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Post celebrates National American Indian heritage month

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo. – The 3rd Chemical Brigade is slated to host a National American Indian Heritage month observance and luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Nov. 21 at the Main Post Chapel here.

This year's theme is "Native Pride and Spirit: Yesterday, Today and Forever." As a part of the celebration, Mitchelene BigMan president and founder of the Native American Women Warriors is slated to be the guest speaker.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$11 and may be obtained through brigade Equal Opportunity advisers, the installation EO Office located in Building 315, or by calling 573.596.0131 ext. 6-0601. Tickets will be available through Nov. 18.

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Media wanting to cover this event, should contact the Fort Leonard Wood Public Affairs Office at 573.563.4145, no later than 10 a.m., Nov. 20.

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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.
