

# Chemical Corps Regimental Room Recognized

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The Chemical Corps Regimental Room, located next to the Chemical Corps Gallery in the John B. Mahaffey Museum Complex, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, was designated as the recipient of the 2011 Outstanding Achievement Award for Excellence from the Army Historical Foundation on 7 July 2011.

The 2011 Outstanding Achievement Award for Excellence was presented in recognition of the reconstruction, staging, promotion, and ongoing use of the Chemical Corps Regimental Room. Room renovations began in 2008 and continue today. The space now boasts dropped ceilings, paneled walls, chandeliers, and stained-glass fixtures. The walls are decorated with more than 130 photographs and other materials that have been reproduced and framed, chronologically illustrating the people and the personalities of the Chemical Corps.

The Chemical Corps Regimental Room provides Soldiers with a historic setting for history and traditions classes, promotions, reenlistments, and retirement ceremonies. "It gives our young [advanced individual training] students and our lieutenants an appreciation for the significance of the Chemical Corps and what they have accomplished," said Colonel Dave Wilcox, commander of the 3d Chemical Brigade, Fort Leonard Wood. "We have a world-class museum and regimental room that is always kept up to date," he added.

The museum complex is open to the public, and admission is free.



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