



U.S. Army Materiel Command

# Eye On AMC



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## AMC employees recognized for wide spectrum of achievements

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – Eleven employees throughout the Army Materiel Command enterprise – including one who manages multi-million dollar communication technology systems and another who rescued Soldiers from drowning during a field exercise – are being recognized as the organization’s Employees of the Quarter for the first quarter of fiscal year 2022. The employees were recognized by AMC Chief of Staff Maj. Gen. Walt Duzzny for making a positive impact on AMC’s missions.



## GB rockets transported for destruction

BLUE GRASS ARMY DEPOT, Ky. – Blue Grass Chemical Activity toxic materials handlers supported the first movement of GB rockets to the Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant earlier this month for demilitarization. The first GB rockets were transported to the Blue Grass Army Depot, formerly known as the Lexington-Blue Grass Depot Activity, in the early 1960s. Since then, they have been safely stored on BGAD and are now slated for destruction by the treaty commitment date of Sept. 30, 2023.



## New banking short course readies Army for next major conflict

FORT LEAVENWORTH, Kan. – U.S. Army Financial Management Command is reviewing applications from active, reserve and National Guard Soldiers for its new banking short course, which will be conducted via a hybrid model this year. U.S. Army banking officers and non-commissioned officers are charged with establishing relationships with host-nation banking institutions, evaluating them as potential partners and negotiating operating agreements with them to finance theater operations.



## Fort Hood DPW earns Texas safety award

FORT HOOD, Texas – The Texas Chapter of the American Public Works Association recognized the Fort Hood Directorate Public Works Operations and Maintenance Division as the award winner for the Exceptional Performance Award in Safety. The recognition earned Fort Hood the honor as the first Department of Defense installation to win an APWA award from the state. “I am incredibly proud of our DPW team and our recent award that recognizes our commitment to employee safety,” Brian Dosa, director of public works, said.



## Army track and field athletes qualify for U.S. World Team

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. – During the 2022 U.S. Track and Field Outdoor Championships, Spc. Jonah Koech and Spc. Benard Keter qualified for the U.S. World Team. 1st Lt. Elkanah Kibet had previously qualified for the World Athletics Championships by finishing ninth in the 2022 Boston Marathon with a time of 2:09:07.

**Related:** [WCAP Soldier helps break world record at World Para Swimming Championships](#)



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## PEOPLE FIRST – QUALITY OF LIFE UPDATES



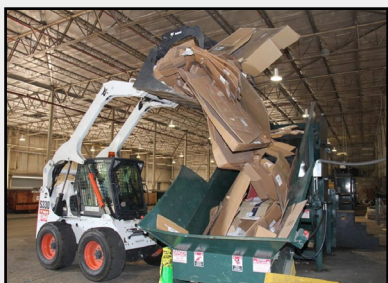
### Fort Carson unit reintegrates with resource expo

FORT CARSON, Colo. – Army Community Service and the 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, hosted the Reintegration Expo featuring resource agencies, organizations and programs that provided Soldiers and families with useful knowledge. The brigade’s Soldiers have recently returned from a deployment over the past few months. Representatives from most ACS programs joined officials from many on-post organizations to enlighten attendees about their programs and the services they provide.



### FCC providers open their homes for child care at Fort Drum

FORT DRUM, N.Y. – More Army spouses at Fort Drum are making childcare a career choice by providing quality, reliable care while creating a home-away-from-home environment for military children. Fort Drum Child and Youth Services’ Family Child Care providers care for approximately 70 children on post, and while the number fluctuates, it is bound to grow this year. A 15th provider recently completed her certification, while two more are in the application process.



### Fort Rucker Recycling Center helps lower landfill bill

FORT RUCKER, Ala. – Fort Rucker generated 5,009 tons of non-construction solid waste last fiscal year, and the post recycling center managed to divert 2,874 tons of that waste away from area landfills. That 57% diversion rate from landfills not only exceeds the Army’s 40% requirement, but it helps Fort Rucker live up to its goal of being a good environmental steward, according to Willard Childress, Directorate of Public Works environmental scientist. “It makes more sense to recycle and reuse rather than throw all of those materials into the trash,” he said.

### Second annual EFMP Parent’s Day Picnic

GRAFENWOEHR, Germany – The Exceptional Family Members Program held its second annual Parent’s Picnic Day, where community members were invited to enjoy the great weather, play, network and get to know their community better. In addition to giving families the opportunity to come out and have a good time, this event aimed to bring awareness to community members with special needs.

### Visit helps focus AER on how to better assist Soldiers and their families

FORT HOOD, Texas – Talking to leaders, Soldiers and family members, retired Lt. Gen. Raymond V. Mason, director of Army Emergency Relief, visited Fort Hood to not only inform them of the latest programs and initiatives, but, “more importantly, to listen to the field so that AER can better assist Soldiers and their families at Fort Hood.” Established in 1942, AER is a private, nonprofit organization created to help Soldiers and their family members through financial emergencies.

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## Leadership Oklahoma rappels down Fort Sill tower

FORT SILL, Okla. – Leaders from across Oklahoma spent two days on Fort Sill learning what it takes to be a Soldier in today’s Army. The two-day event was designed to build relationships with leaders who positively shape Oklahoma’s future and introduce them to the positive impacts of Fort Sill on the community.

## PTSD Awareness Day seeks to inform, urge treatment

ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL, Ill. – June 27 was PTSD Awareness Day, a time to talk about post-traumatic stress disorder, focusing on what it is, and urging people to seek help, for themselves or for someone they feel is suffering from it. According to the National PTSD Organization, one in three members of the military will develop PTSD after they come home from serving in conflict, but less than 40% of those afflicted will seek psychiatric help.

## Fort Carson cooks breakfast for Colorado Springs community

FORT CARSON, Colo. – Nearly 1,100 pounds of pancake batter, 1,500 pounds of eggs and sausage, 80 gallons of syrup and 500 gallons of coffee were served to Colorado Springs community members by Soldiers from Fort Carson and Airmen from Peterson Space Force Base at the annual Western Street Breakfast, according to Gregory Joell, food program manager, Army Field Support Battalion.

## Good cheer soars during 2022 Chièvres Air Fest

CHIÈVRES AIR BASE, Belgium – U.S. Army Garrison Benelux hosted the 2022 Chièvres Air Fest in celebration of the partnership between the U.S. Army and its host nation community. The event drew a crowd of thousands who met the crews of static aircrafts, interacted with reenactors, and gazed upward as aircraft maneuvered beneath a low cloud ceiling.

## Top TACOM NCO retires

DETROIT ARSENAL, Mich. – U.S. Army Tank-automotive and Armaments Command’s top non-commissioned officer, Command Sgt. Maj. Jerry Charles, retired in an outdoor ceremony held at Detroit Arsenal, capping an Army career spanning more than 29 years. His service culminated with more than two and a half years as the TACOM Command Sergeant Major and senior enlisted advisor focusing on quality of life issues and training.

## Garrison, service members reflection on partnership

YAMBOL, Bulgaria – A reflection of history and an opportunity for partnership culminated in visit to the Museum of Military Glory by U.S. service members and the leader of the nearby U.S. Army garrison site. Attendees got into the U.S. Army’s favorite truck from WWII, a General Motors CCKW – also known as a “Jimmy” or “Deuce and a Half” – and went for a ride.

### FOCUS ON THE FORCE



ASC officer making a difference  
in LGBTQ community

Hawaii logistics assistance rep  
is LAR of the Year

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Army eases tattoo restrictions  
with new policy

Combined arms rehearsal sets  
stage for successful African Lion

Guard Chief finds a nation  
strengthening its armed forces

Army melds virtual technology  
with real weaponry to optimize  
Soldier training