

Community concerns heard, information shared during forum

by Prudence Siebert/Editor

Installation leaders briefed on Garrison organizations and listened to the questions and concerns of audience members during the Community Information Forum Sept. 2 at the Frontier Conference Center.

“This is a two-way street tonight,” said Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Special Events Coordinator Zach Stephens, who served as the forum moderator. “It’s an opportunity for our organizations on post to put out what is going on here, what’s important to the community, but just as importantly, it’s a chance for you to ask questions, give us feedback, give us comments, compliments or anywhere in between.”

Stephens said feedback is important and that the questions and concerns brought up that evening would be evaluated and followed up on later, as needed.

“This is the first time we’re doing this since I’ve been in Garrison command, and I think it’s been a while since we’ve done an event like this,” Fort Leavenworth Garrison Commander Col. Todd Sunday said. “The intent for this tonight is to give another opportunity for people from the community to interact with us so we can get information out, share what’s going on, and then also get some feedback directly from you all.”

Sunday said that Fort Leavenworth supports Combined Arms Command’s mission, and that part of the Garrison’s mission is elevating quality of life and strengthening the infrastructure for the future.



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As Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Special Events Coordinator Zach Stephens moderates, Fort Leavenworth Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. David Franks and Fort Leavenworth Garrison Commander Col. Todd Sunday address audience members’ questions and concerns while Acting Deputy to the Garrison Commander Dale Cleland makes note of each issue during the Community Information Forum Sept. 2 at the Frontier Conference Center. The next Community Information Forum will be at 5:30 p.m. Dec. 2 at the FCC.

“We know we have some of the oldest inventory in both housing and government buildings and office space, and so that comes with a lot of money and responsibilities, and so we’re dedicated in doing what we can to make sure that that infrastructure preserves its historic legacy and goes well into the future,” he said.



Post resident retired Navy Chief Petty Officer Joe Henderson shares his concerns with the Garrison Command Team about the degraded road condition at Iowa Avenue due to yearlong Child Development Center construction traffic and the dangerous current trend of children speeding on e-bikes and scooters during the Community Information Forum Sept. 2 at the Frontier Conference Center.

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AT A GLANCE

- Unified School District 207’s annual **FREEDOM WALK** is at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 11 at Normandy Field, the track by the district office. The annual event commemorates Sept. 11, 2001. See pages A2-3 for USD 207 **student essays**, and pages A4-5 for a sampling of the *Fort Leavenworth Lamp’s* 9/11 coverage from 25 years ago.
- A **9/11 REMEMBRANCE PRAYER SERVICE** will be at 12:30 p.m. Sept. 11 in Memorial Chapel.
- **INTRO TO FRAMING** is offered from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 11 and again Sept. 26 at the Arts and Crafts Studio. Call 913-684-3373 or e-mail ArtsAndCrafts-FortLeavenworth@gmail.com to register.
- **JEWISH HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES** are being offered in person and via Zoom at Beit-Echad in St. Joseph, Missouri, starting Sept. 11 through Sept. 21. See page A2 for more information.
- The **POSTWIDE YARD SALE** is Sept. 12 at housing across post, as well as in the old Bell Hall parking lot.
- Fort Leavenworth Frontier Heritage Communities is partnering with City Union Mission for **DONATION PICK-UPS** on Sept. 12. To request a pick-up, fill out the form at <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLS-fONTR3qnnisbW0q7lQoaM3g2BPcWmGtzUm-bZcML39Xa1sUgA/viewform> by noon on Sept. 11.
- The **FORT LEAVENWORTH THRIFT SHOP** at

- 1025 Sheridan Drive will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sept. 12. For more information, call 913-651-6768.
- **MILITARY LIVING HISTORY DAY** is 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 12 at the Frontier Army Museum. For more information, contact 610-340-2750 or jonathon.krisko@gmail.com.
 - The **OPERATION DEPLOY YOUR DRESS SEASON OPENER** is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. by appointment and from 2-4 p.m. for walk-ins Sept. 12 and from 12:30-4:30 p.m. Sept. 13 at the Resiliency Center, room 106. E-mail odydfllsc@gmail.com for more information. Open to service members and dependents; military ID is necessary.
 - The **SEND OFF TO SUMMER PARTY** is 4-7 p.m. Sept. 12 at Harrold Youth Center. Event is \$10 for sixth-through 12-graders. Call 913-684-5115 by Sept. 11 to register.
 - The **RUN/WALK FOR THE FALLEN** is at 8 a.m. Sept. 19 outside the Resiliency Center.
 - **RETIREE APPRECIATION DAY** starts at 8 a.m. Sept. 26 at the Lewis and Clark Center. See related article on page A6.
 - The adjusted Fort Leavenworth **MOTORCYCLE SAFETY FOUNDATION COURSE** dates are Sept. 29-30 for the **Basic Rider Course** and Sept. 22 for the **Ad-**

- vanced Rider Course**. To register or for more information, visit https://home.army.mil/leavenworth/6117/8516/3352/FY26_FLKS_MSFCourse_FY26.pdf.
- The east entrance from Kansas Avenue into the Shoppette and the north entrance into the Burger King parking lot are closed for construction. **All traffic is to use the WEST ENTRANCE from Kansas Avenue and the SOUTH ENTRANCE into the Burger King parking lot.**
 - Fort Leavenworth community members are invited to join a volunteer **RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD** to discuss environmental restoration efforts that become part of an Installation Restoration Program. To volunteer or for more information, e-mail larry.m.molder.civ@army.mil, marc.c.petrequin.civ@army.mil or melissa.a.dowling4.ctr@army.mil by Oct. 10. To read the full public notice, visit https://home.army.mil/leavenworth/2217/8898/3529/Fort_Leavenworth_RAB_Solicitation_082026.pdf
 - **CALL 911 FOR EMERGENCIES** and 913-684-2111 to report non-emergencies. Call 911 if in doubt about which number is most appropriate to use.
 - The *Fort Leavenworth Lamp* welcomes contributions from **VOLUNTEER WRITERS** and **PHOTOGRAPHERS** and offers **STUDENT INTERNSHIPS**. E-mail ftvlampeditor@gmail.com for more information.

‘What Freedom Means to Me’

Students to share thoughts on freedom on 25th anniversary of terrorist attacks

STUDENT ESSAYS

Editor’s note: The selected essays below will be read aloud by their authors, who represent each of the post’s four schools, during the Unified School District 207’s annual Freedom Walk at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 11 at Normandy Field.

What Freedom Means to Me
Aiden Wade/Patton Junior High School Ninth-Grader

My dad, like many soldiers, has gone to war, fought for the country and served. Some have even died defending us. Many generations before ours have marched out to war in honor of what we can call freedom, and our own definition of freedom, giving us the chances and opportunities to be ourselves, to make our own choices and to chase our goals and dreams.

This freedom that we have now has its own special meaning, its own special feeling and its own history that we can be proud of as Americans. Even its own way of bringing many different people together, even through happiness or even heartbreak, like what happened on (Sept. 11, 2001) many years ago. A tragic event, where heartbreak was at its most, but it showed how Americans, and freedom, brought people together to help each other through it all and continue to persevere.

Now, as a day in remembrance, we can proudly stand here and celebrate our freedom together, united because of the beautiful history we’ve created together.

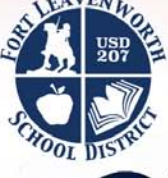
As a young person in the United States, a lot of us strive to be different and unique. A lot of us strive to stand out or express ourselves freely, whether it’s fashion, hobbies or music. Thanks to our shared connection and our beautiful history of freedom, we’re allowed to express ourselves how we want, and express ourselves and our individuality due to the liberty we have.

A man named Robert Frost said, “Freedom lies in being bold.” This just shows how freedom is about being proud of, not only yourself, but also the country’s past, the community and perseverance of past Americans. It’s important to be bold with yourself and the way you choose to express that. Sometimes, freedom is standing out of the crowd boldly.

Along with freedom to be yourself, freedom also means you can make your own choices, choose your own path in life, and be your own individual person. Whether it’s choosing how you want to spend your day tomorrow, or what kind of person you want to be, we have the freedom to choose for ourselves and our lives.

Personally, this is so important to me, because we as a community can come together and make decisions, like when people vote, or we come together to help a community impacted by a tornado or flood. Together our decisions and choices, individually and collectively as a large

FORT LEAVENWORTH KANSAS
USD 207



Freedom Walk

SEPTEMBER 11, 2026

9:30 AM AT THE USD 207 TRACK AND FIELD COMPLEX

Students and staff of USD 207
Fort Leavenworth invite you to attend our annual Freedom Walk.

Started in 2005 by the Pentagon, Freedom walks remember the tragedy of September 11, 2001, honor those who lost their lives, and recognize the valor of all first responders.

We celebrate our heroes, the dedicated servicemen and women protecting and serving us, and we continue to thank them for their service to our country.

Students are encouraged to proudly wear red, white, and blue to school on September 11, 2026.

community, are truly impactful and strong, all because of the freedom to make these choices. Like how a house is built, our actions, choices and the freedom we have become the foundation. We became the building blocks, and together we’ve built a beautiful building with our own amazing definition of freedom and the feeling along with it.

Having that freedom to make our own choices and choose the person you want to be comes along with the choice of goals and dreams, how you pursue them, how you fulfill them, and your life alongside them. Whether you

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Jewish High Holiday services offered at sister congregation in St. Joseph, MO

by Jonathan Freiden/Jewish Distinctive Religious Group Leader

To the Jewish Fort Leavenworth community,

Below, please find information regarding High Holiday Services, both in person and via Zoom, available at our sister congregation Beit-Echad in St. Joseph, Missouri. This year, we will not be hosting a rabbi on Fort Leavenworth. It is our goal to bring a rabbi and/or clergy for services on post next year.

If you would like to attend a more religious congregation in Kansas City, I’m

happy to arrange for anyone interested.

Rosh Hashanah

- 7 p.m. Sept. 11, service and desert reception. Zoom available.
- 9:30 a.m. Sept. 12, shortened prayer service with Rabbi Rudnick, discuss and study Torah. (No Shofar.) Zoom available.
- Noon Sept. 12, Tashlich at the pond behind Beit-Echad
- 6 p.m. Sept. 12, Service and visit with Rabbi Rudnick. Zoom available.
- 9:30 a.m. Sept. 13, regular Rosh Hashanah service with Rabbi Rudnick. Zoom available.
- 6 p.m. Sept. 18, Shabbat Shuvah - the

Sabbath of Return with Rabbi Padorr, with dinner. Zoom available.

- 10 a.m. Sept. 19, Shir l'Shabbat with Rabbi Padorr and Cantor Anna Jaffe, with breakfast. Zoom available.

Yom Kippur

- 6 p.m. Sept. 20, Kol Nidrei with Rabbi Rudnick. Zoom available.
- 9:30 a.m. Sept. 21, opening prayers, Torah service and Yizkor memorials with Rabbi Rudnick. Zoom available.
- 5 p.m. Sept. 21, short Torah service with study session with Rabbi Rudnick. Zoom available.
- 7 p.m. Sept. 21, Ne'ilah/Havdalah serv-

ice and Break the Fast with Rabbi Rudnick. Zoom available.

All meals are sponsored by the Beit Echad Sisterhood. Donations are welcome.

To join a Zoom meeting, visit <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86203071100?pwd=fncjMrXyHBfh1k5kx1AyKce2vWn-WbI.1> or go to Zoom.us and click “Join Meeting” using meeting ID 862 0307 1100 and passcode 157777.

For more information, including the latest newsletter with expanded details, or if you have any questions, call 913-963-2646 or e-mail jfreiden@me.com.

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Soldiers unfurl Old Glory in front of a nationwide television audience during a ceremony in remembrance of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks during the Chiefs versus the New York Giants game Sept. 23, 2001, in Kansas City, Missouri. Soldiers who participated were from the 705th Military Police Battalion, Medical Department Activity and the Command and General Staff Officer Course.

strive to be a teacher, an astronaut, a soldier or whatever job you dream of, we have the beautiful opportunity to chase those dreams and fulfill them. You’re allowed to chase any goals you have, like going to college or university, playing your favorite sports competitively, or opening a small business. Our freedom allows us to do all of those things. Because of the hard work of past veterans, our communities can come together to fulfill goals and work hard toward them together.

Overall, the freedom we have with the community we’ve built around it is a beautiful thing that I, and we, should be very grateful for. It means so many things, like the freedom to be yourself, make your own choices, and chase your own dreams and goals.

What Freedom Means to Me

by Sadie Yanikov/Eisenhower Elementary School Fifth-Grader

My name is Sadie, I’m a fifth-grader at Eisenhower, and I am a proud military kid.

When I think about freedom, I think about being able to make choices, speak my mind and be myself.

But as a military kid, freedom means even more to me because it means knowing people are willing to work hard, make sacrifices and even be away from their families for a very long time. After I was born, my dad went away for a long time on a deployment. And since then he has gone away even more.

To me freedom is not just about soldiers or flags, it is about everyday things.

It means listening to others, saying what you think, participating in activities you like and expressing yourself.

People like my dad help provide freedom for us.

I still don’t understand why he goes away sometimes, I just know he tells me (it’s) because he’s helping people that can’t help themselves or there (are) bad people out there doing mean things to nice people.

Freedom is not just something that happens. You have to work for freedom, even when it’s hard.

I may be only a fifth-grader, but I understand that freedom is not easy. I understand that it should be appreciated, protected and never forgotten.

What Freedom Means to Me

by Evan Douglass/Bradley Elementary School Fifth-Grader

To me freedom means to be allowed to do what you want to do, say what you want to say and believe what you want to believe.

To be allowed to do what we want can look different to different people. But to me it means to be educated. Because some people around the world legally can’t be. To me freedom also means to be allowed to go where you want because some people in different countries aren’t allowed to. For example, in some countries it isn’t legal for women to be educated so they can’t go to school. Some countries don’t let you practice the religion that you want. Like Ann Frank in Amsterdam, she and her family hid in an attic making little noise for months to escape her government that didn’t like her religion.

Freedom of speech is the next form of freedom that I would like to talk about. In some countries you are not allowed to speak out against your leader. In other countries the government even controls the media. Then their citizens can be tricked into thinking what the government wants them to think, so they can’t speak up for themselves.

The last thing that I want to talk about is our beliefs. In the United States you can believe whatever you want. But in some different countries they only let you be certain religions. Those countries and their governments would make you believe what they want you to believe. And I don’t think that is right.

Freedom is important to me because it lets me do what I want to do, say what I want to say and lets me believe what I want to believe. I believe everyone should be allowed to have these forms of freedom.

What Freedom Means to Me

by Sumi Bart/MacArthur Elementary School Fifth-Grader

When I was asked “what freedom means to me,” I answered that freedom means being able to be myself and being able to say what I want, do what I want, wear what I want and be friends with who I want.

With that much freedom there is also some responsibility, like being honest. For example, if my mom or dad ask if I did my chores and I didn’t, I have to own it and tell the

truth.

Freedom also means being able to share my ideas. I can’t change what other people think, but I can control how I think and I do have to listen to what others think is perfect, whatever they want. My perfect nation is everyone being equally prioritized because not one person matters more than another.

I once thought about how glad I was that we have freedom of religion, and I remember not quite understanding what it meant. Now I do understand because I have read about people like Anne Frank, who stood up for their religion when they were judged or forced away from their lives.

When I think about the men and women who lost their lives for strangers, I never actually consider how much courage and responsibility it takes to do something like that. I know I wouldn’t be able to do that.

Now I want to think about all of the nurses and doctors (who) work every day to keep people safe because they care.

“Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.” — Theodore Roosevelt. I love this quote because it tells all of us that we all have a choice to make a difference. It also means acting right away, not when you think is best suited.

I also want to thank educators like my mom for going to school every day to teach people. Malala Yousafzai once said, “One child, one teacher, one book, one pen can change the world.” This quote means education is a strong tool for the future, and even if we can’t change the future, we can impact the future.

Events can also impact the future the way (Sept. 11, 2001) did. It is why we’re here. If you think about the modern United States, you don’t think about all of the people who made it possible, like our founding fathers George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Alexander Hamilton, John Jay and James Madison. Our founding fathers fought for our freedom, and today we celebrate that.

Before I finish I want to thank some people who helped me with encouragement: my brother Tsion; my friends Hana, Caleb, Ava, Maddie, Gracie, Penny; my family; my neighbor Ms. Sam; and my awesome teacher Ms. Jostlein.

Thank you for listening to what I had to say. That is what freedom means to me.



Weston Historical Museum America 250 Signature Event

Adams, Jefferson, and the Legacy of the Founders
Founding fathers John Adams and Thomas Jefferson had differing views about governing, and they contributed generously to the nation. Both left important legacies for the United States.

Thursday, September 24
5:30 reception; 6-8 p.m. program

Location: Weston United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 533 Main Street, Weston, MO 64098

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Clay Bauske, President of the Weston Historical Museum





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Remembering Sept. 11, 2001

Lamp coverage from 25 years ago offers glimpse of how 9/11 affected community

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Quick response secures, protects post

by Bob Kerr/Then-Command Information Officer

FORT LEAVENWORTH, Kansas (Sept. 13, 2001) — Life changed on Fort Leavenworth and throughout the United States within hours of the terrorist hijackings and attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon Tuesday (Sept. 11, 2001) morning.

Immediate force protection steps were taken to secure the fort and limit access to only authorized personnel. Barricades were set up at the Grant Avenue and Hancock Avenue gates and Military Police began checking the identification and of everyone entering post.

“I know the controlled access is causing delays and inconvenience, but I ask for your patience and cooperation during this necessary procedure,” said Col. Kurt McNeely, Fort Leavenworth Garrison commander, in a statement broadcast Wednesday (Sept. 12, 2001) on cable channel 25. “Be assured we are doing everything we can to protect you — the employees and residents of Fort Leavenworth — during this time.”

The Grant Avenue gate is the only gate open 24 hours. The Hancock Avenue gate is open weekdays from 6-10 a.m. and 3-7 p.m. The U.S. Disci-

plinary Farm gate, on the northeast portion of post, is permanently closed.

Buildings on post have been secured, and people must show proper identification to gain access. Several roads and parking lots are also closed.

All Fort Leavenworth personnel are advised to check cable channel 25, the Commander’s Channel, for the latest information on closures, cancellations and changes. Personnel living in Leavenworth and in the post housing areas with digital cable service can check cable channel 2 for updates.

Fort Leavenworth schools and the Command and General Staff College — including the Command and General Staff Officer Course, the Combined Arms and Services Staff School, the School for Command Preparation and the School for Advanced Military Studies — were closed Wednesday (Sept. 12, 2001), but resumed classes today (Sept. 13, 2001).

Patton Junior High School sports and other youth sports events are cancelled this week (2001). The Military Family Member Scholarship Fund rug sale, scheduled for Saturday and Sunday (Sept. 15-16, 2001), is cancelled. “Know Your World — Australia,”



File photo by Prudence Siebert/Fort Leavenworth Lamp

Spc. Robert Taylor, 500th Military Police Detachment, waves a visually inspected car onto post Sept. 11, 2001. The post responded to the World Trade Center and other attacks with a ThreatCon Delta alert, putting the highest security measures into practice. Prior to that day, Fort Leavenworth had been an open post with no controlled access gate.



Spc. Dustin Hooker and Pfc. Matthew Spawn, 500th Military Police Detachment, inspect the inside of a vehicle entering post the afternoon of Sept. 11, 2001. The post responded to the World Trade Center and Pentagon attacks with an immediate increase in security measures to protect the post and personnel.

File photo by Prudence Siebert/Fort Leavenworth Lamp

scheduled for today (Sept. 13, 2001), is cancelled. Also cancelled are the Air Force Ball, Havana Beach Club’s Oktoberfest, the Home and Home Golf Match with Offutt Air Force Base, and the Co-op Handicapped Children’s Swimming program, all scheduled for Friday (Sept. 14, 2001).

The U.S. Disciplinary Barracks Car

Wash and USDB Barber Shop are closed until further notice.

The Child Development Center, School Age Services, Harrold Youth Center and all Morale, Recreation and Welfare activities remain open. For information on MWR events and activities, call 684-1666 or watch channel 25 for updates.

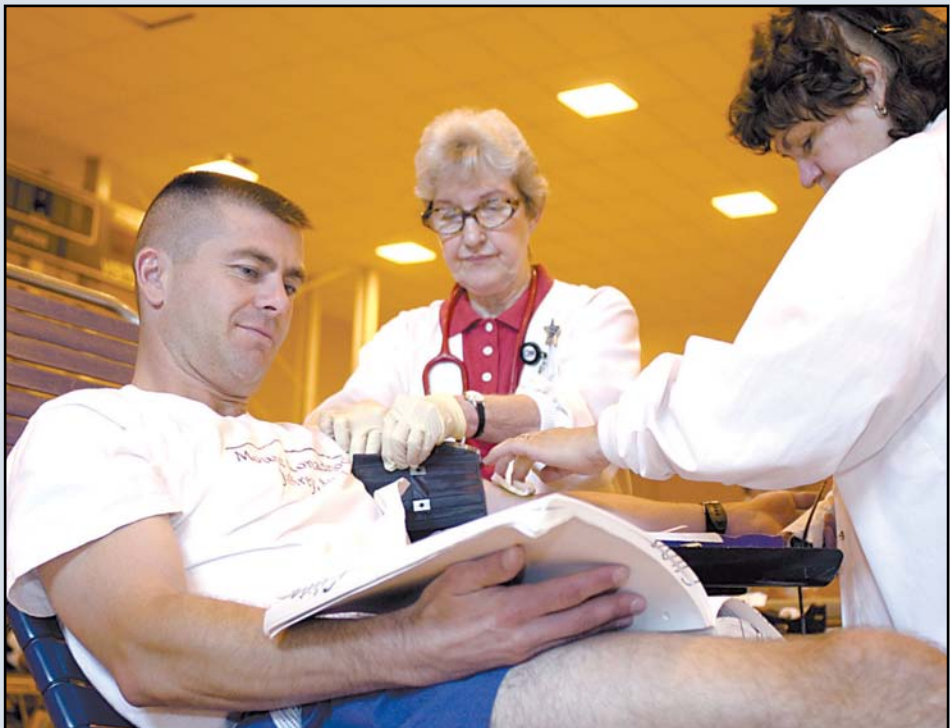


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Evan Ting hangs a flag in front of his home on Hancock Avenue Sept. 13, 2001, mirroring the spirit of his neighbors. Many homes on post displayed the symbol of American pride and unity after the terrorism attacks in New York and Washington, D.C., on Sept. 11, 2001, and many area stores sold out of flags.

Maj. Mark Deschenes studies for one of his Command and General Staff College classes while registered nurse Rosemary Berberick and licensed practical nurse Delia Podjio of Community Blood Center finish the blood donation procedure at Gruber Fitness Center Sept. 14, 2001. More than 100 people donated blood during the drive.

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‘Unbelievable’ Post residents respond to attacks

by Diane Alpeter/Then-Lamp Staff Writer

FORT LEAVENWORTH, Kansas (Sept. 13, 2001) — Images of billowing smoke, crumbling buildings and sheer devastation flooded television and radio airways Tuesday (Sept. 11, 2001) after targets in New York and Washington, D.C., were attacked. News reports indicated terrorists were responsible for attacks.

Some Fort Leavenworth residents said the attacks would forever change the nation.

“Our country will never be the same again,” said Kellie Yancey, post resident and Fort Leavenworth Spouses’ Club president. “This was a blatant attack against everything we hold dear. It will change our awareness of freedom and how we view other countries from now on. Nationally, I think people are just numb.”

“I am pretty numb,” said Pam Swinford, a two-year resident of post. “To me, this is Pearl Harbor all over again. My first reaction was, this must be what people felt like when Pearl Harbor happened.”

While many sat in disbelief of the day’s events, others were overcome with worry about friends and relatives who may have been affected by the blasts.

“We are now waiting to hear from friends of ours at the Pentagon,” said post resident Michelle Bickell. “We want to see if everyone is okay. The whole thing is unreal. It is inconceivable a thing like this could happen.”

While many were in shock from the attack, others said they knew terrorism was in the country’s future, but were still taken by surprise.

“I am overwhelmed and surprised,” said Maj. Bob Hanley, a Command and General Staff Officer Course student. “There has always been a threat of a terrorist act, but I didn’t think it would be of this magnitude. We live in a sheltered world in the United States.”

While officials do try to prevent terrorism, Maj. Mike Busted, CGSOC student, said there is only so much human intelligence can do.

Remembering Sept. 11, 2001

Post residents respond to attacks

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“It is not a perfect world,” he said. “There is so much sorrow about the whole thing, I don’t really know the words to express — it is almost disbelief. Back in ’93 to a certain extent, we knew there were targets terrorists would like to hit. But, if a terrorist is determined enough, you are not going to be able to thwart their efforts.”

As a result of the terrorism, many emergency personnel died trying to save those in danger.

“These firefighters probably knew the cards were stacked against them,” said post Assistant Fire Chief Mike Kuk. “When they became firefighters they took an oath saying they will lay down their life to save another. Nowhere in America has there been more evidence of the firefighter’s oath being upheld. No matter how much we train as firefighters and emergency personnel, it goes to show you the world can be an unsafe place.”

Lt. Col. Harry Argo, with the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army, said he hopes the attack will wake up Americans.

“My hope is this event will snap people into reality,” he said. “We live in a real world with life and death. Too many people are glued to the box. This world is not about just being entertained with media.”

Entertainment media did come to mind for many as they watched the day’s events unfold.

“This is just unbelievable, it is like being in a movie,” Bickell said.

All of the disbelief causes frustration and sorrow.

“I am mad,” said Spc. Jesse Cooke of Dental Activity. “This is just stupid. Lives got lost — it is just hard to put into words how I feel.”



File photos by Prudence Siebert/Fort Leavenworth Lamp

Sgt. 1st Class Kathleen Joseph watches the latest news on the World Trade Center attack on CNN in the Chaplain's Office and Public Affairs Office breakroom in Garrison Headquarters Sept. 11, 2001.



Maj. Denis Carrier reads while waiting with a long line of other motorists for gasoline on post Sept. 11, 2001. Military Police directed traffic into the PX Service Station from both directions on Kansas Avenue. Nationwide concern over the threat of shortages due to the attacks on America caused long lines, and inflated gas prices at some off-post stations, that afternoon and evening.

Community voices

Saying thanks should not be the exception

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by Sgt. William Boldt/Then-Lamp Editor

FORT LEAVENWORTH, Kansas (Sept. 20, 2001) Through the past week, I’ve watched the reaction of the public to the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

Americans, I believe, are patriotic. We have a lot of national pride.

Still, the reaction of the public to last week’s tragedy has been remarkable.

Take, for instance, the renewed interest in displaying our national colors. Tune the television to any baseball game. There’s the crowd, all waving Old Glory. Take a drive around the Greater Kansas City area. There are flags everywhere. A number of people have complained to me that they can’t buy a flag. The stores are sold out.

But it’s not just the flags.

I live south of Fort Leavenworth in Johnson County. Military uniforms aren’t as common there as they are in the Leavenworth area. I’ve always been a curiosity in my neighborhood, subject to stares when I stopped to get gas on the way to work. The past week has brought even more interest and outbreaks of spontaneous patriotism. Last week, I stopped at a fast food place in my uniform on the way home. It was last Wednesday (Sept. 12, 2001) night, and the paper was later than normal because of the breaking news. When I got back in my car, a woman knocked on my window, smiled a toothy smile and flashed me a thumbs-up sign.

Tuesday (Sept. 18, 2002) night, I stopped at a grocer on the way home, again in my uniform. Walking through the juice aisle, a woman stopped me.

“I noticed that you’re in the Army,” she said, “and I just wanted to say thank you.”

Both times, I was at a loss for a reply. But Tuesday night, I began to think about these events. I think it’s a shame.

The increased patriotism isn’t a shame. I applaud the people who are installing flag

poles on their houses. I say, let’s show our appreciation to everyone who serves our country and communities.

I think it’s a shame that this patriotism isn’t there all the time. I think it’s a shame that it took a tragedy like this to evoke the increased national pride that I see now.

I’m as guilty as anyone. We in the military tend to show our patriotism more often, but I can’t remember the last time I thanked someone for serving.

I’d like to take this opportunity to thank them now.

To the post senior leaders, thank you for serving. I don’t know everything that it takes to run Fort Leavenworth. I wonder now if any of you have slept this last week. Or have you spent sleepless nights worrying that you’ve done everything you could to keep our post safe from attack?

Thank you to the Military Police for standing in the rain for hours to guard our gates. I’ve talked to a few of them the last week, and I know the hours that they’ve had to work. It hasn’t gone completely unnoticed.

Thanks to all the civilians who work on this post. To the ones who make sure I get paid. To the ones who make sure our roads are repaired. To the ones who make sure my e-mail gets through.

Thank you to all the soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines guarding our country. To those deployed to protect freedom across the world. To those who are on alert as a result of this tragedy.

To the firefighters and police officers who keep my house safe, another thank you.

I’m making it a personal goal to thank someone every day for serving our country and community, because it’s a shame that it takes a tragedy like this to bring us all together.

It would be a bigger shame if we forgot.



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Directorate of Installation Support employee Rock Peters moves cement barricades in front of Hancock Gate Sept. 13, 2001, after 7 p.m. In addition to securing the gate each evening, DIS assisted with the increased security measures by moving trash bins away from buildings, making and placing metal-cross hedgehog barricades around post, and providing a bus route for people parking at the Frontier Conference Center.



ABOVE: Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Bill Carey and Chaplain (Maj.) Dan Minjares lead singing of the “Battle Hymn of the Republic” during a memorial service for victims of the terrorist attacks Sept. 14, 2001, at Main Post Chapel. LEFT: Post Commissary Officer Glenie Morris-Klubeck wipes away a tear before she and her husband, Joseph Klubeck, PX Service Station employee, join guests following their wedding at the Commissary Sept. 17, 2001. The couple had planned a courthouse wedding, but rather than cancel due to work obligations since 9/11, they opted for a ceremony at work.

Retiree Appreciation Day is Sept. 26

by Christina Yager/Munson Army Health Center Public Affairs Officer

Munson Army Health Center will join Fort Leavenworth organizations and community partners in supporting the installation's Retiree Appreciation Day from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 26 at the Lewis and Clark Center.

The annual event brings military retirees and their family members together to learn about benefits, services and resources available to them while providing an opportunity to reconnect with the Fort Leavenworth community. The event was cancelled last year due to the government shutdown in October 2025, and so the event has been moved up a month to avoid that potential again.

Nearly 600 people attended the last event in 2024, with some participants even traveling from St. Joseph, Missouri, and Topeka, Kansas, to attend.

"Retiree Appreciation Day is about keeping our retired service members and their families connected to Fort Leavenworth and informed about the benefits, services and resources available to them," said Norm Greczyn, Retiree Appreciation Day coordinator and member of the Fort Leavenworth Retiree Council, during a meeting with MAHC's command team. "Just as important, it gives retirees an opportunity to reconnect with one another and with the military community they remain an important part of."

MAHC will provide health information, screenings and services during the event. Planned offerings include health and wellness information, blood pressure checks, pharmacy information, and preventive health education.

Smith Dental Clinic personnel are also expected to provide oral health information and some oral screenings.

MAHC is also planning to offer seasonal influenza vaccinations to eligible military retirees and retiree family members, contingent upon receipt of the health center's seasonal influenza vaccine supply before the event. Participants seeking health screening and vaccination will need their military identification card so eligibility can be verified.

"Our commitment to service members and their families does not end when they retire from military service," said Col. Tiffany Bilderback, MAHC director. "Retirees remain an important part of the Fort Leavenworth community, and Retiree Appreciation Day gives our team an opportunity to connect them with health services, preventive care and information that can help them make informed decisions about their health."

Bilderback will be one of the event's speakers to address attendees during the morning program. She will provide updates on information relevant for retirees who receive care or services through the health center. A representative from TRI-CARE regional contractor, TriWest will also be available.

Retiree Appreciation Day begins with registration at 8 a.m., followed by a formal program featuring an invocation, the national anthem, service songs and a presentation by the Leavenworth High School JROTC drill team.

Following the formal program, attendees will have an opportunity to visit informational booths staffed by MAHC and other participating organizations and attend breakout sessions covering topics important to the retired military community.

Representatives from installation organizations, veteran's organizations and other community resources will also be available during the event.

Military retirees and retiree family members are encouraged to attend.



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Norm Greczyn, right, Retiree Appreciation Day coordinator and Fort Leavenworth Retiree Council member, discusses Fort Leavenworth's Retiree Appreciation Day with Col. Tiffany Bilderback, Munson Army Health Center director, during a meeting Aug. 31 at the health center. This year's Retiree Appreciation Day is Sept. 26 at the Lewis and Clark Center. MAHC will provide health information, screenings and other services for eligible retirees and retiree family members during Retiree Appreciation Day. Flu shots will be available if the health center's seasonal vaccine supply arrives in time for the event.

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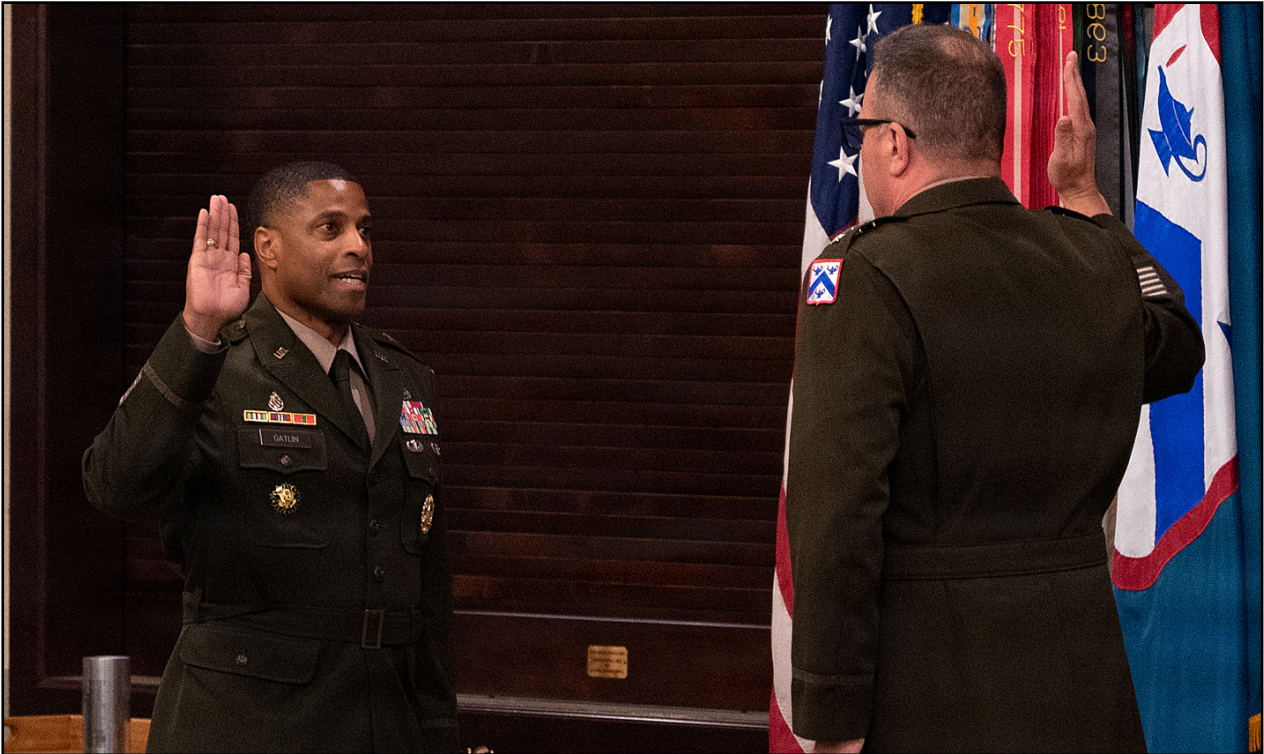


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Brig. Gen. Timothy Gatlin, chief of staff of Combined Arms Command, takes the Officer's Oath of Office, given by Lt. Gen. James P Isenhower III, command general of CAC and Fort Leavenworth, during his promotion ceremony Aug. 31 in Arnold Conference Room at the Lewis and Clark Center.



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

Brig. Gen. Timothy Gatlin, chief of staff of Combined Arms Command, has his new rank insignia pinned on by family members during his promotion ceremony Aug. 31 in Arnold Conference Room at the Lewis and Clark Center.



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Lt. Col. Tim Devine, instructor in the Department of Joint, Interagency and Multinational Operations at Army University, walks home from work with his wife, Tricia Devine, and children 13-year-old Colin, 11-year-old Gwen and 9-year-old Kevin, after being surprised along the route by his family — Tricia wearing a rooster costume and his children carrying signs — to wish him a happy birthday Sept. 2 by Garrison Headquarters.

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Tricia Devine explains how she kept the rooster costume a secret before the birthday reveal — to keep her husband, Lt. Col. Tim Devine, from possibly intercepting the package delivery, she had the costume shipped to her mother who then sent it to her.

Happy birthday!

Family surprises dad on his way home from work



As 13-year-old Colin Devine documents, Tricia Devine and children 11-year-old Gwen and 9-year-old Kevin surprise Lt. Col. Tim Devine, instructor in the Department of Joint, Interagency and Multinational Operations at Army University, on his way home from work to wish him a happy birthday Sept. 2 by Garrison Headquarters.

Tricia waddled all the way from their home on post with the children beside her carrying signs that read “Happy Birthday, Dad! 42!” until they met him along the route.

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ABOVE: Eleven-year-old Gwen Devine and her 9-year-old brother Kevin hold signs as they walk home from work with their dad, Lt. Col. Tim Devine, Sept. 2. The family surprised Devine along the route between their home and the Lewis and Clark Center on his way home from work.

RIGHT: Gwen and Kevin show their dad, Lt. Col. Tim Devine, Army University instructor, the signs they made for him as Tricia Devine, dressed in a rooster costume, adds levity to the birthday surprise.



LEFT: Eleven-year-old Gwen Devine laughs as her family — 9-year-old brother Kevin, 13-year-old brother Colin (off camera documenting the event with a cell phone) and mom Tricia Devine, dressed in an inflatable rooster costume — surprise Lt. Col. Tim Devine, Army University instructor, on his way home from work with signs and silliness to wish him a happy birthday Sept. 2 by Garrison Headquarters.

RIGHT: As 9-year-old Kevin Devine watches, Tricia Devine helps 11-year-old Gwen Devine into the rooster costume on the walk home after surprising Lt. Col. Tim Devine on his birthday Sept. 2 by Gruber Field.

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Community Information Forum

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Acting Director of the Directorate of Public Works Jason Wendel briefs on ongoing and upcoming projects during the Community Information Forum Sept. 2 at the Frontier Conference Center.

for the season.”
Future projects for Grant Park include playground replacement and the addition of a splash pad, park pavilion and bathroom.

Wendel also briefed on multiple repaving projects that DPW and Michaels Military Housing are working on in multiple areas around post.

Religious Support Office
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Eric Bryan briefed on the installation’s religious programs.

“Our chapels are about the freedom of expression of religion for all faith groups,” he said. “Our chaplains are here to make sure that we have that constitutional need met for every faith group.”

Bryan said the vision of leaders growing leaders starts with youth.

“We’re very focused on the next generation... actually helping kids understand the complexities of this generation, (and) how to use their faith appropriately, too.”

Bryan said his team offers many different ways people can connect and they are excited to help meet their needs as best they can. He listed some of the services conducted at the three post chapels and highlighted some of the key ministries of the post’s chapel-affiliated organizations.

Public Affairs Office
George Marcec, acting Fort Leavenworth Garrison Public Affairs officer, said the information being briefed during the CIF shouldn’t be a surprise, as the information is being shared with the community in several ways, including through the Fort Leavenworth Garrison website, the Garrison Facebook page, the My Army Post App, the marquee on Grant Avenue and the *Fort Leavenworth Lamp*.

“We’re very fortunate to have an actual weekly newspaper still produced here locally by Garrison staff. Most of the Army went to other, different things — we’re very fortunate to still have a *Lamp*,” he said. “We have a great staff of contributors, and it’s top-notch.”

Marcec said policy letters can be searched on the website anytime anyone has a question about why things are done a certain way. He explained how to download MAPA so that individuals can start receiving information and updates on their phones via the app, and he explained several ways community members can connect with the Public Affairs Office to share feedback or to obtain more information — by e-mailing the webmaster or *Lamp* editor, commenting in MAPA, messaging on social media and submitting messages through the Interactive Customer Evaluation (ICE) system.

“We hate to see people with issues that they could have solved by just asking us, so please reach out to us,” he said.

Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation
FMWR Director Paul Martocci said his organization has many events and classes going on all the time, and that in addition to all of the mentioned methods for sharing information, he stressed the value of word of mouth, especially since Facebook has been eliminated as a communication tool for most organizations due to a recent Armywide directive.

“One of the main things that we’re noticing as we are transitioning here is the word of mouth. Many of you, as I look around the room, are sharing our information as well, which we’re tremendously grateful for,” Martocci said. “We’re going to continue to get feedback from our customers, our patrons, too, on the best way to communicate with all of you.”

Martocci said that through the Village Mayors Program, all housing areas on post have village mayors with whom residents can share concerns.

“You raise those up through your village mayors, and they’re working around the clock all month long to try to solve those problems,” he said. “We’ll talk about it, socialize it, and we’ll triage it and get it into the right hands, the right individuals, and we’ll get back to you with that information.”

Martocci gave a couple examples of incremental changes FMWR is making to be more efficient so that resources can be focused on areas most important to soldiers and families. He then highlighted the FMWR events most asked about, including Real ID post access requirements for the Postwide Yard Sale, and described the upcoming Run/Walk for the Fallen, Child and Youth Services Hal-loween Fun Run and holiday tree lighting.

Munson Army Health Center
During her brief, Col. Tiffany Bilderback, Munson Army

Health Center director, stressed that MAHC does not have an emergency room, and she highlighted some changes at the health center and summarized MAHC’s services.

She said the Army Wellness Center is now located on the second floor of MAHC, noting that the service is also open to family members. She reminded the audience of the recent transition to myAuth, which replaces the DS Logon system, and gave information about using the on-line portal for patient information and sending secure messages to providers.

Bilderback said MAHC hopes to have flu vaccines in stock before Retiree Appreciation Day on Sept. 26, and that other flu shot events will be offered throughout the season at Frontier Chapel. Information about events, closures and more is shared on the MAHC Facebook page, as well as at munson.tricare.mil.

Questions and concerns
The Garrison Command Team fielded questions from the audience, promising to follow up with complete answers if they could not be offered immediately and sufficiently.

The team said several of the topics of concern were already being reviewed or amendments being made to current policy, such as driving on post, to include the use of e-bikes and scooters.

“The rules of the road are now very clear,” Sunday said referencing a recent stop-gap policy to address the problem. (See page A3 of the Aug. 13, 2026, issue of the *Fort Leavenworth Lamp*.) “If you’re an adult and you’re riding a bicycle, you ride in the road and you follow the rules of the road like stop signs and things like that, (but on) Grant (Avenue), you still ride on the sidewalk.”

Bicyclists should also ride on the path by Trails West Golf Course instead of on Cody Avenue. Cyclists are to yield to pedestrians — whether they are walking a dog, walking or running — slowing down to allow them to pass safely.

Sunday said children under age 16, and adults riding with them, can ride on the sidewalks as they learn to ride responsibly. Sunday added that helmets are required, only one person is allowed per bike/scooter, and riders should dismount and walk at crosswalks. He also noted that traffic enforcement is being done, targeting speeding and those rolling through stop signs. He said additional road signs, as they can be acquired, will be added where they are most needed.

Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. David Franks urged parents to make sure their children are being watched and wearing the proper gear when riding bikes, scooters and the like, and that they are also going an appropriate speed.

“It’s great to see them have fun, but it’s a little bit dangerous, the speed that they’re going on these scooters,” he said. “We need to come collectively together as a village and then just kind of coach our kids a little bit. It’s great to see them having fun, but the last thing we want to see is an accident on the blotter coming from (the director of Emergency Services.)”

Franks also noted that running shirtless on post is not allowed, and that he and Sunday are making on-the-spot corrections to issues every day.

Proper protocols for daily bugle calls — reveille at 6:30 a.m., retreat at 5 p.m. (3 p.m. Fridays) and taps at 9 p.m. — was among the pre-submitted frequently asked questions.

“Unless you’re on Grant Avenue, you are expected to get out of your vehicle, whether a soldier or civilian,” Franks said. “If you’re in uniform, you are to salute, face the music or face the flag and render the proper honors. If you’re in formation, you get called to attention, and then parade arrest — you just pretty much follow the lead of who’s leading that formation. If you are by yourself, you do not need to get at parade arrest, you just go straight to attention. And then once the second portion of reveille and retreat comes on, then you salute the flag. ... Taps, you don’t need to do anything, you just kind of honor it, maybe in place or whatever, but you don’t need to stand at a certain position during taps.”

Issues being addressed
In-person and follow-on responses were offered by the command team, or are still being assessed for more complete answers, to the following topics broached by audience members.



Garrison Commander Col. Todd Sunday welcomes community members to the Community Information Forum Sept. 2 at the Frontier Conference Center.



Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Director Paul Martocci references overhead slides as he briefs on upcoming FMWR events during the Community Information Forum Sept. 2 at the Frontier Conference Center.



Munson Army Health Center Director Col. Tiffany Bilderback briefs on the MAHC’s services and changes during the Community Information Forum Sept. 2 at the Frontier Conference Center.

The next Community Information Forum will be at 5:30 p.m. Dec. 2 at the Frontier Conference Center.

Community Information Forum

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Fort Leavenworth resident Cathy Schrankel shares a list of concerns with the Garrison Command Team and asks about the policies and responsibilities for dealing with stray dogs and cats, poorly maintained office areas and other landscape issues, runners without reflective gear during hours of limited visibility and more during the question-and-answer portion of the Community Information Forum Sept. 2 at the Frontier Conference Center.

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Issue: Lack of dog waste stations
Answer: There is not enough manpower to add additional bins beyond what is already available at the parks.

Issue: Desire for a family room in one of the fitness centers
Answer: FMWR is not staffed to provide child care at gyms, but an option might be parent caring for a group of children during use of the fitness facilities. Gym rules about bringing children might need to be adjusted.

Issue: Parking spots for expecting and new mothers
Answer: This can be supported, but not enforced, if locations such as the Commissary, Post Exchange, Resiliency Center, library, etc., concur.

Issue: Road damage due to longterm construction use on Iowa Avenue
Answer: DPW will determine what can be done this fall to repair major cracks, with repaving done after the CDC construction is complete.

Issue: Speeding by users of e-bikes and scooters
Answer: Command policy has been issued regarding bicycle and other human- and low-powered vehicles. To read the policy, visit https://home.army.mil/leavenworth/5717/8612/5551/20_Command_Policy_Letter__Governance_of_Bicycle_Operations.pdf. Sidewalk speed limits might also need to be added.

Sunday said he or Franks could be contacted if someone see a neighbor who isn't supervising or is allowing children to violate policies and causing dangerous situations. He said neighbors could also offer on-the-spot corrections to offenders.

Issue: Overgrown nature trails in neighborhoods and other landscaping issues around post
Answer: Michaels Military Housing is being notified and DPW is checking government portions to assess who is responsible and address maintenance.

Issue: Protocols for dealing with stray dogs and cats
Answer: During duty hours, call 913-684-5555 to report stray or abandoned dogs and cats, and a DPW employee will pick up the animal within two hours to take to the Fort Leavenworth Stray Facility. After

duty hours, call the non-emergency dispatch number at 913-684-2111 for the animal to be picked up within four hours.

Issue: Poorly maintained office landscaping
Answer: There are no funds or staff for office flower bed areas. The focus by volunteers who beautify office spaces and organizations who maintain areas of responsibility has been on the most public side of buildings.

Issue: Runners not illuminated or wearing reflective gear during hours of limited visibility
Answer: Soldiers are not required to wear reflective belts. Policy is being reviewed for what can be done to increase safety, and new standards are expected to be released in October.

Issue: Adding speed limit signs by flashing speed signs so motorists know how fast they should be going
Answer: DPW is checking to see what signs are available to be added.

Issue: DEERS card obtained through the mail did not work at Commissary
Answer: Cards must be activated once received, which can be done via a link or at the Visitor Control Center. Renewing IDs online, when possible, helps alleviate strain on the system, which is being run by a short staff due to the current hiring restrictions.

As the forum concluded, Dale Cleland, acting deputy to the Garrison commander, stressed that positive comments can be submitted via ICE, not just complaints or issues.

"You are allowed to compliment people that you catch doing good," Cleland said. "We have gone through a period now of 24 months of very unstable conditions as far as morale goes. I encourage you to recognize people that are doing the right thing."

Sunday said the forum will continue to be conducted in addition to the mayors' meetings and village visits as a way to connect with the community and address issues. The next Community Information Forum will be at 5:30 p.m. Dec. 2 at the Frontier Conference Center.

To watch the Community Information Forum, visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ug9QMv23h1k>.

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Students and staff of USD 207 Fort Leavenworth invite you to attend our annual Freedom Walk.

Started in 2005 by the Pentagon, Freedom walks remember the tragedy of September 11, 2001, honor those who lost their lives, and recognize the valor of all first responders.

We celebrate our heroes, the dedicated servicemen and women protecting and serving us, and we continue to thank them for their service to our country.

Students are encouraged to proudly wear red, white, and blue to school on September 11, 2026.

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

SEP 04 COLLEGIATE NATIONAL COLLEGE COLORS DAY PHOTO CHALLENGE

SEP 11 PATRIOTS & PASTRIES 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

SEP 18 POPSICLES AT THE PARK 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

SEP 24 BINGO! 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

HOSTED BY FRONTIER HERITAGE COMMUNITIES
www.frontierheritagecommunities.com

HARROLD YOUTH CENTER
SEND OFF TO SUMMER PARTY 2026
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 12
4pm - 7pm

HARROLD YOUTH CENTER
45 BIDDLE BLVD
FT. LEAVENWORTH, KS
913-684-5115

FEATURING:

- DJ GEORGE
- FOOD
- CONCESSIONS
- GAMES
- FOAM
- DOOR PRIZES
- INFLATABLES

Summer may be over, but the FUN is just beginning!

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS!

\$10
Event is for 6th - 12th graders. Must sign up and pay in advance. Swipe Card and wristband are required to enter the event. Registration ends at 5pm Sept 11. NO SAME DAY REGISTRATIONS!

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FORT LEAVENWORTH

9/11
25TH ANNIVERSARY MEMORIAL SERVICE

Remember - Pray - Honor
SEP 11 • 1230

MEMORIAL CHAPEL

626 SCOTT AVENUE, FORT LEAVENWORTH KS
POC: CH GRIMES @ WILLIAM.J.GRIMES1.MIL@ARMY.MIL

BOSS PRESENTS MOVIE NIGHT

Post Theater // 375 Grant Avenue
Movies start at 7PM
Must show your DoD ID at the door!

September 11

PG-13
SPIDER-MAN: No Way Home

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!
CASH only at the snack bar!

For more info call: (913) 684-2736 • Or visit our website leavenworth.armymwr.com

Saturday, Sept. 12
8 a.m. to 3 p.m. - post wide
IT'S BACK!!! Don't miss all the bargains!
Authorized off-post ID Card Holders can sell at the Old Bell Hall Parking Lot - no permit required.

YARD SALE

*ID's will be scanned at the gate beginning at 8 a.m. - everyone over 16 must have a valid ID to access a military installation. Visitor pass is not required for this event!

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OPERATION DEPLOY YOUR DRESS
FORT LEAVENWORTH

Give one of our dresses a second dance

Season Opener
Saturday 12 September
10-2 by appointment only
2-4 walk in hours

Sunday 13 September
12:30-4:30 no appointment necessary

Resiliency Center (600 Thomas Ave) | Room 106

Open to Service Members & dependents of all ranks & branches (Must have a military ID)

Children under 12 are not permitted in the shop

For questions please email: odydlsc@gmail.com

THE FRONTIER ARMY MUSEUM
MILITARY LIVING HISTORY DAY
September 12th, 2026
Saturday
9 am - 4 pm

Open to the Public / Free to Attend!

Location: The Frontier Army Museum
100 Reynolds Ave, Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027

Military reenactors from various periods, historic military vehicles, and a great Army museum!

Reenactor Contact / General Questions: Jonathon Krisko 610-349-2750
jonathon.krisko@gmail.com
Frontier Army Museum: (913) 684-3191

Coordination in advance for reenactors is necessary due to installation security policies

2026 International Family Fishing Derby

WHO
Open to all Fort Leavenworth International Students and their Families

WHERE
Merritt Lake, Ft. Leavenworth

WHEN
September 19, 2026
0800: Registration Opens
0900 to 1100: Family Fishing
1130: Closing Activities and Announcements

Cost is free to all international students and their families. No license or equipment required.

This event is made possible by the CESC Foundation, the Fort Leavenworth Post & Quartermaster, Postmaster, and Team MWR Children. The CESC Foundation will also provide hot dogs and drinks for all registrants.



Food insecurity isn't just about empty shelves—

it's about carrying burdens

no family should have to bear alone.

Together,  we can fill both tables and hearts.

we are
STRONGHOLD





SEE THE NEED.



BE THE CHANGE.



BUILD STRONGER COMMUNITIES.

Together, we can make sure no military family faces hunger alone. 

Break the Silence

Glow Walk

For Domestic Violence Awareness Month



October 29
6:30pm - 8pm
@ Gruber Field
200 Reynolds Ave
Fort Leavenworth, KS

Join Fort Leavenworth's Army Community Service for a powerful and illuminating evening dedicated to raising awareness of Domestic Violence.

Stand in solidarity with Survivors as you walk the route, stop at interactive stations, hear their stories, and learn how you can support those affected by Domestic Violence.

Participants are encouraged to wear purple to represent the collective strength of our community in breaking the silence surrounding Domestic Violence. The walk will begin at Gruber Field (in front of Gruber Fitness Center) with participants visiting stations along the route.

FREE and no registration required.
Call 913-683-2537 for more information





ART & ILLUSTRATION



Do you have an inspiring artist / insatiable doodler at home?

Need an outlet for all of that creative energy?

SKIES Art & Illustration classes focus on improving drawing techniques, developing original characters and helping to curate individual style.

Each class session will build on a project such as a mini comic book, realistic self-portrait, animal drawings, shoebox theaters or flip books.

SKIESUnlimited
Supporting Military Families Through the Arts



Tuesdays at Patch Community Center
320 Pope Ave
Fort Leavenworth, KS
Ages 6 - 9
4:15 - 5:15
Ages 10 - 17.99
5:30 - 6:30

\$12 a lesson, at least three lessons per monthly project.
Stand-alone classes are also available.
Bring your favorite pencil! The rest of the supplies will be provided.
Must be currently registered with CYS to enroll.
For more information call 913-684-3207

Kids full of energy? Looking for an outlet *outside* of your living room? Save your furniture and sign them up for these SKIES Brand New classes!

Go ahead and let them.....

RUN, JUMP, BOUNCE!

Tuesdays @ the Patch Community Center Gym
320 Pope Ave
Fort Leavenworth, KS

9am - 9:45am \$13 per 45 min session
Just for Littles 1 - 3 yrs with Parent
10am - 11am \$15 per 60 min session
Just Family Fun Mixed ages 2+ with Parent
11:15am - 12:15pm \$15 per 60 min session
Just Fun 6+

Call 913-684-3207 or text 913-704-7595 for more info





STRONGHOLD FOOD PANTRY

OUR MISSION

Serving military families facing food insecurity — with care, dignity & resources whenever & wherever they're needed.

Stronger Together

Help us support our community — donate today

MOST NEEDED ITEMS



JELLY



CANNED CHICKEN



PASTA SAUCE



CANNED FRUIT



PANCAKE MIX



SYRUP



OATMEAL



DOOR PICKUP AVAILABLE

FORT LEAVENWORTH · LEAVENWORTH · LANSING — WE COME TO YOU!

HOURS

Every Wednesday
10:30 am – 1:00 pm
Personal appts available upon request

LOCATION

655 Biddle Blvd
Ft. Leavenworth, KS 66027

CONTACT US

strongholdfoodpantry.org
contact@strongholdfoodpantry.org

BUILDING STRONGER COMMUNITIES — TOGETHER

2026 GENERAL ELECTION

SEPT 19

Deadline to transmit UOCAVA ballots.

OCT 13

Deadline to register to vote or update your voter registration to change address or name only to participate in the 2026 general election.

OCT 14

First day of advance voting. Advance ballots by mail are transmitted. In-person advance voting may begin. Check with your county election office for specific times and locations.

OCT 27

Advance in-person voting must begin for all counties.

NOV 3

GENERAL ELECTION
(All mail ballots must be received on Election Day. NEW IN 2026)

DEC 1

Last day for State Board of Canvassers to certify official results.

VOTEKANSAS.GOV





FORT LEAVENWORTH SUNDAY CHAPEL SERVICE & MINISTRIES



VBS, 4-6 August!
Sign up at Frontier Chapel

0830	CROSSROADS PROTESTANT TRADITIONAL BIBLICAL SERMON SERIES, HYMNS, CHOIR, CGSC MINISTRY, CHILDREN'S CHURCH, SUNDAY CLASSES FOR ALL AGES AFTER CHAPEL	PIONEER CHAPEL 500 POPE AVE
0900	CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS PROGRAM & MASS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, CONFESSION, ADORATION, DAILY MASS (AUG-MAY) @ PIONEER CHAPEL (TUES-FRI, 1200), CWOC, KofC	FRONTIER CHAPEL 625 THOMAS AVE
0930	MEMORIAL HISTORIC FAMILY WORSHIP WITH HISTORIC CHRISTIAN LITURGY "TO KNOW HIM, AND MAKE HIM KNOWN"	MEMORIAL CHAPEL 626 SCOTT AVE
1000	MULTICULTURAL GOSPEL VIBRANT WORSHIP, BIBLE STUDIES, DANCE, YOUTH, CHILDREN'S CHURCH MISSIONALLY INVESTED	PIONEER CHAPEL 500 POPE AVE
1100	CROSSROADS PROTESTANT CONTEMPORARY BIBLICAL SERMON SERIES, MUSIC MINISTRY, COMMUNITY INVESTED, CHILDREN'S CHURCH, SUNDAY CLASSES FOR ALL AGES BEFORE CHAPEL	FRONTIER CHAPEL 625 THOMAS AVE
VARIOUS	JEWISH MEETS FOR SABBATH WORSHIP, LUNCH-AND-LEARN CLASSES, AND SIGNIFICANT HOLY DAYS	MEMORIAL CHAPEL 625 THOMAS AVE

Fort Leavenworth Chapel's vibrant ministries: PWOC, CWOC, Men of the Chapel, High School/Junior High Student Ministry, CRU Barracks Dinner and Study, Navigators, Officer Christian Fellowship (OCF) Home Groups, Holy Smokes, Discipleship Breakfast!

HELP AVAILABLE TO LOCATE YOUR RELIGIOUS PREFERENCE
CONTACT OUR MAIN OFFICE AT FRONTIER CHAPEL: 913-684-2210
FAMILY LIFE COUNSELING CHAPLAIN: 913-680-7336 @ PIONEER CHAPEL OFFICE
EMERGENCY ON-CALL DUTY CHAPLAIN: 913-683-2158



Register Online for the 2026-2027 year



stay tuned
Fall Bible Studies
coming soon!



CROSSROADS WEEKLY MINISTRIES

Bring In, Build Up, Send Out

As of: 15 July 2026



SUNDAY		
Childcare (6 wks - 3 yrs old) avail from 0815-1230 in Frontier Chapel		
0830-0930	CROSSROADS PROTESTANT TRADITIONAL SERVICE BIBLICAL SERMON SERIES, HYMNS, CHOIR, CHILDREN'S CHURCH (Pre-K-5 th)	PIONEER CHAPEL
0945-1045	SUNDAY SCHOOLS CHILDREN: Pre-K-K, 1 st -2 nd , 3 rd -4 th , 5 th -6 th , 7 th -8 th , HS ADULT: MULTIPLE VOLUNTEER LED BIBLE STUDIES	PIONEER CLASSROOMS FRONTIER CLASSROOMS
1100-1200	CROSSROADS PROTESTANT CONTEMPORARY SERVICE BIBLICAL SERMON SERIES, PRAISE BAND, CHILDREN'S CHURCH (Pre-K-5 th)	FRONTIER CHAPEL
1215-1345	CROSSROADS *MONTHLY* FELLOWSHIP MEAL FELLOWSHIP MEAL AFTER COMMUNION SUNDAYS	FRONTIER FELLOWSHIP HALL
MONDAY		
1800-1930	CAMPUS LIFE MILITARY (YOUTH GROUP) TEENAGE (6 th - 12 th Grades) BIBLE STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP	HARROLD YOUTH CENTER
TUESDAY		
0600-0730	OCF DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING BREAKFAST DISCIPLESHIP IN THE PROFESSION OF ARMS, BREAKFAST	PIONEER FELLOWSHIP HALL
0830-1100	PROTESTANT WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL COORDINATION AND FELLOWSHIP	FRONTIER FELLOWSHIP HALL
1800-1900	PROTESTANT WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL BIBLE STUDY	FRONTIER FELLOWSHIP HALL
WEDNESDAY		
0900-1130	PRECEPT BIBLE STUDY BIBLE STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP	FRONTIER FELLOWSHIP HALL
1730-1900	FAMILY NIGHT AND FELLOWSHIP (START: 2 SEP) DINNER, FAMILY DEVOTIONAL, BREAKOUT GROUP STUDIES	FRONTIER FELLOWSHIP HALL
THURSDAY		
0600-0730	MEN OF THE CHAPEL FELLOWSHIP AND STUDY	FRONTIER FELLOWSHIP HALL
VARIOUS DAYS & TIMES	WEEKLY NEIGHBORHOOD BIBLE STUDIES VOLUNTEER LED BIBLE STUDIES AT HOMES	VARIOUS ON AND OFF-POST HOMES



Kickoff 27 August, 2026

JOIN US FOR THE
2026-2027 SEASON!!



General Meetings:
Thursdays, 0845-1045
Pioneer Chapel Fellowship Hall
cwocfortleavenworth@gmail.com

Join our GroupMe Chat for updates and events!

Chaplain Family Life Center

100% Confidential & Faith Informed Pastoral Counseling Services

(Individual, Couple, & Family)

Free for all Service Members, Retirees, DoD/DA Civilians and Dependents

Pastoral counseling provides compassionate support for individuals, couples, and families facing challenges such as anxiety, depression, communication difficulties, conflict, parenting concerns, and spiritual struggles—providing faith-informed guidance to strengthen relationships and promote healthy growth in every season of life.



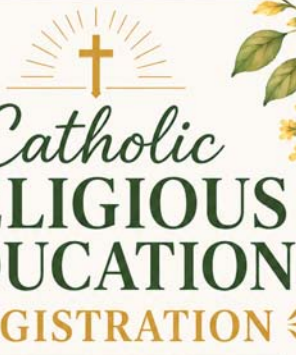
CH (MAJ) Joshua M. Portwood is a trained Pastoral Counselor in Marriage and Family Life. His formal education includes a Masters of Divinity from Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary, a Masters of Science (Marriage and Family Therapy) from Texas A&M-Central Texas, and a Doctorate of Ministry from Vanderbilt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

To book an appointment scan here:





Located at the back of Pioneer Chapel
500 Pope Ave., Bldg. 56
Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027
Government Cell: (913) 680-7336
joshua.m.portwood.mil@army.mil
<https://cal.com/chaplainportwood>



Catholic RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

REGISTRATION

2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR





ST. IGNATIUS CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

FORT LEAVENWORTH

Register today and join us as we grow in faith together

SCAN THE QR Code TO REGISTER

LEARN • GROW • SERVE • BELIEVE

Questions? Contact the CRE Steering Committee at creftleavenworth@gmail.com

Looking for Community?

Join Campus Life Military



FB: Ft. Leavenworth Club - Campus Life Military

IG: @campuslifeftleavenworth

Samantha Odle

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



Military Spouses, Family Members Help Us Help Our Families!

Be the friendly face behind the smile!

- Share your experience and skills
- Choose your hours
- Greet new Families
- Provide resources and assistance
- Answer questions
- Be a part of our Volunteer Team!

Contact Charise at 520-692-6363
charise.m.risper.civ@army.mil

For more info scan the QR code!





Starting August 24th, 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	Body Pump (Corey)		Spin (Karyn)		Body Pump (Corey)	
0600		Slow Flow (Leslie)		Slow Flow (Leslie)		
0900			Body Pump (Tara)		Body Pump (Tara)	Body Pump (Corey)
1000	Foundations Pilates (Hannah)			Full Body Pilates (Hannah)		
1300	Body Pump (Tara)					
1630		Body Pump (Corey)	Power Cycling (Kim)	Gentle Yoga (Brandie)		
1700	Power Yoga (Kim)					

HARNEY SPORTS COMPLEX | 85 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



<https://leavenworth.armymwr.com>

SPIN!

GRUBER FITNESS CENTER
200 REYNOLDS AVE
FORT LEAVENWORTH, KS

Wednesdays at 5:30am
@Gruber Fitness Center

We're back! Join us every Wednesday morning for an amazing high energy low impact cardio workout set to awesome music!



Karyn Smith has been Spin certified since 2008 and is the recipient of a 5yr MWR service award.

Beginner to Advanced levels welcome!

Open to all DOD ID card holders 18 years and older. Call for more info: 913-684-3224/5136



FOUNDATIONS PILATES - MONDAY 10:00
FULL BODY PILATES - THURSDAY 10:00
AT GRUBER FITNESS CENTRE

Mat Pilates

WITH HANNAH



IMPROVE POSTURE | BUILD CORE STRENGTH | IMPROVE FLEXIBILITY
FOR ALL FITNESS LEVELS



OPEN STUDIOS

-Ask About Hourly Rates-

Pottery Studio

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

Painting Studio

Provided watercolor and acrylic supplies to create your own masterpiece.

Multi-Craft Studio

Great for the whole family with supplies for any craft, personalized gift, or project you have in mind!

Framing Studio

Assemble your own frames in our DIY Studio! Participants must take the Intro to Framing class before using the DIY Studio.

OFFERINGS

-At The Studio-

- Custom & DIY Framing
- Diplomas/Promotion Certs
- Military Prints & Fine Art
- Restoration & Repairs
- Retirement Gifts
- Laser & Rotary Engravings
- Sublimation & DTF Transfers
- Pottery & Ceramics
- Watercolor & Acrylic Classes
- Resiliency Through Art
- Private Events/Parties

Fort Leavenworth

Arts & Crafts Studio

September 2026

September 1 Pottery: Throwing Basics Part 1 Time: 6pm-8:30pm Cost: \$45	September 17 Watercolor-Basics Time: 1pm-3pm Cost: \$30	September 24 Pottery: Throwing Basics Part 2 Time: 6pm-8:30pm Cost: \$45
September 3 Pottery: Hand Building Mugs Time: 9am-11am Cost: \$35	September 18 Paint & Sip Fairy House *Must be 21 years old* Time: 6pm-8pm Cost: \$35	September 26 Intro to Framing Time: 10am-2pm Cost: \$40
September 11 Intro to Framing Time: 10am-2pm Cost: \$40	September 22 Pottery: Hand Building Pumpkin/Leaf Plate Time: 9am-11am Cost: \$50	September 26 Adult Craft: Crystal Suncatcher Time: 10:30am-12pm Cost: \$25
September 15 Pottery: Throwing Basics Part 1 Time: 11am-1:30pm Cost: \$45	September 24 Watercolor-Theory Time: 1pm-3pm Cost: \$30	September 29 Pottery: Throwing Basics Part 2 Time: 11am-1:30pm Cost: \$45

Pre-Registraion Is Required For ALL Classes

YOUR CLASS, YOUR SCHEDULE

You pick the day and time, and we teach the class!
Email us your desired class and interested dates and times.

Open Hours

Tuesday & Thursday 9am-7pm
Wednesday & Friday 9am-4pm
4th Saturdays 9am-2pm

Website

leavenworth.armymwr.com

Email

ArtsAndCraftsFortLeavenworth@gmail.com

Location

310 McPherson Ave
(The Old USDB)
Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027

Phone

(913) 684-3373



2026 Post Championship

FORT LEAVENWORTH | TRAILS WEST GOLF COURSE

SEPTEMBER 26TH & 27TH

- Saturday, 26 September - Round 1
- Sunday, 27 September - Round 2

Tees Times Starting at 0800

\$110 MEMBER **\$125 NON-MEMBER**

Entry fee includes, Greens Fee for Round 1 and Round 2, Range Access, Door Prizes, Division Prizes, Saturday and Sunday Breakfast Buffet (Cart fees additional for non members)

Players must select their division upon registration. Any changes must be made by 23 September, no later than 1700 hours.

Participants carrying a 5.0 handicap or below defaults to Open Division. Ladies', Seniors', and Super Senior divisions are both Gross & Net.

2026 Post Championship — September 26th & 27th

☐ Open Division (Blue Tees)	Name: _____
☐ Handicap Division (White Tees)	Phone #: _____
☐ Ladies' Division (Red Tees)	Email: _____
☐ Senior Division (55+ White Tees)	Member _____ Non-Member _____
☐ Super Senior (65+ Gold, 75+ Red)	*Players must have 30 days of eligible scores posted to USGA GHIN account to be eligible for Net Divisions
☐ Junior Division (13 & Under) (Red Tees)	GHIN# _____



Fall Youth Sports & Fitness

Confidence begins here!
Ready to meet your Team?

Flag Football (1st - 2nd grades) (Ages 7 - 8) Tuesday// Thursday Sept 15 - Oct 29 (3rd - 4th grades) (Ages 9 - 10) Monday// Wednesday Sept 14 - Oct 28 (5th - 6th grades) (Ages 11 - 12) Monday// Wednesday Sept 14 - Oct 28 \$50	Soccer 6 & Under (Ages 5 - 6) 8 & Under (Ages 7 - 8) 10 & Under (Ages 9 - 10) Sept 14 & 15 - Oct 28 & 29 5th - 6th grade TBA \$50	Cheerleading (Ages 5 - 12) Monday// Wednesday Sept 14 - Oct 28 Participants will cheer for all 3rd/4th & 5th/6th grade Teams. *Pom-poms, shirt, and skort are included in the cost. *\$55	Fall Running Club (3rd - 8th grades) (Ages 9 - 14) Tuesday// Thursday Sept 15 - Oct 24 Season ends with the Halloween 5K. \$50
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Start Smart Flag Football (Ages 3 - 4) \$30
Sept 21 - Oct 26 (Monday)
Start Smart Soccer (Ages 3 - 4) \$30
Sept 22 - Oct 20 (Tuesday)
Sept 24 - Oct 22 (Thursday)

Registration and enrollment will begin July 6 and close Aug 10. All Youth must have an updated sports physical before first practice. Enrollment can be done at all CYS locations if centrally registered. Webtrac online enrollments can only be done with a Youth Sports Physical that covers the entire season. Volunteer Coaches are needed!
For more information call 913-684-7525 or 7526

MUNSON NOTES

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■ It is important that military families new to the Fort Leavenworth community **ESTABLISH A NEW PRIMARY CARE MANAGER** for their health care needs. Munson Army Health Center offers a wide range of primary care providers to choose from for personalized care at a convenient on-post location. Once your new address is established in DEERS, call 1-888-TRIWEST (874-9378) and follow the prompts to establish a primary care manager at MAHC. Learn more about services at munson.tricare.mil.

■ 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 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/8 wttlf>.

■ 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 if interested in participating.

■ The **NUTRITION CARE DIVISION** offers a broad range of nutritional services designed for service members, families, and retirees. Call the appointment line at 913-684-6250 to schedule an appointment with MAHC’s registered dietitian.

■ 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. Call the appointment line at 913-684-6250.

■ **MEDICAL APPOINTMENT CHECK-IN:** Please arrive 15 minutes prior to your appointment to complete any required paperwork and bring the following items: DoD ID card; list of current medications including over-the-counter meds, vitamins, and supplements; any relevant paperwork or forms; and a list of questions or concerns. If you are not able to make your scheduled appointment, call the appointment line at 913-684-6250 to cancel.

■ Munson Army Health Center Pharmacy offers patients a variety of **OVER-THE-COUNTER MEDICATIONS AT NO COST** to service members, retirees and family members. These items are available without a prescription or medical appointment.

Positive ICE comment

MUNSON ARMY HEALTH CENTER

“I CANNOT SAY ENOUGH ABOUT HOW EXCELLENT MS. TICKNOR WAS...SHE WAS SO PATIENT AND ADAPTIVE WITH MY YOUNG CHILDREN...BY FAR OUR BEST EXPERIENCE”

SUBMITTED BY PATIENT
[HTTPS://ICE.DISA.MIL](https://ice.disa.mil)



FROM THE ICE BOX

Munson Army Health Center received some wonderful feedback from a patient about Family Nurse Practitioner Ms. Ticknor’s exceptional patient care for young children via the Interactive Customer Evaluation (ICE) system. The web-based tool allows patrons to submit online comment cards at <https://ice.disa.mil> about the services received at Munson Army Health Center. Feedback, whether it’s a compliment or a suggestion for improvement, is crucial, and helps MAHC recognize dedicated team members and find ways to make patient experiences even better.

New provider



Mindy Wolfe is Munson Army Health Center’s new Exceptional Family Member Program manager. Wolfe joins Team Munson from the Defense Health Agency facility at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, where she also served as an EFMP manager. She brings 13 years of experience supporting EFMP families, as well as a personal understanding of military life as a member of a military family. Wolfe said she looks forward to serving the Fort Leavenworth community and helping EFMP families access the support and resources they need.

Photo by Munson Army Health Center Public Affairs

WE ASK SO WE CAN
care for you.

The information you provide when scheduling helps our care teams prepare and ensure you receive the right care at the right time.



Thank you for helping us help you. ❤️

