Leaders synchronize the equipping, modernization of units

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – The Army is working to synchronize and integrate its force employment and modernization across the Total Army. With the Regionally Aligned Readiness and Modernization Model in its initial operational capability, top leaders continue to strengthen its foundation and work together to best equip the force. “If you were the commander of a unit at echelon, what would you like to have?” said Army Materiel Command Commanding General Gen. Ed Daly. “I think it’s important to think about it from that perspective.”

Army launches annual housing tenant satisfaction survey

WASHINGTON – The Army began its annual housing tenant satisfaction survey to gather feedback about living in Army housing. Survey results will guide the decisions the Army makes about future housing. An online survey link was emailed from CEL & Associates, Inc. – an independent, third-party company – on Jan. 11 to more than 110,000 tenants living in privatized, government-owned and government-leased housing on Army installations across the globe. The confidential survey takes about 10 minutes, and tenants have until Feb. 24.

Digital transformation efforts underway at AMCOM

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – Much is being done behind the scenes at the Aviation and Missile Command Data and Analytics Center. Established in September 2020, the center’s goal is to create and maintain an overarching data and analytics program. The AMCOM Data and Analytics Strategy was signed in the summer and efforts are under way to build on the groundwork that has been laid. “We are continuing to lay the foundation,” said AMCOM Data and Analytics Center Director and Chief Data and Analytics Officer Joyce Myers.

Army’s Olympic hopefuls overcome injuries, restrictions

WASHINGTON – After the onset of COVID-19, the International Bobsleigh and Skeleton Federation informed the Army World Class Athlete program’s winter athletes that they could not compete in World Cup events at North American sites due to pandemic concerns. Soldier athletes did not let the challenges deter their training for the Games, which begin in February. Capt. Michael Kohn, U.S. Bobsled coach, said that WCAP athletes, because of their military training have an edge over traditional competitors.

Spiritual fitness grows ability to face challenges of 2022

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – As the Army turns the corner into a new calendar year, it remains focused on the health of its people. While the Army has long built people resiliency on physical and mental fitness, its more recent holistic approach to resiliency includes a third factor – spiritual fitness. “Body, mind and spirit are the new watchwords of achieving holistic health and fitness in the Army for Soldiers and Civilians, alike,” and Army Materiel Command Chaplain Col. Kevin Guthrie. “The Army recognizes that we need all three.”
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Fort Benning and Columbus Water Works, partners by choice

FORT BENNING, Ga. – Since operations began in September 2012, the Fort Benning Water Resource Facility has provided clean, safe drinking water by employing tiny technology to produce huge capability and capacity. “One of the things that makes our plant unique is that we are a membrane filtration plant, one of four in the state of Georgia,” explains Vic Burchfield, Senior Vice President, Columbus Water Works. Water quality testing is an ongoing mission for CWW, it happens hourly within the treatment plant and daily across Fort Benning.

Environmental Division collects surface water samples

GRAFENWOEHR, Germany – In late December 2021, the U.S. Army Garrison Bavaria Environmental Division collected surface water samples from across the Grafenwoehr Training Area. As part of a long-term monitoring project to ensure the health of water resources throughout USAG Bavaria, 26 lakes and streams are routinely sampled across the GTA. Despite the winter weather, every year the Environmental Division completes their sampling season in December.

Fort Drum seeks input from parents on child care services

FORT DRUM, N.Y. – A Fort Drum survey on child care went online today to provide family members a chance to voice their needs, concerns and experiences. Cathy Stenfeldt, Fort Drum Child and Youth Services program operation specialist, said that the hope is to reach as many families with young children as possible who either use or plan on using CYS child care services or community care – such as Family Child Care providers, local day care centers and hourly care – or have no child care.

Army Community Service commits to readiness and resiliency

DETROIT ARSENAL, Mich. – Over the past two years, Detroit Arsenal’s Army Community Service team has focused their efforts on improving readiness and resiliency for Soldiers, Army Civilians and their families through the “New Year, New You” program. It is a collaboration between different offices, and According to Pandora Brown, ACS Family Advocacy program manager, the focus of “New Year, New You” is prevention and education which is part of the overall Family Advocacy program mission.

Video highlights Army Civilian life in South Korea

CAMP CARROLL, Republic of Korea – Adventure, culture and quality of life – a new video released by U.S. Army Installation Management Command-Pacific showcases a litany of benefits available to Army Civilians serving overseas in the Republic of Korea. “We need skilled civilian professionals to help support the Army’s missions in Korea. Civilians are a vital part of the total Army team,” said Command Sgt. Maj. Jason R. Copeland, senior enlisted leader of IMCOM-Pacific.
Sgt. Emily Sweeney selected to 2022 U.S. Olympic Luge Team

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. – The 2022 Winter Olympic Games are less than a month away. Team USA announced its final lineup of Luge athletes on January 10, naming Army Sgt. Emily Sweeney to the team. Sweeney is a Military Police Officer, assigned to the U.S. Army World Class Athlete Program. "I'm honestly just really proud," said Sweeney. "No one has an easy road to get here and I am proud of myself that I was able to push through."

WCAP Soldier-athlete claims bobsled World Cup victory

SIGULDA, Latvia – Spc. Lake Kwaza, a Soldier-athlete assigned to the World Class Athlete Program, Fort Carson, Colorado, claimed a bobsled World Cup victory in Sigulda, Latvia, Jan. 2. Kwaza teamed with Elana Meyers Taylor to finish two runs in 1 minute, 41.88 seconds, a mere .22 of a second faster than British duo Mica Mcneill and Adele Nicoll and .24 of a second before Canada's team of Christi de Bruin and Kristen Bujnowski.

PS Magazine spotlights TACOM senior leaders

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – In its ongoing effort to recognize warfighters who contribute to readiness, PS Magazine began 2022 by spotlighting Cpl. Keaton Wilkett, U.S. Marine Corps, as part of its monthly "I Own This" recognition program. The magazine also featured a joint interview with Maj. Gen. Darren Werner, commanding general of Tank-automotive and Armaments Command and TACOM's senior enlisted advisor, Command Sgt. Maj. Jerry Charles.

A new first sergeant’s plan to take care of Soldiers

DETROIT ARSENAL, Mich. – Men and women decide to join the military for a variety of reasons. 1st Sgt. Christopher Jackson, Tank-automotive and Armaments Command Headquarters and Headquarters Company, saw military service as a way of helping him meet that goal while allowing him to contribute to the greater cause of helping his fellow man.

SHARP program offers new escape room training experience

FORT KNOX, Ky. – Soldiers and civilians working at Fort Knox now have an unconventional and interactive training tool aimed at eliminating instances of sexual misconduct in the workplace. Sexual assault response coordinator Ella Foley developed an escape room dedicated to teaching the fundamentals of the Army's Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention Program.

Course builds self-defense for living overseas

FORT BRAGG, N.C. – After the horrific 2012 Benghazi attack, the Department of State developed the Foreign Affairs Counter Threat course to provide individuals living and working overseas with additional security awareness and training. This training is intended to help them navigate the safety challenges of living abroad.