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New public website now live at Fort McCoy

The new Fort McCoy public website, <https://home.army.mil/mccoy>, is now live.

The new website is part of Installation Management Command's (IMCOM) mission to provide a unified web content management system for its public-facing websites. The Fort McCoy Public Affairs Office (PAO) remains responsible for approving and updating content on the public website.

The main page of the old website will redirect to the new address for at least six months, but users are encouraged to update their bookmarks or favorites as soon as possible.

As part of the website change, The Real McCoy Online also has a new address. The current issue is available at <https://home.army.mil/mccoy/index.php/my-fort/all-services/real-mccoy>. A limited number of editions will be archived on the website; older editions can be found at the Fort McCoy PAO page on the Defense Visual Information Distribution Service, located at <https://www.dvidshub.net/unit/FMPAO>.

The Real McCoy print edition will continue to be distributed through official mail and to newsstands in high-traffic areas, including the Exchange, Commissary, McCoy's Community Center, and Rumpel Fitness Center.

Tune into Fort McCoy TV6 (cable channel 6) to see programming on this closed-circuit, command-access channel. It features a community bulletin board with pre-recorded presentations and content featured around the clock

Community members can also follow Fort McCoy on Facebook at www.facebook.com/FtMcCoy and on Twitter at www.twitter.com/USAGMcCoy.

Questions about the Fort McCoy public website or any other command information source can be directed to the Public Affairs Office at 608-388-4209 or usarmy.mccoy.imcom-central.list.pao-admin@mail.mil.

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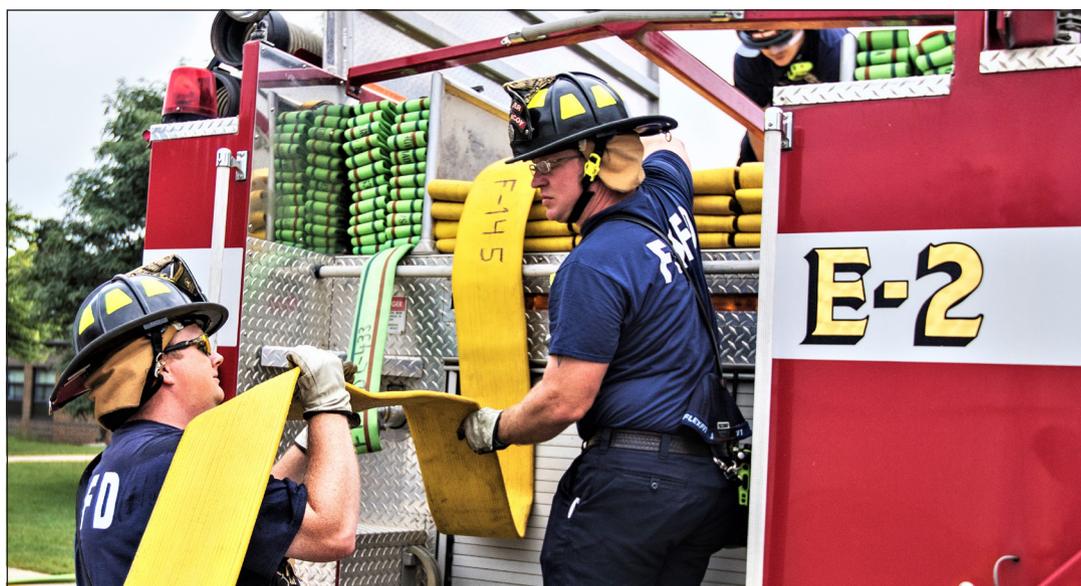
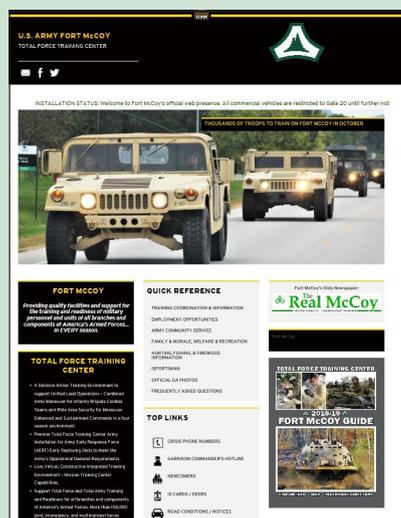


Photo by Sgt. John Berry/Exercise News Day

Maintaining readiness

Firefighters with the Directorate of Emergency Services Fire Department reset hoses after a structural fire drill Aug. 7 at Fort McCoy. Fort McCoy maintains two fire stations, allowing them to respond quickly to fire emergencies wherever they arise on post. During the first week of October, the fire department also supported Fire Prevention Week with numerous activities. See more about the fire department on Page 6.

Celebrate Halloween safely

Many events planned on post

BY AIMEE MALONE
Public Affairs Staff

Celebrate Halloween with a variety of events at Fort McCoy!

Start out celebrations with the Hidden Trails trip at 1 p.m. Oct. 20, departing from Pine View Campground.

Families can enjoy a wagon ride, visit the corn maze, and pick out pumpkins. The trip costs \$7 for

4-10-year-olds and \$10 for those 11 and older. Children 3 years old and younger are free.

Registration is required. Call 800-531-4703.

The Zombie Pool Party will be 5 p.m. Oct. 26 at Rumpel Fitness Center. The event features an underwater scavenger hunt and cookie decorating. The event costs \$5 per person. Advance registration is not required.

The Halloween Bash is 6 to 9 p.m. Oct. 26 at McCoy's Community Center. It will feature costume contests, games, and prizes for

children 14 years old or younger; free shoe rental and Extreme Bowling for \$2 per game; and food specials.

At 11:30 a.m. Oct. 31, Rumpel Fitness Center will hold the "No Treats, Just Tricks" relay race/walk. All participants must be dressed in Halloween costumes. The run is a three-person relay race; each team member will run 1 mile. Walking teams will walk 1 mile and must start and finish together.

Prizes will be awarded to the fastest relay and walking teams and for the top three costumes. The (See HALLOWEEN, Page 2)

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NEWS

Hunting safety, winter prep are focus of fall safety council

BY AIMEE MALONE

Public Affairs Staff

The Safety and Occupational Health Advisory Council met Oct. 2 in building 905 to discuss potential safety issues affecting the Fort McCoy community.

Halloween, fall hunting, and the upcoming winter were the primary safety topics under discussion. The Installation Safety Office (ISO) highlighted the importance of staying safe during Halloween festivities. (See related article, this page.)

Deer season will be starting soon, both for hunting and possible deer/vehicle collisions. ISO Manager Randy Eddy spoke about how to avoid accidents while deer are more active than usual.

“Between the months of October and January, the deer are on the run,” Eddy said. It’s especially common to see deer around dawn and from dusk until late evening, when visibility is low.

Deer are pack animals and tend to travel in groups, so watch out for additional animals. “If you see one, expect you’re going to see another one,” Eddy said.

Use high beams to help visibility at night, though remember to turn them off when other vehicles approach. If a deer runs in front of a vehicle, brake firmly to try to stop but don’t swerve to avoid the deer.

“The majority of fatalities are people who drive into the other lane and get hit by another car or they drive off the road into a telephone pole or tree,” Eddy said. More than 18,000 deer-related accidents are reported each year in Wisconsin.

Hunting safety is another important topic during the fall, Eddy said. Following hunting rules and suggestions can help get a hunter back home safely.

Treat every firearm as though it’s loaded, and always point the muzzle in a safe direction. Be sure of a target: know what’s in front of and behind the deer or other prey. Also know where any hunting companions are, whether human or animal, to avoid injury.

It’s also important to make sure someone knows where you’re going and when you should be back, Eddy said. On Fort McCoy, hunters have to visit iSportsman to see which areas are open and check in to where they’ll be hunting. While family members are often

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RANDY EDDY

Installation Safety Office Manager

the first to notice if someone doesn’t return in time, Directorate of Emergency Services personnel can also check to see if someone didn’t check out of the system and therefore might need help.

Hunters at Fort McCoy must also have the proper permits and register their firearms. For more information, visit <https://ftmccoy.isportsman.net/>.

As the weather cools down, it’s important to look ahead and prepare for upcoming snow and ice.

“Now is the time of year to get your vehicle ready for winter,” Eddy said.

Check every vehicle’s battery, antifreeze,

heater, and defroster. Switch out windshield washer fluid for a variety that won’t freeze. Every vehicle should also have a cold-weather kit in the backseat or trunk in case it gets stuck on snowy or icy roads.

Vehicle kits should include a winter hat and gloves, reflectors, a flashlight with extra batteries, and a blanket. It’s also helpful to have food (such as granola bars) and water. Vehicles should also keep some sort of abrasive material, such as sand, gravel, or traction mats, and a small shovel to help drivers get them out of snow or ice.

“I carry a kid’s plastic shovel in mine,” Eddy said. “I’ve had to use it before, and it works really well.”

The meeting also included a visit to Fort McCoy’s Wastewater Treatment Facility to review potential safety issues and the precautions taken to prevent problems.

The council meets quarterly to discuss safety issues that could potentially affect the Fort McCoy community. It also provides garrison staff and tenants a chance to inform leadership of any safety concerns they have.

For more safety information, call the Installation Safety Office at 608-388-0335

HALLOWEEN

event is free and open to all eligible Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation patrons.

Registration is required by 11 a.m. Oct. 31. Call 608-388-2290 or visit Rumpel Fitness Center for information.

The Directorate of Emergency Services will be out in force at South Post Housing on Oct. 31 to help ensure families have a fun and safe Halloween. Police will patrol the area during trick-or-treat hours, which will be 4 to 7 p.m. The Fire Department will have a fire engine on display, and personnel will hand out plastic fire hats to children.

The Installation Safety Office offers several tips to keep Halloween festivities safe:

- Supervise children and stay in familiar, well-lit neighborhoods.
- Dusk is the time of poorest visibility for drivers. Try to trick or treat while it is still daylight.
- Choose a costume that is easy to walk in, easy to see out of, and can be seen by drivers. Light colors and reflective tape are recommended. Make-up is better for a child’s visibility than a mask.
- Costumes and wigs can be dangerous around open flames. Choose nonflammable materials, give children flashlights, and use battery-operated candles in decorations.
- Treats should be checked for potential poisoning or unsafe objects. Unpackaged items like popcorn or loose candies and candy with torn wrappers should be discarded.
- If you have any suspicions about any treats, report it to law enforcement so that other parents may be warned and the people responsible caught. The Fort McCoy Police Department can be reached 608-388-2000. Dial 911 in an emergency.

For more information about safety matters, call the Installation Safety Office at 608-388-3403.



Community members participate in a Halloween relay race at Rumpel Fitness Center during a past Halloween on post.

Photo by Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation

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NEWS

Ammunition supply Soldiers enhance skills, expertise in ALC at McCoy

BY SCOTT T. STURKOL

Public Affairs Staff

Nearly a dozen “89-Bravos” from Army units across the country completed training in the 89B Advanced Leader Course (ALC) at Fort McCoy from August to September with the 13th Battalion, 100th (13th, 100th) Regiment.

An ALC is a branch-specific course that provides Soldiers selected for promotion to staff sergeant an opportunity to enhance leadership, technical skill, tactical expertise, and experience needed to lead squad-size units, according to the Enlisted Personnel Management Directorate of Army Human Resources Command.

An ALC consists of both a 90-day highly facilitated web-based common core program and a branch-specific resident phase. For the 89B ammunition specialist military occupation specialty, its ALC at Fort McCoy is four weeks (two two-week phases).

“This was the second fiscal training year we’ve had the ALC here at Fort McCoy, and it’s going well,” said Sgt. 1st Class Doug Dobitz, course coordinator with the 13th, 100th. “In this course, future enlisted leaders in this MOS build their skills to not only become better leaders and supervisors, but also better Soldiers.”

Soldiers who are 89B-qualified are tasked with receiving, storing, and issuing conventional ammunition, guided missiles, large rockets, explosives, and other ammunition and explosive-related items. During the two phases of the course, the students learn about advanced leadership and supervision skills required for their career field and more.

According to the Army job description, ammunition supply specialist NCOs supervise the receipt, storage, issue, and preparation of ammunition, ammunition components and explosives for transportation and storage. They also supervise ammunition stock control and accounting procedures for surveillance inputs, conduct ammunition inspections and tests, and perform inspections of containers and vehicles transporting ammunition.

89B NCOs also inspect storage locations, ensuring compliance with storage compatibility, quantity distance, and explosive safety limits. And, they ensure compliance with all ammunition safety requirements as prescribed in applicable Army regulations.

The 13th, 100th is an ordnance battalion that provides training and training support to Soldiers in the ordnance maintenance MOS series. The unit, aligned under the 3rd Brigade, 94th Division of the 80th Training Command, has been at Fort McCoy since about 1995.

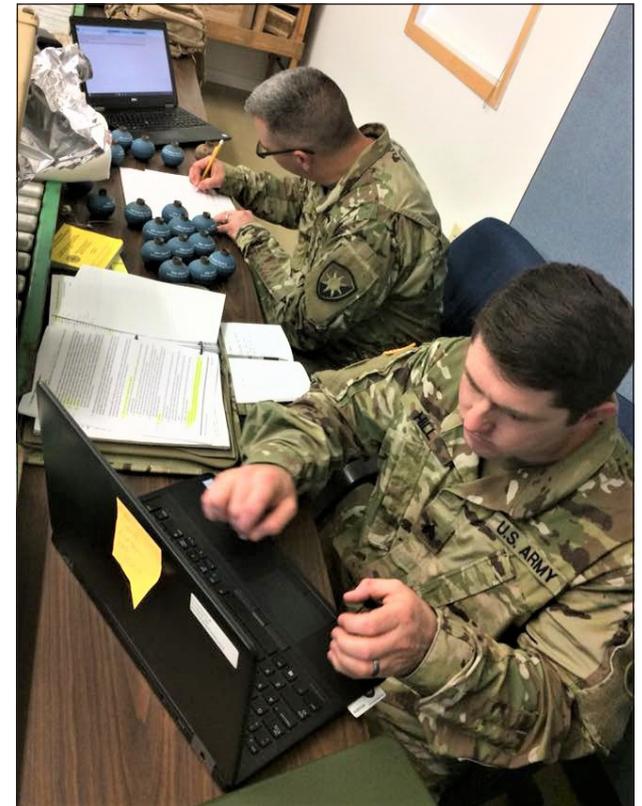


Photos by Sgt. 1st Class Jeane Krueger/13th Battalion, 100th Regiment

A student in the 89B Advanced Leader Course completes packaging and marking training Sept. 19 at Fort McCoy.



Students complete a planning exercise in the classroom Sept. 12 at Fort McCoy.



Students in the 89B Advanced Leader Course complete classroom training Sept. 17 at Fort McCoy.

NEWS

Construction of new dining facilities continues on post

STORY & PHOTOS BY SCOTT T. STURKOL

Public Affairs Staff

Contractors continue work on two new dining facilities in 1800 and 2400 blocks of Fort McCoy.

The facility construction in the 1800 block for the new \$13.5 million, 1,428-person annual training/mobilization dining facility began in May and, as of Sept. 25, was 25 percent complete, said Nathan Butts, contract oversight representative with the Fort McCoy Project Office of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE).

The project is being constructed by contractor L.S. Black Constructors of St. Paul, Minn., and is supposed to be completed in 2019.

The construction of the facility in the 2400 block, also a new 1,428-person annual training/mobilization dining facility, began in July. The Louisville, Ky., office of USACE awarded a \$12.3 million contract in May for the construction of this facility, Butts said.

The contract also was awarded to L.S. Black Constructors Inc. Also as of Sept. 21, this facility was at approximately 5 percent complete.

According to the contract scope of work for each facility, the new facilities will be built with food preparation and cooking areas; an entrance/control area; and serving, dining, dishwashing, administration, and locker areas. It will also have a state-of-the-art waste-disposal system, a receiving and loading dock, cold and dry storage, and more.

Once completed, these dining facilities will be the fifth and sixth brick-and-mortar dining facilities on post. Additionally, Army Corps of Engineer officials said building a dining facility is different than building other types of facilities and generally takes longer.

“These facilities require lots of specialty equipment, which means additional time is needed to build the connections and lines for that equipment into the infrastructure,” said Nathan Butts, contract oversight representative with the Army Corps of Engineers.

Fort McCoy Food Service Manager Andy Pisney with the Logistics Readiness Center Supply and Services Division said the new dining facilities are needed and will increase food-service capabilities. Pisney’s office oversees the food-service contract for Fort McCoy dining facilities.

“When these (facilities) are done, they will be more of a unit-operated dining facility,” Pisney said. “It will really work well for those larger units who currently might sign out two or three of our World War II-era facilities to feed their troops. Now they’ll only have to sign out one facility.”

The facilities are being built on several acres of land. They will have a large parking lot and plenty of space for customers.



(Above) Contractors work on a new \$13.5 million, 1,428-person annual training/mobilization dining facility Sept. 17 in the 1800 block at Fort McCoy. (Below) Contractors also work on a new dining facility in the 2400 block Sept. 26.



NEWS

ACP construction surpasses 80 percent completion

STORY & PHOTO BY SCOTT T. STURKOL

Public Affairs Staff

Construction on the new Access Control Point (ACP) project that will replace the current Gate 20 at Fort McCoy has surpassed the 80 percent completion point, said Ken Green, contract officer's representative with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), which is managing the contract.

A \$9.9 million contract for construction of the ACP projects was awarded in 2017 to Catamount Constructors Inc. of Lakewood, Colo. Work on the project started in fall 2017 and was mostly suspended during the winter, then started back up in early spring. Ever since, the contractor has been making great progress, Green said.

As of Sept. 28, work was 88 percent complete, Green said. Contractors were testing heating and air conditioning systems, completing more electrical work, continuing work on road striping, installing physical security measures, and more.

"The contract duration is for 540 calendar days, which has the project's contract completion date set for November," Green said. "Everything currently is on or slightly ahead of schedule."

The project description states construction included the building of a new identification check area with a search office; inspection canopy; and development and construction



Contractors continue construction of the Fort McCoy Access Control Point project on Sept. 26.

of new roadways, parking, lighting, and traffic control signals.

The physical security items built into the project includes passive and active vehicle

barriers with comprehensive control systems as well as security fencing, information systems, and more, Green said.

Active construction on the project area,

which is near the Regional Training Site-Medical and Medical Simulation Training Center areas, continues daily until project completion.



Photo by Scott T. Sturkol

New cabins at Pine View

Shown Sept. 26 is one of two new cabins recently built at Pine View Campground at Fort McCoy. They are the first two of what will eventually be 10 new cabins at the campground for use.



Photo by Scott T. Sturkol

Magic Carpet installation

Contractors complete groundwork as part of construction and installation of a Magic Carpet lift system Sept. 28 at Whitetail Ridge Ski Area at Fort McCoy. According the manufacturer, the system is a conveyor lift system that has a user-friendly design, provides the highest surface conveyor capacity, and maximizes use of available space. The new system is expected to be ready when the ski area opens for the 2018-2019 season.

NEWS

Fort McCoy firefighters maintain response readiness

STORY & PHOTO BY SGT. JOHN BERRY
Exercise News Day

Firefighters with the Directorate of Emergency Services practiced a structural fire drill and dual-truck pumping operations at Fort McCoy in August. It was one way they practice maintaining readiness.

Due to high-intensity operations with flammable materials and explosive ordinance, all training operations require fire-safety considerations, and with access to a large variety of simulators, the post firefighters are prepared to support that demand.

“We have a full training area with a burn tower, a rappelling tower, all kinds of different props for different things,” said Firefighter Matthew Wheeler.

“We’ll do live fire training in the building, and we’ll go in there and put the fires out on different levels.”

These exercises, as well as a detailed knowledge of the training area, allow the Fort McCoy Fire Department to respond

and suppress fires before they affect training missions.

“A lot of the guys here have worked here a long time. Our people are very knowledgeable on where these fires occur, they know where the ranges are located, (and) they’ve dealt with these units in the past,” Wheeler said.

Wheeler also has fire-safety experience as a staff sergeant with the Army Reserve’s 2nd Battalion, 411th Logistic Support Battalion, “It does help me be more well-rounded, and there’s many other Soldiers who do the same thing,” Wheeler said. “It just shows that people can do both, learn different roles, have lots of training, and get involved.”

Wheeler said Fort McCoy well-positioned to respond to any emergencies that may arise during training on post, noting personnel are “ready to go, 100 percent, all the time.”

Fort McCoy hosted more than 155,000 Soldiers for training in fiscal year 2017, and the fire department responded to an average of 900 calls to provide emergency services across the installation.



A firefighter provides instruction during a structural fire drill Aug. 7 on post.



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Iron man, firefighter

Fort McCoy Firefighter Tyler Frederick runs in a marathon during the Iron Man Wisconsin competition Sept. 9 in Madison. Frederick completed a 2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike course, and a 26.2-mile run during the event. Frederick has been competing in these kind of events for more than four years.



Photo by Scott T. Sturkol

Hydrant flushing

A firefighter with the Directorate of Emergency Services Fire Department flushes a hydrant on the cantonment area Sept. 26 at Fort McCoy. The hydrant flushing is completed annually by fire department personnel to ensure all hydrants are working properly and to check pressure within the system. Several firefighters completed the work.

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Active-shooter response training

Members of several law-enforcement agencies, including Fort McCoy's Directorate of Emergency Services Police Department, participate in a training scenario for Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training, Active Shooter Level 1, in Tomah, Wis.

Several Fort McCoy police officers participated in the four-day training hosted by the Tomah Police Department.

Photo courtesy Tomah Police Department



Photo courtesy of the Directorate of Emergency Services Fire Department

Firefighter dive training

Firefighters with the Fort McCoy Directorate of Emergency Services Fire Department complete dive training Sept. 5 at Lake Wazee in Jackson County, Wis. The dive training is just one of numerous types of training the installation's firefighters participate in to maintain their readiness.

NEWS

ADS

ABOUT POST**Airstream travel-trailer group visits Fort McCoy, Pine View Campground**

Photos by Scott T. Sturkol

Airstream recreational travel trailers are parked Sept. 28 at Pine View Campground at Fort McCoy. These were among 21 Airstream camper trailers that were at the campground as part of an Airstream group visiting the post. The group is made up of Airstream owners in Wisconsin and Michigan's Upper Peninsula.



People with the Airstream recreational travel-trailer group meet up at a camp site Sept. 28 at Pine View Campground. They were among more than 40 people who were part of the group that also received a tour on post and visited a local festival.



Photos by Scott T. Sturkol

Fort McCoy fall colors

(Left) Fall colors on ash trees can be seen to be starting next to the American flag on the garrison headquarters flag staff Sept. 26 at Fort McCoy. (Above) Fall colors on trees are starting to show Sept. 28 on another part of the cantonment area. The first day of autumn for 2018 was Sept. 22 and the autumnal change of the leaves began around that same time all around the installation. Fall colors generally hit their peak at Fort McCoy in mid-October.

FEATURE



The riot control squad, all members of the 115th Engineer Construction Battalion, advances on an unruly mob in a wedge formation designed to scatter the group in October 1951. The full dress rehearsal was staged after several hours of instruction on riot control by battalion officers and noncommissioned officers at Camp McCoy. *File photo*

This month in Fort McCoy history

75 years ago — Oct. 5, 1943

A new band, a 77-piece unit belonging to the 76th Infantry Division, set up headquarters at Camp McCoy.

The band, under the leadership of Warrant Officers John Sandidge and Leonard Lambert, had played together as a unit since August 1943.

Formerly, it was divided into two sections, the artillery band and the infantry band.

The bands had played as units since July 1, 1942, soon after the division was activated.

An ambitious program was mapped out by Sandidge and Lambert, who were assisted by Tech. Sgt. Louis Nestor. Playing for reviews, drills, regimental ceremonies, and broadcasts were among the activities the band did all around the installation.

The unit's dance bands played at the service clubs on post as well.

The 76th's band was featured in the "Back the Attack" show, which was staged in Washington, D.C., and made a showing at the Capitol's Stage Door Canteen.

A broadcast was later repeated for audiences in La Crosse, Wis.

The band, which aided bond drives in the past, also lent its assistance to local and state campaigns.

72 Years Ago — Oct. 11, 1946

Camp McCoy was designated as one of the installations in the nation to function as a Regular Army Officer Screening center. It processed applicants either currently on active duty or already separated from the service and stationed or residing in Wisconsin, southeastern Minnesota, or the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, according to an announcement issued by Col. Newton Bush, post commander.

The new law authorized further expansion of the officer strength of the Regular Army provided for an increase in strength from 25,000 to 50,000 without time limitation during which appointments can be made.

It was anticipated that approximately 25 applicants from the designated area would be tested at this station daily.

High-ranking regular Army officers constituted the Interview Board and appointments to the board located here were made by Fifth Army headquarters.

The screening center and interview boards operated from Dec. 1, 1946, to March 31, 1947.

30 Years Ago — Oct. 28, 1988

The U.S. Army Reserve (USAR) Readiness Training Center added three new courses to its curriculum aimed at keeping good soldiers in the ranks.

Those courses, focusing on USAR retention, include a basic Retention Noncommissioned Officer Course, an advanced course intended to teach unit members how to train others in retention skills, and a Retention Manager's Course to teach officers how to manage a unit retention program.

The classes were moved to Fort McCoy from Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind.

10 Years Ago — Oct. 1, 2008

The Fort McCoy Directorate of Emergency Services (DES)/Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security (DPTMS) have split into two separate directorates, effective Oct. 1, 2008.

DES includes the Public Safety Center, the Fire Department, the Intrusion Detection System, Vehicle Registration, and the Airfield Fire Station (Fire Station 2). DPTMS includes the Training Division; Management Support Division; the Plans, Operation and Security Division; and the Airfield Division.

The organizations were formed as part of the final phase of a Standard Garrison Organization transition in accordance with Installation Management Command guidance.

OBSERVANCES



Photos by Scott T. Sturkol

Command Sgt. Maj. Frank Gutierrez, command sergeant major of U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command and senior enlisted adviser to the Aberdeen, Md., Proving Ground senior commander, gives his presentation Sept. 27 as guest speaker during the installation observance of National Hispanic Heritage Month at Fort McCoy.

Installation observes National Hispanic Heritage Month

Fort McCoy celebrated National Hispanic Heritage Month with a lunchtime observance Sept. 27 at McCoy's Community Center.

The guest speaker was Command Sgt. Maj. Frank Gutierrez, command sergeant major of U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command and senior enlisted adviser to the Aberdeen, Md., Proving Ground senior commander.

"In celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month, we honor the contributions of all Hispanics and their mark on our collective history," Gutierrez said.

"Let's look amongst ourselves and continue to ask how and what we can do to use our ambitions to create an even brighter future for those coming behind us."

Hispanic Heritage Month is Sept. 15-Oct. 15. Sept. 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for Latin American countries Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua, according to www.hispanicheritagemoth.gov.

In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on Sept. 16 and Sept. 18, respectively.

"During National Hispanic Heritage Month, we honor all American citizens of Hispanic descent and celebrate their rich and vibrant traditions of faith, family, hard work, and patriotism," states President Donald Trump's 2018 Hispanic Heritage Month proclamation.

"We are grateful for the innumerable contributions they make to our society, which are vital to our thriving nation. We are especially grateful for the 1.2 million Hispanic-American men and women who have answered the call to serve in our Armed Forces, demonstrating remarkable loyalty, bravery, and dedication to duty."

The event was organized by the Equal Opportunity Office.

For more information about observances, call 608-388-6335.

(Article prepared by the Fort McCoy Public Affairs Office.)



Fort McCoy Garrison Commander Col. Hui Chae Kim presents an appreciation plaque to Command Sgt. Maj. Frank Gutierrez after the presentation.

NEWS NOTES

DJ Trivia held weekly at McCoy's

McCoy's Community Center, building 1571, holds DJ trivia from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursdays.

There is no cost to enter, and advance registration is not required. The competition is open to Fort McCoy employees and their guests who are at least 18 years old.

For more information, call 608-388-4161.

Flu shots available at Fort McCoy health clinic

Flu vaccinations are available at the Fort McCoy Occupational Health Clinic, building 2669, to essential personnel.

Essential personnel include Child and Youth Services, Police Department, and Fire Department employees. After mandated personnel have been vaccinated, shots will be available to other civilian employees.

Clinics will be 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 2 p.m. Oct. 16 and 18 and Nov. 6, 8, 13, and 15.

Call the clinic at 608-388-3209 for more information or to make an appointment.

Commemorative Area open Oct. 12, 26

The Fort McCoy Commemorative Area is open to the public from noon to 4 p.m. Oct. 12 and 26.

The Commemorative Area consists of the Equipment Park, five World War II-era buildings with historical displays, the History Center, and Veterans Memorial Plaza. The History Center and World War II-era buildings contain artifacts dating from Fort McCoy's inception in 1909 up to present day.

Members of the public must present valid photo IDs at the Main Gate to get a visitor's pass. For information on visitors' passes, call the Visitor Control Center at 608-388-4988.

The History Center, the only heated building, is available year-round for unit tours or group tours of at least 15 people. The Commemorative Area will open for selected public days again after the 2019 Armed Forces Day Open House on May 18.

For more information about tours, call the Public Affairs Office at 608-388-2407.

'Taste of Fitness' event runs Oct. 15-19

Rumpel Fitness Center, building 1122, is offering free classes during its Taste of Fitness event, Oct. 15-19.

The free classes are offered at 11:30 a.m. or 3:30 p.m. Some of the free classes include Liquid Gears, 4x4 Cardio, and Zumba Step.

Call the fitness center at 608-388-2290 for details on classes and times.

Connect the Tots play group meets Oct. 16

The "Connect the Tots" play group will meet at 9:30 a.m. Oct. 16 at Army Community



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ROTC field training

Army ROTC cadets participate in a training event Oct. 2 at Fort McCoy. A battalion-sized training event of ROTC cadets from several Wisconsin universities completed training on post in early October.

Service Family Building, building 2161.

The play groups are for children 5 years old or younger.

Through play, transitions, circle time, songs, activities, and informal conversations, parents learn about developmental ages and stages and gain tools to help understand their children's behavior.

ACS events are open to military members, retirees, civilian workforce, Family members, and registered Fort McCoy volunteers.

Additional play groups are scheduled for Oct. 30; Nov. 6, 13, and 27; and Dec. 4 and 11.

For more information or to register, call 608-388-2412.

Disability Employment event set for Oct. 18

Fort McCoy's National Disability Employment Awareness Month observance is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Oct. 18 at McCoy's Community Center, building 1571.

The guest speaker is Jason Glozier, disability rights and service coordinator for the Madison, Wis., Department of Civil Right. Glozier's background includes nearly two decades of working in disability rights with organizations such as Adapt, Not Dead Yet, and the Wisconsin Board for People with Developmental Disabilities.

Congress originally declared the first week of October as "National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week" in 1945. Later, in 1962, the observance dropped the word "physically" to acknowledge that not all disabilities are physical.

Federal legislature expanded the observance to a month in 1988 and officially changed the name to National Disability Employment Awareness Month.

The program starts at noon; participants may get lunch on their own from 11:30 a.m. to noon.

For more information about Equal Opportunity events, call 608-388-6335.

Henry Vilas Zoo trip scheduled for Oct. 20

The Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation has scheduled a trip to the Henry Vilas Zoo in Madison, Wis., on Oct. 20.

The bus will depart from McCoy's Community Center, building 1571, at 8 a.m. and return at 5 p.m.

The trip costs \$20. Admission to the Henry Vilas Zoo is free. Food is available to purchase on site.

The trip is open to all Fort McCoy employees and their guests. Registration is required by Oct. 12. Call 608-388-3011.

Family Fall Craft Night set for Oct. 25

Family Fall Craft Night is scheduled for 4 to 5:30 p.m. Oct. 25 at the School Age Center/Youth Center, building 1792.

Families will make wooden pumpkins, which can be displayed throughout autumn. All supplies are provided. Youth must be in kindergarten through 12 grade and registered with Fort McCoy Child and Youth Services.

Space is limited. Registration is required by Oct. 22. Call 608-388-4373.

Caregiving class scheduled for Nov. 5

"Caregiving and the Sandwich Generation" is scheduled for 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 5 at Army Community Service (ACS), building 2111.

According to the AARP, the "sandwich generation" is traditionally defined as those who have a living parent and are either raising a

child under age 18 or supporting an adult child.

This class will offer caregivers helpful information and tips. Topics include changing roles and responsibilities, coping with stress, communication challenges, finding support and services, and the importance of self-care.

ACS events are open to military members, retirees, civilian employees, registered Fort McCoy volunteers, and family members.

Registration is required by Oct. 29. Call 608-388-2412.

Meet at McCoy Mingle 1st Wednesday every month

McCoy Mingle, a chance to socialize with other Fort McCoy community members, is held 4-5 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at McCoy's Community Center, building 1571.

Food and drink specials will be available. The event is open to the entire Fort McCoy community.

Upcoming dates include Nov. 7 and Dec. 5.

Nominations open for Military Child of the Year

Nominations are open for the 2019 Military Child of the Year.

The annual awards recognize outstanding children, ages 13 to 18, for their scholarship, volunteerism, leadership, extracurricular involvement, and other criteria while facing the challenges of military family life.

All seven Military Child of the Year Award recipients will be flown with a parent or guardian to Washington, D.C., to be recognized at the April 2019 gala, during which senior leaders of each branch of service will present the awards. They also will receive \$10,000 each, a laptop computer, and other donated gifts.

Anyone may nominate a child for the award. Children must be legal military dependents; status will confirmed by military ID or DEERS enrollment form.

Nominations will be accepted through Dec. 5. For more information about eligibility requirements or to nominate a military child, visit www.militarychildoftheyear.org.

New employees at Fort McCoy

New employees started working in several post organizations in September.

Welcome to the following new employees:

- **Richard Carrion** — 88th Readiness Division.
- **Art Casserberg** — Directorate of Public Works.
- **Michael Kotton** — Network Enterprise Center.

Next issue of The Real McCoy

The next issue of The Real McCoy will be published Oct. 26. The deadline for submissions to be considered for publication is noon Oct. 17.

For more information, call 608-388-4128.

Recreation

Automotive Skills Center: Building 1763. Open 1-9 p.m. Thurs.-Fri. and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sat. Call 608-388-3013.

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS): Meets 4:30 p.m. third Thurs. of each month at McCoy's Community Center. Call 608-388-3200.

McCoy's Community Center: Building 1571. Offers books, arcade, gaming area, and bowling. Manager has discretion on closing time. Call 608-388-7060.

Bowling Center: Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Mon.-Fri. and 4-10 p.m. Sat.-Sun. Extreme bowling 4-9 p.m. Fri.

Leisure Travel Services Office: Open 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Call 608-388-3011.

Pine View Campground/Recreational Equipment Checkout Center: Building 8053. **9 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon.-Fri.** Call 608-388-2619.

Rumpel Fitness Center: Building 1122. Open 5 a.m.-8 p.m. Mon.-Thurs., 5 a.m.-7 p.m. Fri., and 6 a.m.-2 p.m. Sat.-Sun. Call 608-388-2290.

Indoor swimming pool, atrium, sauna and steamroom: Open 6 a.m.-7 p.m. Mon.-Thurs., 6 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Fri., and 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Sat.-Sun.

Sportsman's Range: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sat.-Sun. Call 608-388-9162/3517.

Tactics Paintball & Laser Tag: By appointment. Call 800-531-4703.

Dining

Fabrew Coffee: Building 1538. Open 6 a.m.-2 p.m. Mon.-Sat. and 7 a.m.-2 p.m. Sun. Call 608-343-6257.

McCoy's Community Center: Building 1571. Catering/administration, call 608-388-2065.

Primo's Express: Open 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 4-11 p.m. Sat., and 4-10 Sun. Buffet (pizza, pasta, and rotating hot dishes) available 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Call 608-388-7673.

Sports bar: Open 4-11 p.m. Mon.-Fri. and 4-10 p.m. Sat.-Sun. Manager has discretion on closing time.

Snack Avenue: Building 1538. Located inside Express. Open 6 a.m.-7 p.m. Mon.-Sat. and 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Sun. Call 608-269-5604 or 608-388-4343.

Specialty Express Food Court: Building 1538. Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Call 608-269-5615, ext. 303.

Whitetail Ridge Chalet: Building 8061. Closed for the season. Chalet available year-round for private parties. Call 608-388-3517.

Services

Alteration Shop: Building 1538. Open 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon.-Fri. and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sat. Call 608-269-1075.

Barber Shop (Exchange): Building 1538. Open 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon.-Fri. and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sat. Call 608-269-1710.

Car Rentals (Enterprise): Info available at the Exchange, building 1538. Use the phone at the Enterprise sign. Call 608-782-6183 or 800-654-3131; use CDP# 1787245.

Car Wash: Building 1568. Offers self-service and automatic bay. Open 24/7. Accepts cash, tokens, or credit cards. Token machine on site. Call 608-388-3544.

Commissary: Building 1537. Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon.-Sat. Early bird/self-checkout open 9-10 a.m. Mon.-Fri. Call 608-388-3542/3543.

CWT (Carlson Wagonlit Travel) SatoTravel: Building 2180. Open 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Call 608-388-2370, 608-269-4560, or 800-927-6343.

Education/Learning Center: Building 50, room 123. Open 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Call 608-388-7311.

Exchange: Building 1538. Open 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Mon.-Sat. and 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Sun. Call 608-269-5604, ext. 101 or ext. 4343.

ID Card/DEERS Section: Building 35. Open 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Call 608-388-4563 to verify ID Section is operational.

IHG Army Hotels: Building 51. Open 24/7. Call 608-388-2107 or 877-711-TEAM (8326).

facilities services

This schedule is projected through **Oct. 25, 2018**. **Bold, italic typeface** indicates a change since the last publication. Call facilities to verify hours. To report updates, call 608-388-2769.

Launderette/Dry Cleaning: Building 1538. Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon.-Fri. and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sat. Call 608-269-1075.

Laundry Facilities: Buildings 651, 755, 1671, 1735, 1856, 2002, 2568, 2671, 2763, and 2877. Open 24/7. Exclusively for use by Soldiers training on Fort McCoy. Civilians and retired military are not authorized to use these facilities. Call 608-388-3800.

Military Clothing: Building 1538. Open 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Mon.-Sat. and 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Sun. Call 608-269-5604, ext. 203.

Patriot Outfitters: Building 1538. Open 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon.-Fri. and 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Sat.-Sun. Call 608-269-1115.

Permit Sales: Building 2168. Open 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Call 608-388-3337.

Retirement Services Office: Building 35. Open 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Mon.-Tues. and Thurs.-Fri. Call 608-388-3716.

R.I.A. Credit Union: Building 1501. Open 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Mon.-Wed. and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2-5 p.m. Thurs.-Fri. ATMs are located in building 1501 (available 24/7); McCoy's, building 1571; Exchange, building 1538; and IHG Army Hotels, building 51 (available 24/7). Call 608-388-2171.

Service Station/Express/Class VI: Building 1538. Open 6 a.m.-7 p.m. Mon.-Sat. and 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Sun. Call 608-388-4343. Pay-at-the-pump gas is open

24/7. ATM inside. Cash transactions available during Express hours.

Visitor Control Center: Building 35. Call 608-388-4988 for hours.

Family Support

Army Community Service: Building 2111. Open 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon.-Fri. or by appointment. Call 608-388-3505.

Army Substance Abuse Program: Building 1344. Open 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon.-Fri. or by appointment. Call 608-388-2441.

Child Development Center: Building 1796. Open 6:30 a.m.-5:15 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Call 608-388-3534/2238.

Military and Family Life Consultant Program (MFLC): Building 2111. Provides education, information, and support for anyone affiliated with the military. MFLC services are confidential. Available 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon.-Fri. or by appointment. Call 608-388-8068 or 815-793-0148

Red Cross: Fort McCoy active-duty Soldiers and Family members can call 877-272-7337 for emergency assistance. For other Red Cross services, call 800-837-6313 or 608-788-1000.

School Age/Youth Center: Building 1792.

Activities for youth grades kindergarten through 12. Offers after-school, nonschool, and inclement-weather care for eligible youth. Open nonschool days 6:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. or 2:30-5:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri. for After School Program. Call 608-388-4373.

Health Care

Alcoholics Anonymous: For more information, call 608-388-5955/2441.

Fort McCoy Civilian Employee Assistance Program: Screening and referral services for civilian employees and Family members experiencing difficulties due to problems related to substance abuse, mental health, marital/Family discord, or other causes. Call 608-388-2441/5955.

Fort McCoy Sexual Harassment/Assault Response & Prevention (SHARP): 24/7 hotline: 608-388-3000.

Occupational Health Clinic: Building 2669. Open 7 a.m.-3 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Call 608-388-2414.

TRICARE: TRICARE North Region, 877-874-2273; TRICARE West Region, 877-988-9378; TRICARE South Region, 800-444-5445; TRICARE for Life, 866-773-0404; or visit www.tricare.mil.

Troop Medical Clinic: Building 2669. Authorized use only for Extended Combat Training Soldiers on orders of less than 30 days. Personnel on orders for more than 30 days are eligible for TRICARE Prime Remote and will see off-post providers. Call 608-388-3025.

Worship

Catholic: Chapel 10, building 1759. Mass at 9:30 a.m. Sun. Fellowship follows service from 10:30-11:30 a.m. at building 2675. Call 608-388-3528.

Jewish: Congregations of Abraham, 1820 Main St., La Crosse, Wis. Call 608-784-2708.

Mormon: Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 702 E. Montgomery St., Sparta,

Wis. Services from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Sun. Call 608-269-3377.

Protestant: Chapel 1, building 2672. Protestant worship at 9:30 a.m. Sun. Fellowship follows service from 10:30-11:30 a.m. at building 2675.

Protestant Women of the Chapel: Building 2675. Bible study, 8:30-10:30 a.m. Wed.

Spanish Language: Catholic services in Norwalk at 4 p.m. Sun.; call 608-823-7906. Seventh-Day Adventist services in Tomah; call 608-374-2142.

Call 608-388-3528 for worship schedules in surrounding communities. If you have an emergency, call 608-388-2266, and the on-call duty chaplain will be contacted.

Organizations

American Federation of Government Employees (AFGE), Local 1882: Building 1411. Open 7 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Meets at 5 p.m. second Tuesday of each month. Call 608-388-1882.

American Society of Military Comptrollers: Meets several times throughout the year. For more information, call Maureen Richardson at 608-269-1912.

Association of the United States Army - AUSA (Robert B. McCoy Chapter): For information on meetings, visit www.mccoysusa.org.

Friends and Spouses of Fort McCoy: Meets third Wednesday of each month. For info, email fsfomccoy@gmail.com.

Reserve Officers Association, Fort McCoy-Readiness 43: For more information, call 920-535-0515 or email justdave49@centurylink.net.

USO Wisconsin at Fort McCoy: Building 1501. Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon., Wed., Fri. For more information or to volunteer, call 414-477-7279 or email ehazlett@usowisconsin.org.

Warrant Officers Association, Chapter 0317: For more information, email usawoamccoy@outlook.com.

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CONDITION	IF YOU HEAR	THIS INDICATES	INDIVIDUAL ACTIONS
Natural Disaster	3- to 5-minute steady tone or voice announcement	Disaster imminent or in progress. Examples: Tornado, flash flood, hazardous-materials release, wildfire.	Be alert. Ensure all personnel are warned. Take cover by evacuating to a safe location or sheltering in place. Notify supervisor of location. Tune in to local radio or TV stations for emergency information.
Attack	30-sec. to 5-min. wavering tone or voice announcement	Attack imminent or in progress. Examples: Vehicle bomb, terrorist action, release of biological or radioactive materials.	Be alert. Ensure all personnel are warned. Implement force-protection condition (FPCON) procedures as indicated. Take cover by evacuating to a safe location or sheltering in place. Notify supervisor of location.
All Clear	Voice announcement	Immediate threat from disaster or attack is over.	Be alert for secondary hazards. Account for all personnel. Check building. Await instructions on FPCON level. Report fires, injuries and other hazards.

DAILY BUGLE CALLS

5:50 a.m. – First Call • 6 a.m. – Reveille • 6:45 a.m. – Assembly • 7 a.m. – Breakfast • Noon – Mess Call (Dinner) • 5 p.m. – Retreat/To the Colors • 5:45 p.m. – Mess Call (Supper) • 10:30 p.m. – Tattoo • 11 p.m. – Taps

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