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January



Col. Jason Clarke, garrison commander, Command Sgt. Maj. Brian Haydt, National Training Center and Fort Irwin command sergeant major, Steven Ryan, deputy garrison commander, and Soldiers from Fort Irwin on the Joint Color Guard team participated in the Rose Bowl Game in Pasadena, California, January 2, 2023. The command team interacted with civic Leaders and different branches of service for the common cause of fellowship, fresh ideas and community relationships. (Photos by Dave Dupree)w



Fort Irwin Family and MWR and Inland Mopar hosted Christmas in January on Fort Irwin, California January 7, 2023. (Courtesy photo)



Robert Downey Jr. visited Fort Irwin January 27, 2023 to film part of an episode of "Downey' Dream Cars". The show aired June 22, 2023.

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February



Command Sgt. Maj. David Palmer assumed responsibility of U.S Army Garrison – Fort Irwin Feb. 8, at Sandy Basin Community Center on Fort Irwin, California.

March



Rachel Jacobson, Assistant Secretary of the United States Army - IE&E , visited Fort Irwin, California for the first time March 6-9, 2023.

Col. Jason Clarke, Fort Irwin garrison commander, and Paul Courtney, Barstow mayor, signed the fourth Intergovernmental Support Agreement (IGSA) between the installation and the city March 21 at Barstow City Hall. The IGSA covers solid waste and recycling services provided to Fort Irwin.



April



Soldiers from the National Training Center and Fort Irwin participated in the installation's Best Warrior Competition and Best Squad Competition April 10-12, here. Throughout the competition, Soldiers completed the Army Combat Fitness Test, warrior tasks and battle drills, day and night land navigation, a 12-mile foot march, an obstacle course, a range stress shoot, a written test, and a knowledge board.

At the end of the competition, 2nd Lt. Ethan Baker, a transportation officer with 1916th Support Battalion, 916th Support Brigade, won best officer, Sgt. Robert Navarro, a cavalry scout with Dragon Team, Operations Group, won best noncommissioned officer, and Spc. Lucas McEachran, a chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear specialist with 2nd Squadron, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, won best Soldier, and a team from Operations Group won best squad.

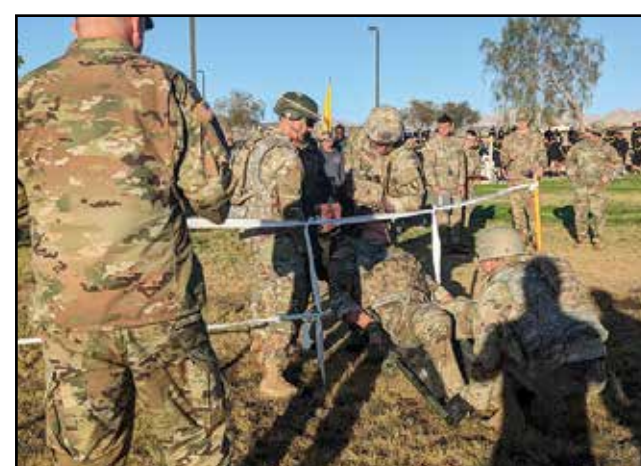


Jake Gyllenhaal and Dar Salim, the stars of the upcoming film "Guy Ritchie's The Covenant", visited Fort Irwin, April 14, with the United Services Organizations (USO).

April



The National Training Center and Fort Irwin hosted a Volunteer of the Year Ceremony on Fort Irwin April 19, 2023.



The 2nd Annual Desert Warrior Week Competition saw warriors from across the installation compete in numerous events April 17-21 to determine who earned the Commander's Cup and bragging rights for the next 12 months.

May



Command Sgt. Maj. Brian D. Haydt, Command Sergeant Major of National Training Center and Fort Irwin, relinquished responsibility of the NTC and Fort Irwin during a ceremony on Fort Irwin, California, May 31, 2023.

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June



Col. Jason Clarke relinquished command of U.S. Army Garrison Fort Irwin to Col. Lane Bomar during a ceremony June 21, at garrison headquarters, Fort Irwin.



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July



Fort Irwin Family and MWR hosted a Community Block Party at Jack Rabbit Park July 29, 2023. There were bounce houses, waterslides, a dunk tank, car show, FRG tables, and other community resources.



CSM Tate assumed responsibility of the National Training Center and Fort Irwin during a ceremony on Fort Irwin July 24, 2023.

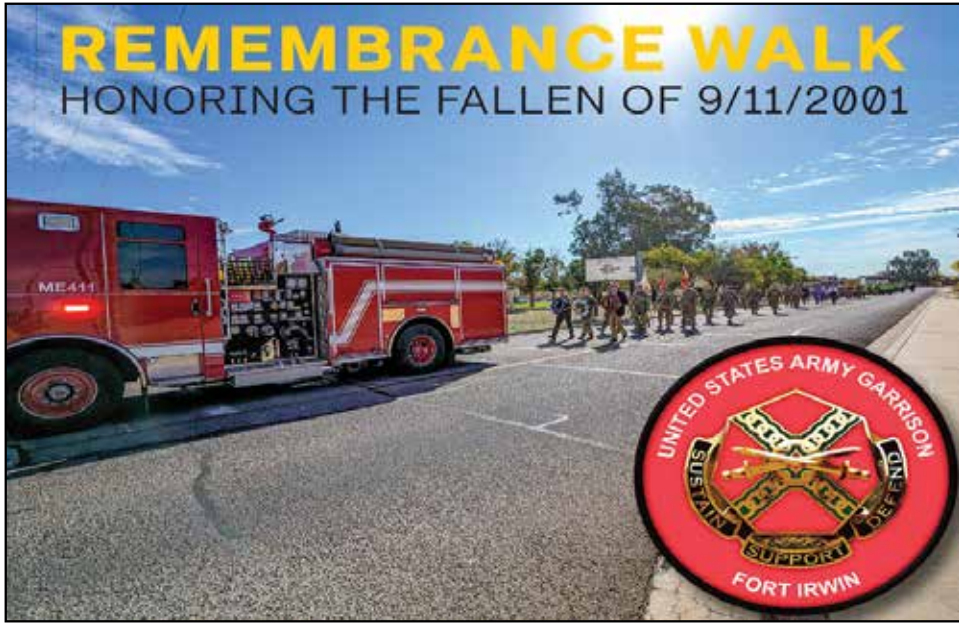
August



The Fort Irwin Army & Air Force Exchange Service hosted a grand opening for the American Tattoo Society-Fort Irwin tattoo studio August 23, on Fort Irwin. Fort Irwin is the seventh U.S. military installation to open a tattoo studio, with the most recent opening on Fort Moore, Georgia, in July 2023.

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September



Photos by Jack J. Adamyk

U.S. Army Soldiers, Department of the Army civilians, families, and others came together to walk from Fire Station #1 to the General Robert W. Cone and 11th ACR Heritage Center. Prior to the Walk, there was a remembrance ceremony where various firefighters spoke of the events based upon the time at which they occurred. Following the Walk, the wreaths were placed in front of New York City Fire Department (FDNY) retired Engine 152 and Kevin Shea, guest speaker.



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September



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Fort Irwin welcomed Gold Star families from as far away as West Covina to honor and remember fallen service members and their loved ones at the "Walk to Remember," September 23 at the Fort Irwin multipurpose field.

October



U.S. Service Members from the Army, Navy, and Marines, along with civilians from the surrounding community, gathered for a Military Mixer October 23, 2023, in the Sandy Basin Community Center at Fort Irwin in order to build on existing relationships– and form new ones, share experiences, and foster a sense of camaraderie. The military mixer, which is held annually, offers an opportunity for friends, family and colleagues to mingle with military members from all branches while they enjoy food, drinks and entertainment.

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November



Soldiers from the National Training Center and Fort Irwin supported Veterans Day events all over Southern California November 11, 2023.



December



The National Training Center and Fort Irwin commanding general, Brig. Gen. Curtis Taylor, was promoted to major general during a ceremony on Fort Irwin December 12, 2023.

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