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COMMUNITY & LEISURE

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Hunter volunteer honored for service

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Marcia Steele, who was honored recently with the Emma Marie Baird Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service, doesn't have to hear the words "thank you" when she helps someone.

She really likes to hear those words, of course. But she said her deepest, "heartfelt satisfaction" comes just from the knowledge that "I have been able to help someone. I have done a kind deed."

Steele, wife of deployed Army Staff Sgt. Joseph Steele, was the first Hunter Army Airfield recipient of the award in about 19 years. She was nominated for providing more than 4,000 hours of service to Army Community Services and other organizations since 2006.

"I call her 'Miss Hunter,' because she is everywhere – weekends, day or night – whenever she is needed, to help Soldiers and their Families," said Renee McClinton, volunteer coordinator for Hunter. In nominating Steele for the award, McClinton used words such as "unselfish dedication" and "untiring efforts" to describe Steele's volunteer work with young and old, with the Directorate of Family Morale, Welfare and Recreation, with Child and Youth Services and in the community at large.

"She has prepared and delivered holiday meals and Welcome Home bags for single Soldiers returning

from deployment. She baked and provided over 1,800 brownies, cookies and 30 homemade pound cakes during Operation Pound Cake and Operation Sweet Bake in support of deployed Soldiers," a portion of the nomination reads.

So, what is Steele's motivation?

One, she said, is that she is an "empty nester" who has to do battle with degenerative disk disease, rheumatoid arthritis and chronic asthma.

"But my philosophy is that I am not going to let that keep me down," she said. "I want to help people in spite of this, because I could easily sit in the house and feel sorry for myself and get into a deep mode of depression. I feel like every day above ground is a great day."

Another, she said, is that "heartfelt satisfaction" she gets when she is able to help someone. She is seldom seen without a smile, but often is seen doing the little things that are a big help to others.

"If I see a Soldier walking around here in the rain, or in the extreme heat down here in Georgia, I'll stop and give them a ride. If you are driving by in a car, you can usually pick someone up and give them a ride to the shoppette, or from the shoppette back to the barracks.

"Sometimes, I'll see a whole Family walking, with a whole ton of groceries, and I will stop and pick up the whole Family and give them a ride home," Steele said.

She makes bouquets from flowers

that otherwise would have been discarded after brunches and similar events and takes them to the homes of spouses whose husbands are deployed. Steele said it is her way of saying, "You are loved."

Some of the spouses don't know how to ask for help, Steele said, so they just sit there and suffer by themselves. Visiting or helping those spouses, she "is just a friendly face to say, 'You know, you don't have to go through this alone.'"

Steele has a daughter, Lolita, who lives with her husband, Carl, in

Detroit.

"Our little pride and joy is our grandson, Carl Edward Mason Jr.," Steele said.

Steele's tendency to exceptional service may have come from her upbringing in rural Alabama by her grandmother and grandfather, Alfred and Golee Fox, who always set an example of helping others in need, she said.

The Baird Award memorializes the late Lt. Col. Emma Marie Baird, considered the founder of Army Community Services.



Bob Mathews

Renee McClinton (left), volunteer coordinator for Hunter, stands with Marcia Steele, winner of the Emma Marie Baird Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service.

Unicoi State Park: Mountain retreat for whole Family

Commentary by Randy Murray
Fort Stewart Public Affairs

To paraphrase a Georgia Power Company ad, there are few places on earth that can match Georgia's natural beauty. Those who've read my other articles about Georgia's state park system know I have touted those parks within a three-hour drive from Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield as inexpensive Family getaways. But if you don't mind a nearly seven-hour drive and spending a little bit of money for a room at a luxurious mountain lodge, you'll find few places on earth match the natural beauty of Unicoi

State Park.

Unicoi is a mountain retreat for the whole Family.

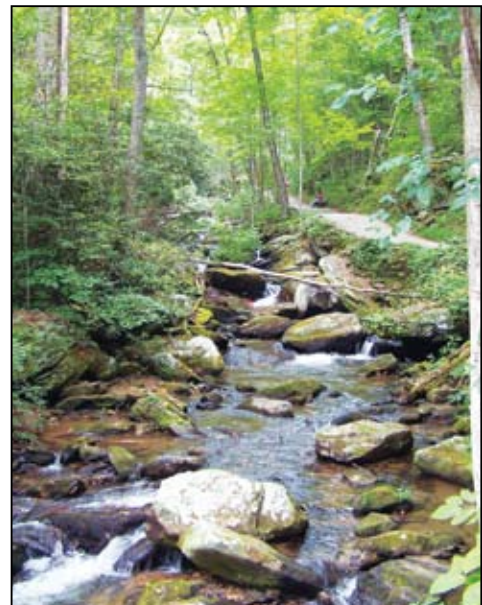
Located just north of the Alpine town of Helen, Unicoi is over 1,000 acres of majestic mountain forest with a 53-acre lake, if you're into activities like fishing, canoeing or splashing around in a paddle boat. There's also a sandy beach area and beach house where you can work on your tan or just take a dip to cool off.

Rooms at the 100-room lodge usually rent for \$75-\$135 a night, but we got a special "Dog Days of Summer" rate – only \$69 a night, which included a free buffet break-

fast. The lodge restaurant serves three buffet meals a day, and these aren't your everyday mass feedings but real food, like pan seared mountain trout, Southern fried or chicken, grilled prime sirloin and baked salmon with homemade soups and chowders, seasoned vegetables and fresh fruit, plus homemade pies and cakes.

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A roaring stream flows down from Anna Ruby Falls, inviting park visitors to continue their trek up to its source. Mountain trout can be found on careful examination of some of pools.



Randy Murray

Hinesville veterans, mayor declare POW/MIA Recognition Day



Krystal R. Britton

Members of Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 789, Paul Spence (far left), Jimmy Waynick (center right) and Dennis Fitzgerald (far right) watch as Hinesville Mayor Pro Tem Charles Frasier (center left) signs the National POW/MIA Recognition Day Proclamation, Sept. 3. The City of Hinesville proclaimed Sept. 18 as National POW/MIA Recognition Day in Hinesville.

★ AMERICA SUPPORTS YOU ★
FREEDOM WALK

Today, Cottrell Field
Sept. 11, Hunter Club
6 p.m., Ceremony and Walk

Remember the events of
September 11, 2001

Show your support for area
first responders, fire fighters,
police officers, EMTs, and our
Soldiers' continued sacrifices.



THE COLLECTOR

FROM THE WRITERS OF SAW IV, V & VI

AAFES

PRESENTS

SEPT 13

The Collector

Today— 7 p.m.

(Josh Stewart, Madeline Zima)

Desperate for money to pay off a debt, a man targets a wealthy Family's home and plans to break in and steal a valuable gem. He soon learns that he

picked the wrong night to carry out his plans, for a masked madman has gotten there first, imprisoned the Family and lined the mansion with deadly traps. *Rated R (pervasive sadistic bloody violence, language and some sexuality/nudity)* 85 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.

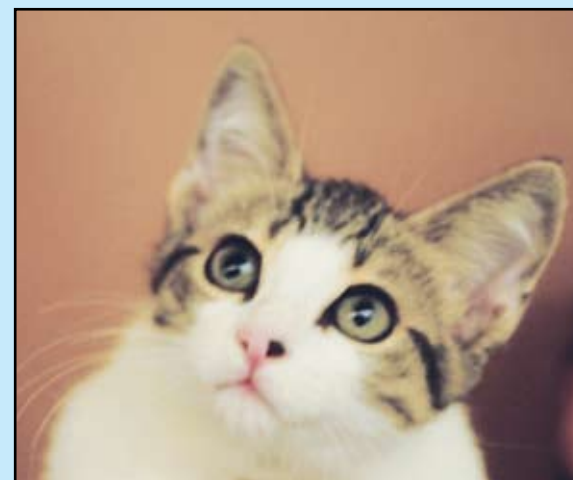


Pets of the Week

Looking for a good home...

Texas the dog & Blue 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.



Ga State Parks offer free admission

All of Georgia's State Parks and Historic Sites will host a free day to allow folks to visit the sites for free and take part in a volunteer service project, Sept. 25. Admissions to the historic sites and parking fees will be waived at Fort McAllister, in Richmond Hill, just south of Savannah.

Fort McAllister staff and friends of Fort McAllister will be hosting a painting and raking

day at the fort. Cannons, gun carriages and the officers' barracks will receive a well needed coat of paint and a good scrubbing. The gun placements will get raked and limbs collected.

The friend's of Fort McAllister will have an information table setup to handout information on the groups membership and how you can support the fort by joining thr friends group. The

fort staff and volunteers will be offering living history programs throughout the day.

Please come for a free visit and share your time at your local state park. For information and directions, call (912) 727-2339. Bring work gloves, rakes and paint brushes. It is an all day event from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Bring the kids and spend the day!



DFMWR Briefs

CYSS offers online tutoring

Military-connected children and youth who could use a little extra help with school work now have a 24/7 source for that help: Child, Youth and School Services' Free Online Tutoring.

The online tutoring is available for students in kindergarten through 12th grade and college prep. All grade levels of math, science, English, and social studies are supported.

To access the service, go to <http://www.myarmy-onesource.com/default.aspx>. Hover over the Child, Youth and School Services tab at the top of the page. A drop-down menu will appear. CYSS Free Online Tutoring is the fourth tab down. Click on that tab and follow the steps to register and begin using the service.

According to David Smith, Youth Education Support Services director, during the one-time registration, indicate Fort Stewart as the garrison and a password will be issued. He said all tutors are thoroughly screened and Spanish-speaking tutors are available.

For more information, contact the School Liaison Officers on Fort Stewart at 767-6533 or Hunter Army Airfield at 315-6586.

Walt Disney World trip scheduled

It's never too early to plan ahead!

Reservations are being accepted now for a Walt Disney World Trip planned by the Leisure Travel Office for Nov. 27-29.

It's a chance to see Disney World in all of its Christmas décor. Leisure Travel invites you to spend the weekend on Disney property in Orlando, where every park is filled with fun for everyone.

The cost is \$250 per Family. The price includes the hotel room (1-4 people per room) and transportation. Your opportunity to sign up will close Nov. 15.

For more information, call 767-2841 / 8609.

Golf discount for spouses available

Taylor's Creek Golf Course and Hunter Golf Club soon will be offering a discount for spouses.

Visit Taylor's Creek Golf Course every Monday or Hunter Golf Club every Tuesday for Spouse Day. Spouses are invited to golf for special discounted rates of \$15 for nine holes and \$25 for 18 holes. Golf carts are included in the price.

Golf clinics also will be available from 8:30-9 a.m.

For more information, call 767-2370 (Stewart) or 315-9115 (Hunter).

Sign-up for "haunted ghost" tour

Registration begins Monday and continues through Oct. 29 for the Kids on the Move/Youth Sponsorship trip, the "haunted ghost" tour in Savannah. The trip is scheduled for Oct. 31 and includes round trip transportation from Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield, "haunted ghost" tour on a trolley car, submarine sandwich and supervision.

Participants will leave at 9:45 a.m. from Stewart and 10:45 a.m. from Hunter on Oct. 31.

The trip is free and open only to CYSS registered youth in grades 4-12. Sign up at the School Liaison Offices. For more information, call 767-6533 at Stewart or 315-6586 at Hunter.

CYSS' Kids on the Move/Youth Sponsorship trips are a great way for those who are new to the area to make new friends and learn more about points of interest in the greater Savannah area.

Skin care demo class at book club

A skin care demo class will be presented by Althea Myers from 7-8 p.m., Wednesday at the Marne Book Club for adults 18 and over meeting at George P. Hays Library, building 411. The demonstration is part of Marne Book Club members' goal to become healthier inside and out.

A book relating to eating healthier will be introduced and discussed. Space is limited. Call 767-2828 for more information.

You're invited to join fellow readers, be introduced to new authors, ideas and participate in book discussions as a member of the Marne Book Club.

Kids Scavenger Hunt slated

Join us at 7 p.m. Sept. 18 for a free Kids' Scavenger Hunt at Cypress Creek Adventure Golf, building 448.

Staff will hide an object or objects, give patrons some clues and see who can find the object first. The game will end once the object or objects are found. The winner will receive four free game coupons to Corkan Family Area Recreation facilities.

For more information, call 767-9884.

Mark your calendar for Blues & BBQ

Join us Sept. 19 for the annual Blues and BBQ event presented by the Hinesville Area Arts Council, in partnership with the Directorate of Family Morale, Welfare and Recreation.

The events will be held from 4-11:30 p.m. in Bradwell Park, downtown Hinesville, and will feature the Eric Culberson Band, Eddie Kirkland and

local opener Brenda Meteyor.

Vendors will charge for their barbecue, but admission to the concert is free and open to the public. The barbecue contest will run from 4-5 p.m.

For more information, call 767-6212.

Water Spray Park Season Winding Down

Here's a reminder for Corkan Family Recreation Area customers: The 2009 season for "The Springs" Water Spray Park at Cypress Creek will come to a close on Sept. 30.

So, bring the children out and have some final summer fun from 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. before the closing date arrives. Thanks for a great season!

For more information, call 767-9884.

Come join us for a
Taste of the Caribbean
Sunday Brunch

Club Stewart and Hunter Club
Sept. 13 • 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Menu

Breakfast items
Salad bar
Jamaican jerk chicken
Jamaican crispy fish
Peas and rice plantains
Fresh green beans
Caribbean grilled corn bread pudding
with rum sauce
and other assorted desserts.

The cost is \$11.95 per person with children ages 5-10 half price. Children ages 4 and under eat free.
Call Hunter at 459-7923 or Fort Stewart at 368-2212 for more information.

Hero's life reflected Army values

Chaplain (Maj.) Michael Summers
Deployment Cycle Support Chaplain

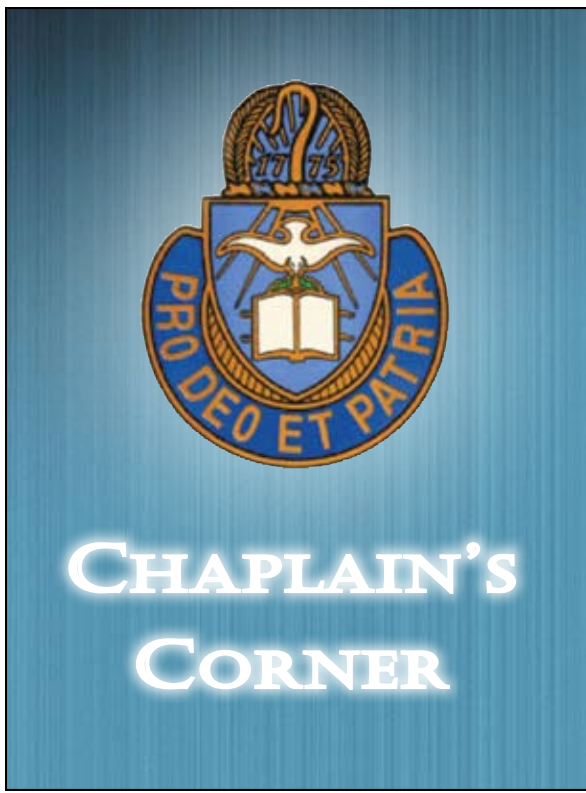
Mr. Ayers was a quiet, humble man in his 80's. He had attended worship at the same church for decades. When we talked at church, we discussed his Family (I sang with his son in a traveling choir.), the sermon, the Bible class lesson of the day, and how he was feeling. As we got to know each other better, trust grew.

As I mixed with his Family and friends the night before his funeral, several older men unveiled to me a dimension of my friend I had never suspected. He had been a special operations paratrooper in Europe and Africa during World War II. He had fought bravely and had been a leader among his peers.

This picture of him clashed with my memories of the quiet, soft-spoken man at church. Then common characteristics of the two meshed in my mind. He was a man of conviction, who knew what he believed, and acted in harmony with his beliefs. We call that "integrity." He believed that he had a responsibility to be at the worship assembly

each time the church met, just as he had answered his nation's call to hazardous assignments. We call that "duty." He and his wife had been married for over 50 years; he had related to her with "honor." Whether as a quiet, elderly church-goer or a young paratrooper, Mr. Ayers embodied the Army values. His battle buddies remembered his exploits 50 years later. When I reflected upon them, none of their stories contradicted my picture of him. So, when we buried him, I reminded his Family and friends that we had lost a hero.

Many of you undoubtedly know men and women like Mr. Ayers. Like me, you may not realize that your older friend once served bravely in the armed forces. Yet, at the same time, you may already consider this person to be one of your heroes because they act out their values consistently in ways that enrich the lives of people around them. We also work with younger versions of Mr. Ayers each day, privates and lieutenants who may or may not plan to make the military a career. They (or should I say we) are learning values that will carry them through trials and will make them a blessing to those whom they encounter.



Chapel Schedule		
Fort Stewart		
Catholic	Location	Time
Saturday Vigil Mass	Main Post Chapel	5 p.m.
Sunday Mass	Main Post Chapel	9 a.m.
Protestant		
Contemporary Worship	Marne	11 a.m.
Gospel Worship	Main Post	11 a.m.
Traditional Worship	Marne	9 a.m.
Liturgical Worship	Heritage	11 a.m.
Kids' Church	Diamond Elementary	11 a.m.
PWOC (Wednesday)	Main Post Chapel	9:30 a.m.
Islamic		
Friday Jum'ah	Marne	1:30 p.m.
Contact Yahya Hassan at 876-5546.		
Jewish		
Friday	Heritage	11:30 a.m.
Contact Sgt. 1st Class Crowther at 767-6717.		
Latter-Day Saints		
Sunday	220 Sandy Run Drive, Hinesville	9 a.m.
Hunter Army Airfield		
Catholic	Location	Time
Sunday Mass	Chapel	11 a.m.
Protestant		
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.

Fort Stewart Chapel Youth Ministry

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

For weekly meeting information, go to
<http://twitter.com/ftstewartyouth>
or contact
Jerry Thompson,
Fort Stewart Youth Ministry Coordinator
at 912-920-9982.

Roman Catholic Daily Mass:
Mon, Weds - Fri at Main Post Chapel, 11:45 a.m.

Weekday Catholic Schedule

Roman Catholic Confession:
Sat, Main Post Chapel, 4 – 4:30 p.m.

Lunchtime Concert

In the Park

featuring

THE 3RD INFANTRY DIVISION ARMY BAND

Friday - September 18th

11:30am to 1:30pm @ Bradwell Park
Downtown Hinesville

Bring your lawn chairs and picnic lunch or purchase from the food vendor/local eateries!

Lunchtime Concert Series Sponsored By:

For more information contact: HDDA 2 877-4332
Email: discoverdowntown@coastalnow.net

Coastal Happenings

Courtesy of the Coastal Courier

Live Oak Public Libraries

September is Library Card Sign Up Month!

Apply for your "Power Card" during September and enter in a drawing to win a \$25 gift certificate from Carey Hilliard's restaurants or a 'Geek the Library' T-shirt.

There will be one gift certificate and one t-shirt awarded at each Live Oak Public Libraries branch, visit www.liveoakpl.org/branches for locations.

Note: Children ages 15 and younger will need an adult sponsor age 18 or older to sign up for a library card. Proof of residency and proper identification are required when signing up for a card.

Preschool Storytime

Throughout the month of September, storytime will be held for children ages 3-4, Mondays at 10:30 a.m. Join us for stories, songs, and more.

Tree Tots Storytime

Every Tuesday in September, storytime will be held for children ages 1-2, at 10:30 a.m. Join us for stories, songs, and more.

Introduction to Windows

A beginner's course on using the library's computers will be offered today at 10:30 a.m. at the Liberty Branch Library. This class will cover using a mouse, manipulating the windows, and printing. To register, call the library at 368-4003.

Introduction to Word

A beginner's course on using this popular word processing software that will cover creating, printing, and saving a document will be held at the Liberty Branch Library at 11 a.m., Saturday. Prerequisite: Introduction to Windows or equivalent knowledge. To register, call the library at 368-4003.

Computer Practice Sessions

Come in and practice in all of the skills that you learned in other computer classes at the Liberty Branch Library at 10:30 a.m., Sept. 17. To register, call the library at 368-4003.

Introduction to Excel

Learn how to create a simple spreadsheet and add graphs at Liberty Branch Library tomorrow at 11 a.m. Prerequisite: Introduction to Word or equivalent knowledge. To register, call the library at 368-4003.

How to write an Effective Paper

A presentation on tips and hints for writing research papers in high school and college will be held at 4 p.m., Sept. 22, at the Liberty Branch Library. There will be suggestions of things to use in papers, where to find the best information in the library, and pitfalls that all writers should avoid. To register, call the library at 368-4003.

Introduction to PowerPoint Presentation

Learn how to use this library resource for creating informative displays for school, work, or any type of gathering at the Liberty Branch Library at 10:30 a.m., Sept. 24. Prerequisite: Introduction to Word or similar skills. To register, call the library at 368-4003.

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 week-end of each month.

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

Calling all Zetas

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. recently chartered a new chapter in Hinesville. The organization invites all members in the Hinesville/Fort Stewart area to join the Hinesville chapter the first Saturday of every month at the Veterans of Foreign War Post 6602, located at 931 E G Parkway.

Zeta Phi Beta is a community-conscious, action-oriented organization founded Jan. 16, 1920 on the campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C.

Zeta chapters have given millions of hours of voluntary service to educate the public, assist youth, provide scholarships, support organized charities and promote legislation for social change.

The Hinesville chapter invites all members to help continue this tradition of service. For more information or to attend a chapter meeting, contact Rhonda Lawson at (253) 576-2230, or Alisha Johnson at (912) 220-8137.

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 service-members. If you have questions, call Christina Anthony or Ashley Carpenter at 368-9622.

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.

Vendors Sought for OktoberFest

Vendor applications are currently being accepted for OktoberFest Hinesville planned Oct. 16 and 17 to be held in the Bradwell Park Area in downtown Hinesville. The two-day event will feature authentic German entertainment and food, beer tent, food court and Marktplatz, with arts, crafts, general merchandise, and commercial booths. Food vendors may apply to participate both days and Marktplatz vendors may apply to participate Saturday only. Booth rentals are \$50 before Oct. 2 and \$75 thereafter. Event times are Friday, from 5 p.m. to midnight and Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

For an application or more event information visit:

Zum Rosenhof located at 103B Midway Street or HDDA at the "Old Liberty County Jail" located at 302 South Main Street (call (912) 877-4332 or e-mail: discover-downtown@coastalnow.net).

Sunbury celebrates the blue crab

Sept. 26 is the date for this year's Sunbury Blue Crab Festival. The event will take place on the grounds of a working crab house at the Sunbury Marina.

Visitors can sample fresh caught seafood while chatting with the commercial boat captains and watching live entertainment, including Georgia music legend Randall Bramblett and his band, which headline a concert with four groups that includes blues guitar Eric Culberson, The Dave Turner Band, and The Midway All-Stars.

Admission to the festival is \$15 with military and advance tickets are \$10. For festival information, call (912) 884-8640.

Rehearsal for 3rd ID Spiritual Luncheon

Choir rehearsal for the 3rd ID Spiritual Luncheon will be held at Club Stewart at 7 p.m., Monday. Please try to attend and start rehearsing 'Thou O Lord are a Shield for Me' and 'Halleluiah Anyhow' if you have a rehearsal CD.

Get your book and rehearsal CD by contacting Eleanor Hudson, music coordinator in Hinesville, at BEHud@hotmail.com or call (912) 876-7610. You may also contact Ronald Calhoun at lcca.mass.choir@bellsouth.net or call (912) 977-3322.

Choir should arrive between 10:45 and 11a.m. on Sept. 15 at Club Stewart.

Free weddings for Warriors

The Savannah Wedding Tourism Council and area Savannah businesses are sponsoring free wedding ceremonies to the first 40 military couples who sign up on Nov. 11, starting at 3 p.m. in Forsyth Park, Madison Square and Monterey Squares. (Either bride or groom must be active-duty military.) Couple also gets free photos of the ceremony, a dinner cruise reception; the bride gets an Alfred Angelo gown and a free bouquet. If you are interested, register on-line at www.weddingsforwarriors.com or call Becky Byous at (912) 656-6541

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There are 82 tent/RV campsites, 33 walk-in campsites, "squirrel's nest" camping shelters and 30 cottages. There are six picnic shelters and four tennis courts. You also have more than seven miles of hiking and eight miles of biking trails to burn off all that great food you stuffed yourself with at the lodge restaurant. And if you can't find enough to do at the state park, visit Anna Ruby Falls National Park, which joins with Unicoi. For a mere \$2 a person, you can hike a steep, paved trail up to beautiful Anna Ruby Falls.

Evenings at the lodge and campground usually include special activities or entertainment. The first evening we were there, a Bluegrass Band played their hearts out to hundreds of Family Members crowded inside the lodge's two largest meeting rooms. My wife and I sat on the front porch outside the meeting room, enjoying the banjos and fiddles from inside the lodge while another concert, a night bug concert, serenaded us from the dark woods surrounding the lodge.

You can get to Unicoi by taking U.S. 301 to I-16 then at Dublin, take U.S. 441 north, all the way to the town of Clarkesville. Then take GA-17 to Helen. Be aware that traffic getting through the tourist town of Helen is always heavy, so be patient. You'll soon be on

Photos by Randy Murray

Lodge units C and B rise high on the top of the mountain where Unicoi State Park Lodge and Restaurant offer Families a great mountain retreat. In addition to the 100-room lodge and restaurant, the 1,050-acre park also has campsites, hiking trails and a 53-acre lake.



the mountain top and can relax. Note too that temperatures on the mountain are about 8 degrees cooler than Commerce, about an hour below.

To learn more about Unicoi State Park, call (706) 878-2201 or visit www.gastateparks.org.

Anna Ruby Falls, a national park site, joins with Unicoi State Park. A cool, refreshing mist from the falls makes the challenging hike to the falls worth the trip.



This extra-steep grade to the paved trail leading up to Anna Ruby Falls is enough to make a hardy infantryman say "hooah," and yet both old and young make the trip to the falls each day.

Army Community Service



search.

Today at Hunter Army Airfield, the Resume Writing workshop will help you identify skills to enhance your resume development today. The class repeats at Fort Stewart on Monday; both classes are from 1-5 p.m.

If you are seeking a job with the federal government, Resumix teaches you the insider's tips for entering your resume in the electronic system, searching jobs, and maximizing your skills for the most impact, Tuesday at Hunter from 1-3 p.m.

Job Hunting 101 offers instruction on various topics in the job-search process to include resume writing, networking, interviewing, and dressing for success, 1-3 p.m., Sept. 18 at Stewart and Sept. 24 at Hunter.

You must pre-register for employment readiness workshops. Call 767-5058/5059 at Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter. Also request a personal employment counseling session and let us help you prepare to find the job you want.

Shield your children from conflict

Parents facing divorce or separation are invited to a class with a focus on minimizing the impact on their children. "Shielding Children from Conflict" includes interactive activities to help address issues, discussions on the effects of separation and how to relate to children according to their age, growth, and development. Call 767-5058/5059 to register for any of the remaining sessions, today from 1:15-4 p.m. and Sept. 17 and 24 at Stewart.

Empower your step Family

Getting married is the easy part. When a Step Family is formed, everyone needs to learn new rules: Mom and Dad need to learn how to work together as a team, and children and teens must adapt to changes. A new program entitled Empowering Step Families will help couples work together to raise children in the challenging stepfamily environment. You will also learn how to use powerful communication and negotiation skills to strengthen marriage and Family, Monday and Sept. 14 and 28 from 9-11:45 a.m.

Learn child development stages

There is still time to register for a parenting class at Hunter, a three-session series entitled 1,2,3,4 Parents which begins Tuesday and continues from 2-4 p.m., Sept. 22 and 29. Created by Active Parenting Publishers and Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, the class teaches parents with children ages 1 to 4 age-appropriate discipline techniques and how to establish routines for your active preschooler. Please call 315-6816 to register.

FRG offers training to leaders

FRG Leaders at Hunter are invited to training that covers Program Overview, FRG Organization, FRG Structure, FRG Leader Roles, Resources, Fundraising,

include an overview of the Key Caller's duties, communicating with Family Members, dispelling rumors, handling crisis calls, and how the Key Caller fits into a successful Family Readiness Group.

Do you need ideas for your Family Readiness Group? Is participation down? Join the Deployment Readiness team for FRG E.U.N. (Facilitate, Unite, Network), a forum to share ideas, best practices, and develop friendships. This workshop is designed for FRG Leaders, FRGAs, Advisors, and FRG LNOs, from 9-11:30 a.m., Sept. 18. Call 767-5058/5059 to register for Family Readiness Program classes at ACS-Stewart, or 315-6816 to register at Hunter. Also ask about child care

Learn the Army with AFTB

Family Members are encouraged to register for free training offered by Army Family Team Building to learn tools to succeed as an Army Family.

A Level II class will be held Tuesday-Thursday at both Hunter and Stewart locations. Level II focuses on personal development and encourages emerging leadership with instruction in personal time management, conflict management, creative problem solving, crisis coping, and more.

At Stewart, the Dogface Soldier for Families class shares the history of the 3rd Infantry Division, the Dogface Soldier song, the origin behind our Mascot Rocky, and includes a guided tour of the Fort Stewart Museum from 10-11:30 a.m., Wednesday.

Call 767-5058/5059 at Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter to register or for more information on Army Family Team Building classes.

Join the foreign-born spouse network

Foreign-born spouses are invited to meet members from various countries to discuss the American way of life, develop friendships, and learn about the many resources available to make your new life experience positive, Wednesday at Stewart and Sept. 21 at Hunter, both beginning at 11 a.m. 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.

Join Baby Bootcamp

Baby Bootcamp for Dads is scheduled at 4 p.m. at Stewart on Sep. 24. Men who are expecting a baby or have children up to age one are invited to this interactive class where you'll learn the correct way to hold, diaper, dress, and bathe your little one. Challenge the stereotype and take the initiative to be a hands-on dad. Mom will be thrilled, and you will reap the reward of building a special bond with your child that will last a lifetime. Please call ACS-Stewart at 767-5058/5059 to register.

Come to Parent Power Hour

Join together with other parents to share your parenting concerns and experiences. At Stewart, Parent

meets from 2-3:30 p.m., every Thursday. Call your local ACS for more information.

Also ask about a home visit by one of our experienced professionals who can answer your important parenting concerns in the privacy of your own home.

Get more from your paycheck

Your Financial Readiness team introduces a fast-track approach to getting more out of your paycheck, a new class that is a pre-requisite to most financial counseling appointments. We'll work with you individually in a group setting and teach 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. If you need more, individual financial counseling appointments can be made at the completion of class. Call 767-5058/5059 to register for the class at Stewart, now offered from 1 to 3 p.m., each Tuesday. Call 315-6816 to register for the same class at Hunter from 9 to 11 a.m., Sept. 23.

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, Army 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 (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.

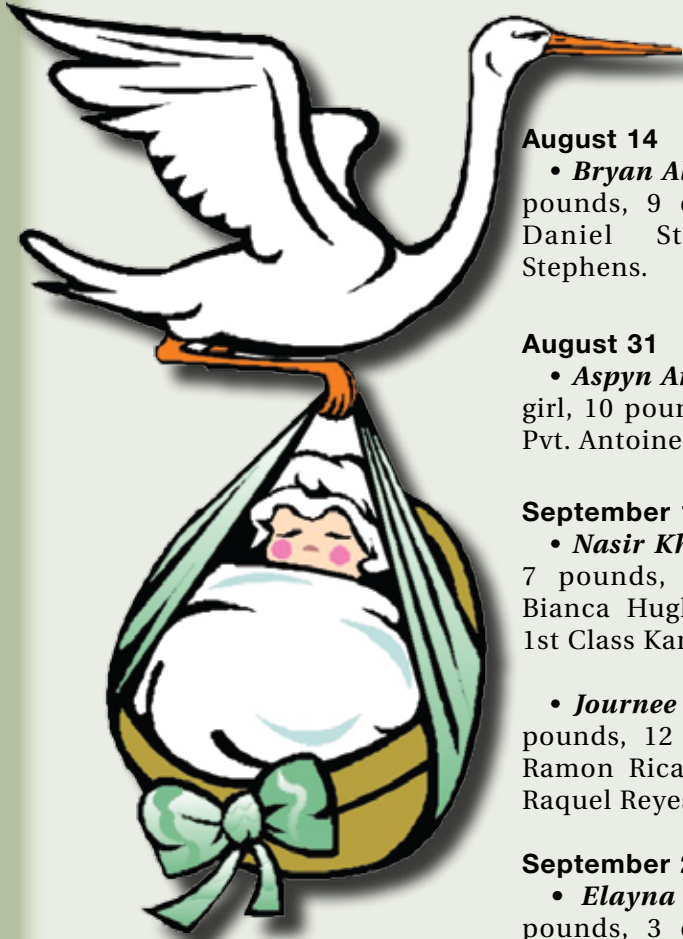
Newcomer's welcome packet

Now available on the Team Stewart Web site, a newcomer's welcome packet provides a wealth of information about the Stewart-Hunter installation, including cost of living, population, child care, schools, youth services, housing, employment, post services, medical services, and more. To access the welcome packet, visit www.stewart.army.mil (click on the NEWCOMER tab at the top of the page, then select WELCOME PACKET).

Local maps, telephone directories, and current event calendars are available from your Relocation Readiness specialists located at your local Army Community Service Office. For more information, call 767-5058/5059 at Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter.

Special Deliveries

Provided by Winn Army Hospital



August 14

- **Bryan Alan Stephens**, a boy, 8 pounds, 9 ounces, born to Pvt. Daniel Stephens and Lori Stephens.

August 31

- **Aspyn Amira Sage Kaskalla**, a girl, 10 pounds, 8 ounces, born to Pvt. Antoinette S. Kaskalla.

September 1

- **Nasir Khadeen Hughes**, a boy, 7 pounds, 13 ounces, born to Bianca Hughes (daughter of Sgt. 1st Class Karen Hughes).

- **Journee Marie Reyes**, a girl, 8 pounds, 12 ounces, born to Pvt. Ramon Ricardo Reyes and Vanity Raquel Reyes.

September 2

- **Elayna Joy Latko**, a girl, 8 pounds, 3 ounces, born to Sgt. Joshua Felix Latko and Andrea Lynn Latko.

- **Adalynn Ziana Lingg**, a girl, 5 pounds, 11 ounces, born to Mr. Robert Charles Lingg III and Pfc. Crystal Lynn Lingg.

September 3

- **Madeline Khloe Durham**, a girl, 7 pounds, 10 ounces, born to Spc. Adam Durham and Heather Durham.

- **Lee'Annie Nichole Gonzalez-Smith**, a girl, 7 pounds, 9 ounces, born to Nicholas Anthony Gonzalez-Smith and Pvt. Shaniqua M. Gonzalez-Smith.

September 4

- **Stephen Anthony Fink**, a boy, 7 pounds, 14 ounces, born to Sgt. Stephen Fink and Christina Fink.

- **Christian Lee McCallister**, a boy, 5 pounds, 2 ounces, born to Spc. Timothy Lee McCallister Jr. and Spc. Linda McCallister.

- **Tito Xavier Street**, a boy, 8 pounds, 2 ounces, born to Pfc.

Charles Allen Street and Miche'lle Barbara Street.

September 5

- **Brianna Christine Brooks**, a girl, 9 pounds, 2 ounces, born to Spc. Daniel Aaron Brooks and Adele Elizabeth Brooks.

- **Shelby Lynn Gonzalez**, a girl, 6 pounds, 15 ounces, born to Spc. Christopher Gonzalez and Genevleve Gonzalez.

- **Amanda Rosa Jones**, a girl, 6 pounds, 4 ounces, born to Staff Sgt. Neil A. Jones and Feeridania Jones.

- **Xander Allan Parker**, a boy, 6 pounds, 14 ounces, born to Pvt. Mitchell Allan Parker and Julie Lynn Parker.

September 6

- **Gabriel King Boykin**, a boy, 8 pounds, 15 ounces, born to Pfc. Kaleb King Boykin and Heather Layne Boykin.

Team Stewart

For more information, visit the Frontline online at

www.stewart.army.mil

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