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## 4th IBCT hosts National American Indian Heritage observance

Staff Sgt. Tanya Polk  
4th IBCT Public Affairs

In honor of the Army's rich and diverse cultural heritage, the 3rd Infantry Division paid tribute to and recognized the contributions of Native

American Indians here, Nov. 5. Hosted by the 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, this year's National American Indian Heritage observance, "Our Peoples: Giving Voice to Our History," was held at Fort Stewart's Woodruff Theater.

Captain Angela Sands, who is assigned to the 1st Heavy Brigade Combat Team, was the guest

speaker at the observance and read her speech entitled, "The Native American Political History, 1776 to present."

Her speech detailed the Iroquois Nation during the American Revolution and the Northwest Indian War. She also discussed the relocation and movement of Native Americans from their homeland to Indian Territory - also known as Trail of Tears - assimilation policies, and Native American contributions.

"Native Americans are unique because they are able to keep their original tribal traditions and culture in tact throughout 200 plus years of assimilation policies," said Capt. Sands, who hails from the Sioux Tribe in Poplar, Montana. "They've woven their wisdom and principals into the tapestry of America as evident by the contributions to the creation of the Constitution and our local communities."

Additionally, the observance featured a short film from the National Museum of the American Indian entitled "Code Talkers." Code Talkers were Native American Indians who were recruited during World War II, and used the Navajo language to transmit secret tactical messages.

"Today we are honoring our American Indian partners," said Brig. Gen. Jeffrey Phillips, 3rd ID Deputy Commanding General - Rear. "They have a profound sense of nation."

"The genius of America is not only that we bring together different people from different places and mix them together in a culture that produces a dynamic blend of freedom and innovation, but that those people are also allowed to retain that very special identify from whence they came."

The next Equal Opportunity observance will celebrate Black History and is slated for February 2010.



Staff Sgt. Tanya Polk

Third ID Deputy Commanding General-Rear, Brig. Gen. Jeffrey Phillips, and Command Sgt. Maj. Jeffrey Ashmen, command sergeant major-rear, present Capt. Angela Sands with a certificate of appreciation at Fort Stewart's National American Indian Heritage Observance, Nov. 5.

## Kessler kids show off artistic talents

Randy Murray  
Fort Stewart Public Affairs

Students from Fort Stewart's Kessler Elementary School had an opportunity to show off their artistic talents at an Art Show/Art Forum and display the results of the Great Pumpkin Book Character Contest during the quarterly Parent-Teacher Organization meeting, Nov. 5.

Students, teachers and Family Members were greeted by a ceramic art display as they entered the school foyer. Straight ahead of them in the library/media center, they found even more artwork in the form of decorated pumpkins. Some were so cleverly decorated they no longer appeared to be pumpkins at all.

According to Cheryl Cook, the school's library/media specialist, the pumpkin displays were in no way related to Halloween. Students in each of the school's pre-kindergarten through 6th grade classrooms selected a favorite children's book character then decorated a pumpkin, donated by PTO, to look like that character. With a little paint, markers, construction paper, fabric, pipe cleaners, yarn and glue, the children, with help from their teacher and the school's art teacher, Sonja-Lee Pollino, converted these huge orange squash into pieces of art.



"Tiger, Tiger," by Dee Lillegard and Susan Guevara, is illustrated with a decorated pumpkin, done by Kristy Shea's 3rd grade class at Kessler Elementary School with help from the school's art teacher, Sonja-Lee Pollino. The art is part of media center specialist Cheryl Cook's Great Pumpkin Book Character Contest, in which each class decorated a pumpkin to look like the lead character in their favorite book.

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### Town Hall Meeting at Stewart, Hunter 5:30 p.m., Nov 19

The military community has an opportunity to address concerns or make suggestions to a panel about Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield quality of life issues at a Town Hall Meeting starting at 5:30 p.m., Nov. 19.

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).

For more information, call 767-5058 (Stewart) or 315-6816 (Hunter). The Town Hall Meeting is coordinated by Army Community Service.

### Storytime at Library Celebrates Native American Heritage Month

All are welcome to hear stories and participate in activities from 4-5 p.m., Nov. 18, at the George P. Hays Library, building 411, to celebrate Native American heritage. Join us for Storytime. For more information, call 767-2828.

# AAFES<sup>TM</sup>

## PRESENTS TODAY THROUGH NOV. 15

### Zombieland

Today— 7 p.m.

(Woody Harrelson, Jesse Eisenberg)

A cowardly shut-in named Columbus is forced to join up with a seasoned zombie slayer named Tallahassee in order to survive the zombie apocalypse. As Tallahassee sets out on a mission to find the last Twinkie on Earth, the duo meets up with Wichita and Little Rock, two young girls who have resorted to some rather unorthodox methods to survive amidst the chaos. Reluctant partners in the battle against the undead, all four soon begin to wonder if it might be better to simply take their chances alone.

*Rated R (horror violence/gore, language) 120 min.*

### Jennifer's Body

Friday— 7 p.m.

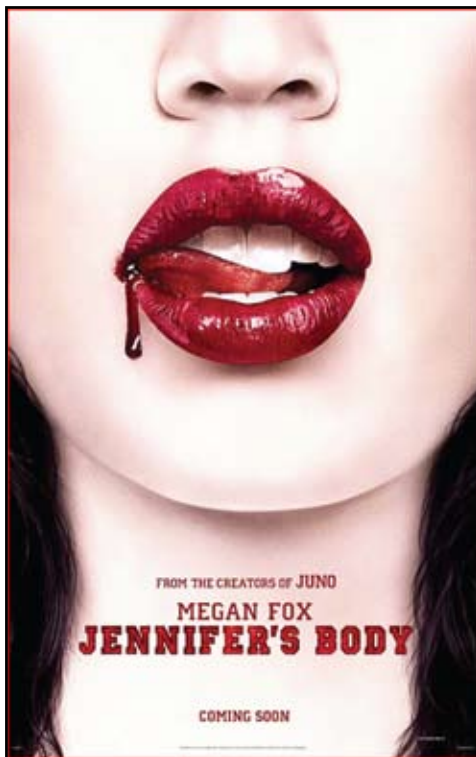
Saturday— 7 p.m.

(Megan Fox, Amanda Seyfried)

When a demon takes possession of her, high-school hottie Jennifer turns a hungry eye on guys who never stood a chance with her before. While evil Jennifer satisfies her appetite for human flesh with the school's male population, her nerdy friend, Needy, learns what's happening and vows to put an end to the carnage.

*Rated R (sexuality, bloody violence, language and brief drug use) 80 min.*

define their identities. Caught up in the intense atmosphere of a performing arts high school in New York, the student artists in the film confront both the tantalizing promise of success and the challenges of thriving in a highly competitive environment. *Rate PG (thematic material including teen drinking, a sexual situation and language) 107 min.*



### Fame

Sunday— 7p.m.

(Kay Panabaker, Naturi Naughton)

Follow a group of students attending the renowned New York School of Performing Arts from audition through graduation, as they discover their burgeoning talents and

*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).*

## Pets of the Week Looking for a good home...



### Bono the dog & Ma, Bell and Babie the cats

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.



## Team Stewart

[www.stewart.army.mil](http://www.stewart.army.mil)



# DFMWR Briefs

## Turkey Shoots offered at Stewart, Hunter

Put your marksmanship skills to the test and possibly win a prize with Holiday Turkey Shoots scheduled at the Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield Skeet Ranges.

Turkey Shoots are scheduled at Hunter beginning at noon, Nov. 14, Nov. 21 and Dec. 12.

At Fort Stewart shoots will begin at 4 p.m., Nov. 12, Nov. 19, Dec. 10 and Dec. 17.

The competitions at Hunter are traditional turkey shoots. Fees are \$3 per round with a minimum of 10 shooters per round. Come out and try your luck in winning a \$10 or \$20 certificate good at Hunter Outdoor Recreation.

The competition at Stewart consists of three types of shoots: traditional, poker and trap.

Fees for traditional are \$3 per shot; poker-5 shots are \$3 per person all night long; plus trap 1 shot is \$5 per person, one time only per individual/shoot till you miss, each night.

Prizes will be awarded in each category and door prizes given out. Turkey will be awarded for trap shoot only.

For information about the Hunter shoots, call 315-9250 or 315-9554 and Stewart shoots, call 767-2515.

## Family Bouldering Class scheduled

Join us from 5-7 p.m. Sunday at Corkan Family Fun Center, building 449, for a Family Bouldering Class. It's open to Families who want a challenge and are interested in "bouldering," climbing no higher than 8 feet and moving from side to side. We want to see who can make it across the room, not just to the top.

The cost is \$5 per person per hour. For details, call 767-9884.

## Native American Heritage celebrated

All are welcome to hear stories and participate in activities to celebrate Native American heritage at the George P. Hays Library, building 411, from 4-5 p.m., Nov. 18. Join us for Storytime. For more infor-

mation, call 767-2828.

## Youth Action Council meets

The Youth Action Council will meet to get new ideas or suggestions to improve quality of life for military connected youth at the Youth Center, building 7338, at 5 p.m., Nov. 19.

Additional topics will include how to become a youth sponsor in Youth Sponsorship program, upcoming trips and programs. Join us for fun, prizes and more.

Open to military connected youth in middle school and high school. For more information, call School Liaison Office at 767-6533.

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

The Town Hall Meeting is coordinated by Army Community Service.

## Register for "Wild Turkey Scramble"

Registration ends Nov. 20 for the Taylors Creek Golf Course "Wild Turkey Scramble," which begins with a shotgun start at noon, Nov. 21.

Join us for this event, which includes mini events such as the 3-Club Challenge, Strong Arm Drive, Balancing Act, and Take Your Best Shot Kid.

Sign up as a foursome. The cost is \$35 per person. For details, call 767-2370.

## Sign up for Sapelo Island trip

Sign up by Nov. 20 for the Kids on the Move/Youth

Sponsorship Sapelo Island Trip scheduled from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Nov. 24. Here's an opportunity to make new friends and learn about points of interest in the Savannah area. There is no charge.

Open to Child, Youth and School Services registered youth in grades 4-12. Group will depart from Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield.

Trip includes round trip transportation, visit to Hog Hammock Community, maritime forest, Reynolds Mansion, lighthouse and more.

To register and for details, contact the School Liaison Offices, 767-6533 at Stewart, or 315-6586 at Hunter.

## Join teens' 5-on-5 Basketball Tourney

All teens ages 13-18 are invited to participate in the 5-on-5 Basketball Tournament at the Fort Stewart Youth Center, building 7338, scheduled from 1-7 p.m., Nov. 23.

Registration is free, but will close on Nov. 20.

Bring your game and suit up to play against the Fort Stewart Youth Center teams. For more information or to register, call 767-4491.

## Enter All-Army Digital Photo Contest

Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield are participating in the 2009 All-Army Digital Photography Contest, offering a chance to win cash prizes while competing with the best photographers in the Army.

Active-duty Soldiers and Army Civilians can participate. There is no charge.

There will be six entry categories this year: People, Place, Object, Military Life, Experimental and FMWR Fun. FMWR Fun is a special category added this year. Both color and monochrome photographs will be accepted.

Local entries must be submitted by 5 p.m., Nov. 23. Local judging will be held at 2 p.m. Nov. 24. Winners will be notified and winning entries will be forwarded to the All-Army Contest.

Rules can be picked up and photo entries submitted at the Leisure Activities Center, building 443, from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For more information, call 767-5145.

# Pray that God goes with our loved ones

Chaplain (Capt.) Deborah A. Brown  
Winn Army Medical Center Chaplain

I encourage us to remember the Prayer of Moses as your loved ones, Family and friends are deployed. Moses knew the importance of God's presence. He was a man of effective prayer, and he would take time to meet with Him. This is the key to our inner strength, and the foundation that leads to effective prayer.

Prayer is that action that gets us in touch with and develops the most comprehensive relationship with self and God.

In Exodus 33, Moses prayed, "Go with

us," because he knew that the Israelites' success could be achieved by God's presence. He also knew that protection, the lack of fear, peace and prosperity was found in God.

How was Moses supposed to guide the people safely through the hazards of the desert into the Promise Land without them destroying him or themselves? Moses had made up his mind and he refused to go a step further without the manifest presence of God. In answer, he prayed and God said "yes." Like Moses, we too can have our minds made up and grasp the understanding and request "God

go with us."

I realize throughout biblical history that the significant moments in the lives of people were surrounded by a small phrase that says, "God was with him." These are tiresome times as we anticipate, and count down the days for our Families, friends and love ones to come home. My prayer is that God go with those who are serving and for the Families. I pray for the presence of God to be with all of us.

*"I will say to the Lord, My refuge and my fortress; my God in whom I trust."*

Be encouraged, and when in doubt say the Prayer of Moses.

## Chapel Schedule

### Fort Stewart

	Location	Time
<b>Catholic</b>		
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.
<b>Islamic</b>		
Friday Jum'ah	Marne	1:30 p.m.
Contact Yahya Hassan at 876-5546.		
<b>Jewish</b>		
Friday	Heritage	11:30 a.m.
Contact Sgt. 1st Class Crowther at 767-6717.		
<b>Latter-Day Saints</b>		
Sunday	220 Sandy Run Drive, Hinesville	9 a.m.
<b>Hunter Army Airfield</b>		
<b>Catholic</b>		
Sunday Mass	Chapel	11 a.m.
<b>Protestant</b>		
Sunday Service	Chapel	9 a.m.

## Kids Church Where God rocks

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

### For children grades K-5

#### Fort Stewart bus pick-up:

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

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

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

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

10:50 a.m. - Marne Chapel

10:55 a.m. - Main Post Chapel

For more information, e-mail [fortstewartkidschurch@yahoo.com](mailto:fortstewartkidschurch@yahoo.com).

## Fort Stewart Chapel Youth Ministry

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

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

or contact

Jerry Thompson,  
Fort Stewart Youth  
Ministry Coordinator  
at (912) 920-9982.

## Weekday Catholic Schedule

**Roman Catholic  
Daily Mass:**  
Main Post Chapel,  
11:45 a.m., on  
Mon., Wed.-Fri.

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

## Fort Stewart Youth Ministry schedule

**Today:** Bible Study at the Main Post Chapel, 6 p.m.

**Sunday:** Skating at Corkan Family Recreation, 1:30 p.m.

**Nov. 19:** Bible Study at the Main Post Chapel, 6 p.m.

**Nov. 22:** It's a Thanksgiving Family Celebration, Main Post Chapel, 1:30 pm

**Nov. 26:** No Bible Study

**Nov. 29:** No Youth Meeting

The Ministry reminds the community that the youth group is no longer meeting at 6 p.m. on Sundays at the Youth Center.

The Youth Ministry program is for all youth in grades 6-12 who live in the Fort Stewart area. For more information go to [twitter.com/ftstewartyouth](http://twitter.com/ftstewartyouth) or contact the Fort Stewart Youth Ministry Coordinator Jerry "Mr. T" Thompson at 920-9982 or call 2 4 7 - 2 6 2 6 [jerry.e.thompson@comcast.net](mailto:jerry.e.thompson@comcast.net).

# Coastal Happenings

Courtesy of the Coastal Courier

## Live Oak Public Libraries Liberty Branch Library and Midway- Riceboro Branch Library

All Live Oak Public Libraries will be closed on Nov. 26 and 27 in observance of Thanksgiving.

### Preschool Storytime

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

### Tree Tots Storytime

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

### 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 7 p.m., Nov. 18. Prerequisite: Introduction to Word or similar skills. To register, call the library at 368-4003.

### Better ways to handle holiday stress

This Family program, provided the Military and Family Life Consultant Program, will be held at Liberty Branch Library at 4:30 p.m., Nov. 18, and is open to the public. There will be discussions on ways that you can recognize and overcome holiday stress. To register, call the library at 368-4003.

## Coastal golf club offers free greens fees

Hampton Hall and Dolphin Head Golf Clubs invite all active duty, retired, and disabled servicemembers to play a round of golf with complimentary greens fees (\$20 cart fee applies) during veterans' week, through Friday.

To book a tee time, please call (843) 815-8720 from 9

a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday through Sunday.

## Dig into Blues and BBQ Festival

The Roundhouse Blues and BBQ Festival will be held from 6-11 p.m., Friday and Saturday.

The festival features mouth-watering slow-cooked BBQ with drinks and sides, three blues performers per night, steam locomotive rides, blacksmithing demonstrations and more, at the historic Roundhouse Railroad Museum in downtown Savannah.

All proceeds from the event go toward educational programming, and preservation of our historic sites.

For more information, visit the event Web site at [www.roundhousebluesandbbq.com](http://www.roundhousebluesandbbq.com).

## Eanjoy a day at Oatland Island

Take a break from the modern world at Oatland Island Wildlife Center's Heritage Home Site from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday. The area will be buzzing with activity depicting life on a rural homestead.

Featured will be open fire cooking, games and crafts. For more information about this fun, outdoor event, call (912) 395-1500 or visit [www.oatlandisland.org](http://www.oatlandisland.org).

## Massing of the Colors

Don't miss the Massing of the Colors at Savannah Christian Church, 55 Al Henderson Blvd., at 4 p.m., Sunday.

This annual event honors military veterans. This year, the 3rd ID color guard will lead a procession of color guards from other services, veterans and law enforcement, scouting and other organizations. For more information, call Col. (Ret.) Jack Marvin, 598-0082.

## Savannah Winds conducts Fall Feast, Dec 1

The Savannah Winds will present their "Fall Feast" concert at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium of Armstrong Atlantic State University, Dec. 1. Tickets are \$14, with a \$2 discount for military, seniors, and children. Call (912) 344 2801 for tickets and information.

## Take part in a Military Appreciation Ride

Soldiers, Family Members and Army Civilians are invited to take part in the 1st annual Military Appreciation Ride, Saturday.

Join veterans and grateful civilians and ride your motorcycle to Tybee Island's Veterans Circle of Freedom Monument.

Riders will receive a free T-shirt and a free meal from Golden Corral. Call (469) 230-5571 for ticket information.

## Operation Homefront offers assistance

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.

## Growth management meetings held

Fort Stewart Growth Management Partnership Director Jeff Ricketson announced meeting dates for the advisory committees working on detailed elements of the regional plan.

To attend or learn more about the meetins, contact the partnership through the Web site at [www.growfortstewart.com](http://www.growfortstewart.com) or by call (912) 408-2069.

## Derby Devils vs Greenville Sunday

Come celebrate our nation's veterans and those currently serving our country with something they know plenty about: fighting hard! The Savannah Derby Devils go against the Greenville Derby Dames in the local ladies' final bout of the year, 7 p.m., Saturday at SuperGoose Sports. The evening of "All American Derby" offers an hour-and-a-half of brutal, body-checking women's roller derby as well as raffles, games, a free moonbounce and entertainment by the Devils' "Jeerleaders."

Advanced tickets are available for \$10 at [www.savannahderby.com](http://www.savannahderby.com) until midnight before the bout or for \$12 (cash only) at the door starting at 6 p.m. the day of the bout. Get \$2 off at the door with a military ID. SuperGoose is located at 3700 Wallin Rd. behind the Big Lots plaza on Victory Drive.



# Family shares Native American heritage

Jaime Rearley  
Liberty County Board of  
Education

Fourth grade students at Waldo Pafford Elementary School in Hinesville, Ga., got a special treat and glimpse into the traditions of the Navajo and Zuni tribes thanks to the Wheeler Family. The Navajos are the largest tribe in the world. The Zuni tribe is part of the Pueblo tribes from New Mexico.

Wanona Wheeler and her husband, Staff Sgt. Herman Wheeler, a Soldier with Company A, 3rd Battalion, 69th Armored Regiment, brought an array of artifacts from the Navajo/Zuni culture to share with students. In addition to the artifacts, Wheeler and her

four children, Jonathan, a 4th grader; Tristan, a 3rd grader; Shania, an 8th grader; and Tashina, a 9th grader, demonstrated several traditional dances from their culture and explained the significances of the dances. The Family wore hand-made traditional clothing and explained the difference pieces of clothing worn by each member of the Family.

Students and teachers attentively watched and enjoyed learning about the heritage of two of their peers. Jonathan and Tristan Wheeler both attend Waldo Pafford. The Wheeler Family is from the Arizona/New Mexico area. The Family prides themselves on keeping their heritage strong and active. Wheeler said their Family motto is "keep it strong."

Courtesy Photos

Wheeler Family artifacts on display for the students at Waldo Pafford Elementary.



LEFT: (Left to right) Tashina Wheeler, Shania Wheeler, Staff Sgt. Herman Wheeler and his wife, Wanona; Jonathan Wheeler; and Tristan Wheeler share their culture with Waldo Pafford Elementary, Oct. 29.

RIGHT: Tristan Wheeler, Tashina Wheeler, and Jonathan Wheeler show off their brightly colored, hand-made traditional clothing Waldo Pafford Elementary, Oct. 29.





# Army Community Service

*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 Directorate of Family Morale, Welfare and Recreation, proudly serving America's military.*

## 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 each Tuesday from 1 to 3 p.m. Call 315-6816 to register for the same class at Hunter on Nov. 12 from 9 to 11 a.m.

## Learn and grow with AFTB

Living within an Army Family culture can be challenging, and Army Family Team Building offers several classes to help Families thrive in the military lifestyle.

Upcoming classes at Stewart include AFTB Level I "Learn the Army," Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Club Stewart. This class

teaches basic knowledge to those new to the Army. Topics will include military terms and acronyms, the chain of command, introduction to military customs and courtesies, basic military benefits and entitlements, military and civilian community resources, and more.

Also at Stewart, the Dog Face 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 at 10 a.m., Nov. 18.

To register for free AFTB classes, please call 767-5058/5059 at Stewart. Also ask about child care.

## Newcomer's Welcome Packet available

Now available on the Team Stewart website, 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](http://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.

## Newcomer's briefings offered

A Newcomer's Welcome/Family Orientation is offered at Fort Stewart each Tuesday and Thursday.

Presented by the Army Community Service Outreach Program, the orientation provides an overview of the many agencies, events, and programs available to help with your transition to the area – and offers an opportunity to meet other new Families and servicemembers. The outreach staff can also assist with any issue or concern you may have as a newcomer. Please call 767-2467 to register. Also ask about child care.

## View ACS calendar of classes online

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

## Need to talk?

Military and Family Life Consultants are available to provide free and confidential support when you are having difficulty coping with issues related to daily life. At Hunter, appointments can be made by calling 655-8327. Appointments at Stewart can be made by calling 432-1033, 492-6428, 432-0013, 536-7854, 432-1798, or 492-6367.

If you prefer to meet with a counselor off-post, please call 492-6367 at Stewart or 704-9505 at Hunter to schedule an appointment. Off-post sessions are available at these local community locations: Richmond Hill Library, Glennville Welcome Center, Pembroke Senior Center, and Hinesville National Guard.

# History unveiled during fall cemetery visit

**Pat Young**  
Public Affairs Specialist

History was unveiled during the Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield Historic Site and cemetery visit, Nov. 2. It began with an historic marker placement at Bragg Cemetery as part of the tour, which also included visits to Waters, Liberty Chapel and Cox Cemeteries.

Bragg Cemetery located near Richmond Hill on Fort Stewart, was founded originally in the town called Roding in the 1800's according to Brian Greer, Directorate of Public Works Environmental, Cultural Resources Division. He said the town was along the banks of the Canoochee River, and was located along a major trade route called Redbug Road, where travelers from Sunbury and Midway could travel west toward Taylors Creek and beyond.

The stop at Bragg and Dreggars cemeteries was the first of those site visits that began with a greeting by the Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield Deputy Garrison Commander Michael Biering.

Biering welcomed the visitors to the tour, many of whom were descendants of the Family Members who occupied the towns that were purchased by the United States government in the 1940's to form what was then Camp Stewart.

Among the visitors were Alberta Mullins, who, at 87-years-old, recalls the town of Willie that had an ice-house and grocery and hardware stores. She said her father made constant trips to Savannah to sell railroad ties.

Louise Lovette and her son, Liberty County

Commissioner Donald Lovette, also joined the tour to visit some of the areas that she recalled in her youth, churning butter from milk.

Along the route, attendees pointed out where they fished as children, or pointed out interesting facts, including Debra Henson noting that Clyde was the Bryan County Seat in the 1930's before it was move to Pembroke, where it's located today.

Sherrill Napier, who visited to learn about her Family history at Waters Cemetery, showed attendees how to take a headstone marking safely, using cloth and a soft blue-black wax, so as not to damage the marble headstones.

Greer said cleaning of gravestones should be done with extra care, noting individuals needed to evaluate the stones general condition before attempting either.

Greer warned all history enthusiasts never to use chalk on the headstones as it could damage the markers.

Participants thanked DPW for the tour support and especially thanked the Directorate of Logistics who provided transportation and lunches for attendees; and the Directorate of Emergency Services' Conservation Law Officers who guided the guest to the various locations, shuttling the guest to places like Waters Cemetery when the roads became too small to navigate with a bus.

For more information about signing up to visit one of the cemeteries, call Public Affairs at (912) 435-9872. To learn more about the installation's 62 cemeteries or other cultural resources, visit [www.stewart.army.mil/dpw/crhome.asp](http://www.stewart.army.mil/dpw/crhome.asp).



Pat Young

**Sherrill Napier takes a headstone marking at Waters Cemetery as Liberty County Commissioner Donald Lovette and Bobby Kicklighter look on, Nov. 2.**

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Randy Murray

**Under the pink paint and construction paper is a pumpkin representing Wilbur, the famous pig from E.B. White's "Charlotte's Web." Students from Kessler Elementary School decorated pumpkins to reflect characters from the classroom's favorite children's book as part of the school's Great Pumpkin Character Contest. Results of the contest were displayed in the schools media center during the quarterly PTO meeting, Nov. 5.**



"This month's post-wide literature theme is 'fall,'" Cook explained. "The competition (Great Pumpkin Character Contest) is intended to promote reading and generate excitement for books. We also hope to increase student, parent and teacher visits to the library/media center. The goal is for the media center to be the hub or heart of the school."

Although a winner has yet to be decided, some of the more impressive displays included "Ralph, the Mouse," "Tiger, Tiger," "Charlotte's Web," and "Skippyjon Jones." The Charlotte's Web display by Tracey Fairfax' 3rd grade class, depicted a plump, pink piglet, Wilbur, covered in tiny black spiders - Charlotte's hatchlings.

Cook said the top three pumpkin characters would be chosen by an independent panel of teachers and parents later this month.



**October 24**

**Aliyah Chanel Hudson**, a girl, 6 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Sgt. Alexander J. Hudson and Nicole Margit Hudson.

**November 1**

**Kadyn Marie Higgason**, a girl, 8 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Chief Warrant Officer Billy R. Higgason and Melissa Karen Higgason.

**November 2**

**Ella Jean Conran**, a girl, 8 pounds, 6 ounces, born to Spc. Christopher Conran and Ashley Conran.

**Bryson Shane Grinder**, a boy, 7 pounds, 13 ounces, born to Spc. Shane Grinder and Sharde Grinder.

## Special Deliveries

Provided by Winn Army Hospital

**Willow Neveah McNeill**, a girl, 7 pounds, 10 ounces, born to Spc. Jarvis K. McNeill and Nyasha McNeill.

**Ashlyn J. Peak**, a girl, 8 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Sgt. Adam Peak and Stephanie Peak.

**November 3**

**Arealya Mae Colleen Gilbert**, a girl, 7 pounds, 5 ounces, born to Spc. Jerry Virgil Gilbert III and Alicela Colleen Gilbert.

**Aubree Ty'Ann Martin**, a girl, 7 pounds, 12 ounces, born to Spc. Gregory Martin II and Tanya Cherie Martin.

**November 4**

**Jay'la Leiana Haynes**, a girl, 6 pounds, 9 ounces, born to Pvt. Charlie Haynes and Sgt. Precious Haynes.

**Ariana Marie Kinzie**, a girl, 7 pounds, 11 ounces, born to Sgt. Lekisha N. Kinzie and Michael N. Kinzie.

**Sarah Hannah Touw**, a girl, 6 pounds, 2 ounces, born to Spc. Dwayne Daniel Touw and Christina Touw.

**November 5**

**Nadia Jo Santamaria**, a girl, 8 pounds, 3 ounces, born to Maj. Robert Charles Santamaria and Jennifer Santamaria.

**Leila June Walker**, a girl, 7 pounds, 11 ounces, born to Sgt. Tanner Walker and Stephanie Walker.

**November 6**

**Alaya Mone' Kinsey**, a girl, 6 pounds, 14 ounces, born to Staff Sgt. Dontelle Kinsey and Aisha Kinsey.

**Walter James Hunter Jr.**, a boy, 7 pounds, 9 ounces, born to Spc. Walter James Hunter and Spc. Latasha Tomeka Hunter.

**November 7**

**Luke Tyler Berry**, a boy, 9 pounds, 9 ounces, born to Pfc. James Victor Berry and Miranda Nicole Berry.

**Trevor Quentin McCoy**, a boy, 6 pounds, 9 ounces, born to Pfc. Shanelle Shameika McCoy.

**Leandro Sebastian Morales Pimentel**, a boy, 8 pounds, 1 ounce, born to 2nd Lt. Victor O. Morales Santiago and Ana Katherina Pimentel Mella.

**Madelyn JoSara Sousa**, a girl, 8 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Cpl. Joseph Sousa and Sarah Sousa.

**November 9**

**Marcene Alexandria Mack**, a girl, 6 pounds, 10 ounces, born to Sgt. Antonio Mack and Marlo Mack.