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**Memorial Day Ceremony set for May 26 on post:  
Event open to public**

Fort Polk, La. --- A Memorial Day Ceremony will be held at noon Monday on Warrior Field to remember and honor those soldiers who have given the ultimate sacrifice in all our nation's wars.

The post ceremony will begin with a narrative, a 21-gun salute rendered by troopers of the 519<sup>th</sup> Military Police Battalion followed by the sounding of "Taps."

The installation flag will fly at half-staff from "Reveille" until it is raised to full-staff during the ceremony.

The 21-gun salute, the raising of the flag from half-staff and the playing of "Taps" are Army-wide Memorial Day traditions.

The event is open to the public. Visitors without an authorized Fort Polk decal must enter the installation through the main gate on Louisiana Avenue.

In addition to the post ceremony, two Fort Polk Command Sergeants Majors will be guest in Leesville and DeRidder Memorial Day.

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**Media representatives are encouraged to cover the event. Please contact Major Ron Elliott @ (337) 531-1418 or Samantha Bingham @ (337) 531-4630 if you plan on attending.**