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Post welcome home ceremony slated for deployed units

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo. – A welcome home ceremony is scheduled at approximately 4 p.m., Saturday on post for three Fort Leonard Wood units returning from deployments to Afghanistan.

More than 80 Soldiers with the 515th Engineer Company, 49th and 67th Engineer detachments deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, where they conducted route clearance and mine detection missions, respectively.

The 515th is a Sapper unit, and the 49th and 67th Engineer detachments are military working dog units. All three units are a part of the 5th Engineer Battalion, 4th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade.

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Media interested in covering the welcome home ceremony should contact the Public Affairs Office's weekend staffer at 573.337.1716, no later than 12 p.m., Dec. 14.

Weather conditions may impact the welcome home ceremony slated for these three units.

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.

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