

LIFE & TIMES

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On Post

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 at other agencies on 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 needed at ACS.

For more information, call 352-6816.

FRG Cookbooks

The HHC, 3rd Inf. Div. FRG is selling homemade cookbooks for \$15 each. Order before Friday and receive a discounted price of \$13.50. For more information, call Dana Corona at 369-6292 or Danyelle George at 756-6490.

Child and Youth Services

The Central Registration office located at Bldg. 443 has changed operational hours. The new hours will be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday.

For more information call 767-2312.

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 12 p.m. 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 at bowenja@stewart.army.mil, or call Brigitte Roberts at 370-6903.

Meet Santa

Santa Claus will make an appearance at the PX Friday from 2 to 2:45 p.m. He will pass out goodies and greet visitors. Look for him on the fire engine.

Youth Dance

Youth Services will hold a holiday dance Friday for 6th, 7th and 8th graders. The dance will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. Tickets are \$3. For more information, call 767-4491.

MWR Facility Opening

Due to a Presidential Executive Order, Dec. 26 is now a holiday.

As a result, all Child and Youth Service Facilities are now closed Dec. 26.

All Fitness Centers and Gyms will operate on holiday hours: The Newman Physical Fitness Center hours will be 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Caro Gym, will be open 12 to 9 p.m., and Hunter Gym, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

All remaining MWR facilities will operate according to the hours previously advertised. The MWR facility will also be closed Jan. 2.

Off Post

Holiday tour of homes

The Savannah Downtown Neighborhood Association presents the 29th Annual Holiday Tour of Homes. Tours will be Saturday, 12 to 4 p.m., Saturday Candlelight Tour, 5 to 8 p.m. and Sunday 12 to 4 p.m. Each tour will feature different homes and holiday tea.

Tickets are available the day of the tour in the lobby of the DeSoto Hilton Hotel from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Sunday.

To publish a brief in The Frontline, call 767-3440 or fax us at 767-5979. Deadline for briefs is Friday at noon.

Band spices up holidays

Pfc. Emily J. Danial

Staff Writer, Hunter Public Affairs

The 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized) Band helped members of the local community get into the spirit of the season during their free holiday concert Dec. 10, at Savannah's Westin Savannah Harbor Resort and Spa.

The "Rhythm of the Marne," played a wide selection of holiday favorites for a highly responsive audience including Maj. Gen. William G. Webster, Jr., 3rd Inf. Div. commander.

"I think this concert was special because the band has so many talents, not only as musicians, but also as Soldiers," Webster said. "They represent us as Soldiers first."

Some of the arrangements the band performed were "Greensleeves," "Charlie Brown Christmas," "Troika," a medley of Handel's "Messiah."

"We've been practicing for this concert for a month," said Spc. Heather Ramos, trumpet player. "'Troika' was our most challenging piece because the beginning is so atonal that it sounds bad if you don't play it perfectly."

Ramos said she has been playing trumpet for "nine or 10 years," and has been playing in the Army for the last two years.

Ramos' husband, Pfc. Rafael Ramos, also plays trumpet with the "Rhythm of the Marne."

"This (holiday season) is (the band's) favorite time of year," she said.

Mark Spadoni, general manager of the Westin, praised the band's performance, and at the end of the evening he presented Webster with a check for \$2,000.

He added, "This is just to show our appreciation for all you've done for us," he said.

Webster accepted the donation, saying the money would be used to



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Staff Sgt. Brad Holliday and Sgt. Eric Lee play their French horns during the 3rd Inf. Div. Band's holiday concert Dec. 10 at the Westin Savannah Harbor Resort and Spa.

benefit the band.

He added, "This concert has been a wonderful way to thank local communities for their support and wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season."

Singing for the season



Laurie Kemp

The Diamond Elementary School Performers, consisting of 61 students, spread Christmas cheer to patients and staff of Winn Army Community Hospital Thursday, singing such classics as "Santa Baby," "Frosty the Snowman" and "Jingle Bells."

Toys for Tots wraps up 2003 campaign

Spc. Jacob Boyer

Staff Writer

Students from Bradwell Institute and The 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized) Band helped close out Fort Stewart's 2003 U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots campaign at the Post Exchange Sunday.

This year's campaign, which collects toys for less-fortunate children, collected hundreds of toys for Fort Stewart and Liberty County children, said Angela Powell, Liberty County Toys for Tots program coordinator.

"There were an ample amount of toys donated this year, more than we've ever had before," she said.

"Usually we collect more money than toys, but this year people gave more toys than money."

"The turnout here at Fort Stewart has just been wonderful," said Luis Carreras, logistics contractor with the Fort Stewart Department of Labor maintenance division. He is the assistant director of the Liberty County program. "The way peo-

ple have been giving is amazing. I've been carrying the toys out in truckloads, and each day I've come back and had to take another."

This year's Toys for Tots campaign was sponsored by the Liberty County Veteran's Council and Holtzman Realty, and the Liberty County Department of Family and Children Services has been collecting applications for needy families with children 14 and younger.

Carreras said the program does so well because the volunteers who work keep costs down, meaning over 90 percent of the money donated goes back to the children it is being raised for.

"This program really is all about the kids," he said. "There are benefits for this division, but it's great seeing everybody joining in and working together. I've been very impressed."

Carreras dressed as Santa Claus Sunday, with private's insignia from the Marines and the Army on each shoulder

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Luis Carreras
Assistant Director, Liberty County
Toys for Tots program



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Stacey Johnson and her children, Madeleine and Jacob leave a toy on the Toys for Tots pile at the Main PX Sunday.

Holiday lights begin to shine



Spc. Robert Adams

Nick and Jessa Wagner receive candy canes from Santa at the Stewart Christmas tree lighting at Bldg. 1, Dec. 11. Santa arrived on one of Stewart's fire engines.



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Maj. Gen. William G. Webster, Jr., 3rd Inf. Div. commanding general, receives a candy cane from Santa at Stewart's Christmas tree lighting.



Jim Jeffcoat

(Above) Alize' Rivera gives Santa her Christmas list at the Hinesville Christmas lighting Dec. 2.



Pfc. Emily Daniel

Brig. Gen. Jose D. Riojas flips the Hunter Army Airfield Christmas tree light switch to "on," with the help of Marina Williams, 7, and Endasia Williams, 8, in a tree lighting ceremony Friday afternoon in front of garrison headquarters.

Jim Jeffcoat



Katrina Sage, Miss Hospitality Hinesville, Heather Rigdon, Teen Miss Liberty County Forestry, Justine Riggs, Miss Hinesville, Sarah Dawn Rayens, Santa holding Little Miss Hinesville, Brittany Schadt, Pre-Teen Miss Hinesville, and Marilyn Dyess, Supreme Little Miss Hinesville, meet at the Hinesville tree lighting.

Brittin Elementary School Honor Roll

First Grade
 Andrea Alvarez
 Caitlyn Beck
 Rudy Belloc
 Xakari Berry
 DeMarcus Evans
 Davon Frazier
 Destiny Frazier
 Inteagra Grady
 Adria Green
 Nicholas Guillerault
 Abby Heath
 Chelsee Hendrickson
 Chancey Heyward
 Jasmin Hilton
 Xavier Ingram
 Alisia Jimenez
 Chrystopher Johnson
 Haille Jones
 Marvin Jones
 Darby King
 Cathryn Kozlowski
 Emily Linden
 Jeremy Maisonet
 Sondell Miles
 Danielle Moore
 Melissa Moyett
 Tami Myers
 Ashley Oliver
 Linsi Raber
 Raquel Riviere
 Marcos Sanchez
 Alexandria Schrick
 Sara Schuller
 Larry Shouse
 Antevyon Spikes
 Montrel Wingate

Brittney Yetter
 Brook Young
 Dylan Ysker

Second Grade - O
 Samantha Bartels
 Maiya Bethea
 Jacob Bradrick
 Shane Brousseau
 Austin Byers
 Marissa Chapman
 Angel Crouch
 Keion Dodds
 Tariq Hill
 Chelsea Hoyt
 Joseph Kelly
 Daniel Miller
 Katelyn Millett
 Briona Moss
 Kaitlyn Sharp
 Jessica Wilson
 Brian Yetter

Second Grade - O/B
 Kenneth Adkins
 Nicholas Barton
 Scott Buber
 Jamaika Chapman
 Quinnay Collier
 Joseph Cox
 Leanna David
 James Easley
 Andrew Facey
 Murice Griggs
 Destiny Hall
 Raymond Hall
 Nicholas Harrison
 David Kozlowski

Genesis Mercano
 Brittany Newton
 Peter Oliver
 Patrick Perunda
 Christopher Ripley
 Alexys Rivera
 Daneea Serant
 David Stephen
 Kyle Vallade
 Erick Vergara
 Alexis Walker
 Raeven Walker
 Domonique Whigham
 Zachery Ymballa
 Blain Young

Third Grade - A
 Tiara Anderson
 Deion Foster
 Nicole Johnson
 Cassandra Pelton
 Terry Williams, Jr.

Third Grade - A/B
 Lauren Adams
 Leah Adao
 Tyzhanay Anderson
 Royneisha Andrew
 Darien Anthony
 Nikolaus Berry
 Kirshana Calhoun
 Sharoron Carter
 Kaili DeStazio
 Larunda Easley
 James Goolsby
 Dan Huell
 Tiana Ingram
 Kurtrell Jackson

Kevin Jones
 Lawrence Kemp
 Jeremy King
 Kathleen Klein
 Joshua Loper
 Perry McNeill
 Jennifer Ramirez
 Erica Robinson
 Erika Sailiata
 Jessica Schrick
 Emily Staffa
 Aaron Stewart
 Xavier Thrasher
 Cherish Utley
 Kelsie Williams
 Joi Wright
 Khandi Wright

Fourth Grade - A
 Gregory Brousseau
 Myrisha Colston
 LaDonte Evans
 Tyger Gray
 Emily Heath
 Aaron Jacobs
 Chelsea Rivera
 Natavia Townsend
 Ma'tina Vereen
 Dominique Wiggins

Fourth Grade - A/B
 Janet Carrette
 Chanel Carrington
 Brittney Diggs
 Kristopher Duncan
 Nygee Duncan
 D'Andre Evans
 James Farley

Alexis Fisher
 Madeleine Guillerault
 Christen Hall
 Kala Hendrickson
 Bryan Jones
 Evan Jones
 Dominique Kelly
 Bryce King
 Zackary King
 Alexis Kozlowski
 Alesha Love
 DiTiarus Neal
 Samantha Newby
 Vanessa Newton
 Thomas Rasor
 Devonta Roofe
 Nicole Roxburgh
 Jonathan Saavedra
 J'Quan Smith
 Markus Smith
 Elayna Strachan
 Tanisha Terrell
 Alexis Walton

Fifth Grade - A
 Lydia Grant
 Quierra Jones
 Kyle Weaver

Fifth Grade - A/B
 Kirstie Agbay
 Taylor Barton
 Kadeshia Brown
 Bianca Browning
 Nichelle Fraiser
 Brittney Guilfo
 Jacques Ingram
 Ciana Lacuesta

Michael Rodriguez
 Chris Staffa
 Elizabeth Styles
 Larquisha Sutton
 Christina Tuia
 Shelby Walker
 Dante Wright

Sixth Grade - A
 Joshua Evans
 Lara Riviere
 Byron Weaver

Sixth Grade - A/B
 Alexander Carpenter
 Andre Cook
 Gerald Fleming
 Maria Galaviz
 George Greig
 Ashley Hughes
 Danielle Jacobs
 Brittney Kempson
 Alexandria Kimball
 Natasha Lamica
 Zachary Loper
 Kim McCaskill
 DeVonte' Plummer
 Alexis Pritchard
 Patrici Puranda
 Nichole Ripley
 Leilany Ronda-Ruiz
 Adienee Rosa
 Steven Stokes
 Sherrod Turner
 Monica Vargas

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and a 3rd Inf. Div. Cap on his head. As he asked shoppers to give, volunteers from Bradwell's Junior Reserve Officer's Training Corps program collected money.

"I'm out doing this because I want to give back to the community," said Lakisa Smith, a sophomore JROTC cadet. "I just want to make sure everyone has a good Christmas and no one gets left out."

Quintets from the division band played holiday music throughout the afternoon as toys piled up in front of them.

Toys for Tots is a non-profit organization that originated in 1947 when Reserve Marine Maj. Bill Hendricks and a group of Reservists collected 5,000 toys for needy children, according to the organization's Web site, www.toysfortots.org. The campaign's success prompted it to become a national campaign in its second year, when it was named Toys for Tots.

"This program has such a long tradition," Carreras said. "We did this in Vietnam. Taking care of children is important."



Spc. Jacob Boyer

Pfc. Rafael Ramos, Spc. Benjamin Solis, Sgt. Bryan Whittemore, Staff Sgt. Brad Holliday and Sgt. Jerome King play holiday-tunes at the Main PX to support the Toys for Tots campaign Sunday.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Season of presents, presence

Chaplain (Capt.) Michael Heninger

Special to The Frontline

Christmas is a time when the Christian community recalls the birth of Jesus. God joined humanity on the earthly pilgrimage. He came into our midst to be with us and to be on our side. It was most important to Jesus that people understand just how much God loves them. His words and actions demonstrated unconditional love and sacrifice on our behalf.

The Christmas season is about living out the reality of God's love. It is a time to be humbled by the birth of the Son of God in a simple manger. He did not appear with riches or go on to amass possessions. His life reflected the fact that the most valuable gift one can give is one's self.

This is an important lesson as we plan our Christmas celebrations.

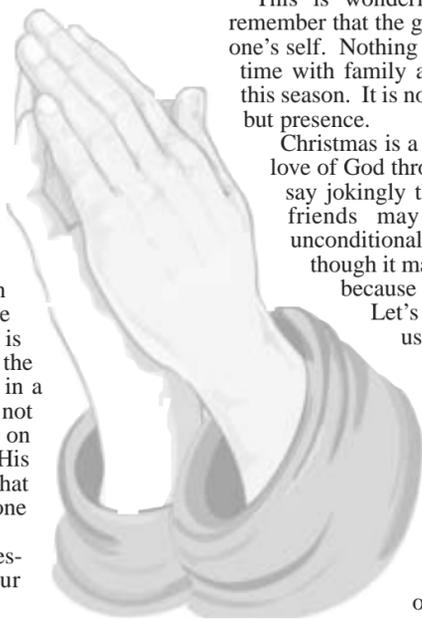
Christmas can easily become more worldly than spiritual if we are not careful. It is our tradition that gifts will be bought and exchanged on Christmas. We show our love and appreciation for each other this way.

This is wonderful, but we do well to remember that the greatest gift we can give is one's self. Nothing can compare with quality time with family and friends we may have this season. It is not so much about presents, but presence.

Christmas is a time when we realize the love of God through each other. We may say jokingly that time with family and friends may require sacrifice and unconditional love. For some people though it may be a season of sacrifice because it will be spent alone.

Let's be aware of those around us and be quick to extend an offer to share our Christmas with those who will be alone.

God came into the world to be with us and to remain on our side. He remains with us through each other. Let us share the love of God this Christmas through our presence.



Pet of the Week



It was love at first site for Milli Stevens who adopted 2-year-old Beau Dec. 9 from the Fort Stewart Veterinary Clinic. Stevens said she and her husband had seen Beau in The Frontline the previous week (Dec. 4) and knew "that's our dog."

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

**Spay
or
Neuter
Your
Pet
Today!!**

**The Frontline staff wishes you
a safe and happy holiday season**



Worship Opportunities

Fort Stewart

<u>Catholic</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
Sunday Mass	Victory	9 a.m.
Saturday Mass	Victory	5 p.m.
Weekday Mass	Victory	11:45 a.m.
<u>Protestant</u>		
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.
<u>American Samoan</u>		
Sunday Worship	Vale	1 p.m.
<u>Muslim</u>		
Friday Jum'ah	Building 9182	1:15 p.m.
Masjid (Daily)	Building 9182	5:30 a.m.
<u>Lutheran</u>		
Sunday Worship	Marne	9 a.m.
<u>Contemporary Worship Service</u>		
Sunday Worship	Marne	6 p.m.
<u>Jewish</u>		
Friday Services	Marne	6 p.m.

Hunter Army Airfield

<u>Protestant</u>		
Protestant Sunday School	Religious Education center	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service	ACS Building, 1286	11 a.m.
<u>Catholic</u>		
Sunday Mass	ACS Building, 1286	9:30 a.m.
CCD	Religious Education center	11 a.m.

Volunteer Spotlight



Maria Lopez



Maria Lopez, a native of Puerto Rico, is a Red Cross volunteer at Winn Army Community Hospital.

She volunteers in the pharmacy.

"I feel the need to help others and to feel useful," Lopez said.

Lopez spends her free time reading and studying psychology. She and her husband Angel have two children, 3-year-old Emily and 21-month-old Xavier.

If you would like more information about becoming an American Red Cross volunteer at Winn, call Brigitte Roberts at 370-6903 or send an email to Brigitte.Roberts@se.amedd.army.mil.



WOODRUFF THEATER

Dec 18 — Dec 24

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

General admission is \$3 for adults, \$1.50 for children.

\$1 Showings Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday



Mystic River (R)

Starring: Sean Penn, Kevin Bacon, Tim Robbins

Today at 7 p.m.

Three childhood friends, Jimmy Markum, Dave Boyle and Sean Devine find themselves reunited by tragedy, and each struggling with the past and present.

Run time: 137 minutes

Matrix Revolutions (R)

Starring: Keanu Reeves, Laurence Fishburne, Hugo Weaving

Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.

In the third installment, Neo comes face-to-face with the ultimate power in the machine world. His destiny and the fate of two civilizations are inexorably tied to the outcome of his confrontation with Agent Smith.

Run time: 130 minutes

Elf (PG)

Starring: Will Ferrell, James Caan, Katie Asner

Sunday and Monday at 7 p.m.

A misfit who grows to be three times the size of his elf family, Buddy heads to New York City to seek out his family: a "Scrooge"-like father and a stepbrother who doesn't believe in Santa. Buddy sets out to single-handedly win over his family and save Christmas in New York.

Run time: 99 minutes

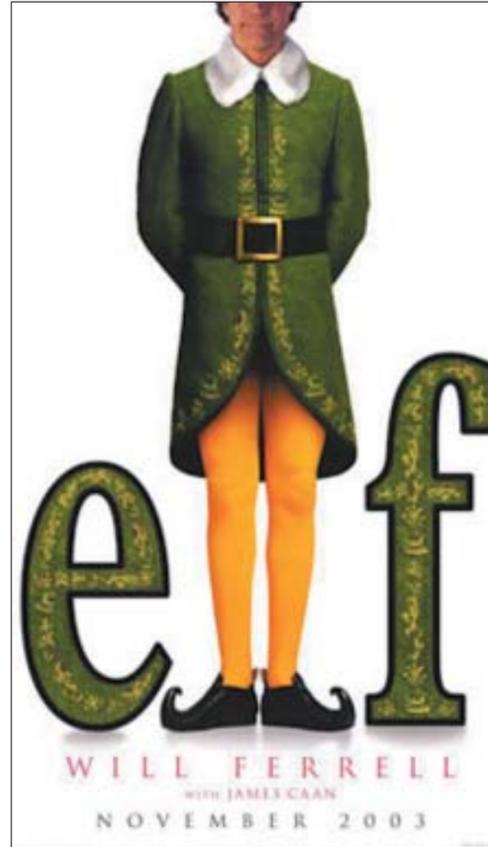
Runaway Jury (PG-13)

Starring: John Cusack, Gene Hackman, Rachel Weisz

Tuesday and Wednesday at 7 p.m.

This is the story of a mysterious man who gets himself on the jury of a landmark case against a gun manufacturer in an attempt to influence the other jury members to vote a certain way.

Run time: 128 minutes



Birth announcements

November 29

Kayden Lorenzo Cobb, a boy, 7 pounds, 5 ounces, born to Spc. Burt Lorenzo and Spc. Shakena Nicole Cobb.

December 1

Aniah Nevaeh Goins, a girl, 8 pounds, born to Staff Sgt. Everett LaSalle Goins and Mysha Evette Goins.

Julian Dale Johnson, a boy, 8

pounds, 3 ounces, born to Spc. Jason E. Johnson and Lori Beth Johnson.

December 2

Jaielle Elaina Bradley, a girl, 7 pounds, 12 ounces, born to Pfc. Corey Antonio Bradley and Alexis Jamal-Amor Bradley.

Karrissa Abigail Rhee, a girl, 5 pounds, 12 ounces, born to Pfc.

John Jebin Rhee and Brittany Nicole Rhee.

John Shelton Marshall II, a boy, 10 pounds, born to Sgt. John Shelton Marshall and Jennifer Jean Marshall.

December 3

Lakin Mykel Rice, a girl, 6 pounds, 6 ounces, born to 2nd Lt. Jacob Rice and Sara Rice.

Dakota Jacob Mills, a boy, 7 pounds, 3 ounces, born to Staff Sgt. Christopher R. Mills and Lisa Lynn Mills.

December 5

Samantha Leann Callis, a girl, 8 pounds, 10 ounces, born to Cpl. Donal Lee Callis II and Victoria Ann Callis.

December 8

James Burton Rodney, a boy, 7 pounds, 15 ounces, born to Chief Warrant Officer Justin Keith Rodney and Alexis Chavah Burton.

December 9

Janya Yabri Gooden, a girl, 7 pounds, 12 ounces, born to Sgt. 1st Class Jimmy Fitzgerald Gooden and Angela Terrel Gooden.