# SUMMERFEST

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# Depot to host first A&E Amnesty Day event at Summerfest 2024

#### Charity Parris | Safety Office

This year, Anniston Army Depot will host its first Ammunition and Explosives Amnesty Day event at the Summerfest, employee appreciation day, July 11 from 7-11 a.m.

The event will kick off with a safety stand down, leading up to the amnesty turn-in event. The event provides individuals an opportunity to turn in any explosives or ammunition they may have encountered at their worksite or other location that has been stolen, misplaced, or erroneously left in the possession of a unit after turn-in and reconciliation has been finalized. Returns can be made without fear of prosecution. It doesn't matter if these munitions are foreign or domestic, the results can be the same. Many are unexploded ordnances that may appear harmless, but when activated, do exactly what they are supposed to do, kill, or destroy everything within the kill zone. UXOs do not discriminate. There are no hostages, only death, injury, and destruction!

Sometimes it may be a Civil War souvenir, or remnants from some previous war engagement that has been handed down. These war souvenirs can sit on desks, or are stored in a garage, or attic for many years. One day, it gets knocked over and strikes the floor and BOOM! The results can be devastating! Individuals caught in possession of a UXO, can be fined, jailed, or lose your job.

What do you do with UXOs/war souvenirs to ensure no one is injured and you're not caught with it? Individuals are highly encouraged to turn these items to ensure everyone's safety.

"So, how does amnesty day work?" Great question! On Amnesty Day, employees are welcome to turn in found A&E in their possession, with no consequences.

Here at the depot, employees find all kinds of ammunition and explosives inside vehicles that are received. Many times, it may be a round rolling around under a seat, in the bottom of a tank. Other times, it may be an 155mm round left in an ammo rack, or C-4 found in a vehicle. The important thing is to

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know how to handle these situations.

First, let me define small and large caliber. Small caliber is anything, .50 caliber and smaller. Large caliber is anything over .50 caliber.

At employee worksites, these small caliber munitions can either be deposited in a designated ammo can, then to the amnesty box located in building 53, or call DES. Someone will come out and pick up the A&E.

Large caliber munitions are far more

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dangerous, and individuals are advised not attempt to move them.

Call DES or your local law enforcement to have them removed under this amnesty program.

You can reach DES at (256) 235-6222.

Remember, Amnesty Day is a day when all ammunition and explosives can be turned in without investigation or legal consequences.

#### Be safe!

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## Where to park at Summerfest

#### Staff Reports | Public Affairs Office

Ready to go to the Anniston Army Depot's Summerfest, but don't know where to park?

Parking locations are shown in blue on the map, located on pages 4 and 5.

The large parking lots near the Badge Office at the Main Gate are also available.

As a bonus, this year a shuttle bus will transport employees to and from the Summerfest to the corner of Victory Drive and Ayers Road.

At the Summerfest, parking will be available in the lower lot of the Physical Fitness Center along the street and in the grass near the main checkpoint.

Volunteers will have parking placards giving them access to the lot near the DeSoto Entertainment Center.

The gate in that area, just past White Oak, will be open, but it is recommended that only volunteers and Child Development Center patrons utilize it.

The Directorate of Emergency Services emphasizes that the depot cannot authorize employees to park outside the gates at the various churches and businesses.

No matter where you park, wear your walking shoes to enjoy the full scope of Summerfest - from the fitness center all the way to the DeSoto Entertainment and Pastime centers.

Have a wonderful Summerfest!



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The Badge Office parking lot, near the Main Gate, is one of the larger parking lots for Summerfest 2024. Transport from here to Summerfest will be available.



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#### **Activities**

10:30 a.m. - Welcome 10:35 a.m. - Invocation 10:40 a.m. - National Anthem 10:45 a.m. - Commander's **Opening Remarks** 10:55 a.m. - Union **President's Opening** Comments 11 a.m. - Event Kick-off 11:05 a.m. - Depot Singers 11:15 a.m. - Depot Tour 11:35 a.m. Hot Dog Eating Contest 11:30 a.m.- 1:30 p.m. Board Games Corn Hole Cake Walk Dunking Booth Line Dancing Putting Kids Train Main Stage Music Museum Display Static Displays **Kid Zone**  Inflatables Face Painting 12 p.m. - Table Tennis Contest 12:45 p.m. - Alabama **Native Animals Show** 1 p.m. - Free Throw Contest 1 p.m. - Bench Press Contest 1:15 p.m. - Door Prizes 2 p.m.- Commander's **Closing Remarks** 

#### **Food**

A variety of food and sweet treats will be available for free from 11 a.m. - NOT Before!

Food will be served until it's gone.

## Sign up for Summerfest events

## Free-throw Contest



Call (256) 235-6385 for more information or sign up.

### Bench Press Weightlifting

### Contest



Time: 1 p.m. Call (256) 235-6385 for more information or sign up.



Time: 12 p.m.

Call (256) 235-6385 for more information or sign up.







Date: July 11 Time: 11:30 a.m. Location: Main Stage Call (256) 235-7539 or (256) 235-6407 for more information or sign up.

## notes from around the TRAGE

### Ensuring Road Safety: The crucial role of seat belts in saving lives

Seat belts are required by federal and state law, Army, and Anniston Army Depot regulation. Whether operating a utility task vehicle, material handling equipment, government vehicle or privately owned vehicle, seat belts are required on and off the depot. Seat belts are for your own personal safety, do your part and buckle up.



#### Do you have a note for TRACKS? Call Public Affairs at Ext. 6281!



For Rental Information Contact: Email: gerrad.h.slaton.naf@army.mil or call (256) 235-6385 (Monday-Thursday, 6 a.m. - 6 p.m.)

#### Feeling stressed, overwhelmed, overworked, angry or maybe just a little "off your game"?

The Anniston Army Depot's Employee Assistance Program staff can help with issues such as depression, alcohol/drug addiction, stress management, marital/family issues, grief and loss, as well as any other issues that may influence employee wellbeing.

Call the employee assistance program at (520) 669-6650. Their staff is there to help!



#### See something, say something

If you see something suspicious, report it to security at (256) 235-6222.



#### **Derogatory Reporting**

Report all derogatory information to the Intelligence and Security Management Office at: (NEW reporting email address) usarmy.anad.tacom.list.reporting-persec@army.mil.

Non-derogatory information is also reportable: unofficial foreign travel, foreign contacts/associations, financial anomalies, i.e., inheritance/winnings \$10K and over.

# **Employee Spotlight**



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#### **CHRIS HAMMOND - WELDER**

Chris Hammond, welder, has been an employee since 2003. He joined Anniston Army Depot through the college co-op program. Hammond said "I really enjoy hunting and fishing during my off days and holidays." Hammond said of his co-workers "I couldn't ask for a better group of guys to work with."