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# *Lamp* earns awards in state journalism competition

by Staff Report

The *Fort Leavenworth Lamp* staff received several awards across a variety of categories in the 2025 Kansas Press Association Awards of Excellence competition, KPA announced April 9.

In the annual competition, the work of journalists from across the state is judged, by members of another state's comparable press organization, against that of their peers. The *Lamp* was awarded five first-place awards, four second-place awards and four third-place awards.

This year's awards include recognition for some of the *Lamp*'s contributors.

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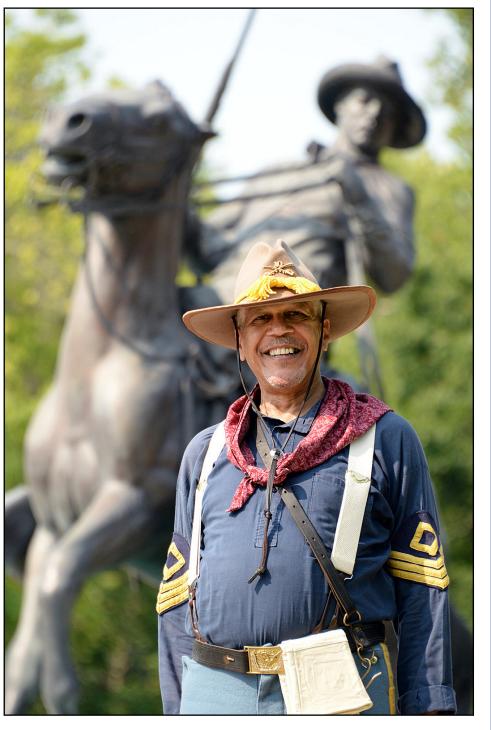
#### FIRST PLACE: BEST ENVIRONMENTAL PORTRAIT

**RIGHT: George** Pettigrew, executive vice president of the Alexander/Madison Chapter -Greater Kansas **City/Leavenworth Area** 9th and 10th (Horse) Cavalry Association, provides guided tours of the **Buffalo Soldier Monu**ment and the Circle of Firsts in the Buffalo Sol-Commemorative dier Area as part of the Buffalo Soldiers Day observance July 26, 2024.

This image placed first in Best Environmental Portrait category of the Kansas Press Association Awards of Excellence competition.

The Fort Leavenworth Lamp also received firstplace awards in the Gen-





## AT A GLANCE

■ The Community Blood Center is conducting a **BLOOD DRIVE** from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 17 (today) at Frontier Chapel. Sign up at savealifenow.org/group; use group code BK. Call 816-310-7979 for more information.

■ The HARROLD YOUTH CENTER FLASHLIGHT EASTER EGG HUNT is at 8 p.m. April 18 for CYS-registered youth in sixth through 12th grades at HYC; bring a flashlight.

■ The **POST EXCHANGE EASTER EGG HUNT** is at 1 p.m. April 19 by Armed Forces Bank.

■ EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE is at 6:30 a.m. April 20 at Pioneer Chapel. For a schedule of Holy Week services, see page A8.

■ CHAPEL COMMUNITY EASTER DAY EGG HUNTS include: CrossRoads egg hunt at 10 a.m. between 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services at Pioneer Chapel; Gospel egg hunt at 11:30 a.m. after 10 a.m. service at Pioneer Chapel; and Catholic egg hunt at 10:45 a.m. at St. Ignatius Chapel Memorial Park after 9:30 a.m. Mass.

■ GRIFFIN GARDENS GREENHOUSE opens for the season from 1-3 p.m. April 23.

■ The **POSTWIDE YARD SALE** is April 26. See flyer on page B1 for more information.

■ The CGSC/MWR TRIATHLON is at 8 a.m. May 3 starting at Harney Sports Complex. Download the registration at https://leavenworth.armymwr.com/application/files/5617/4171/0298/CGSC\_Triathlon\_ registration\_2025.jpg. Call 913-684-1674 for more information.

Army Community Service's **SMOOTH MOVE WORKSHOP** provides pre-departure and destination information on relocation and travel entitlements, installation and community information, financial concerns, employment opportunities and more. The workshop is available upon request for oneon-one, families, units or groups of spouses/families. For more information or to schedule, call 913-684-2800.

eral News Photo, Feature Story, Best Story/Picture Combination and Photo Package categories.

See pages A3-5 for more of the *Lamp*'s winning entries.

Photo by Prudence Siebert/ Fort Leavenworth Lamp

## Army to sunset milSuite April 30

by U.S. Army Public Affairs

WASHINGTON — The milSuite platform — a secure, cloud-based collection of tools for Department of Defense personnel to share information and connect with peers — will be decommissioned on April 30, 2025. On this date, all mil-Suite products will sunset, including milBook, milUniversity, milSurvey, milTube and milWiki.

After April 30, all mil-Suite data will be permanently deleted and unrecoverable. Users must personally export or migrate any data they want to preserve to other collaboration capabilities like Army 365 (Teams, SharePoint online). The data on milSuite will not be automatically transferred to another platform. Although no single platform fully replicates milSuite's capabilities, existing resources provide similar collaboration, communication and knowledge-sharing functions.

"Innovations in collaboration, knowledge management and communications offer the DoD approved enterprise tools that better support the Army's digital modernization efforts in line with our goal of a globally connected Army by 2030," said Lt. Gen. Jeth Rey, the Army's deputy chief of staff, G-6.

For additional information, guidance, resources and milSuite alternatives and how to transfer content, visit https://login.milsuite.mil/?goto=https%3A %2F%2Fwww.milsuite.mil %3A443%2Fbook%2Fcom munity%2Fmilsuite.

The milSuite data collection points of contact list is also at the website. If you are part of any of the organizations or chains of commands listed in that document and want to ensure your organization is aware of your usage, contact the appropriate individual(s).

The milSuite team will be available on the site to assist with the process.

"We are focused on helping milSuite users understand how to download and export their data over the next few weeks," said Tom Curran, milSuite program manager. "We've established weekly workshops every Thursday at (noon Central Time) that provide a forum to share information and connect our technical experts with our user community to address any questions they have. We've also established a community page containing details, FAQs and resources across each milSuite platform to assist our users."

Due to the short timeline, it is strongly recommended that milSuite users take action as soon as possible to avoid losing important information.

Refer to the milSuite factsheet at https://api. army.mil/e2/c/downloads/2025/04/11/44d9c17f/ army-milsuitesunsetting.pdf and the FAQ page at https://www.mil-Suite.mil/.

■ Starting May 7, visitors will be required to show a REAL ID form of identification at the Visitor Control Center/the gates to access the installation. This requirement does not apply to service members, installation personnel, dependents or retirees who already possess a military ID, military dependent ID, a Common Access Card or a federal government-issued Personal Identity Verification Card. For more information call 913-684-3600 or visit: https://www.ksrevenue.gov/dovrealid.html (Kansas) or https://dor.mo.gov/driver-license/issuance/real-id/ (Missouri).

■ The Patton Junior High School track team will be using all of Normandy Field the track and field complex by the Unified School District 207 office — from 3-5 p.m. weekdays during track season through April 30. During those times, COMMUNITY MEMBERS CAN ACCESS THE TRACK AND FIELD behind the old Patton location on Grant Avenue near Grant Gate.

■ SKIES UNLIMITED ENROLLMENT is ongoing for music, dance, gymnastics, junior golf and more. View the course catalog at https://leavenworth.armymwr.com/application/files/4217/4048/9694/SKIESUnlimited\_2025\_Spring\_Draft\_SAVED.pdf. For more information, call 913-684-3207.

■ See the **POST NOTES** (B section) for more information on upcoming events.

## DON'T MIND THE GAP Military spouse urges potential employers to appreciate that active-duty life IS work experience

by Lisa Smith Molinari/"The Meat and Potatoes of Life" Columnist

A million years ago, I was a litigation attorney with a bright professional future and significant earning potential. That was before I married a Navy man and began moving to U.S. states and foreign countries where my law licenses weren't worth the paper on which they were printed.

Despite these challenges, I maintained hope that one day, I'd rekindle my law career. However, military family life marched on, and it wasn't until our youngest entered high school after our ninth move that I drafted a new resumé.

That day, I dropped the kids at school then grabbed the only available table at Starbucks — beside the restrooms. When I had something important to do, I couldn't start until I spent a requisite amount of time dawdling. So, I removed

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crumpled gum wrappers from my purse, checked email, and people-watched. Although I'd typically procrastinate longer, after 10 minutes I decided that people-watching beside the toilets wasn't entertaining and therefore, not worth the effort.

I opened a blank document, sighed dramatically, and thought, "The kids are old enough now. It's time to find a paying job."

"RESUMÉ [return]... Lisa Smith Molinari," I keyed onto the top of the page. I picked up steam, quickly tapping out my address, phone number and e-mail, adding aesthetically pleasing fonts, underlining and bold. After a few thumps on the return key, I typed "EDUCATION" and enjoyed a trip down memory lane to the ivy-tangled architecture of Miami of Ohio, and the endless racks of thick casebooks at Thomas Cooley Law School in Michigan.

I added "law review" and "cum laude," feeling a surge of confidence.

But, no sooner did I type "WORK EXPERIENCE" when my hands began to tremble. "It's just the caffeine," I thought, and strained to recall the details of my last paying job.

"Hmm ... was it 1995? When I worked for that law firm in California while Francis was assigned to the Naval Postgraduate School? I can't put a job from two decades ago on my resumé ... I'll be a laughing stock!" I realized that, since marrying my Navy husband in 1993, I had no paid "work" experience except a few short-lived legal jobs between military moves. Recognizing that my skinny vanilla latte had nothing to do with my shaking hands, I pressed on, trying my best to make 25 years as a stayat-home military mom read like a thriving professional career.

As I filled my resumé gap with various volunteer gigs I'd had through the years, I tsked. How is a milspouse supposed to convince an employer that she is capable of a challenging job because managing an active-duty military family IS her "work experience"?

Despite the bonbonsand-soap-operas stereotype for stay-at-home-parents, any milspouse who has successfully managed a full household through stateside and overseas moves, lengthy deployments and various TDYs, broken hot water heaters, clogged gutters, HHG damage claims, Scout meetings, soccer tournaments, EFMP paperwork, orthodontist appointments and parent-teacher conferences

— is most-definitely worthy of gainful employment.

I resisted the urge to add the cutesy moniker "Domestic Engineer" in hopes that potential employers would respect me for putting my own career aside to help my husband serve his country. Instead, under the heading "REMARKS" I wrote, "Despite gaps in my job history, I have always exemplified hard work and dedication, whether as a lawyer, writer, volunteer, mother or military spouse," pounding the period button with a self-righteous poke.

A few years later, I gave up my job search because each promising lead had ended in final-round rejections due to "lack of work experience." Instead, I cofounded a military nonprofit, Orion Military Scholarships, and created

my own dream job helping military children find stable educational experiences.

Frankly, I'd grown tired of "mil-splaining" the impact that active-duty Navy life had on my career to civilian employers who would never understand what I knew — that military life requires higherlevel competence, determination, selflessness, work ethic, and executive problem-solving skills.

Employers, when considering a military spouse, don't mind the gap. Being frequently moved to new locations, managing complex circumstances, and shepherding a family through constant unknowns gives milspouses the gritty "must-do-cando-will-do" mentality that you'd do well to appreciate.

Read more of retired Navy spouse Lisa Smith Molinari's columns at www.themeatandpotatoesoflife.com.

## Army Community Services offers career resources for spouses

From https://leavenworth.armymwr.com/programs/acs/employment-readiness-program

Army Community Service's Employment Readiness Program offers resources to help with your career plan and job search.

Whether you're a military spouse or family member who just moved to a new installation, retiree, DoD civilian looking for new opportunities, or active-duty military, active Reserve, National Guard member or wounded warrior, we're here to help. Services include up-to-date information on local, national and international employment opportunities, job market trends and education, and volunteer resources; information on job fairs (in-person and virtual) and other hiring events; assistance with employment applications; career counseling and individual career assessments; résumé critiques; classes and seminars on self-assessment and career exploration, résumé writing, interviewing techniques, dressing for success, networking and entrepreneurship; and information on spouse licensure reimbursement — re-licensing at a new duty station can be costly. Not all programs and classes are available at all ACS faciliautomated systems and read by a hiring manager. Create a living document that best highlights who you are and what you can bring to an employer.

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Contact the Employment Readiness Program manager for more information at 913-684-2835/684-2800.

ties.

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#### FIRST-RATE CONTRIBUTIONS First place: Feature Story

"Stitched with Love," by volunteer writer Dani Lander, celebrated the work of volunteers who crochet blankets and hats for babies served by Army Community Service's New Parent Support Program. Lander's article earned first place in the Feature Story category.

"This entry wins me over for so many reasons. Good writing is always key, but this piece trumpets the needs of military families, and that is something we all need to do more. Plus, who doesn't love cute babies?" the category judge commented.

Third-place:

#### **Best Story/Picture Combination**

On-the-job trainee Spc. Kalisber Ortega Santiago, NCO Journal social media manager, and Lamp Editor Prudence Siebert covered the Operation: Deploy Your Dress pop-up event for members of Army Corrections Brigade just prior to ODYD's grand opening last fall, earning the writer/photographer team third place in Best Story/Picture Combination for single-day event coverage.

"What a great way to help many participate in the event. I love how the community comes together to make this happen," the judge remarked. "The pictures really show the emotion."

To read the article, see the Aug. 15, 2024, of the Lamp or visit issue https://www.army.mil/article/278938/fort\_le avenworth\_operation\_deploy\_your\_dress.

Second-place: Feature Package

Essays by Unified School District 207 students complemented the Lamp's Freedom Walk coverage, crediting Siebert as photographer and the USD 207 students for their chosen essays, which they read aloud at the annual Sept. 11, 2001, commemoration ceremony. The entry took second place in the Feature Package category, which is judged on the quality of writing, photography and layout.

"Dynamic photos, but the best part is taking the time to include the children's comments and photos," the judge commented. "This is a very special page, years after an historic, tragic event. Great job."

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#### FIRST PLACE: FEATURE STORY

"Stitched with Love," by volunteer writer Dani Lander, about volunteers who crochet blankets and hats for babies served by the New Parent Support Program, placed first in the Kansas Press Association Awards of Excellence Feature Story category.

## **REMEMBERING** our fallen

MONDAY, MAY 27, 2024



A two-page spread, using photographs by Leavenworth Fort Lamp Editor Prudence Siebert and former Staff Writer Melissa Bower from the Lamp archives, paid tribute to the communities' fallen service members in the 2024 Memorial Day Special Section.









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**OPERATION:** 

Deploy Your Dress

Event supports military families ahead of MP ball



Coverage of the Operation: Deploy Your Dress pop-up event in August 2024 by Spc. Kalisber Ortega Santiago, NCO Journal social media manager, and Lamp Editor Prudence Siebert, placed third in the Best Story/Picture Combination.

### USD 207 students share what freedom means to them at annual 9-11 commemoration













The photo essay, "Remembering Our Fallen," placed first in the Photo Package category of the Kansas Press Association Awards of Excellence.

The Lamp's 2024 **Memorial Day Special** Section is available for viewing and download at https://home. army.mil/leavenworth/application/fil es/1317/1649/4452/r educed\_Memorial\_Da y\_SPECIAL\_SEC-TION\_5.27.24.pdf.

Photos by Prudence Siebert and Melissa Bower/Fort Leavenworth Lamp e S11







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ABOVE and BELOW: Editor Prudence Siebert's Freedom Walk photos combined with "What Freedom Means To Me" essays by Unified School District 207 students Josie Douglass, Marian Drew, Joshua Loden and Josh Kuwik took second place in the Feature Package category.











### Kansas Press Association Awards of Excellence (continued from Page A3)

#### **FIRST PLACE: GENERAL NEWS PHOTO**

**Command and General** Staff Officer Course Class of 2024 graduate Maj. Matthew Childers blows a kiss to his wife as the audience applauds their family and friends during the CGSOC graduation ceremony June 7, 2024, at the Lewis and Clark Center.

This image placed first in General News Photo category of the Kansas Association Press Awards of Excellence competition.

Photo by Prudence Siebert/Fort Leavenworth Lamp

To see the 9-11 commemoration feature package, see the Sept. 12, 2025, issue of the Lamp. Some of the images are also posted at https://www.army.mil/article/279623/fort\_l eavenworth\_community\_celebrates\_freedom\_at\_annual\_9\_11\_commemoration.

First place: Photo Package

Former Lamp staff writer Melissa Bower, now the public affairs officer for the City of Leavenworth, got a shout-out when one of her photos joined several of Siebert's images, pulled from the Lamp's archives, to create the Memorial Day Special Section two-page photo spread "Remembering Our Fallen," which placed first in the Photo Package category.

"Fantastic all around. You captured this perfectly," the judge wrote.

The Lamp's 2024 Memorial Day Special Section is available for viewing and download at https://home.army.mil/leavenworth/application/files/1317/1649/4452/red uced\_Memorial\_Day\_SPECIAL\_SEC-TION\_5.27.24.pdf.

#### **EDITOR RECOGNITION** First-place: General News Photo

During the Command and General Staff Officer Course graduation ceremony last June, Siebert took a photo of a graduate blowing a kiss to his wife from across the auditorium. The photo, which ran in the June 13, 2024, issue of the Lamp, placed first in the General News Photography category, which is judged on timeliness, impact and technical quality.

"This is an outstanding photo and certainly deserves first-place honors in this category," the judge commented. "The photographer captured the moment yet framed the picture very well with the others. Outstanding job. Outstanding photo."





## after going missing in action

World War II pilot 2nd Lt. John E. McLauchlen Jr. was paid full honors and laid to rest in the Fort Leavenworth Na-tional Cemetery July 8, 80 years after going missing in action. McLauchlen was last seen in 1943, dur-ing a mission in Burma (also known as Myanmar in Southeast Asia) with the 36th Bombardment Squadono, 7th Bom-bardment Group in the Army Air Forces. "The flight report that was filed was from the plane that had been right next to him, and they watched John fly into a Joud bank — he was gaining speed be-cuuse he was dropping altitude real quick, and there were three lapanese fighters on his all at that thine. That was the last any" his tail at that time. That was the last any-one ever saw him," his nephew Richard McLauchlen Jr. explained.

McLauchlen was officially accounted on Jan. 25, 2024, by the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency, using his nephew's DNA to aid in analysis and identification confirmation. His unidenoriginally Richard said it was a given that some

WI PILOT LAID TO REST | A

UCHLEN JR BOVE: The gravestone for 2nd Lt. John . McLauchlen Jr. is displayed near the en Jr. is displayed ne Il pilot's casket durin ceremony July 8 at th National Cemetery his wife. Anita. clu





FIRST PLACE: BEST STORY/PICTURE COMBINATION

Coverage of the reinterment ceremony for World War II pilot 2nd Lt. John E. McLauchlen, with story and photographs by Prudence Siebert, received first place in the Best Story/Picture Combination category. The category is judged on singleday event coverage best told through combined use of visuals and written content.

#### First place: Best Environmental Portrait

Siebert's photograph of George Pettigrew, executive vice president of the Alexander/Madison Chapter - Greater Kansas City/Leavenworth Area 9th and 10th (Horse) Cavalry Association, pausing in front of the Buffalo Soldier Monument while giving guided tours of the Buffalo Soldier Commemorative Area, placed first in the Best Environmental Portrait category.

"Great photography. Perfect tie in to the story," the judge wrote. "This photo makes me want to read about Mr. Pettigrew. Well done."

Read the full story from that day in the Aug. 1, 2024, issue of the Lamp or at https://www.army.mil/article/278541/fort\_l eavenworth\_observes\_buffalo\_soldiers\_day \_with\_ceremony\_tours.

First place: Best Story/Picture Combination

Siebert's coverage of the reinterment ceremony for World War II pilot 2nd Lt. John

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## Local veteran is 'Miss April' in **2025 Pin-Ups For Vets calendar**



#### Volunteer partners with organization that strives to help improve veterans' healthcare, boost morale, honor service

ism on Sept. 11, 2001, continues to find

"I saw the heroism and bravery shown

by so many following the tragedy of (9-11),

and knew I had to do something, too. Fresh

out of high school, and as soon as I turned

18, I chose to join the Army," said Springall,

a former Army medic who served four

years on active duty in the Army and then

Among Springall's post-Army volun-

teering contributions, she serves as an am-

bassador for Pin-Ups For Vets, a nonprofit

ways to show her patriotism.

two more years in the Reserves.

by Prudence Siebert Fort Leavenworth Lamp Editor

Fort Leavenworth resident Danielle Springall, a U.S. Army veteran who was motivated to enlist after the acts of terror-

LEFT: Fort Leavenworth resident and Army veteran Danielle Springall is featured as "Miss April" in the 2025 Pin-Ups For Vets calendar. To learn more about the nonprofit organization and/or to order a calendar, visit vw.pinupsforvets.com. Photo by Shane Karns/Pin-Ups For Vets

healthcare and other needs, mostly through the sales of a calendar featuring female veterans decked out in the fancy attire and retro hair and makeup of World War II-era pin-up girls.

organization that raises money for veterans'

After three years of applying to be one of those veteran pin-up girls, Springall was selected to be "Miss April" in the 2025 Pin-Ups For Vets calendar.

"Not only am I absolutely thrilled by what (Pin-Ups For Vets) is doing for the veteran community, but there is nothing I love more than putting a smile on a veteran's face. I was excited to have the opportunity to combine two things I love spending time getting to know other veterans and the elegance and class of 1940s and '50s style - by being an ambassador for the program. Being selected to be in the

SEE PIN-UPS FOR VETS A8

Editor Prudence Siebert's story about Fort Leavenworth resident Danielle Springall volunteering with a nonprofit veterans' organization resulted in second-place recognition in the Awards of Excellence Feature Story category.

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E. McLauchlen received first place in the Best Story/Picture Combination category, which recognizes stories best told with a combination of text and visual elements.

"This one really touched my heart. The family being able to get closure, the honors bestowed to that pilot. Great job," the judge commented.

The ceremony coverage ran in the July 11, 2024, issue of the Lamp, as well as at https://www.army.mil/ article/277930/wwii\_pilot\_ laid\_to\_rest\_80\_years\_ after\_going\_missing\_ in\_action.

#### Second-place: Feature Story

Siebert's story about Fort Leavenworth resident Danielle Springall's sharing her gift for glam and volunteerism with a nonprofit veterans' organization resulted in second-place recognition in the Feature Story category.

"Great use of art along with the story. A lot of journalists make the art of less importance to their detriment. Plus, a well written, interesting story," the judge commented.

"Local veteran is 'Miss April' in 2025 Pin-Ups For Vets calendar" can be read in the Sept. 12, 2024, issue of the Lamp and at https://www.army.mil/article/279624/fort\_leavenworth\_veteran\_is\_miss\_ april\_in\_2025\_pin\_ups\_ for\_vets\_calendar.

#### Second-place: Series

After fellow Fort Leavenworth Stray Facility volunteer Marisa Ranney sent her a funny Facebook post of pitbulls all wearing the same duckie onesie, Siebert decided to follow last year's successful holiday-themed pet promotion "Adoptable Pets in Ugly Sweaters" with "Who Wore It Best" fashion duels, dressing two adoptable FLSF pets in the same costume, ranging from a Santa suit to cat pajamas, each week through the Christmas holiday season and encouraging Facebook and Instagram viewers to



ABOVE: A holiday-themed "Who Wore It Best" weekly series of adoptable pet photographs by Prudence Siebert took second-place in the Awards of Excellence Series category.

BELOW: Volunteer Organization Spotlights throughout 2024 took third place in the Series category. The spotlights highlighted the volunteer opportunities available with area organizations, as well as individual and unit volunteer contributions.



vote for their favorites.

"Really? Could anything be more appealing than this?" the Series category judge wrote. "I am totally stealing this idea to help connect our readers with forever pets who need a home! Great job."

The multiple-week adoption campaign won second place in the Series category, as well as helped find homes for all of the adoptable pets except Gracie, a mixedbreed dog who won her "Who Wore It Best" duel against tuxedo cat Rebel Kitty, both dressed in an elf costume. Gracie was adopted earlier this month.

#### Third-place: Series

Fort Leavenworth volunteerism was also lauded with third-place recognition in the Series category, highlighting the volunteer contributions of individuals and units and volunteer opportunities with area organizations. The Volunteer Organization Spotlights appeared in several issues of the Lamp throughout 2024 and featured Stronghold Food Pantry, Mission Command Training Program, Munson Army Health Center, Fort Leavenworth Stray Facility, Court-Appointed Special Advocates, Fort Leavenworth Spouses' Club, Human Animal Bond, English Language Support Course, and the Combined Arms Research Library.

"This is a very nice presentation for your readers. In addition to the design and the writing, the pictures of the food pantry, especially, tell an amazing story for your readers," the judge noted.

#### Second place: Photographer of the Year

Siebert took second place in the Photographer of the Year category. Photojournalists submit a portfolio of their work from the year to be judged against others from all Kansas newspaper circulation divisions.

"This photographer does a fantastic job in covering the community and capturing the moments in a wonderful way for the readers," the judge wrote.

#### **Third place: Feature Package**

Siebert's "Top Dog" story about Military Working Dog team Sgt. Gerald Leith III and MWD Zira received third place in Feature Package.

"This is so interesting and inspirational," the judge commented. "The photos are beautiful. Really nice feature."

The story appeared in the Sept. 26, 2024, issue of the Lamp, as well as at https://www.army.mil/article/ 280036/fort\_leavenworth\_k\_9\_team\_earns \_top\_dog\_distinction.

Third-place: News and Writing Excellence

The Fort Leavenworth Lamp took third in News and Writing Excellence, with the story about Leith and Zira's accomplishments again drawing a judge's interest. Three complete issues from the first, middle and last periods of the year are evaluated on writing style, headlines, originality, and interest in this category.

"Good context; headlines draw readers in," the judge wrote. "Good structure in storytelling. Enjoyed the story about the Top Dog distinction."

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### 67th MWD team earns Top Dog distinction



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Prudence Siebert's story and photos about Military Working Dog team Sgt. Gerald Leith III and MWD Zira earning the Top Dog distinction during their Advanced Tracking Course won third place in the Awards of Excellence Feature Package category. The Top Dog story was also a favorite of the judge who awarded third place to the Fort Leavenworth Lamp in the News and Writing Excellence category.

and the links accessed via the My Army Post App, available at Google Play and the App Store.

The Lamp welcomes event information,

story ideas, photography and reporting submissions, as well as volunteer writers and interns. E-mail ftlvlampeditor@ gmail.com for more information.

application and tracking accuracy" as evaluated by a panel of expert/ex-perienced tracking professionals. "The Top Dog award is one that CCU holds at the highest standards in our MWD tracking course. This award is not given lightly and is something that Sergeant Leith con-sistently showcased throughout his reaching course." eid CCU dawaren. A local Military Working Dog team earned the distinction of being among the top 1 percent of the many handler/dog teams trained nationwide by Custom Caanced Tracking Course conducted here last month. Sgt. Gerald Leith III, 67th Mili-tary Police Detachment (Military Working Dog), Special Troops Bat-talion, and MWD Zira, a 4-year-old tracking course," said CCU Appren tice Keely Hill, one of the course in tice Keely Hill, one of the course in-structors. "Sergent Leith showed excellent leadership and not only set the standards for others within this course, but also held them account-able. He showcased his extensive knowledge that he has obtained while being a part of the MVD pro-gram, took what was taught in this course, and brought it to the next level of anytication." named "Top sed on aca-Dog" of the course based on aca-demic and practical tracking per-

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formance. The product of what we were able to do in the course because (when) teaching a dog something com-pletely new, brand new, if you're not consistent while you are teaching a dog, they can easily pick up the wrong behaviors, behaviors you don't want. But I'm very proud of Zira, she's a very smart dog, and I had neally rest instructors, so it's Zira, shé' a very smart dog, and I had really great instructors, so it's just really a testament of the dog and the instructors', Leith said. Custom Canine Unlimited awards the Top Dog distinction based on overall performance en-compassing "excellence in leader-ship, academic achievement, problem-solving skills, cognitive course, "so we can understand what they are doing and how to implement a training plan for

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level of application." Five local MWD teams and one Five local MWD teams and one from Fort Huachuca, Arizona, par-ticipated in the monthlong course Sgt. 1st Class Cody Barratt, 67th MWD Detachment kennel master and Staff Sgt. Joshua Stiles, 67th MWD Detachment operations NCO and handler of MWD Alfonz served as observers during the

## Senior enlisted leaders say lethality tied to service members' quality of life

by Matthew Olay/Department of Defense News

WASHINGTON - The Defense Department's ability to be a lethal fighting force can be linked to the quality of life for America's warfighters and their families.

Such was the theme embraced by the top enlisted leaders of DoD's six branches of service during a House Appropriations Committee hearing April 8 in Washington, D.C., on quality of life in the military.

The hearing — which covered a myriad of topics such as pay and compensation, single and accompanied housing, child care, sexual assault prevention and more - provided the senior enlisted leaders with an opportunity to update the committee on the successes and ongoing challenges their respective services face in an ever-challenging fiscal environment.

"I want to start off with the fact that I'm proud of everything that our soldiers have accomplished We're focused on lethality, and we will be ready when the nation calls," Sgt. Maj. of the Army Michael R. Weimer told the committee

Congress' passing of continuing resolutions, like the one under which DoD currently operates, can prevent the services from implementing planned future expenditures.

Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy James Honea shared a similar sentiment to Weimer's during his opening remarks.

Noting that budget constraints have hindered consistent support for Navy personnel since 2013,

Honea said a stable defense budget that invests in sailors, their families and a culture of continued service is necessary.

"I urge Congress to continue investing in our Navy to strengthen our lethality ... and to take care of our warfighters," Honea told the committee.

Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force David Flosi also said he believes lethality and quality of life are linked.

"While there's always work to be done on this important subject, make no mistake, your Air Force is the most lethal and ready flying force in the world," Flosi said.

"Thanks to each of you for your commitment to the quality of life for our service members," he said. "We need our airmen laser-focused on lethality and readiness, and your support allows us to execute our important mission.'

Lethality is one of five key focus points Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth listed in his Jan. 25, 2025, message to the force (see https://www.defense. gov/News/Releases/Release/Article/4040940/secretary-hegseths-message-to -the-force/), along with meritocracy, accountability,

readiness and standards.



during prepared remarks. Weimer said that staying

focused is paramount to the Army's success, and maintaining such focus requires continual improvement to the quality of life of its soldiers and their family members.

"(However), continuous resolutions and flat budgets do not support stability or predictability that our soldiers and families deserve," he said.

Unlike a full budget,

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# Children celebrated at Kids Fest during Month of Military Child

RIGHT: Kimberly Dillow watches her son Elias Dillow knock down inflatable bowling pins during Kids Fest April 12 at Harney Sports Complex. Elias was celebrating his third birthday at the event, playing putt-putt golf, knocking down bowling pins and paper towel pyramids and playing other games overseen by Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation and Child and Youth Services staff inside the gym and outside in the parking lot. Throughout Kids Fest, SKIES Unlimited teachers and participants gave demonstrations of class offerings, including gymnastics, dance, self-defense, music and theater. The event, part of Month of the Military Child, is conducted annually in conjunction with PAIR (Post Activities and Registration) Day, with informational booths for organizations and businesses set up inside and outside Harney, as well as in the Harney Annex.

BELOW: Five-year-old Beckett and 4-year-old Cuyler Harmon play putt-putt golf with their 7-year-old brother Archer and mother Wendy Harmon, not pictured, during Kids Fest April 12 at Harney Sports Complex. The golf experience was overseen by David Gossett, Main Child Development Center custodian, and Julie Daniel, lead child and youth program assistant at Main CDC, not pictured.

Photos by Prudence Siebert/Fort Leavenworth Lamp





## SHARP, community join in SAAPM Walk to Remember



ABOVE: Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention personnel and Fort Leavenworth community members participate in the Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month Walk to Remember April 10. The walk, designed to bring awareness to prevention efforts and remember victims of sexual assault, started at Main Parade and ended at Merritt Lake.

RIGHT: Lead Sexual Assault Response Coordinator Amanda Bonseigneur gets her daughter, Belle, a drink while Chaplain (Col.) Matthew Atkins, religious support observer, coach/trainer with Mission Command Training Program, reads Psalms 139:1-12 during the Walk to Remember event April 10 by Merritt Lake. The walk is designed to support survivors of sexual assault and help them and their family and friends heal from trauma.

The next SAAPM event is the First Responder Rally from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. April 18 at the Post Exchange. Visit the CAC and Fort Leavenworth SHARP Resource Center Facebook page for more information, including a list of organizations to be represented at the rally.





SUNDAY, 20 APRIL 2025, 0630

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## Holy Week services schedule

Protestant Christian Services Good Friday Service 6 p.m. April 18 in Frontier Chapel Easter Sunrise Service 6:30 a.m. April 20 at Pioneer Chapel Easter Sunday regular chapel schedule, April 20: • Traditional Protestant, 8:30 a.m. at Pioneer Chapel • Liturgical Protestant, 9:30 a.m. at Memorial Chapel • Multicultural Gospel Service, 10 a.m. at Pioneer Chapel • Contemporary Protestant at 11 a.m. at Frontier Chapel

Catholic Services Holy Thursday Mass, 6 p.m. April 17

in Pioneer Chapel Good Friday Service, 3 p.m. April 18 in Pioneer Chapel Easter Vigil Mass, 8 p.m. April 19 at Pioneer Chapel Easter Mass, 9:30 a.m. April 20

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## DFAC facts: ESM, BAS, etc. decoded

#### by U.S. Army Public Affairs

WASHINGTON — Recent news reports have advanced misleading or incorrect information about the Army's Basic Allowance for Subsistence, also known as BAS. Several Army senior leaders and subject matter experts have provided insight to better explain how the process works.

The meal card plan is officially titled Essential Station Messing (ESM) in the Army. The Department of Defense requires all services to collect payment for the ESM program to provide to dining facility meal plans for soldiers living in barracks or similar government quarters. Most Army installations with dining facilities (DFACs) require soldiers living in barracks to be on ESM, since many barracks are not equipped for adequate meal preparation. ESM ensures access to meals at DFACs.

Soldiers on ESM status forgo a portion of BAS entitlement for meal plans. The transaction appears on their Leave and Earning Statements, where the BAS reduction for the meal plan is shown, and about \$65 is paid directly to the soldiers for their personal use. The Army's approach to BAS and providing meal plans comes from DoD directives and U.S. law, which is why it is consistent with the other military services.

"A common misconception about BAS is that it goes into a fund that the Army can use at its discretion. That's not the case," said Lt. Gen. Brian Eifler, U.S. Army deputy chief of staff, G-1. "There's no account where the Army stores BAS entitlement funds. And the Army cannot reallocate BAS funds to any other requirements or programs.

"As a matter of fact, if the Army had to depend on ESM BAS to fund the food we provide soldiers, it wouldn't be enough," he continued.

Even just accounting for costs like maintaining food service staff, preparing the food, providing a place to eat, equipment and supplies can easily exceed a billion dollars annually. Although the Army pays those kinds of expenses from different appropria-



Photo by Prudence Siebert/Fort Leavenworth Lamp

Diners peruse the options at the Fort Leavenworth Dining Facility earlier this month.

tions, it's still part of the total cost of providing food for soldiers.

The Army develops its DFAC budget like the commercial sector. It identifies how much funding it needs to feed soldiers, based on historical patterns of use, to ensure it doesn't order more than it expects its soldiers will eat. The Army then requests funding from Congress to support the forecasted DFAC requirements.

"However, as we all know, ESM soldiers don't always eat at the DFAC for any number of reasons," Eifler said. "It might be because of operational tempo requirements, field exercises, deployments, annual leave and passes or just personal choice.

"But we also know ESM is a critical resource for many soldiers in the barracks. That's why there's a significant effort underway to make sure the ESM program meets our soldiers' needs. That starts with understanding what those needs are and making appropriate adjustments. That's what Army Materiel Command has been working on."

AMC is leading food modernization efforts through new initiatives and programs to drive change in how, when and where soldiers eat.

In 2023, the Army established an Army Food Program Board of Directors, which led to a team of experts hitting the road to get feedback from soldiers, culinary specialists and leaders at more than 35 installations. They also partnered with professional chef and author Robert Irvine to serve as a special consultant to the board.

They conducted surveys and focus groups to get soldiers and food service professionals' perspectives. Flexible options and accessibility, including better operating hours, have been the most requested improvements by soldiers.

In response to the feedback, the Army expanded the use of food trucks, bistros, meal-prep programs and 24hour self-service kiosks. AMC is also exploring other innovative options, such as campus-style dining models.

"We know we need to change our existing model and launch efforts forward exponentially," said Lt. Gen. Chris Mohan, AMC deputy commanding general and acting commander of AMC. "We are exploring ways to leverage industry partnerships with culinary experts and are learning lessons from college campuses and other similar food operations to see ourselves from all perspectives."

This generational overhaul is necessary, Mohan said, to bring dining expectations in line with what troops are telling the Army they want, current industry standards, and, most importantly, what they deserve and what the service owes them.



## HOUSING UPDATES



■ PETS MUST BE LEASHED and accompanied by owners outside fenced areas. CLEAN UP after pets daily.

■ Complete the Army FY25 HOUSING TENANT SATISFACTION SURVEY. Check e-mail (including spam) for the link. Contact the Housing Office at 913-682-6300 for help. Survey deadline is May 31.

■ The **TOP THREE VILLAGES** with the highest participation percentages completing the Tenant Satisfaction Survey will each receive a \$50 gift card for their next village event. Old Pawnee, Iowa and Cheyenne Villages are currently leading, with other villages closing in.

■ Residents need to submit their "NO-TICE OF INTENT TO VACATE" with orders to fhcntv@tmo.com. Find the form at https://www.frontierheritagecommunities.com/residents.

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■ Mass **PRE-INSPECTIONS** will occur through April 18th. Command and General Staff College students staying for the School of Advanced Military Studies do not need to participate. Provide updated status to be removed from the inspection schedule. Inspectors are running ahead of schedule — they may offer an earlier inspection. Early inspections are optional. To keep original date, inform the inspector. Contact the Community Management Office at 913-682-6300 with questions.

■ Wallace Commercial Landscaping is TRIMMING YARDS in housing areas. Use "No Mow" stakes for them to avoid your yard or flower beds. Wallace began spring herbicide (pet and human safe) application

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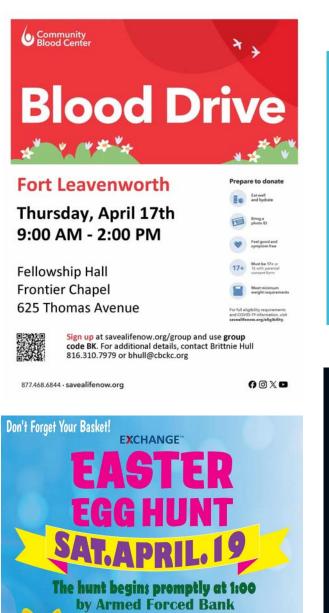


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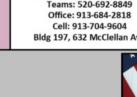


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Stroller Walk Tuesdays, 10:00am Meet in front of Resiliency Center

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Newborn Care Class April 7, 5:00-7:00pm

> **Breastfeeding Class** April 14, 5:00-7:00pm

Dad's Night Out April 23, 6:00-8:00pm Restaurant TBD

Potty Training April 28, 5:00-7:00pm Resiliency Center, Room 157

Mom's Night Out April 30, 6:00-8:00pm Restaurant TBD



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\*\*Registration Required for all FAP events. Classes at Resiliency Center, Room 145

**CAPM Rock Painting** April 1 & 22, 10:00-11:00am

**Co-Parenting Workshop** April 7,14, 21, 28 12:00-1:00pm



Anger Management April 17 11:30am- 1:00pm

**Crocheting Club** April 18, 1:00-3:00pm

Prevention in the Park April 25, 2:00-4:00pm Rain Date: April 30

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**Muffins With Mom** May 16, 1:00-3:00pm



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ACS Family Advocacy New Parents Support Program

Free toddler play group.

 Open to ages 2-3 years old with adult.

· Offers an introduction to preschool routines, explores educational concepts, and builds social skills through hands on experiences and activities.

> Wednesdays @ 9:00am

Located at the Army Community Service Resiliency Center 600 Thomas Ave. Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

> Registration required call or text 913-297-3212 or 913-297-9704







Jan 31, Feb 21, Mar 14, Apr 18, May 16 1pm - 3pm **Room 145** 600 Thomas Ave

> Come join our Crocheting Club and learn a new skill, or perfect an existing one!

> "Stitch" together, connect & create! Supplies will be provided! Have a favorite yarn? You're welcome to bring it!

> > Please RSVP one day prior to class Call 913-684-2808/2800

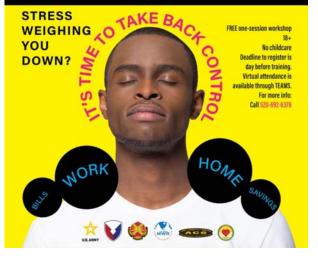
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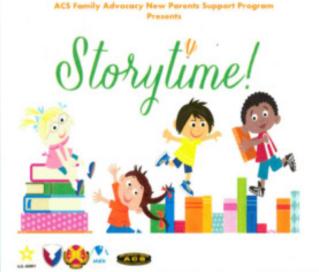
FREE!

Ages 8+



May 15, July 17, September 18, November 20 11:30am - 1:00pm 600 Thomas Ave **Room 145** 





Fridays

10am -11am

**ACS Playroom** 

600 Thomas Ave

#### Free Open to ages 3 months - 3 years old with adult.

Join us for storytime to use our imagination and develop a love of books

Storytime fosters early literacy skills, language development, and social growth.

### Every Wednesday @ 10:00 am

Located at the Army Community Service Resiliency Center 600 Thomas Ave. Fort Leavenworth, Kansas **Registration required call or text** 913-297-3212 or 913-297-9704

FREE

Ages 3-12 months

**Register by COB** 

Thursday



## Morning Thursdays from 9-11:00 a.m.

Ages 3 months – 3 years with Guardian • Resiliency Center

Free play group for ages 3 months - 3 years and their parents/guardians.

Enjoy a large play area with interactive activities, toys and crafts to develop gross and fine motor skills. Play with other kids, meet other parents and learn about healthy childhood development.

Army Community Service | Resiliency Center | 600 Thomas Ave. | Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

Registration required, cut off is day before event (913) 297-3212 or (913) 684-2800





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Get their wiggles out and join in some baby giggles! Take a moment to connect with other parents! Babies learn through play! So let's get on the floor and explore!

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We wanna go..



For more info or to register call 913-297-3212/ 9704







### ACS AND FAP PRESENTS: POSITIVE PARENTING VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS • 1:30PM - 3PM

ROUND 1: OCTOBER 18, OCT 25, NOV 1, AND NOV 8 ROUND 2: NOV 22, DEC 6, DEC 13, AND DEC 20 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 THE REGISTRATION: (913) 684-2808/2822



### DAD'S NIGHT

#### OUT

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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#### ACS **New Parent Support** Prenatal Classes 2025

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

**2025 DATES:** 

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

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

For Dads with children 0-3 years old.

not provided.

Newborn Care Classes: Feb 3rd April 7th June 2nd Free August 4th October 6th for **December 1st** Expectant Breastfeeding Classes: Parents! February 10th April 14th June 9th 600 Thomas Ave August 11th Room 157 October 20th All classes are from **December 8th** 5 pm - 7 pm ine for Regi Contact 913-297-3212



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

Time: 6PM • Restaurants TBD

Childcare, food, and drinks are not provided.

For Moms with children 0-3 years old.

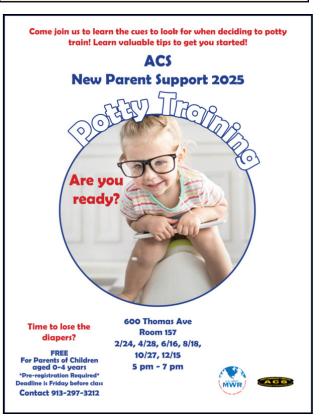
Info: (913) 297-3212 or (913) 684-2800

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## **Teen Employment** Workshop

Picking your future career is just one piece of the puzzle.

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The Teen Employment Workshop takes the guesswork out of job searching, resume building, and tailoring your skills to the job that you want!

Learn how to fit the pieces together to create an exciting picture of your future career goals!



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FREE! Registration is rec uired the day before the workshop For ages 14 - 20 For more info please call 913-684-2800



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





safehelpline.org | 877-995-5247



June 7 0900-1100 Hunt Lodge

Looking to get outside and have some fun?

**Geared toward Active** Duty Dads with sons ages 12 and under, this FREE event celebrates Dads Make a Difference Month

There will be multiple utdoor stations where outdoor stations where fathers can pass on their knowledge of military training to their sons. Together, they will complete physical activities such as low crawling, archery, and a three-legged race!

Wear outdoor play clothes, sunscreen, and bug spray. Water will be provided.

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red/ Call 913-684-2808/ 2822 to register before May 30



RMY COMMUNITY SERVICE \*

Mon- Fri 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. with limited hours Thur 1-4:00 p.m. | 913-684-HELP (4357) / 2800

**APRIL 2025** Resiliency Center, 600 Thomas Ave, Building 198 \*\*\* ACS is closed for lunch from 1130-12:30pm daily\*\*

#### **RELOCATION READINESS** PROGRAM

In-Processing Brief Tuesdays, 9:00-10:00am

**OCONUS Levy Brief** Tuesdays, 10:00-11:00am

**Hearts Apart Bowling** for Families of Deployed Service Members April 5, 12:00-2:00pm Strike Zone Bowling Center \*Registration Required

#### Lending Closet

Are you In/Out-Processing and need essentials? ACS has short-term basic items to help you get by.

- kitchenware
- cookware
- small appliances

Smooth Move offered upon request.



#### EMPLOYMENT READINESS PROGRAM

**Resume Writing** April 9, 12:00-2:00pm & \*\*Evening 5:00-7:00pm

Federal Employment April 16, 12:00-2:00pm & \*\*Evening 5:00-7:00pm

**Teen Employment** Workshop April 18, 10:00am-12:00pm

Interview Skills & Professionalism April 30, 12:00-2:00pm

Visit us on FB @Fort Leavenworth ERP for job postings.

#### EXCEPTIONIAL FAMLY MEMBER PROGRAM

(EFMP) \*Registration Required for EFMP events

**EFMP Refreshing** Conversation April 3, 10:00-11:00am

**EFMP Recreational Bowling** April 5, 12:00-2:00pm Strike Zone Bowling Center

facebook.com/FortLeavenworthACS

FINANCIAL READINESS PROGRAM Offers

counseling services and classes upon request to assist Soldiers and their families in achieving personal financial goals.

#### ARMY VOLUNTEER CORPS

Volunteer Basics April 4, 12:00 - 1:00pm



Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal ACB (MOVSM) to recognize their volunteer efforts.

Visit: https:// vmis.armyfamilywebportal.com to register for an account and find opportunities to volunteer in the community.

facebook.com/FortLeavenworthFMWR https://home.army.mil/leavenworth/

#### ARMY EMERGENCY RELIEF

(AER) provides emergency assistance to active duty service members, their families, and retired service members.

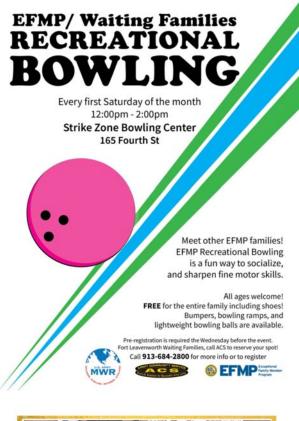
For emergency financial assistance, apply at https:// www.armyemergencyrelief.org/ and call the ACS main line during duty hours to follow up.

#### SURVIVOR OUTREACH SERVICES

April 5th is Gold Star Spouses Day. Gold Star Spouses are the resilient legacies of their service member's sacrifice to the nation.



Follow SOS@ https:// www.facebook.com/ FortLeavenworthSurvivorOutreachS ervices/





#### ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE LOAN CLOSET FORT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS 913-684-2830/2800

Who: All Active Duty, Retiree, DA Civilian and their family members who are either per party, TDY or PCSing. When: M-F 0730-1630

Where: 600 Thomas Avenue (Pull into the Alley behind the ACS building and call the number the black sign

Rules: Loans are limited to 30 days for in and out- processing personnel. This can be exten by phone if needed. Checkout of items for an event is limited to 10 days. Customers are responsible for replacing any item that is damaged or lost.

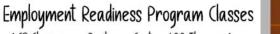
#### Items available

Pots with Lids

Pre-Packed Kitchen Kit: 1 Bowl (mixing) 1 Pitcher 1 Colander 1 Large Kitchen Knife 4 Steak Knives 1 Peeler 1 Cookie Sheet Cutting Board 2 Serving Spoons 1 Spatula 4 Plastic Glasses 1 Can Opener 1 Set of Measuring Spoons 1 Skillet 1 Skillet 2 Pots with Lids 4 Plates 4 Bowls 4 Coffee cups 4 Forks 1 Measuring Cup 1 Pot Holder 4 Spoons 4 Knives Additional Items Cheese Graters Plates Bowls Coffee Cups Pizza Cutters Spaghetti Servers Blenders Coffee Makers Crock Pots Toasters Tongs Whisks Whisks Glass Baking Dishes-Rectangle Glass Baking Dishes-Circle Muffin Pans Hand Mixers Rice Cookers Microwaves Indoor Grills Electric Skillets Plastic Glasses Veggie Steamers Large Kitchen Knives Mixing Bowls Skillets

Square Tables Circle Tables Folding Chairs Strollers Baby Gates Booster Seats Cribs High Chairs High Chairs Pack and Play Laundry Baskets Sleeping Mats Irons Ironing Boards Trash Cans

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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.

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

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Here are few tips for pedestrians and and drivers to be aware of when traveling on post.



#### HEADS UP PEDESTRIANS!

- Walk on sidewalks whenever they are available
- · Look up from your phone and pay attention when approaching a crosswalk
- Watch for vehicles turning left or right before you cross
- Whenever possible, cross streets
- at crosswalks or intersections, where drivers expect pedestrians
- Wear bright or reflective clothing during reduced visibility so drivers can see you
- Put away all distractions and pay attention to the road Always look out for pedestrians Obey the posed speed limit Yield to pedestrians in crosswalks When opening your vehicle door be alert for bicyclists
- When paralleling a sidewalk and making a right turn, be sure to check your right rear

ACS Classroom • Resiliency Center, 600 Thomas Ave. Wednesdays • 12PM - 2PM\*

Utensils





Registration is required for evening classes only. Open to DoD ID card holders.

For more info call: (913) 684-2800



#### **Cybercrime Prevention Flyer Government Agency Text Scams**

convenience and immediacy in communication offered by text messaging, many people are more likely to readity che sesages and respond quickly as compared to email or answering a phone call. As ophercriminals and scammers are w ted with the most effective means to communicate with unsuspecting victums, and due to the proliferation of cell phon imately 310 million in the U.S. as of 2024), sending a convincing scam via text can be an effective meshod f elements to engage unsuspecting individuals. A single reply by one victim can net a cybercriminal hundreds or ev rds of dollars; the potential amounts are even higher with multiple replies.

To add authenticity, scammers often draft a convincing text message purported to come from an official local, state, federal agency. Some common scam themes include:

- IRS Sc gency. Some common scam themes include: **IRS Scam** - Often seen during tax season, IRS themed messages reques personal information to process a refund or recalculate tax amounts. Pay might be requested to allow the recipient of the taxt to avoid prosecution or having their social security number canceled.
- Social Security Scam Frequently targeting older adults, Social Sec scams often revolve around overpayment, suspension of benefits, requests for additional information necessary for a payment increase.
- U.S. Postal Service Using notification of an incoming package, scammers request recipients to click on a provided link which then leads to a website requesting personal or financial information.

- Bear in mind that the IRS does not text taxpayers; the IRS contacts taxpayers through the U.S. Postal Service unless in special circumstances wherein taxpayers would be contacted by phone.
- Do not click on links received in text messages, or reply to text messages, if the sender is unknown or the message



#### Supervision of Children or Home Alone Policy Per CAC Supplement to Army Regulation 608-18

a history of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), Developmental Delay, behavioral problems, impulsivity, psychi eds should not be given the degree of self-management or resp

#### HOME ALONE?

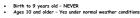
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#### BABYSITTING?

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- Birth to 11 years old NEVER Ages 12 to 14 Mast have completed a CYS approved babysitting course. May babysit with an checking an them every 3 hours in person or telephonically (NEVER overnight) Ages 15 to 17 Mast have completed a CYS approved babysitting course. May babysit up to 6 or with ready access to addit supervision (NEVER barregint)

#### UNATTENDED IN VEHICLE?



- UNATTENDED OUTSIDE?
- Birth 4 years Direct supervision, NEVER LEFT ALONE
  - Birth 4 years Direct supervision, NEVER LEPT ALONE (Ages 3 to 6 Immediate supervision, MUST be within excession to nearing distance -respond to an emergency in 30 seconds (Ages 7 to 9 Mentered supervision, 1f in a playground or yard access to adult supervision at all times (Ages 10 A 11 Self-care supervision up to 2 hours with access to adult supervision (Ages 15 to 14 Self-care supervision up to 5 hours (Ages 15 to 14 Self-care supervision up to 6 hours) MUST be within eyesight or hearing distance from supervising adult with the ab

- not be dropped off at F&A

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- Grade and above May walk to and from school and supervised activities alone aring school year children 9 & younger must be escorted across heavy traffic roads (i.e., Grant, Hancock and Biddle)
- CURFEW (Children must b Ages 15 and younger is 2230-0600 ho Ages 16 and 17 is 0030-0600 hours. ted for by a parent during the following time pe

s? Call Family Advacacy Program Manager (FAMM) at (2007, 1) Military Police at (313) 684-3456 romolete Supervision of Children and Home Alone Post Policy please contact the FAPM. lanager (FAPM) at (913) 684-2822, Behavioral Health at (913) 684-



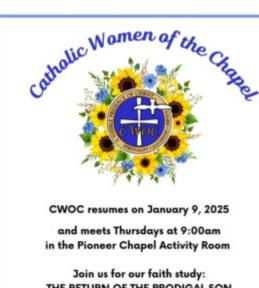






FLKS Garrison Safety Office: usarmy.leavenworth.id-training.mbx.safe@army.mil

- Speeding and Parking Ticket Scams This scam involves a text indicating recipient's vehicle was exceeding the speed limit or parked illegally, and a citation was issued; it then requests payment to avoid a court appearance. Jury Duty Text Scam – Seemingly sent from a court with a claim the recipient missed jury duty and is required to pay a fine or provide personal information to avoid jail time or fines.
- Other Government Agency Scams Within a month of the establishm the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE), scammers began targeting government personnel with DOGE themed scams.



THE RETURN OF THE PRODIGAL SON by Henri Nouwen

#### LEARN MORE ≫

Find our complete calendar on Facebook 'CWOC Fort Leavenworth'



Join us for an Egg Hunt following Easter Mass! Bring the whole family for a short walk to the original Saint Ignatius grounds. Donuts will be served after the egg hunt.

EGG HUNT | DONUTS | PRIZES

20 APRIL 2025 | AFTER MASS Original Saint Ignatius Ground Pope Ave, Fort Leavenworth



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Spring Canyon Conference Center Buena Vista, CO leavenworth@ocfusa.org

## Fort Leavenworth Lent and Holy Week Services

"The Best Hometown in the Army Easter Sunrise Service: 0630-0730

1200 - Pioneer Chapel

#### Protestant Christian Services

#### Ash Wednesday Services (05MAR25)

0730: Protestant - Lewis & Clark Building (Faculty Lounge) 1730 Anglican/Liturgical - Memorial Chapel

#### Lenten Lunch (1200-1300)

12 MAR – Frontier Chap	el, RM 153
19 MAR - Frontier Chape	el, RM 153
26 MAR - Frontier Chape	el, RM 153
02 APR - Frontier Chap	el, RM 153
09 APR - Frontier Chap	el RM 153

#### Good Friday Services (18APR25)

1800: Protestant Community - Frontier Chapel

\*\*\*Regular Chapel Schedule on 20 April 2025

#### **Catholic Services**



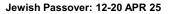


#### Stations of the Cross (1730-1900)

- 07 MAR: Station of the Cross Pioneer Chapel
- 14 MAR: Stations of the Cross Pioneer Chape
- 21 MAR: Stations of the Cross Pioneer Chapel
- 28 MAR: Stations of the Cross Pioneer Chapel 04 APR: Stations of the Cross - Pioneer Chapel
- 11 APR: Stations of the Cross Pioneer Chapel
  - Holy Thursday Mass (17APR25) 1800 Pioneer Chapel
  - Good Friday Service (18APR25) 1500 Pioneer Chapel
  - Easter Vigil Mass (19APR25) 2000 Pioneer Chapel
  - Easter Mass (20APR25)- 0930 Frontier Chapel



#### 2025 Jewish Passover: Fort Leavenworth



Frontier Chapel (625 Thomas Avenue) will remain open from 0900-1700 during Duty day for Service members and Families to pray and observe the Jewish Passover.

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

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







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)!

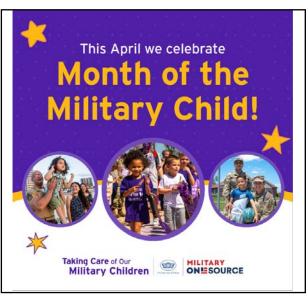




Calling all Units and Organizations, Scouts, ROTC, Students. WE'RE BACK - but we need your help!!! It takes a village to keep a village going! Be a part of making Fort Leavenworth The Best Hometown in the Army!

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Call (913) 684-2736 to Volunteer at the Theater today!



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





IG: @campuslifefortleavenworth

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







Lost kids in Christ-sharing relationships

Meetings with students

## **Volunteers** Needed

Love history? Enjoy interacting with people? This volunteer position is for you!

The Frontier Army Museum is searching for front desk volunteers. Volunteers will greet guests, answer questions, and perform additional tasks as needed.

Tuesdays (9-3), Fridays (9-3), and Saturdays (10-3) Hours are flexible. 16 and older.



Please contact Megan Hunter if interested <u>megan.m.hunter4.civ@army.mil</u>

> Frontier Army Museum 100 Reynolds Ave Fort Leavenworth, KS

#### 2025 Speaker Series Presented by the Frontier Army Museum & The Friends of the Frontier Army Museum (FFAM)

All presentations are free to the public and will be located at the Frontier Army Museum 100 Reynolds Ave Fort Leavenworth, KS

#### **FEBRUARY**

Wednesday February 26th. 5:30p: "A Kansas Soldier at War" with Ken Spurgeon

#### MARCH

Saturday March 22nd, 10:30am History Brunch: "A Contribution to Victory: Western University's Vocational Training Program for World War I with Dr. Bernard Harris JR. Light refreshments provided by the Friends of the Frontier Army Museum will be served prior to the presentation.

Wednesday March 26th, 5:30pm: "Fort Leavenworth and Early Local Communities " with Gary Hyder

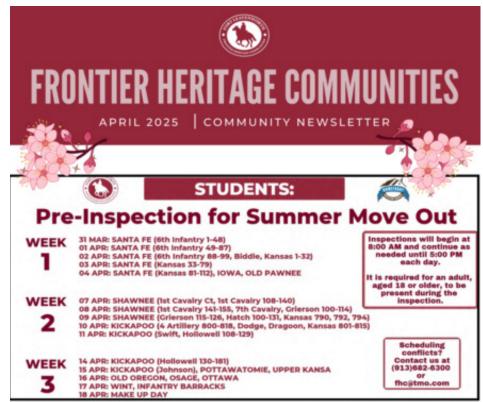
#### APRIL

**Saturday April 5th, 10:30am History Brunch: "Moroccan Participation in WWI and II" with MAJ Zakariae Tiddarine**. Light refreshments provided by Friends of the Frontier Army Museum will be served prior to the presentation.

Saturday April 12th, 10:30a History Brunch: "10th Mountain Division during World War II" with National WWI Museum and Memorial Curator Dr. Chris Juergens. Light refreshments provided by the Friends of the Frontier Army Museum will be served prior to the presentation.

Wednesday April 30th, 5:30p: "Religion in Early Leavenworth History" with Raymond Powell

All presentations will be streamed live and recorded on the Friends of the Frontier Army Museum Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/ftleavenworthffam</u>



#### COMMUNITY REMINDER: PET POLICY GUIDELINES

TO ENSURE A CLEAN AND SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL RESIDENTS, PLEASE REMEMBER TO FOLLOW OUR COMMUNITY PET POLICY: \*= LEASHING REQUIREMENT: PETS MUST ALWAYS BE ON A LEASH AND ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR OWNER WHEN OUTSIDE OF A FENCED AREA. FREE ROAMING IS NOT PERMITTED.





#### Base visitors: REAL ID Required after May 7, 2025

#### Know the difference

#### **REAL ID Driver License**

A REAL ID is usually marked by a GOLD STAR in the upper-right hand corner, depending on the issuer.

C Meets the new federal security standards

Standard to board domestic flights

- Enter MILITARY BASES, secure federal facilities, and nuclear power plants starting May 7, 2025
- Anyone coming onto base as a sponsored guest after the deadline will need a Real ID.
- U.S. Department of Defense ID, including IDs issued to dependents are considered to be Real ID compliant.

#### **Standard Driver License**

It will not have a gold star marking in the upper-right hand corner. If you plan to fly domestically, a REAL ID is recommended.

- Does not meet the new federal security standards
- Cannot use to board domestic flights starting after the new May 7, 2025 deadline
- Cannot use to enter military bases, secure federal facilities, or nuclear power plants starting May 7,2025

**REAL ID** is a federal security credential added to State-Issued Driver Licenses and Identification Cards that establishes a minimum security standard required for specific activities.





#### \* WASTE DISPOSAL: PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PET DAILY TO MAINTAIN A TIDY AND WELCOMING COMMUNITY FOR EVERYONE. THANK YOU FOR BEING A RESPONSIBLE PET OWNER AND HELPING

KEEP OUR NEIGHBORHOOD A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE!



## **Help Shelter Pets!**

Volunteer!

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?

Work with either our cats or dogs or both!

Register at <u>https://vmis.armyfamilywebportal.com/</u>.

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





## March & April

### Workshops

#### Watercolor

#### \$30 per workshop

Watercolor (Basic Techniques) Wednesday, March 5 11am - 1pm

Watercolor (Color Theory) Wednesday, March 12 11am - 1pm

Watercolor (Spring Florals) Wednesday, March 26 11am - 1pm

Watercolor (Landscapes) Wednesday, April 9 11am - 1pm







Call now to register! 913-684-3373



### OPEN STUDIO

Hours 10am - 5pm T - F Ask about our Hourly Fees

#### Multi-Craft Room

Come use our provided supplies to craft with the whole family!

#### Painting Studio

Provided watercolor and acrylic supplies to create your own masterpiece.

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

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



#### **Basics**

#### \$20 per class

Tuesday April 15 1:30pm - 3pm

#### **Special Projects**

**Birthday Cards** Tuesday April 29 1:30pm - 3pm

#### Intermediate

#### \$20 per class

Tuesday April 22 1:30pm - 3pm



### Reoccurring Classes MUST PRE-REGISTER

Intro to Framing \$40 per class Every 2nd Friday & 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.

#### Come see what's new at the Studio!

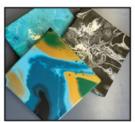
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## March & April Workshops

#### Acrylic

\$35 per class

Acrylic Pour Tuesday, April 22 6pm - 8pm



Framing



\$35 per class

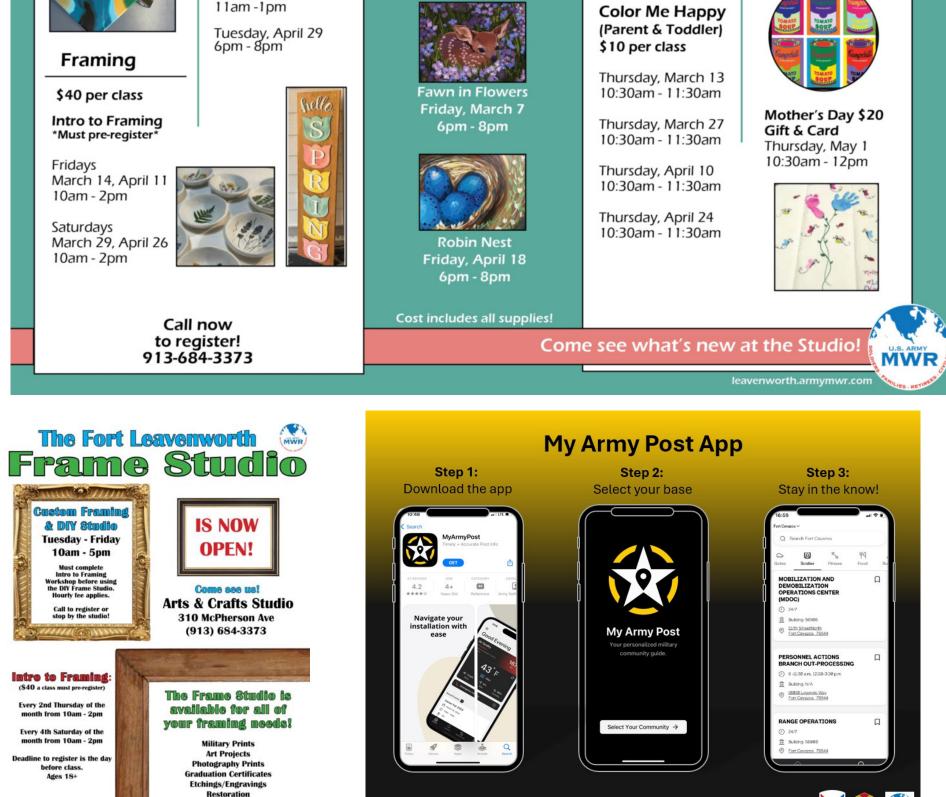
Hello Spring Wooden Sign Tuesday, March 25 6pm - 8pm

Friday. March 28 11am - 1pm

Pressed Flower Jewelry Dish



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





#### Messy Art

\$12 per class (ages 7+)

Thursday, March 6 10:30am - 11:30am

Thursday, April 3 10:30am - 11:30am

Thursday, April 17 10:30am - 11:30am

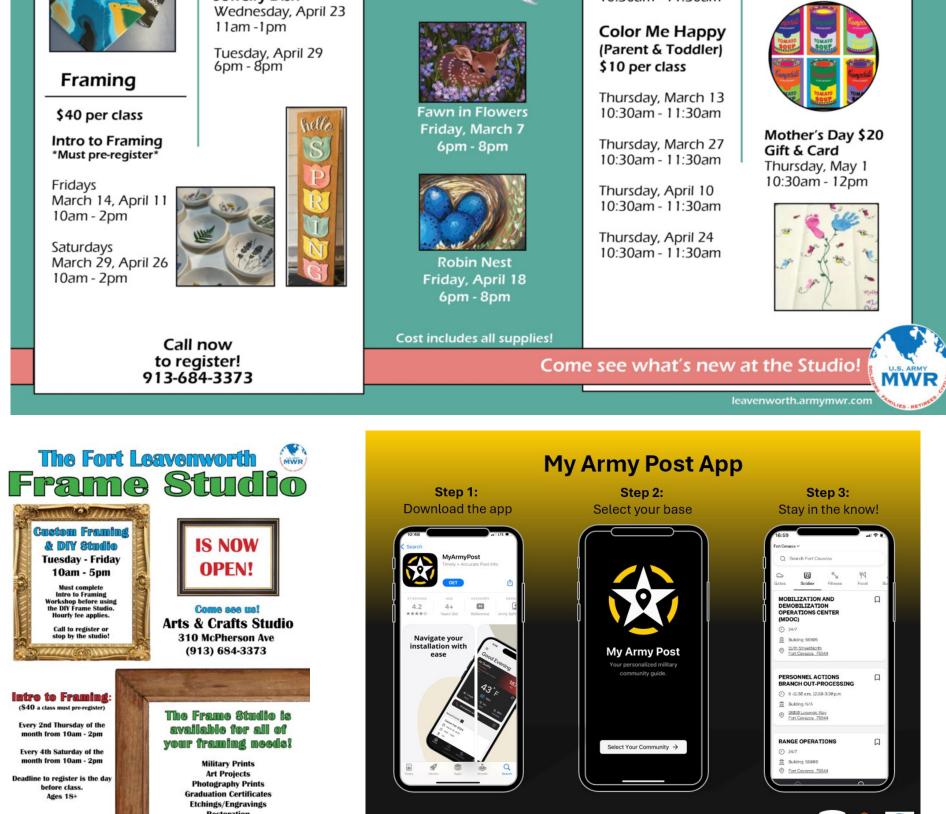
Art History

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\$15 per class (ages 7+)

Waffles & Warhol Wednesday, March 26 1pm - 3pm

Donuts & da Vinci Wednesday, April 16 1pm - 3pm



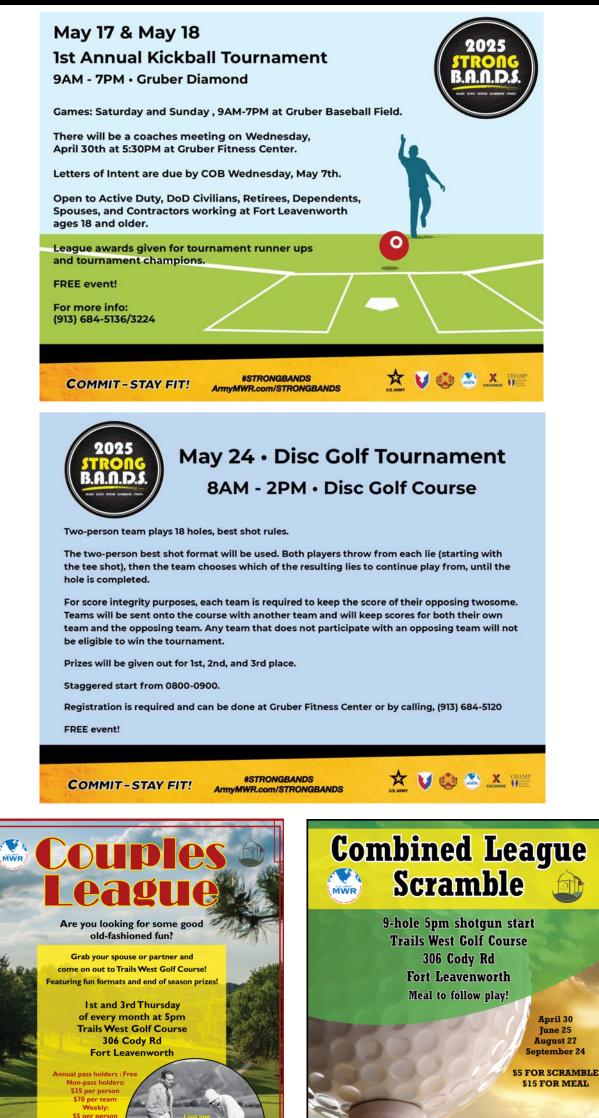
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Players registered in the Monday Intramural League, Tuesday Women's League, Wednesday League, and Couples Thursday League are eligible to participate in the Combined League Scramble. The Pro Shop will assign teams. Enjoy drink specials all night at The Fairway Grille

Register by COB on Monday of each week



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Special Fun Shoots	League Schedule
Rod & Gun  I6 April	Winter Combo  9 January - 13 March
• VFW Post 12003	Spring Combo 20 March - 22 May
• Lil Weenie 17 May	Summer Warm-up  5 June - 10 July  17 July - 21 August
Club Championship  21 June	Fall Combo 4 Sept - 6 Nov
One Gun/One Choke  19 July	• Winter Warm-up
Shuck n' Chuck  16 August	13 Nov - 18 Dec
American Legion  Post 411	1
• Rod & Gun 15 October	8/
Lil Weenie  18 October	
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Starting May 3rd, 2025

#### 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						
0900						Power Yoga (Kim)
0930		Zumba (Lydia)		Zumba (Lydia)		
1200						
1630		Zumba (Lydia)	Power Cycling (Kim)	Zumba (Lydia)		
1700	Power Yoga (Kim)					

#### HARNEY SPORTS COMPLEX - 185 Fourth St. - 684-2190

Mon-Fri: 0500-1800, Sat and Sun: 0800-1700

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

\*Power Cut classes are held in the Bubble Gym







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#### \$20 APRIL 25-26 1700-0700 HARROLD YOUTH CENTER

Operation Megaphone lock-in is open to all registered HYC members, 6th-12th grade. Join us for an evening of bowling, music, inflatables, team building, BINGO and more.

SPACE IS LIMITED SO REGISTER EARLY!

Please register by C.O.B. April 23, 2025 For more information please call (913)684-5131 or (913)684-5118.

\*Once the lock-in begins, youth may NOT leave the program unless parents come and sign youth out.\* MWR ×

Strike Zone Bowling Center's



#### October 19, January 11, March 29 & May 24

Kids! Bring in your report cards and receive one free game for every "A" or equiva-lent. Straight "A"s gets you free sodas for the family (6 max) and all "B"s or better gets you \$2 off any pizza. Games may be used by all family members

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# MUNSON NOTES

## MUNSON NOTICES

■ Munson Army Health Center is currently scheduling **ROUTINE EYE EXAMS** with the optometrist for school-aged beneficiaries ages 6 years and older. Call the appointment line at 913- 684-6250 to schedule an eye exam.

■ The NUTRITION CARE DIVISION offers a broad range of nutritional services designed for service members, families, and retirees. Individual Nutrition Therapy and Group Nutrition Therapy are available, and include the Body Composition Program, Weight Control Program, Prenatal Nutrition and Wellness for Life. Call the appointment line at 913-684-6250 to schedule an appointment with MAHC's registered dietitian.

■ SEASONAL ALLERGY MEDICA-TIONS are available from the MAHC Pharmacy at no cost. Simply come to the pharmacy and fill out the OTC request form. Pull a ticket and you'll be called to activate your request. Then you can sit and wait until your meds are ready, or if you choose to return later in the day, you can just process to Window 7. At MAHC, Military Health System beneficiaries can pickup two over-the-counter medications without a prescription per person per week from the pharmacy with no out-of-pocket expense.

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 COUNCIL**. Volunteers can be active-duty, active-duty family members, retirees or retiree family members. The PFPC meets quarterly. If interested, call 913-684-6211/6127.

## You May Qualify for WIC Benefits! Check your eligibility today

The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children provides several important benefits that help you and your family lead healthier lives.

Your service to our country deserves the best support. Let WIC be part of your family's health and nutrition.

#### Who is Eligible?

- Check the USDA to see if you are eligible and how to apply.
- Pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding individuals.
- Infants and children up to age five.
- Seamilies who meet income guidelines (your military income may qualify!).

#### What Does WIC Provide?

- Healthy foods tailored to your family's needs.
- Nutrition education to help you make the best choices for your loved ones.
- Streastfeeding support and referrals to health and social services.

USDA Check if you're Eligible and How to Apply



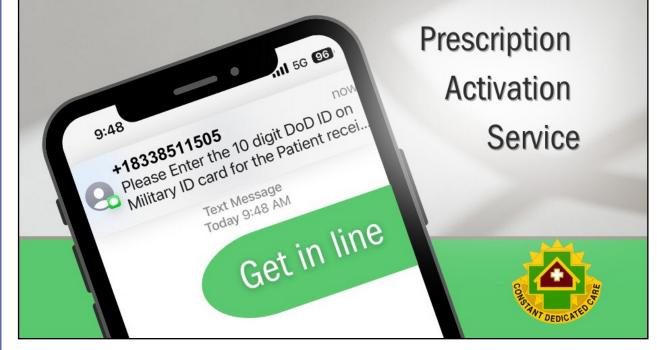
Text "Get in Line" to 1-833-851-1505 and then follow the prompt to activate new prescriptions

## MUNSON ARMY HEALTH CENTER

■ 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.

■ Call 913-684-6250 to schedule a **WELL-WOMAN EXAM** at Munson Army Health Center.



Whether you receive care from Munson Army Health Center, or are seen by a provider off post, Q-Anywhere is helpful technology for patients who get new or renewed prescription medication from MAHC's pharmacy. To activate your new or renewed prescription, text "Get in Line" to 1-833-851-1505, then follow the prompts. Q-Anywhere will send a text when your prescription is ready for pick-up. When you arrive, there is no need to pull a pharmacy ticket and wait, just proceed to Window No. 7 to pick up your medication. See page B11 for more MAHC-related information.

Visit https://www.facebook.com/munsonhealth/ for updates and information.



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