

# Stewart/Hunter Lifestyle

## McBrayer earns Commander's Award for Public Service

Pat Young  
Managing Editor

Maj. Gen. Rick Lynch, prior to turning over command of the 3rd Infantry Division, July 12, presented the Commander's Award for Public Service for one individual's work with the Fort Stewart Museum and The Frontline Newspaper.

McBrayer, a volunteer correspondent to the newspaper, publishing more than 100 articles, which led to two standing-heads for the paper: Moments in Marne History and Arts and Entertainment. She is a graduate of Armstrong Atlantic State University and was the editor of the college newspaper, The Ink Well, while there.

The majority of her work at Fort Stewart was chronicling the legacy of the 3rd Infantry Division. The other aspect of her contributions supported quality of life initiatives for the community and ranged from book reviews to movie critiques.

McBrayer's dedication led her to two nominations for the coveted Department of the Army

Keith L. Ware journalism nominations, but she didn't do it for glory.

"My father was a Soldier with the 3rd Infantry Division," McBrayer said at the awards presentation. "I wanted to do something for the Soldiers and Family members. It was a way of my saying thanks to them for everything they do for us."

McBrayer continued her support to the Marne Division, even when her contract at the Museum ran out, and she found herself unemployed. Her dedication and resolve continues. See articles on pages 2A and 5B weekly.

Lynch said McBrayer's performance reminded him of messages found in one of his favorite books, Living the Life that God Rewards, which revolved around doing the right things for the right reasons. He noted McBrayer truly cared about the Soldiers and Families of the 3rd Inf. Div., and it was evident in her work.

Following the presentation, McBrayer's mother, Gladys Batista, said she was proud of her daughter, and noted she's always been a giving and generous person.

In addition to McBrayer's award, Lynch also took the opportunity to tour the museum with Lt. Col. Joey Hamilton, 1st Battalion, 41st Field Artillery who assumed responsibility for the historical site. Lynch also gave museum curator, Buck Meeks, a 1919 edition of Watch on the Rhine, a historical document provided by the Marne Society.

The afternoon's events ended as Jim Williams, member of the Masonic Lodge, President of the Scottish Rite and retired Vietnam Veteran, presented Lynch with a copy of the 1941 Camp Stewart dinner menu, documenting people, places and events of the historic training center, which would become Home of the 3rd Infantry Division.



Maj. Gen. Rick Lynch, prior to turning over command of the 3rd Inf. Div., July 12, presented Sasha McBrayer the Commander's Award for Public Service for her work with the Fort Stewart Museum and The Frontline Newspaper.



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Third Inf. Div. Commander, Maj. Gen. Rick Lynch is presented a copy of a historic document by Jim Williams, member of the Masonic Lodge, president of the Scottish Rite and retired Vietnam veteran, July 12.

## 73rd Army National Guard Virgin Island band rocks Bradwell Park

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Downtown Hinesville was rejuvenated at Bradwell Park July 10 with the sounds of island music, courtesy of the 73rd Army National Guard Band from the U.S. Virgin Islands. Citizens of Hinesville and employees from Fort Stewart came out for food and fun at the Hinesville Arts Council sponsored event.

The attendees danced to the electrifying rhythms of the calypso combo band and relaxed to the soothing sounds from the drums of the steel ensemble and the mellow sounds of the jazz ensemble.

"We provide music for other Soldiers and the public, and it is joy to make people happy," said flute player, Sgt. Valrica Bryson.

Each year, this 32-member band practices once a month and takes a two week tour. They have traveled to numerous locations across the United States as well as destinations abroad in Africa, Europe and the Bahamas. This year the 73rd

Army Band voyaged to Fort Stewart and Hinesville to make several performances, including a 4th of July performance at Donovan Field.

Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield Garrison Commander, Col. Todd Buchs rewarded each member with a Commander's Coin because he said the band's performances were so inspirational at Fort Stewart and surrounding areas.

Chief Warrant Officer Juan Harrigan has been the band's director since 1999 and started as a member of the band back in 1976 as a trumpet player.

"Although it is very hot here, Fort Stewart and other surrounding areas have treated us well with hospitality," he said.

Harrigan spoke proudly about what an honor it is for the band to share its God-given gift, saying music is God's gift to humanity.

When asked what his most memorable experience was, he said, "Playing for the senior citizens of Hinesville and seeing them dance was the highlight of this trip."



Randy Murray

The 73rd Army National Guard Band from the U.S. Virgin Islands performed for the Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield Soldier-Family Appreciation celebration, July 4 and for the Hinesville Arts Council's lunch time special, July 10 at Bradwell Park.

## Humble beginnings evoke a giving spirit for Hunter volunteer

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Public Affairs Specialist

From humble beginnings to helpful bliss, family member, New Gannem community mayor and avid volunteer, Marcia Steele proves that you don't have to give big to give back. Steele's grandparents, whose first mode of transportation was a horse and buggy introduced her to the volunteer effort.



Kaytrina Curtis

Marcia Steele, New Gannem community mayor, commits her life to volunteering.

"A lady lived down the street and she had five children," said Steele, a native of Minter Ala. "All of the children were mentally challenged and she was a single parent."

Steele recalls working with her grandmother to clean the woman's house. Together, they provided food and clothing, and even helped the children with homework among other issues.

Beyond childhood, Steele has continued her efforts. While stationed in Germany, she and her husband, a Soldier assigned to the 603rd Aviation Support Battalion at Hunter, developed the custom of inviting single Soldiers or inconvenienced Families to their home during the holiday season. Steele also became a babysitter and hairdresser.

"Some of the high-school seniors who were going to prom didn't have access to a hairdresser. I would go and set up in the beauty shop and do the girls' hair for the prom free of charge," she said.

Even debilitating disease has not stopped Steele. In fact, it is an added incentive for her to carry on with her worthy work.

"In 1995, I went in the hospital for a routine surgical procedure and ended up having a pulmonary embolism. I was diagnosed with degenerative disk disease and also chronic asthma," Steele said. "After being in a coma on a respirator for 15 days, I had a new sense of being.

I felt like God gave me my life back so I can always help someone else's life be better."

She is living up to her mission every day, volunteering wherever there is a need, be it at Tuttle Army Health Clinic in the Patient Family Care Clinic, in her Family Readiness Group, serving as vice president of the Hunter Spouses Club or simply helping military spouses and their children cope with the struggles of daily life. She has acknowledged the influence that small gifts can have on a deployed Soldier's spirit.

"Every two months I mailed over \$200 worth of baked goods to troops in Iraq," said Steele.

"They were homemade squares, brownies, and pound cakes that I made and individually wrapped."

Although she has retired from her secular job, Steele still leads a very busy life. She generally gets up and out on a daily basis, volunteering not only on Hunter Army Airfield, but also through her church with a program called Seniors in Action.

"I am their driver," she said. "They stay on the move; we organize day trips and take them on our church bus."

She sings with the choir and contributed to Hurricane Katrina relief efforts. Steele also volunteers with the Special Olympics. She said that is always willing, ready, and able to aid anybody.

Steele has personally recruited her husband for the volunteer effort. Smiling, she discusses her husband's first opinions of her.

"He thought I was crazy," Steele said. "When we were stationed in Fort Rucker, I would take the food, cook it, and then go feed people.

He'd ask, 'What happened to our food? What are we supposed to eat for dinner?' But I told him that he is never lacking. He's kind of joined the party and he's starting to give too."

Her endeavors are helpful, but Steele has not done this alone. Steele said, "I've made lifelong friends through volunteering."

Other spouses took her under their wings when she arrived at Hunter from Germany. At the time, she didn't know anyone in Savannah. "You could call them, talk to them about anything," she said. "Friendship is so important."

Even now she receives support from the garrison staff, who helps her work through the military community to get local events off the ground and to let Families know someone is there for them.

"I'd like to thank them (Lt. Col. Dan Whitney and Command Sgt. Maj. David Sampleton) because this is the first time we have been on a post where we work hand in hand with the garrison," Steele said. "It lets the community know that they are accessible and are here for us."

Steele went on to say it's that kind of support, which motivates her to continue her quest.

Steele said she does not volunteer for the accolades. The only thing that she asks back from the community is for more volunteers.

"It does not matter how many hours you can put in; it takes commitment," Steele said, adding that she appreciates any help other volunteers can give to worthy causes, no matter how much or how little.

"I just believe everyone has something to give," she said.

# MWR Briefs

## Learn to Scuba

Come to the open water Scuba certification classes at Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield. Classes are open to active duty, National Guard, Reserve, Family members, retirees, DoD civilians, and contract employees.

Participants must be at least 16 years of age. For more information, including a class schedule, cost, medical requirements and more, call 767-9336 (Stewart) or 315-2019 (Hunter).

## Play golf after work

Attention all military, DoD civilians, contractors and non-DoD civilians! Come to Happy Hour at Taylors Creek Golf Course and Hunter Golf Club!

Both courses will offer special twilight rates starting at 3 p.m., Monday - Friday. For more info and special rates call 767-2370 (Stewart) or 315-9115 (Hunter).

## Get a free, healthy lunch

Dependent youth ages 18 and under are eligible to eat a free lunch from now until July 25, courtesy of Department of Defense Education School System on-post schools at Bryan Village Youth Center, Southern Oaks Community Center, Diamond Elementary School, Corkan Family Recreation Center and Jordan Youth Gym. Lunch time from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call 408-3088.

## Enjoy Toddler Time at Cypress Sam's

Cyperss Sam's Treehouse has changed their Toddler Time hours to 10 a.m. to noon each Monday and Tuesday. This time change will allow all small customers (ages 0-5) a safe and quiet environment to play! The new hours will be in effect from now until August 1. Don't forget that

socks are required to play! We'll see you there! For more information, call 767-6708.

## Come to Marne Call

Friends and co-workers are invited to Marne Call every Friday afternoon at Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield clubs. Come and enjoy food, karaoke, card games and more in a fun and relaxed environment. Fort Stewart Marne Call is 5 to 10 p.m., at Rocket's Lounge. Hunter's Marne Call is 4 to 7 p.m. at Hunter Club. For more information, call 368-2212.

## Smart car care available

Visit Hunter Army Airfield Auto Crafts every Friday from 6 to 7 p.m. to learn basic do it yourself automotive techniques and safety tips. The class is free! For more information, call 315-6244.

## Join Chicago Style Steppin' Class

Visit the Tominac Fitness Center, July 20 and 27, and August 3 from 3 to 5 p.m. for Chicago Style Steppin' dance lessons! Participants will learn all aspects of this popular dance style that has become one of the most popular dances in America today!

Steppin' is a dance that consists of two or more people dancing as partners in synchronization to a 6 or 8 count beat to music such as Jazz, Soul, Funk, or R&B. Beginner and intermediate lessons will be offered at each class. You won't want to miss this exciting new class! For more information call 315-2019.

## Carowinds Amusement Park trip slated

Youth will depart the Stewart Youth Center at 6 a.m.,

July 23 for Carowinds Amusement Park located in Rock Hill, S.C. The trip is open to middle and high school teen members grades 6-12.

The cost is \$29.99 for park admission and transportation is free. For more information call 767-4491.

## Come to weight training, fitness orientation

Visit the Tominac Fitness Center from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., July 23. This bi-monthly class helps familiarize newcomers with fitness and exercise basics, plus orientation of equipment. Plan to attend and get fit! For more information, call 315-2019.

## Hunter golf scramble slated

The Scramble kicks off at 8 a.m., Friday with a shotgun start at the Hunter Golf Club, building 8205. Entry fee is \$35 members and \$40 non-members (includes tournament fee, golf car, driving range balls, and two mulligans. Open to first 25, four-person teams only. Participation open to all players.

Call 315-9115 or email [Tommie.mcarthuratus.army.mil](mailto:Tommie.mcarthuratus.army.mil).

## Atlanta Stone Mountain trip slated

Registration deadline extended to July 18 for the July 25-27 trip, departing mid-morning from Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield Leisure Activities Centers for Atlanta, Ga. Cost is \$250 (up to 4 people) and includes bus trip, 2-night hotel stay and two Stone Mountain tickets.

Additional attractions include Medieval Times, Georgia Aquarium, and Atlanta Underground. Additional Stone Mountain tickets may be purchased at the Leisure Travel Center. For more information, call 767-2841 at Stewart FS or 315-3674 at Hunter.

# Find a deal at the Shop of the Marne

Come to the Shop of the Marne for the Christmas in July Sale, July 26 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Drink some cider and munch some cookies while you browse the new items and crafts that the Shop has to offer. Start working on your holiday list now. If you miss the sale, stop by Shop of the Marne on Tuesday or Thursday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. or the first Saturday of the month. The Shop is located in building 25 off McNeely Road behind the Post Exchange. Come park in our newly created parking lot right in front of the Shop!

## AAFES PRESENTS

TODAY THROUGH JULY 20

### Iron Man

Today — 7 p.m.

(Robert Downey Jr., Terrence Howard)

Tony Stark is a billionaire industrialist and genius inventor who is kidnapped and forced to build a devastating weapon. Instead, using his intelligence and ingenuity, Tony builds a high-tech suit of armor and escapes captivity. When he uncovers a nefarious plot with global implications, he dons his powerful armor and vows to protect the world as Iron Man. *Rated PG13 (intense sci-fi action/violence, suggestive content) 129 min*

### You Don't Mess With the Zohan

Friday, Saturday — 7 p.m.

(Adam Sandler, Rob Schneider)

Zohan, an Israeli commando, fakes his own death in order to pursue his dream: becoming a hairstylist in New York. *Rated PG-13 (crude/sexual, language, nudity) 113 min*

### The Happening

Sunday — 7 p.m.

(Mark Wahlberg, Zooey Deschanel)

A Family is on the run from an inexplicable and unstoppable event that threatens humankind, prompting the most basic human instinct of them all: survival. For a high school science teacher Elliot Moore what mat-

ters most is finding a way to escape the mysterious and deadly phenomenon. Yet it soon becomes clear that nowhere is safe. *Rated R (violent/disturbing images) 90 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.

## Pets of the Week



Buttons the kitten and Droopy the dog are some of the many homeless pets at the Fort Stewart animal shelter. The shelter 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.

# HEALTH MATTERS

## Winn Army Community Hospital

### Women's health center relocating

Ann Erickson  
MEDDAC Public Affairs

Winn Army Community Hospital's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology recognizes the need for improvement and that's why you will soon see the renovation of the women's center.

In preparation for the renovations, only the Women's Wellness Center and OB/GYN Clinic team will be relocating to a transition building at 1220 Niles Ave, building CT004, behind Winn's Emergency Department. This new location is for all Obstetrics and Gynecology appointments, ultrasounds and non-stress tests and Acute Care visits. The clinic will be closed for the move July 18-21. All appointments will resume July 22 in the new transition building. Labor and Delivery and the Mother Baby Unit will still remain on the 4th floor of Winn.

"Women have been asking for one-stop shopping, and the renovation of the new Women's Wellness Center is a major step in this direction," said Lt. Col. Rita Chesney, chief of the Women's Wellness Center. "With both primary and specialty care to be provided under one roof, we can achieve greater-than-ever coordination and communication between care providers."

The department is looking into many avenues to improve the service of the

center and patient satisfaction. The goal with the renovation is to streamline the patient visit while maintaining a high level of care.

"We want to promote women's understanding of how to make better lifestyle and treatment choices across their entire lifespan, and we'll continue to support them in forming active partnerships with their health care providers," said Chesney.

According to officials, construction on the 4th floor will be in stages and begin in August 2008. It is estimated to last about two years for the entire renovation project. The end result will be a state-of-the-art facility for all women's health care needs. The hospital has been renovating various departments, which has added to the congestion as certain areas are shut down for months at a time.

We understand that construction and changes are inconvenient, however we see the future of women's health care here at Winn improving and we ask for your patience and understanding as we upgrade the facility to better meet your needs. Please note that the transition building is smaller than what you are accustomed to and we ask that you plan accordingly when thinking about bringing other children to appointments. Waiting rooms space is very limited.

For more information, please call 435-6633.

### Winn Briefs

#### Canceling your appointment

If you need to cancel your medical appointment, call the cancellation line at 435-6633 or 1-800-652-9221. Follow the prompts to cancel your appointment. This will create more open appointments and decrease the length of time it takes to get an appointment. Thank you for helping us by helping you with your access to care.

#### OB/GYN Clinic moving

In preparation to serve you better, Winn Army Community Hospital's Women's Wellness Center and OB/GYN Clinic will be relocating to a transition building at 1220 Niles Ave, building CT004, behind Winn's Emergency Department. The center and clinic will be closed in the afternoon on Friday and all day July 21. It will reopen July 22 at the new location on Niles Ave. This new location is for all OB/GYN Clinic appointments and Women's Wellness Center appointments, ultrasound and the Acute Care Clinic. This relocation will allow for renovation of the old clinic and center. For more information, please call 435-6633.

#### Get school health screenings

Children ages four and older entering Georgia's School system for the first time must have the Georgia Certificate of Eye, Ear and Dental Screening form and the Georgia Certificate of Immunization completed. Winn Army Community Hospital and Tuttle Army Health Clinic want to help you get a head start on preparing for the next school year. Winn's mass school health screening will be by appointment only, Saturday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will include hearing tests, vision tests, dental exams and immunizations administration.

Sports physicals are also available by appointment only. Tuttle's mass school health screening will be by appointment only, Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon and will include hearing tests, vision tests, dental exams and immunizations administration. Sports physicals are also available by appointment only. The screenings are by appointment only. To schedule an appointment at Winn or Tuttle, call 435-6633 or 1-800-652-9221. Please bring

ID card and child's shot records.

#### Get prescriptions via mail

The TRICARE mail-order pharmacy offers beneficiaries up to a 90-day supply of medication through the mail, for a co-pay of \$3 for generic and \$9 for name brand drugs on the formulary; non-formulary drugs are \$22. You may order online at [www.express-scripts.com](http://www.express-scripts.com), by phone at 1-866-363-8667 or by fax at 1-877-895-1900.

#### Behavioral Health hours change

Effective immediately, the Fort Stewart Behavioral Health Clinic for active-duty Soldiers new walk-in hours are 8 to 10:30 a.m., Monday through Friday. The clinic is located at 1083 Worcester Ave., building 9242, Fort Stewart. For more information, call 767-1647 or 767-1654.

#### Behavioral Health for Family

Behavioral Health services for Family members are available at either Value-Options TRICARE at 1-877-298-3514 or Military OneSource at 1-800-342-9647. Retirees requesting service may call Value-Options TRICARE at 1-800-700-8646.

#### Health screenings available

If you can't make it to the Mass School Health Screening in July, Winn Army Community Hospital offers health screenings at the following times: Dental screenings are available Monday to Thursday from 3 to 4 p.m. and Friday from 2 to 3 p.m. on a walk-in basis at Dental Clinic 1, Fort Stewart. For more information, call 767-8513. Immunization screenings are available on a walk-in basis Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 8 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m., Thursday from 1-3 p.m. For more information, call Winn's Allergy and Immunization Clinic at 435-6633. Please bring child's shot records. Eye and ear services are available by appointment only. To schedule an eye and ear screening, call the appointment line, 435-6633. Sports physicals are by appointment only in the Family Practice and Pediatrics Clinics.

To schedule a sports physical, call 435-6633.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Provided by Winn Army Community Hospital

July 1

• **William Patrick Briner**, a boy, 8 pounds, born to Sgt. Jeffrey W. Briner and Cassandra

E. Briner.

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# Faith of a child, never to out grow



CHAPLAIN'S  
CORNER

**Chap. (Capt.) Scott Dennis**  
4/3 BSTB

On a warm Saturday afternoon a father is playing with his son in the backyard. He lifts the boy high over his head and the boy smiles. He tosses him into the air, arms outstretched as if he was flying then catches him only to hear the words, "Do it again, Daddy." The look on the boy's face is one of pure energy and fun. There is no worry about falling, no examining the potential consequences, no concern for what could go wrong: the boy has faith in his father.

Faith is a funny thing. We start out life with a built in faith of people and things. Then somewhere between childhood and adult-

hood we tend to lose this faith to the realities of life. We call it growing up, responsibility, life lessons, or something else. Our experience tells us that things don't always work out the way we might hope. Childhood pets die, friends turn their backs, Families choose to break apart, trouble comes our way and we cannot escape it, but is this all there is? Should we simply let go of our faith in the face of crisis? No. In fact, this is the only time that faith can exist. This is the time that faith was intended for.

For me, the definition of faith is found in Scripture, "Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see." (Hebrews 11:1, NIV) This is not a blind faith as some may call it. I

am well aware of troubles that occur in this world. My faith is not placed in the hope that everything will be right and fair and easy. My faith is placed in my God who holds all things in his hands... even during times when evil people choose to do evil things that cause hurt. It is not when all is well that my faith gets exercised. There is no need for faith or hope when life is good. It is the very moment when life becomes difficult that faith does its work.

I choose to exercise my faith in believing that God knows more than me, that I must trust him especially when I can't make sense of life in this world.

So how is your faith? During difficult times of deployment, Family struggles, financial strain,

and numerous other challenges, are you able to stand on the solid ground of faith? Sometimes our faith may not be as strong as it once was or as strong as we need it to be. If you lack the faith that you once had and aren't sure of how to regain that hope for the future, let me encourage you to attend one of the many chapel services on post. You will learn how to exercise a faith that can hold you up no matter what troubles may come your way...a faith that allows you to walk through the challenges of life knowing that your father stands ready to catch you when you fall.

Don't let the struggles of life rob you of the ability to fly above the chaos. This type of faith we were never meant to outgrow.

## Chapel Schedule

### Fort Stewart

Catholic	Location	Time
Saturday Vigil Mass	Main Post Chapel	.5 p.m.
Sunday Mass	Main Post Chapel	.9 a.m.
<b>Protestant</b>		
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 (K to 6th grade)	Across from Dia. Elem.	.11 a.m.
PWOC (Wednesday)	Marne	.9:30 a.m.
<b>Islamic</b>		
Friday Jum'ah	Marne	.1:30 p.m.
Contact Yahya Hassan at 876-5546.		
<b>Jewish</b>		
Contact Sgt. 1st Class. Crowther at 980-9295.		
Friday	Marne	.11:30 a.m.

### Hunter Army Airfield

Catholic		
Sunday Mass	Chapel	.11 a.m.
<b>Protestant</b>		
Sunday Service	Chapel	.9 a.m.

### Religious Education Contacts

Stewart and Hunter, Director of RE, Mike Iliff, call 767-9789.  
Stewart Catholic RE coordinator, Beth Novak, call 767-6825.  
Hunter Catholic RE coordinator, Pamela Perez, call 315-5440.

## Kids Church

### Where God rocks

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

For all kids Grade K-5

Fort Stewart bus pick-up

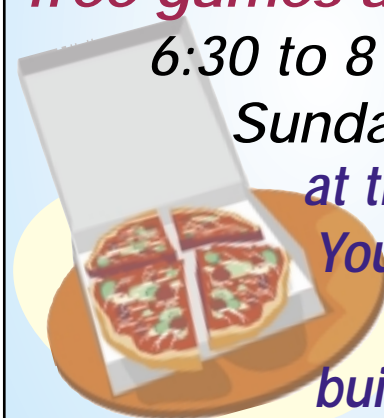
- 10:15 a.m. - Liberty and Hendrich, Liberty and Sicily, Liberty and Anzio, Liberty and Rome
- 10:20 a.m. - Jasmine and Skyland Spruce, Jasmine and Liberty Wood, Wild Fern and Golden Birch
- 10:30 a.m. - Schofield and Sansidro, Schofield and Hollandia, Rogers and Argyle
- 10:40 a.m. - Naktong and New Guinea, Ormoc and New Guinea
- 10:50 a.m. - Marne Chapel
- 10:55 a.m. - Main Post Chapel

For more information, email  
[fortstewartkidschurch@yahoo.com](mailto:fortstewartkidschurch@yahoo.com)

## Fort Stewart Chapel Youth Ministry

Junior and Senior  
High School Students!

Join us for  
free games and pizza  
6:30 to 8 p.m.



Sunday  
at the Stewart  
Youth Activity  
Center,  
building 7338.

For more information,  
call 877-7207

# Coastal Happenings

Courtesy of the Coastal Courier

## Human Resource Management meeting held

Coastal Society of Human Resource Management meets on the fourth Thursday of every month. If you are a human resource professional and would like to attend a meeting or receive more information, contact Holly Stevens-Brown, chapter president at 876-3564.

## DAU offers learning opportunities

The Defense Acquisition University Continuous Learning Center offers continuous learning opportunities designed to maintain currency and help AT&L employees meet the DoD requirement to complete 80 points of continuous learning every two years. The center includes nearly 200 self-paced continuous learning modules that address topics important to the community. DAU would like to introduce Continuous Learning Modules online classes. Learn more at [cl.dau.mil](http://cl.dau.mil).

## Take time to relax, go fishing

The Liberty County Bass Club is looking for community members who enjoy fishing. The club is a diverse group of experience anglers who know where the good fishing spots are or want to know. The LCBC meets at Hinesville City Hall the first Thursday of the month. Activities include participation in the Georgia Top Six Tournament each year, and host frequent local tournaments. For more information, call 320-2315.

## Enjoy summer activities in Statesboro

Splash in the Boro is now open. The Raptor Center at Georgia Southern has opened their new wetlands wildlife exhibit and the museum has a new adventure maze that will challenge you to explore Georgia's different habitats. Wind down in the evenings at Meinhardt Vineyards and Winery and get a taste of their new wine, Mill Creek!

## Live Oak Public Libraries' programs

Live Oak Public Libraries Programs at the Liberty Branch Library and Midway-Riceboro Branch Library includes: **Preschool Story time** Join us for stories, songs, and more each Monday, 10:30 a.m. at the Liberty Branch Library. The event is for children three to four years-old. **Tree Tots Storytime** Join us for stories, songs, and more, 10:30 a.m., each Tuesday at the Liberty Branch Library. The event is for ages one to two years old.

## Sign up for Jiu-Jitsu

USA Jiu-Jitsu announced the date for the Military District of Washington Military Jiu-Jitsu Open Tournament. The no cost submission grappling event will be held Aug. 2 at Specker Field House, Fort Belvoir, Va. The event is open to all belts and weight classes. For additional details and to register for the free event, visit the USA Jiu-Jitsu website at [www.usajj.com](http://www.usajj.com).

## Learn about the Police Academy

The Hinesville Police invites community members to get acquainted with its Citizen's Police Academy. The 22-hour course covers the goals, objectives, organizational structure and general operating procedures of the Police Department.

The academy is designed to promote good will, mutual understanding and encourage community support of common goals and objectives. The academy culminates in a two-hour ride-a-long session with HPD.

Applications can be picked up at Hinesville Police Department. The next class is Aug. 5. For more information, call 767-8211.

## Mama Turn the Radio On comes to stage

Donald Lovette and Love-it-productions presents the play, 'Mama Turn the Radio On,' 6 p.m., Aug. 15 at Brewton-Parker College Auditorium. Tickets for red carpet night are \$20; the community showcase is 7 p.m., Aug. 16 for \$10. In addition, the show will be presented 5 p.m., Aug. 17 for \$10 at the Full Gospel Tabernacle Church at 809 Frank Cochran Drive for the grand finale. For questions, please call 977-3293.

## Come to Liberty Fest 2008

Come to Hinesville and Sunbury's Liberty Fest 2008 Friday and Saturday. Events include a fishing tournament, car show, street dance, kids crabbing, kayak races, historical reenactments, arts and crafts, children-rides, and more.

There will be live music by "The River," and performances by Disc Connected K9s World Famous Frisbee Dog Show and the Awalim Belly Dance Troupe of Atlanta.

Friday night is free in Downtown Hinesville. Saturday events at the coast in Sunbury are \$5 before 5 p.m. and \$10 afterward. For more information, call 368-4445.

## Healing Hearts support group meets

VistaCare Hospice invites the public to Grief Support meetings at the VistaCare offices 2 p.m., July 21; 6 p.m., July 22; and 10 a.m., July 23.

All of these meetings are free and open to the public. Anyone dealing with issues of loss or grief of any kind is invited to attend. Reservations are required. For more information, directions, or to reserve a spot, call VistaCare 330-9788, ext. 2251.

Fifty Tips for Those Who Mourn - a workshop giving practical information and advice for dealing with issues of grief and loss, will be presented at the offices of VistaCare Hospice 2 p.m., July 29.

This workshop is free and open to the public. Everyone dealing with issues of grief and loss is invited to attend. Reservations are required, though. For more information, directions, or to RSVP, please call VistaCare at 330-9788, ext. 2251.

## Enjoy Celtic Rock and Folk music

Skidaway State Park is hosting a Celtic rock and folk music concert 8 to 9:30 p.m., July 25. Tickets are at the park entrance and are \$5 each. Questions can be directed to 598- 2301 or email at [Jimitria\\_Lewis@dnr.state.ga.us](mailto:Jimitria_Lewis@dnr.state.ga.us).

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Be sure to open the tab "Academics" to review the specific courses available to the ACC. If you've already completed the courses or received credit, this information may not apply. However, if you have any further questions please don't hesitate to go to the Web site.

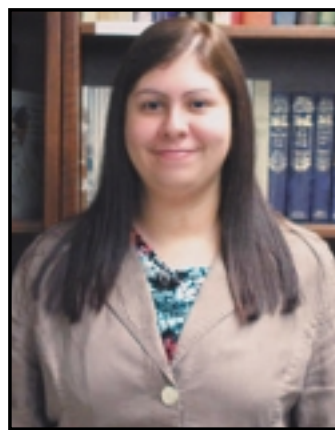
# AE Pixar's latest movie Wall-E reviewed

Commentary by:  
Sasha McBrayer  
Fort Stewart Museum

Pixar's newest feature length cartoon "Wall-e" is a stunning piece of cinematic history. At its simplest, it is a love story. When you really begin to peel back its many layers, however, you start to see that the film is not just cute and romantic, and certainly not just a bit of science fiction, either. This 'satire' has big things to say about the future of mankind in a time when everyone and their dog are beginning to focus on becoming 'green.' This computer-generated cartoon won't just sell a gazillion toys this year, it might also be the first animated film to be nominated for the Oscar for Best Film. (Remember, cartoons and musicals have their own category.) So, members of the Academy might just have to decide in 2009 if "Wall-e" is on par with past winners like "Crash", "The Departed," and this year's "No Country for Old Men."

For me, the best parts of "Wall-e" are the most obvious bits. Wall-e himself is quite frankly, adorable. If you popped R2-D2 in a magical blender along with Eeyore, you might get this thoughtful, loyal, romantic little robot. He is so lonely and so kind that even a cockroach is capable of capturing his little mechanical heart. When Wall-e meets the love of his life and never gives up on her, there wasn't a dry eye in the theatre!

The science fiction bits are equally enjoyable. Filmmakers take us a step past the dark and smoke-filled cityscapes of "Blade Runner" to the Earth that might have happened a few years after; a sunny, storm prone planet where nothing can live, which is full of nothing...but trash. You'll hear it everywhere that "Wall-e" has Kubric-esque parts as well as sequences Spielberg could have engi-



neered. It's the truth.

It is the part of the movie the youngsters won't fully be able to comprehend that has critics calling it a dark wake up call. You see, when Wall-e is reunited with the humans who abandoned Earth because it was so messy, he finds fat, colorful blobs who haven't had to stand up in 700 generations. The people live on a never-ending cruise in space, allow robots to do every single thing for them, and have forgotten that Earth desperately needs them.

This look at what humanity might become is so shocking that Daniel Engber of Slate Magazine contends in his article entitled "Fate" that the film wrongfully associates eco-unfriendliness to obesity. He argues that "Wall-e" is hurtful to overweight viewers and suggests

they are as dimwitted as the folks in the movie. While fun is poked at the oversized people in "Wall-e" I feel a scientific aspect of life in space was overlooked in Engber's article.

Astronauts who are in space for extended periods often suffer from bone loss due to the lack of the gravitational pull and weight putting stress on their bodies. One might speculate that after 700 generations of living in space, bone density would radically disappear among the population. I personally find that "Wall-e" isn't making a direct correlation between "obesity and environmental collapse" as the Engber article suggests. I find that storytellers were warning more about consumer crazy lives overwhelmed by technology. The humans in Pixar's newest world, after all, didn't gain weight until after they abandoned the planet and in the end, not even the extra pounds and muscle atrophy stop them from becoming heroes. Though children may not understand the gravity of "Wall-e," it is a top-notch film.

# E-Stork helps new moms share joy with deployed spouse

Special to the Frontline

What might one of the hardest things about being a military wife be?

How about the husband is deployed, can't make it home for the birth of the baby and is going to miss the first few weeks, months, or even year of his new child's life?

Army Maj. (Dr.) Timothy Judge and his wife Nicole moved to Richmond Hill about a year ago when he was stationed at Fort Stewart. He left for his first deployment six months ago and has been in Afghanistan.

"There are so many times during the day when Wyatt does something really cool - a little smile; seeing his dimples - and I don't have the camera right there," Nicole Judge said. "And I just wish I could share that moment with my husband. He's missing all this early stuff in Wyatt's life. I've been taking pictures and video like crazy, but my amateur photography skills don't always capture it."

Judge called Rowe Photographers because she wanted some professional-quality pictures to send overseas.

"Wyatt was just eight days old," Judge said.

Judge got a nice surprise when she was told the photo shoot would be free, because she qualified for something called E-Stork.

Rowe Photographers co-owner Shirley Rowe started the E-Stork program specifically for military wives whose husbands are deployed. She said the idea came to her after she overheard a conversation in a local restaurant.

"The man was obviously military and he and his wife had a brand new baby. The woman was telling her friend how very, very fortunate she was that her husband could coordinate his leave time with the birth of their baby," Rowe said. "So many soldiers can't. And that just made me so sad."

Judge described E-Stork as amazing and fabulous.

"Even more than the program, Shirley and (her husband) Kelly were so nice and professional - and I got great pictures out of it," she said, noting her husband was very pleased to see the photos just days after their son was born.

Rowe said her and her husband both know how difficult deployment can be.

"Our fathers served in World War II and my brother fought Vietnam, so we know what that impact is like for a Family," she said. "It made me so upset to think about these new fathers not being able to share the birth of their baby with their Family."

Rowe started the E-Stork program about four months ago, providing new military moms with a free standard newborn photo shoot within the first month of the baby's birth. Normally, she said they offer military customers a 20 percent discount.

In the future, Rowe said she'd like to license and register the program to raise awareness across the country.

"I'm not sure if other photographers are doing this anywhere else, but I'm sure they'd love to," she said. "These women sacrifice a part of their Family to help serve our



Courtesy photo

A newborn baby is a handful of pure joy. E-Stork, a special offer by Rowe Photographers allows new moms with deployed spouses share professional photos of their newborn with their fathers deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan.

country. This is our way of saying 'thank you.' They deserve it and I have a great respect for them - plus, I love to photograph babies."

Maj. Judge is slated to return home mid-July and Nicole said they hope to have him home for about a year before his next deployment.

To find out more about E-Stork or to make an appointment, call Rowe Photographers at 756-6161.

# Army Community Service



Welcome to the Army Community Service Family Page. Our mission is to provide services to support readiness of Soldiers, their Families, and communities to promote self-reliance, resiliency, and stability. We offer training classes, support groups, and Family advocacy programs. Services are offered to active, retired, Reserve, and National Guard Soldiers and their Family members, regardless of branch of service. Department of Defense civilian employees (NAF and APF) are also eligible for most services, as are their Family members. ACS is a member of the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Family, proudly serving America's military.

For information or to register for programs at Fort Stewart, please call 767-5058/5059. For information and registration at Hunter Army Airfield, please call 315-6816.

## Special celebration for new Families

Are you new to the community? Bring the Family to a special Family Orientation at Fort Stewart, July 22. Join us as we celebrate the 43rd birthday of Army Community Service with birthday cake, and you'll have the opportunity to learn about the many services available to assist with your transition to the area.

The event begins at 9 a.m. and concludes with a windshield bus tour of the installation and Hinesville. The ACS Outreach team is your one-stop source for information about everything you need to get settled in your new community. When you need a friendly face, ACS Outreach is the place! For details, visit the ACS Outreach office located at the Soldier Service Center, building 253, or call 767-9176. Also ask about child care.

## Home Buying Workshop slated

If you are a first-time home buyer or have not owned a home in the past three years, register now for the Home Buying Workshop at Fort Stewart, Saturday. Topics include down-payment assistance programs and qualification requirements, understanding the mortgage process, tips for finding the right home, preparing for the closing and much more.

Lunch and refreshments are included at this free workshop, a must for everyone who has questions about home ownership in Georgia. To reserve your seat, please call ACS at 767-5058/5059.

## Parental support available

If you have parenting questions, concerns, or just want to talk to someone, please contact ACS to request a Home Visit, or stop by your ACS center and ask to speak to a New Parent Support professional. Free educational resources include books, classes and support groups. Baby Talk for parents with a newborn, teaches the basics of newborn care, Shaken Baby Syndrome, and methods for comforting your crying infant (and yourself), July 23. Mirror Image for parents with children ages 1-5 focuses on the physical, emotional, and social needs of children and how you can help them reach their full potential, July 22 and July 30. A class just for men teaches new fathers skills that build confidence in parenting at Baby Bootcamp for Dads, July 31.

To contact New Parent Support or to register for classes, call 767-5058/5059 at Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter.

## Learn to manage stress, anger

What triggers your stress? How do you react to an angry person? How does anger affect you? Take control of these emotions and learn coping techniques and healthy outlets, along with community resources at the Stress and Anger Management workshop. Call 315-6816 to register for the next session at Hunter, July 23 or 767-5058/5059 for the session at Stewart, August 5.

## Learn investing basics

Investing is easier than you think. Find out more at Basic Investing, a four-session seminar held Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. beginning July 22 at Stewart. You'll learn about the different types of investment options, products, and languages. Call ACS at 767-5058/5059 to register.

## Get advice on managing PCS costs

Planning your expenses during a PCS helps you to avoid pitfalls during your move. Come to the next Financial Planning for PCS Workshop at Hunter, July 22.

The session is offered Thursdays at Stewart, July 24, and 31. Call 767-5058/5059 at Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter to register.

## Manage your money

Today banks offer a smorgasbord of choices, ranging from the "no-frill" to the more sophisticated high-interest bearing accounts and the complex bank statements can be confusing.

You should know how the banking system works, since you're entrusting it with your money. Banking Basics and Checkbook Management teaches you how to manage your account, avoid excess fees, and get control of your money. Call 767-5058/5059 to register for the 2-hour class at Stewart, July 25. At Hunter, call 315-6816 to register for the banking class, August 6.

## Get help finding a job

Get help writing a professional resume that will get you noticed by hiring employers at the Resume Writing Workshop offered at Hunter, July 22.

Job seekers at Fort Stewart can also get an overview of the local job market within a 50-mile radius, including the latest HOT job leads at the Employment Orientation Workshop, July 23. Also at Stewart, sign up for Resumix, the "insider's tips" to navigating the federal job site, July 30. Please call 767-5058/5059 at Stewart or 315-6816 at

Hunter to register for Employment Readiness classes.

## Join Heart's Apart spouse group

Join the fun at Heart's Apart, a group for waiting spouses. At Stewart, Heart's Apart meets monthly on the first and third Wednesday at ACS Relocation located in the MWR Leisure Activities Center, building 443 beginning at 11 a.m.

At Hunter, Heart's Apart meets at ACS on Neal Boulevard at 11 a.m. on the second Tuesday of every month. The group meets again Aug. 12. Hunter also offers a Foreign Born Spouse Group where members from various cultures meet to join other foreign-born spouses to network, discuss the American way of life, develop friendships, and learn about the many resources available to make your new life experience positive, July 21.

For information on spouse support groups, call 767-5058/5059 at Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter.

## Participate in FRG training

At Fort Stewart, Family Readiness Group trainings continue with Key Caller Training for new or seasoned Key Callers, July 22. The training covers communicating with Family members, dispelling rumors, handling crisis calls, and how the Key Caller fits into a successful FRG.

FRG Treasurer Training, designed for commanders, FRG leaders and treasurers within the FRG, covers rules and regulations for FRG operations, including resources, use of FRG informal funds, administrative responsibilities, and funding guidance, also July 22. For more information or to register for FRG training, please call 767-5058/5059. Also ask about child care.

## Take advantage of Respite Care

If you need a break from the demands of caring for your Exceptional Family Member, ask about our Respite Care program which pays for up to 40 hours each month for those enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program. Why not take a break and let Respite Care make payment to the provider of your choice?

Parent's Night Out offers supervised activities at the CYS Child Development Center at both Fort Stewart and Hunter locations from 6 to 9 p.m. for children enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program, July 30. Children will enjoy an evening of fun, games, and camaraderie while their parents enjoy a few hours of free time. Children must be registered with CYS and also enrolled in EFMP to participate, and advance sign-up is required.

Early access (before regular hours) for Family members enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program is offered at both The Springs water spray park and Corkan outdoor pool. The EFMP early access hours at The Springs are 10 to noon every Tuesday, and early-access hours at the pool are 9 to 11 a.m. every Thursday. Advance registration is not necessary; simply sign in when you arrive. For more information, call 767-5058/5059. To register for Parent's Night Out or to inquire about Respite Care payments, please call 767-5058 at Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter.

## Family members invited to learn

Family members at Fort Stewart are encouraged to register for free training offered by Army Family Team Building. Living within an Army Family culture can be challenging, and AFTB helps by teaching you the knowledge and skills to thrive in the military lifestyle.

Lead The Way is recommended for those who may assume advisory, mentoring, or leadership roles within the unit and community. You will learn valuable skills in leadership, managing conflict, problem solving, delegation, meeting management, coaching and mentoring, FRG leadership, communication styles and techniques, and much more, Aug. 6-8.

High school students and spouses will benefit from Instructor Training. Learn presentation skills and methods for delivering outstanding training, Aug. 18-20. These skills can lead to increased success in college and/or career.

Making Army Life Great focuses on topics such as personal development, emerging leadership, time management skills, adapting to change, and more, Aug. 27-29.

Call 767-5058/5059 to register for AFTB classes. Also ask about child care information.

## Learn personal money management

First-terminer Financial Training (mandatory for E-4) is open to anyone who wants to improve their financial future.

Learn about credit use, managing a bank account, insurance, investments, financial planning for your future, basic car and home buying, bankruptcy and consumer fraud.

Call 767-5058/5059 to sign up for the workshop at Stewart, currently offered every Monday through Friday. Seating is limited, so advance sign up is recommended. Call 315-6816 to register for the next financial training workshop at Hunter, August 5.

## Help available for Wounded Warriors

Fort Stewart offers a one-stop location to support Warriors in Transition. The Soldier and Family Assistance Center provides services tailored and responsive to the needs of the Warrior and their Families. Services include coordination of legal services, counseling on benefits and entitlements, child care referrals, lodging resources for Family members, travel pay for Family members on Invitational Travel Orders, and employment and educational assistance.

For information, call 767-4408.

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## Support Groups Something for Everyone



Army Community Service offers many opportunities to meet other Army Families for support and friendship. For information, call 767-5058 at Fort Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter Army Airfield.

### Chill and Chat

To discuss deployment or any other concerns each Monday at 9 a.m. at the PX Food Court, hosted by the Military and Family Life Consultants. Playland is open for the children.

### Grandparents and Caregivers Support Group

For those who are taking care of children while their parent is deployed, each Monday at 9 a.m. at the PX Food Court.

### Boot the Baby Blues

For mothers with new babies to discuss post-partum blues and parenting concerns, each Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the Southern Oaks Community Center. Hosted by the New Parent Support Program.

### Hearts Apart

Support and friendship while your loved one is away, held 11 a.m., Wednesday in the Relocation Office, building 443 at Leisure Activities and at Hunter, on the second Tuesday of each month at the Army Community Service, building 1279.

### Foreign-Born Spouse Groups

For spouses from other countries who are new to the area to network, share resources, discuss the American way of life, develop friendships, and learn about the many resources available to help make your new life a positive experience. Children are welcome.

At Hunter, a foreign-born spouse group meets monthly every third Monday at 11 a.m. at ACS-Hunter, building 1279. At Stewart, Grupo Hispano, Hispanic coffee group, held monthly every first Thursday at 1 p.m. and Deutscher Kaffee Klatch, German coffee group, held monthly every second Thursday at 1 p.m. Both meet at building 443, Leisure Activities in the relocation office.

### It's An Exceptional Life

For Families enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program, held 6 p.m., monthly on the third Thursday at Southern Oaks Community Center. Various presentation topics offered each month.

## Army Community Service New Parent Support Program

### Play Group Playmates

For children ages 0-5 and their parents  
*Lots of toys and happy noise with delightful Army girls and boys!*



**Fort Stewart:** Each Tuesday and Thursday  
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10 to 11:30 a.m.

**Hunter:** Thursday  
ACS-Hunter, 230 Neal Boulevard, Bldg. 1279,  
10 to 11:30 a.m.

For information, call  
767-5058 (Stewart) • 315-6816 (Hunter)

## ACS Volunteer



**Sgt. Jeremy Garrido**  
Veterinary Assistant

Sgt. Jeremy Garrido is from Apple Valley, Calif. He volunteers to gain valuable experience working with animals in a clinical setting to use for apply to vet school.

Garrido said he likes volunteering because of the experience and the time he gets to spend with the animals. Additionally, he said he enjoys being able to learn something new everyday.

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### Reintegration Discussions

Reintegration discussions are presented by Military and Family Life Consultants. They are available to Soldiers and Families who are having difficulty coping with issues related to daily military life are invited to attend these weekly presentations focusing on reintegration topics.

No reservation is necessary. For information, call 767-5058 at Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter.

### Having Difficulty Coping?

Soldiers and Families who are having difficulty coping with issues related to daily military life are invited to attend these weekly presentations focusing on reintegration topics. No reservation is necessary. For information, call 767-5058 at Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter.

### My Soldier is home, now what?

Assistance is available at Hunter the first Monday each month at Army Community Service, building 1279, 12:30 to 2 p.m. At Fort Stewart, assistance the first Wednesday monthly at ACS Family Readiness Center, building 87, 10:30 a.m. to noon.

### Learn to manage combat stress

The program is available for adult Soldiers and adult Family members. It is offered the second Monday each

month at Army Community Service, building. 1279, 12:30 to 2 p.m.

The program is offered at Stewart the second Wednesday monthly at ACS Family Readiness Center, building 87, 10:30 a.m. to noon.

### My Kids Are Driving Me Crazy

*If your telling yourself your children are driving you crazy and asking yourself what you can do? ACS offers assistance with parenting and discipline issues.*

The program is available at Hunter the third Monday each month at Army Community Service, building 1279, 12:30 to 2 p.m.; and at Stewart the third Wednesday monthly at ACS Family Readiness Center, building 87, 10:30 a.m. to noon.

### MFLC counselor made available

*Need to talk to someone? Call a Military Family Life Counselor to schedule an appointment.*

*They are available at Stewart at 230-8735, 492-6367, or 492-6428; or at Hunter at 704-8982.*

Appointments are also available in the surrounding communities of Hinesville, Richmond Hill, Ludowici, Pembroke, and Glennville. Please call 230-8425.



## BIRTHS from Page 3B

• **Jayden Bailey Doran**, a boy, 7 pounds, 9 ounces, born to Pfc. Larry Doran and Tonya A. Doran.

• **Tyler Robert Nelson**, a boy, 7 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Spc. James B. Nelson and Melissa A. Nelson.

• **Sean Michael Ysordia**, a boy, 6 pounds, 11 ounces, born to Spc. Sean Ysordia and Christina Ysordia.

### July 2

• **Lucas Preston Westfall**, a boy, 8 pounds, 2 ounces, born to Spc. Diana E. Westfall.

• **Ky'el Shamari Wiggins**, a boy, 6 pounds, 11 ounces, born to Melvin Robinson Wiggins Jr. and Spc. Lashelle Tameeka Wiggins.

### July 3

• **Kacie Jennifer Robin**, a girl, 6 pounds, 13 ounces, born to Spc. Charles B. Robin and Kimberly James-Robin.

• **Tae'lor Renee Slaughter**, a girl, 6 pounds, 15 ounces, born to Staff Sgt. Phillip H. Slaughter Jr. and Letillia Shavay Slaughter.

### July 4

• **Jaelyn Paige Robertson**, a girl, 7 pounds, born to Mr. Chad Robertson and Pfc. Kelly Robertson.

• **Alexis Madison Wolfe**, a girl, 6 pounds, 12 ounces, born to Staff Sgt. George Wolfe and Margaux Wolfe.

### July 5

• **Azayla Jenae Castillo**, a girl, 6 pounds, 4 ounces, born to Jessica Castillo (Dependent daughter of Staff Sgt. Michael Hilton).

• **Luke Wallace Keller**, a boy, 8 pounds, 8 ounces, born to Capt. Todd Lee Keller and Capt. Kristin Ruth Keller. (Air Force Officers)

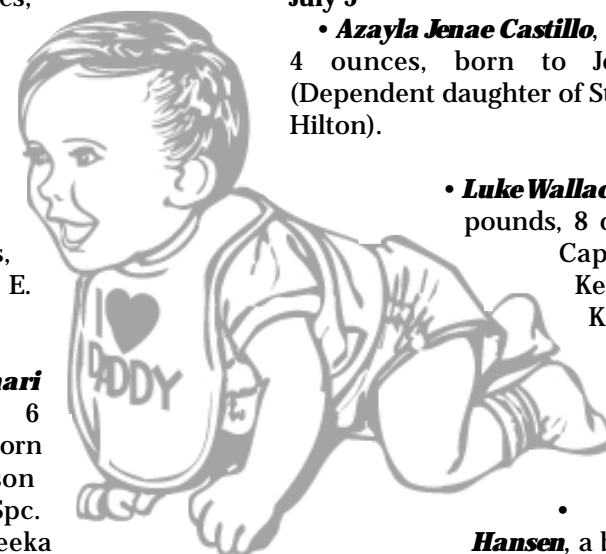
### July 7

• **Shane Lee Hansen**, a boy, 8 pounds, 2 ounces, born to Staff Sgt. Jason Lee Hansen and Aleah Marie Hansen.

### July 9

• **Madeline Jean-Claire Higgins**, a girl, 7 pounds, 10 ounces, born to Maj. Sean O. Higgins and Carol Geneane Higgins.

• **Cohen Ezekiel Quintanilla**, a boy, 6 pounds, 3 ounces, born to Staff Sgt. Shaun Quintanilla and Jen Quintanilla.



## Step into the GROOVE

Come check out the  
Fort Stewart Enlisted Spouses' Club  
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ESC and OSC are hosting a  
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**To register, please call 767-5058.**

**Also ask about child care information.**

# Pandemic Influenza: What you need to know

Special to the Frontline

An influenza (flu) pandemic is a widespread outbreak of disease that occurs when a new flu virus appears that people have not been exposed to before. Pandemics are different from seasonal outbreaks of influenza. Seasonal flu outbreaks are caused by viruses that people have already been exposed to; flu shots are available to help prevent widespread illness, and impacts on society are less severe. Pandemic flu spreads easily from person to person and can cause serious illness because people do not have immunity to the new virus.

A pandemic may come and go in waves, each of which can last for months at a time. Everyday life could be disrupted due to people in communities across the country becoming ill at the same time. These disruptions could include everything from school and business closings to interruption of basic services such as public transportation and health care. An especially severe influenza pandemic could lead to high levels of illness, death, social disruption, and economic loss.

## Importance of preparedness

It is difficult to predict when the next influenza pandemic will occur or how severe it will be. The effects of a pandemic can be lessened if preparations are made ahead of time.

When a pandemic starts, everyone around the world could be at risk. The United States has been working closely with other countries and the World Health Organization to strengthen systems to detect outbreaks of influenza that might cause a pandemic.

A pandemic would touch every aspect of society, and so every aspect of society must begin to prepare. State, tribal, and local governments are developing, improving, and testing their plans for an influenza pandemic. Businesses, schools, universities, and other community organizations are preparing plans as well.

As you begin your individual or family planning, you may want to review your state's planning efforts and those of your local public health and emergency preparedness officials. Many of the state plans and other planning information can be found at [www.pandemicflu.gov](http://www.pandemicflu.gov).

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The benefits of preparation will be many. States and communities will be better prepared for any disaster. Preparation will bring peace of mind and the confidence that we are ready to fight a flu pandemic.

## Be prepared

Stock a supply of water and food. During a pandemic you may not be able to get to a store. Even if you can get to a store, it may be out of supplies. Public waterworks services may also be interrupted. Stocking supplies can be useful in other types of emergencies, such as power outages and disasters. Store foods that are nonperishable (will keep for a long time) and don't require refrigeration; are easy to prepare in case you are unable to cook; and require little or no water, so you can conserve water for drinking.

## Stay healthy

Take common-sense steps to limit the spread of germs. Make good hygiene a habit. Wash your hands frequently with soap and water. Cover your mouth and nose with a tis-

sue when you cough or sneeze. Cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve if you don't have a tissue. Clean your hands after coughing or sneezing. Use soap and water or an alcohol-based hand cleaner. Stay at home if you are sick. Eat a balanced diet. Be sure to eat a variety of foods, including plenty of vegetables, fruits, and whole grain products. Drink lots of water and go easy on salt, sugar, alcohol, and saturated fat. Exercise on a regular basis and get plenty of rest.

## Get informed

Knowing the facts is the best preparation. Identify sources you can count on for reliable information. If a pandemic occurs, having accurate and reliable information will be critical. Reliable, accurate, and timely information is available at [www.pandemicflu.gov](http://www.pandemicflu.gov).

Questions can be e-mailed to [inquiry@cdc.gov](mailto:inquiry@cdc.gov). Listen to local and national radio, watch news reports on television, and read your newspaper and other sources of printed and Web-based information. Talk to your local health care providers and public health officials.

# Executive Director hired for Friends of Liberty, Fort Stewart, Inc

Special to the Frontline

The non-profit organization, Friends of Liberty and Fort Stewart, Inc., announced, July 9, the appointment of Paul M. Andreshak, former Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield garrison commander, as Executive Director.

"There is no better Army installation, as evidenced by Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield, being the only three time winner of the Army Community of Excellence Award," Andreshak said. "I am proud to be able to continue serving the Soldiers, Families and civilians, working as a liaison to the countless

organizations providing services and support from outside the gate."

The stated mission of Friends of Liberty and Fort Stewart is to enhance the overall economic value of Fort Stewart and the surrounding communities through a progressive regional relationship amongst its partners. Additionally, FOLandFS is dedicated to supporting installation needs and priorities with the appropriate governmental agencies at local, state and federal levels.

"Investment in the future of Coastal Georgia, including Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield is a task that should be

undertaken by all types of organizations, public or private" said James M. Floyd, Jr., President of FOLandFS. "Our economic future is brighter because of the 3rd Infantry Division returning from deployment, realignment, and increases of several of the current units, as well as the addition of a brigade combat team in 2010."

Friends of Liberty and Fort Stewart is poised to help coordinate the efforts of interested parties in sustaining the region and the largest economic force in the area. More information can be obtained by phone at 408-6225 or Email at [ExecutiveDirector\(q\)FJOLandFS.com](mailto:ExecutiveDirector(q)FJOLandFS.com).