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# COMMUNITY & LEISURE

JULY 30, 2009

## Soldiers, civilians volunteer at local retirement home

**Spc. Michael Adams**  
3rd ID Public Affairs

Soldiers work Monday through Friday from early in the morning until late at night. And sometimes Soldiers even volunteer their Saturdays to entertain or help others.

Troops, alongside civilian volunteers, went to the Coastal Manor Long Term Care Facility in Ludowici, to visit senior citizens living in the retirement home, July 25.

The visit was sponsored by the Winn Army Community Hospital. Those who went gave up their Saturday morning to entertain the members of the Coastal Manor.

"You guys serve day in and day out, and you still find the time to reach out to the community," said Brigitte Shanken, the volunteer coordinator for Winn addressing the volunteers.

"Loving and caring is action, it doesn't have a date, doesn't have a time, doesn't have a season. We don't wait for Thanksgiving, Christmas, or any special holiday to reach out to the community. For that, I want to thank you for giving the time, for being here."

As the morning continued, the residents enjoyed talking and playing board games with those who came to visit them.

While the members enjoyed the visit, the volunteers enjoyed the morning as well.

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Photos by Spc. Michael Adams

**ABOVE:** Sergeant John Wysocki, an operating technician with WACH, speaks with Louise Blocker, a resident of the Coastal Manor Long Term Care Facility, July 25.



**LEFT:** Major Jolanda Gardner, a laboratory manager with WACH paints Margaret Bissette's fingernails at the Coastal Manor Long Term Care Facility in Ludowici, July 25. Major Gardner was there as part of a program sponsored by WACH to volunteer their time to spend their time with senior citizens.

## 3SB promotes esprit de corps

**Spc. Gaelen Lowers**  
3rd Sustainment Bde. Public Affairs

The Soldiers of the 3rd Sustainment Brigade and their Families enjoyed a day of fun and esprit de corps during their Organizational Day at Newman Gym on Fort Stewart July 24.

Each battalion within the brigade competed against each other in softball, basketball, volleyball, horse-shoes, tug-of-war, and flag football in hopes of taking home the Commander's Cup.

The Special Troops Battalion took home the trophy for the softball tournament, while the 87th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion won the volleyball tournament.

The 260th Quartermaster Battalion won both the horseshoe competition as well as the bas-

ketball tournament, but winning the most points of the day was the 13th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion from Fort Benning, Ga.

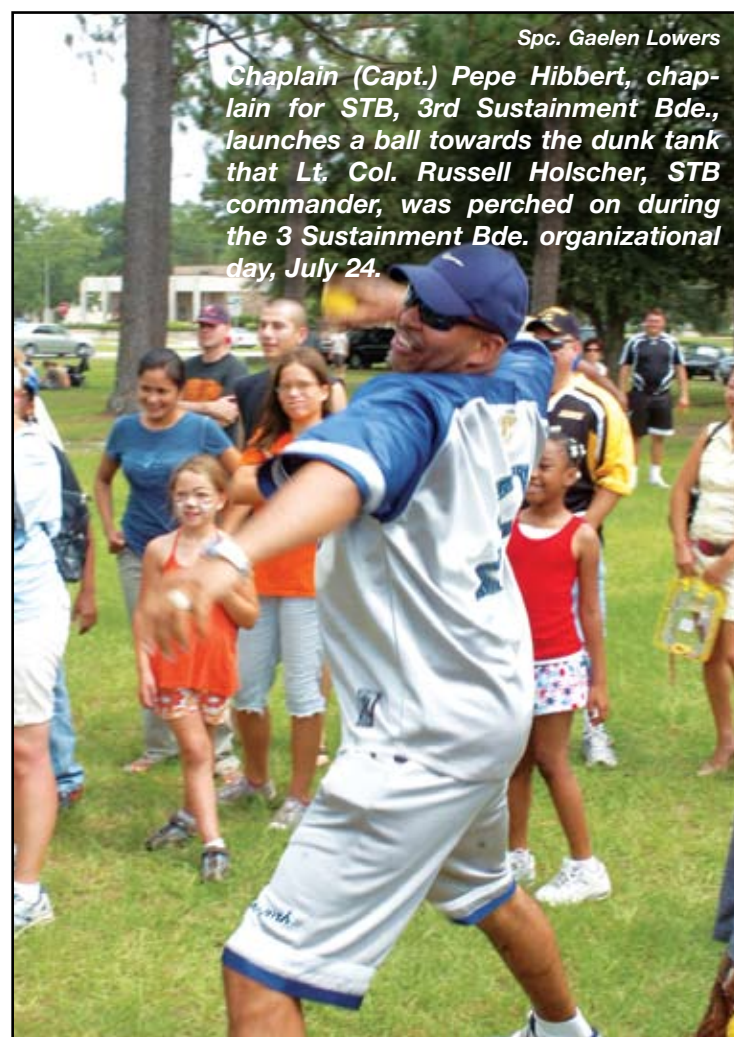
They won the tug-of-war competition as well as the flag football tournament and placed high in all of the other events.

Other activities included dominoes, spades, ping pong, jumping castles for the children, sack races and a "by donation" dunk tank where Soldiers could nominate a Soldier, a noncommissioned officer or officer to sit on the platform and risk taking a swim.

Soldiers were also treated to hamburgers, hotdogs, ribs and other barbecued foods throughout the day. The Corkan Family Fun Center opened its doors to Soldiers and Family members.

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Spc. Gaelen Lowers

Chaplain (Capt.) Pepe Hibbert, chaplain for STB, 3rd Sustainment Bde., launches a ball towards the dunk tank that Lt. Col. Russell Holscher, STB commander, was perched on during the 3 Sustainment Bde. organizational day, July 24.

## Single Soldiers have poolside fun at BBC bash

**Bury Burnside**  
Balfour Beatty Communities

"Awesome party," said Rich Poch, resident of Marne Point, the single soldier apartment complex on Fort Stewart. "I had a blast!"

In fact, the 80 residents and perspective residents that attended the free summertime bash on July 18 had pretty much the same thing to say. Sitting poolside at the complex's Community Center, partygoers rocked to the music of radio sta-

tion 104.7 The Hawk as they munched on food from Pizza Hut and CentryTel and strolled around the cars, motorcycles and ATVs on hand from Liberty Chrysler, Honda & Yamaha of Savannah and Liberty Cycle.

For those wanting a bit of a faster pace and a taste of competition, several events including horseshoes, flipper races and 3-point shooting contests were held. Winners received grand prizes and there were plenty of gift certificates, t-shirts, splash park tickets and Oglethorpe Speedway tick-

ets handed out over the course of the party as well.

According to resident Staff Sgt. Jen Menger. "It's a great way to bring the community together so we could meet each other."

Marne Point, available to single Soldiers in the ranks of sergeant to captain, has brand new one and two bedroom apartments with all new appliances, including washer and driers, plus a beautiful garden pool and a luxurious clubhouse. Rent includes basic cable, internet service and \$10,000 in renter's insurance.

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# HARRY POTTER AND THE HALF BLOOD PRINCE, REVIEWED

**Sasha McBrayer**  
Frontline Contributor

It is difficult to believe that the first Harry Potter film was released in 2001, when actor Daniel Radcliffe was only 11 or 12 years old. There are seven Harry Potter books (and a few supplements also written by J.K. Rowling such as "Quidditch through the Ages"). There will, however, be eight films in the series because the last book will require two parts.

Before I review the latest film, here is what you might have missed:

- "Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone" - Cute, little Harry learns what he

is, why he is, and is introduced to a world of magic.

- "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" - Harry learns to duel and then winds up battling a giant serpent.

- "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban" - This film introduces two exciting elements, Dementors and Sirius Black (my favorite Potter character).

- "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" - This, the most epic film, (starring a certain Rob Pattinson as Cedric Diggory)



places Harry into the perils of the Tri-Wizard tournament. Harry gets his first kiss and attends his first dance.

- "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix" - The darkest Potter film to date introduces even more villains (as if Voldemort weren't bad enough on his own) and has Harry facing death once again.

In "The Half Blood Prince," the principal characters are learning to cope with love and hormones. Nothing, however, can distract them entirely from the ever growing danger of Voldemort. Many now believe his comeback is true,

thanks in part to the murder of Sirius. Only Harry is suspicious of his long time rival, Draco Malfoy as well.

In the past, Harry has stumbled upon clues often by accident. This time Dumbledore enlists him directly to uncover a truth vital in defeating the dark lord. Harry's tutelage under the headmaster is at its strongest, while viewers must question more and more just which side Severus Snape is truly on. He's my second favorite character by the way, so I enjoyed this greatly.

The Half Blood Prince has it all — humor, magic, heartbreak, friendship, suspense, and even action. I can't wait to see what the next chapter holds.



PRESENTS  
TODAY THROUGH AUG 2

## Year One

Today— 7 p.m.

(Jack Black, Michael Cera)

When a couple of lazy hunter-gatherers are banished from their primitive village, they set off on an epic journey through the ancient world. *Rated PG-13 (crude/sexual content, brief strong language, comic violence) 97 min*

## The Proposal

Friday, Saturday— 7 p.m.

(Sandra Bullock, Ryan Reynolds)

When high-powered book editor Margaret faces deportation to her native Canada, the quick-thinking exec declares that she's actually engaged to her unsuspecting put-upon assistant Andrew, who she's tormented for years. He agrees to participate in the charade, but with a few conditions of his own. The unlikely couple heads to Alaska to meet his quirky Family and the always-in-control city girl finds herself in one comedic fish-out-of-water situation after another. With an impromptu wedding in the works and an immigration official on their tails, Margaret and Andrew reluctantly vow to stick to the plan despite the precarious consequences. *Rated PG-13 (sexual content, nudity, language) 108 min*

## My Sisters Keeper

Sunday— 7 p.m.

(Cameron Diaz, Abigail Breslin)

Sara and Brian Fitzgerald's life with their young son and their two-year-old daughter, Kate, is forever altered when they learn that Kate has leukemia. The parents' only hope is to conceive another child,

specifically intended to save Kate's life. For some, such genetic engineering would raise both moral and ethical questions. For the Fitzgerald's, there is no choice. *Rated PG-13 (mature thematic content, disturbing images, sensuality, language, teen drinking) 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).

The City of Hinesville will  
conduct its annual festival for  
**National Night Out**  
**5 p.m. – 9 p.m., Aug. 1**  
Come out and have fun with the  
community and help  
**"Take A Bite Out Of Crime."**



# MWR Briefs

## Rising Star Sign-up Deadline is July 31

The deadline for signing up to compete in the 2009 Operation Rising Star competition at Rocky's is Friday, and talented singers are urged to enter the competition now.

Operation Rising Star, modeled after the popular television show American Idol, is open to all Active Duty, Reserve, and National Guard Soldiers from all branches of service and their Family Members, 18 years and older.

There is no charge to enter. To register, call 767-4316.

A combination of audience voting and the scores from a three-judge panel of experts in music and voice will determine the Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield winner. The first round begins at 7 p.m., Aug. 6 and the final round at 7 p.m., Aug. 27. Audience votes and the judges' ratings count for 50 percent of each participant's score.

Singers will vie for a total of \$850 in cash prizes at Rocky's. And the most supportive unit or Family Readiness Group will win a \$300 "Spirit Award."

The grand prize for this year's top performer is "The Ultimate Music Recording Experience," an all-expense-paid trip for two to Los Angeles to record a three-song demo CD.

## Corkan Recreation Hours Changing

Back to school hours return to Corkan Family Recreation facilities, Aug. 1. Customers are asked to note the hours in their recreational planning.

"The Springs" Water and Spray Park, building 448, is open daily from 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. until Sept. 30. "Toddler Splash" is open from 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Mondays and Fridays.

Cypress Creek Adventure Golf, building 448, extended hours until Sept. 30, open daily from 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Cypress Sam's Treehouse, building 449, extended hours until Sept. 30. Open daily from 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. "Toddler Time" from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Monday-Friday.

Corkan Family Fun Center, building 449, open Sundays from noon to 9 p.m.; Mondays 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. "Adult Only Fitness Roller Skating" Mondays 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. "Family Indoor Kickball" Mondays 8 p.m. - 11 p.m. "Adult Nite" participants must be 18 or older and ID Card required. Closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays; Open Thursdays from 3 p.m. - 9 p.m. "Corkan Recreation Classes," which include Roller Skating and Indoor Extreme Climbing open Fridays, 3 p.m. - 11 p.m. and Saturdays from noon to 11 p.m.

Corkan Teen Recreation Center, building 438, open Sundays from 2 p.m. - 9 p.m.; closed Monday through Thursday; open Fridays and Saturdays from 3 p.m. - 11 p.m.

## Winter League Sign-up at Marne Lanes

Registration for league play at Marne Bowling Center, building 402, begins Aug. 1 and continues until Sept. 9. Stop by and sign up for one of the leagues, such as mixed, church seniors or others being planned. For more information, call 767-4866.

## Join Italian Kids Cooking Class at Stewart

Join us from 3 p.m. - 5 p.m., Aug. 2 at Club

Stewart, building 405, for an afternoon of fun, crafts and more for kids (ages 5-12). Cost is \$5 per child, due at registration. Reservations are required, as space is limited. For more information, call 368-2212.

## Stewart, Hunter Town Hall Meeting slated

The Military community has an opportunity to address concerns or make suggestions to a panel about Stewart and Hunter quality of life issues at a Town Hall Meeting from 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m., Aug. 6.

You are invited to attend the meeting at Club Stewart, building 405, or Hunter Club, building 6015. Those who cannot attend can watch live on Marne TV, or call in questions at 767-ROCK (7625) or 315-ROCK (7625). Door prizes will be awarded.

For more information, call 767-5058 at Stewart, or 315-6816 at Hunter.

The Town Hall Meeting is coordinated by Army Community Service.

## Italian Sunday Brunch at clubs

Join us for an Italian Sunday Brunch from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Aug. 9 at the Hunter Club, building 6015.

*The menu features breakfast items, lasagna, chicken parmesan and other Italian favorites, plus assorted desserts and wine tasting.*

The cost is \$11.95 per person, children (ages 5-10) half price and (ages 4 and under) free. For more information, call 459-7923.

## Sign-up for Hunter GC's Golf Scramble

Registration ends Aug. 12 for the Hunter Garrison Commander's Golf Scramble.

Play will begin at 8 a.m., Aug. 14 with a shotgun start at the Hunter Golf Club, building 8205. The scramble is limited to the first 25 four-person teams.

Fees are \$35 for Taylors Creek and Hunter Golf Club Members, active duty, retirees, DoD Civilians, and \$40 for civilian guests of military team members.

For more information, call 315-9115.

## Top of the Rock Run scheduled

The Fort Stewart Sports Office is excited to sponsor the upcoming Top of the Rock Run! This 5K and 10K run will take place at the Quick Track adjacent to Newman Fitness Center beginning at 9 a.m., Sept. 26.

Ten different age categories will be available for male and female competitors and are as follows: 14 and under, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, and 55 and Over. There will also be a 10K Team (10 members, minimum) competition.

Trophies will be awarded to the top three overall winners of the 5K and 10K male and female finishers, the top two finishers in each age category, and the top two teams.

Individuals and team competition runners may pre-register at the Bennett Sports Complex & the Tominac Fitness Center from Aug. 15 to Sept. 26.

The pre-registration cost for the 5K and 10K run is \$18. The cost for teams registering for the 10K team competition is \$15. The last day to pre-register is Sept. 23.

Registration will also be available on the day of the race and will cost \$25 for individual and team participants.

For additional information, contact the Sports Office at 767-8238/8326.

## Be there for the Braves vs. Phillies

Make your plans now to be in the seats at Turner Field when the Braves take on the Phillies at 4 p.m., Aug. 15.

You'll join a group leaving Fort Stewart Leisure Travel Office at 10:30 a.m. on game day. The \$50 cost includes admission and transportation.

Reservations will close Aug. 14. For more information, call 767-2841.

## Auto Craft Equipment Available

The painting booth and alignment machine, which had been inoperable for an extended period of time, are available for use at Libby Auto Craft, 929 W. 6th Street, on Fort Stewart.

The cost for the paint booth is \$75 per day or \$10 per hour. Alignment fees are \$20 for a suspension check, \$40 for a two-wheel, \$60 for a four-wheel and \$80 for altered suspension alignment.

The shop is open Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays from 1 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information, call 767-3521.

## Pets of the Week

Looking for a good home...



Eddie the dog & Hank the cat

are two 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.



## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

## Chaplains celebrate 234th anniversary

**Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond Koop**  
WTW Chaplain

July 29, 2009 marked the 234th anniversary of the U.S. Army Chaplain Corps. On that day in 1775, after repeated requests from General George Washington for regimental chaplains, Congress authorized chaplains to provide for the spiritual needs of Soldiers in the fledgling Continental Army.

The Second Continental Congress officially recognized the need for chaplains to conduct worship and religious exercises almost a year before our new nation would declare its independence from Great Britain. Since then, nearly 25,000 U.S. Army chaplains have served as religious spiritual leaders to over 25 million Soldiers and their Families.

The U.S. Army Chaplaincy is the oldest, largest and most religiously diverse chaplaincy in the world. Currently, over 2,700 Chaplains are serving the total Army, representing over 130 different religious organizations. Over 950 chaplains and chaplain assistants are mobilized or deployed in support of contingency operations throughout the world.

Always present with their Soldiers in war and in

peace, U.S. Army chaplains have served in 36 wars and 242 major combat engagements. Serving as "fighting parsons" at the battle of Lexington Green and Concord Bridge were pastors Joseph Thaxter, soon to be wounded at Bunker Hill; Edmund Foster, a theological student; and the Rev. Doctor Philips. Payson William Emerson served at Concord Bridge in the capacity of a chaplain only, and so has the distinction of being the first Revolutionary War chaplain.

On Jan. 2, 1777, John Rosbrugh was killed in the second battle of Trenton and became the first American chaplain killed during the War for Independence. Since then, some 400 Army Chaplains have laid down their lives in battle. Six have been awarded the Medal of Honor.

"The U.S. Army Chaplaincy provides religious support to America's Army while assisting commanders in ensuring the right of free exercise of religion for all Soldiers," said Chap. (Maj. Gen.) Douglas Carver, Chief of Chaplains. "In short, we nurture the living, care for the wounded, and honor the fallen."



Randy Murray

**Installation Chaplain (Col.) Gary Moore and Fort Stewart's youngest chaplain's assistant, Spc. Nancy Morales, slice a cake celebrating the U.S. Army Chaplain Corps' 234th anniversary, July 29. "Chaplains wear out their boots, not their chairs," said Chap. Moore.**

## 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         | Diamond Elementary | 11 a.m.   |
| PWOC (Wednesday)     | Main Post Chapel   | 9:30 a.m. |

| Islamic                           | Location | Time      |
|-----------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Friday Jum'ah                     | Marne    | 1:30 p.m. |
| Contact Yahya Hassan at 876-5546. |          |           |

| Jewish                                       | Location | Time       |
|--|----------|------------|
| Friday                                       | Heritage | 11:30 a.m. |
| Contact Sgt. 1st Class Crowther at 767-6717. |          |            |

| Latter-Day Saints | Location                        | Time   |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|--------|
| Sunday            | 220 Sandy Run Drive, Hinesville | 9 a.m. |

### Hunter Army Airfield

| Catholic          | Location | Time    |
|-------------------|----------|---------|
| Sunday Mass       | Chapel   | 11 a.m. |
| <b>Protestant</b> |          |         |
| Sunday Service    | Chapel   | 9 a.m.  |

## 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 at 9:15 a.m., Sunday

## For all kids 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](mailto:fortstewartkidschurch@yahoo.com).

## Fort Stewart Chapel Youth Ministry

### Junior and Senior High School Students!

Join us for  
**free games and pizza**

**Sundays • 6-8 p.m.**

**at the Stewart Youth Activity  
Center, building 7338.**

For more information,  
contact [jerry.e.thompson@comcast.net](mailto:jerry.e.thompson@comcast.net)

or call 877-7207.

## Weekday Catholic Schedule

**Roman Catholic Daily Mass:**

Mon, Weds - Fri at Main Post Chapel, 11:45 a.m.

**Roman Catholic Confession:**

Sat, Main Post Chapel, 4 - 4:30 p.m.

## PWOC Kick-off

The Fort Stewart PWOC Fall Kick-off is Aug. 19 at the Main Post Chapel. They will meet from 9:30 a.m. - noon, every Wednesday at Main Post Chapel. Call 332-7139.

The Hunter Fall Kick-off is Sept. 10 at Hunter Army Airfield Post Chapel. They will meet from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., every Thursday morning at Hunter Post Chapel. A light luncheon will follow. Call (404) 797-3097.

# Coastal Happenings

Courtesy of the Coastal Courier

## Low Country Paintball waives fees

Low Country Paintball invites community members to enjoy paintball by waiving all-day greens fees and gun rental fees for active duty military during the first weekend of each month.

Players can enjoy more than 150 guns across 63 acres. Group rates are available. For more information, call 663-2314.

## Jesup arts and crafts nights ongoing

The South Georgia Gourd Patch, in affiliation with the Wayne County Arts Council, the Georgia Gourd Society and the American Gourd Society, invite community members for an evening of arts and crafts at Cracker Williams Recreation Park in Jesup every third Monday of the month at 7 p.m. For more information, call 294-7394, or e-mail [catsewg@bellsouth.net](mailto:catsewg@bellsouth.net).

## History comes to life, thanks to GHS

Join the Georgia Historical Society this summer for a series of entertaining and informative classes, workshops and tours on a variety of topics such as history, genealogy and archival preservation.

Classes and workshops will be held in the reading room of historic Hodgson Hall, GHS headquarters, at the corner of Whitaker and Gaston Streets in downtown Savannah. Tours will also begin in the reading room. Some class sizes are limited, so make your reservations early. GHS members will receive a 10 percent discount for all classes.

All classes, tours and workshops must meet a

minimum enrollment. If you have questions, contact GHS at 651-2125, ext. 40.

## StoryCorps is coming

The Georgia Historical Society and the Telfair Museum of Art are partnering with Georgia Public Broadcasting and local GPB station WSVH to bring StoryCorps, the nation's largest oral history project, to Savannah.

StoryCorps travels the country collecting the oral histories of friends and loved ones, one conversation at a time. For more information, go to [www.storycorps.net](http://www.storycorps.net)

## 3rd ID Society reunion slated

The 3rd Infantry Division Society and attached units in wars and in peacetime will hold their 90th reunion, Sept. 16-20. The reunion will be held at the Clarion Hotel Springfield, 3333 S. Glenstone Ave. Springfield, Mo., 65804; (417) 883-6500. Room rates are \$84 per night plus tax and includes breakfast and free airport transportation. For additional information, contact Linda Irvine at (360) 663-2521, or [info@thereunionbrat.com](mailto:info@thereunionbrat.com).

## Backpacks, supplies given to students

Operation Homefront is giving away 500 backpacks filled with school supplies to military Families, sergeants and below on both Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield.

Call Christina Anthony or Ashley Carpenter at 368-9622. Distribution will be at the Education

and Community Information Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m at Hunter, Aug. 5.

## Operation Homefront offers help

Operation Homefront is now able to help financially strapped Families afford sports team registrations, cultural and art classes for children of Georgia servicemembers. If you have questions, call Christina Anthony or Ashley Carpenter at 368-9622.

## Camp slated for special needs kids

The Lowcountry Down Syndrome Society has proudly launched a Summer Camp for children with Down Syndrome. The LDSS will be holding its next summer camp in Savannah at Marsh Point Elementary School. The camp is geared for children ages 3 to 6 with Down Syndrome. Many educational and recreational activities are designed with these kids in mind. Speech, physical and occupational therapists are on board to help campers exercise motor and speech skills among other areas that may need improvement.

The program will be held July 31 and Aug. 3, 5, and 7, beginning 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Camps are funded in part by money raised through the organization's annual Down Syndrome Buddy Walk held each October, which allows camp participants to pay just \$30 for the three-day camp. The fourth annual Buddy Walk is planned for Oct. 3 at Savannah's Forsyth Park.

For more information or to register, call 728-8505, or visit <http://www.ldssga.org>.

# August brings Family, summer events

**Bruce Muncher**  
Directorate of  
Information Management

With August, begins the new school year and the end of summer Family travel. Kids everywhere will soon pack their backpacks and head back to friends and studies. Please be sure to be extra vigilant in the early morning hours as kids walk to school or wait along the side of the road for the school bus.

Distractions, such as cell phone use while driving, can hinder reaction time. Remember, it is against DoD policy to operate a vehicle and use a cell phone without a hands-free device, on any military installation. This practice should also be adhered to anytime you get behind the wheel of a car. And texting is a definite, "No." It only takes a second for you to take your eyes off the road and a lifetime to try and forget the repercussions of an accident or fatality.

So, play it safe and pull over to complete your call. Don't let anything ruin your summer or your life. Enjoy yourself with Family and friends, and make a new lasting memory or two. Get on those shorts and walking shoes and grab that bottle of water, as you take advantage of the events and magic of the coastal Georgia region. Each new day brings with it a new discovery. So be sure to venture off your normal path and enjoy some of the following events and festivities.

**Aug. 1** – First Saturday on the River,

Savannah River Street, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. <http://www.riverstreetsavannah.com>.

**Aug. 1** – LeCounte-Woodmanston Plantation Swamp Critters, Riceboro Ga, 10 a.m., \$2, 884-6500.

**Aug. 1** – 2009 National Night Out, Downtown Hinesville Bradwell Park, 5 p.m. – 9 p.m.

**Aug. 1** – Data Destruction Day, Downtown Hinesville Bradwell Park, 5 p.m. – 9 p.m., Shredex and Goodwill will be on hand to shred your sensitive documents and recycle any old IT equipment you may have.

**Aug. 2** – Italian Brunch, Club Stewart, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., \$11.95.

**Aug. 6** – Fort Stewart - Hunter Army Airfield Town Hall Meeting, Club Stewart 767-ROCK & Hunter Club 315-ROCK, 5:30 p.m.

**Aug. 6** – First Round of the Rising Star Competition, Fort Stewart Rocky's Zone, 7 p.m.- 9 p.m., 767-4316.

**Aug. 7** - First Friday Fireworks on the River, Savannah River Street, 9:30 p.m. [www.riverstreetsavannah.com](http://www.riverstreetsavannah.com).

**Aug. 7** – Kenny Chesney Concert, Jacksonville, Fla. Veterans Memorial Arena, 7:30 p.m., \$25-\$80, (904) 630-3900.

**Aug. 8-9** – Eastman Gun Show, Savannah Civic Center, \$8 at door, Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sun 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Aug. 8** – Marcus D. Wiley Comedy Show, Savannah Johnny Mercer Theater, 7 p.m., \$22, 651-6556.

**Aug. 9** – Italian Brunch, Hunter Club, 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., \$11.95.  
**Aug. 14** – Mama Turn the Radio On

II, Brewton-Parker College, 7 p.m., \$10-\$20, 977-3293.

**Aug. 15** – 20th Annual Brooklet Peanut Festival, Brooklet, Ga., 7 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., 842-2137.

**Aug. 15** – Atlanta Braves Game, \$50 per person. Bus leaves 10:30 a.m. Call Leisure Travel at 767-2841.

**Aug. 15** – Old Dorchester School Fish Fry & Car Show, Midway Ga., 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., 884-2026.

**Aug. 15** – Foreigner Concert, Wild Adventures Theme Park, Valdosta, Ga., 8 p.m., \$10, 229-219-7080.

**Aug. 15** – Mama Turn the Radio On II, Brewton-Parker College, Black Tie Event, Reception 6 p.m., Show 7 p.m., \$20-\$30, 977-3293.

**Aug. 20-22** – 26th Annual Jekyll Island Beach Music Festival, Jekyll Island Ga., \$12-\$15, 635-3636, [www.jekyllisland.com/beachmusicfestival](http://www.jekyllisland.com/beachmusicfestival).

**Aug. 21** – Lunchtime Concert in the Park, Downtown Hinesville Bradwell Park, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Free.

**Aug. 21-23** – 2nd Annual Mule Fest, Athens, Ga., \$8-\$20, (706) 353-3244, [www.mulefest.net](http://www.mulefest.net)

**Aug. 21-23** – Gullah / Geechee Nation Golden Isles Gala, (843)838-1171

**Aug. 22** – Adult Comedian Ron White, Savannah Johnny Mercer Theater, 7:30 p.m., \$42.75, 651-6556.

**Aug. 22** – Jonas Brothers Concert, Philips Arena Atlanta, Ga., 7 p.m., \$30-\$90, (404) 878-3000.

**Aug. 27** – Final Round of the Rising Star Competition, Fort Stewart Rocky's Zone, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m., 767-4316.

**Aug. 27-30** – Beach Music & Shag

Festival, Charleston S.C., \$20-\$50, [www.pivotsbeachclub.com](http://www.pivotsbeachclub.com).

**Aug. 28** – Mike Epps & Friends Comedy Show, Savannah Johnny Mercer Theater, 8 p.m., \$34-\$44, 651-6556.

**Aug. 29** – Rhett Akins & Lance Stinson Concert, Southern Thunder Mud Track, Cobbtown, Ga., Noon, \$15 687-5881, [www.bigdogconcert.com](http://www.bigdogconcert.com).

**Aug. 29** – Old Fort Jackson Auction & Lowcountry Boil, Savannah, Ga., 232-3945 <http://festivalsandevents.com/festival>, <http://web.georgia.org/events/>, <http://www.connectstewart-hunter.com/>, [www.stewart.army.mil](http://www.stewart.army.mil).

You can check out all of the above local events and many others in the surrounding area by checking out the Team Stewart Web site, Quality Time Magazine or Quality Time Calendar or one of the other sites listed above. You can also follow the 3rd ID on Facebook and Twitter.

Also be sure to check out the 2009 Severe Weather Preparedness booklet on the Team Stewart Web site above, and be prepared for that possible summer hurricane. The warm waters of the Atlantic heighten the hurricane probability, with September being the worst month. Your emergency preparedness kit should be ready now and will help alleviate issues later.

Enjoy your time with Family and friends, but be safe. Always think safety first. We want to see you through a wonderful relaxing summer of fun and adventure, Southern Style.

## VOLUNTEER

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Photos by Michael Adams

**Jennifer Sumi Bang, 12, demonstrates Tae Kwon Do for the residents at the Coastal Manor Long Term Care Facility in Ludowici, July 25.**

"This is an opportunity to support the community and those who came before you," said Sgt. John Wysocki, an operating room technician with Winn. "You need to show you care about people in your community."

But the morning was not just talking to the residents. The volunteers played piano, demonstrated Tae Kwon Do and performed a dance for the members of the home.

"I'm grateful to see everyone here and happy to help out with the community," said Jennifer Sumi Bang, 12, who demonstrated Tae Kwon Do for the residents. "I feel like staying here more."

Colonel Paul Cordts, the commander of Winn, appreciated the services of all who volunteered, including Army Civilians,



**Specialist James Fuller, a health care specialist with Winn Army Community Hospital, speaks with Cooper Thornton, July 25, at the Coastal Manor Long Term Care Facility in Ludowici. Specialist Fuller was part of a volunteer program to speak with members of the facility to make their day a little happier.**

Sgt. Audie Murphy Club members and Red Cross Volunteers. He also emphasized the impor-

tance of volunteering at the residence.

"It's important for us to give back to the commu-

nity," he said. "They've given so much to us and it's important for us to give back a little bit."

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Burny Burnside

**Marne Point residents, Tony Lattimor (left) and Marquita Williams (right) were awarded the grand prize by Michael "Kayne" Gaitten, Marne Point Community Center Attendant, for winning the horseshoe contest at the 2009 Marne Point Summer Bash.**

Wanting Marne Point to be a fun and interesting place to live, Balfour Beatty Communities regularly holds events and programs with its residents in mind. In addition, Balfour Beatty recently began free shuttle service to and from Savannah on weekends for residents.

"We had a lot of fun," said Aaron Holzer, "And it was great to see so many neighbors," Poch agreed.

Elite single Soldier living at Marne Point – it doesn't get any better. For more information about Marne Point, contact Balfour Beatty Communities at 408-2501.

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Soldiers who completed hurricane information sheets were also given a ticket that could earn them door prizes.

Private 1st Class Lilliana Martinez, 104th Transportation Company, 13th CSSB, also won a free ticket to see comedian Mike Epps for being the youngest Soldier in the brigade.

"There was something for everyone to enjoy," said Pfc. Kelly Malone, an STB Soldier.

"They even had a giant inflatable waterslide for the kids here. That looked like a lot of fun."

The objective of the organizational day was accomplished, said Master Sgt. Frank McQueen, 3rd Sustainment Bde. S3.

Soon the kids will head back to school and summer will be over.

This gave everyone a chance to relax and have some fun, he said.

"I'm glad that the brigade does these sorts of things for us," said Pfc. Malone.

"It really gave us all a chance to bond and have a little bit of fun. I can't wait for the next one."



Spc. Gaelen Lowers

**First Sergeant Anthony Clark paints on a 3SB Family Member's right cheek at the 3rd Sustainment Bde. organizational day, July 24.**

# Newcomer's Expo welcomes new Hunter residents

**Specialist Jeremy Mosley, 4th Bn., 3rd Aviation Regiment, Combat Aviation Brigade, and wife Evelyn, talk to Tominac Fitness Center representatives at the Newcomers' Expo. Specialist Mosley recently returned from Iraq before coming to Hunter. He and his wife enjoyed visiting booths and finding out what services are available in the Savannah/Hunter community.**

**Twenty-nine vendors and 42 guests attended the Newcomer's Expo at Hunter, July 23, to learn about services in the Chatham County community and on Hunter Army Airfield. Vendors included off-post schools, area businesses, MWR services and more.**



Nancy Gould

# Army Community Service



## Solutions for Successful Army Living

*ACS classes are free and open to: active duty, Army Reserve, National Guard, Family Members, retirees and Department of Army Civilians. ACS is a member of the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Family, proudly serving America's military.*

## 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.

## Submit issues to Army leadership

The Army Family Action Plan conference will be held at Stewart Oct. 6-8. AFAP is an Army-wide program to improve Army quality of life. Through AFAP, all members of the Army, including active, reserve, and National Guard Soldiers, Family Members, retirees, surviving spouses, DA Civilians, and military technicians have a forum to voice concerns to Army leadership and make recommendations for change.

You may submit issues on the Team Stewart Web site, [www.stewart.army.mil](http://www.stewart.army.mil) (click on the AFAP logo on the home page). If issues impact only the local community, they are resolved locally. If they have a broader scope, they are sent forward and evaluated for submission into the Army AFAP. About 95 percent of AFAP issues are retained and worked at the local level and result in ongoing community improvements. For more information, call your local ACS.

## Learn tips for a clutter-free home

Are you living in CHAOS (can't have anyone over syndrome)? Does your home/life have you feeling overwhelmed and you don't know where to start? You are not alone! Join the Fly Babies Support Network, a new group that shares the system developed by author Marla Cilley to help rid your home of clutter and keep your home clean. The group meets tonight from 6 to 7 p.m. at ACS-Stewart. It's fun, and the only thing you've got to lose is clutter! Please call 767-5058/5059, and let us know you will be coming.

## Families offered deployment training

Training for all individuals interested in being a Family Care Team volunteer will be held Saturday at Hunter. Family Care Teams are activated when a tragedy happens in the unit, and they perform a valuable service to Families of fallen and injured

Soldiers. The training begins at 10:30 a.m. Call ACS to register, and please bring a lunch.

FRG Treasurer Training will be held at Hunter Tuesday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Designed for commanders, FRG leaders and treasurers within the FRG, this class covers the rules and regulations that govern the FRG to include financial resources, fundraising rules and responsibilities.

Family Members are also invited to Key Caller Training, which covers the duties of the Key Caller, communicating with Family Members, dispelling rumors, handling crisis calls, and how the Key Caller fits into a successful Family Readiness Group. Call 315-6816 to register for the morning session Aug. 8 or the evening session Aug. 11, both at Hunter. Also ask about child care.

FRG trainings can also be scheduled at your location for the convenience of your unit and volunteers.

## Learn to manage stress, anger, conflict

Come to a free workshop to learn healthy techniques for coping with life's many stressors. You will learn positive ways to react to an angry person and healthy outlets for releasing angry emotions, along with community resources. Call 315-6816 to register for the workshop at Hunter on Monday, or 767-5058/5059 to register for the Aug. 25 workshop at Stewart, both held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Couples invited to learn love languages

Do you know your partner's "love language?" Couples are invited to a Couples Communication class to learn the five basic love languages and identify their own love language preference and that of their partner. Once you know your individual love language styles, your relationship can be enriched by practicing communicating in your partner's love language. Call 767-5058/5059 to register for the two-part class at Stewart from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Aug. 11 and Aug. 18.

## Meet other spouses for support

Hearts Apart is open to any spouse whose loved one is away, whether in training for more than two weeks, on assignment far from home or deployed. Come chat with others who are also experiencing their Soldier's absence. Hearts Apart meets at 11 a.m., Aug. 5 at Stewart, and at 1 p.m., Aug. 11 at Hunter

Children are always welcome at spouse groups, and feel free to invite a friend! For information on spouse groups, call 767-5058/5059 at Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter.

## Make a plan for deployment cash

Sign up now for Combat Cash/Simple Plan, Aug. 11 at Stewart. Whether this is your first deployment or you have "been there, done that," there are many ways to take advantage of the extra money earned during deployment. This new class will help you figure out what is best for you. Discussions cover what benefits you can expect, to include pay entitlements and an overview of special programs offered only to Soldiers that will deploy.

## Get more from your paycheck

Your Financial Readiness team introduces Getting More from Your Paycheck, a fast-track approach that teaches you exactly how to create and maintain an accurate and effective personal budget. You will also learn how to evaluate your financial situation, establish personal goals, develop a personal cash flow, and the importance of involving the entire Family in the recordkeeping and budgeting process. This class is a pre-requisite for most financial counseling appointments; however, individual appointments can be made at the completion of class if you need more assistance. Call 767-5058/5059 to register for the session, Aug. 4 from 1p.m. - 3 p.m. The class will repeat Aug. 11, 20 and 25. Sign up today and start getting more out of your paycheck!

Other upcoming financial classes include Basic Personal Investing at Stewart, Aug. 6. Bank Account Management at Stewart, Aug. 12 and at Hunter, Aug. 19. First-terminer Financial Training (mandatory for specialist 4 and below) at Stewart, currently offered every Monday through Friday. Seating is limited, so advance sign up is recommended.

## Attend home buying working

A Home Buyer Education Workshop will be offered at both Hunter and Stewart locations. Learn to compare the benefits of purchasing vs. renting, determine how much you can really afford and successfully navigate through the home buying process. Veteran's Affairs will be available to discuss programs, and certificates will be issued for the Georgia Dream home buying program.

Investing in a home is one of the largest purchases you will make, so take advantage of this educational workshop and become an informed home buyer.

Call 315-6816 to register for the workshop at Hunter Aug. 20, or 767-5058/5059 for the workshop at Stewart Aug. 22, both from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (lunch is included).