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Stronghold U presents PCS success class

by Prudence Siebert/Editor

Members of the Fort Leavenworth community were invited to take part in a program earlier this week to help make their permanent-change-of-station moves a little smoother.

Megan Harless, PCS reform advocate and founder of the moving resource organization PCS Like A Pro, presented "Mastering Your PCS" to an audience of permanent party service members, Command and General Staff College students, and their spouses Feb. 11 in the Armed Forces Insurance conference room. The presentation focused on the new Global Household Goods Contract (GHC) that many military families will have to navigate soon.

The presentation was hosted by Stronghold U, a branch of Stronghold Food Pantry that provides education about key factors that can lead to military food insecurity.

Stronghold Founder and CEO Monica Bassett related the mission of Stronghold U to the parable, "Give a man a fish, you feed him for a day; teach a man to fish, you feed him for a lifetime," noting that Stronghold goes beyond assisting with immediate needs and hopes to help prevent food insecurity.

"We launched this education pillar because we want to target the root causes that cause military

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Photo by Prudence Siebert/Fort Leavenworth Lamp

Megan Harless, permanent-change-of-station reform advocate and founder of PCS Like A Pro, offers tips and explains processes during the "Master Your PCS" class offered by Stronghold U Feb. 11 in the Armed Forces Insurance conference room. Stronghold U is a branch of Stronghold Food Pantry that provides education about key factors that can lead to military food insecurity. The class will be offered again in April.

MAHC awarded Gold Seal for health care excellence

by Maria Christina Yager/Munson Army Health Center

Munson Army Health Center recently earned the Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval for ambulatory health care, Patient-Centered Medical Home certification, and for behavioral health care and human services, and by demonstrating continuous compliance with the commission's performance standards.

"The Joint Commission evaluates and accredits more than 23,000 health care organizations and programs in the United States. The Gold Seal is a symbol of quality that reflects a health care organization's commitment to providing safe and quality patient care," said Nicole Kreutzer, chief of MAHC's quality and safety division, and manager of the facilities accreditation and compliance program. To earn and maintain the Gold Seal of Approval, an organization must undergo an on-site survey by a Joint Commission survey team at least every three years. "The Joint Commission surveyors came through late last year and spent several days at Munson conducting observations and interviews," Kreutzer said. "The inspections focus on both paperwork and delivery of care, treatments and other services provided by staff.'



February retirements

by Staff Report

Five officers, a chief warrant officer and three senior noncommissioned officers will be recognized for their service to the nation during the post retirement ceremony at 9 a.m. Feb. 20 at the Frontier Conference Center. The ceremony will also be live-streamed at https://www.facebook. com/USAGLeavenworth/.

Retiring are: Col. Todd Schmidt, Army University; Lt. Col. Jason Slutsky, Mission Command Training Program; Lt. Col. Travis Phipps, MCTP; Lt. Col. Christopher Smith, MCTP; Capt. Michael Haynes, Mission Command Center of Excellence; Chief Warrant Officer 5 Scott Petersen, MCTP; Command Sgt. Maj. Justin Shad, Directorate of Emergency Services; Sgt. Maj. Antonio Gonzalez, MCTP; and Master Sgt. Michael Duke, Kansas City Army Recruiting Battalion.

The Joint Commission reviewers evaluated MAHC's compliance with health care standards spanning several areas including emergency management, life safety, national patient Photo by Maria Christina Yager/Munson Army Health Center

Munson Army Health Center Quality and Safety Division team members Erin Richter, Nicole Kreutzer and Ashten Garcia show off the health center's latest Gold Seal of Approval Feb. 7 at MAHC. The Gold Seal is a symbol of quality that reflects a health care organization's commitment to providing safe and quality patient care.

safety goals, environment of care, infection prevention and control, leadership, medication management, and rights and responsibilities of the individual.

"Receiving the Joint Commission's Gold Seal accreditation exemplifies what our team stands for and works daily to achieve," said Col. Jolanda L.J. Walker, MAHC director. "Sharing this news with our team is one of the most gratifying recognitions to share."

The Joint Commission reviewers specifically acknowledged MAHC's dedicated staff and commitment to advance safety, quality and compassion for all patients.

MAHC's Patient-Centered Medical Home supports more than 14,000 enrolled beneficiaries receiving primary care and ancillary services including behavioral health, physical therapy, radiology, lab and pharmacy, while supporting the medical readiness of service members from the U.S. Army Combined Arms Center and Fort Leavenworth-based units.

For more information, visit munson.tricare.mil.



CAC officer recounts journey of service, leadership, lifelong learning

by Jason Bortz/Combined Arms Center

What started as a three-year plan to pay back her student loan debt has blossomed into a 20-year Army career where Lt. Col. Lasherdo Harris has succeeded professionally and academically.

Harris, the military assistant to the commanding general at the Combined Arms Center, has earned two master's degrees and a doctorate while managing her daily responsibilities as an activeduty soldier.

Born in Lawton, Oklahoma,

but raised in Killeen, Texas, Harris always had a strong focus toward education.

"Education was a way for me to ensure I had opportunities on the table," Harris said. "Through education, a person can make sure they always have someplace to land and better themselves along the way."

Following high school, Harris attended Baylor University in Waco, Texas, where she earned a bachelor's degree in psychology. The feeling of accomplishment was short lived when she had to make her first student loan payment. Several members of her church congregation were Army veterans and were a significant part of what Harris refers to as her "nontraditional family." She discovered that the Army offered student loan repayment for enlisting in specific jobs or military occupational specialties.

With a goal of serving three years to pay off her student loan, Harris enlisted in the Army in 2004 as a chemical operations specialist. Due to her college degree, she entered with the rank of specialist.

As a chemical operations specialist, Harris was responsible for preparing and protecting Army assets in the defense of chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear (CBRN) weapons — a job not for the faint of heart that carries high risk.

"Everything we do in the Army is dangerous in a sense," laughed Harris when asked about the dangers of being a chemical operations specialist.

It wasn't long before Harris realized that she really enjoyed the Army and began thinking of making it a career.

"I really liked the team dynamic of the Army, and I got to travel," Harris said. "As a noncommissioned officer, I got the opportunity to lead soldiers and decided to reenlist."

In 2008, Harris applied for Officer Candidate School and was accepted. She was commissioned

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Michaels Organization Educational Foundation announces 2025-2026 scholarship program

FLFHC residents encouraged to apply by April 15

by The Michaels Organization Educational Foundation News Release

The Michaels Organization Educational Foundation, a privately funded, non-profit affiliate of The Michaels Organization, is now accepting scholarship applications for the 2025-2026 academic year.

All residents living at affordable and military housing communities owned or managed by Michaels who have a high school diploma or equivalent and plan to pursue higher education at a university, college or trade/professional school are encouraged to apply.

Applications are available at https://michaelsscholars.com/ until April 15, 2025.

For the first time since the program's inception in 1991, the application process will be completely online, aligning with the foundation's goal to provide easier access to the application and therefore encouraging more applicants to apply.

"Our organization was founded on the idea of providing more than just housing for our residents," said Michaels Chief Executive Officer Mark Morgan. "It is an honor to watch this program grow each year, always exceeding the prior year's awards, and to know we are making a difference in the lives of so many of our residents, truly living out our promise of 'lifting lives.""

Now in its 35th year, the foundation has awarded more than \$16 million to students across Michaels' portfolio of communities across the country. During son, 261 residents at Michaels' affordable and military living communities were awarded scholarships, totaling more than \$2 million.

Scholarships are awarded annually, and students may reapply each year of their education for continuing grants. Foundation funds are raised through voluntary contributions by corporations, companies, families, private trusts and individuals throughout The Michaels Organization's business network. All donations are then matched \$2 for every \$1 by The Michaels Organization's Founder and Chairman Michael J. Levitt and his wife, Pat Levitt.

A separate scholarship program, designed specifically for residents of Michaels' student living communities, will open for applications in August 2025.

Important Dates and Deadlines

Application forms are now available at https://michaelsscholars.co m/.

April 15: Deadline for submitting completed applications.

June 12: Applicants will be notified of the outcome status of their application.

June 24: Acceptance forms must be returned if grant recipients wish to accept the offer of a scholarship. Grants not accepted by this date will be awarded to other applicants.

July 31: If a student meets all necessary criteria and deadlines, scholarship checks, made payable to post-secondary institutions, Resident Scholarship Program

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- Current residents, in good standing at a Michaels community
- Official grade transcript must be submitted
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directly to the post-secondary institution on behalf of the scholarship recipient to help pay for the student's 2025-2026 school year costs.

applicable)

About The Michaels Educational Foundation

The Michaels Organization Educational Foundation is a non-profit affiliate of The Michaels Organization, established to administer scholarships to Michaels residents. The scholarship program was the first of its kind in the affordable housing industry when it was created and since its inception, the program has expanded to include residents of Michaels' military and student living communities and is monumental to The Michaels Organization's mission of "Creating Communities That Lift Lives."

About The Michaels Organization

Michaels is a national leader in residential real estate offering full-service capabilities in development, property management, construction and investment. Serving 200,000 residents in more than 600 communities nationwide, Michaels is committed to crafting housing solutions that jumpstart education, civic engagement and neighborhood prosperity, and to creating "Communities That Lift Lives." For more information, visit www.TMO.com.

last year's scholarship sea- will be mailed via U.S. mail



Applications are due March 15 for COMMAND AND GEN-ERAL STAFF COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS.

Visit https://www.cgscfoundation.org/alumni/scholarships/ for more information.

Applications are due March 1 for **FORT LEAVENWORTH SPOUSES' CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS**. Visit https://fortleavenworthspousesclub.org/community-giving for more information.

Applications are due March 20 for the JOHN W. POILLON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP. Obtain an application at the Army Education Center. Call 913-684-2496 for more information.

Visit https://home.army.mil/leavenworth/application/ files/7816/3284/5772/Fort_Leavenworth_SLO_Scholarship_List_September_2021.pdf for more information on these and other scholarship opportunties for military dependents.



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The Fort Leavenworth Spouses' Club (FLSC) Scholarship Committee facilitates and awards merit-based scholarships for eligible family members of all active, retired, or veterans of all service branches of the Fort Leavenworth/Leavenworth community.

Visit https://fortleavenworthspousesclub.org/community-giving for scholarship application form and information.

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Leaders send Presidents Day safety message

by Fort Leavenworth Garrison Commander Col. Duane Mosier and Garrison Command Sqt. Maj. Vanessa Sun

Presidents Day is celebrated Feb. 17 when we pause, reflect and honor our nation's rich history and salute former presidents for the legacy of leadership they have provided our nation for over two centuries.

This month, as we honor George Washington and Abraham Lincoln — the presidents whose birthdays we commemorate — let us also remember our men and women in uniform, our dedicated civilians and our families. Their sacrifices and unwavering support continue to defend the rights and principles for which these men dedicated their lives.

Many of our military members, civilians and their families will use this holiday weekend to travel outside the local area to visit relatives and friends or enjoy a winter vacation. It's crucial that our directors and supervisors, as leaders, take

responsibility to ensure that our workforce is informed on the potential hazards during this long weekend, including discussions on safe alcohol consumption, safety driving tips - especially regarding winter weather, fatigue avoidance and seat belt usage, among others.

Continually identify and assess hazards and implement appropriate controls. Every soldier and civilian is responsible for breaking the chain of events that could lead to a mishap. Adherence to risk management principles coupled with safety awareness enhances readiness. Continue to look out for one another and show dignity and respect toward others.

Thank you for your selfless service to our great nation. We wish everyone a very safe and enjoyable Presidents Day holiday weekend. Enjoy it, and remember to always play it safe.

Army Safe is Army Strong!



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Munson Army Health Center expanding access with Scheduled Virtual Visits

by Munson Army Health Center Public Affairs

Munson Army Health Center is modernizing its healthcare delivery platform with the addition of My Military Health's Scheduled Virtual Visits.

'Scheduled Virtual Visits provide safe, secure, reliable and easy access to healthcare on your terms, through a smartphone, tablet, or computer with video and audio capabilities," said Maj. Brian Turner, MAHC's deputy commander for administration.

The Defense Health Agency is deploying SVV to military treatment facilities across the Military Health System. MAHC began offering this virtual opportunity earlier this week with behavioral health and public health appointments.

"There are some benefits to SVV," Turner said. "Patients won't need to travel to the (military treatment facility), park, and check-in. It enables patients to engage with their healthcare providers when, where and how they need to."

Turner said the SVV is not appropriate for all medical appointments, but he said adding the SVV option for healthcare delivery will be beneficial for some patients.

How it works

MYMILITARY Scheduled HEALTH Virtual Visits

1. Schedule your appointment.

When medically appropriate, the call center will offer patients the SVV option when they contact the appointment line to schedule care. Once scheduled, the patient will receive a confirmation e-mail. The session link will be provided via text or e-mail 72 hours before the appointment.

2. Find a suitable space for your appointment.

When it is time for the SVV, patients can choose a space at home, at work, or anywhere else with good internet access, where they can discuss health concerns with their care team, free of noise and distractions.

3. Begin the check-in process.

Plan to join the session 15 minutes before the appointment start time to begin the check-in process with clinical staff. Click the session link you received via text or e-mail.

4. Start your session.

Come prepared to discuss your questions and concerns to ensure you receive the care you need.

"SVV is already live at 32 sites and has received positive reviews from patients and staff. The system is very user friendly," Turner said. "We look forward to expanding this virtual opportunity to primary care in the future."



Defense Health Agency graphic

With My Military Health, Munson Army Health Center patients have greater choices in how they access care, whether virtually or in-person, so they can get the care when and where they need it.



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Catholic couples ponder 'Dream Date' over dinner



The St. Ignatius **Catholic Community** hosted a dinner and mini-workshop, "Dream Date Your Spouse," for Catholic couples Feb. 7 at Frontier Chapel. Event organizers provided take-home strategic planning journals as well as discussion prompts at each table to facilitate conversation among the couples.



Photo by Prudence Siebert/Fort Leavenworth Lamp

Maj. Max Love, Command and General Staff Officer Course student, and his wife Megan Kelty, with 3-month-old Roslyn, talk with Dani and Maj. Luke Loftsgaarden, CGSOC student, during the free dinner and mini-workshop, "Dream Date Your Spouse," provided by the St. Ignatius Catholic Community Feb. 7 at Frontier Chapel. Event organizers provided discussion prompts at each table to facilitate conversation among the couples, as well as take-home journals for them to explore the topics of faith, family, finances, fitness, future dreams and more.





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FLFHC offers family fun at Valentine's Bingo Bash



Photo by Prudence Siebert/Fort Leavenworth Lamp

Fort Leavenworth Frontier Heritage Communities Marketing Coordinator Kaylee Winsand holds up the "Love Bear" for bingo players to mark on their bingo playing cards with heart shapes or Hershey's Kisses candy during the Valentine's Bingo Bash Feb. 7 at the FLFHC Community Center.



Seven-year-old Gökçe Ayse Uyar of Turkiye holds up her hand to indicate she has marked five squares in a row for "bingo" during the Valentine's Bingo Bash Feb. 7 at the Fort Leavenworth Frontier Heritage Communities Community Center.

Other ongoing FLFHC events include Presidents Day Trivia Week on the FLFHC Facebook page through Feb. 14 and a "Love Story Raffle" through the end of the month, encouraging FLFHC residents to share their love stories, also on Facebook.

Visit https://www.facebook.com/FLFHC/ for more details.

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ABOVE: Eight-year-old Liam Womack and 6-year-old Landon Womack study their holiday-themed bingo playing cards as pink and red cupcakes, peace doves, rose dogs, fireworks, calendars and other symbols are called during the Valentine's Bingo Bash Feb. 7 at the Fort Leavenworth Frontier Heritage Communities Community Center. The event coincided with a halfday of school, for which Liam dressed in his favorite team jersey for Spirit Week and Landon dressed as an old man for kindergartners' 100th day of school.

RIGHT: Five-year-old Maverick Farris and his dad, Air Force Maj. Taylor Farris, Command and General Staff Officer Course student, look for a heart-shaped pizza on their Valentine's Bingo Bash playing cards as Fort Leavenworth Frontier Heritage Communities Marketing Coordinator Kaylee Winsand holds up a matching picture Feb. 7 at the FLFHC Community Center.

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families to move into that food insecurity," she said.

Bassett said out-of-pocket moving expenses are why some military families end up facing food insecurity. She said some families might be able to afford to lose thousands of dollars out of their savings for a permanent-change-of-station move, but many families cannot.

"There are families that that \$5,000 is detrimental to, and if we don't stand in the automatically and gap, quickly, and give that immediate, tangible effort and support, that can spiral into more issues and more crisis."

Harless, an Army veteran, military spouse of nearly 20 years, and mother of three children, said she shares tips, hacks and best practices learned through trial and error with other military families so they can have smoother PCS experiences.

She said with the new consolidated GHC, HomeSafe Alliance is now responsible for managing and coordinating military moves. She said outbound CGSC students will use the legacy moving system this summer, the same method they used when they moved to Leavenworth. Permanent party moves will use the new GHC system, which started including Fort Leavenworth last fall.

Harless said either process can be started after orders are received, but she noted that any purchases, such as moving boxes, will not be counted toward expenses if made before receiving orders. During her program, she shared specifications for transporting firearms, some examples for when to consider repair versus replacement, and other things to keep in mind before, during and after a move. She noted some updates, including that movers can no longer mark mechanical condition unknown (MCU) on items, so that now if something doesn't work at the end of a move, it is assumed to be transit related. She also went over the claims process, explaining inconvenience, hardship, real property damage and other types of claims, how to make the claim-filing process easier and more effective, deadlines for filing, and when compensation must be made for the claims. She also recommended considering Army Emergency Relief, or other branch-specific relief fund, when someone is in a financially taxing situation, for zero-interest loans, grants or other assistance. Harless said pet reimbursement, for boarding fees, pet couriers and other pet-related moving expenses, began being offered last year. She said the organization that advocated for pet transportation fees to be reimbursed, Leave No Paws Behind USA, offers resources to help pet owners find solutions when pet-related move issues arise. Visit https://www.facebook.com/lea venopawsbehindusa for more information.

you have some sort of proof of what you had," she said. "Should you have that kind of catastrophic loss and you have to go through and itemize everything in your shipment, you've already done most of that hard work upfront."

She also recommends carrying insurance, including maritime insurance for an overseas shipment and renter's or other insurance, if needed, for anything Home-Safe's liability doesn't cover.

Harless included a budget worksheet in the packet she provided class participants to get them started working on their own PCS budgets.

"If nothing else, if you can't figure out what your lodging is going to be, at least figure out what your entitlement is going to be, so that way when you are budgeting and you're trying to go make those reservations, you have an idea of what you're going to get per night."

Harless said the "PCS purge" is one of her favorite best practices.

"This is where you go through your home and identify what it is that no longer fits you, that you haven't used in the last two years that you've lived here, that is going to serve no purpose at your next home, is not sentimental, or is in the box that you just shoved in the closet underneath the stairs and you forgot about it and you haven't opened it and unpacked it. Or it's that box of cords that you've toted around for 20 years and you have no idea what they go to, or you have the box of 17 curtains that no longer fit any windows in your home — pick your very favorite and get rid of the rest."

The "will-we-make-weight game" is something Harless said her family plays every time they move, taking into consideration their home gym, small library and her large collection of ceramic Christmas trees. The PCS purge is one of her remedies to help keep household goods within allowable weight limits.

"I highly suggest, if you are worried or concerned about your (HHG) weight, or your





ABOVE: Megan Harless, PCS reform advocate and founder of PCS Like A Pro, shows "Master Your PCS" class participants the forms included in their packets during the Stronghold U educational offering Feb. 11 in the Armed Forces Insurance conference room. Stronghold U is a branch of Stronghold Food Pantry that provides education about key factors that can lead to military food insecurity.

LEFT: Stronghold Food Pantry Founder and CEO Monica Bassett explains how education providing information to help prevent issues that can lead to . food insecurity — ties into the Stronghold mission as the 'Master Your PCS" class begins Feb. 11 in the Armed Forces Insurance conference room.

Photos by Prudence Siebert/Fort Leavenworth Lamp

and not getting damaged and can make the packing days go easier, and I'm not having to ask my landlord to give me an extra day to stay in the house, I do it."

She said then on the delivery side, she can easily remove her prepacked bags from the moving boxes and send the boxes and packing materials with the moving crew for one less thing to worry about.

Harless shared more tips and tricks, including her habit of putting a stamp with her contact information on every box, and then rolling over the contact information with a confidential rolling stamp before recycling the boxes. She also likes to use color-coordinated labels for every room to save time checking off inventory. Other tips she offered included making sure the person most attentive to the move be the one to review the moving inventory list, and to not sign it if something is wrong until the issue is amended. Stronghold U plans to offer another PCS class in April. Visit https://www.strongholdfoodpantry.org/ for more information. In addition to offering the PCS classes, Stronghold U has also offered classes on financial awareness and home buying.

'PCS purge' resources

Fort Leavenworth provides many resources for helping with a PCS purge.

Usable items in like-new condition, such as clothing, toys and small appliances, can be donated to the Fort Leavenworth Thrift Shop, which uses store proceeds for community assistance grants, at the shop's dropoff shed at 1025 Sheridan Drive.

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· City of Lansing Curbside Recycling: https://www.lansingks.org/finance/page/trash-recycling

• City of Platte City Recycling: https://www.plattecity.org/documentlist.aspx?categoryid=12924

· Household Hazardous Product Collection Point: https://home. army.mil/leavenworth/index.php/my -fort/all-services/environmentalmanagement

Best practices

Harless highly recommends having a PCS binder to help organize important documents, including a copy of orders, move-out checklist, children's records and individualized education programs, immunization records, veterinary records, household goods inventory, receipts and more.

She also suggests having a personal home inventory, which could be an extensive spreadsheet or, at least, photographs of each room.

"In the case you have a catastrophic loss, in the case you have a box that doesn't arrive, house at your next location, due a PCS purge," she said. "Do it now, before you move, because then when you get to your next location, it's less that you have to unpack. If you think you might need it, or it might fit your next home, keep it, decide when you get to delivery. But I highly recommend a purge of some sort ---you'll be surprised at what doesn't fit you that's been hanging in your closet, or doesn't fit your kids anymore, what toys are hidden in their closet that they no longer play with, and other random things."

Harless said to make sure professional gear - equipment used for a job - is approved and on file so that gear is given its own weight allowance (2,000 pounds for service members, 500 pounds for spouses) and not lumped into the main household goods weight limit.

Another hack Harless suggested is placing clothing, bedding and other fabric items in bags to protect them from mold and from having personal things like underwear being handled by strangers, so that all of those items don't have to be rewashed when delivered.

"Everything in my house is pretty much in a bag, of some kind, if it can be," she said. "Prepacking is not required by any means; it's more of a personal choice. If I can do something to ensure things are accounted for and together

To access free resources, including budget and inventory sheets, and connect with Harless, visit https://www.pcslikeapro.org/.

For more information about GHC, visit https:// www.ustranscom.mil/dp3/ghg c.cfm and https://www.militaryonesource.mil/resources /millife-guides/ustranscomglobal-household-goods-contract/.

To contact the Fort Leavenworth Logistics Readiness Center/Transportation Office at 549 Kearney Ave., call 913-684-5656 or e-mail usarmy. leavenworth.407-afsb-lrc. mbx.ppso@army.mil. Visit https://home.army.mil /leavenworth/my-fort/all-services/transportation-office for more information.

Fort Leavenworth Frontier Heritage Communities partners with City Union Mission of Kansas City, Missouri, for curbside pickup of usable items on certain Saturdays throughout the year, as well as dropoffs in the FLFHC parking lot after the postwide yard sale the last Saturday in April.

Pet supplies and unopened pet food can be placed in the red bin on the porch of the Fort Leavenworth Stray Facility at 510 Organ. Ave.

Cleaners, paint, yard chemicals and other materials that should not be shipped can be dropped off at Household Hazardous Waste Collection Point, 810 McClellan Ave., to be used by other residents or properly disposed of.

Recycling of scrap metal, glass, cardboard and mixed recycling of paper, aluminum and more is offered in the area off W. Warehouse Road south of the stables. E-waste, such as toner cartridges and printers, can also be dropped off at the Fort Leavenworth Recycling Center.

Fort Leavenworth Frontier Housing Communities offers recycling and regular and bulk trash options for residents.

Resources and Links

· On-post housing handbooks, trash and recycling guides from Frontier Heritage

Housing: https://www.frontierheritagecommunities.com/residents

· Fort Leavenworth Recycling Center: https://home.army.mil/leavenworth/my-fort/all-services/environmental-management

· City of Leavenworth Recycling Center: https://www.leavenworthks.org/publicworks/page/leav-

• Auto Skills Center for motor oil: https://leavenworth.armymwr.com/p rograms/auto-crafts-center

 Leavenworth County Transfer Station for household and bulk trash drop-off: https://www.leavenworthcounty.gov/departments/transfer_sta tion/index.php

• Munson Army Health Center for medications: https://munson.tricare.mil/

• Fort Leavenworth Thrift Shop: https://www.facebook.com/Fort-Leavenworth-Thrift-Shop-211189988897157/

· City Union Mission, through partnership and coordination with Fort Leavenworth Frontier Heritage Communities: https://cityunionmission.org

• Fort Leavenworth Stray Facility: https://leavenworth.armymwr.com/ programs/stray-facility, www.FLSF. petfinder.com

• Salvation Army, Leavenworth: https://centralusa.salvationarmy.org/ leavenworth/

• Catholic Charities, Leavenworth: https://catholiccharitiesks.org/where -wework/leavenworth/

Goodwill, Leavenworth: https://www.mokangoodwill.org/locations/goodwill-leavenworth-ks

· HOPE Thrift Store, Leavenworth: https://hopeleav.org/thrifthttps://www.facebook. store/, com/HOPEThrift-StoreLeavenworth/

· Leavenworth Mission Community Store/Food Pantry: https:// lvmission.org/, https://www.facebook.com/Leavenworth-Mission/

CAC officer (continued from Page A1)

in 2009, which was a natural progression for someone who never settles for the status quo.

"(Noncommissioned officers) lay the groundwork, but the officers are the ones at the table making most of the decisions with input from NCOs," Harris said. "The experience of seeing the decision-making progress from both perspectives has helped me throughout my career."

For many soldiers, earning a degree and becoming a commissioned officer would be enough, but not for Harris. She continued to grow as a person through education and earned two master's degrees — one in human resource management from Webster University and an another in business administration from University of the Southwest - New Mexico. In 2024, Harris earned a doctorate in business administration with a focus on employee engagement from Walden University to add to her wall of diplomas.

"I didn't want three master's degrees," said Harris with a smile, "but I decided to take the next step and be prepared for whatever the future may bring."

It's the drive to always better herself and be prepared for the future that has driven Harris throughout her career.

"Having worked with Lieutenant Colonel Harris for the past two years, her drive to improve herself, consistently, has had a positively infectious impact on everyone around her," said Lt. Col. Joshua Mendoza, executive officer to the CAC commanding general. "She is a model of inspiration and aspiration for everyone she encounters."

Harris is optimistic about how much longer she will stay in the Army, but she has prepared herself to succeed in life and already has a plan.

"After the Army, I want to be in the community and reach out to the youth to help them find their purpose and get after it," Harris said.



Courtesy photo

Lt. Col. Lasherdo Harris, military assistant to the commanding general of the Combined Arms Center, shares a laugh with CAC Commanding General Lt. Gen. Milford H. Beagle Jr. during her promotion ceremony Aug. 9, 2024. Harris enlisted in the Army in 2004 as a chemical operations specialist and became a commissioned officer in 2009.

Pet of the Week

Gracie is a 2-year-old mixed-breed dog available for adoption at the Fort Leavenworth Stray Facility. Gracie is currently living in foster care, so call 913-684-4939 for an appointment to meet her. The adoption fee to adopt a dog is \$110 to help cover some of the care received, including spay/neuter, microchipping and vaccinations to date.

Visit www.FLSF.petfinder.com for adoptable pet profiles, e-mail fortleavenworthstrayfacility @gmail.com for an adoption application, and call 913-684-4939 for more information. Military affiliation is not required to adopt from the Fort Leavenworth Stray Facility. The Fort Leavenworth Stray Facility, at 510 Organ Ave., is open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and by appointment for pre-approved adopters. Call 913-684-4939 to schedule an appointment. Hours may vary, so call to be sure someone is at the facility when you would like to visit.

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, enter ZIP code 66027, then search for "stray animal facility" at https://vmis.armyfamilywebportal.com/.





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Volunteer!

Help Shelter Pets!

They need your help for walks and general care!

They enjoy the love, attention, and affections, too!

Several shifts to choose from

Want to know how to join our team?

Register at https://vmis.armyfamilywebportal.com/.

Once registered, we will contact you and have you come in for a training with a team member.

After you train, you shadow two shifts. Then you are ready to help shelter pets!

Watch the Fort Leavenworth Stray Facility Facebook page for training events!

Once you register, train, and shadow, you can sign up for any shift you can cover.

Children under 18 can help, but they must be accompanied by an adult the entire shift.



Fort Leavenworth Stray Facility 510 Organ Avenue Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027







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Frontier Army Museum and the Friends of the Frontier Army Museum (FFAM) present



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- Interactive bus routes Current Air Quality Index
- Newcomer information
- Maintenance Requests • MHS Genesis Login

Events

FORT LEAVENWORTH PERSONAL DRONE USAGE

History Brunch

A Contribution to Victory: Western University's Vocational Training Program for World War I by Dr. Bernard Harris JR

Rescheduled for March 22

Light refreshments served at 10:30a, presentation to begin at 11:00a

Frontier Army Museum 100 Reynolds Ave Fort Leavenworth, KS

Free event for all

BOSS PRESENTS





February 7

IT ENDS WITH US **PG-13**

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February 21

Come out and join us as the BOSS program gives back to the Community by playing 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!

ON BASE:

Fort Leavenworth is a NO DRONE area. If you observe drone activity, call the Emergency Dispatch Center at 913-684-2111 or 911 to report the activity.



OFF BASE:

- Download the FAA's B4UFLY smartphone app, to see real-time information about airspace restrictions and other related resources
- Explore areas where drones can be flown without Remote ID equipment, also known as FAA-Recognized Identification Areas (FRIAs)
- Visit https://www.faa.gov/uas/getting_started for more drone guidance and information

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NEW CDC DETOUR ROUTE



The previous CDC construction detour, from Iowa to Kansas Ave, has been modified to reroute traffic away from densely populated areas. The new detour (yellow trace), will route traffic northwest to 5th Artillery Rd and toward the cemetery and golf course.

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

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St. Ignatius of Loyola Catholic Community Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

February

2025

Pastoral Advisory Council Meeting The Pastoral Advisory Council meetings are of all congregation members that would like to peinput regarding upcoming events and futur volunter needs for the community. February 4, 2025, at 1730 in the Pioneer Chu CONFESSIONS







05 SEP, 03 OCT, 07 NOV, 05 DEC, 09 JAN, 06 FEB, 06 MAR, 03 APR, 01 MAY

Each Date Night begins with a faith-based marriage enrichment presentation. Then couples are released to go out on a date and further discuss the topic together. Children will remain safely supervised by childcare professionals at Frontier Chapel (6-10 pm or pick up kids earlier)!

For more information and to register scan the QR code or call 913-680-7336



2025 Islamic Holy Times of Prayer: Frontier Chapel



Dates: Ramadan: 01 - 29 MAR 25

Location: Please come to Room 111 in Frontier Chapel for Individual Prayers

Frontier Chapel: 625 Thomas Avenue

Time: 0900-1700 (MON-FRI and SUN)

Please see your unit chaplain or call the Religious Support Office at 913-684-2210

Lewis & Clark Building will hold Midday Prayers in the Faculty Lounge (MON-FRI)



CH (MAJ) Chris Weinrich, christopher.w.weinrich.mil@army.mil



Ash Wednesday Services

<u>Protestant</u>: 05 MAR 25 Faculty Lounge, Lewis and Clark Building Time: 0730-0800

Roman Catholic: 05 MAR 25 Pioneer Chapel, 500 Pope Avenue Time: 1200

FORT LEAVENWORTH SNOW ETIQUETTE

Per the FLFHC Resident Handbook:

- Residents are responsible for promptly removing snow and ice from the resident's sidewalk between any common sidewalk or road and the front and/or rear door and driveways
- Residents are asked to move parked cars off of roadways during snow removal operations to avoid obstructing plows

Snow Shoveling Reminders:

- Push excess snow into your yard. Never shovel snow into roadways, sidewalks, or neighboring residences
- · Clear snow and ice around fire hydrants
- Be patient while DPW and Wallace crews work to clear roads and common area sidewalks





<u>Anglican:</u> 05 MAR 25 Memorial Chapel, 626 Scott Avenue Time: 1730

For more information, please call the Religious Support Office at 913-684-2210 or email christopher.w.weinrich.mil@army.mil



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Presentations Start at 1545 in Eisenhower Auditorium and Streamed Live on the CGSC Facebook Page Open to the Public [ALL ARE WELCOME] to Attend or View Online All IMS WILL Attend//Presenting IMS' Section Expected to Attend





Wednesday, February 26, 2025 at 5:30 PM CST

Speaker Series: A Kansas Soldier at War

100 Reynolds Ave, Fort Leavenworth, KS, United States, Kansas 66027





Interested in sharing your passion and knowledge of

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Frontier Army Museum is looking for a consistent, longterm volunteer to work in the collections.



Age Requirement: Must be 16 and older.

Interested? Please contact Megan Hunter megan.m.hunter4.civ@army.mil

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More than a food pantry.

Stronghold Food Pantry graphic

Vince Afaisen has been named the 2025 Armed Forces Insurance Military Spouse of the Year for Fort Leavenworth. Branch voting is currently underway. Branch finalists will be announced Feb. 20, and branch winners announced March 4. The overall AFI Military Spouse of the Year will be announced May 8. Visit https://msoy.afi.org/ for more information.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2025

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1130 - 1300

ACS Conference Room 145

Registration Required (must register by the day before the class you want to attend.) Classes are for 18 and over. dcare will be pro

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Feb 20 • Apr 17 • Jun 12 Aug 21 • Oct 16 • Dec 11

Thursdays from 11:30AM - 1PM

ACS Conference Room, Room 145

Learn how to identify the different kinds of anger and ways anger is expressed. Build skills to deal with strong and destructive behavior and emotions

FREE and open to DoD ID card holders 18 and above.

Childcare not provided.

Registration is required, and must be done the day before the class.

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For more info or to registe call, (913) 684-2808/2822





Round 2: July 7, 14, 21, 28 Round 3: September 8, 15, 22, 29 @ 12:00pm - 1:00pm ACS Classroom 145 **600 Thomas Ave**

Learning to co-parent after a divorce can feel like being on opposite ends of a chasm.

Our four week workshop will show you how to build a bridge that will enhance parenting skills, enrich positive co-parenting, learn to develop and use boundaries, and establish a joint plan nanaging expectations about your children's growth, development, and behavior.

Employment Readiness Program Classes ACS Classroom • Resiliency Center, 600 Thomas Ave. Wednesdays • 12PM - 2PM*

> Resume Writing: • Feb 12* • Mar 12* • Apr 9* May 7* • June 11* **Evening Classes:** pr 9 • May 7 • June 11 - 5PM - 7PM Registration required for evening classes

Federal Employment: Jan 15* • Feb 19* • Mar 19* • Apr 16* May 14* • June 18*

Evening Classes: Apr 16 • May 14 • June 18 - 5PM - 7PM Registration required for evening classes

Interview Skills & Professionalism: Jan 22* • Feb 26 * • Mar 26* • Apr 30* May 21* • June 25*

Evening Classes:

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FREE and open to all DoD ID holders 18+ Register by calling **913-684-28111 2808** Deadline to register is day before class, riticipants are encouraged to attend every class s session will be different. Ask about virtual options! Participants are e

ROUND 3: JAN 10, JAN 17, JAN 24, JAN 31 ROUND 4: FEB 7, FEB 14, FEB 21, FEB 28 ROUND 5: MAR 7, MAR 14, MAR 21, MAR 28

THIS FOUR-WEEK COURSE IS DESIGNED TO HELP PARENTS DEVELOP NON-PHYSICAL DISCIPLINE STRATEGIES, BUILD STRONG RELATIONSHIPS, AND MEET THE NEEDS OF CHILDREN OF ALL AGES.

FREE AND OPEN TO DOD ID CARD HOLDERS 18+.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED AND MUST BE DONE THE DAY BEFORE THE FIRST DAY OF TRAINING.

PARTICIPANTS MUST ATTEND EACH DATE IN THE ROUND OF THEIR CHOICE.

INFO AND REGISTRATION: (913) 684-2808/2822





This event is offered by ACS New Parent Support Program for Moms of young children to be able to get out of the house without the kids and meet other Moms at a restaurant The focus of this event is to improve social connections and to learn about different parts of the town.

2025 Dates: Jan 29 • Feb 26 • March 26 • April 30 May 28 • June 25 • July 30 • Aug 27 Sept 24 • Oct 29 • Nov 19 • Dec 10



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DAD'S NIGHT

2025 DATES:



Scan QR Code for more info

Classes are from 12PM - 2PM

Financial Readiness Milestone Training

Are you financially prepared for what life throws your way? Let us help! We offer free **Financial Readiness Training** on a variety of subjects.

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Victim Advocate Hotline: (913) 684-2537 Child Abuse Hotline: (913) 684-2111 SHARP Hotline: (913) 683-1443 Chaplain: (913) 683-1443 **AER Assistance After Hours:** American Red Cross at (877) 272-7337

Time: 6PM • Restaurants TBD

Childcare, food, and drinks are not provided.

For Moms with children 0-3 years old.

Info: (913) 297-3212 or (913) 684-2800



Free

for

Expectant

Parents!

600 Thomas Ave

Room 157

All classes are from

5 pm - 7 pm

MWR ACS ACIS **New Parent Support** Prenatal Classes 2025

Childbirth Classes: Series of three classes Jan 6th, 13th, 27th Mar 3rd, 10th, 17th May 5th, 12th, 19th July 14th, 21st, 28th Sep 8th, 15th, 22nd Nov 3rd, 17th, 24th

born Care Classes: Feb 3rd **April 7th** June 2nd August 4th October 6th December 1st Breastfeeding Classes:

February 10th April 14th June 9th August 11th October 20th **December 8th**

ine for Re Contact 913-297-3212



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Dad's Night Out is offered by ACS New Parent Support Program for Dads of children 0-3 years of age to get out of the house without the kids and meet at a restaurant. The focus of this event is to improve social connections and get to learn different parts of town.

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Jan 22 • Feb 19 • March 19 • April 23 May 21 • June 18 • July 23 • Aug 20 Sept 17 • Oct 22 • Nov 12 • Dec 3

Time: 6PM • Restaurants TBD

Childcare, food, and drinks are not provided

For Dads with children 0-3 years old.

For more info: (913) 297-3212 or (913) 684-2800



Time to lose the diapers? FREE For Parents of Children aged 0-4 years *Pre-registration Required Deadline is Friday before cla Contact 913-297-3212

600 Thomas Ave **Room 157** 2/24, 4/28, 6/16, 8/18, 10/27, 12/15 5 pm - 7 pm

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Starting August 19th, 2024

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			Spin (Karyn)			
0930		Zumba (Lydia)		Zumba (Lydia)		
1200						
1630	Hot Yoga (Kim)	Zumba (Lydia)	Power Cycling (Kim)	Zumba (Lydia)		
1730			Power Yoga (30min) (Kim)			

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

Gruber Fitness Center Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Advanced 1940-2040 Advanced 1940-2040 Advanced 1940-2040 1 x a week - \$60 2 x a week - \$75 3 x a week - \$85 Drop in \$20 First class is FREE! Must have 24 hour access to gym. Classes are 18+ Registe er in per Harney Sports Complex Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Resistance Training 0900-1015 Re sistance

For more info call 913-684-7525/ 7526

Training

Volunteer Coaches Needed!

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

*Power Cut classes are held in the Bubble Gym







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Olympic Lifting - \$75 (3 days) \$70 (2 days) \$10 (drop in) Resistance Training - \$70 (2 days) \$10 (drop in) Kids Olympic Lifting - \$75 (NO drop in) First class is FREEI Olympic Lifting and Resistance Training is for 18+ Harney Sports Complex & **Gruber Fitness Center** 200 Reynolds Ave Ft. Leavenworth, KS Aquatics Center 185 Fourth St Ft. Leavenworth, KS 913-684-2190 913-684-5120

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January & February Workshops Watercolor

Watercolor

(Landscapes)

6pm - 8pm

6pm - 8pm

(Florals)

Watercolor

Tuesday, Feb 18

Tuesday, Feb 25

\$30 per workshop

Watercolor (Basic Techniques) Tuesday, Jan 21 11am - 1pm

Watercolor (Color Theory) Tuesday, Jan 28 11am - 1pm

Watercolor (Valentine Cards) Tuesday, Feb 4 11am - 1pm



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Call now to register! 913-684-3373



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Framing Studio Must take Intro to Framing before using DIY Framing Studio.

> **Pottery Studio** (Coming Soon!)

Modern Calligraphy=

Basics

\$20 per class

Tuesday Jan 21 6:30pm - 8pm

Special Projects

Valentine Cards Tuesday Feb 4 6:30pm - 8pm

Intermediate

\$20 per class

Tuesday Jan 28 6:30pm - 8pm



Reoccurring Classes MUST PRE-REGISTER Intro to Framing \$40 per class Every 2nd Thurs & 4th Sat of the month 10am - 2pm

Paint & Sip \$35 per session

Every 2nd Friday of the month 6pm - 8pm Must be 21 years or older.

BYOB

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January & February

Workshops

Acrylic

\$35 per class

Acrylic Pour Wednesday, Jan 29 11am - 1pm

Acrylic Pour Wednesday, Feb 26 11am - 1pm





\$30 per class

Valentine Wreath Thursday, Jan 30 11am - 1pm

Macrame Plant Holder Friday, Feb 28 11am - 1pm



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\$35 Must be 21 years or older. BYOB

Kids Arts & Crafts Art History Messy Art

\$12 per class (ages 7+)

Thursday, Jan 16 11am - 12pm

Thursday, Feb 6 11am - 12pm

Thursday, Feb 20 11am - 12pm

\$15 per class (ages 7+)

Popcorn & Pollock Wednesday, Jan 22 1pm - 3pm Thursday, Jan 23 4pm - 6pm

Muffins & Michelangelo

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2025





FORT LEAVENWORTH SCHOOL DISTRICT OPENINGS FOR THE 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR:

- Special Education Para Educators
- Food Service Manager
- Food Service Cook
- Full-Time & Daily Substitute Teachers
- Full-Time Bus Aide
- Full-Time Bus Driver
- Special Education Teacher K-5
- Special Education Teacher 6-9
- Early Childhood Pre-School Special Education Teacher

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2024-2025 School Calendar

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Fort Leavenworth Care Options Available for Summer 2024 & School Year 2024-2025

Request Before/After School Care & SAC Camps all year round



Families can use MCC to make requests for SAC programs, which include Before/After School care and Fall, Winter, Spring, and Summer Camps, all year round. The online system allows you to search for and submit unlimited SAC requests at any time of the year without waiting for a specific registration time to begin. As soon as school dates are known, all SAC programs will be made available to you so you can submit your requests.

Please Note: Spaces are offered via email based on the sponsor's priority and request for care (RFC) date.

Make sure you are requesting the best Care Option(s) for your childcare needs... Go to our <u>CYS Facebook</u> page or <u>FMWR-CYS website</u> to review the:

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Fort Leavenworth CYS Care Options & Waitlist Guide



Job Transfer Program Worldwide Through Civilian Employment Assignment Tool

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Stewarding the Profession THE HARDING PROJECT

LTC Zach Griffiths, Dr. Trent Lythgoe, and COL(R) Rich Creed join our host LTC Lisa Becker to talk about The Harding Project. They discuss how Army Professionals advance the Profession of Arms through professional writing and discourse. They examine myths of writing, tips to get better at writing, and writing initiatives within The Harding Project.

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CREATE ACCOUNT

Go to **MilitaryChildCare.com** to create an account containing information about your family, or to login using an existing username and password.

P SEARCH and REQUEST CARE

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MANAGE MY REQUESTS

3 You can manage your requests for care from anywhere in the world.

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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 is looking for volunteers to join the PATIENT AND FAMILY PARTNERSHIP COUN-CIL. Volunteers can be active-duty, activeduty family members, retirees or retiree family members. The PFPC meets quarterly. If interested, call 913-684-6211/6127.

■ Munson Army Health Center Pharmacy offers patients a variety of OVER-THE-COUNTER MEDICATIONS AT NO COST to service members, retirees and familiy members. These items are available without a prescription or medical appointment. These self-care items are comparable to those available for purchase from retail stores and include pain relievers, cough medicine, allergy medication, antibiotic ointment, lice treatment and much more. Visit https://munson.tricare.mil/Health-Services/Pharmacy and scroll down to the Over-the-Counter Medication Program for details.

■ Service members, retirees, family members and Department of Defense federal employees on Fort Leavenworth are EL-**IGIBLE 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 in Eisenhower Hall 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.



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