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People, C5ISR field support top themes in CECOM update to AMC commander

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. – Pandemic conditions couldn't stop the U.S. Army Communications–Electronics Command from hosting a candid, informative quarterly update with Gen. Ed Daly, commander of U.S. Army Materiel Command. The briefing, which took place virtually Friday, Dec. 11, highlighted CECOM's successes and challenges in providing unwavering sustainment for Army command, control, communications, computers, cyber, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance platforms worldwide.



CSM's Corner: Strength in unity

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. – This year has held a lot of unprecedented challenges for us all. This team has handled every single thing thrown at them with patience and enthusiasm. CECOM is a truly resilient group, and I am proud to be a part of it. One of the incredibly serious topics that I want to discuss is the recently released Fort Hood report. "Leaders, regardless of rank, are accountable for what happens in their units and must have the courage to speak up and intervene when they recognize actions that bring harm to our Soldiers and to the integrity of our institution," said Secretary of the Army Ryan McCarthy.



Social Security tax deferral

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. - UPDATE: The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 was passed and extended the period for collecting deferred 2020 Social Security taxes. The period for collection is now January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 (instead of January 1, 2021 to April 30, 2021). DFAS will update this website and send communications to the affected workforce explaining the changes made by the Act. At the end of December, the 2020 Social Security tax deferral will end.



CECOM Town Hall provides updates, addresses concerns

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. - Preventing sexual harassment and assault, COVID-19, the Acquisition Workforce and putting people first were among the topics discussed at a town hall hosted by the U.S. Army Communications–Electronics Command at the Myer Auditorium, Dec. 15. The town hall was broadcasted virtually via Microsoft Teams with an audience of more than 1,100, according to town hall moderator Jacob Kriss. Attendees were able to send in questions to leadership throughout the program.

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ISEC employees earn BEYA leadership awards

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. – Five U.S. Army Information Systems Engineering Command employees received Black Engineer of Year Award 2021 nationally recognized honors December 2, 2020. The BEYA conference provides a platform for the Army to generate a professional dialogue with students and thought-leaders and educates a national audience on the connection between STEM-related professional opportunities and the Army.



CTSF hosts vulnerability and penetration assessment for network-CFT

FORT HOOD, Texas – The U.S. Army Communications–Electronics Command’s Central Technical Support Facility served as host in support of the Army Futures Command’s Network Cross-Functional Team during its Cooperative Vulnerability and Penetration Assessment event, Oct. 26 to Nov 20.



Tobyhanna’s new test-engineering capabilities revive Volcano

TOBYHANNA ARMY DEPOT, Pa. – A reengineering effort at Tobyhanna Army Depot is bringing new life to the M139 Volcano – a mine dispensing system originally fielded in the 1990s. The M139 Volcano is a mass-scatterable mine delivery system that can be mounted to a helicopter or ground vehicle. The system’s four launcher racks enable tactical commanders to emplace a minefield in as little as 20 seconds (from air) with a minimum of personnel and is highly effective in laying barriers to protect assets and personnel while also providing terrain-shaping capability.



CECOM employee helps spread holiday spirit of giving

HAVRE DE GRACE, Md. – Thanksgiving is typically a day filled with family reunions and large feasts. But for some, it serves as a chance to give back to neighbors and those in need, and that’s precisely what U.S. Army Communications–Electronics Command Management Analyst Casi Boyer did this year. Boyer, along with hundreds of other volunteers from areas surrounding Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, delivered more than 1,550 meals on Thanksgiving Day to needy families.



USAMMC-K reading program advances leader learning

CAMP CARROLL, South Korea – Sometimes, a little reading can go a long way, especially when it comes to developing new skills. For the Soldiers at the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Center–Korea, a quarterly reading component of the center’s Leader Self-Development Program is helping to promote critical-thinking skills and create professional dialogue throughout the organization’s ranks in support of the medical logistics enterprise on the Korean Peninsula.



CECOM’s new historian website

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. – The U.S. Army Communications–Electronics Command launched its new CECOM Historian website at the end of November 2020. Available at <https://cecom.army.mil/Historian>, the website features some of the most popular aspects of CECOM, Signal Corps, Fort Monmouth and Aberdeen Proving Ground history. A highlight of the site is a search feature that allows the user to explore and request tens of thousands of documents and photographs from the CECOM History Archive.