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ON THE COVER: A train pulling cars of Army and Air Force ammunition moves out of the port Oct. 29, 2016, at Nordenham, Germany for movement to Miesau Army Depot, Miesau, Germany. More than 600 containers of ammunition arrived at the port and were shipped to the depot for storage and distribution throughout Europe. This is the largest Army-run shipment of ammunition to Europe in more than 20 years. (U.S. Army photo by Sgt. 1st Class Jacob A. McDonald)

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Making the MOST of mobilized ordnance specific training

In 2007, ammunition platoons often needed six months to become proficient in their ordnance tasks because they lacked hands-on predeployment training. To fill this training gap, the Joint Munitions Command (JMC) led an initiative to improve the readiness of deploying ammunition units using Mobilized Ordnance Specific Training (MOST). Since its implementation, MOST has successfully closed the training gap for proactive ammunition units that have taken advantage of ...

Renovations completed at Crane Army Facility

Crane Army Ammunition Activity recently completed renovations on a quality control testing facility in order to improve the quality of work environment for its employees. Reinvesting in its existing infrastructure to improve its mission capability is one of Crane Army's top priorities in order to ensure it can provide readiness to the Army today and in the future. Built in 1945, the building was originally used for tarring the inside shells of bombs and mines and before...

LEMC hosts JMC Commanding General

In early November, Letterkenny Munitions Center hosted Brig. Gen. Richard Dix, commander, JM&L LCMC and JMC, Rock Island, Illinois. He met with Lt. Col. Trenton Conner, commander of LEMC, and members of his team to discuss LEMC's value to JMC, the U.S. Army and the Department of Defense. Conner presented Dix with an overview of LEMC operations supporting Army readiness including interagency and international forces missions. LEMC leaders provided...

Biggest ammo shipment in 20 years arrives in Germany

The largest single Army-run shipment of ammunition to Europe in more than two decades, over 600 shipping containers worth, arrived in Germany Oct. 29. The Army and Air Force ammunition arrived at the port in Nordenham, Germany, where it was loaded onto trains and shipped to Miesau Army Depot, Germany, for storage and distribution. "The shipment by itself is special because it's over 620 containers," said Lt. Col. Brad Culligan, commander, 838th Transportation Battalion...

JMC Commander honors Veterans' service and sacrifices

Brig. Gen. Richard B. Dix, commander, JM&L LCMC and JMC, honored and recognized the service and sacrifices of our Nation's Veterans during two observances in the Quad Cities area community. On November 11, Brig. Gen. Dix served as the Veterans' Day keynote speaker at the American Legion Post 227 Hall in East Moline, Illinois. "I've been told that this American Legion Post was chartered in 1920, and I'm humbled to know that it's been devoted to Veterans for...

Picatinny welcomes incoming senior commander, BG Abramson

Brig. Gen. Patrick W. Burden, Deputy Program Executive Officer Ammunition and Senior Commander, Picatinny Arsenal relinquished his Picatinny Senior Commander responsibilities to Brig. Gen. Alfred F. Abramson III, incoming Deputy Program Executive Officer Ammunition and Senior Commander, during a Change of Leadership Ceremony at Picatinny Nov. 14. Starting a new tradition Burden passed ceremonial "Keys to the Cannon Gates" to Abramson to signify the transfer...

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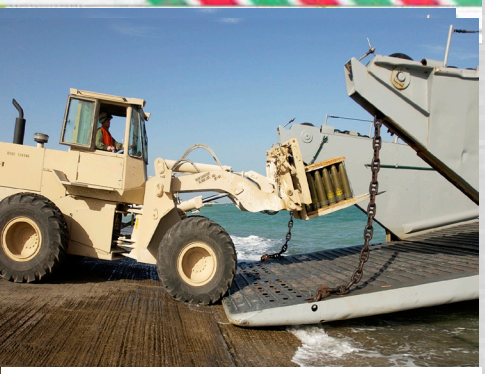

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LEMC develops course for training requirement

In early 2016, the Precision Fires Rocket and Missile Systems Project Office contacted Letterkenny Munitions Center after identifying a training requirement for Foreign Military Sales purchases of the Multiple Launch Rocket System. The Family of Munitions Common Test Device training is part of the Army's total package approach. In response to this requirement, LEMC developed an exportable training package and mobile training...

Combined Federal Campaign benefits those in times of need

As Combined Federal Campaign events continue on Rock Island Arsenal, numerous testimonies are being shared about the various charities that have helped CFC donors in their times of need. The help they've received is one of the main reasons they give back, and for three RIA employees, the hope of inspiring others to philanthropy is the main reason they've chosen to share their stories. "The mission of the CFC," stated the Office of...

Picatinny challenges students to reduce arsenal's electricy use

Approximately 60 students participated in a Sustainability Challenge at Farleigh Dickinson University on Nov. 3, where they strategized about how Picatinny Arsenal can reduce its electricity use by adding renewable energy sources. Sitting on 6,500 acres, with more than 2.7 million square footage of floor space, Picatinny scientists, engineers and employees currently use 54 million kilowatts of energy per year. This comes with an...

Chemical Engineer provides expertise in propellant production

Malcolm Williams, production manager for solvent propellant manufacturing at the Radford Army Ammunition Plant, provides the expertise needed to provide quality propellants for the Warfighter in the field. Williams has a long and distinguished career of serving his country. He served four years in the United States Marine Corps, and as an artilleryman he moved, emplaced, loaded, fired, and maintained field artillery cannon weapons systems. He recalls seeing 'RAAP' stamped...

JMC celebrates National Native American Heritage

Dennis and Susan Weaver provided the history of the Central Illinois Gourd Society during a Native American Heritage Observance, 14 Nov. Weaver's remarks highlighted the blending of Native American cultures in this area of the country with local groups. The Gourd Dance has a long history with the Kiowa/ Comanche and a connection to the warrior. In it's modern versions, it continues in honoring Veterans as well as bringing honor to the history of the people.

Picatinny ensures software reliability for airdrop system

Engineers at Picatinny Arsenal are applying their expertise in software reliability to an advanced precision airdrop system designed to deliver vital supplies to the warfighter on time and in challenging terrain with minimum damage to cargo. The Joint Precision Airdrop System, or JPADS, is intended to provide increased tactical maneuverability and enable a sustainment capability to support total Army, multi-service, and multi-national ground forces. Moreover, JPADS...

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