

LIFE & TIMES

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On Post

Offshore Fishing

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Infantry Division unit financial advisor Staff Sgt. Mike Lyons, is offering offshore fishing trips for interested Soldiers on weekends. Great-tasting dolphin fish are in season. Bait and fuel are provided for a small fee. For more information, contact Lyons at 767-1806.

Join Toastmasters

Whether you're a professional, student, stay-at-home parent or retiree, Toastmasters is the best way to improve your leadership and communication skills. The Dogfaced Soldiers Toastmasters International Club meets at noon every second and fourth Friday of the month at Club Stewart. Open to everyone.

For more information, contact Chief Warrant Officer Jay Bowen at 767-0383, or email him at bowenja@stewart.army.mil, or call Brigitte Roberts at 370-6903.

Volunteers needed

The ACS volunteer coordinator and the installation volunteer coordinator have information about a wide variety of volunteer opportunities in the ACS center and other agencies at Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield.

Volunteer orientation at Hunter ACS is the first Thursday of every month, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Volunteers are always welcome and much-needed at ACS.

For more information, call 352-6816.

Train Concert

The 2004 Miller Lite concert featuring Train will be held June 17 at Donovan Field. Tickets are \$15 now and \$20 on concert day. They are available at Hunter Lanes, Fort Stewart Leisure Activity Center, Sports USA and Marne Lanes.

For more information call 767-3695.

Off Post

MILES Program

Don't buy a vehicle until you are armed with knowledge. This program is designed exclusively for active duty servicemembers who cannot obtain bank or credit financing when purchasing a vehicle.

For information, visit or qualify online at usmiles.com or call the Military Installment Loan and Education Services Assistance Center toll free at (866)-466-4537.

To publish a brief in The Frontline, call 767-3440 or fax us at 767-4951. Deadline for briefs is Friday at noon.



Spc. Jonathan M. Stack

Jamey Smith takes time to visit his grandparents' graves at the Sand Hill Cemetery Memorial Service Sunday.

Families visit with their ancestors

Spc. Jonathan M. Stack
Editor

Every first Sunday in June, members from around the Fort Stewart communities gather for the annual Sand Hill Cemetery Memorial Service and this year was no different.

"This is a special day of remembrance for families and friends and it is my honor to represent Fort Stewart and the military community," said Capt. Alan A. Wetzstein, guest speaker at the memorial service. "On behalf of Maj. Gen. William Webster (3rd Infantry Division commander), the division command

sergeant major, and Col. Craig Finley, Division Artillery commander, I bring you greetings and best wishes on the occasion of this annual reunion."

The service began by members of the 3rd Inf. Div. color guard posting the service and the audience reciting "The Pledge of Allegiance."

The audience was made up of local community members that have family members buried at Sand Hill Cemetery.

"I am able to visit twice a year," said Jimmy Smith, program coordinator. "I am glad to have this opportunity and wish I could do it more."

Smith said he prays that there is

never a time that he can't visit his family at the cemetery.

"Today I bring a message of peace, a message of thanks, a message of importance of remembering our heritage as families, communities, Georgians and Americans," Wetzstein said.

He added, "Standing here today on this hallowed ground, it's interesting to consider how our predecessors shared their faith here and summoned the Lord into their daily lives."

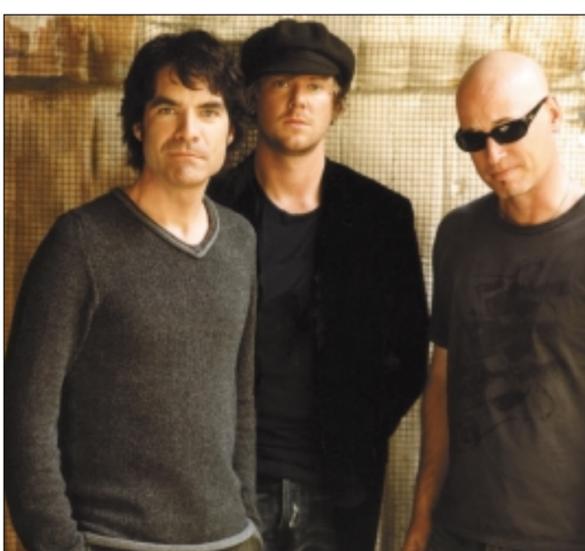
Wetzstein gave his speech to the crowd in the shade under a huge oak tree.

"They worshipped, mourned,

married and baptized children under these majestic oak trees. This was then and remains today a special place where families draw together to fellowship, remember their heritage and to honor family and friends ... both past and present," he said.

"In this region it is important to honor the dead and cemeteries are extremely important to us," Smith said.

After the memorial, guests of the Sand Hill Cemetery Memorial Service gathered together for lunch and took time to walk around the cemetery to visit with their departed family.



Train

Train to perform at Stewart

Nancy Gould
Special to The Frontline

The 2004 Miller Lite Army Concert Tour, featuring the pop rock group, Train, is scheduled to perform June 17 at Fort Stewart's Donovan Field at 8 p.m.

The opening group, The Graham Colton Band, kicks the evening off at 8 p.m., followed by Train at 9:15 p.m. Gates will open to members of both military and civilian communities at 6:30 p.m. and tickets will be sold at the gates for \$20 each.

Everyone is welcome to come to the outdoor event with their lounge chairs and blankets for some relaxation and a great night of music. Food and beverages will be sold on site.

Tickets are available for \$15 prior to the concert at Morale, Welfare and Recreation outlets including Hunter Lanes at Hunter Army Airfield, Sports USA, Marne Lanes and the Stewart Leisure Activities Center. Tickets are also sold at the Oglethorpe Mall, Lester's Florist, Savannah Civic Center Box Office (you

can order by phone, 1-800-351-7469, and have them mailed to you) or on line at www.savannahcivic.com.

Two of Train's top-chart hits include the single, "Calling All Angels," as well as "Meet Virginia." In Autumn 1998, the Fox Television series, "Party Of Five," featured another single, "Free," which had already received radio play, and in 2001, "Drops of Jupiter (Tell Me)," also made the billboard charts.

The concert's opening

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Insurance company donates child car seats to Hunter ACS

Staff Sgt. Craig Zentkovich

NCOIC, Hunter Public Affairs Office

For the past 30 years, GEICO insurance company has supported the military community at Hunter Army Airfield through lending closet donations and safety campaigns.

Mal Cook, GEICO general field representative, donated five child car seats to the Army Community Service lending closet at Hunter, continuing the company's tradition.

"We've been donating the seats for the past 15 years here and at Fort Stewart," Cook said. "Every two years or so, we replace the seats previously donated."

The car seats, and various other items donated to the Army Community Service

lending closet, are available for military families transitioning to or from Hunter and whose household goods are not available, according to Laverne Hatcher, Hunter ACS director.

"Usually, we lend the car seats out for thirty days, but there are always exceptions," Hatcher said.

She pointed out that the seats are also available in instances when parents forget to swap out seats with vehicles.

"Ultimately, we are concerned about the safety of the families, the children here," she said. "Not only is it a law to have an infant or toddler (secured in a child car seat), it's the right thing to do."

For more information on child car seats available at the Hunter ACS lending closet, call Hatcher at 352-6816.



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Mal Cook, GEICO general field representative, presents Laverne Hatcher, Hunter ACS director, with one of five car seats donated by the insurance company to the ACS lending closet June 2.

Cool Blue Water ...

Pool is now open, be safe

Compiled by Pvt. Dan Balda

Staff Writer

The best thing anyone can do to stay safe in and around the water is to learn to swim — this includes adults and children. The American Red Cross has swimming courses for people of any age and ability. To enroll in a course to learn or improve your ability to swim, contact your local Red Cross chapter.

Pool safety tips:

- Never leave a child unattended around water. Your eyes must be on the child at all times. Adult supervision is recommended.
- * Install a phone by the pool or keep a cordless phone nearby so that you can call 9-1-1 in an emergency.
- Learn Red Cross cardiopulmonary resuscitation and insist that babysitters, grandparents, and others who care for your child know CPR.
- Post CPR instructions and 9-1-1 or your local emergency number in the pool area.
- Enclose the pool completely with a self-locking, self-closing fence with vertical bars. Openings in the fence should be no more than four inches wide. If the house is part of the barrier, the doors leading from the house to the pool should remain locked and be protected with an alarm that produces sounds when the door is unexpectedly opened.
- Never leave furniture near the fence that would enable a child to climb over the fence.
- Always keep basic lifesaving equipment by the pool and know how to use it. Pole, rope, and personal flotation devices are recommended.
- Keep toys away from the pool when it is not in use. Toys can attract young children into the pool.
- Pool covers should always be completely removed prior to pool use.
- To learn more about home pool safety, you can purchase the video "It Only Takes a Minute" from your local Red Cross chapter.
- If a child is missing, check the pool first. Go to the edge of the pool and scan the entire pool, bottom, and surface, as well as the surrounding pool area.

Editor's note: The information in this article was provided by www.redcross.org.



Photos by Pvt. Dan Balda

Lifeguard Susan Smith welcomes swimmer Cameron Camp with open arms at the end of the slide.



A lifeguard signals to a child running on the swimdeck.



Brandon Valkos shows novices how to perform a flying squirrel off the diving board.

Corey Morrow demonstrates his acrobatic prowess on the diving board.



Master Sgt. Anetone Saliata plays with his son Elika in the shallow end.



Lifeguard Stephanie Walker gives Casey Camp some helpful instructions.

Army teams with singer to launch safety campaign

ARNEWS

Special to the Frontline

FORT RUCKER, Ala. — With the assistance of recording artist Mark Schultz, the Army launched its campaign June 7 dubbed “Be Safe — Make It Home.”

Schultz’s song “Letters From War” is the centerpiece of the awareness campaign, Army safety officials said. Schultz and the Army are producing a music video, training video and public service announcements, all featuring the song, that will be used to educate Soldiers and the general public of the Army’s high rate of accidental fatalities.

“Letters From War,” from Schultz’s current album “Stories & Songs,” deals with a Soldier returning home safely from war. While the song was inspired by the diaries his great grandmother kept when three of her sons fought in World War II, the song’s message is as relevant today as it would have been 60 years ago. “Letters From War” has touched the heart strings of the country, officials said, and is currently No. 6 on the Christian Adult Contemporary chart.

“Statistically, this has been a rough year for Army accident casualties,” said Brig. Gen. Joseph Smith,

director of Army Safety. “In an attempt to reverse this trend, the Secretary of the Army initiated the “Be Safe” campaign to educate Soldiers, with the end result of keeping them alive and well. We want our troops to be safe and make it home when participating in everyday

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activities that can lead to accidents such as driving, swimming and biking.”

Since the beginning of the year, the Army has experienced 168 accident-related fatalities, 39 percent of which occurred in privately owned vehicles. Combine that figure with the almost 26 percent who are killed in

Army motor vehicles and Army combat vehicles, and vehicular accidents account for 65 percent of accident-related fatalities. The remaining 35 percent of fatalities consist of fire, personal injury and aviation accidents.

A key element in the campaign is a newly created safety video that will be shown to all troops. The video and other materials will also be available to Department of the Army civilians, defense contractors and family members.

“Letters from War” is featured in the training video. Schultz recast the final lines of the song to fit the Army’s safety campaign, and will be making public and media appearances, along with Army officials, in support of the campaign.

“I am very much honored to team with the U.S. Army in this campaign to save soldiers’ lives,” said Schultz. “I am thrilled to do anything I can to show my total support for our troops and to help keep them safe both abroad and at home.”

For more information, visit the Army’s Safety Center Web site at <https://safety.army.mil/home.html>. For more information on Mark Schultz, visit www.markschultzmusic.com.

TRAIN

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group, The Graham Colton Band, is a young rock group that has toured with Counting Crows, Pearl Jam and the Dave Matthews Band.

Concert attendees without a military decal on their vehicle should enter Fort Stewart through Gate 3. To get there from Savannah, take I-95 South to the GA Route 144 (Richmond Hill, Fort Stewart) exit. Take a right off the exit. Travel approximately 20 miles and take a left onto Georgia 47. Road signs will direct you to Donovan Field.

Cameras, coolers and pets are not allowed on the premises.

The concert is hosted by the Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) and underwritten by Miller Lite (the primary sponsor), Bank One, Pepsi and Jack Daniels Country Cocktails. Federal endorsement of sponsors is not implied.

For additional information contact 912-767-3695, 767-5117 or 767-5118.



**Practice Safe
Biking...**

*Always Wear
a Helmet!*

Look Before You Leap...

Observe swimming safety, year-round!



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Called to serve**Chaplain (Capt.) Steve Balog**

Special to The Frontline

I wrote this article on June 6, a day filled with television mini-specials focused on a single event, the D-Day invasion of Normandy. At the turn of the past century we sat and watched as multiple lists were published indicating such important information such as actor of the century, most influential singer, and greatest hamburger. One category was the most significant event, and D-Day invasion was thrown in the list of nominees.

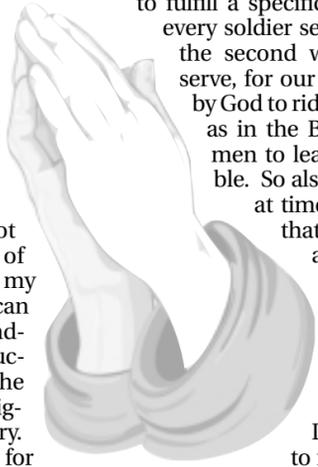
To be honest I really do not remember the final outcome of that list for I had already made my decision. Sixty years ago American soldiers stormed a heavily defended beach and began the destruction of the evil Nazi empire. In the eyes of soldiers, it was the most significant event of the past century. It was the beginning of the end for the tyranny of Adolph Hitler.

While stationed in Germany I had several opportunities to take soldiers on tours in Normandy to see the battlefield, to walk through the white crosses of those who paid the ultimate price. To many, the Normandy trip remains the single most memorable excursion of their entire European tour.

I once asked myself, "Why is the battle after sixty years so profound?" I believe it's because of the basic values seen on that day. Values such as duty, honor, and calling.

Now you might ask what calling has to do with combat or even soldiering. Many times you may hear the phrase, "I am called to be a minister, or called to be a doctor." It is often associated with a person's endeavor to pursue a profession. It also implies a divine aspect, as if God himself is leading a person to fulfill a specific task or role. Each and every soldier serving our country during the second world war was called to serve, for our country was called upon by God to rid the world of tyranny. Just as in the Bible, God raised up holy men to lead Israel in times of trouble. So also God uses entire nations at times to rid the world of evil that threatens the freedom of all. On September 11, 2001, our country found itself in another war, threatened by a new evil, that of worldwide terrorism.

As we commemorate D-Day events in the weeks to follow, let us take heart in the current war we fight and remember that in this conflict we are once again called by God. Called to eradicate terrorism from the world. The Bible speaks directly to the calling of a soldier. *Matthew 5:9* states, "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God." As I watch my four kids play, I can rest assured that hopefully my devotion to the calling will assure them and others a future free from fear. May all who serve, serve with duty, honor, and a sense of calling.

**Pet of the Week**

Buddy is a 1-year-old red with white feet male lab mix. He is previously-owned, house-broken and neutered. He is very energetic and friendly.

If you are interested in adopting a pet like Buddy who needs a good home, call the Fort Stewart Veterinary Clinic at 767-2842. The clinic is located on W. Bultman Avenue.

**Worship Opportunities****Fort Stewart**

Catholic	Location	Time
Sunday Mass	Heritage	9 a.m.
Saturday Mass	Heritage	5 p.m.
Weekday Mass	Victory	11:45 a.m.
Protestant		
Sunday Protestant Worship	Marne	11 a.m.
Sunday Gospel Service	Victory	11 a.m.
Sunday Family Friendly	Vale	11 a.m.
Tuesday Healing Service	WACH	11:30 a.m.
Sunday School	Diamond Elementary	9:30 a.m.
American Samoan		
Sunday Worship	Vale	1 p.m.
Muslim		
Friday Jum'ah	Building 9182	11:30 a.m.
Masjid (Daily)	Building 9182	5:30 a.m.
Lutheran		
Sunday Worship	Marne	9 a.m.
Jewish		
Friday Services	Marne	6 p.m.

Hunter Army Airfield

Protestant	Location	Time
Protestant Sunday School	Religious Education Center	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service	Chapel	11 a.m.
Catholic		
Sunday Mass	Chapel	9:30 a.m.
CCD	Religious Education Center	11 a.m.

