks, and a movie  
10 July: Bowling and pizza  
22 July: Games, snacks, and music

31 July: 4pm - 7pm  
Dashboard Tour, Tour of Ft. Leavenworth, DJ, BBQ, games

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45 Biddle Blvd  
Fort Leavenworth, KS  
913-684-5115

FREE! Open to 6th - 12 graders who are eligible to attend the Youth Center.

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## The Fort Leavenworth Frame Studio

**Custom Framing & DIY Studio**

Must complete Intro to Framing Workshop before using the DIY Frame Studio. Hourly fee applies.

Call to register or stop by the studio!

**STUDIO HOURS**  
Tuesday & Thursday  
9am - 7pm  
Wednesday & Friday  
9am - 4pm  
Every 4th Saturday  
9am - 2pm

**Come see us!**  
**Arts & Crafts Studio**  
310 McPherson Ave  
(913) 684-3373

**Intro to Framing:**  
(\$40 a class must pre-register)

Every 2nd Friday of the month from 10am - 2pm

Every 4th Saturday of the month from 10am - 2pm

Deadline to register is the day before class. Ages 18+

**The Frame Studio is available for all of your framing needs!**

Military Prints  
Art Projects  
Photography Prints  
Graduation Certificates  
Engravings/Engravings  
Restoration

## We have KC Royals Tickets for the 2026 season!

Exclusive Military Rates for tickets and parking. Ticket prices are based on tiers and vary depending on opponent.

For more info call: (913) 684-2580  
Visit Leisure Travel Services:  
310 McPherson Ave (located inside the old USB8)  
Or check out our website: Leavenworth.armymwr.com

### June - July Workshops

#### Framing

\$40 per class

**Intro to Framing**  
Friday, June 12  
Saturday, June 27  
10am - 2pm

Friday, July 10  
Saturday, July 25  
10am - 2pm

#### Crafts

\$25 per class

**Jewelry Making**  
Wednesday, June 17  
9:30am - 11am

Tuesday, June 23  
5pm - 6:30pm

**Birthday Banner**  
Wednesday, July 22  
10am - 12pm

Tues & Thurs 9am - 7pm, Wed & Fri 9am - 4pm  
Every 4th Sat of the month 9am - 2pm  
Call now to register: (913) 684-3373

### Ft. Leavenworth Arts & Crafts Studio

**OPEN STUDIO**  
Ask about our Hourly Fees

**Multi-Craft Studio**  
Great for the whole family with supplies for any craft, personalized gift, or project you have in mind!

**Painting Studio**  
Provided watercolor and acrylic supplies to create your own masterpiece.

**Framing Studio**  
Assemble your own custom frames in our DIY Studio! Must take Intro to Framing before using DIY Studio.

**Pottery/Ceramic Studio**  
We have all of the supplies you need for hand building and wheel throwing. We also offer a variety of customizable bisque pieces ready for you to glaze!

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### Kids Classes

**NEW! Pottery**  
\$20 per class (ages 7+)

**Kids Hand Building**  
Wednesday, June 10  
2pm - 3:30pm

Wednesday, June 24  
2pm - 3:30pm

Wednesday, July 8  
2pm - 3:30pm

Wednesday, July 22  
2pm - 3:30pm

**Color Me Happy**  
\$10 per class  
Parent & Toddlers

Thursdays  
June 4 & 18  
10am - 11am

Thursdays  
July 2, 16, 30  
10am - 11am

**Art History**  
\$20 per class (ages 7+)

**Rocket Pops & Ross**  
Wednesday, June 17  
1pm - 3pm

**Strawberries & Seurat**  
Wednesday, July 15  
1pm - 3pm

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Starting March 9th, 2026

## Fort Leavenworth Group Fitness Classes

**GRUBER FITNESS CENTER** - 200 Reynolds Ave. - 684-5120  
Mon-Fri: 0500-1800, Sat and Sun: 0800-1700

| Time | Monday           | Tuesday            | Wednesday           | Thursday           | Friday           | Saturday         |
|------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 0530 |                  |                    |                     |                    |                  |                  |
| 0600 |                  | Slow Flow (Leslie) |                     | Slow Flow (Leslie) |                  |                  |
| 0900 |                  |                    | Body Pump (Tara)    |                    | Body Pump (Tara) |                  |
| 1000 |                  |                    |                     |                    |                  | Power Yoga (Kim) |
| 1300 | Body Pump (Tara) |                    |                     |                    |                  |                  |
| 1630 |                  |                    | Power Cycling (Kim) | Yin Yoga (Brandie) |                  |                  |
| 1700 | Power Yoga (Kim) |                    |                     |                    |                  |                  |

**HARNEY SPORTS COMPLEX** - 185 Fourth St. - 684-2190  
Mon-Fri: 0500-1800, Sat and Sun: 0800-1700

| Time | Monday | Tuesday          | Wednesday | Thursday         | Friday | Saturday |
|------|--------|------------------|-----------|------------------|--------|----------|
| 0800 |        |                  |           |                  |        |          |
| 1630 |        | *Power Cut (Kim) |           | *Power Cut (Kim) |        |          |

\*Power Cut classes are held in the Bubble Gym

**Single Ticket For \$5.00**  
**10 Tickets For \$45.00**  
**20 Tickets For \$80.00**

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## Independent Instructor Class Schedule

**Gruber Fitness Center**

| Monday | Tuesday                       | Wednesday | Thursday                      | Friday |
|--------|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|--------|
|        | Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu 1830-1930 |           | Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu 1830-1930 |        |
|        | Taekwondo 1800-1900 1900-2000 |           | Taekwondo 1800-1900 1900-2000 |        |

Jiu-Jitsu 1 x a week - \$60 2 x a week - \$75 3 x a week - \$85 Drop in \$20  
First class is FREE!  
Taekwondo \$65 per month 2x a week - \$10 single class  
Must have 24 hour access to gym. Classes are 18+ Register in person

**Harney Sports Complex**

| Monday                                               | Tuesday | Wednesday                                            | Thursday | Friday                   |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------|------------------------------------------------------|----------|--------------------------|
| Weight Lifting 0900-1015                             |         | Weight Lifting 0900-1015                             |          | Weight Lifting 0900-1015 |
| Youth Olympic Lifting 1600-1700 1700-1800 Bubble Gym |         | Youth Olympic Lifting 1600-1700 1700-1800 Bubble Gym |          |                          |

Weight Lifting - \$75 (3 days) \$70 (2 days) \$10 (drop in)  
Youth Olympic Lifting - \$75 (NO drop in)  
First class is FREE! Weight Lifting is for 18+

Harney Sports Complex & Aquatics Center  
185 Fourth St.  
Ft. Leavenworth, KS  
913-684-2190

Gruber Fitness Center  
320 Pope Ave  
Ft. Leavenworth, KS  
913-684-5120

## Youth Sports & Fitness Camps

Registration starts April 13!

**FITNESS**  
June 8 - 11  
Cost \$40

**Age Groups**   **Time**

5 - 8 yrs   0900-1000  
9 - 14 yrs   1000-1100

**BASEBALL**  
July 13 - 16  
Cost \$40

**Age Groups**   **Time**

5 - 8 yrs   0900-1000  
9 - 10 yrs   1000-1100  
11 - 14 yrs   1300-1400

**BASKETBALL**  
July 20 - 23  
Cost \$40

**Age Groups**   **Time**

5 - 8 yrs   0900-1000  
9 - 10 yrs   1000-1100  
11 - 14 yrs   1300-1400

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### CHALLENGER SPORTS SOCCER CAMP

Camps run Monday - Friday  
June 1 - 5 / July 6 - 10 / July 27 - July 31

**Age Groups**   **Time**   **Cost**

3 - 4 yrs   0900-1000   \$110  
5 - 6 yrs   1030-1200   \$125  
7 - 9 yrs   0900-1200   \$165  
10 - 14   0900-1200   \$165

Enrollments will end on the first day of each camp. Challenger Sports Soccer Camp enrollments can be done at any CYS location. Fitness, Baseball, and Basketball Camp enrollments can be completed at any CYS location or with Webtrac if participant is centrally registered.

Call 913-684-7525 / 7526 for more information

## SKIES

Instructional Catalog for Classes  
Summer 2026

Registration opens April 13 @ 9am\*  
Open House July 30 @ 5:30pm

**We're on the way!**

Patch Community Center  
320 Pope Ave  
Fort Leavenworth, KS

For more info on SKIES call:  
913-684-3207  
or text:  
913-704-7595

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# MUNSON NOTES

## MUNSON NOTICES

■ In observance of the Independence Day federal holiday, **MUNSON ARMY HEALTH CENTER WILL BE CLOSED JULY 3**. After hours and on federal holidays, beneficiaries can call the MHS Nurse Advice Line at 1-800-TRICARE (874-2273). Nursing staff who support the NAL phone lines can assist beneficiaries with non-life-threatening medical concerns and provide further guidance. Beneficiaries experiencing a medical emergency, such a severe shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, should call 911.

■ The Fort Leavenworth **ARMED FORCES WELLNESS CENTER IS TEMPORARILY CLOSED** while the program relocates from Eisenhower Hall to a new space within Munson Army Health Center. The Armed Forces Wellness Center is scheduled to reopen June 29.

■ Service members, retirees, family members and Department of Defense federal employees on Fort Leavenworth are **ELIGIBLE TO USE THE ARMED FORCES WELLNESS CENTER FOR FREE**. This includes physical fitness testing, body composition analysis, stress management, improving sleep habits and individual health coaching. You set the goals; the AFWC staff puts you on the path to achieving them. Programs are individualized to address your current needs, motivation and confidence level. Visit the Fort Leavenworth AFWC after June 29 at Munson Army Health Center or call 913-758-3403 to schedule an appointment. The health educators are also available to go mobile, taking their class to units or organizations on post and family readiness groups. To learn more about AFWC services visit <https://dvidshub.net/r/8wttlf>.

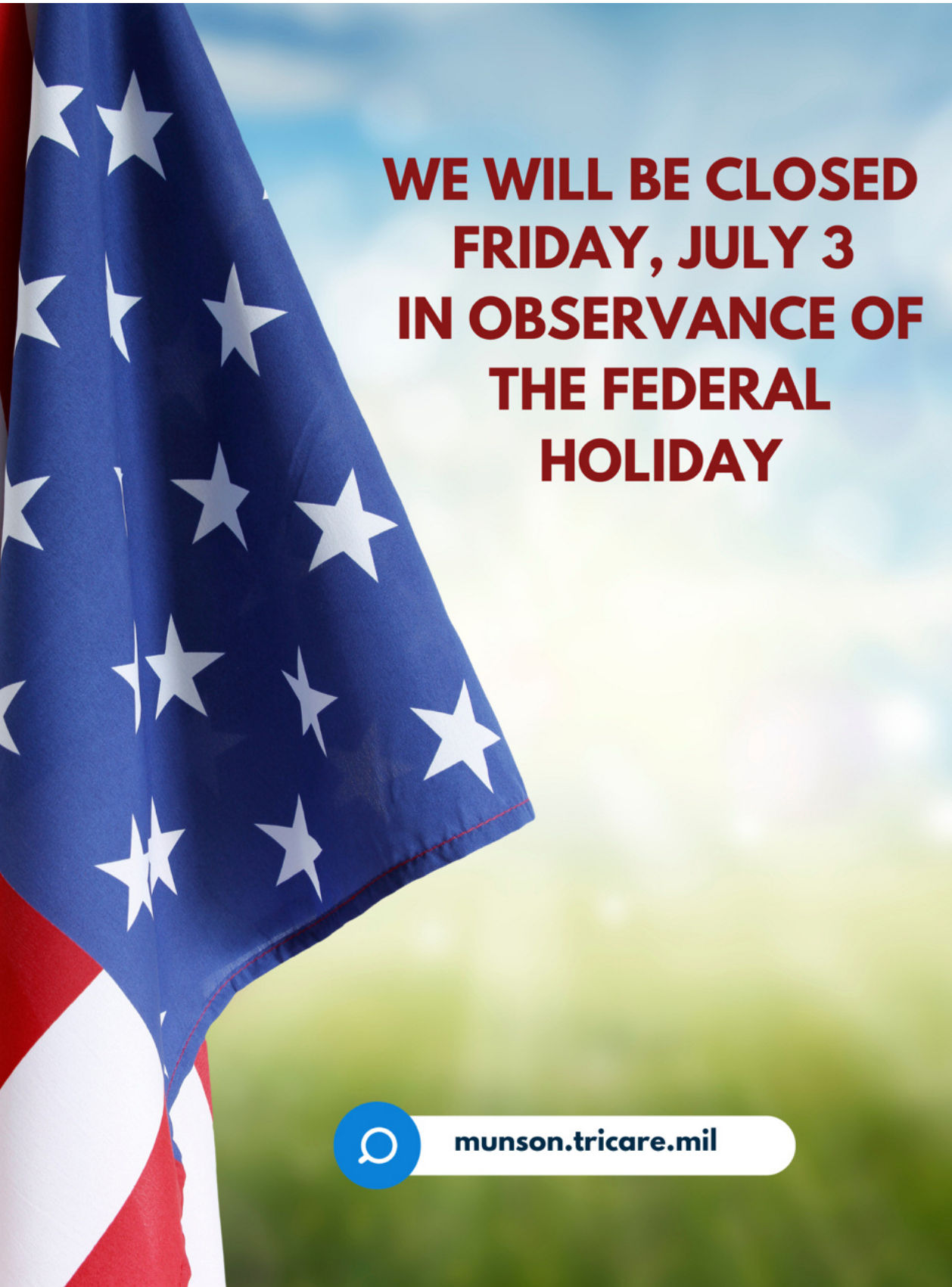
■ Munson Army Health Center is now booking **SCHOOL PHYSICALS for STUDENTS ENTERING PRE-KINDERGARTEN OR KINDERGARTEN in KANSAS** for the first time. Scheduling early helps ensure your child is ready for the school year and avoids the post-PCS season rush. Who needs a physical? Students ages 9 or younger who are new to Kansas schools. Call 913-684-6250 to schedule. (Note: Missouri schools only require proof of immunization.) Sports physicals are not yet available. If you are PCSing out of state, wait to schedule your physical until you arrive at your new duty station, as requirements vary by state.

■ In the event a **TORNADO WARNING** is issued on Fort Leavenworth, and the order is given to take shelter, Munson Army Health Center staff will evacuate patients and visitors to the basement level for their safety. MAHC, at 550 Pope Ave., as well as the Lewis and Clark Center on Stimson Avenue and the Single Soldier Quarters on Cody Road, are opened to the public as **STORM SHELTERS** during tornado watches. In the event a tornado watch is activated after duty hours, Medical Department Activity personnel will open the health center for those needing shelter and remain open until all watches or warnings are lifted.

■ Munson Army Health Center offers **CAR SEAT SAFETY CHECKS** by appointment to help give you peace of mind every time you hit the road. Our trained staff will walk you through proper installation, answer your questions and ensure your child is riding as safely as possible. Appointments take just 15–20 minutes. Call 913-684-6604 to schedule.

■ The **MUNSON ARMY HEALTH CENTER PATIENT AND FAMILY PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL** meets quarterly at MAHC. The PFPC captures voices and insights of patients and families to improve the patient care experience. The council is composed of volunteers who represent the interests of patients who receive care from MAHC. Volunteers can be active-duty, active-duty family member, retirees or retiree family members. Call 913-684-6211 or e-mail [usarmy.leavenworth.medcom-mahc.mbx.patient-advocate@health.mil](mailto:usarmy.leavenworth.medcom-mahc.mbx.patient-advocate@health.mil) if interested in participating.

■ Your health is our priority. Talk to your provider at Munson Army Health Center about the **HPV VACCINE** and the best **CERVICAL CANCER SCREENING** plan for you. You can schedule an appointment by calling the appointment line at 913-684-6250.



## WE WILL BE CLOSED FRIDAY, JULY 3 IN OBSERVANCE OF THE FEDERAL HOLIDAY



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