Mansker legacy continues leadership tradition

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – Command Sgt. Maj. Rodger Mansker is considering new roles and responsibilities as he makes plans to trade in his uniform for civilian life. Mansker will pass the reins in a change of responsibility ceremony July 23 as Command Sgt. Maj. Alberto Delgado becomes Army Materiel Command’s highest ranking non-commissioned officer. Mansker will retire in a private ceremony at AMC headquarters following the change of responsibility. Although he will soon retire, Mansker will continue to serve in other ways.

DOD launches online tool to help families with special needs

FORT RUCKER, Ala. – The Department of Defense Office of Special Needs and Military OneSource launched a digital tool to guide military families with special needs to the specific information and resources they need. The tool, called EFMP & Me, connects families anytime and anywhere with tools and information about the Exceptional Family Member Program. Using the tool, families can learn about support services, preparing for a move or deployment, responding to changes in education or medical needs, and adjusting to new life situations.

COVID-19 response strengthens logistics, training opportunities

FORT DETRICK, Md. – Biomedical equipment specialists from the Army’s 6th Medical Logistics Management Center partnered with the Army Medical Logistics Command to meet the growing maintenance requirements of COVID-19. The Soldiers deployed to the Medical Maintenance Operations Divisions run by the Army Medical Materiel Agency, a direct reporting unit of AMLC, to boost workforces and move lifesaving devices, such as ventilators, quickly through the system. Soldiers worked on ventilators, patient vital-sign monitors, defibrillators and oxygen generators.

Army program protects training lands

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-FORT SAM HOUSTON, Texas – To ensure mission success, Soldiers must conduct training on lands designated for Army use. The Army Compatible Use Buffer Program was established to mitigate encroachment on Army installations from forces inside and outside of the boundaries. Overall, the Army’s 40 ACUB programs have protected 390,903 acres. ACUB transactions total more than a billion dollars, including the cost of the land or conservation easements and a host of other costs associated with managing the land.

Fort Leavenworth summer transition underway

FORT LEAVENWORTH, Kansas – Summer transition is in full swing as outbound personnel continue to depart and inbound personnel begin arriving on Fort Leavenworth. The installation, along with Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania, and Fort Bliss, Texas, are part of a pilot program that could improve the PCS process for all Soldiers. Arrival dates are prioritized based on the structure of the family unit. Families with high school students are set to arrive throughout the month of July, and families with school-age students are set to arrive no later than Aug. 3.
Depot deployments provide global warfighter readiness

TOBYHANNA, Pa. – Forward deployments enable Tobyhanna Army Depot to deliver mission support directly to Soldiers in the field, ensuring they are ready for any conflict that comes their way. The depot’s Field Logistics Support Directorate supports global warfighter readiness with a multifaceted strategy, utilizing language labs, new equipment training, forward field service representatives, and formal deployments.

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US Ansbach sees largest railhead movement in a decade

ANSBACH, Germany – The 101st CAB deployed more than 1,800 wheeled vehicles and equipment that arrived in LaRochelle, France, early July. Most of the containerized equipment travelled from France, by commercial line-haul, to Storck Barracks, Illesheim. In coordination with U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach, 21st Theater Sustainment Command, and Deutsches Bahn, some containers and all the wheeled vehicles for operations at Storck were hauled by rail.

Joint-services movement uploads Marine Corps ammo for PTA

PEARL HARBOR, Hawaii – In a joint-services movement, 599th Transportation Brigade, Navy, Coast Guard and contractor teammates loaded out ammunition on July 11 for use by members of the Marine Corps 3rd Marine Regiment during their current training evolution at Pohakuloa Training Area on Hawaii Island. The brigade had already shipped the bulk of cargo and equipment for the Marines’ training from Honolulu Harbor on July 3.

Fort Rucker residents rate on-post housing ‘very good’

FORT RUCKER, Ala. – The results are in from the Army’s Residential Communities Initiative 2019 Fall Resident Survey and the bottom line for Fort Rucker is housing residents on post feel their homes are “very good.” Fort Rucker rated 10th in overall satisfaction with an 81.6 score. Fort Rucker’s property satisfaction scored 76.4, rating out at 15th place, and service satisfaction scored 84.7, rating out at seventh place.

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USAG Bavaria ACS recognizes community volunteers' service

VILSECK, Germany – On July 24, U.S. Army Garrison Bavaria’s Army Community Service, observes its 55th birthday by celebrating volunteer service in the community. ACS serves as a resource to improve family readiness by offering a variety of programs, including programs to support exceptional family members, Soldiers and families wanting to improve financial readiness, spouse employment, relocation needs and additional unit programs.

Jackson family homes strives for five

FORT JACKSON, SC – Residents in Fort Jackson housing have begun seeing an uptick in completed work orders since Fort Jackson Family Homes began a new program to rectify any outstanding maintenance issues. The new program coincides with the release of an Army report June 22 regarding the Fall 2019 on-post housing satisfaction survey, which indicated a 5.6 point increase in Fort Jackson’s service satisfaction scores.