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Esper, service secretaries talk privatized housing reform

WASHINGTON – Defense Secretary Dr. Mark T. Esper and the secretaries of the Army, Navy and Air Force met with privatized housing project owners, Oct. 2, to discuss the status of actions being taken to reform the delivery of privatized housing under the Military Housing Privatization Initiative. Defense officials said that the secretaries reinforced their commitment to working with MHPI partners to ensure resident concerns are addressed in a responsive, timely and professional manner, with an emphasis on potential health or safety issues.



Army installations epicenter of strategic readiness

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – Army installations are readiness platforms, where Soldiers live, train, conduct the day-to-day business of the Army, and from where they deploy. Today's operational environment is changing installation requirements. From on-post housing and training ranges to the airfields, railheads and motor pools used to move equipment and troops, installation readiness is focused on the facilities and infrastructure that keep the Army trained, ready and deployable.



Paratroopers jump with plasma, testing new lifesaving method

FORT BRAGG, N.C. – The U.S. Army Medical Materiel Development Activity, along with a partner company, is testing transportation methods to deliver freeze dried plasma, or FDP, to address this issue and increase the survival rate of wounded Soldiers. The U.S. Army Medical Department Board, alongside medical personnel assigned to the 44th Medical Brigade, are currently using French frozen plasma, which is contained inside glass tubes, unlike the new FDP, which is sealed inside a ready-to-use bag along with a 250ml bag of sterile water for injection and rehydrating.



PS Magazine shifts to fully online information portal

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – Effective Nov. 1, PS Magazine will undergo its most significant transformation ever. The cartoon-illustrated magazine will cease production, replaced with a fully online, mobile-friendly information portal: https://www.psmagazine.army.mil. In order for PS to keep pace with today's readers, its web portal will provide the same information as the traditional magazine, but at a much quicker rate. All articles will continue to be vetted by technical experts for accuracy and approved for public release prior to them being posted.



Army Secretary approves new advanced manufacturing policy

WASHINGTON – Secretary of the Army Ryan D. McCarthy has approved a new policy on advanced manufacturing that will help the Army secure a competitive edge against nearpeer adversaries. Advanced manufacturing refers to ways of making existing products and the production of new products using advances in technology. It includes robotics, artificial intelligence, composite materials and 3D printing.

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CECOM promotes industrial base readiness

Tobyhanna, Pa. – As the U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command's organic industrial depot, Tobyhanna excels at providing command, control, communications, computers, cyber, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance, system readiness across the joint forces. With AMC's renewed focus on the Strategic Support Area, today Tobyhanna is transforming its operations as it strives to deliver the best value for the warfighter.

Crane Army converts lethal white phosphorus

CRANE, Ind. – To better protect the air Hoosiers breathe, the water Indiana families drink and the soil children play on, Crane Army Ammunition Activity utilizes closed systems demilitarization, or the environmentally-friendly destruction of out-of-use munitions, whenever possible. Crane Army's major closed demil operations involve white phosphorus, red phosphorus and Yellow D munitions.

Army distributes 1.5 million flu vaccines

FORT DETRICK, Md. – As flu season kicks off, the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Agency's Distribution Operations Center (DOC) manages the distribution of over 1.5 million doses of influenza vaccine to help Soldiers and their families stay healthy. DOC officials said the first batch of vaccines shipped on Sept. 6, headed to active-duty troops, reserves, retirees and their family members, as well as National Guard units across the country.

New CECOM employees tour Tobyhanna Army Depot

TOBYHANNA ARMY DEPOT, Pa. – A tour of Tobyhanna Army Depot is part of new employee orientation for those joining U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command. The tour introduces new employees to the Army and its culture, educates them about CECOM's mission and the role each organization plays in achieving mission success and expands the number of informative sessions that new employees will find relevant and useful.

Demolition will lead to construction in Baumholder housing

BAUMHOLDER, Germany – Crews are demolishing several legacy apartment buildings in Baumholder's Wetzel Housing Area, signaling the start of an almost decade-long project that should see new housing construction in fiscal year 2021. The housing project's first changes will make housing buildings "right-sized;" for example, buildings with 24 smaller apartments will be remodeled so they only have 16 more spacious apartments.

835th Trans. Bn. passes inspection with flying colors

NAHA MILITARY PORT, Okinawa – 599th Transportation Brigade personnel conducted an inspection on one of their subordinate headquarters, the 835th Transportation Battalion. Called the Organizational Inspection Program, the brigade puts together an inspection team about three months after each of its battalions change command to give the new commander a look at the state of his unit's readiness at the beginning of his tenure.

Focus Force



Army Substance Abuse Program coordinator saves a life

CMA Employee Spotlight: Carmen Adrover

Humphreys' chaplain wins a distinguished award



Master fitness trainers help increase readiness, lower profiles

Army Futures Command to highlight modernization efforts at 2019 AUSA

Army HRC launches Reserve Personnel Management Directorate