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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 bowen-ja@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.

Public Affairs Office

The new location for PAO is 894 William H. Wilson Ave., Bldg. 600B. All telephone numbers are the same.

The Media Center has also moved and is located in the same place. Unless otherwise instructed media should continue to meet their public affairs escorts there for media opportunities offered on the installation. Please contact the Media Center with questions at 767-6098/6397/8888.

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.



Justin Ward

Country music singer John Michael Montgomery performs for servicemembers in a concert at the Pentagon June 16. The event was held during a week of Army Birthday festivities including a cake-cutting ceremony and the unveiling of the new Army uniform.

Music star sings at Pentagon

By Justin Ward and Lee Elder

Special to The Frontline

WASHINGTON — John Michael Montgomery performed a free concert in the Pentagon courtyard June 16 to thank America's armed forces, especially injured Soldiers attending from Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

The event was part of the

Army's "Operation Tribute to Freedom" and was during a week of Army Birthday and Flag Day activities, including a cake-cutting ceremony at the Pentagon and the unveiling of the new Army Combat Uniform.

The Grammy-winning star sang several of his songs, including his hit, "Letters From Home," about a Soldier serving

overseas during time of war.

Montgomery said he has always had respect for the Army and its Soldiers. A close friend of his served in Vietnam while two of his great uncles served in World War II.

"I'm a big supporter of our veterans," Montgomery said. "We need to do what we can for our veterans to show them our support."

"Letters from home," written by Texas-born Nashville songwriters Tony Lane and David Lee, debuted earlier this year and quickly found its way up the music charts. It currently stands at No. 2 in the Billboard Hot Country Singles & Tracks™ chart and has been on the charts for 21 weeks.

The Soldier depicted in the song is a small-town

boy. Montgomery, who hails from a small town in his native Kentucky, said the song fit in perfectly with his new album's theme of depicting life in rural America.

Montgomery first heard the song through his producer, Byron Gallimore. He vividly recalled the first time he listened to it: "By

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Stewart DPS thanks local agencies

Pfc. Emily J. Danial

Staff Writer

The Fort Stewart Directorate of Public Safety hosted local civilian law enforcement agencies at an Emergency Services luncheon June 17 at Club Stewart.

"What we're trying to do is enhance our partnership with local agencies," said Lt. Col. John M. Huey, DPS director. "We're going to try to have an annual partnership luncheon to recognize the counties that provide support to us as a small token of our appreciation."

Another purpose of the luncheon was to inform the civilian services, who work with Stewart on an ongoing basis, about any changes and developments within the DPS, according to Donald P. Police, deputy DPS director.

"Lt. Col. Huey, who wears four hats (3rd Military Police Battalion commander, 3rd Infantry Division provost marshal, installation provost marshal and director of public safety), has been wanting to

do this for a while," Police said.

"It's just a semi-formal luncheon to show our appreciation to civilian law enforcement officers ... and to refresh their memories on the exchange of police information," he said.

"We want to give them an update on where we're at in the reorganization process," he added. "We've got to foster those relationships ... they truly are our partners."

As part of the luncheon, Police gave a presentation outlining the organization and mission of the DPS for the benefit of those who were less familiar with its structure and purpose.

"We've always had a good relationship with the MPs and Stewart in general," said Sgt. 1st Class Jon Long, Hinesville Police Department post commander. "If we have any particular problems with military folks, the MPs are always there to give us advice, and vice versa."

Col. John M. Kidd, installation commander, attended the event,



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Sgt. Chad Riner, Hinesville Police Dept. assistant post commander, Long, and Ken White, master trooper, talk at the Emergency Services Luncheon at Club Stewart June 17.

and offered some words to those gathered.

"All our emergency service partners are very important to us," he said. "We couldn't do what we do without you."

After Police's presentation, Huey went on to award certificates of appreciation to local law enforce-

ment and emergency services agencies.

"I appreciate what you do in helping with the war on terrorism," he said. "Thank you for what you do, and thank you for coming here today ... we have a great relationship with you, and we appreciate what you do."

College opens doors for civilians, Soldiers

Pfc. Jacqueline Watson

Staff Writer

Columbia College, an accredited postsecondary school based in Missouri, has become certified by the state of Georgia to increase its educational benefits.

This certification makes it possible for more people at Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield to take advantage of the college's two- and four-year undergraduate degree programs.

"Before state approval, Columbia's classes were only open to Soldiers and family members," said Pamela H. King, chief of colleges and counseling at Stewart.

"Civilians can also attend classes now, as they can with any other school certified in the state of Georgia," King said.

Both Soldiers and civilians can now work toward any of several degree programs at Columbia. The college offers Associate and Bachelor of Art in

General Studies, Associate of Science and Bachelor of Arts and Science in Business Administration, and Associate of Science and Bachelor of Art in Criminal Justice in residence, and several degrees are available online.

"We're very pleased to receive certification from the state of Georgia and believe it will open doors for many people in the Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield areas who are interested in earning a high quality education at

Columbia College," said Don Stumpf, director of Columbia College for Stewart.

Columbia has a lot to offer civilians and Soldiers in the Stewart area, King said.

It was selected as the best college out of more than 180 Servicemember Opportunity College Army Degree colleges and universities that could have been chosen for Fort Stewart.

The college is regionally accredited by the Higher

Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, she said, which means a quality education for those who attend.

Spc. Chichii Okpa, A Co., 92nd Engineer Battalion, has taken several classes through Columbia and said they have been great experiences for him. Most recently, he took Public Speaking, which met three times a week.

Okpa's favorite class so

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Train rolls through Stewart

1000s of screaming fans turn out for concert

Sgt. R. James Piper

Staff Writer

Folding chairs, blankets and beach towels started sprouting around the stage as people began arriving as early as 6:30 p.m. June 17. They range from children to adults, and crowded the stage in anticipation of Train's performance.

The concert was part of the Miller Lite Army Concert Tour, which provides concerts, ranging from Country to Rock, to Army bases around the country and overseas.

The Graham Colton Band opened for Train and offered a dose of memorable melodies and lyrics with a decided rock and roll sound.

Their unique sound got the crowd on their feet clapping and singing along. A beach ball traveled across the crowd at one point prompting the lead singer, Graham Colton, to say you can't have a rock concert without a beach ball.

The Dallas quintet will spend the summer touring with such bands as The Counting Crows, Collective Soul, The Spindoctors and Evenout.

As the Graham Colton Band said good night to the crowd, the lights dimmed and the technicians began setting the stage for Train.

"Train's an excellent band and this is a great opportunity for Soldiers and families to come out and have a good time," said Lt. Col. David Funk, 3rd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment com-

mander.

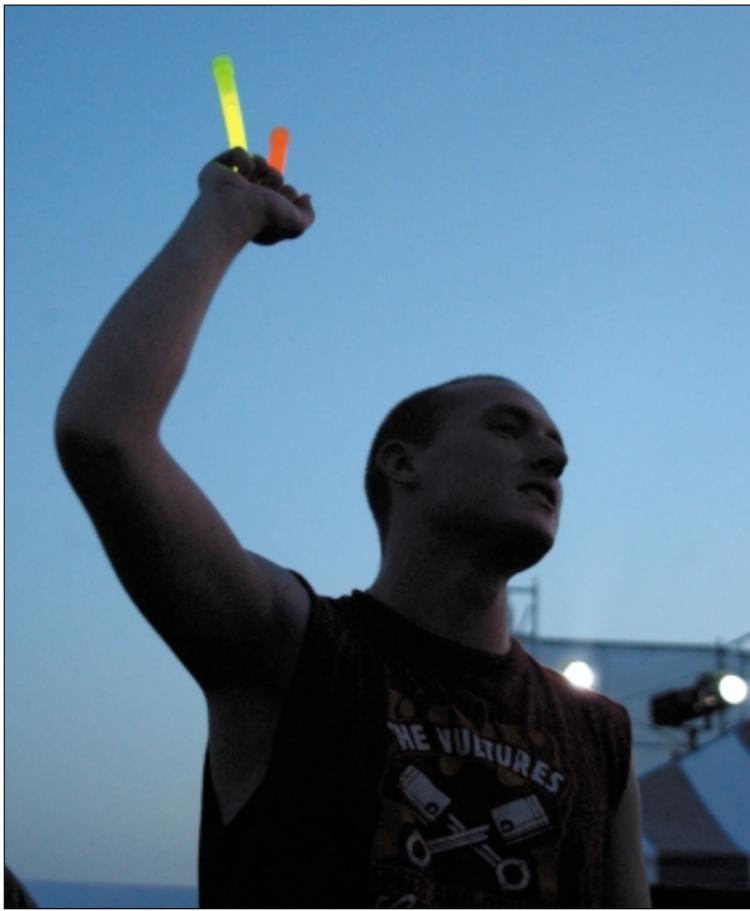
Train launched into their first song as soon as the lights came up on the stage and was greeted with the crowds' screams of encouragement. Frontman Pat Monahan bounced from one corner of the stage to the other as he sang Train favorites "Drops of Jupiter" and "Meet Virginia," along with songs from their latest CD "My Private Nation."

"The train concert was great and exciting. Even though I was working for a vendor, I still enjoyed the concert because Train is one of the best," Rickie Case said.

Train began its trek to success with its self-released, self-titled debut title, which was picked up by Aware/Columbia in February 1998. Soon after the band began touring in a rundown 1987 Dodge Ram van with a little red trailer and stayed on the road for two years.

In Autumn 1998, the Fox Television series, "Party Of Five," began to feature Train's first single, "Free," which had already received steady radio play. By August, a second single, "Meet Virginia," led Train to a four week stay at number one on Billboard's Heatseekers chart. In November 1999, the album was certified RIAA gold. It went platinum in March 2000.

Train's melodies and pop-rock sound gave the Soldiers and families a memorable night of good music and an evening of fun.



Photos by Sgt. R. James Piper

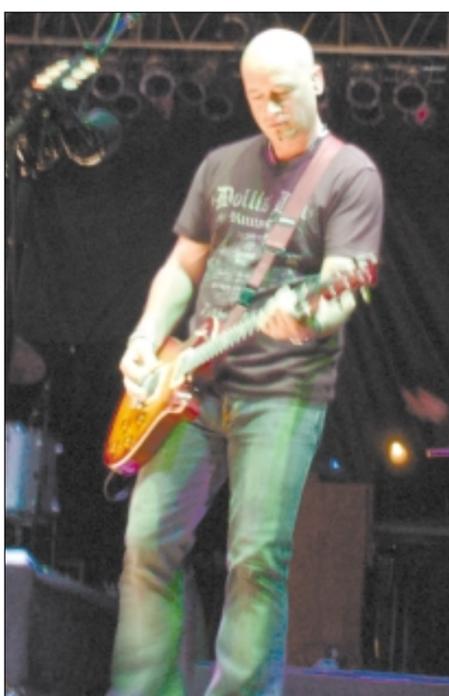
Aaron Rhodes waves chemlights at the Train concert at Donovan Field June 17. The band played song from their latest album, My Private Nation.



Frontman Patrick Monahan belts out a favorite tune.



The crowd cheers as during Train's performance.



Guitarist Robert Hotchkis rips a solo.



Bassist Charlie Colin shows off his business-casual style in the midst of a mainstream rock hit.

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the song's end, I thought to myself, 'I've got to hear that again. After listening to it the second time, I was on the phone to Byron saying, 'I've got to get that song.'

"I wanted to record it before anybody else could get a hold of it."

The song was born out of Lee's experience at Nashville Metro Airport, according to his co-writer, Lane.

"David had been to the airport a couple of days before and had seen a Soldier from Fort Campbell and his wife saying goodbye," Lane recalled. "He later talked to the Soldier and his wife and told them he appreciated their service."

The image of the Soldier's wife crying after he departed for his tour in Iraq stayed with Lee. He discussed his experience with Lane and they began to craft the song.

The song's focus on the Soldier was what appealed to Montgomery, he said.

"This song stands on neutral ground," Montgomery said. "It's not in your face. It's for everyone."

The song is set in a present-day battlefield. The

mail has finally been delivered to a group of Soldiers. The fictional Soldier then experiences a mix of emotions ranging from elation to getting the letter and news from home along with homesickness brought on by the latest reminder of his absence.

The song's chorus contains the lines, "I hold it up and show my buddies, like we ain't scared and our boots ain't muddy; but no one laughs, 'cause there ain't nothing funny when a soldier cries. An' I just wipe me eyes. I fold it up an' put it in my shirt; Pick up my gun an' get back to work. An' it keeps me driving me on, waiting on letters from home."

Because of the song, Montgomery and his record label, Warner Brothers, decided to name the album "Letters from Home." The album was released April 20, Montgomery said.

"It pulls on the heart strings," Montgomery said.

"It tells a story. It puts a face on the life of a Soldier."

Known as the "King Of The Country Power Ballads," Montgomery was



Justin Ward

Country music singer John Michael Montgomery thanks the crowds at the Pentagon's center courtyard for their service to the country before his concert in support of "Operation Tribute to Freedom."

born in Danville, Ky., and built a sizable following at the Austin City Saloon in Lexington, Ky. For the last decade, Montgomery has had 15 number-one hits and a variety of songs of the year.

College

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far was Business Ethics. "It stimulated my mind a lot," he said.

"I'm really committed to the school," Okpa said. "I'm trying to get other Soldiers to apply."

Columbia College accepts forms of non-traditional credit like testing and military and American Council on Education credits. It practices open admissions, so those with a high school diploma or even a GED can be admitted.

For those who prefer attending physical classes, Columbia offers

resident classes at Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield with an adjunct faculty. There are also online degrees available, as well as individual directed study.

Classes at Columbia are flexible with busy schedules. Most of them meet one or two nights a week, and some also meet during lunch and on weekends, King said.

Columbia College has five terms per year, and taking two classes a term is considered being enrolled full-time. The next term is the Fall

2004 term, which begins August 9 and goes until October 9, King said.

Soldiers are eligible for 100 percent tuition assistance. Financial aid is available for family members.

Civilians and Soldiers who are interested in enrolling should go to the Stewart Army Education Center, located at Building 130, or the Hunter Army Education Center in Building 1290.

A Columbia College representative will be there to assist those who would like more information.

Robot Love in Stepford

Reviewed by Pfc. Jacqueline Watson

Staff Writer

If you could change your wife into your perfect dream woman with the simple punch of a button ... would you?

In the quaint town of Stepford, there's something strangely different about everyone's wives. They have no flaws. They are beautiful, blonde babes who seem to live for nothing else but to serve their husbands' every desire and need. I'm not talking about women spending the evening sweetly slaving over a hot stove so their husbands can enjoy a hot meal after work or running some errands for them. I mean catering to all their fantastic and immediate wants, like providing passionate sex in the middle of the afternoon or dispensing a couple hundred bucks — literally — like an ATM.

The goal of this sci-fi flick with a message seems to be to humor us. After all, what could be more satirically hilarious than a story about men who replace their overachieving wives with swimsuit-issue robotic housewives and lovers. After all, this being the 21st century and all, nobody really thinks in the old-fashioned men over women, successful-and-intelligent-women-are-unheard-of way any more. We've reached the point where we can laugh at the archaic ways. Right? No one would really want Stepford wives today.

Somehow, though, the film makes the husbands the ones we want to cheer for. Not that there's anything wrong with cheering for husbands or anything, it's just ... aren't they supposed to be the villains in this story? When big-time television network exec Joanna Eberhart (Nicole Kidman) gets fired from her job, her husband, Walter Kresby (Matthew Broderick) and kids move with her to Stepford for a change of scenery and a new start.

But from the moment Joanna — a rogue in this all-smiles, pastel society, who wears black clothes, sports a short and modern hairstyle, and thinks for herself — the movie is out to make us laugh at her, and women like her. After Walter, who seems overwhelmed by the perfection and beauty of the other men's wives, can take it no longer, he explodes. He asks Joanna with real emotion and sincerity if she has any idea what people perceive about the kind of women who wear black clothes all the time, those cold and hateful Manhattan women, and don't you really want to try to fit in here in Stepford?

And so she complies. At least, on the outside. But on the inside, Joanna cannot bring herself to conform to the religion of housecleaning and unquestioning obedience that seems to define the other women.

Walter and Joanna progress in their arguments, and as Walter looks around more and more at what the other guys have that he doesn't, the option to robotize his wife starts to look pretty good to him.

The rest you'll have to see for yourself, but the ending, a "twist," albeit maybe a little bit forced, makes it seem that maybe men aren't monsters, and maybe women are, and maybe the movie can't even decide itself. I'd still recommend seeing it because it's a new and entertaining take on an old story, and it's got Nicole Kidman and Christopher Walken in it, so why not? And I personally would say this is nowhere near being a chick flick (so don't be afraid, guys). Actually, the men might even enjoy it more than the ladies.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Chaplain (Capt.) John Min

Special to the Frontline

In a few days, our nation will celebrate Independence Day. It is a day set aside to celebrate our freedom as Americans and to reflect upon what it means and what it costs for us to be free men and women. Those of us who have trusted in Jesus Christ have a greater freedom to celebrate — freedom from bondage to sin, its tyranny, and from a debt that we could never pay.

As believers, we are called to walk in the freedom that is ours through the Spirit of God and to remember the cost of that freedom.

Our national liberty did not come cheap. Just over 643,000 American Soldiers have given their lives in various wars since the birth of our nation in the pursuit and defense of freedom. Perhaps best expressed in a tribute entitled "The Price of Freedom" concerning those who fought in distant lands defending our freedom...

Some were ready and prepared, others were so young and so naive. Some of them chose to serve our country, others had no choice, they were called to serve.

As they hugged and kissed their loved ones bye, their hearts were heavy and tears filled in their eyes. Not knowing if they would be coming back home, or if they would die, it was all so unknown. As they prepared to fight for our freedom, we prayed to God for their safety. They all left their loved ones, and their lives that they had known. They departed to an unfamiliar land, risking their lives and making so many sacrifices. Being away from family and friends, giving up what most can't even comprehend — the horrors and atrocities that our veterans faced and endured. You may not ever know or totally understand. They protected our rights, our freedom, and the rights of others, so that we could have and enjoy freedom in our land.

Some came home to a hero's welcome, others didn't come home at all, they made the ultimate sacrifice. Some came home and were disgracefully shunned; others have been so shamefully forgotten. All of our veterans served our country, with great pride and true honor.

Our spiritual liberty was most costly. We had a debt of bondage that we could not pay. *Romans 5:6-8* "For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. But God commended his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." *Peter 1:18-19* "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:"

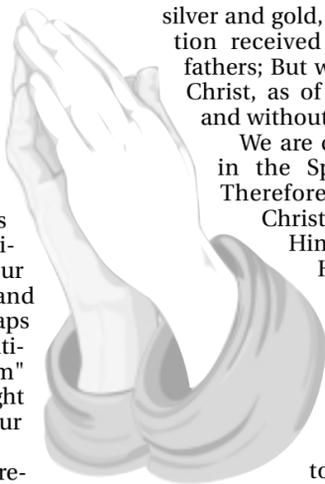
We are called to walk as freemen in the Spirit. *Colossians 2:6-7*, Therefore as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

Walking as freemen is only possible through the Spirit. When we fail to walk as freemen and stand up for the liberty our forefathers fought for we forget the price that was paid and we lose the rights and privileges of that liberty.

They fought for freedom from a tyrannical and oppressive government. On April 18, 1775 John Adams and John Hancock were at the home of Rev. Jonas Clarke, a Lexington pastor and militia leader.

That same night Paul Revere arrived to warn them of the approaching Redcoats. The next morning British Major Pitcairn shouted to an assembled regiment of Minutemen; "Disperse, ye villains, lay down your arms in the name of George the Sovereign King of England." The immediate response of Rev. Jonas Clarke or one of his company was: "We recognize no Sovereign but God and no King but Jesus."

Freedom takes many forms you and I are called to lead lives of service and integrity, of sacrifice and honor, and in our own journeys with God, there are countless moments when we respond in that way. Yet when we fall short of God's will as we all do, we can be restored to wholeness in Christ and set free by seeking the grace and forgiveness he brings.



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		
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.

Pet of the Week

Emma is a 9-week-old German Shepherd mix. She is tan. She is previously-owned and would be an asset to any home. She is friendly, energetic and loves playing with kids.

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



Volunteer Spotlight



Rachael Mereand, a native of Chaumont, NY, is a volunteer with the 632nd Maint. Co. family readiness group.

Mereand said she volunteers to assist spouses when they need help or have questions about the Army.

Mereand really likes helping people. Helping people is what she likes most about volunteering.

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

June 24 - June 30

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

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

\$1 Showings Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

Laws Of Attraction (PG-13)

Starring: Pierce Brosnan, Julianne Moore
Tonight at 7 p.m.

Two New York divorce attorneys often oppose each other in court, but end up irresistibly drawn to each other. They get married, but can they avoid relationship problems at home?

Run time: 87 minutes

Van Helsing (PG-13)

Starring: Hugh Jackman, Will Kemp
Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 7 p.m.

Van Helsing, the legendary vampire hunter, is in an ongoing battle to rid the world of vampires and ghouls. He travels to Transylvania to bring down the powerful Count Dracula and joins forces with Anna Valerious to rid her family of an old curse by defeating the vampire.

Run time: 132 minutes

Mean Girls (PG-13)

Starring: Lindsay Lohan, Tina Fey
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Raised in the African bush country, Cady thinks she knows all about "survival of the fittest." But the law of the jungle takes on a whole new meaning when the home-schooled 15-year-old enters public high school for the first time and confronts the psychological warfare and unwritten social rules that face teenage girls today.

Run time: 97 minutes



Birth announcements

<p>May 2 Michael Carlos Bundrick, a boy, 8 pounds, 4 ounces, born to Sgt. Robert J.C. Bundrick and Cindy M. Bundrick.</p> <p>June 2 Deon Anthony Smith, a boy, 7 pounds, 15 ounces, born to Pfc. Meon Smith.</p> <p>June 6 Yanara Julliette Marimon, a girl, 6 pounds, 12 ounces, born to Pfc. Yordanis Marimon and Yanersy Marimon.</p> <p>June 7 Lealani Marie Candelaria, a girl, 8 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Pfc. David</p>	<p>Alvarez and Spc. Kate Eserjose.</p> <p>June 8 Alexander James Whatley, a boy, 7 pounds, 15 ounces, born to Pvt. 2 Keith E. Whatley and Tonya M. Whatley. Quanye' Marcel Nails, a boy, 6 pounds, 15 ounces, born to Spc. Quanita LaFaye Nails.</p> <p>June 9 Makayla Leigh Sharp, a girl, 7 pounds, 12 ounces, born to Spc. Michael Lee Sharp Jr. and Dusti Nichole Sharp. Lorelai Grace Kaminski, a girl, 7 pounds, 12 ounces, born to Sgt. Daniel J. Kaminski and Dannielle Kaminski.</p>	<p>Amiya Sheree Pretty, a girl, 7 pounds, 8 ounces, born to Sgt. Tiffany S. Pretty.</p> <p>June 10 Kaylei Michelle Weitunski, a girl, 7 pounds, 3 ounces, born to Sgt. Matthew Weitunski and Natasha Weitunski. Suvannah June Duncel, a girl, 6 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Spc. Dustin R. Duncel and Cindi K. Duncel. Brionna Ni'asia Shaw, a girl, 6 pounds, born to Spc. Calvin Shaw and Topeka Shaw.</p> <p>June 11 Ashley Michelle Sibinski, a girl, 7 pounds, 14 ounces, born to Staff Sgt.</p>	<p>Michael J. Sibinski and Michelle V. Sibinski. Ayden Matthew Windham, a boy, 9 pounds, 2 ounces, born to Sgt. 1st Class Roy Windham and Sgt. 1st Class Brenda Windham. Myles Brent Geter, a boy, 6 pounds, 10 ounces, born to Staff Sgt. Myron E. Geter and Staff Sgt. Tanisha E. Geter.</p> <p>June 12 Adrianna Kristine Ovel, a girl, 5 pounds, 14 ounces, born to Pfc. Clayton Micheal Ovel and Shannon Marie Ovel. Shawn Adonis Ivy, a boy, 7 pounds, 9 ounces, born to 1st Lt. Quintin O'land Ivy and 1st Lt. Tiffany Lashawn Ivy.</p>
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