

# Stewart/Hunter Lifestyle

## MICHAEL SCOTT VISITS SOLDIERS IN IRAQ

Courtesy Photo

Spc. Nancy Perez (left), Company B, 2/3 Brigade Troops Battalion, Capt. Trista Mustaine, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd BTB, and Chief Warrant Officer Houston Burke, HHC, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, dance the electric slide with Michael Scott during Michael Scott's performance at the Forward Operating Base Kalsu dining facility Nov. 23



Pfc. Monica K. Smith

Spc. Matt George, Co. C, 603rd Aviation Support Battalion, joins singer Michael Scott during his performance of Dobie Gray's "Drift Away" Nov. 19 at Camp Striker's North Morale, Welfare and Recreation Center, Baghdad.

## Aaron Tippin supports deployed troops

Pfc. Gaelen Lowers  
3rd Sustainment Bde Public Affairs

**FORWARD OPERATING BASE Q-WEST, Iraq** – Country music star, Aaron Tippin, made a stop at Forward Operating Base Q-West Nov. 20 as he made his way through Iraq visiting servicemembers and performing some of his hit songs.

Tippin got his start from a United States Organizations show in the Persian Gulf when Bob Hope, who many consider one of the

biggest supporters of our military troops, invited him down in 1991 after the release of his first hit single, "You've Got to Stand for Something."

Since then Tippin has been a part of many different USO tours, sometimes stretching for months at a time, including two to Iraq.

"It's good for me to come over here (Iraq) and see the good that you guys and gals are doing and carry that back to, at least, the country music fans in America and let them know that, 'hey man, they (the servicemembers) are

over here doing a great job," said Tippin.

Tippin said that there are two reasons for why he spends so much time visiting troops in combat areas.

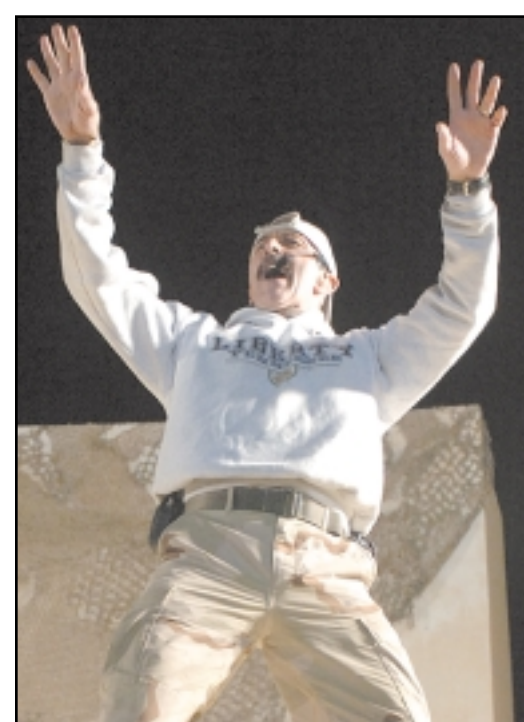
"My dad and Vietnam vets," Tippin said. "My dad was a patriot and he made sure that you showed respect for this country and the people that serve this country."

"Those guys really came home to sad welcome," Tippin recounted of his memories of the Vietnam War and its veterans. "I remember watching those guys on TV and they were get-

ting spit on and slapped, just for doing their duty. After I went to the Persian Gulf with Bob Hope I made up my mind that I wasn't going to turn my back on any of you people for any reason. I still hold up to that and try to prove it by coming out and seeing you."

Tippin said that he is truly the one that gets the most pleasure out of his visits.

"When you guys come home, you're going to get a good welcome," Tippin said. "I'm sure going to be out there preaching the gospel for ya."



Photos by Pfc. Gaelen Lowers

Country music star, Aaron Tippin, lifts his hands high in front of a crowd of servicemembers and civilians during a performance at FOB Q-West, Nov. 20.

## DPW biologist visits Savannah's Montessori Academy

Kaytrina Curtis  
Hunter Public Affairs

Larry Carlile, Fort Stewart – Hunter Army Airfield biologist for the Directorate of Public Works wildlife management branch, was among the many special guests at the Charles Ellis' Montessori Academy in Savannah, which held their career speaker's day Nov. 26 as a part of career week.

Throughout the morning, Carlile talked to more than 60 students ranging from first to sixth grade, about the many aspects of his career.

Carlile, a University of Georgia graduate, who holds a Baccalaureate of Science in zoology and a Masters of Science degree in forest resources and wildlife management said he's wanted to be a biologist since he was a child. He said he's learned the profession required a lot of study with an emphasis in science and math. He said math was important to help determine population densities and similar statistics.

"It takes a lot of time in school," Carlile explained and explained how he primarily spends his time managing endangered and threatened species on the installation.

"Military installations have a lot of endangered species on them because they still have a lot of good habitat left," said Carlile. "The bird that I spend most of my time studying is the red cockaded woodpecker."

He told the children that the bird's natural habitat is found in old growth pine forests. He explained that Fort Stewart and the military in general were very aware of the needs of endangered species and did a great job of managing their needs.

Students were able to see the eastern hognose snake, and various salamanders that were captured on the installation.

Carlile stressed to the students that they were not allowed to touch the animals due to the sensitivity of their skin.

A fireman, state legislator, a minister, and an architect, also spoke during the event.

According to Charles Ellis's Web site the school differs from traditional public schools by offering multi-age classes, parent-teacher conferences instead of report cards, hands on learning, and teachers specially trained in the Montessori method, which stresses individual learning.



Photo and inset by Kaytrina Curtis

Larry Carlile, DPW's Fish and Wildlife Branch for Stewart-Hunter holds an eastern hognose snake for kindergardeners and first graders at Charles Ellis Montessori Academy, Nov. 26.

# MWR Briefs

## GC Golf Scramble slated

The GC Golf Scramble will be held 8 a.m., Friday at Taylors Creek Golf Course. The early bird registration deadline is today: \$25 for members/\$30 for non-members. Day of event: \$35 for members/\$40 for non-members. First 25 teams only. For more information, call 767-2370.

## Attend outdoor recreation classes

Education classes are available upon request for groups to learn about the unique environment in Southeastern Georgia.

The program is designed for kids in grades 4 - 8. The curriculum uses materials from Project Wild, plus Wet and Learning Tree.

Teachers and group leaders are encouraged to contact Outdoor Recreation at 767-8609 for further information and scheduling. Cost varies per size and location of class.

## Mommy-and-Me Tumbling offered

Tumbling classes are offered every Wednesday at Jordan Gym from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m., for ages 1 - 2, and from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m., for ages 2 - 4. Sports physicals are required for all participants. Register by calling 767-6071.

## Tumbling classes offered at CDC

Tumbling classes for children ages 2 and older are available at the Child Development Center, building 403, 9 to 9:45 a.m. every Tuesday. Children must be registered through Child and Youth Services. For more information about CYS classes, call 767-2312.

## Basketball, cheerleading registration slated

Registration is underway for Child and Youth Services Youth Sports basketball and cheerleading. Registration is open to all CYS members living on or off-post (ages 5-18) for basketball and (ages 6-13) for cheerleading. Tentative age divisions for basketball will be 5-6 (co-ed), 7-8 (co-ed), 9-10 (boys), 8-10 (girls), 11-12 (boys), 11-14 (girls), 13-14 (boys), and 15-18 (co-ed).

Age divisions for cheerleading will be determined by number of participants registered. Register at the Fort Stewart CYS, building 443. Special discounts may apply for children of deployed Soldiers. For more information, call CYS at 767-2312 or Jordan Gym at 767-4371. Volunteer coaches are needed. If interested, please call 767-2312.

## Take the Family orientation post tour

Come take a tour of the installation and learn about a variety of helpful programs for new Families. Meeting on the second floor of the Soldier Services Center, building 253 at 9 a.m. every Tuesday and Thursday. Orientation is held from 9 a.m. to noon and breaks for an hour lunch. The tour of the installation is from 1 to 2 p.m. Free child care is available upon request. For more information, call ACS at 767-5058.

## Have Christmas brunch at Club Stewart

Come join us for a tasty Christmas meal 10:30 a.m. to 1:30

p.m., Dec. 2 at Club Stewart. The menu features our famous breakfast items and a carving station.

Carving station will offer roast beef with condiments and assorted rolls, turkey with gravy, cornbread dressing, cranberry sauce, candied yams, Prince Edward Island Blend, corn nuggets, peach crepes, breakfast items, assorted desserts, three chocolate fountains (white, dark, Milk chocolate), hot apple cider and mimosa's.

There will also be a visit from Santa. \$11.95 per person, children 5-10 half price, 4 and under free. Get \$1 off each meal with a church bulletin. For more information, call 368-2212.

## Commanding General's Pot of Gold

Hunter volunteers will receive some well-deserved recognition 11:30 a.m., Dec. 5 at Hunter Club. Fort Stewart volunteers will also be rewarded 10 a.m., Dec. 10 at Club Stewart. The award ceremonies will recognize the contributions and value of the services provided to the installation by volunteers. For more information, call 315-6816 at Hunter, 767-1597 at Fort Stewart.

## Installation's Christmas decorating contest

All brigade and battalion Headquarters are encouraged to participate in the installation's Christmas decorating contest. Decorations must be exterior of facility and/or grounds. Decorations should be up by Dec. 1, however, judging will not take place until Dec. 17.

Prizes for best decorations will be 1st place \$1,000, 2nd place \$500 and 3rd place \$250 through unit funds. Units will be able to receive their prize check by requesting it from unit funds. Units will have until Sept. 30 2008 to request the check. Call Linda Jennette at 767-5133 if you are entering contest.

All garrison directorates and/or offices are encourage to participate in the installation's Christmas decorating contest also. Decorations must be exterior of facility and/or grounds. Prizes for best decorations will be a trophy - 59 min granted by garrison commander for everyone in office and bragging rights.

## Hunter Safety Course offered

This course is required for hunting on Stewart or Hunter. The course will be held 9:30 a.m., Dec. 1 at the Holbrook Pond Recreation Area, building 8325. Register for class on the GA Dept. of Natural Resources Web site at [www.gadnr.org](http://www.gadnr.org) (see Liberty County). For more information, call 435-8205.

## EFMP Bowling slated

Enjoy a fun-filled evening for Family members enrolled in EFMP from 6 to 8 p.m., Dec. 3 at Marne Lanes. For more information, call 767-5058.

## Come to Tree Lighting at Stewart-Hunter

Join us for a fun-filled holiday celebration. The 2007 Christmas Tree Lighting will be held 5:15 p.m., Dec. 6 at Club Stewart and 5:15 p.m., Dec. 10 at Hunter Club. The tree light-

ing will be held outdoors and will be followed by Santa's arrival.

The festivities will continue inside the club and will include pictures with Santa inside Santa's study, cookies and punch in Mrs. Klaus' kitchen, Santa's workshop and Santa's den. Children's activities will be offered throughout the club. Horse drawn carriage rides will also be offered. And you won't want to miss a chance to visit Rudolph's stable. Come out and celebrate the holiday season with your loved ones at our annual Christmas Tree Lighting. There is no cost to attend the event. For more information call 368-2212 at Stewart, 315-7293 at Hunter.

## One-Pot-Cooking class offered

Come warm up next to a warm fire, as you learn how to fix a meal using only one pot. The class will be held 6 p.m., Dec. 10 at Holbrook Pond Outdoor Recreation. This is a great class for anyone who loves camping. The cost is \$10. For more information, call 435-8205/8209.

## Take an evening hike at Holbrook

Join us as the woods come to life 5 p.m., Dec. 10 at the Holbrook Pond Screened Pavilion. Come learn about wildlife and vegetation in the Goshen Swamp. There is no charge to attend. For more information, call 435-8205/8209.

## Gingerbread House Day

Come learn how to construct a gingerbread house 3:30 p.m., Dec. 12 at the Stewart and Hunter Libraries. There is no fee to participate. For more information, call 767-2828 at Stewart and 315-2403 at Hunter.

## Turkey Shoot

Come and test your skills against other skeet shooters at 1 p.m., Dec. 13 at Fort Stewart Pass and Permit Pistol Range. The best shooter at pistol and rifle (hard sights only) will win a turkey. Cost is \$3 per round. For more information, call 435-8061.

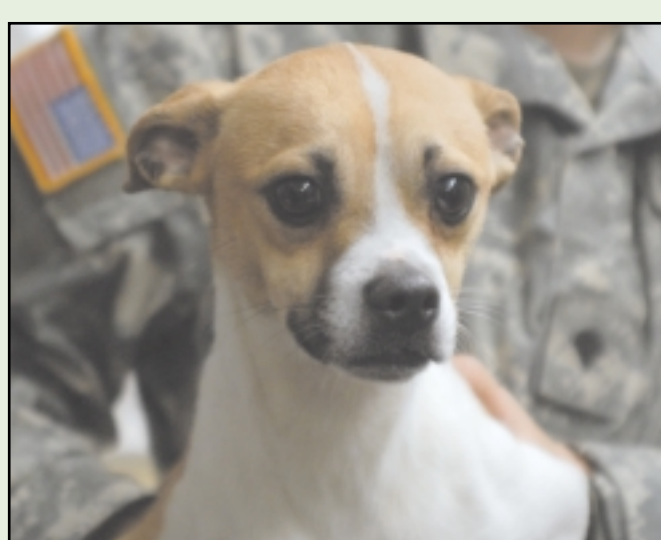
## Holiday Hayride at Fort Stewart

Enjoy all the seasons' festivities with the ones you love. The holiday hayride will be held from 6 to 9 p.m., Dec. 14 at the Corkan Family Recreation Area.

There will be caroling on a hayride to see the season's lights, playing mini golf in a festive holiday park, Santa, hot chocolate, cookies and punch to tame the winter blues around a warm fire. All activities are on a first come-first serve basis. \$5 per Family. Call 767-4273 for more information.

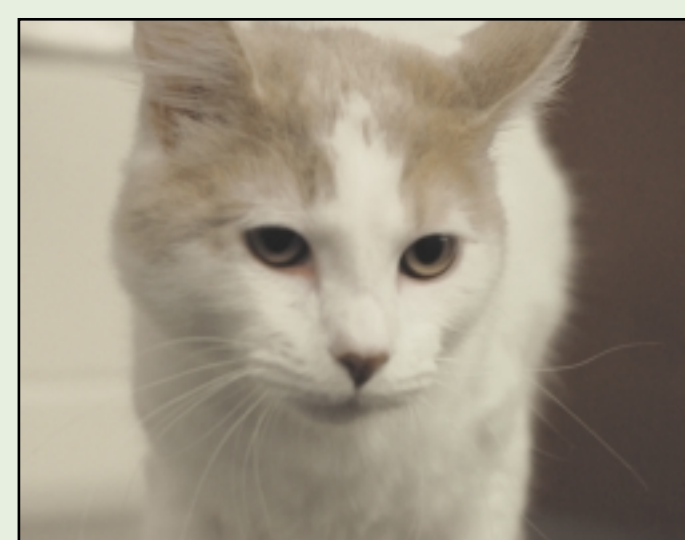
## Take a holiday hayride at Hunter

Enjoy all the seasons' festivities with the ones you love. The holiday hayride will be held from 6 to 9 p.m., Dec. 14 at the Hunter ACS Parking Lot. The hayride will include a tour of post housing to see the season's lights and free hot chocolate. Deadline to sign up is 3 p.m., Dec. 10. Cost is \$5 per Family. For more information, call 315-9554.



## Pets of the Week

Nash the kitten and Wes the puppy 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.



## AAFES PRESENTS

NOV 29 THROUGH DEC 5

### Michael Clayton

**Today — 7 p.m.**  
(Tom Wilkinson, George Clooney)  
Michael Clayton is an in-house "fixer" at one of the largest corporate law firms in New York. A former criminal prosecutor, Clayton takes care of Kenner, Bach & Ledeen's dirtiest work at the behest of the firm's co-founder Marty Bach.

Though burned out and hardly content with his job as a fixer, his divorce, a failed business venture and mounting debt have left Clayton inextricably tied to the firm.

*Rated R (language, sexual dialogue) 120 min.*

### The Comebacks

**Friday — 7 p.m.**  
(David Koechner, Carl Weathers)  
This spoof comedy follows an out-of-luck coach, Lambeau Fields, who takes a rag-tag bunch of college misfits and drives them towards the football championships.

In the process, this life-long loser discovers that he is a winner after all by redeeming himself, saving his relationship with his

family and friends, and finding that there is indeed, no "I" in "team"!

*Rated PG-13 (crude/sexual content, drug material) 84 min*

### 30 Days Of Night

**Saturday, Sunday — 7 p.m.**  
(Josh Hartnett, Melissa George)  
In Barrow, Alaska, the northernmost town in the U.S, the winter sun sets and does not rise for 30 days and nights.

From the darkness comes an evil force that strikes terror on the town, and all hope is pinned on a husband-and-wife cop team.

*Rated R (violence, language) 128 min*

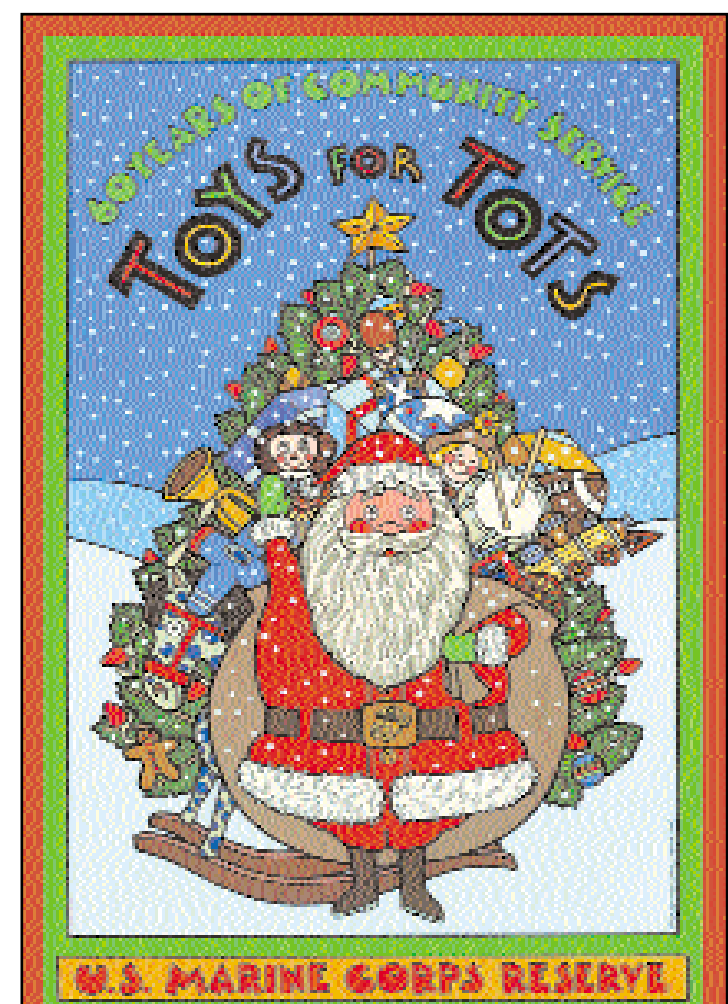
### Gone Baby Gone

**Dec. 5 — 7 p.m.**  
(Morgan Freeman, Ed Harris)  
Two young private detectives are hired to take a closer look at the mysterious disappearance of a little girl and soon discover that nothing is what it seems. Ultimately, they will have to risk everything -- their relationship, their sanity, and even their lives -- to find a little girl-lost.

*Rated R (violence, drug content, pervasive language) 115 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.



Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield invites community members to help bring a smile to a child's face this holiday season through Toys for Tots. Donate a new, unwrapped toy in one of the many available drop off boxes through Dec. 15. Drop boxes are at the education centers, post exchanges, commissaries, and other buildings around post.

# HEALTH MATTERS

## Winn Army Community Hospital

### AIDS: Protect yourself, stop the pandemic

**Maj. Kirsten Anke**  
U.S. Army Center for Health Promotion  
and Preventive Medicine

On June 5, 1981, the first case of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome was reported. By 1984, the cause of this deadly syndrome was identified as human immunodeficiency virus. During the past 26 years around the world, an estimated 65 million people have been infected, and an estimated 25 million people have died of AIDS, according to the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS and the World Health Organization.

Think HIV and AIDS are "over there"? In the United States every year an estimated 40,000 people become infected with HIV. An estimated one million people live with HIV infection, including a small number of military servicemembers. So far in the United States, half a million people have died from HIV/AIDS.

Dec. 1 is World AIDS Day. To ensure you're in the know about AIDS, take this five-question quiz:

**Q: How are HIV and AIDS different?**

**A:** HIV is human immunodeficiency virus. This is the virus that causes AIDS. AIDS is acquired immunodeficiency syndrome. When a person is infected with HIV the body's defense (immune) system can not fight off infections or diseases. This inability to fight may result in life-threatening health problems.

**Q: How is HIV passed from one person to another?**

**A:** HIV is passed from the blood, semen or vaginal secretions of an infected person to an uninfected person when these fluids come into contact with the uninfected person's thin mucous membranes. These membranes are found on body parts such as eyes, nose, mouth, genitals or rectum. Women who are infected

with HIV can pass the virus to their baby during pregnancy, delivery or when breast-feeding. Transmission could also occur if individuals shared needles or syringes with infected individuals or if they received contaminated blood via an open cut or a transfusion.

**Q: Can HIV be spread from person to person through the air or food?**

**A:** No. HIV is not an airborne or food-borne virus. HIV does not survive well or live long outside of the body.

**Q: How do I protect myself from HIV?**

**A:** Choose not to have sexual intercourse, or choose to be with only one person who tested negative for HIV. Do not use intravenous drugs or share needles with anyone, and use latex condoms correctly with every sexual act.

**Q: Can I be tested for HIV?**

**A:** Yes! Speak with your health care provider about HIV and AIDS. In the Army, HIV testing is mandatory. See Army Regulation 600-110, "Identification, Surveillance and Administration of Personnel Infected with Human Immunodeficiency Virus," for testing requirements for the Active and Reserve components).

To find the nearest HIV testing site visit the National HIV Testing Resources Web site at [www.hivtest.org](http://www.hivtest.org) or call the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention toll-free 24 hours/day at (800) CDC-INFO (232-4636). Both of these resources are confidential.

For more resources and information, visit the CDC at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov), [www.nih.gov](http://www.nih.gov), the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS at [www.unaids.org](http://www.unaids.org) and the World Health Organization at [www.who.int](http://www.who.int).

To review AR 600-110, visit the Army Publishing Directorate at [www.apd.army.mil](http://www.apd.army.mil).

## Winn Briefs

### Assistance offered to Soldiers

Charles McClain, Ombudsman, is here at Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield to assist Warriors in Transition and their Families regardless of whether the issue is related to medical matters. Please contact McClain at his office 435-5415 or cell 980-8143, e-mail: [mac.mcclain@amedd.army.mil](mailto:mac.mcclain@amedd.army.mil) or visit his office in the Lloyd C. Hawks Troop Medical Clinic 192 Lindquist Rd., Room 104, Fort Stewart.

### Get your flu vaccine

With the upcoming influenza season, here are the times and locations to receive your flu vaccine. The flu vaccine will be administered at Winn's Immunization Clinic: 8 to 11 a.m. Mon., Wed., and Fri.; 1 to 3 p.m. Tues., and Thurs • Tuttle Immunization Clinic 1 to 5 p.m. every Thursday. Make sure to bring your valid military ID card. For more information, call Army Public Health Nursing at 435-5071.

### Health Clinic's new location

Winn Army Community Hospital's Behavioral Health Clinic is now located at building 9242 Worcester Ave., Fort Stewart, across the street from Winn. For more information, please call 767-1647.

### Ortho, Podiatry Clinic new location

Winn Army Community Hospital's Orthopedic and Podiatry Clinic has moved to the Lloyd C. Hawks Troop Medical Clinic, 192 Lindquist Road, Fort Stewart. For more information, please call 435-6633.

### Strategies for staying healthy

This class offers strategies for staying healthy. Upon completion of the class, individuals will be given an over-the-counter pharmacy card for use at Winn. The class is held 2 to 3 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month. Call 435-5071 to register.

### Diabetic Clinic at Tuttle

Tuttle Army Health Clinic has started a Diabetic Clinic for patients that have been diagnosed with diabetes. The clinic is a disease management clinic for the treatment of diabetes only. Diabetic patients will continue to see their primary care provider for other healthcare concerns. Patients will be seen by an internist and a clinical pharmacist. For an appointment please call 435-6633 or 1-800-652-9221.

### TRICARE beneficiary Web enrollment

TRICARE recently completed testing of the new Beneficiary Web Enrollment system. Beginning in the fall of 2007, you will be able to enroll in TRICARE Prime and manage your enrollment profile 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The site is safe, secure and easy. At this new Web site you can:

- Enroll in, or disenroll from, TRICARE Prime, TRICARE Prime Remote or TRICARE Prime Remote for Active Duty Family Members.
- Make an initial enrollment fee payment (retirees and others)—ongoing fee payments are billed separately.

- Select a primary care manager.
- Transfer TRICARE Prime enrollment when moving to another TRICARE region (if TRICARE Prime is available).

- Select a primary care manager and change your PCM—except active duty servicemember PCM changes within a military treatment facility.

- Update personal contact information, such as phone number, mailing and e-mail addresses in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System.

- Request an enrollment card.
- Add other health insurance information.

To use BWE, log on to [www.dmdc.osd.mil/appj/bwe/indexAction](http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/appj/bwe/indexAction) with your Common Access Card, Family Member Account password or Defense Financial and Accounting Services PIN.

### TRICARE For Life

Upon receipt of your Medicare Part B enrollment or three to six months prior to your 65th birthday, go to the TRICARE Service Center at 852 Harmon Ave., Building 202, Fort Stewart to select a civilian Primary Care Manager and receive more information about your health benefits/options available to you or call 1-800-444-5445.

### Fix DEERS to receive healthcare

Beneficiaries must keep their DEERS information up-to-date or they may not be able to receive healthcare referrals, schedule appointments, or access TRICARE Online.

DEERS information can be updated by calling 1-800-538-9552, visiting [www.tricare.osd.mil/deers/default.cfm](http://www.tricare.osd.mil/deers/default.cfm), or stopping by building 253 on Fort Stewart.

### Tuttle Army Health Clinic hours

Tuttle Army Health Clinic and its Pharmacy, Laboratory, Radiology and Medical Records is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday. However, the clinic is closed the fourth Thursday of every month from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. for training. For more information, call 315-6500/6811.

# Personal Courage: ability to face danger, difficulty

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

**Chap (Lt. Col.) Don McDaniel**  
4th BCT Rear Detachment Chaplain

What does personal courage mean to you? Personal courage means different things to many people.

The definition of personal courage has several words to define it; words that many of us have heard before and might gravitate to and explore. The following words will help us begin to formulate from our own personal experience a beginning, a depth and appreciation of this often glossed over and unexplored words. Personal courage means bravery, guts, valor, nerve, audacity and daring.

When the words personal courage come to mind, which one of these words do you think of and why? I think of the

word 'bravery'. Why? The reason is this word describes the offensive stand and attack that I would take against an enemy of words that would characterize me or another Soldier, a husband or a wife from being anything but brave.

Let me give credit to the important meaning of a broad brush stroke to the words that a reader would remember to define bravery, like a painter would give to capture the immediate attention of his viewer to the center piece of his beautiful painting. Bravery is "extreme courage in the face of danger; an ability to face danger, difficulty, uncertainty or pain without being overcome by fear or being deflected from a chosen course of action". Courage is not the absence of fear, but the presence of God in the midst of that fear. We need courage to accomplish a goal; to give up something of lesser importance for the greater good. We need courage to correct our children when it would be easier to let 'things slide by turning our head'.

This definition of bravery would be a good definition for all of us to prayerfully consider incorporating into our own personal value system. This definition would help remind all of us to 'stay the course' until our own personal mission or goal is

complete.

In conclusion, let your own definition of personal courage be strengthened and guided by the prophets of the Old Testament and the apostles of the New Testament as we read the following Scripture verses. After Moses died, the responsibility of leading the children of Israel into the Promised Land was given to his aide, Joshua. God said in **Joshua 1:9** "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Don't be afraid; don't be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

As our Soldiers are gone and many more will be going, let me encourage you by giving you a promise from the Bible as we remain faithful. **Hebrews 11:6** says, "But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those of those who diligently seek Him."

The Apostle Paul encouraged the church at Corinth to 'stay the course' in the midst of 'internal fighting' among some of the members between one another. Paul said in **First Corinthians 16:3** "be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be men of courage..." Be personally courageous!

## Chapel Schedule

### Fort Stewart

Catholic	Location	Time
Sunday Mass	Main Post Chapel	9 a.m.
Saturday Mass	Heritage	5 p.m.
<b>Protestant</b>		
Contemporary Worship	Marne	11 a.m.
Gospel Worship	Victory	11 a.m.
Traditional Worship	Main Post Chapel	9 a.m.
Liturgical Worship	Heritage	11 a.m.
Kids' Church (K to 6th grade)	Across from Dia. Elem.	11 a.m.
PWOC (Wednesday)	Marne	9:30 a.m.
<b>Islamic</b>		
Friday Jum'ah	Marne	1:30 p.m.
Contact Staff Sgt. Aiken at 877-4053.		
<b>Jewish</b>		
Contact Sgt. 1st Class. Crowther at 332-2084.		
Friday	Marne	11:30 a.m.

### Hunter Army Airfield

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

### Religious Education Contacts

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

## Kids Church

### Exciting Bible Lessons

with music, puppets, videos, crafts, games

### 11 a.m. to Noon, Sunday

at School Age Services  
(across from Diamond Elementary)

### For all kids Grade K-6

### Scheduled 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. - Victory Chapel

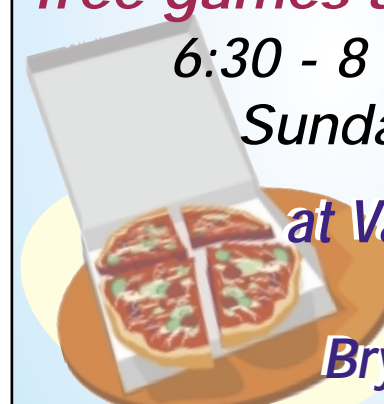
Questions?

Contact Chaplain Ric Thompson at 767-6831

## Fort Stewart Chapel Youth Ministry

### Junior and Senior High School Students!

Join us for  
**free games and pizza**  
6:30 - 8 p.m.  
Sunday



at Vale Chapel  
in  
Bryan Village.

For more information,  
call 877-7207

## Attend Marriage 101

The unit ministry team conducts a marriage 101 seminar the fourth Tuesday of every month from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Victory Chapel.

The session is for singles, engaged couples, newlyweds, and seasoned partners. The materials are provided as well as lunch.

For more information or to make reservations, call the Family Life Chaplain, at 767-7028.

## Liberty County Mass Choir

Rehearsals are 7 p.m. every Tuesday at First Presbyterian Church, Hinesville.  
Contact Cathy Goolsby to get your book and rehearsal CD at machllube@coastal.net or 369-4818; or contact Ronald Calhoun at rcalhoun@schoolofchurchmusic.org or 247-3424.

# Coastal Happenings

Courtesy of the Coastal Courier

## Savannah Cultural Events

Activities sponsored by the Savannah Department of Cultural Affairs include these ongoing events:

### Every first Friday of the month

Folk Music by Savannah Folk Music Society, 7:30 p.m., free, at Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church.

The Arts at City Market Center, upstairs, Jefferson and West St. Julian Streets, free, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Call 232-7731.

### Every first Saturday of the month

Adult and youth basic ballroom dance classes, by Moon River Dancers: 1 to 3 p.m. at the West Broad Street YMCA, 1110 May Street. Admission is \$3 per person. Call 925-7416 or visit [www.savannahusabda.org](http://www.savannahusabda.org).

### Every third Wednesday of the month

Open Mic Poetry Night - sign up at 7:45 p.m., Gallery Espresso, 6 East Liberty St. Call 233-5348 for more information.

### Saturdays and Sundays

Flannery O'Connor Childhood Home Foundation tours 1-5 p.m. every Saturday and 1 to 4 p.m. on Sundays. Located at 207 E. Charlton St. on Lafayette Square.

Born in Savannah in 1925, writer, Mary Flannery O'Connor, lived in a Charlton Street house until 1938.

Today, it is maintained partly as a memorial to her and partly as a literary center for Savannah. Call 233-6014.

### Every Sunday

Oldie Goldies Sunday at the American Legion Post 500, 1716 Montgomery St., 4-8 p.m. Call 925-7116. The Reel Savannah Film Group presentations, 7 p.m., Sunday evenings at the Lucas Theatre. Tickets cost \$6 and are available an hour prior.

## Explore the arts with the Savannah Sinfonietta

The Savannah Sinfonietta and the City of Savannah encourage community members to learn more about the arts. For more information on this and other concerts by Savannah's own professional orchestra, visit [www.savannahorchestra.org](http://www.savannahorchestra.org) or call 800-414-3849.

## Human Resource Management meeting held

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

## 3rd annual Christmas Xtravaganza slated

Immediately following Richmond Hill Christmas Parade, the Station Xchange has planned an Xtravaganza, Dec. 1, that will include a winter wonderland with real snow, Christmas music, local performing artists, a petting zoo, photos with Santa, ornament making stations, a cookie decorating station, complimentary candy canes, and hot cocoa. The event is free and open to the public. For more information contact the development sales office at 756-2969.

## Holiday Tour of Homes scheduled

Join in the Richmond Hill Holiday Tour of Homes 1 p.m., Dec. 2. Understand and appreciate the history that lies within Richmond Hill. Ticket proceeds benefit four local nonprofit organizations and are available in advance at the Richmond Hill Historical Museum for \$20 and \$25 the day of the event.

## Come to a Nutcracker Tea Party

Make a wonderful Christmas memory with Southern Image Restaurant 4 p.m., Dec. 2, when they play host to the cast of The Nutcracker.

Experience an afternoon tea party that includes a variety of sandwiches and cakes and the cast of the Nutcracker.

Guests will enjoy a photo opportunity with the Sugar Plum Fairy, The Nutcracker and other delightful characters.

## Christmas Parades scheduled

Many communities in the Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield

Area will be hosting Christmas and Holiday events with the upcoming weeks. Some of the opportunities include the Dec. 1 Tybee Island Christmas Parade at 1 p.m., Ludowici Christmas parade at 2 p.m., Jessup Christmas Parade 6 p.m., and the Baxley Christmas parade, 6:30 p.m.

## Explore Oatland Island Wildlife Center

Oatland Island Wildlife Center of Savannah invites community members to explore the facility and learn more about the native wildlife. The Center encompasses a total of 175 acres of salt marsh, freshwater wetlands, and maritime forest habitats, and has a two-mile long "Native Animal Nature Trail." To learn more about oatland, visit online at [www.oatlandisland.org](http://www.oatlandisland.org) or call the center at 898-3980.

## The Nutcracker performed in Richmond Hill

The Nutcracker will be performed by the Richmond Hill Dance Theater, 7 p.m., Dec. 13 at the Speirs-Brogdon Building, at the Crossroads Center, Highway 17 in Richmond Hill. Tickets will be \$15 for adults and \$10 for children.

## The Winter Muster and Battle of Fort

McAllister will be held 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Dec. 8. Throughout the day guests will be able to witness the final preparations of the Confederate garrison in anticipation of the attack of the Union Army.

The short yet fierce final battle of Sherman's March to the Sea will be re-enacted at 4:30 p.m.

Following the battle, a Candle Light tour will be led at 5 p.m. In addition to the Civil War program, there will be a Christmas boat parade. The parade will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will pass by the Fort McAllister State Historic Park.

Admission for this event is \$4 for adults and \$2.50 for children. Call 727-2339 for tour information. Georgia's State Historic Sites are operated by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources.

# State veterans' cemetery dedicated

## Special to the Frontline

The Georgia Department of Veterans Service dedicated Georgia's newest state veterans' cemetery.

The public was invited Nov. 28, to a ceremony held at the cemetery, located about one mile north of downtown Glennville, off of U. S. Highway 301.

Retired Army Lieutenant General Claude (Mick) Kicklighter, a Glennville native, currently serving as the U.S. Defense Department's Inspector General, was the program's featured keynote speaker.

In its initial 26-acre development, Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery - Glennville provides nearly 2,000 casket gravesites, 350 in-ground cremation burial sites, over 1,000 columbarium niches and a scattering garden for cremated remains.

The cemetery will provide a final resting place for all Georgia veterans with the exception of those who have been dishonorably discharged.

State veterans cemeteries are part of the VA's national cemetery system. The burial of veterans and their spouses in state veteran cemeteries is governed by

the same regulations as the national cemeteries.

The Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Glennville is situated on the 42.6-acre site of the former Dyess Farm, north of Glennville, Georgia. It is located 25 miles west of Fort Stewart.

Wayne Durrence of Glennville was the immediate past owner of the farm who sold it to the Glennville Industrial Development Authority.

Through enabling legislation approved by the State of Georgia, the Georgia Department of Veterans Service acquired the property from the development authority in 2003 and, in conjunction with the State Cemetery Grant Service of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, initiated planning and design efforts for the cemetery.

The initial construction is projected to handle veteran and veteran Family member interments through 2017.

The initial phase of the cemetery contains a pre-placed in-ground interment area, walkways, administration building/visitors center, enclosed committal shelter (chapel), columbarium (for interment of cremains), carillon, and maintenance complex. The cemetery will pro-

vide a traditional in-ground interment area for individual veteran interments, an in-ground burial location for cremains, a separate area for spreading cremains, and a section for memorial markers for veterans whose remains are not available for burial.

Another key feature of the cemetery is the collocation of the Glennville Veterans Service Office which assists veterans and their Families with applications for veterans' benefits and claims.

The Department will now be able to provide better service to veterans and their Families in the Bryan, Liberty, Long, Tattnall and Wayne county areas.

With the opening of the Georgia National Cemetery in Canton, Georgia, last year, along with the Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Milledgeville (opened in 2001), the Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Glennville will now provide burial space for Georgia veterans and their Families for many years to come.

State veterans' cemeteries are part of the National Cemetery System. The requirements for burial are the same for all National Cemetery System cemeteries in Georgia.



**Marne Chapel**  
**December 7**  
**11 a.m. to 1 p.m.**  
 For more information, call  
 Sgt. 1st Class Crowther at 980-9295

# May you be dead half an hour "Before the Devil knows you're Dead"

## Commentary by:

Sasha McBrayer

Fort Stewart Museum

New Yorker and WWII veteran Sidney Lumet directed "12 Angry Men", "Serpico", "Murder on the Midnight Express", "Dog Day Afternoon", "Network", "Q&A" and Vin Diesel in the true story "Find Me Guilty". Critics are praising his latest piece, "Before the Devil Knows Your Dead" quite ferociously. The thriller crime drama examines the intense lives of two brothers as they are driven to do the unthinkable.

Ethan Hawke and Best Actor Oscar Winner

Phillip Seymour Hoffman are as different as night and day, but in the rated R story of family and betrayal they share a desperate need for fast money which leads them into arranging the robbery of their parents' jewelry store in Westchester, New York. Things go as wrong as they possibly can, and the situation spirals out of control.

Aside from Lumet's unique film styling, I, for one, did not see anything fantastic about this film. The actors do their jobs, but no where is an Oscar



worthy performance. Marisa Tomei, in her few scenes, is the only actor who goes above and beyond the norm. In the most subtle inclination of her voice and contortion of her face, she speaks volumes and formulates a character with more depth than the director would have us believe his two male stars contain. For them, hints are made about their psychological issues, but none are explored with neither subtly nor true and believable depth.

The story is interesting and does captivate, but the praise, I believe would not be as loud if the film belonged to an unknown and not the usually very perceptive Sidney Lumet.

The idea of watching a family crumble under the heavy hand of greed is not a new one. 1998's "A Simple Plan" with Bill Paxton and Billy Bob Thornton as brothers is very similar to "Before the Devil Knows..." Here there is no intentional robbery. Instead the small town brothers stumble upon some money and conspire to keep it. Sam Raimi directs this piece and, for me, is much more successful at depicting people and the way they breakdown.



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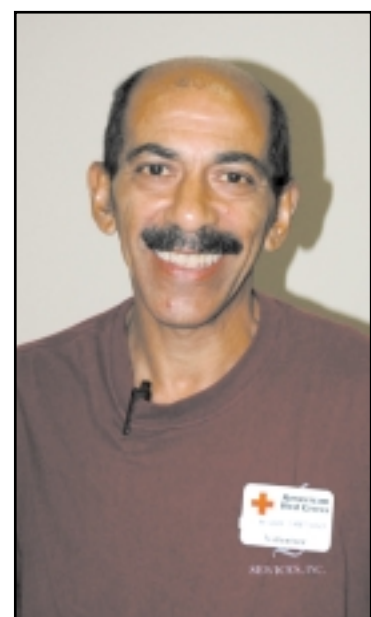
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## Volunteer Spotlight

Miguel Santiago of New York, NY, is an American Red Cross volunteer working at the Hospitality Desk at Winn Army Community Hospital.

Santiago volunteers because he wants to help Soldiers. His interests and hobbies include basketball, softball, soccer and tennis.

If you'd like more information about becoming an American Red Cross volunteer at Winn, call Brigitte Shanken at 435-6903.



# Army appoints new leader for warrior care

**Jerry Harben**  
U.S. Army Medical Command

One of the Army's top advocates for the care and treatment of its ill and wounded Soldiers and their Families now will serve as assistant surgeon general for warrior care and transition.

The Army has assigned Brig. Gen. Michael S. Tucker, who has been deputy commander of the Army's North Atlantic Regional Medical Command as well as director of the Army Medical Action Plan, to lead the service's warrior care and transition effort.

Tucker, a two-time combat veteran, has been known by the media as a "bureaucracy buster," and was charged with transforming wounded warrior care in March following news reports a month earlier about substandard living conditions and procedural obstacles for wounded Soldiers at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C.

"As a leader of Soldiers, I am humbled by this responsibility and the implications it will have on the force for years to come," said Tucker, a 35-year Army career veteran. "What we do today to transform the military health care system and respond to the needs of our Soldiers and their Families – at a time in their lives when they need us most – will shape the

force for years to come. Anything other than a complete transformation of the system is unacceptable."

Tucker and his staff have spearheaded efforts to create warrior transition units to give better leadership and supervision to Soldiers recovering from wounds, to improve their housing and other service facilities and to establish centers to provide administrative and social-work services for Soldiers and Families.

While Tucker's title has changed, his team remains focused on providing policy and program oversight of 35 WTUs with a staff in excess of 2,400 military members and civilian employees, and a budget of more than \$1.2 million for Fiscal Year 2008.

In the WTUs, each patient is assigned a squad leader, a case manager and a primary-care manager to make sure the wounded soldier receives appropriate treatment and adequate administrative support, and his or her Family's needs are met.

Tucker, a former drill sergeant, said that during his career he has faced many challenges, but the personal responsibility he feels for improving the lives of his fellow Soldiers is what drives him to bust through the bureaucracy.

The general is quick to credit the team of

Army physicians, nurses, social workers, benefits counselors, platoon sergeants, squad leaders and other support staff members who have stepped up to this new challenge and who have repeatedly shown their dedication and commitment to serving and caring for their brethren.

"Our team has worked hard to change the way we provide care to our ill and wounded," Tucker said. "I am proud of their work."

The AMAP chief of staff agrees, adding that it has taken courage and leadership to see this vision through.

"We are determined from top to bottom (of the organization) to transform this process," said Col. Jimmie O. Keenan, chief of staff for AMAP.

"General Tucker has empowered all of us to make a difference. Of course, it is not perfect. We will have to make adjustments as we move through this process to make sure we are truly meeting the needs of our troops, and we will. There is so much passion and commitment at all levels of the organization from our specialists to senior Army leaders to make sure we are serving our fellow Soldiers as fiercely at home as they served the nation on the battlefield. I can see the sense of duty and responsibility in the eyes of everyone on the staff. We all know what we are doing is the

right thing for our fellow soldiers."

Keenan said the transformed military health care system focuses on the total care of ill and wounded Soldiers and their Families, including the severely injured. No longer will a Soldier or a Soldier's loved one have to search for the ID card section, how to get billeting or even a ride to the airport.

The WTUs will also link Families to warrior medical care, rehabilitation and benefits as they have never been before with the addition of Soldier Family assistance centers. The Installation Management Command-sponsored assistance centers will provide help with documents, payments, access cards, insurance and more. Ill and wounded soldiers will also receive legal assistance concerning medical evaluation board and physical evaluation board cases.

The 35 WTUs are expected to be fully operational by early 2008, AMAP officials said.

"These warriors have risked life and limb to defend our nation's freedoms, and it is our duty to honor and serve them with compassion and dignity," Tucker said.

"These Soldiers are warriors in need of healing. They need to know that's what we are there to do for them, so that their focus is on recovery and not whether their rent will be paid."

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Provided by Winn Army Community Hospital

### November 1

• **Ja'Cir Nykeese Galbreath**, a boy, 7 pounds, 8 ounces, born to Spc. Shaqudrna Galbreath.

• **Ana Elizabeth Gore**, a girl, 6 pounds, 15 ounces, born to Sgt. William Gore and Renee Gore.

### November 2

• **Ethan Alexander Helms**, a boy, 7 pounds, 8 ounces, born to Staff Sgt. Shawn W. Helms and Crystal J. Helms.

• **Philip-Louise Lazar Studler**, a boy, 10 pounds, 3 ounces, born to Tech. Sgt. Philip H. Studler, Jr. and Marilou L. Studler.

### November 4

• **Brady Saltus Hammond**, a boy, 9 pounds, 3 ounces, born to Pfc. Michael Robert Hammond and Jillian Noel Hammond.

### November 5

• **Kalia Lee Hernandez**, a girl, 6 pounds, 15 ounces, born to

Pfc. Brandon L. Hernandez and Deadra Gail Gist Hernandez.

• **Chester William Louis Yoder, Jr.**, a boy, 7 pounds, 1 ounce, born to Pfc. Chester William Louis Yoder and Alyssa N. Yoder.

• **Kennedy Cayler Smith**, a girl, 8 pounds, 10 ounces, born to Sgt. Adam D. Smith and Maya N. Smith.

• **Russell Odie Tollefson**, a boy, 9 pounds, 1 ounce, born to Staff Sgt. Terry Odie Tollefson and Rachel Tollefson.

### November 7

• **Kaithlyn Elizabeth Freijo**, a girl, 8 pounds, 5 ounces, born to 1st Lt. Bryen Freigo and Kim Freigo.

• **Anthony Eric Montanez**, a boy, 8 pounds, 5 ounces, born to Cpl. Nestor Luis Montanez and Erica Dee Montanez.

• **Alec Edward Windham**, a boy, 9 pounds, 12 ounces, born to Sgt. 1st Class Roy Windham and Sgt. 1st Class Brenda Windham.

### November 8

• **Matthew Michael Hubbard, Jr.**, a boy, 6 pounds, 14 ounces, born to Pfc. Matthew Michael Hubbard, Sr. and Jennifer Grace Hubbard.

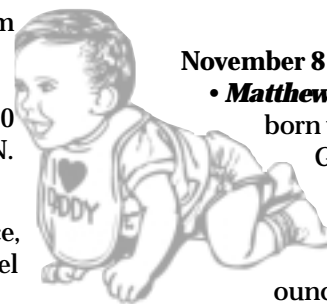
### November 9

• **Ava Elizabeth Shupert**, a girl, 6 pounds, 15 ounces, born to Pvt. Benjamin Shupert and Kimberly Shupert.

• **Tristan James LaBeau, Jr.**, a boy, 7 pounds, 5 ounces, born to Spc. Tristan LaBeau and Pfc. Sarahi LaBeau.

### November 10

• **Gabrielle Diaura Hitchcock**, a girl, 6 pounds, 11 ounces, born to Sgt. Luke J. Hitchcock and Shana D. Hitchcock.



Hunter Chapel invites community to

### Youth Ministry Activities

Join the Hunter Army Airfield Youth Ministry Team for motivating fun 1 to 3 p.m., the first and third Sunday of each month at the Religious Education Center, building 129, next to Hunter Chapel.

Activities will feature snacks, games, and lively conversation. The Dec. 1 event will feature a movie, "Akeelah and the Bee," rated PG for language at 4 p.m. in the old theater behind the post credit union.

For more information, call Charles Archer at 315-5934 or by email at [charles.archer1@us.army.mil](mailto:charles.archer1@us.army.mil)

### Fort Stewart – Hunter Army Airfield 2007– 2008 Mock "Electrical" Billing Town Halls

All on-post housing residents are invited to attend the Mock "Electrical" Billing Town Halls at Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield.

Fort Stewart: 6 p.m., Dec. 4  
at Moon Theater.

Hunter Army Airfield: 6 p.m., Dec. 5  
at the New Gannam Community Center.

Residential Communities Initiative (RCI)  
"Housing You Trust"



### Christmas Tree Lighting at Stewart-Hunter

Join us for a fun-filled  
holiday celebration!

The 2007 Christmas Tree Lighting will be held at 5:15 p.m., Dec. 6 at Club Stewart and 5:15 p.m., Dec. 10 at Hunter Club. The tree lighting will be held outdoors and will be followed by Santa's arrival.