

SPORTS & FITNESS

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On Post

Soccer/Track & Field

Sign-ups for Child and Youth Services Spring Soccer are now being accepted. Children between the ages of 4 and 14 can sign up starting April 1. Track & Field sign-ups have also begun for children who turn 6 by May 31 and will not turn 19 before Aug. 10. Coaches are also needed for both sports.

Registration is at Fort Stewart CYS, Bldg. 443, Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 767-2312 or 767-2143.

Intramural volleyball

Sign-ups have started for the Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield Intramural Volleyball League. Teams are allowed up to 12 players, including the coach, and units are allowed one team each.

Units that want to participate can sign up for the Stewart league. Call 767-8238 or 767-8326. Hunter units can call 352-6749.

Golf Course

Taylor's Creek Golf Course offers Senior Blitz on Thursdays with a 9 a.m. tee off.

Marne Golf Scramble

The St. Patrick's Day Marne Golf Scramble will be held today at Taylor's Creek Golf Course.

For more information call 767-2370.

Consultations at Newman

The Newman Physical Fitness Center now offers free personal training consultations. Consultations consist of health screenings (body fat assessments), exercise prescription and nutritional counseling.

Consultations will be given on an appointment basis only. For more information, call 767-2771.

Marne tournaments

A 9-pin, no-tap tournament will be held the first Saturday of every month at Marne Lanes.

Sign up starts at 6:30 p.m. Bowling starts at 7 p.m. Cost is \$15 per person.

Cash prizes will be awarded. The tournament is sponsored by the Fort Stewart Women's Bowling Association.

For more information, call 767-4866.

Volleyball tourney

A single-elimination volleyball tournament for Stewart and Hunter teams will be held at Fort Stewart Monday through today. Active duty teams of up to 12 players, including coaches, can participate. The registration fee is \$50. The field is limited to 20 teams.

For more information and to register, call 767-8238 or 767-8326.

Hunter Youth Sports

Sign-ups for T-Ball, ages 5 and 6; coach pitch, ages 7 and 8; and baseball, ages 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 are going on now. Children must be registered with Child and Youth Services to participate.

Sports fees are \$20 for the first child and \$18 for each additional child in the family. Uniforms are provided.

For additional information, call 352-5708 or 352-6075.

If you're interested in having your sports articles, commentaries or briefs posted in The Frontline, call 767-3440, or fax at 767-5979. Deadline is noon on Fridays.



Pfc. Benjamin T. Brody

Bulldawg Travis Williams pushes through his opponents on his way to the hoop during his team's victory in Stewart's intramural basketball championship.

Brittin, Diamond students learn Rugby

Spc. Robert Adams

Staff Writer

Members of the U.S.A. Tomahawks Rugby team visited Brittin and Diamond Elementary schools, interacted with students, and taught them the basics of the sport Monday.

The Tomahawks visited Fort Stewart and played a scrimmage game against the Ireland Wolfhounds at Newman Physical Fitness Center in preparation for the sixth annual "Battle of St. Patrick's Day" Tuesday at 8 p.m. at Memorial Stadium.

"This is an exceptional chance for our young people to see an international team play Rugby," said Charleen A. V. Thompson,

Diamond Elementary School counselor. Rugby isn't a game that is familiar to our kids, so it's providing an opportunity for them to learn a new game in the global community.

Children in grades kindergarten through 6th gathered at the School Age Services Youth Center playing field and the Bryan Youth Center playing field to watch and interact with the players.

"It's all for the kids," said Natarsha Baker, Diamond Elementary School counselor.

"We started out teaching them the basic background and history of Rugby and tried to relate it to American football," said

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Bill Hansbury, a coach of the U.S.A. Tomahawks Rugby Team teaches Diamond Elementary students the fundamentals of the sport Monday. The children were invited down on the field to learn first hand how to pass, kick, and tackle.



Bulldawgs score title

3rd FSB beat Rage 71-69

Pfc. Ricardo J. Branch

Staff Writer

In the championship game for the Fort Stewart intramural basketball season, B Company, 3rd Forward Support Battalion Bulldawgs defeated the A Company, 2nd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment Rage March 11, 71-69 at Newman Physical Fitness Center.

"Coming into this game, there was a strategy to go for the easy baskets and take time for the shots attempted and the players performed just that," said Pearsey Vernon, assistant coach for the Bulldawgs.

Pedro Ferri led the Bulldawgs with a total of 34 points against the Rage.

"It was our team's effort that brought the pressure to the other team and that helped us win," Ferri said.

Ferri's performance included a slam-dunk toward the end of the first half that got the Newman crowd and his team's bench on their feet.

Sterling Tyler followed Ferri with 10 points to help contribute to the Bulldawgs victory.

Hannibal Baites led for the Rage with 25 points against the Bulldawgs.

Reginald Kennedy followed Baites with 16 points, and Henry Hughley brought 15 points against the Bulldawgs.

The Bulldawgs' Pedro Ferri started the game with a 2 point shot from deep in the court. The teams traded points for most of the first half, but the Bulldawgs' more aggressive offense tipped the points slightly in their team's favor. The Rage concentrated on defense and rebounds, which kept them not far behind the Bulldawgs.

The Bulldawgs had a 36-32 lead at the end of the first half, with neither side showing signs of weakness.

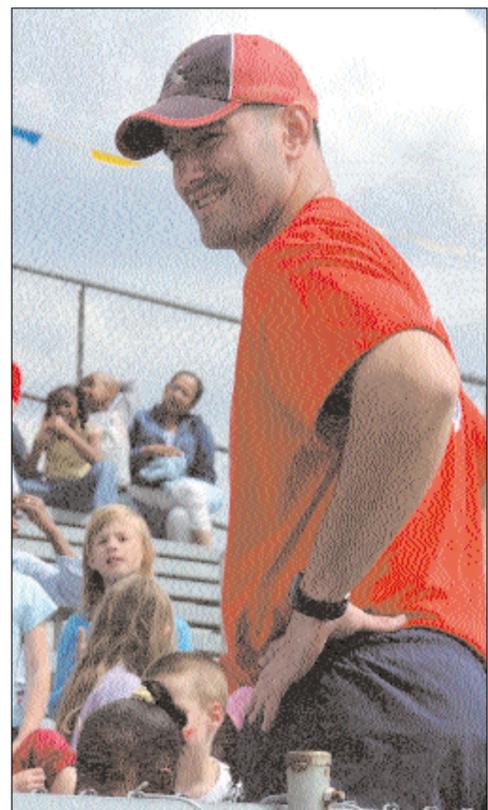
The Rage offense gained momentum at the start of the second half with the Bulldawgs defense slipping, tying the score several times.

Hughley dropped in 9 points and Baites, with a well timed 3 point shot, sent both teams into overtime as the second half ended with the score tied at 64.

With the game in overtime, both teams seemed equally matched.

"Attack the rim," became the strategy during the timeout called in overtime, as the Bulldawgs rallied and fought back and forth trying to break the stale-

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Kevin Deal, a member of the U.S. Tomahawks, teaches Diamond Elementary students about the history of Rugby and how it relates to American football at the School Age Services Youth Center field.

Sieracki: USA's last chance to qualify for Olympics

Tim Hipps

Special to the Frontline

METAIRIE, La. — One day after competing in the 2004 Armed Forces Wrestling Championships, Army Staff Sgt. Keith Sieracki flew to Tashkent, Uzbekistan, to attempt to qualify the United States for a spot in the 74-kilogram/163-pound Greco-Roman division in the Summer Olympics at Athens, Greece.

The March 13-14 tournament will be the final chance for nations to qualify athletes for Greco competition in the Athens Games, and this is the only weight class for which Team USA has not qualified. In order to qualify in the weight class for the Olympics, Sieracki must place among the top four in his weight class.

In Uzbekistan, Sieracki can qualify the United States for a spot in his weight class. However, that will not automatically earn him a spot on the U.S. team. Positions on the 2004 U.S. Olympic Wrestling Team will be determined at the U.S. Olympic Wrestling Team Trials May 21-23 at Indianapolis.

Staff Sgt. Shon Lewis, coach of the All-Army wrestling team and one of three Greco-Roman coaches for the U.S. Olympic team, left Monday to join Sieracki in Uzbekistan.

Sieracki, a six-time Armed Forces

champion, was a member of the 2001 U.S. World Team and an alternate for the 2000 U.S. Olympic Team. He also has won four U.S. National championships and a silver medal in the 2002 Conseil International du Sport Militaire (CISM) Championships. He is a member of the U.S. Army World Class Athlete Program at Fort Carson, Colo.

Should he fail to qualify the United States for a spot in Uzbekistan, Sieracki said he likely will change weight classes for the U.S. Olympic Team Trials.

"If we don't qualify the weight class this next weekend, I either have to move up a weight class or move down," said Sieracki, 32, a military policeman from Richland Center, Wis. "Out of all the weight classes in the U.S. - freestyle, Greco and women's wrestling - this is the last one. I've got to get the job done."

Sieracki was disappointed March 6 to drop a 4-2 decision to Air Force Tech. Sgt. Steve Woods at the Armed Forces Championships, where Sieracki settled for a silver medal.

"I'm hoping that I got the bad match out of the way here because I definitely wrestled pretty badly that first round," Sieracki admitted. "Even the in second round I was just as flat as could be." I told myself for the third match that I wanted to go out on a good note and go into Tashkent ready to wrestle.

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mate.

The scored tied again one last time at 69 when the buzzer rang the end, but not before the final timeout for the Bulldawgs.

The clock stood at 3 seconds and the Bulldawgs, with possession of the ball sent it into the outstretched arms of Ferri, who sailed the ball into the basket breaking the stalemate and ending the game 71-69 as the Bulldawgs took their first intramural basketball championship.

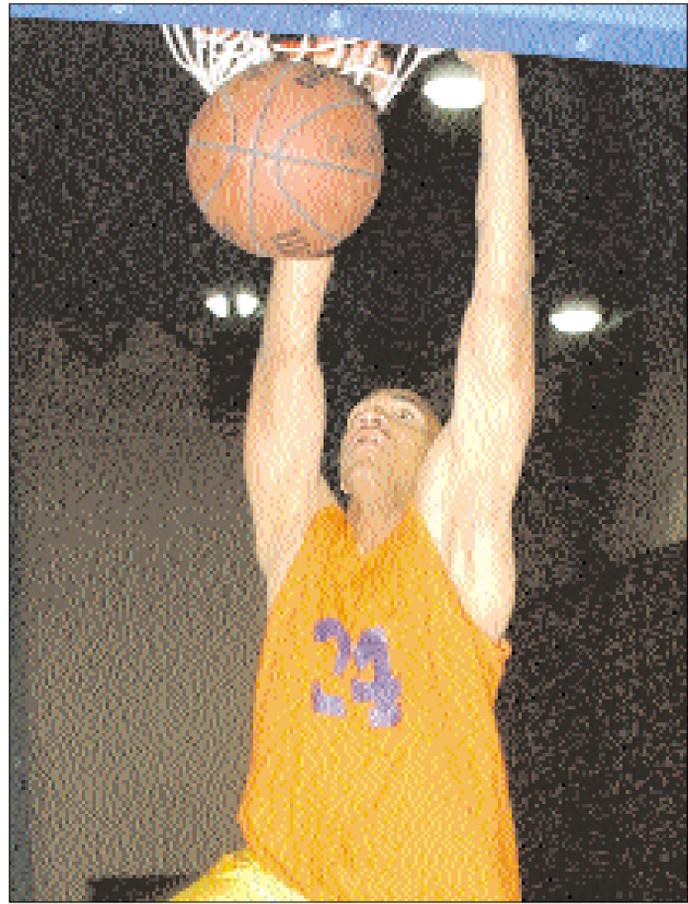
"The last minute was scary, but I had faith in my team on the court," said Jamaul Samuels of the Bulldawgs.

"It was tough, but the team played together great and took advantage of all the turnovers and brought the pressure down on the Rage," Vernon said.

With the trophy in hand, the Bulldawgs left Newman Gym with smiles on their faces and struts in their stride.

"We worked hard this season and next season plan to do this again," said Johnson Byrd, coach and player for the Bulldawgs.

The final game for the Bulldawgs will be played Friday March 19 at Newman Physical Fitness Center against the champs of Hunter Army Airfield.



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Reginald Kennedy, of the Rage, dunks the ball to the crowd's delight at the championship game at Newman Physical Fitness Center March 11.

RUGBY

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Shayne Mains, Tomahawk 2nd row player.

After the Rugby players demonstrated a few basic skills for the children, groups of volunteers were asked to join them on the field and practice the newly learned skills.

We taught them basic skill work; how to pass the ball, running under it and keeping behind it, Mains said.

While children played with the Rugby players, the children in the stands chanted "U.S.A., U.S.A."

"The Rugby players were great," said Andre Brown, a 3rd grader, who announced the plays while the children played out on the field. "Mrs. Thompson helped me some, but by the end, I had figured out most of the plays."

"They were so willing and committed to being role models for the

kids while demonstrating their sport," Thompson said.

Its always good reaching out to children, especially coming out to a military base, because children go through a lot with parents sometimes being overseas, said Bill Hansbury, a Tomahawk coach.

As far as the scrimmage goes at Newman, we will go through our ball work and fine tune some of the situations we will get to in tomorrow's game, Hansbury said.

Bringing the Irish team over here on St. Patrick's Day is forming a great tradition, he added. This is a great chance to introduce the sport to the Irish-rich background of Savannah.

Thompson said, "The enthusiasm and expertise of the players made it a great experience for the children."



Spc. Robert Adams

Kevin Deal of the U.S. Tomahawks Rugby team is chased down field by Diamond Elementary students. The team later scrimmaged the Irish Wolfhounds at Newman Physical Fitness Center.

Newman Physical Fitness Center Aerobic Schedule

Mondays

Latino Rhythm with Carmen (weights and tubing) 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.

Busy Feet Workout with Irma (cross training) 9 to 10 a.m.
4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Tuesdays

Butts and Gutts with Carmen (weights and bars) 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.

Basic Training Workout with Irma (steps, body bars, weights, abdominal work, etc.) 9 to 10 a.m.

Cardio-Stepping 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Wednesdays

Caliente with Carmen (kick-boxing) 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.

Cardio Kick-boxing with Irma 9 to 10 a.m.

Step-Kicking with Irma (cardio kick-boxing/steps) 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Thursdays

Basic Training Workout with Irma (Tubes, body bars, hoola-hoops, exercise balls) 9 to 10 a.m.
4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Fridays

"Master C" Workout with Carmen (Buns & thighs workout/cardio kicking) 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.

Killer Friday with Irma (kicking, stepping, hooping and weights, etc.) 9 to 10 a.m.
4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Saturdays

Pick Your Poison with Asha 9 to 10 a.m.

Marne Scoreboard

Basketball

HSC, 603rd ASB 44, A Co., 603rd ASB 43

Sunday

Second Chance Bracket
K Co., 159th Avn. 37, A Co., 603rd ASB 31
DFAC 48, K Co., 159th Avn. 37

Main Bracket Semifinal

USMC 41, HSC, 603rd ASB 38

Monday

Second Chance Bracket Semifinal
DFAC 50, HSC, 603rd ASB 43

Tuesday

Championship
USMC v. DFAC - Results were too late for press. See next week's Frontline for full coverage.

Final Standings

Eastern Conference

Team	Won	Lost	
A Co., 603rd ASB	8	1	.889
DFAC	7	2	.778
3/160 SOAR	6	2	.750
B Co., 603rd Avn.	6	3	.667
260th QM Co.	5	4	.556
416th Trans. Co.	4	5	.444
110th QM Co.	3	5	.375
24th Ord. Co.	3	6	.333
2/3 Avn.	2	7	.222
559th QM Co.	0	7	.000

Western Conference

Team	Won	Lost	
USMC	8	0	1.000
HSC, 603rd ASB	7	1	.875
B Co., 159th Avn.	5	2	.714
K Co., 159th Avn.	5	3	.625
512th QM Co.	4	4	.500
D Co., 1/58 Avn.	3	5	.375
USCG	2	6	.250
110th QM Co.	1	7	.125
HHC, 1/3 Avn.	0	8	.000

2004 Stewart Intramural Basketball League

Playoff Scores

March 9

Second Chance Bracket
HHC, 24th CSG 54, Svc. Btry., 1/41 FA 48
B Co., 123rd Sig. 47, HHC, 3/69 Armor 38
HHC, 24th CSG 50, B Co., 123rd Sig. 47

Main Bracket Semifinal

A Co., 2/7 Inf. 71, B Co., 3rd FSB 68

March 10

Second Chance Bracket Semifinal
B Co., 3rd FSB 56, HHC, 24th CSG 51

March 11

Championship
B Co., 3rd FSB 58, A Co., 2/7 Inf. 57 (OT)
B Co., 3rd FSB 71, A Co., 2/7 Inf. 69 (OT)

2004 Hunter Intramural Basketball League

Playoff Scores

Friday

USMC 2, B Co., 603rd ASB 0
DFAC 2, B Co., 159th Avn. 0
HSC, 603rd ASB 57, 3/160 SOAR 35
A Co., 603rd Avn. 53, K Co., 159th Avn. 40

Saturday

Second Chance Bracket
B Co., 603rd Avn. 0, B Co., 159th Avn. 0
K Co., 159th Avn. 2, 3/160 SOAR 0

Main Bracket

USMC 43, DFAC 34

Congratulations!

Team Hunter won the title at the 2004 Georgia St. All-stars bowling tournament with a rolling score of 5264. Members fo the team were: Lonnie Byrd (211), Bred Del Santo (214), Jerry Gascoyne (207), Robert McBride (214), Dale Robbins (209) and Doug Shontz (204). See the March 25 issue of The Frontline for more coverage.

Got scores?
Contact the Frontline staff
at 767-3440.