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AMC's senior leader addresses Army War College graduates

CARLISLE, Pa. – Gen. Gus Perna, commander of Army Materiel Command, challenged the Army War College Class of 2018 to make a difference within the Army at its graduation ceremony, June 8. Perna encouraged the officers to uphold three fundamental principles: always question and never settle; have unwavering commitment to the warfighter; and act with urgency.



Organic Industrial Base takes center stage at annual caucus

WASHINGTON – Modernizing the Army's Organic Industrial Base for maximum optimization was the theme of this year's House Military Depot and Industrial Facilities Caucus June 7. The annual meeting encourages candid dialogue between Army Materiel Command leaders and members of Congress about the Army's priorities in sustaining readiness for the total force through our national level maintenance process.



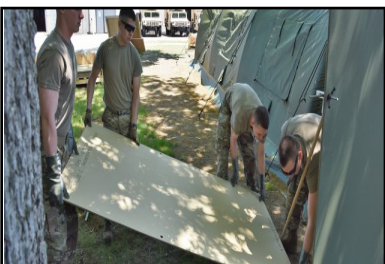
PS Magazine editor retiring with top awards

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – An announcement gave the longtime PS Magazine editor a reason to change his retirement plans. PS Magazine won the Department of the Army awards for Most Improved Publication of the Year, and Jonathan Pierce won Army Editor of the Year. Secretary of the Army Mark Esper presented the awards during a ceremony at the Pentagon, June 1. Pierce retired with 44 years of service in the Army as a Soldier and then civilian.



Perfect storm of ideas transforms depot overhaul program

TOBYHANNA ARMY DEPOT, Pa. – A perfect storm of innovative ideas is transforming how Tobyhanna Army Depot overhauls tactical communications network equipment. Team Tobyhanna embraced change to surpass the Army's call to cut the AN/TSC-167 Satellite Transportable Terminal repair cycle time in half through incorporating employee suggestions, lean initiatives and project management techniques.



Natick researchers evaluate shelter protection system

NATICK, Mass. – An early user evaluation of the Expeditionary Shelter Protection System was successfully conducted using Human Research Volunteer Soldiers from the Army Natick Soldier Research, Development and Engineering Center. The ESPS is comprised of a series of stackable, interlocking panels to provide rapidly deployable, immediate, mobile ballistic protection against small arms and fragmentation threats.



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Army scientists have a blast with aluminum nanoparticles

ADELPHI, MD. – Army scientists proved a decades-old prediction that mixing TNT and novel aluminum nanoparticles can significantly enhance energetic performance. This explosive discovery is expected to extend the reach of Army firepower in battle. Researchers from the Army Research Laboratory and Texas Tech University demonstrated up to 30-percent enhancement in the detonation velocity of the explosive TNT.

System increases leaders' visibility of contracting operations

FORT DRUM, N.Y. – Soldiers and civilians from the 925th Contracting Battalion and Mission and Installation Contracting Command-Fort Drum contracting office established their own version of a supervisory control and data acquisition system, or SCADA, used by major industries to monitor its operations. The SCADA is used by managers to control and monitor industrial processes either locally or at a remote location 24 hours a day.

Neurostimulation may enhance, accelerate Soldiers' abilities

WASHINGTON – Can the Army produce faster, stronger and smarter Soldiers through electrical stimulation of the brain? Neurostimulation is not actually a process the Army intends to use for creating “super Soldiers.” However, Army researchers at the Natick Soldier Research, Development and Engineering Center have been experimenting with it as a means to accelerate training in the virtual-reality environment.

Civilian at Fort Riley support center receives quarterly award

FORT RILEY, Kan. – Henry Jackson of the Supply and Services Division, Logistical Support Center, received the Contracting Officer Representative of the Quarter, June 1. The first award of its kind, it was presented by Col. Mary Drayton, commander of the 923rd Contracting Battalion, and director of the Mission and Installation Contracting Command-Fort Riley, during a brief ceremony.

AMRDEC employee named expert engineering professional

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – An Army Aviation and Missile Research, Development and Engineering Center employee was recently conferred by the International Council on Systems Engineering as an Expert Systems Engineering Professional. AMRDEC's Tom Channell is one of only two government employees to achieve the expert level in the Redstone community. There are only three total ESEPs in the Redstone community.

Contracting Soldiers travel down under for Hamel 18

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-FORT SAM HOUSTON, Texas – Three members of the 676th Contracting Team from Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington, are in Australia in support of the 76th Infantry Brigade Combat Team for Exercise Hamel 18. Hamel 18 is a major land-warfare exercise by the Australian army to validate the foundational warfighting skills of its brigades and their assigned units.



Army, Nationals team up to celebrate the Army's birthday with America's favorite pastime

Mattis stresses unity in meeting collective security threats

SMA Dailey to recognize Department of Labor's efforts to help veterans find jobs

