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35th Annual Retiree Appreciation Days set for Sept. 5-6 at Fort Leonard Wood

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo. – The 35th Annual Retiree Appreciation Days event is slated to kick off at 8 a.m., Sept. 5 on post.

The Retiree Appreciation Days are held to provide retirees and their families with information, services and assistance concerning their personal affairs, benefits, privileges, rights and entitlements.

The events begin with a golf tournament and luncheon at Piney Valley Golf Course, and later that day, the retirement and retreat ceremony is scheduled from 4 to 5 p.m., Sept. 5 at the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence Plaza.

Retired Master Sgt. Casey Morris Jr. will be recognized as the Fort Leonard Wood Retiree of the Year at the dinner, scheduled from 6 to 9 p.m., Sept. 5 in the Engineer Regimental Room of the John B. Mahaffey Museum Complex.

At 9 a.m., Sept. 6 all are welcome to Abrams Theater to hear an informative and beneficial presentation from scheduled guest speakers, Col. Andrew Herbst, Fort Leonard Wood garrison commander, and Col. Peter Nielsen, General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital commander.

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The annual health and benefits fair opens at 10 a.m., Sept. 6 at Nutter Field House. Hospital personnel will be available to provide health and wellness screenings and to answer health-related questions. Various civilian and military agencies and post activities will also be there to provide an update of retiree privileges and benefits as well as new programs.

For additional information about Retiree Appreciation Days, call 573.596.0947.

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Media interested in covering any portion of this event, should contact the Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office at 573.563.4145, no later than noon, Sept. 4.

About Fort Leonard Wood

Fort Leonard Wood is a thriving and prosperous installation that has evolved from a small basic training post 70 years ago to a premier Army Center of Excellence that trains more than 80,000 military and civilians each year.

Home to the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence, Fort Leonard Wood now trains and educates service members and develops doctrine and capabilities for the Training and Doctrine Command's U.S. Army Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear School, U.S. Army Engineer School, and U.S. Army Military Police School, three gender integrated Initial Military Training brigades, one of only five reception stations in the Army, and the Army's largest Noncommissioned Officers Academy.

Over the past several years, Fort Leonard Wood has received numerous additional responsibilities to include supporting the 4th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade, a large Forces Command unit that is responsible for all deployable capabilities at Fort Leonard Wood. A colonel-commanded Marine Corps Detachment and an Air Force Detachment, which are both the largest on any Army installation, are located on Fort Leonard Wood; a large Navy Seabee Detachment and elements of the Coast Guard train here as well.
