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# COMMUNITY & LEISURE

## 3rd HBCT works to aid Soldier's marriages

Sgt. Ben Hutto  
3rd HBCT Public Affairs Office

**CONTINGENCY OPERATING SITE KALSU, Iraq** – The 3rd Heavy Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, is working to help married Soldiers improve their relationships with their spouses during their current mission in Iraq.

The 3rd HBCT mental health assessment, given three months into the brigade's current deployment, determined that marital stress was the main concern of the brigade's Soldiers.

"Strong Bonds marriage retreats, Family Life, and counselors are all examples of the support systems available to our married Soldiers to help them and their spouses during and after our deployment," said Col. Pete Jones, the commander of the 3rd HBCT, 3rd ID. "We are near the mid-point of this deployment and our marriage retreats were designed to introduce techniques that maintain and build relationships."

In addition to counseling and retreats, the 3rd HBCT has also sponsored the Fireproof Your Marriage peer study, a religious based study based on the Christian film, and held events via the Internet to help give Soldiers more options to improve their marriage and stay connected with their spouses.

"A stable home life allows our Soldiers to focus on their mission and not be looking over their shoulder on what is going on back home," said Jones. "A Soldier with an unstable marriage will not have his mind on the mission. I think our leaders understand that a Soldier with a strong home life is a combat multiplier for the brigade."

Chaplain Jones acknowledged that his Soldiers do have stressors that can affect their marriage. Being away from their Families for a year, working long hours and having to be away when problems happen back home can be extremely difficult on a relationship.

"Being in the Army can pose difficulties for a marriage, but that doesn't mean those challenges are insurmountable," said Chaplain (Capt.) Bruce Duty, with the Brigade Special Troops Battalion. "It just means spouses need to invest more time and effort into 'battle proofing' their relationships."

Chaplain Duty explained that people can have difficulty working on their marriages when they are separated by time and distance, but it is possible.

"It is more difficult when one half of the relationship is back home," said Chap. Duty. "It takes two individuals to make a marriage work; however, it does require an individual effort on each partner's part. I think that Soldiers and their spouses can use this time for personal reflection and start building good habits that can continue when they are reunited."

Chaplain Duty and Capt. Gina Wright, the 3rd HBCT's social worker, sponsored the six week Fireproof Your Marriage peer study. It focused on strengthening a couple's marriage by using a Christian view as a base to help build a better marriage.

Captain Wright recognized the group may not be for every Soldier but said it could be used as a spring board for more events. She frequently deals with Soldiers who have concerns about their marriage and hopes more of them will take advantage of services the brigade offers, and will offer in the future.



Sgt. Ben Hutto

Chaplain (Capt.) Bruce Duty, Brigade Special Troops Battalion, 3rd Heavy Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, talks with spouses back home during an internet communications event held at Contingency Operating Site Kalsu, Iraq, Feb. 14.

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## BG Phillips speaks to Liberty Co. Chamber

Pat Watkins  
Special to The Frontline

Fort Stewart's 3rd Infantry Division is possibly on the dawn of a time when its Soldiers will be spending more time on post than on deployment or training up to deploy.

"We are not looking at these deployments ad infinitum," Brig. Gen. Jeffrey Phillips, 3rd ID deputy commanding general-rear, told the Liberty County Chamber of Commerce at the Econo Lodge in Hinesville, March 25. "It may seem like it because we've been through so many years of it."

At the chamber's March Progress Through People luncheon, he said events could change his forecast. "The enemy always gets a vote." But, he said he expects a time similar to when he first entered the service when Soldiers could expect to spend entire enlistments at one duty station, serving in their military occupation. That has not been the case here during the past decade.

The 3rd ID has been in the forefront of U.S. efforts in Iraq since the 2003 war that toppled Saddam Hussein and the subsequent Operation Iraqi Freedom deployments that have been rebuilding that country's government and security forces.

But a confluence of events there and emerging philosophies in the Pentagon make it likely troops will get more at-home time. Iraq events include a drop in violence that has allowed U.S. troops to change their combat role to what they now call advise and assist.

"We are now working with Iraqi authorities in what we really think is the end of operations there," Brig. Gen. Phillips said.

President Barack Obama has also said troops will be out of Iraq by August 2011.

The general said the Army sees itself focusing more on Afghanistan. But the 3rd will not routinely roll into deployments there because of a philosophy the commander there, Gen. Stanley McChrystal, has developed what he calls "continuity," Brig Gen. Phillips said.

Continuity means divisions that have been serving there will continue to bear the brunt of deployments because of their make up and familiarity with the people and terrain in Afghanistan. Those units are light infantry fighters.

"Most of our forces here are heavy units ... those units will start staying home much longer because they will not have orders to deploy. In fact, by 2012, we're looking at, out of the 45 active Army brigades, only 15 will have deployment orders or a date to deploy," Brig. Gen. Phillips said.

Calling it a radical change from today, the general said, "As we hit 2014, the Army is hoping to achieve the vision of three units to dwell at their home station for every unit that is deployed."

The absence of troops here will get worse before it gets better. At this time the division is in the middle of a deployment with more than 15,000 troops gone. More than 12,000 of them are in Iraq. And the area will actually say goodbye to more through the summer. Parts of the division's sustainment brigade leave in April and will be gone a year. And the 4th Brigade Combat Team leaves in July for a year in Iraq.

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## 188th Infantry Brigade Soldier renews wedding vows

Capt. Kurt Van Slooten  
188th Infantry Brigade Public Affairs

**Charleston, S.C.** – A Soldier from the 188th Infantry Brigade traveled to Charleston, S.C., over the weekend to renew his wedding vows with his wife of nine years at the Charleston Air Force Base Chapel.

Captain Alexander L. Herren and his wife Rosa renewed their vows in front of the brigade chaplain, Chap. (Capt.) David W. Clark, and friends and Family, both from the area and abroad.

"We were hitting nine years this

month, and the first time we got married it was with a notary public in South Carolina," said Herren. "This time we wanted to do a more traditional wedding. I feel that the ceremony will help to strengthen the bond between my wife and myself."

"We had a traditional renewal ceremony with the addition of a rose ceremony at the end. I gave each of them a rose that they exchanged with each other to finish the ceremony," said Chap. Clark. "After the ceremony, traditionally a rose garden is started to celebrate their love for each other in the years to follow."

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Randy Murray

## 6th Street Shoppette open for business

Sergeant Major Robert McRae, Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation sergeant major, takes a slice of cake following the official opening of the new AAFES Shoppette and Class Six store located at the corner of Fort Stewart's 6th Street and Airport Road near Gate 7, March 29. The new store includes 24-hour gas pumps, a car wash and barber shop as well as coffee and snacks.



## PRESENTS TODAY THROUGH APRIL 4

### Dear John

Today — 4 p.m.

(Channing Tatum, Amanda Seyfried)

When a Soldier named John Tyree meets an idealistic college student named Savannah Curtis, it's the beginning of a true romance. Over the next seven tumultuous years, the lovers, separated by John's increasingly dangerous deployment, stay in touch through their letters, meeting in person only rarely. However, their correspondence triggers fateful consequences that neither could foresee. *Rated PG-13 (sensuality and violence) 108 min.*

### Percy Jackson: The Lightning Thief

Friday, Saturday — 7 p.m.

(Logan Lerman, Brandon Jackson)

Trouble-prone teen Percy Jackson is about to be kicked out of school - but that's the least of his problems. The gods of Mount Olympus and assorted monsters seem to have walked out of the pages of Percy's Greek mythology texts and into his life - and they're not happy. Zeus' lightning bolt has been stolen, and Percy is the prime suspect. Now, Percy and his friends must embark on a cross-country adventure to catch the true thief, save Percy's Family, and unravel a mystery more powerful than the gods themselves.

*Rated PG (action violence and peril, some scary images and suggestive material, and mild language) 118 min.*

condition baseball card find themselves up against a merciless, memorabilia-obsessed gangster. Jimmy the veteran detective whose missing collectible is his only hope to pay for his daughter's upcoming wedding, and Paul is his "partner-against-crime" whose preoccupation with his wife's alleged infidelity makes it hard for him to keep his eye on the ball.

*Rated R (pervasive language including sexual references, violence and brief sexuality) 110 min.*



*Films are subject to availability. AAFES strives to show films according to the published schedule but reserves the right to reschedule, cancel or substitute showings as needed. For more information, call 767-3069 or go to [www.aafes.com/ems/conus/stewart.htm](http://www.aafes.com/ems/conus/stewart.htm).*

### Cop Out

Sunday — 4 p.m.

(Tracy Morgan, Bruce Willis)

Two longtime NYPD partners on the trail of a stolen, rare, mint-

## Pets of the Week

Looking for a good home...



"We're not April Fool jokes!" says Jamie the dog. "But we can be great presents for your Family, with lots of love and fun times," says Landon the cat.

The Fort Stewart Veterinary Clinic has pets of all kinds, sizes and breeds in their care. If you are interested in adopting, call the Fort Stewart Veterinary Clinic at 767-2842.



# Life as a military child has ups and downs

**Commentary by Percival Lammie, 17**  
*Family Member*

There are many advantages and disadvantages to being a military child. It can be very challenging for us throughout our lives when we are under the roof of our military parent or parents.

For example, if military personnel have not moved from the base where they are stationed at for a while, their children grow accustomed to life at that particular base.

They grow every year that they are there and for every day that they are, they get closer to the friends that they have made and the more they do not want to leave them for any-

thing in the world.

They start making plans for what they want to do with their life and they plan to start where they live.

But when the Army makes arrangements for the Family to move, it can potentially be devastating for them.

Here they are, planning their lives out ahead of time, using their house as sort of a home base where they can return to see Family and friends alike.

To them, it feels like they are being uprooted from all that they have known and being planted somewhere completely foreign and ominous.

So they pack up and move, not knowing what they are heading into

but have no choice but to go anyway.

They start off in a new home and new school, kind of anxious waiting for everything to start and get the “new kid” phase over with.

Walking into that new school for the first time can be a little intimidating, especially if they run into the wrong people.

But occasionally there is that kind soul at the school who feels bad for you because they, at one point and in time, went through it and would hate to see something bad to happen.

So they introduce themselves and show the new student around the school.

With that happening, from then

on, the military child makes many friends and, unfortunately, enemies.

There are many things that go along with being a military child.

The most obvious disadvantage to moving from one base to another is that you have to leave behind all of the friends that you made throughout all the time that you have lived at the previous base.

But the flip side to that is that you can meet other people and make many more friends, making the amount of people that you are cool with even greater.

That is always a good thing, because that means that you will have that many more friends to carry with you throughout your life.

## Stewart-Hunter Celebrates Month of the Military Child

**Bob Mathews**  
*DFMWR Marketing Specialist*

Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield will salute military children all during April – designated as the Month of the Military Child – for their important contributions in the day-to-day life and mission of the Army Community.

Stewart-Hunter joins other Department of Defense installations in the U. S. and around the world in observing April as a time to applaud Military Families and their children for the daily sacrifices they make and challenges they must overcome.

Opening ceremonies will be held from 9-11 a.m., April 1 at the Fort Stewart Child Development Center, building 403, to mark the start of the month-long celebration.

Simultaneously, an opening ceremony will be held at the Hunter Child Development Center, building 1284.

Stewart and Hunter activity calendars are packed with April events in celebration of Month of the Military Child.

The events range from large, installation-wide events to smaller, parent-child activities such as

Family spaghetti dinners, Family lunch, a Parent Dine and Dash Breakfast and parent and child bowling.

### Among the highlights of scheduled activities are the following:

- Easter Egg Hunt starting at 10 a.m., April 3 at Stewart CDC and building 1289 fields and Hunter at SAS youth fields. The event is open to kids up to 10 years old. Enjoy our children's play area featuring inflatables, face painting, food vendors and other children's activities. An Easter Bunny photo station will be located on the field as well. Families will have the option of taking their own photos or paying a professional photographer.
- Positive Influence Tour, which is a 45 minute show, combining singing, dancing, acting and crowd participation. It helps teach children about respecting themselves and respecting others while touching on topics of racism, being one's self, following your dreams, looking for the best in a situation, believing in yourself and not judging others harshly and unfairly.
- Free concert by multi-award-winning New Orleans author and children's musician Johnette

Downing from 9-11:30 a.m., April 9 at Club Stewart. Downing, dubbed “the Pied Piper for Louisiana music traditions” by the media and the “Musical Ambassador to Children” by clients, brings the spicy flavor of her home state to her performances.

- Stewart and Hunter youth will be invited to a middle school/teens lock-in at Fort Benning on April 17. The event will give youth a chance to meet other military kids, go to a mall, attend a movie and take part in other fun activities with their peers.

- Wheels Day from 9 a.m. to noon on April 23 at building 403. Last year's event delighted the hundreds of youngsters who — with the help and supervision of adults — climbed on, inspected, explored and marveled at the vehicles on display. Those vehicles included a tractor, forklift, fire truck, police car, school bus and an M2 Bradley Fighting Vehicle.

- A free “Concert with Mr. Al” from 9:30-11:30 a.m., April 28 at Club Stewart. He will also perform at Hunter at building 1289, 9:30-11:30 a.m., April 29. His performance is described as one in which, “If you aren't clapping or stomping your feet, you're singing along to his up-beat, rock-and-roll style music for both kids and adults.”

# He is Risen! What difference does it make?

Chap. (Col.) William Ralston  
3rd ID Chaplain-rear

He is Risen! That's what Christians believe. What difference does it make? Let's talk about it.

We are in the midst of Holy Week. It began with Palm Sunday, commemorating the time when Jesus rode into Jerusalem during the Passover Feast. He rode on the back of a donkey and the crowds greeted him with palm branches and cheers. Then there is Maundy Thursday, when Jesus shared the Last Supper with his disciples.

The next day, Friday, Jesus was crucified and the hopes and dreams of his followers were dashed. But then on Sunday, two women went to the tomb to apply spices and ointment to the body, and the stone was rolled away. An angel told the women, "He is risen!"

(Matthew 28:1-10)

Let's assume it is true. It's something I surely believe. Let's assume Jesus was raised from the grave. What difference would it make in your life and in mine? One thing it would mean is that fear is vanquished.

In the scripture reading, four times we read the word "afraid."

The guards were so afraid that they became like stone. The angel, when he met the women, said, "Do not be afraid." When the women left the tomb, the scriptures say they were afraid yet filled with joy. I can believe that. And when they met the risen Lord, the first thing Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid."

I don't know everything about you, and you don't know everything about me. And we both like it that way, but I have some fears in my life. And I imag-

ine you have some fears in your life. I know you do because you have a human heart just like I do.

If God is so strong that He can raise his son Jesus from the grave, then I know He is strong enough to handle anything that comes my way. I can lay my fears at the foot of the cross.

It was this same Jesus who preached the Sermon on the Mount. And in the sermon He addressed our concerns and fears. And He said, "Do not be afraid. Look at the birds of the air, who neither toil nor reap, but your Heavenly Father takes care of them. Are you not more valuable than they are? Who can add a single day to his life by being worried?"

If the resurrection is true, there are many consequences. And one of them is that we need not be afraid. Fear is vanquished.

## Chapel Schedule

### Fort Stewart

#### Location

#### Time

Catholic Sunday Mass	Main Post Chapel	9 a.m.
Protestant Contemporary Worship	Marne	11 a.m.
Gospel Worship	Main Post	11 a.m.
Traditional Worship	Marne	9 a.m.
Liturgical Worship	Heritage	11 a.m.
Kids' Church	Diamond Elementary	11 a.m.
PWOC (Wednesday)	Main Post Chapel	9:30 a.m.

Islamic Friday Jum'ah	Marne Annex	1:30 p.m.
Saturday Islamic Studies	Marne Annex	9 a.m.
Sunday Islamic Studies	Marne Annex	Appts.
Contact Spc. Lugman at	wallead.lugman@yahoo.com	

Jewish Friday	Heritage	11:30 a.m.
Contact Harold Crowther at	(912) 332-2084	

### Hunter Army Airfield

Catholic Sunday Mass	Chapel	11 a.m.
Protestant Sunday Service	Chapel	9 a.m.

## Kids Church Where God rocks

at Stewart School Age Services, across from Diamond Elementary 10:45 a.m. to noon, Sunday; or at Hunter Chapel Fellowship Hall at 9:15 a.m., Sunday

### For children grades K-5

#### Fort Stewart bus pick-up:

10:15 a.m. - Liberty and Hendrich, Liberty and Sicily, Liberty and Anzio, Liberty and Rome

10:20 a.m. - Jasmine and Skyland Spruce, Jasmine and Liberty Wood, Wild Fern and Golden Birch

10:30 a.m. - Schofield and Sansidro, Schofield and Hollandia, Rogers and Argyle

10:40 a.m. - Naktong and New Guinea, Ormoc and New Guinea

10:50 a.m. - Marne Chapel

10:55 a.m. - Main Post Chapel

For more information, e-mail  
fortstewartkidschurch@yahoo.com.

## Fort Stewart Chapel Youth Ministry

Fort Stewart Youth Ministry exists to share "Biblical Truth" with middle and high school age youth, to disciple them in the Christian faith, and to equip them for lives of Christian service.

For weekly meeting information, go to  
[www.twitter.com/ftstewartyouth](http://www.twitter.com/ftstewartyouth)

or contact

Tanya Harned,  
Fort Stewart Youth  
Ministry Coordinator  
at (912) 813-9751.

## Weekday Catholic Schedule

### Roman Catholic Daily Mass:

Main Post Chapel, 11:45 a.m., on Mon., Wed., Fri.

### Roman Catholic Confession:

Main Post Chapel, available on request



## Ft. Stewart/Hunter Morale, Welfare & Recreation

### Casa Blanca Spa of Hilton Head Island Trip

1 April-26 April Sign-Up; Trip 8 May – Hilton Head Island, S.C.

Depart FS Leisure Activities Center, Bldg. 443 for Hilton Head Island. Take advantage of massages, manicures, pedicures, waxing, make-up/make over and pampering packages offered by Casa Blanca Spa. Cost \$10 per person for transportation only. Details: 767-2841.

### New Golf Programs @ FS & HAAF

1 April Thru End of Year

Taylor's Creek Golf Course. Bldg. 2150 – Hunter Golf Club, Bldg. 8205

(Club Rental Program): Each time you rent a set of clubs, your name will be entered into drawing at end of quarter for free four-some. Rental fees: \$6 (9 holes) and \$12 (18 holes). At end of year, all names entered into drawing for chance to win a set of clubs. (Golf Giveaway Extravaganza): Purchase round of golf w/golf car and have chance to guess how many golf balls are in our mystery object! Person with closest number without going over will win a round of golf for four. At end of year, all participants will be entered into drawing for chance to win one month's worth of unlimited golf. More information: 767-2370 (FS) or 315-9115 (HAAF).

### Hearse Ghost Tours Spring Break Trip

Sign-up Deadline 2 April; Trip 9 April – Savannah, GA.

Depart FS Leisure Activities Center, Bldg. 443 for Savannah, GA. Ride with spirits in a real hearse. Hear tales of ghosts and spirits as you drive through cemeteries and through beautiful streets of Savannah's historic districts. Cost \$20 per person includes transportation and tour. 767-2841



### Easter Brunch at FS, HAAF

4 April, 10:30 a.m. -1:30 p.m.

Club Stewart, Bldg. 405; Hunter Club, Bldg. 6015

The menu includes breakfast items. Also, brown sugar baked ham, citrus glazed cornish hens, beef burgandy with pearl onions, sweet potato souffle, fresh green beans almondine, roasted rosemary new bliss potatoes, roasted corn with sweet peppers, peach and cheese crepes, chocolate fountain, Mimosa samples. Advance ticket discounted prices (\$2 off adults and \$1 off children) available at club information counters.

Prices at Door: CPL & below: \$12.95 for adults, \$6.45 for children (ages 5-10), children (under age 5) FREE! SGT & above and All others: \$14.95 for adults, \$7.45 for children (ages 5-10), children (under age 5) FREE! More info: 368-2212 (Stewart) or 459-7923 (Hunter)

### Old Town Trolley Paula Deen Tour

Sign-up Deadline 9 April; Trip 24 April 1, – Savannah, GA

Depart FS Leisure Activities Center, Bldg. 443 for Savannah. Learn the rags to riches story of Savannah's Queen of Southern Cuisine, Paula Deen, her path to stardom and her most up-to-date dishes. Trolley tour includes lunch at Uncle Bubba's Oyster House restaurant. Cost \$50 (adults) and \$30 children (ages 4-12). Details: 767-2841.

### Stewart/Hunter 2010 Bass Tournament

10 April, 7-11 a.m. – Fort Stewart's Pond 1 (Pineview Lake)

Pre-register until April 7 for the catch and release tournament. Space is limited. If any slots remain open, participants may register up to one hour before tourney's start. Fish from bank or launch your bass boat. Must have valid Georgia and Stewart/Hunter fishing permits. Prizes in youth and adult categories. Overall Sportsman prize to Active Duty winner. Pre-registration fees are \$10 for ages 15 & under, \$20 for ages 16 & older. Day of Event fees are \$15 and \$30. For details, call Stewart Pass & Permit Office, 435-8061.



### The Great MWR Yard Sale @ FS & HAAF

Sign-up Deadline 14 April; Sale 17 April, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

Club Stewart, Hunter Credit Union Parking Lots; On-Post Housing

Sellers at Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield on-Post housing are encouraged to register for the Great MWR Yard Sale so their sale location can be placed on maps for distribution. All DoD ID cardholders are eligible at \$5 per space. There is no charge for participants who live in on-Post housing. All sellers are required to sign up at the Sports Office, Bldg 471, 767-8238 (Stewart) or Tominac Fitness Center, Bldg 919, 315-2019 (Hunter). The Great MWR Yard Sale will be held from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. April 17 at the Club Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield Credit Union parking lots, as well as on-Post housing areas. Bargain-hunters will have an extra attraction as well – the NAF Excess Property Sale of televisions, furniture, appliances and equipment at building 1501 on Fort Stewart during the same hours.

# Coastal Happenings

Courtesy of the Coastal Courier

## MDS offers military scholarship

Memorial Day School is located just outside Hunter's Wilson Street gate on Habersham Street across from the YMCA.

The school is celebrating more than 50 years of educating Savannah's children.

It excels in academics and sports, and gives individual attention to each child.

The school's Individualized Educational Program can accommodate all children's needs and help them reach their highest potential.

To show their appreciation to the military community, MDS is offering a \$1,500 military scholarship to the children of active duty and retired servicemembers.

In addition, registration fees will be waived for children of all active duty and retired servicemembers.

For more information, contact Melanie Kapla, headmaster, Memorial Day School, at (912) 352-4535. Also, visit the Web site at [www.memorialdayschool.com](http://www.memorialdayschool.com)

## Live Oak Libraries programs offered

### Preschool storytime

Hinesville Branch Library has Preschool Storytime Mondays at 10:30 a.m. and Tree Tots Storytime on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Tree Tots features age-appropriate stories, finger plays, songs and more for infants, one and two-year-olds. For more info, call 368-4003.

### Brainminders Buddies Puppet Show

Hinesville Branch Library will feature a puppet show that will teach children about brain safety, 10:30 a.m., April 6. Call (912) 368-4003 for more information.

### Tea and Tales Book Discussion Group

Midway-Riceboro Branch Library will discuss the book, "Homer and Langley" by E.L. Doctorow at 5:30 p.m., April 15. Please come and join us. Call (912) 884-5742 for more information.

### Computer Classes

#### Introduction to Word

This is a beginner's course on using this popular word processing software will cover creating, printing, and saving a document. Prerequisite: Introduction to Windows or equivalent knowledge. Registration is limited. Join the class 10:30 a.m., April 8.

## VFW offers claims assistance

The national office of the Veterans of Foreign Wars now offers disability claims assistance through a pre-discharge claims representative working in Stewart-Hunter's Wounded Warrior Battalion's Soldier and Family Service Center, building 12718.

James Graw assists Soldiers in filing disability claims prior to being discharged by performing a complete medical records review to ensure all claimable conditions are listed on the claim for disability compensation. He is also available to veterans to review claims decisions that have been made by the VA and assist in the development of and filing of new conditions.

Call (912) 767-4452 for more information.

## Education celebration scheduled

Savannah Technical College is proud to announce our fourth annual "Celebration of the Young Child," April 17. This event is sponsored by Savannah Tech and the Liberty Association for the Education of Young Children, an Early Childhood Education student organization.

Young children and their Families depend on high-quality education and care, which help children get a great start and bring lasting benefits to the city of Hinesville.

The Celebration of the Young Child is a time to recognize that "Early Years are Learning Years" for young children. The celebration will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Liberty Campus of Savannah Technical College, 100 Technology Dr. in Hinesville.

More than 200 Families are expected to take part in the celebration. Nonprofit organizations will also participate in this community event, setting up booths

and distributing useful information to Families with young children.

Participation in the event allows Families with young children to connect with resources, hear about services, and learn information for making better decisions. This is an outside event, so plan on setting up at 9 a.m. that Saturday morning. Your participation will help make this a great event.

For more information, contact Gia D. Smith, Ed.S., Instructor/Advisor Early Childhood Care and Education Savannah Technical College, Liberty Campus at [gsmith@savannahtech.edu](mailto:gsmith@savannahtech.edu).

## Fort McAllister host Volunteer Day

Fort McAllister State Park is hosting a Civil War Trust Volunteer Day from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., April 10. Volunteers will assist park staff with spring cleaning of the fort and grounds, and help paint the fort's cannons. T-shirts and lunch will be provided. Call Daniel Brown, park manager, at (912) 727-2339 for more information.

## Liberty Theatre Company presents 'Vanities'

The Liberty Theatre Company will host a special presentation of playwright Jack Heifner's "Vanities" at the Dorchester Civic Center, beginning at 7:30 p.m., April 16-17. Tickets are \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. "Vanities" is a story about three Texas girls' journey from their high school senior year, through college and ten years after.

## The Savannah Winds concert slated

The Savannah Winds will present their annual "Pops" Concert, Sunday, May 2 at 3 p.m., in the Fine Arts Hall of Armstrong Atlantic State University. The program will include marches, jazz, Latin, opera, and selections from Broadway.

Tickets are \$14 with \$2 discounts for seniors, military, and children. Call 344-2801 for ticket information, or order online at [www.finearts.armstrong.edu/tickets](http://www.finearts.armstrong.edu/tickets) (convenience charge added).

# Spring out of your comfort zone, enjoy April's many events

## Bruce Muncher

Special to the Frontline

Welcome to the month of April. As March crawls out like a lamb, April is ushered in by moderate temperatures and much needed April showers.

As the earth absorbs the moisture of the spring time rain, the process of osmosis begins to turn the ever present horizon into pallets of green. The azaleas, dogwoods and wisteria are in the height of bloom and Warriors Walk is ablaze with amethyst petals, which will softly fall to blanket the memories below.

April is that ideal time for getting your hands dirty in the garden or sinking your toes into the warm beach sand. It is also again time to watch children, dressed in their Sunday best, as they search for that delectable Golden Egg. Even adults love to consume those jelly beans or bite the ears off of a chocolate bunny.

April with its beauty and moderate temperatures helps all realize why we love to see this season. So be sure to get out and enjoy each spring day with a jog, a bike, a walk or a drive. Take advantage of what makes coastal Georgia so inviting. Each new day brings with it a new discovery.

Be sure to venture off your normal path and enjoy some of the following events and festivities.

**April 1-5** - Savannah Music Festival, Georgia's largest musical arts festival. For more info, call (912) 525-5050.

**April 2** - First Friday Fireworks, Savannah River Street, 9:30 p.m.; <http://www.riverstreetsavannah.com>.

**April 3** - First Saturday on the River, Savannah River Street, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; <http://www.riverstreetsavannah.com>.

**April 3** - Another Bloomin' Festival, downtown Metter. Arts, crafts, food

and fun. For more info, call (912) 685-2159.

**April 3** - SCAD 12th Annual International Festival, Savannah; downtown Broughton Street, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.; free admission.

**April 3** - Community Chorus Easter Messiah Concert, Hinesville Methodist Church, 7 p.m.; free admission.

**April 4** - Easter Day Brunch, Club Stewart and Hunter Club, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; \$12.95-\$14.95; \$2 off advance ticket purchase.

**April 4** - Easter Brunch Cruise, Savannah Riverboat Cruise; 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.; \$22-\$40. For more info, call (800) 786-6404.

**April 5-11** - Masters Golf Tournament, Augusta; [www.masters.com](http://www.masters.com).

**April 8** - Lewis Black Comedy Show, Savannah Johnny Mercer Theater, 8 p.m.; \$35-\$55. For more info, call 651-6556.

**April 8-11** - Tybee Seafood Festival, Tybee Island, various times. <http://tybeeseafoodfest.com>.

**April 9-10** - 75th Annual Tour of Private Houses & Gardens, Charleston, S.C.; 2-5 p.m.; \$35. For more info, call (843) 530-5164.

**April 9** - Three Days Grace Concert, Savannah Civic Center, 7 p.m.; \$39. For more info, call 651-6556.

**April 10** - April Fools Rod Run, Waycross, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; \$5; over 500 cars and trucks. For more info, call (912) 284-9823

**April 10** - Jeremy Camp Concert, Wild Adventure Theme Park, Valdosta; 8p.m. For more info, call (229) 219-7080.

**April 12-18** - Verizon Heritage Golf Tournament, Hilton Head, S.C.; \$35 - \$450. For more info, call (800) 234-1107.

**April 13-14** - Tyler Perry's Comedy Show, Savannah Civic Center, 8 p.m.;

\$50-\$75. For more info, call 651-6556.

**April 16-18** - Atlanta Dogwood Festival, Atlanta Piedmont Park. Artists, food, events; [www.dogwood.org](http://www.dogwood.org).

**April 16-18** - 42nd Annual Darien Blessing of Fleet; Darien. Parade, concerts, food, fireworks and boats; [www.blessingofthefleet.com](http://www.blessingofthefleet.com).

**April 17** - Great MWR Yard Sale, Club Stewart and Hunter Credit Union parking lots; 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

**April 17** - Alee Shrine 3rd Annual Poker Run, Savannah Alee Shrine Center; \$20; 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. For more info, call 355-2422.

**April 17** - Jekyll Island Shell-eboration, Jekyll Island Sea Turtle Center' noon - 4 p.m.; \$4-\$6. For more info, call (912) 635-4444.

**April 17** - REO Speedwagon & Styx, Wild Adventure Theme Park, Valdosta; 7 p.m. For more info, call (229) 219-7080.

**April 17** - Tybee Wine Festival, Tybee Island; 3- 7 p.m.; \$45. [www.tybeewinefestival.com](http://www.tybeewinefestival.com).

**April 17** - Beethoven's 9th performed by Savannah Philharmonic, Savannah Lucas Theater; 8p.m.; \$15-\$100. For more info, call 525-5050.

**April 22-25** - 33rd Annual Vidalia Onion Festival, Vidalia; \$2-\$10. Various times and events, air show, fireworks, arts and crafts. For more info, call (912) 538-8687. <http://www.vidaliaonionfestival.com>.

**April 23** - Concert in the Park, Hinesville's Bradwell Park; 11:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Free; bring chairs and picnic basket.

**April 23-24** - 35th Annual Tour of Hidden Gardens, Savannah; 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; \$45. For more info, call (912) 961-4805.

**April 24** - 25th Annual Crawfish Festival, Woodbine; 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

encourages Soldiers to use the programs available to help their marriages.

"No matter how strong your marriage is, it can never be too strong," he said. "I would encourage any Soldier to take advantage of the opportunities the Army has provided us. Marriage counselors and seminars out in real world cost money. The fact that we, as Soldiers, have free access to them is a really good thing."

Sergeant 1st Class Waldrip doesn't want Soldiers to make many of the same mistakes he and his ex-wife made, and encourages them to go into marriage with a serious mind-set.

"When you get married, you need to go into it with the mentality that it will not fail," he said. "The Soldier mentality you have about your military career needs to be infused in your marriage or it will not work...The words 'them' and 'they' cause divisions in a marriage. When you get married there should be no more 'you' and 'me'.

It should be about 'we' and 'us.'"

Sergeant 1st Class Waldrip knows first-hand how hard the time constraints of being Soldier can have on a marriage.

"An old football saying says that if you are the first one to practice and the last one to leave; you will be a good football player," he said. "With our job as Soldiers, we will always be the first one in the door and the last to leave. That isn't easy on a marriage. To be honest, cross-country truck drivers spend more time at home than we do... That being said, your marriage should never be something that takes a back seat to other things. There should not be anything more important than keeping it healthy."

Chaplain Duty agrees.

"In the Army, you get awards and accolades for doing well," said Chap. Duty. "In a marriage, doing well is expected. You won't get an award, but you will have the satisfaction of being in a good marriage and that should mean significantly more."

## MARRIAGE

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# DFMWR Briefs

## New golf programs offered

Two new programs begin today at Taylors Creek Golf Course, building 2150, and Hunter Golf Club, building 8205. The new programs, which will continue through the end of the year, include:

**Club Rental Program** - Each time you rent a set of clubs, your name will be entered into a drawing at end of quarter for a free four-some. Rental fees: \$6 (9 holes) and \$12 (18 holes). At end of the year, all names will be entered into drawing for chance to win a set of clubs.

**Golf Giveaway Extravaganza** - Purchase a round of golf with golf car and have a chance to guess how many golf balls are in our mystery object. The person with the closest number without going over each quarter will win a round of golf for four. At end of the year, all participants will be entered into drawing for a chance to win one month's worth of unlimited golf. For more information, call 767-2370 at Stewart or 315-9115 at Hunter.

## Enjoy Easter Brunch at Stewart, Hunter

Easter Brunch will be served Sunday at Club Stewart, building 405 and Hunter Club, building 6015, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Advance tickets are available at the information counters of each club.

The menu includes breakfast items. Also, *brown sugar baked ham, citrus glazed cornish hens, beef burgundy with pearl onions, sweet potato soufflé, fresh green beans almandine, roasted rosemary new bliss potatoes, roasted corn with sweet peppers, peach and cheese crepes, chocolate fountain and Mimosa samples will be served.*

The advance ticket discounted prices are \$2 off for adults and \$1 off for children.

Prices at door are as follows:

Corporal and below \$12.95 for adults, \$6.45 for children ages 5-10, and children under age 5 free.

Sergeant and above and all others \$14.95 for adults, \$7.45 for children ages 5-10, and children under age 5 free. Call Club Stewart at 368-2212 or Hunter Club at 459-7923 for more information.

## "School's Out Hours" posted

The Corkan Family Recreation area will operate during "School's Out Hours" of 1:30 to 8:30 p.m. from April 5 to April 9. Cypress Creek Adventure Golf (weather permitting) will operate 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Cypress Sam's Treehouse from 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. There will be no toddler time hours for these dates. For more information, call 767-4273.

## "The Positive Influence Tour" slated

Education through Entertainment, "The Positive Influence Tour" Show, will make appearances at Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield.

The program was created to engage and educate children through the use of original modern day rock, pop, and R&B music to deliver positive messages like respecting yourself and others, diversity,

health, believing in yourself, taking responsibility, etc. in a fun, interactive relevant way.

The show will be at Hunter School Age Youth Service, building 8805, at 5 p.m., Tuesday.

It will be at the Stewart Youth Center, building 7338, for shows at 1 p.m. and again at 5 p.m. on April 7.

All shows are free, last about 45 minutes, and are designed for children in grades 3-6. They are presented as part of the observance of Month of the Military Child. Everyone is invited to this event. For details, call School Liaison Offices at 315-6586 (Hunter Army Airfield) or 767-6533 (Fort Stewart).

## Listen to Theater of War Readings

Theater of War Productions will present live dramatic reading of scenes from Ajax and Philoctetes, two ancient plays that depict the psychological and physical wounds inflicted by war upon Warriors. The dramatic readings are translated and directed by Bryan Doerries and produced by Phyllis Kaufman.

The readings will be presented at the Woodruff Theater on Fort Stewart, April 6. Times are 9-11 a.m. and 2-4:30 p.m. Admission is free, but seating is limited. Each reading will be followed by an open panel discussion with audience participation focused on pre- and post-deployment issues, according to Chris Dent, Coordinator of DFMWR's Recreational Delivery System. The panel will include Family Members and Soldiers. For more information, call 767-4316.

## The Great MWR Yard Sale

Sellers – particularly those who will set up sales at their homes on-Post at Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield — are encouraged to register for the Great MWR Yard Sale.

The Great MWR Yard Sale will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., April 17 at the Club Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield Credit Union parking lots, as well as on-post housing areas.

All DoD ID cardholders are eligible at a cost of \$5 per space. There is no charge for participants who live in on-post housing. All sellers are required to sign-up at the Sports Office, building 471, 767-8238 (Stewart) or Tominac Fitness Center, building 919, 315-2019 (Hunter Army airfield).

Seller registration closes April 14.

Stewart and Hunter event coordinators emphasized the importance of pre-registration by on-post housing sellers so their sale location can be placed on maps for distribution.

A total of 120 sellers have registered to set up at the Club Stewart parking lot. Another 25 have been placed on a waiting list in the event of seller cancellations. It is anticipated that 30 or more will sell at Hunter Credit Union Parking Lot.

Bargain-hunters will have an extra attraction as well – the NAF Excess Property Sale of televisions, furniture, appliances and equipment at building 1501 on Fort Stewart during the same hours.

Goodwill Industries will be on hand for donations from 2 p.m. until the truck is filled at both parking

lots. Hunter Thrift Shop also will accept donations.

## Sign-Up for 2010 Bass Tournament

Pre-registration will continue until April 7 for the catch and release Stewart-Hunter 2010 "Big Bass" Tournament, scheduled from 7-11 a.m. April 10 at Stewart's Pond 1 (Pineview Lake).

Participants may register up to one hour before event, if slots remain available. Early registration is encouraged because space is limited.

Contestants can fish from the bank or launch their own bass boat. Boats may be launched before the event, but must wait for the horn at safe light to leave the launching area and begin fishing.

Boats must be inspected by tournament personnel prior to launching. The maximum number of anglers permitted in a boat is two.

Participants must have valid Georgia and Stewart-Hunter fishing permits. Prizes will be awarded in youth and adult categories, and an Overall Sportsman prize will be awarded to the active duty winner.

Pre-registration fees are \$10 for ages 15 and under, \$20 for ages 16 and older. Day of Event fees are \$15 and \$30, respectively.

For details, call Stewart Pass and Permit Office at 435-8061.

## Take the Old Town Trolley Paula Deen Tour

Registration continues until April 9 for the Old Town Trolley Paula Deen Tour, scheduled for April 24. The group will depart Stewart Leisure Activities Center, building 443 for Savannah.

Learn the rags-to-riches story of Savannah's Queen of Southern Cuisine, Paula Deen, and her most up-to-date dishes. Trolley tour includes lunch at Uncle Bubba's Oyster House restaurant.

The cost is \$50 for adults and \$30 for children ages 4-12. For more information, call 767-2841.

## Take part in Jordan Youth Activities Day

Jordan Youth Gym, as part of April's Month of the Military Child observance, will have activities from noon to 4 p.m. April 10. There will be music, food and an opportunity to win various prizes.

Enjoy three-point shootout, 3 on 3 competition and a dodge ball tournament for all youth ages 8-18. Outdoor activities open to youth of all ages and Family Members. Children under 11 must be accompanied and closely monitored by an adult. Jordan Youth Gym is in building 608. For details, call 767-1428.

## Wellness Fair scheduled at Newman

Newman Fitness Center will be the site for a free two-hour fitness event titled "Wellness Fair: Mind and Body." The event will be held from 5:30-7:30 p.m., April 12. For more information, call 767-9336.

The fair will include information stations on nutrition, wellness and total fitness. Health and wellness exhibitors from on and off-post will be onsite to complement the event.

# Army Community Service



## Child Abuse, Sexual Assault Awareness

April is Child Abuse and Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield Army Community Service will have various events, activities, and highlights during the entire month of April. A Self Defense Class for women ages 14 and up will take place at Fort Stewart 10 a.m.-2 p.m., April 10. The adult class will be held at Newman Fitness Center and the teen class will be held at the Youth Center. The Hunter Self Defense Class will take place at the Tominac Fitness Center from 6-7 p.m., April 20. The Rape Crisis Center will also present tips on healthy relationships, safety, and assertiveness for parents and teens at Fort Stewart (Southern Oaks Community Center) and Hunter (ACS, building 1286) on April 12 at 5:30 p.m. Please call (Stewart) (912) 767-5058 or (Hunter) (912) 315-6816 to find out more information.

## Free Classes offered at Stewart

**Mondays, 1-3 p.m.:** Resume Writing Workshop (Fort Stewart, ACS, building 87)

**Monday, 6-8 p.m.:** EFMP Meet, Greet, Roll & Bowl (Marne Lanes)

**Tuesday, 9-11 a.m.:** Overseas Briefing: Korea & Germany (Fort Stewart, ACS, building 86)

**Thursday, 10-11:30 a.m.:** Play Morning (Fort Stewart, Bryan Village Youth Center)

**April 5 & 12, 9:30-11 a.m.:** Mine, Yours & Ours-Parenting for Step Families (Fort Stewart, ACS, building 82)

**April 7, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.:** Hearts Apart Support Group (Fort Stewart, ACS, building 86)

**April 7, 2-4 p.m.:** Infant Massage (Fort Stewart, ACS, building 82)

**April 8, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.:** FRG Basic Course (Fort Stewart, ACS, building 87)

**April 8, 2-4 p.m.:** Chasing Toddlers (Fort Stewart, ACS, building 82)

**April 9, 1-3 p.m.:** Job Search Strategies (Fort Stewart, ACS, building 87)

## Free Classes offered at Hunter

**Monday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.:** Check Yourself Before You Wreck Yourself (Hunter, ACS, building 1286)

**Tuesday, 9-11 a.m.:** Resumix Class (Hunter, ACS, building 1286)

**Tuesday, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.:** FRG Treasurer Training (Hunter, ACS, building 1286)

**Tuesday, 10-11:30 a.m.:** Play Morning (Hunter, New Gannam Community Center)

**Tuesday, 2-4 p.m.:** Chasing Toddlers (Hunter, ACS, building 1286)

**April 7, 10-11:30 a.m.:** Car Buying (Hunter, ACS, building 1286)

**April 7, 1-2:30 p.m.:** Overseas Briefing: Korea and Germany (Hunter, ACS, building 1286)

**April 8, 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.:** FRG Basic Course (Hunter, ACS, building 1286)

## ACS Fort Stewart Job Fair slated

Army Community Service (ACS) will host a Job Fair at

Club Stewart on April 14 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. More than 42 local employers from retail, healthcare, education, defense contractors, staffing/employment agencies, and the hospitality field will be in attendance. Are you not sure of how to prepare or where to go for help? Visit your local ACS Employment Readiness Program office to get one-on-one help. Call (912) 767-5058 for more information.

## Buddies needed for Special Olympics

Volunteers (buddies) are needed for the Spring Special Olympics which will take place at the Fort Stewart Quick Track from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., April 16. Special Olympics would not exist today without the time, energy, commitment, and enthusiasm of people like you. This one day event is a great opportunity for you to give a helping hand as a hugger, score sheet runner, and most importantly the audience and cheering section. To find out more about this great volunteer opportunity, call (912) 767-3428 or 912-767-5058.

## Car Buying Workshop slated

Financial Readiness Program will conduct a Car Buying Workshop at Army Community Service (building 86) on April 8 from 9-11 a.m. Buying a car is probably one of the biggest purchases a Soldier and Family make. Unfortunately, many people pay much more than the car is worth, even before interest is added to your loan. Don't get ripped off – let us teach you how to make a wise car purchase that you can afford and that won't eat up your paycheck with repair bills. This class will discuss what you need to know so that you can make wise auto purchasing choices. The right knowledge can save you money and frustration. Call (912) 767-5058 for more information.

## Job vacancies announced

Strategic Resources, Inc. is seeking full-time New Parent Support Program Home Visitors for positions at Fort Stewart, Ga. Employees will work with parents of children prenatal to three years of age, who have been assessed to be at risk for child maltreatment and/or domestic violence.

Requirements: Licensed Clinical Social Worker; Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist; Registered Nurse with a Bachelors Degree; or Licensed Master Social Worker. Candidates must have two years experience in child abuse, maternal and/or child health, mental health/marriage or family therapy. Knowledge of military family lifestyles is preferred. It is not required that you be licensed in the state in which you would work, only that you have a license from a state in the United States. For additional information, please contact Dr. Lori Worley at telephone number (703) 749-3040, fax number (703) 749-3046, or go to Web site address [www.SRI-HQ.com](http://www.SRI-HQ.com).

## Newcomer's welcome packet available

A Welcome Packet is available on the "Team Stewart" Web site. A newcomer's welcome packet provides a wealth of information about the Stewart-Hunter

installation including cost of living, population, child care, schools, youth services, housing, employment, post services, medical services, and much more. To access a welcome packet simply type "Team Stewart" into any search engine, click on the Team Stewart" homepage, under the Newcomers Dropdown List, click on the Welcome Packet, and then select topic of interest. Local maps, telephone directories, and current event calendars are also available at the Ft. Stewart Relocation Readiness Office located at Army Community Service, building 86.

A Newcomers local bus tour is offered every Wednesday and Thursday departing from the Soldier Service Center at 1 p.m. and returning at 2 p.m. Participants will take a free tour of Ft. Stewart and Hinesville.

The Fort Stewart Relocation Office will also start a free Newcomers Route to Savannah Tour which will be held the fourth Friday of each month departing at 9 a.m. and returning 2 p.m. For more information, call 767-5058/5059 at Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter.

## View ACS calendar of classes online

Visit the Team Stewart Web site to view the current ACS calendar of classes. Visit [www.stewart.army.mil](http://www.stewart.army.mil) (from the FAMILY menu, select Army Community Service, and click on the link to view our current calendar). With over 40 classes and workshops available, the online calendar is your one-stop source for complete class listings.

## Need to talk?

Military and Family Life Consultants are available to provide free and confidential support when you are having difficulty coping with issues related to daily life. At Hunter, appointments can be made by calling 655-8327. Appointments at Stewart can be made by calling 432-1033, 492-6428, 432-0013, 536-7854, 432-1798, or 492-6367. If you prefer to meet with a counselor off-post, please call 492-6367 at Stewart or 704-9505 at Hunter to schedule an appointment. Off-post sessions are available at these local community locations: Richmond Hill Library, Glennville Welcome Center, Pembroke Senior Center, and Hinesville National Guard.

## Bring the kids to Play Morning

Parents are invited with their children (ages 0 to 36 mos.) to spend time playing together. Led by an energetic and playful adult from our New Parent Support Program, the play mornings are designed for meeting, sharing, and playing with other military families in a fun, upbeat atmosphere. At Stewart, Play Mornings are held each Thursday at the Bryan Village Youth Center. At Hunter, Play Mornings are held each Tuesday at the New Gannam Community Center.

The fun begins at 10 a.m. at both locations. No pre-registration is required; simply bring your child's immunizations record and register at the door.

# Special Deliveries

Provided by Winn Army Hospital

## February 12

**Brayden Blake Peels**, a boy, 8 pounds, 1 ounce, born to Sgt. Ernest Peels and Pfc. Hollie Greene.

## March 12

**Anthony Aden Benitez**, a boy, 4 pounds, 8 ounces, born to Spc. Yvette Cruz.

## March 15

**Claire Ella Boldt**, a girl, 7 pounds, 10 ounces, born to Adam Haim Boldt and Capt. Sarah Jane Boldt.

**Ryan Grant Busiek**, a boy, 7 pounds, 8 ounces, born to Pfc. Alan G. Busiek and Sgt. Mircala D. Busiek

## March 17

**Brianna Nicole Huggins**, a girl, 8 pounds, 6 ounces, born to Sgt. John Huggins and Shannon Huggins.

## March 18

**Emma Claire Guinn**, a girl, 7 pounds, 2 ounces, born to Sgt. Shannon Guinn and Jessica Guinn.

**Sophia Makaylynn Patterson**, a girl, 8 pounds, 13 ounces, born to Sgt. Shawn Patterson and Shelli Patterson.

## March 19

**Carmelita Justine Goncalves**, a girl, 7 pounds, 6 ounces, born to Capt. Matthew Goncalves and Michelle Goncalves.

**Adrian Luis Morales**, a boy, 7 pounds, 12 ounces, born to Spc. Andy Morales and Dianne Mercedes Morales.

**Chloe Elizabeth Richard**, a girl, 6 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Spc. Ross Richard and Angela Richard.



**Joseph Pendleton**, a boy, 6 pounds, 11 ounces, born to Spc. Joseph E. Pendleton and Chrystal Rose Langley.

**Kaylee Janiel Washington**, a girl, 7 pounds, 6 ounces, born to Spc. Brian K. Washington and Brittany Washington.

## March 20

**June Evelyn Oglesby**, a girl, 8 pounds, 3 ounces, born to Staff Sgt. Kirk Oglesby and Leighann Oglesby.

## March 21

**John Merrill Morris IV**, a boy, 6 pounds 15 ounces, born to Spc. John Merrill Morris III and Samantha Morris.

## March 21

**Camila Amaya Holguin**, a girl, 7 pounds, 13 ounces, born to Pfc. Erick Joseph Holguin and Cynthia Holguin.

## March 23

**Kaidan Xander Abraham-Neal**, a boy, 5 pounds, 4 ounces, born to Spc. Joseph Lee Neal and Pfc. Lucia Guadalupe Abraham.

**Richard Matthew Owens**, a boy, 7 pounds, 3 ounces, born to Ronnie Owens and Sgt. Shanna Owens.

**Emma Faith Teasley**, a girl, 8 pounds, 9 ounces, born to Pvt. Monty Jay Teasley and Staci Lynne Teasley.

## March 25

**Amanda Libertad Semiramis**, a girl, 8 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Sgt. Christopher Semiramis and Guadalupe Semiramis.

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In the fall, however, units that deployed last fall will start returning and welcome home ceremonies will run through July 2011, when the 4th is expected to return.

That is when Brig. Gen. Phillips expects the area to notice the change in deployment routines the most because, besides having the current troop strength home more, the post is likely to see a 1,000 troop increase. Growth will continue on post, he said.

"What we see here is a very robust construction budget," which the general compared to what is being spent at the massive Fort Hood in Texas.

## VOWS— from Page 1B



Capt. Kurt Van Slooten

**Capt. Alexander Herren and his wife Rosa exchange roses during rose ceremony.**

Captain Herren just returned from his third trip overseas where he deployed in support of both Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, and recently, he finished a short mission in Iraq as an embedded trainer with the 278th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Tennessee National Guard. The 188th Infantry Brigade provided mobilization training support to the 278th ACR prior to their deployment from Camp Shelby

Joint Forces Training Center, Miss.

The 188th Infantry Brigade, along with the other training support brigades in First Army Division East, provides and facilitates theater-focused training for deploying National Guard and Reserve formations. Based out of Fort Stewart, the 188th has been training deploying National Guard and Reserve units for Iraq deployments continuously since 2003.