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Providing personal touch Fort Polk leadership delivers support during walking tour

Hurricane Laura hit Fort Polk in the early hours of Aug. 27 creating a swath of intense destruction in the form of downed trees, loss of power in the midst of intense summer heat and damage — large and small — to homes and facilities.



Secretary of the Army makes a house call on Fort Bragg

Secretary of the Army, Hon. Ryan D. McCarthy, visited with Soldiers and conducted a walkthrough of on-post housing at Fort Bragg, N.C. McCarthy's visit was one of a series of trips to Army installations across the country to observe the progress of new construction and renovations.



Fort Bliss welcomes new park to provide entertainment for children on base

The shopping and entertainment venue at Fort Bliss that is also open to civilians, now is offering families a new place for children to burn off some energy and have fun.



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Summer transitions overcome challenges

Fort Leavenworth's summer transition season has ended and Garrison Commander Col. Harry Hung said that overall things went well with more than 1,200 families arriving for permanent-change-of-station moves.



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World Class Soldier-athletes recognized by Team U.S.A.

Sgt. 1st Class Michael Smith was named man of the year for U.S.A. Triathlon. Staff Sgt. Naomi Graham, who recently earned her spot on the U.S.A. boxing Olympic qualification team, was chosen as the U.S.A. Boxing Olympic team captain.



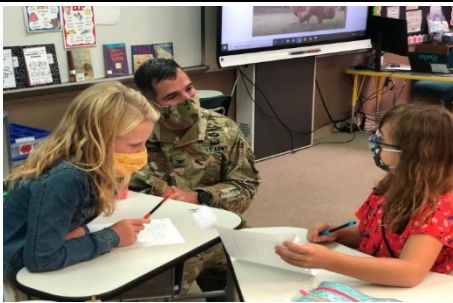
Fort Gordon Kids Fishing Derby weekend highlight for military families

Few outdoor activities are more relaxing than fishing –unless you are new to the sport and find yourself having to untangle from a fishing line.



Army to seek lease extension of state-owned land

The U.S. Army is seeking input for an upcoming environmental impact statement to retain its lease of nearly 23,000 acres at Pohakuloa Training Area.



Fort Campbell, DoDEA partnership integral to successful school year

The successful opening of Fort Campbell schools amid the COVID-19 pandemic and its continued success in the coming school year stands upon a firm foundation of teamwork, said Joshua Adams, Kentucky Community superintendent, Department of Defense Education Activity Americas Southeast District.



KMC Onstage Theater back on stage after six months

The KMC Onstage Theater on Kleber Kaserne sat dark; the stage empty and silent for more than six months because of COVID-19 mitigations.



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Army lowers coronavirus risk level on Okinawa as Tokyo infections jump

Another U.S. military command on Okinawa eased its coronavirus risk level on Thursday — the third to do so in the past two days — citing improved conditions across the island.



Garrison Wiesbaden employee shares story, encourages conversations about mental health

“Someone told me, ‘Grief is just love you’re not able to give someone anymore,’” he said, his heart so full of that love that it nearly overflowed the bottoms of his eyelids. His throat tightened and his voice strained as he said her name, Ciarra Joi.



Furniture Management Office, Baumholder Housing go together like washer, dryer

Military members and families moving to an overseas assignment can count on one thing: waiting on their household goods to catch up with them.



Fort Leonard Wood drill sergeants being fitted for new service uniform this month

As part of an ongoing rollout of the new Army Green Service Uniform, staff from the Army and Air Force Exchange Service and Fort Leonard Wood Clothing Initial Issue Point began fitting drill sergeants for the new uniform at the post’s Clothing and Sales Store Tuesday.



Rock Island Arsenal re-opens freshly renovated fitness center

In a grand reopening ribbon-cutting ceremony held Aug. 31, Rock Island Arsenal offered its residents and patrons a freshly renovated fitness center.