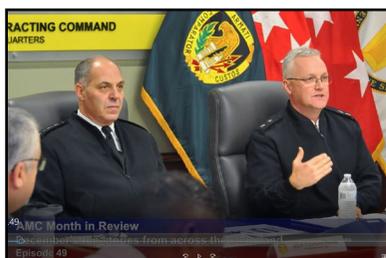




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Month in Review emphasizes readiness, command updates

In December, Army Materiel Command's Gen. Gus Perna emphasized the need to measure readiness during a visit with key leaders at the Medical Research and Materiel Command, spoke to students at the Air War College, and hosted a town hall for the headquarters staff; the Army National Guard celebrated its 382nd birthday, and major subordinate commands gave updates.



Mission command requires sharp commander's intent

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – One of the most important skills a leader can learn is the art of executing mission command. The definition of Mission Command Army Doctrine Publication 6-0, Mission Command, defines mission command as “the exercise of authority and direction by the commander using mission orders to enable disciplined initiative within the commander’s intent to empower agile and adaptive leaders in the conduct of unified land operations.” More simply, Gen. Gus Perna defines mission command as leadership through commander’s intent.



National Guard leadership to keep pace with new battlefield

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. – The Army’s senior logistician called on leaders to keep pace with modernization efforts, which enable the lethality and success of the force, during an Army National Guard Commanders Conference, Jan. 4. Speaking to brigade teams representing National Guard units stationed throughout the United States, Army Materiel Command’s Gen. Gus Perna emphasized the importance of cooperation between the three Army components to remain the most lethal fighting force in the world.



AMC's HR workforce leads standards for Ready Army Civilian

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – With modernization and readiness at the forefront of Army priorities, the Army Materiel Command’s Human Resources (G-1) is setting the standard to ensure its civilian workforce is prepared to respond with support. Coming on the heels of the Shape the Fight initiative, efforts are now being made to incorporate the Ready Army Civilian initiative. (Editor’s Note: This is the first in a series of stories focused on AMC’s Shape the Fight and Ready Army Civilian initiatives, detailing the work of our various staff sections.)



AMC migrates to new mass warning system

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – Army Materiel Command is joining an Army-wide effort transitioning from the AtHoc commercial mass warning systems to the Alert! government-operated system. It is expected to be implemented by the end of February. “Alert! is the quickest, easiest way to get messages out to a lot of different people,” said Mark Schmitz, AMC emergency management program manager.



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Employees recognized for contributions to AMC mission goals

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – Eight Army Materiel Command employees from across the organization were recognized as AMC Employees of the Quarter for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2018. The program recognizes civilian and military personnel whose outstanding and innovative contributions made a direct positive impact on the command’s mission goals during the quarter.

Depot surpasses training rocket production milestone

CHAMBERSBURG, Pa. – Letterkenny Munitions Center produced its 500th Low Cost Reduced Range Practice Rocket pod at the end of 2018, as part of its efforts to ramp up full-rate production by more than 60 percent. This certified pod will be used by an Army unit for hands-on training with precision-guided munitions. LEMC produces LCRRPRs, a training rocket which satisfies Army and Marine Corps annual training requirements, from production

An enduring equipment set for CENTCOM

SHAW AIR FORCE BASE, S.C. – As the executive agent for ground forces in the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility, Army Central has undertaken several initiatives to meet the Army priorities of personnel, training and equipment readiness while balancing the urgent requirements of the CENTCOM commander. Equipment readiness for meeting today’s contingency requirements is one area that ARCENT has identified as a priority in the near term.

Contracting brigade returns home, uncases colors

FORT BRAGG, N.C. – Leaders from the 419th Contracting Support Brigade uncased their organization colors during a ceremony Jan. 4 at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, signaling the end of their nine-month deployment to Afghanistan. The 418th CSB served as the command and control element of Army Contracting Command-Afghanistan in support of Operation Freedom’s Sentinel.

Contracting battalion procures new ‘Gym-in-a-Box’

FORT BRAGG, N.C. – The 900th Contracting Battalion and the Mission and Installation Contracting Command-Fort Bragg recently procured containerized mobile fitness units in support of Army Forces Command and its Soldier Readiness Test and Training Program. The “Gym-in-a-Box,” was estimated to exceed \$4.7 million, but was awarded to a small business at \$3.7 million, thus returning a savings of \$921,568.

Arsenal earns top JMC award for safety excellence

PINE BLUFF, Ark. – Pine Bluff Arsenal employees earned the Joint Munitions Command Annual Safety Award for Fiscal Year 2018. According to information in an email from Roch Bryne, Arsenal Deputy to the Commander, this is a top installation safety award from the Arsenal’s headquarters, and is awarded for excellence in safety. It was reported that the installation finished FY 2018 with one lost-time injury – a historical first for the Arsenal.



Forensics brings new ways to fight counterinsurgency warfare

Army wargames shape the future of urban warfare

Paratroopers Prove Prowess In Alpine Passage

