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RTS-Medical, MSTC plan for a busy 2020

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Throughout fiscal year 2020, a large number of medical and medical-support personnel are scheduled to take advantage of Fort McCoy facilities and training.

Fort McCoy's primary medical-training facilities are Regional Training Site-Medical (RTS-Medical) and the Medical Simulation Training Center (MSTC).

RTS-Medical a tenant organization and is one of three regional training sites available to units in the Army Reserve. The staff members specialize in teaching units how to set up and run all aspects of a combat support hospital (CSH). Soldiers are expected to be able to get a CSH running on their own by staking out a site, moving the equipment to the site, and building the hospital from bare ground.

In March, RTS-Medical will be fielding new field hospital equipment with the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Agency.

"This will be a big event for us," said Col. Cynthia Hopkins, RTS-Medical site director. "We haven't had an entire new hospital set since 1997."

RTS-Medical will also host training sessions for commanders, command sergeants major, and their staff officers to better understand (See **MEDICAL**, Page 5)



Soldiers participating in the Global Medic exercise Aug. 20, 2019, work on a simulated patient as part of the exercise at Fort McCoy. Regional Training Site-Medical supports the exercise every year at the installation.



Photo by Scott T. Sturkol

Official visit

Lt. Gen. Charles D. Luckey, chief of Army Reserve and commanding general, U.S. Army Reserve Command, gives a presentation to students Feb. 7 at the Fort McCoy Noncommissioned Officer Academy. This was part of an official visit where Luckey visited with garrison officials and Joint-Light Tactical Vehicle training personnel. See more photos of the visit on Page 4.

Commander's workforce briefing highlights yesterday's accomplishments, tomorrow's plans

BY AIMEE MALONE

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Garrison Commander Col. Hui Chae Kim spoke about the installation's accomplishments of yesterday, the work of today, and the goals for tomorrow during two annual workforce briefings Jan. 22 in building 905 at Fort McCoy.

Kim highlighted some of the awards received by the installation and workers in past years, including Army Communities of Excellence awards in 2017-2019; operational

security awards in 2016-18; environmental awards in 2016, 2017, and 2019; humanitarian awards for Directorate of Emergency Services personnel; public affairs communications awards in 2016-18; and a 2018 "High Flyer" award for the Directorate of Human Resource's ID Card Section.

He also spoke about improvements and achievements that don't garner awards, such as a wide array of infrastructure improvements, international accreditation for the Directorate of Emergency Services

Fire Department, Child and Youth Services facilities accreditation, creating intergovernmental support agreements with area agencies, and high scores in the Installation Management Command Organizational Inspection Program and Higher Headquarters Assessment.

Kim stressed the importance of the five-year strategic business plan in ensuring the installation's success.

"All of these accomplishments from yesterday are because of this five-year business plan," he said.

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New commander takes charge of Installation Management Command

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Installation Management Command

Lt. Gen. Douglas Gabram assumed command of U.S. Army Installation Management Command on Jan. 22 at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Gen. Gus Perna, commanding general of Army Materiel Command, promoted Gabram in a private ceremony prior to the assumption of command.

Gabram assumed command from Maj. Gen. Timothy McGuire, who has served as acting commanding general since August 2019.

Perna thanked McGuire for his work as interim commander. McGuire will now return to his role as deputy commanding general of IMCOM.

"Maj. Gen. McGuire, your leadership belongs in a book as an example for all of us," said Perna. "Over the past five months, you have demonstrated personal, moral, and physical courage. You are a remarkable leader, and it is my honor to serve with you every day."

Perna went on to describe his confidence in Gabram as IMCOM's next commanding general.

"Lt. Gen. Gabram is a great Army leader, and IMCOM is a great Army team," Perna said. "I feel confident that Gen. Gabram will take IMCOM's work to the next level. My one-word piece of advice to him during the passing of the colors was 'press.'"

Perna pointed out that the chief of staff of the Army's No. 1 priority is people. "The chief believes that if we take care of Soldiers, families, and civilians, our Army will remain strong for the long term. IMCOM is the quarterback of that solution."

"In his new role, Gabram will lead the organization responsible for the safety, care and morale of over 1 million Soldiers and their Families," he said. "This is one of the Army's most sacred responsibilities."

Speaking directly to the IMCOM workforce, Perna said, "You are the unsung heroes of



Lt. Gen. Douglas Gabram (left) assumes command of Installation Management Command on Jan. 22 at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

our Army. Because of you, our families feel protected and safe as their loved ones deploy to war. Thank you for your professionalism and selfless service."

During Gabram's opportunity to speak, he mentioned the importance of success at home and down range.

"I have been privileged to lead Soldiers in combat many times," Gabram said. "I know that if we fail to get it right at our installations, we could get it wrong in combat, and this will not happen."

He also said he is prepared to take command

and support all the command does to help the Army.

"I look forward to taking on our mission of serving and supporting Soldiers, civilians, and families and strengthening the readiness of our Army," Gabram said.

Before assuming command, Gabram was the director for Test at the Missile Defense Agency at Redstone Arsenal, Ala.

He was responsible for planning, programming, budgeting, staffing and managing a comprehensive Ballistic Missile Defense System test program.

Before that, he served as the commanding general for U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command.

As part of the Army Installation Management Reform Initiative, in January 2019, the secretary of the Army made the decision to realign IMCOM to Army Materiel Command as a major subordinate command with an effective date of March 1, 2019.

This move improves how the Army integrates and delivers base support, services, and facilities to enhance readiness and the well-being of Soldiers, families, and civilians.

Fort McCoy DPW's Michael Miller awarded Garrison Employee of the Month

Michael Miller with the Directorate of Public Works (DPW) was awarded the Fort McCoy Garrison Civilian Employee of the Month for January 2020 during a presentation Feb. 6 at garrison commander staff meeting at the installation.

Miller serves as chief of the DPW Water/Wastewater Branch and was nominated for the honor by DPW Director Liane Haun.

Miller and his fellow employees within the Water/Wastewater Branch have earned Army-level recognition in the past for their work.

Recently, Miller also received a letter from Robert M. Maxwell, chief financial officer and director of Resource Management, Installations, and Materiel, U.S. Army Reserve,

that also recognized the success of Miller and his team.

"Thank you for your outstanding support and dedication to the Army Solid Waste Program," the letter states. "Your outstanding efforts and accomplishments directly contribute to the readiness and resiliency of the U.S. Army Reserve."

Miller was presented with a framed copy of the Maxwell letter from Haun, and he received a commander's coin for excellence from Garrison Commander Col. Hui Chae Kim via the Deputy Garrison Commander Lt. Col. Sheila D. Coker.

"I'm only successful because I have four amazing utilities operators that make me look good," Miller said about being recognized. "And I always tell them, 'Do what you love, and you never work a day in your life.'"

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

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Photos by Scott T. Sturkol

Members of the Fort McCoy workforce listen in to Garrison Commander Col. Hui Chae Kim as he provides a briefing Jan. 22 in building 905 at Fort McCoy.

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Fort McCoy is currently in the last year of the previous five-year plan, and work is currently underway on the plan for 2021-25.

Kim said the upcoming plan is a transitional plan because of the large number of senior leaders and mid-level managers who are likely to retire in the next five years.

Even as methods, technologies, and terminologies change, Fort McCoy's priorities remain the same as they have in the past, Kim said.

"Our three focus areas are installation readiness; strategic power projection readiness; and Soldier, civilian, and family readiness," he said.

Some of the planned infrastructure improvements for the future include permanentizing World War II-era wooden buildings by remodeling them with brick exteriors and new roofs, repairs to Rumpel Fitness Center and the wastewater treatment

plant, and modern range construction and updates.

Looking ahead to the future, it will be important for Fort McCoy to stay at the forefront of modern warfare and seek new technologies, Kim said.

"There's threats everywhere," he said. "The fight starts here."

"We have to continue to build readiness, protect the force, (and) protect our installation so that we can build combat power against the threat."

"That's our vision," Kim said. "That's our tomorrow."

He ended the briefing with a reminder of his personal motto, encouraging garrison employees and service members to continue to work hard at their missions and find new ways ahead.

"Continue to be informed, empowered, and inspired," he said.



Garrison Commander Col. Hui Chae Kim interacts with the audience Jan. 22 during the garrison commander workforce briefing at Fort McCoy.

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Chief of Army Reserve visits Fort McCoy



Photos by Scott T. Sturkol

Lt. Gen. Charles D. Luckey, chief of Army Reserve and commanding general, U.S. Army Reserve Command, gives a presentation to students Feb. 7 at the Fort McCoy Noncommissioned Officer Academy. Luckey gave the students, largely noncommissioned officers, some career advice and important ideals to remember as they move forward as future leaders in the Army. This was also part of an official visit to Fort McCoy, where Luckey visited with garrison officials about various projects and met with Joint-Light Tactical Vehicle (JLTV) training personnel to learn more about how the training is planned for 2020.



Lt. Gen. Charles D. Luckey stresses a point during his presentation Feb. 7 at the Fort McCoy Noncommissioned Officer Academy.



A Joint-Light Tactical Vehicle with Lt. Gen. Charles D. Luckey as a passenger moves out Feb. 7 to drive through range areas during Luckey's visit to the post.

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89B training

Master Sgt. Sarah Johnson with the 13th Battalion, 100th Regiment teaches a class in the 89B Senior Leader Course on Jan. 28 in building 50 at Fort McCoy.

In this course, instructors cover logistics and support operations as well as leadership skills for noncommissioned officers (NCOs) in the 89B field.

According to the Army job description for a senior ammunition supply specialist, these NCOs supervise the receipt, storage, issue, and preparation of ammunition, ammunition components and explosives for transportation and storage.

The 13th, 100th, which falls administratively under Fort McCoy Regional Training Site-Maintenance, teaches the 89B10 Ammunition Supply Course, 89B Senior Leader Course, and the 89B Advanced Leader Course.

Photo by Scott T. Sturkol

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hospital establishment and operations, as well as a Chief Wardmaster Course. This class focuses on senior enlisted skills required of a chief wardmaster for all areas relating to hospital establishment.

RTS-Medical staff members will be participating in and providing support for three Combat Support Training Exercises (CSTX) this year, too, Hopkins said. The exercises will be held in June, July, and August. According to the 84th Training Command, a CSTX is a large-scale training exercise where units experience tactical training scenarios specifically designed to replicate real-world missions.

Also at Fort McCoy, the MSTC is a garrison organization that provides state-of-the-art medical training for both medical and nonmedical personnel, ensuring highly educated, innovative, and adaptive Soldiers.

"Since October, we've been focused on 68W (medic) sustainment training," said Luis Illescas, course coordinator with MSTC. "From April through June, we'll be focused on nonmedical personnel doing combat-lifesaver, or first-responder, training."

The MSTC also provides support for exercises throughout the year, like the CSTXs planned during the summer. The heavy exercise season is typically during the summer months, after which MSTC resumes its regular training for both medical and nonmedical personnel, Illescas said.

For more information about services provided by the MSTC, call 608-388-1136. For more information about services provided by RTS-Medical, call 608-388-2544.



Navy medical personnel prepare mannequins for training Aug. 16, 2019, at a Regional Training-Site-Medical facility for the Global Medic exercise.

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Numerous construction projects continue through winter at Fort McCoy

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Throughout the winter of 2019-20, several construction projects have continued throughout Fort McCoy.

Overall, through early February, winter weather on the installation has also been fairly mild and has helped contractors continue work on projects that include five battle simulations buildings, housing units, a shipping and receiving facility, and dining facilities.

New housing

Contractor Relyant Global LLC of Maryville, Tenn., continues work on a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers-led project to build seven new military family housing units at the South Post Housing area at Fort McCoy.

A contract of \$6.6 million was awarded to Relyant Global in May 2019, and the notice to proceed with work was acknowledged in June 2019, said Ken Green with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Resident Office at Fort McCoy. A project completion date for the housing should be sometime this summer, Green said.

The construction includes building three four-bedroom and four three-bedroom houses, Green said. Work includes site preparation work, utilities and pavement construction, and electrical and natural-gas systems installation.

As of Jan. 31, work was approximately 36 percent complete with basement work and building framing completed.

In 2017, Fort McCoy accepted the completion of 56 new homes, which brought the total in the housing area to 113. This project will increase the housing area's total to 120 homes when completed.



Work on five new battle simulations buildings in the 200 block is shown Feb. 5 at Fort McCoy. Contractor MDM Construction Supply of Rockford, Ill., is constructing the new buildings and related infrastructure.

Shipping, receiving, mail freight facility

Work continues steadily to build a new \$7.03 million shipping and receiving/mail freight facility near the new Gate 20 at Fort McCoy. This project is also managed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Contractor Relyant Global LLC was also

awarded this contract to design and build the facility, Green said.

The contract calls for the construction of a pre-engineered metal building that will have 19,500 square feet of space, Green said. This work includes all necessary infrastructure and related building needs.

As of Jan. 31, the facility was approximately 46 percent complete, Green said. Work

included roofing construction; interior wall, electrical, and masonry work; and more.

A project completion date for the shipping and receiving facility should be sometime this summer, Green said.

Battle simulations buildings

Work on five new battle simulations buildings in the 200 block at Fort McCoy also have continued through winter. Contractor MDM Construction Supply of Rockford, Ill., is constructing the new buildings and related infrastructure.

The projected completion date is September 2020, and as of Feb. 7, several buildings are already built with roofs added and some interior work already started. The Fort McCoy Directorate of Public Works (DPW) is overseeing the work completion.

The new simulations buildings will be managed by the Fort McCoy Directorate of Plans, Mobility, Training and Security.

Dining facilities

Work on two new dining facilities in 1800 and 2400 blocks of Fort McCoy will continue into the spring. As of Feb. 7, both were listed by the Army Corps of Engineers as 99 percent complete.

Construction in the 1800 block for the new \$13.5 million, 1,428-person annual training/mobilization dining facility began in May 2018, said Nathan Butts, a contract oversight (See **CONSTRUCTION**, Page 7)



Contractors with Relyant Global LLC work on a new \$7.03 million shipping and receiving facility Feb. 5 near the new Gate 20 on North Post at Fort McCoy.

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A new 1,428-person annual training/mobilization dining facility, building 1872, is shown Feb. 5 in the 1800 block at Fort McCoy. L.S. Black Constructors built this facility.

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representative with the Fort McCoy Project Office of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

The construction of the facility in the 2400 block, also a new 1,428-person annual training/mobilization dining facility, began in July 2018. The Louisville, Ky., office of USACE awarded a \$12.3 million contract in May 2018 for the construction of that facility, Butts said.

Both dining facilities were constructed by contractor L.S. Black Constructors of St. Paul, Minn. According to Fort McCoy DPW, additional work will also be done to finish parking areas and other exterior areas once warmer weather returns in the

spring.

According to the contract scope of work for each facility, the new facilities are built with food preparation and cooking areas; an entrance/control area; and serving, dining, dishwashing, administration, and locker areas.

The facilities 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.

Construction projects like all of these align with Fort

McCoy's long-range strategic planning objectives, including to "sustain and modernize Fort McCoy's cantonment, range complex, strategic mobility, physical security, quality of life, and information technology infrastructure."

Throughout the past decade, Fort McCoy has experienced unprecedented facility modernization, according to the 2019 Fort McCoy Executive Summary, which is produced by the Fort McCoy Garrison.

The improvement effort also has included training-area development and expansion, increased training and customer-support capacity, and improved quality-of-life opportunities.



A 1,428-person annual training/mobilization dining facility, building 2472, is also shown Feb. 5 in the 2400 block at Fort McCoy. L.S. Black Constructors also built this facility.

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CWOC Class 20-02 finishes; 39 Soldiers, Marines graduate

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Thirty-nine Soldiers and Marines graduated from the Fort McCoy's Cold-Weather Operations Course's class 20-02 that took place Jan. 3-17.

Led by instructors Hunter Heard, Manny Ortiz, and Joe Ernst with contractor Veterans Range Solutions, which works with Fort McCoy's Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization, and Security, Cold-Weather Operations Course, or CWOC, students trained for 14 days in a variety of cold-weather subjects.

"The training for class 20-02 went well," Heard said. "They adapted well to our crawl, walk, run methodology."

Heard said the Wisconsin winter really made an appearance for the second class of the training season.

"This was this first class this season where the temperature dropped below zero for both thermal shelter-building nights of training," Heard said. "The class performed well through it all and really did a great job looking out for and checking on one another. This class also had colder temps at the start of the cold-water immersion scenario, but every squad performed well."

This was the second class of students to also practice the new cold-water immersion training scenario, Heard said. The scenario includes having one of the squad members go through a cold-water immersion event in the lake, and then the squad, as a team, has to take what they learned during the course to help the wet squad member warm up and recover.

This included having the squad member take off most clothing and then climb into a sled lined with dry blankets. At the same time, other squad members would erect an Arctic cold-weather tent with a heater where the squad member would further warm up and recover to prevent injury.

"This scenario is about how students can respond to help a victim of hypothermia," Ortiz said. "This helps them build confidence and knowledge in understanding cold-weather injuries overall, as well."

Students completed nearly 40 kilometers of marching with snowshoes during training and held skiing training at Whitetail Ridge Ski Area. They learned how to pack and use ahkio sleds for carrying and moving gear, and they practiced extensively in building the Arctic 10-person cold-weather tent as well as improvised shelters.

Course training also focuses on terrain and weather analysis, risk management, proper cold-weather clothing wear, developing winter fighting positions, camouflage and concealment in a cold-weather environment, cold-water immersion reaction and treatment, and injury prevention.

The class included many Marines with the 2nd Battalion, 24th Marines (2nd, 24th), which is an infantry battalion based out of Chicago consisting of approximately 1,000 Marines and Sailors. The battalion falls under the 23rd Marine Regiment and the 4th Marine Division. It was a continuance from class 20-01 of Marines training in the course.

Three more 14-day courses are planned during the remainder of the winter training season at Fort McCoy, Heard said.



Students in the Fort McCoy Cold-Weather Operations Course (CWOC) Class 20-02 start their skiing orientation and familiarization Jan. 10 at Whitetail Ridge Ski Area at Fort McCoy.



Cold-Weather Operations Course Class 20-02 students practice wearing snowshoes while pulling an ahkio sled Jan. 9 on a training area on the cantonment area at Fort McCoy.



A student participates in cold-water immersion training Jan. 17 at Big Sandy Lake on South Post at Fort McCoy.



Students finish setting up their Arctic 10-person tent Jan. 13 at a North Post training area at Fort McCoy.

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Cold-Weather Operations Course Class 20-03 graduates 17 students



Photos by Karen Sampson/Fort McCoy Multimedia-Visual Information Office

(Above and right) Students in the Fort McCoy Cold-Weather Operations Course Class 20-03 build improvised shelters Feb. 4 at a training area at Fort McCoy. In addition to shelter building, CWOC students are trained on a variety of cold-weather subjects, including snowshoe training as well as how to use ahkio sleds and other gear. Seventeen students graduated the class.



A student participates in cold-water immersion training Feb. 7 at Big Sandy Lake on South Post at Fort McCoy.



Students hold their skiing orientation and familiarization for the course Jan. 31 at Whitetail Ridge Ski Area.



A student prepares an area Feb. 7 for an Arctic 10-person tent at a training area on South Post at Fort McCoy.

FEATURE

This month in Fort McCoy history

75 Years Ago — Feb. 1, 1945

Camp McCoy's female Soldiers departed from the installation for temporary duty in Chicago. The entire Women's Army Corps (WAC) detachment left for a special Army mission.

Leading the delegation were 1st Lt. Lois S. Button, commanding officer, and 1st Lt. Betty Erickson, executive officer. The McCoy WACs were housed at the Chicago Women's Club.

The 4620th Service Unit was activated at Camp McCoy May 8, 1942, and was commanded by Lt. Mary Roberts and Capt. Dorothy Alexander before Button assumed command. The WACs served in about 150 different types of jobs.

35 Years Ago — Feb. 21, 1985

Within hours of their arrival at Fort McCoy, 541 members of the 36th Engineer Group (Combat), Fort Benning, Ga., found themselves knee-deep in snow pitching tents.

Deployed directly to the field was a major test for the soldiers participating in Frozen Seahorse '85 because it closely simulated the chain of events that would have to take place if the unit were actually deployed. The units that participated in the exercise were the 36th Engineer Group, Higher Headquarters Company, 43rd Engineer Battalion (Combat Heavy) and the 2nd platoon of the 533rd Transportation Company.

The experiences gained through that exercise and the training on individual soldiers skills were implemented into the group's 72-hour field training exercise. The major exercise included training in the combat engineer mission as well unit movement and reorganizing as infantry to defend a position. Frozen Seahorse '85 was in support of the unit's European Capstone mission, which supported NATO.

30 Years Ago — Feb. 9, 1990

Five was the lucky number for the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office (DRMO)-Sparta, a tenant activity at Fort McCoy. The organization was selected as one of five to receive DRMO of the Year honors from its headquarters, the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service in Battle Creek, Mich.

DRMO-Sparta was judged the best of the 16 DRMOs that competed in the "small" category. This award marked the fifth time the DRMO-Sparta won the competition. The other awards were for 1981 through 1984.

20 Years Ago — Feb. 25, 2000

Documentation of more than 1,300 Fort McCoy buildings was completed with computerized records and digital photographs.

The Fort McCoy Archaeology Laboratory conducted the study from about March 1999 through January 2000. The project included taking digital photographs of building exteriors and compiling information about the size, use, age, etc., of the buildings.

Installation personnel, such as Real Property, building managers, directorate planners, and security personnel who have responsibility for the buildings, could then access the information with a desktop computer.

The project was conducted in compliance with Section 110 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Section



U.S. Army file photos

(Above) The 4620th Service Unit Women's Army Corps Detachment poses for a picture in the winter of 1943-44 at Camp McCoy. (Below) Construction workers pour cement in 1942 at Camp McCoy.



110 of the act required all federal agencies to inventory their real estate to determine if they had anything that would merit inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places.

About 75 percent of the buildings at Fort McCoy in 2000 were built during World War II in the early 1940s. Ted Grevstad-Nordbrock, a member of the Fort McCoy Archaeology

Laboratory, said the buildings lasted a lot longer than originally envisioned and many still served their original purpose. If anything, the study showed the ability of the buildings to withstand the effects of time, he said.

(Article prepared by the Public Affairs Office from The Real McCoy and Triad archives.)

COMMUNITY

Fort McCoy's 2020 AER Campaign Kick-off breakfast set for March 3

STORY & PHOTO BY SCOTT T. STURKOL

Public Affairs Staff

Fort McCoy's 2020 Army Emergency Relief (AER) Campaign Kick-off breakfast is 8:30 a.m. March 3 at McCoy's Community Center.

"We will have leaders from all around the installation at this event," said Bobby T. Kim, Financial Readiness Program manager and AER officer with Fort McCoy Army Community Service (ACS). "I encourage all leaders of the Fort McCoy community to attend to see what Army Emergency Relief is all about and how they can help."

AER helps provide emergency financial funds for food, rent, funeral expenses, emergency medical expenses, and other needs. Contributions to AER help active-duty Soldiers (single and married) and their families, retirees and their family members, and surviving spouses or orphans of Soldiers who died while on active duty or after they retired.

"The annual AER Campaign is an opportunity to tell everyone about the programs provided by AER," Kim said. "Every donation helps."

According to AER Headquarters, AER provides millions of dollars of assistance to tens of thousands of people every year. This includes millions for scholarships to spouses and children of Soldiers. Out of every dollar donated, 90 cents goes to help Soldiers and their families.

"The AER scholarship program eases the financial burdens of our active-duty and retired Soldiers by providing \$500 to \$3,400 scholarships per year toward an undergraduate degree program," Kim said. "AER scholarships do not pay for the whole undergraduate education; however, any amount paid toward that education for a family is a relief and less amount to borrow in student loans."

Kim said many students at Fort McCoy have benefitted from the scholarships. During the 2018-19 school year, 23 students from Fort



Fort McCoy Army Community Service Financial Readiness Program Manager Bobby Kim works on planning items for the 2020 Army Emergency Relief campaign Jan. 15 at building 2111 at Fort McCoy. Kim also serves as an Army Emergency Relief officer with ACS and the campaign for Army Emergency Relief begins March 1.

McCoy received AER scholarships totaling \$51,950. And so far during the 2019-20 school year, 35 students received AER scholarships totaling more than \$44,000.

"This is why it's important for people to donate to Army Emergency Relief, as well," Kim said. "These scholarships directly affect

people in our own community."

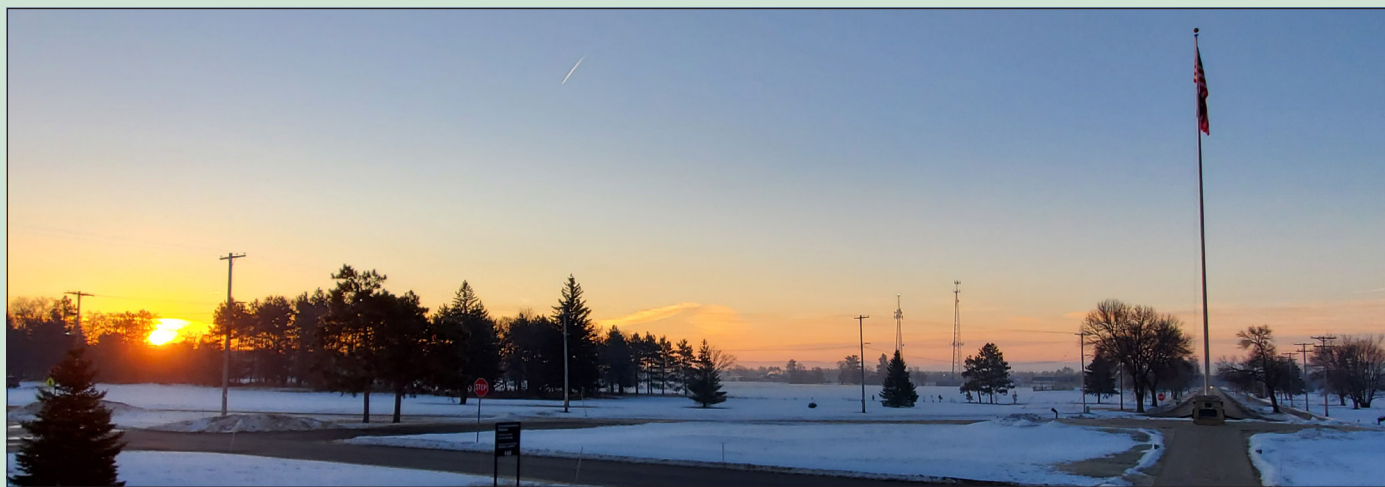
There is no cost for people to attend the kick-off breakfast March 3.

"I encourage leadership to come to the breakfast and hear more about what AER does for our Army families," Kim said.

In addition to government civilian employees

and Soldiers, retired Army personnel also can donate to the AER campaign and are encouraged to attend the breakfast.

Visit www.aerhq.org or call Fort McCoy ACS at 608-388-3505 to learn more about or to apply for assistance from AER. People can also stop by building 2111.



Winter sunrise

The sun rises in the backdrop of the garrison flagpole Feb. 3 at Fort McCoy.

Located in the heart of the upper Midwest, Fort McCoy is the only U.S. Army installation in Wisconsin.

Learn more about Fort McCoy online at <https://home.army.mil/mccoy>, on Facebook by searching "ftmccoy," and on Twitter by searching "usagmccoy."

Photo by Scott T. Sturkol

COMMUNITY

Cold weather main topic of quarterly safety meeting

BY AIMEE MALONE

Public Affairs Staff

Fort McCoy's quarterly Safety and Occupational Health Advisory Council met Jan. 14 at Whitetail Ridge Ski Area to discuss safety concerns at the installation.

The meeting's primary topic was cold-weather hazards, such as cold-weather injuries and ice safety. Common cold-weather injuries include hypothermia, frostbite, chilblains, and trench foot, said Safety Specialist Don Vender with the Installation Safety Office.

Hypothermia is a potentially fatal medical emergency that occurs when body temperature falls below 95 degrees Fahrenheit. It occurs in severe cold weather, especially when the weather is windy, and wet clothing or immersion in water. Symptoms include shivering, dizziness, drowsiness, change in behavior, stumbling, altered vision, and slowed or slurred speech.

Someone with hypothermia symptoms should be evacuated immediately and rewarmed by removal of wet clothing; body-to-body contact; and/or drinking warm, sweet liquids.

Frostbite occurs when skin freezes, which can occur at 28 F. Symptoms include discolored skin, a tingling sensation, numbness, stiffness, and blisters. Seek medical attention and rewarm the affected body area with body heat (unless the skin could refreeze during evacuation).

Chilblains are nonfreezing cold injuries that occur that occur in cold, wet conditions. The skin turns pale and colorless and develops blisters in severe cases.

The skin feels swollen, hot, and itchy upon rewarming. To treat, dry the skin and keep sterile and warm to allow it to heal.

Trench foot is similar, being caused by prolonged exposure of skin to moisture in cold or cool

conditions. Skin looks soggy, white and shriveled at first, then turns red, blue, or black. The skin becomes swollen and waxy and may develop blisters or sores. Treatments includes drying the skin, rewarming feet, reducing swelling, and seeking medical treatment.

Preventing cold-weather injuries is both a command and individual responsibility, Vender said. Dress appropriately for the weather in layers, stay dry and change wet clothing, take breaks, and keep hydrated to help prevent injuries.

Other factors that increase the odds of injury include alcohol and nicotine use, dehydration, and the length of exposure to the cold.

Vender also reminded people to be cautious about walking or driving on ice.

The recommended minimum thickness for new, clear ice is 4 inches for walking and ice fishing, 5 to 7 inches for a snowmobile or ATV, 8 to 12 inches for a car, and 12 to 15



inches for a truck, according to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

However, no ice is 100 percent safe, Vender said. If you fall through ice, don't remove clothing, he said. The air trapped between the layers can help you float.

Turn toward the direction you came and place your hands and arms on the unbroken surface. Kick your feet and dig in your ice picks to work your way back to solid ice. Lie flat on your back once you're out of the water and roll away. Get to a warm, dry, sheltered area to prevent

hypothermia.

If a vehicle goes through the ice, do your best to escape before it sinks. The chance of escaping diminishes quickly in the water. Front engines will cause the car to sink at a steep angle, and at depths of 15 feet, the car may flip upside down, Vender said.

Side windows are the best ways to escape since doors can be more easily blocked by mud and silt or held shut by water pressure.

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



Photos courtesy of the Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation

Winter Extravaganza

(Left) Children participating in Winter Extravaganza engage in the Snow Pile Dig event Jan. 25 at Whitetail Ridge Ski Area at Fort McCoy. During the event, they search for colored poker chips which are then turned in for prizes. (Above) Winter Extravaganza attendees get free ski lessons Jan. 25 as part of the activities for the extravaganza at Whitetail

The event was organized by the Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation (DFMWR).

DFMWR Outdoor Recreation Manager Kurt Hahn said about 500 people participated in the event. "This event was very successful and customers look forward to it each year," Hahn said. "The free lessons went very well and gave us a chance to introduce new people to our winter sports at minimal costs. This awareness is important to us as we work to build our instructional program. ... The smaller hill and lack of crowds makes us a perfect lesson destination."

NEW NOTES

AER representative training set for Feb. 18

Unit representatives at Fort McCoy supporting the 2020 Army Emergency Relief (AER) Campaign will have training sessions on representative duties from 1 to 2 p.m. Feb. 18 at Army Community Service (ACS), building 2111.

Representatives will be provided with guidance and materials and will learn about the importance of their roles in the AER campaign.

Call ACS at 608-388-3540 for additional information.

Combined Challenge planned for Feb. 19

Rumpel Fitness Center's Combined Challenge is scheduled for Feb. 19 in building 1122.

Participants will compete in a 40-yard dash, cone drills, standing broad jump, 20-yard short shuttle run, bench press, tire flip, and sled push.

Prizes will be given to the top male and female contestants.

Register for a time at the front desk. For more information, call 608-388-2290.

PWOC informational meeting scheduled for Feb. 20

The Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC) group is having an informational meeting 9 to 10:30 a.m. Feb. 20 at the South Post Community Center.

All women connected to Fort McCoy are invited to come learn about PWOC, hear about upcoming plans for the spring and beyond, and offer input about how PWOC can help meet the needs of the women of Fort McCoy.

No advance registration is required. For more information, call the Religious Support Office at 608-388-3528.

Black History Month event set for Feb. 20

Fort McCoy's Black History Month observance is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Feb. 20 at McCoy's Community Center, building 1571.

The speaker is Willie David Larkin, chief of staff to the president at Edgewood College, a liberal arts Catholic college in Madison, Wis.

During his career, Larkin worked at four land-grant universities, two historically black colleges and universities, and supported a chancellor leading 13 two-year institutions, and is now serving.

Larkin is an active proponent of lifelong learning and embraces the values of a college and university environment. His professional and senior management philosophies are grounded in trust, respect, integrity, honesty, and transparency.

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.



Photo by Scott T. Sturkol

Snow cleanup

An equipment operator with the Fort McCoy snow-removal contractor, Kaiyuh Services LLC, headquartered in Anchorage, Alaska, clears snow Feb. 10 at Fort McCoy. Fort McCoy received approximately 10 inches of snow Feb. 9. The Fort McCoy snow-removal team includes contractor Kaiyuh Services LLC and Directorate of Public Works personnel. The team helps keep more than 400 miles of roads, sidewalks, and parking areas clear so the post workforce can operate safely.

Spouse employment briefing scheduled for Feb. 26

A military spouse employment briefing is scheduled for 9 to 10:30 a.m. Feb. 26 at Army Community Service, building 2111.

The workshop is designed to help military spouses understand the Department of the Army hiring system. Learn how to identify federal hiring programs to support military spouses and about CEAT-CYPA transfer assistance and get assistance with USAJobs.gov applications.

Registration is required by Feb. 19. For more information, call 608-388-7262.

Fort McCoy Job Fair set for Feb. 26

A Fort McCoy job fair is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Feb. 26 at Army Community Service, building 2111.

A human-resources professional will be available to talk about positions currently available at Fort McCoy.

No registration is required. For more information, call 608-388-3505.

Home Buying 101 class scheduled for Feb. 26

A Home Buying 101 class is scheduled for 1 to 3 p.m. Feb. 26 at Army Community Service (ACS), building 2111.

Topics covered include the pros and cons of renting vs. buying a home; affording a home; credit scores; and VA, conventional, and FHA loans.

Registration is required one week in advance. ACS events are open to military members, retirees, civilian workforce, Family mem-

bers, and registered Fort McCoy volunteers unless otherwise stated.

For more information or to register, call 608-388-3540.

Preretirement briefing dates available quarterly in 2020

Beginning March 2, 2020, the Fort McCoy Garrison Soldier for Life-Retirement Services Office (SFL-RSO) will offer a quarterly preretirement briefing from 9 a.m. to noon in building 50, room 100B.

The briefing provides an overview of retirement benefits and entitlements. This briefing is an Army requirement.

The pre-retirement briefing is not a part of the Soldier for Life - Transition Assistance Program (SFL-TAP). The preretirement briefing covers topics not addressed in SFL-TAP.

Some of the topics that will be covered include TRICARE, retirement pay, and the Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP). Reserve service members are encouraged to contact their servicing RSO for information on Reserve-related pre-retirement briefings.

The 2020 pre-retirement briefing schedule is March 2, June 1, Sept. 14, and Dec. 7.

For information on Reserve-related preretirement briefings, contact the 88th Readiness Division RSO office at 608-388-7448/9321.

For questions and registration information for the garrison SFL-RSO preretirement briefing, call 608-388-3716.

Black and Gold Ball scheduled for May 29

A Black and Gold Ball is scheduled for 5:30 to 11 p.m. May 29 at The Waterfront Restaurant and Tavern in La Crosse, Wis.

The formal event features dinner, music, and dancing. Military dress or formal attire is required.

Dinner options are chicken parmesan, sirloin steak, or macaroni and cheese. Salad, sides, and a choice of dessert are also included.

The event is open to Fort McCoy military members and civilian employees and their guests. Tickets cost \$50 each, and space is limited.

Tickets will be sold 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at the Fort McCoy Exchange and Tuesday and Thursday at McCoy's Community Center.

For more information, call 608-388-0160.

Fort McCoy gauging interest in van-pool program

Fort McCoy personnel are looking into the possibility of starting a van-pool program at the installation under the Army's Mass Transportation Benefit Program (MTBP).

According to MTBP guidelines, the purpose of the program is to reduce federal employees' contribution to traffic congestion and air pollution and to expand their commuting alternatives by using mass transportation.

How the program would be accomplished, what type of vehicle would be used, and other factors cannot be decided until it can be determined how many people want to participate in the program.

In order to participate in the MTBP, an applicant must meet the following two criteria: be a civilian, military, or nonappropriated fund employee who is paid and employed by the Department of Defense and be permanently stationed or working at Fort McCoy.

To learn more, contact Bob Bills at 608-388-4546.

PCS help available online, at Fort McCoy

Help with permanent change-of-station (PCS) moves is available online and at Fort McCoy.

The Department of Defense (DOD) Customer Moving Portal at www.move.mil offers moving guides, tutorials, frequently asked questions, tools, and resources.

Approximately 40 percent of military moves happen during May 15 to Aug. 31. The Fort McCoy Personal Property Processing Office (PPPO) requires a four- to six-week lead time to book a household goods shipment with a transportation service provider.

The PPPO helps military members verify entitlements and explore their options for the moving process.

The PPPO is located in building 200. It is open 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call 608-388-3060.

Next issue of The Real McCoy

The next issue of The Real McCoy will be published Feb. 28. The deadline for submissions is Feb. 19. Call 608-388-4128.

Dining Facility

Dining Facility 1362, located at the Noncommissioned Officer Academy, is open. Military members and Department of Defense civilians on official orders for temporary duty training may use dining facilities. Groups of 10 or more must first coordinate through the Food Program Management Office at 608-388-6518/4739.

Hours

Breakfast — 6-8 a.m.
Lunch — 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Dinner — 5-6:30 p.m.

Rates

Breakfast — \$3.50
Lunch — \$5.65
Dinner — \$4.90

Recreation

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

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS): Meets at 4 p.m. each quarter in building 1363. Call 608-388-3200.

iSportsman: Portal for hunting, fishing, and outdoor recreational activities. Register, apply for permits, and sign in or out at https://mccoy.isportsman.net.

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. 24-hour access available to those who register. 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: Closed for the season. Call 608-388-9162/3517.

Tactics Paintball & Laser Tag: By appointment with two-day notice. Call 800-531-4703.

Whitetail Ridge Ski Area: Open 2-8 p.m. Thurs. (season passholders only), 3-9 p.m. Fri., 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Sat., and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sun. Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. for Tomah and Sparta schools snow days. Call 608-388-3517.

Dining

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

Food: Open 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 4-11 p.m. Sat., and 4-10 Sun. Buffet 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. Open 2-8 p.m. Thurs. (season passholders only), 3-9 p.m. Fri., 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Sat., and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sun. Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. snow days. Call 608-388-3517.

Ten Point Pub: Open during chalet hours.

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 bays and vacuums. Open 24/7. May close during extremely cold weather.

facilities services

This schedule is projected through Feb. 27. Most facilities closed Feb. 17.

Bold, italic typeface indicates a change since the last publication. Call facilities to verify hours. To report updates, call 608-388-2769.

Accepts cash, tokens, or credit cards. Token machine on site. Tokens also sold at McCoy's Community Center, building 1571. Call 608-388-4161.

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.

Computer Lab: Building 50, room 100A. Open 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Computers, projector, printer, scanner, fax machine available. Call 608-388-2474.

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).

Laundrette/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: Open 24/7. Exclusively for use by Soldiers training on Fort McCoy. Civilian, family members, and retired military

members are not authorized to use these facilities. Call 608-388-3800 to find out which buildings are open.

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. Hunting, fishing, and firewood permits. 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.

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.

Housing Office: Building 6158. Open 7 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Family Housing, Single Soldier Housing, and referral services. Call 608-388-2804.

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 608-598-7324

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 608-388-3025.

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 www.tricare.mil.

Troop Medical Clinic: Building 2669. Call 608-388-3025 for available services or assistance locating local services while training at Fort McCoy.

Worship

Catholic: Chapel 10, building 1759. Mass at 9:15 a.m. Sun. Fellowship 9:30-11 a.m. Sun. at building 2675.

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. Service at 10:30 a.m. Sun. Fellowship 9:30-11 a.m. Sun. at building 2675.

Protestant Women of the Chapel: Building 2675. Bible study. Call 608-388-3528.

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.

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 608-269-1912.

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 noon-8 p.m. Thurs.-Mon. For more info or to volunteer, call 414-477-7279 or email ehazlett@usowisconsin.org.

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

SEVERE WEATHER ANNOUNCEMENTS/PROCEDURES

During any severe winter weather situation, a liberal leave policy will automatically be in effect.



This policy affords supervisors and employees flexibility in addressing an individual request for leave or a work schedule adjustment due to weather, accommodating a late arrival, and/or an employee's request for an early departure due to weather conditions.

Annual leave may be requested and approved in 15-minute increments.

If the Garrison Commander should deem that due to an extreme weather situation all post operations would need to be suspended during the duty day, then that announcement will be made via a command-approved, postwide email communication, with employee notifications then disseminated through their supervisory channels.

If such a decision were to be made outside of the normal duty day, then a Fort McCoy Public Affairs Office authorized announcement will be released through Fort McCoy's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/FtMcCoy.

In addition, information regarding liberal leave/post closure can be obtained after duty hours by calling 608-388-7777.



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