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Soldiers take to the water for kayaking, adaptive sports challenge

When: 12:30 to 5 p.m., Nov. 7

What: Kayaking adaptive sports event

Who: Open to all military, civilian and Soldiers, regardless of injury

Where: Davidson Fitness Center pool, Fort Leonard Wood

Significance: In combination with Warrior Care Month, General Leonard Wood Army

Community Hospital plans to host a Kayaking adaptive sports event with Soldiers assigned to the Warrior Transition Unit from 12:30 to 7 p.m. Nov. 7 at the Davidson Fitness Center pool.

According to the hospital's event organizers, participants will form up in two-person teams and paddle laps in the pool with the goal of having the fastest finish. Kayaks will be provided. Water attire is required. Adaptive reconditioning sports events are open to the public regardless of injuries or limitations. For more information or to sign up, call 573-596-0038.

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Reporters interested in covering this event should contact the Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office at 573-563-4145, no later than 4:30 p.m. Nov. 7.



About the General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital

Headquartered on Fort Leonard Wood, the General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital provides a network of care which supports the entire TRICARE Prime service area and serves more than 30,000 active duty service members, their families and retirees. Since opening in 1941 as a temporary hospital supporting the WWII training mission, General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital has grown to include a full spectrum of specialty services with a team of 1,300 health care and administrative professionals supporting over 21,000 enrolled beneficiaries. General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital is unique in that it is the only inpatient hospital in Pulaski County, and opens its doors as the local emergency trauma service within a 25 mile radius. In this setting, General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital staff strive to serve a diverse population with “Compassion and Courage”.

As Army medicine’s flagship provider in Missouri, General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital delivers robust health and wellness services. Our healthcare providers staff members are a team of professional healthcare providers committed to providing exceptional patient care and service. Healthcare is individually managed by primary care managers and supported by a wide array of specialty lines such as preventative medicine, obstetrics, gynecology, psychiatry and behavioral health services, cardio pulmonary, orthopedics, podiatry, general surgery, physical therapy, occupational therapy, occupational health, dietary care; and eye, ear, nose and throat. Our new 8-window, robotic enhanced primary care pharmacy fills more prescriptions than all area pharmacies combined.

The General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital maintains the highest quality of care through active membership and participation in all appropriate accrediting bodies, to include: The Joint Commission, the College of American Pathologists, the American College of Radiology, The American Association of Blood Banking, the Food and Drug Administration, and the American Hospital and Missouri Hospital Associations.

General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital is proud to offer an off-post, Patient-Centered Medical Home clinic located in Saint Robert, Missouri, which boasts satisfaction rates near 100 percent. Further, the hospital opened a new primary care wing at the Military Treatment Facility in the fall of 2011 which is also implementing the PCMH initiative. The PCMH model delivers patient-centered care using a team-based, patient-engaged approach.

The General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital provides all entry level health and readiness requirements for new soldiers, to include immunizations, vision screenings, and all inclusive health care. The MTF supports all military readiness screenings for service members

at any phase in their career, to include full spectrum wounded warrior recovery and the Integrated Disability Evaluation System. To this effort, General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital has recently consolidated its warrior transition unit into a newly constructed, multi-million dollar campus located adjacent to the new wounded-warrior-friendly MTF gym.

General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital has taken the lead in Army Medicine on several initiatives and exceeded the norms of technologically-current healthcare delivery, such as taking a novel approach for the use of Single Photon Emission Computed Tomography Computed Tomography deployment for early identification of stress fractures in trainees. General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital also takes the lead in IDES, soldier readiness, behavior health, Musculoskeletal Athletic Trainers, and tele-health innovations (neuropsychology). The MTF supports and maintains expert skills as a recognized site for the second phase of a two-year graduate level, inter-service physician assistance program, and provides Army-certified phase two training for laboratory and radiology technicians.

General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital staff strive daily to provide “Compassion and Courage” through endorsing an open communications environment. We challenge all patients to engage in their health and wellness. Be sure to watch our command video on our website at www.GLWACH.ADEDD.army.mil, and visit or our Facebook page at www.Facebook.com/GLWACH for current news.

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 80-90,000 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 Non Commissioned 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.