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“Re-up”: Soldiers add more than 155 years of combined service to Army

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo. – More than 50 Soldiers are slated to add more than 155 years of service to the Army as they raise their right hands and “re-up.”

A mass re-enlistment ceremony is scheduled at 1 p.m., Friday in Baker Theater on post, where the Soldiers will take their oath of re-enlistment from Maj. Gen. Leslie Smith, Maneuver Support Center of Excellence and Fort Leonard Wood commanding general.

These Soldiers are re-enlisting in the active-duty Army or Army Reserve.

Of the Soldiers participating, they have cumulatively served for more than 533 years and had 89 combat deployments between them. Twelve Soldiers are re-enlisting indefinitely, while others are adding two years to their current contracts.

The youngest Soldier re-enlisting is 21, while the oldest is 48. There will be Soldiers re-enlisting from the military police, engineer, chemical, medical, ordnance, transportation, adjutant general and quartermaster branches of the Army.

All major commands on Fort Leonard Wood are slated to be represented during the ceremony.

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Media interested in attending this event should contact the Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office at 573.563.4145, no later than noon, Jan. 22.

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, 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.
