



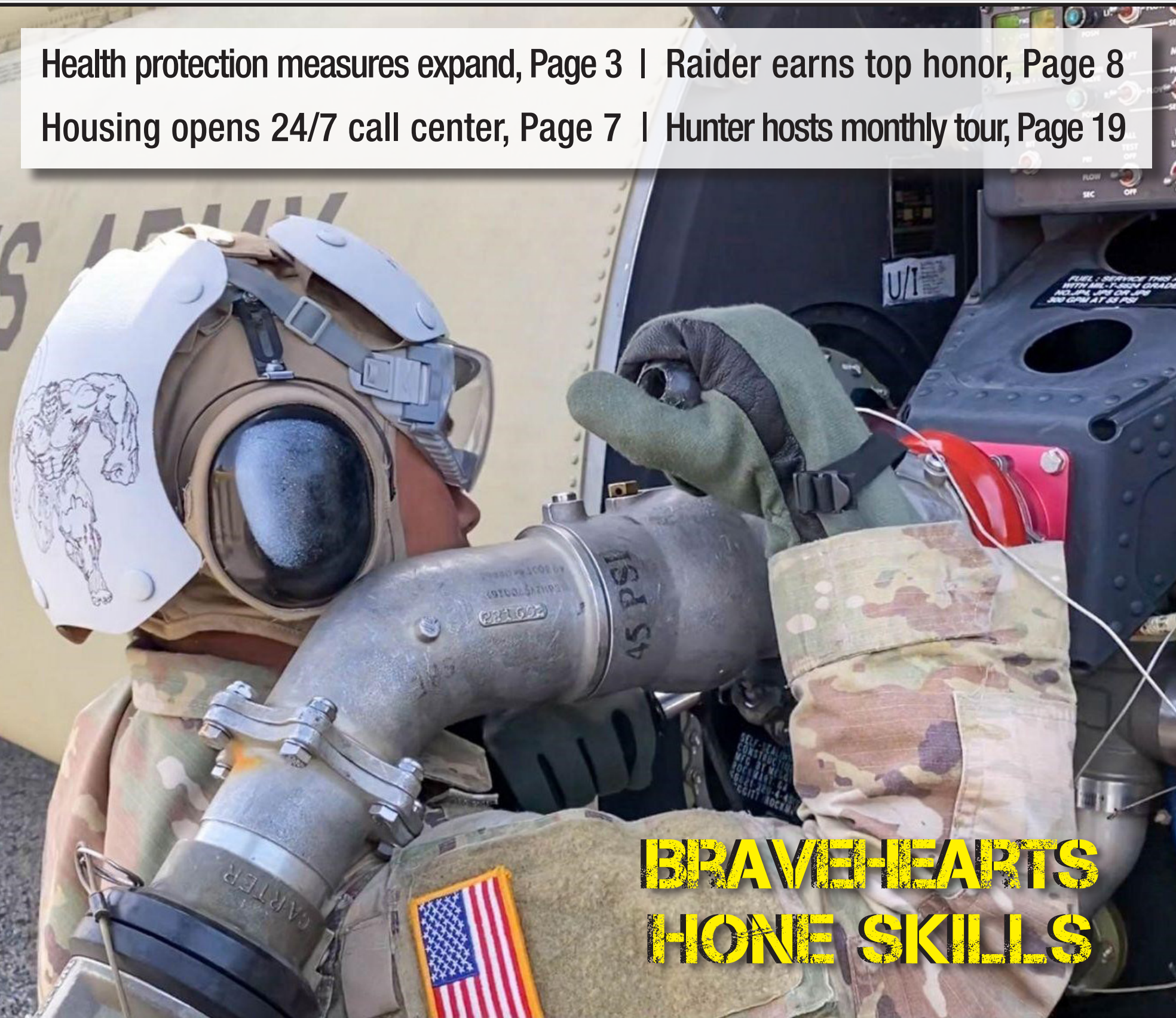
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Division to be honored in college football season opener

Lt. Col Lindsey Elder
3rd Infantry Division

Fort Stewart's 3rd Infantry Division will be honored during the U.S. Military Academy versus Georgia State University football game at Center Parc Stadium in Atlanta, Sept. 4. The game will air on ESPNU at noon.

The game is the season opener for both the Army Black Knights and the Georgia State Panthers.

The annual Army football game honoring the Marne Division is frequently played against a Georgia-based rival as 3rd ID's ties run deep across the state. Following World War II, the division was stationed at Fort Benning before being sent to Germany in 1958. Thirty-nine years later, in 1996, it returned stateside to Georgia and has been headquartered at Fort Stewart ever since. The division's 1st Battalion, 28th Infantry Regiment is stationed at Fort Benning outside of Columbus and its 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade is located at Hunter Army Airfield in Savannah.

The 3rd ID has a rich and storied history. The division was activated at Camp Greene, North Carolina, on November 21, 1917. During World War I, as a member of the American Expeditionary Force to Europe, the Division earned its name as the "Rock of the Marne" when surrounding allied units retreated and 3rd ID remained.

In addition to two world wars, the division also played an active role in the Korean War, the Cold War and the War on Terror.

Sixty Dogface Soldiers have been awarded the Medal



Courtesy photo

The Army Black Knights football team will pay tribute to the Soldiers of the 3rd Infantry Division when they take on Georgia State, Sept. 4.

of Honor, the most of any division in the United States Army.

This summer, the 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd ID, returned from South Korea on a nine-month rotation to support the United States' commitment to Southeast Asia partners and allies.

The 3rd Division Sustainment Brigade is currently on its seventh deployment in the last decade providing operational and tactical level sustainment support to the United States Central Command area of responsibility.

In addition to real-world deployments and missions, 3rd ID's primary focus remains on fielding and receiving new equipment and it is currently on a glide path to become the most modern division in the United States Army by summer 2023.

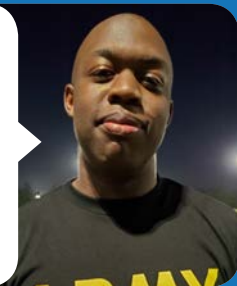
Marne Voices Speak Out

Sept. is suicide prevention month. How do you help prevent suicide?

Photos by Staff Sgt. Todd Pouliot

"Often, suicide could have been prevented if a Soldier was spoken to, or had been taken seriously by leadership. Everyone is responsible for preventing suicide."

Sgt. Javon Douglas
1st ABCT



"Suicide prevention means taking care of your friends and Soldiers, and understanding the stresses and challenges associated with military life."

Maj. Patrick Kerins
HHBn



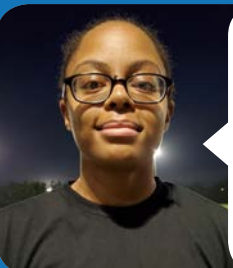
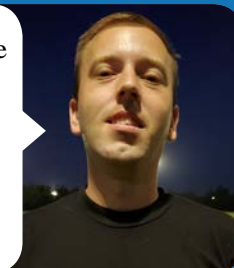
"We need to be there and take care of each other. If you feel that someone is feeling depressed, make sure you get the help necessary to get them on the right track."

Pfc. Somboregna Toe
1st ABCT



"It's good to be educated on suicide prevention. More people than you may be aware of are dealing with things. It's good to know what to do to help those people out."

Sgt. Taylor Nolte
1st ABCT



"Always be vigilant. Don't brush it off and say they'll get over it. Sometimes a person needs to be seen by a professional."

Sgt. Alphonnda Baker
1st ABCT

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A Soldier from 135th Quartermaster Company, 87th Division Sustainment Support Battalion, 3rd Division Sustainment Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, attaches a gas line to a Boeing CH-47 Chinook helicopter during a training event, Aug. 26 on Fort Stewart. (Photo by Spc. Daniel Thompson)

Installation implements expanded health protection measures

3rd ID Public Affairs

Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield are increasing health protection measures as the surrounding area has experienced a substantial increase in cases recently. COVID-19 case rates have doubled previous highs set in January 2021 for the tri-county area.

Effective Sept. 1, all service members assigned to Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield, regardless of vaccination status, are prohibited from visiting bars, night clubs or dance clubs under the revised General Order One.

“Georgia has among the highest COVID infection rates in the U.S. — along with one of the lowest vaccination rates,” said Maj. Gen. Charles Costanza, commanding general of 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield. “Our local hospitals are at full capacity and on diversion status for Intensive Care Unit beds. We assess our tri-county data every day before we make decisions that impact our Soldier’s morale, but this is a health and readiness concern based on facts and data.”

Such protective measures were previously in place during spikes in infection rates before vaccines were widely available. The measure is already in place at other Georgia bases like Fort Gordon and Fort Benning.

The previous protective measure that requires all indi-

viduals to wear a mask inside any on-post facility remains in effect. The requirement for all service members to wear a mask inside off-post public buildings and facilities, regardless of vaccination status, also remains in effect.

While the division prepares for the mandatory vaccination of all service members, as directed by the Department of Defense, these changes to the standing General Orders at Fort Stewart are in response to immediate threats present in our local area.

“While mandatory vaccination is focused on our Soldiers, it is also important to offer the vaccine to Family members to prevent severe cases that may need hospitalization, and limit spread of the disease. Household spread has increased over the past week, and accounts for over 25% of our cases,” said Lt. Col. John Gartside, 3rd ID Division Surgeon.

“Our contact tracing shows that the majority of cases are community spread, outside of Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield and then spread within the household,” said Col. Julie Freeman, Winn Army Community Hospital commander. “Our local COVID positive case rates remain very high. Hospitals in this state and surrounding states are stressed. We have sent patients as far as 300 miles away for a bed in an Intensive Care Unit. We need to be extremely vigilant in the next 30 days with the high trans-

missibility of the Delta variant. Get vaccinated, keep to small outdoor gatherings, wear your mask, wash your hands, and remain physically distant. Find other ways to connect socially. We will get through this together.”

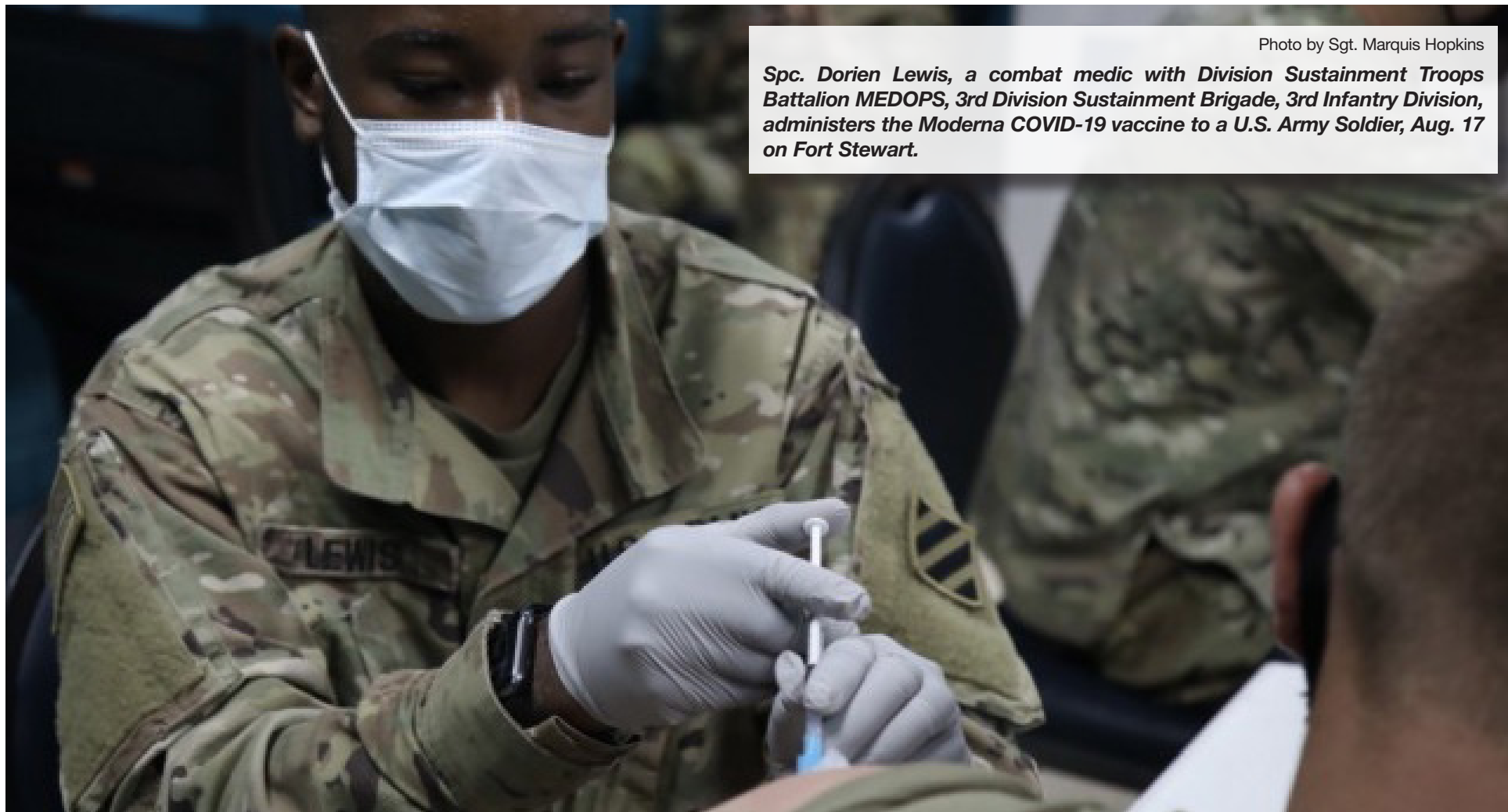
The highly contagious delta variant now accounts for more than 98% of COVID-19 cases in the U.S., according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Unvaccinated cases account for 80 % of the cases locally. While there is evidence that people can transmit the disease even if vaccinated, most have had only mild symptoms.

“We know there is still a lot of misinformation out there,” said Costanza. “For anyone still stuck on this pandemic being a conspiracy, we have lost members of our garrison staff to this disease, and Family members of our Soldiers and DA civilians over the last year and a half. The continuing rate of infection in our area is a real risk to the community and our ability to train. We’re not out of this yet, and I will continue to monitor trends and put measures into place to mitigate risk to our Soldiers and Family members. ”

To view the latest update to General Order One visit home.army.mil/stewart/index.php/my-fort/covid.

Photo by Sgt. Marquis Hopkins

Spc. Dorian Lewis, a combat medic with Division Sustainment Troops Battalion MEDOPS, 3rd Division Sustainment Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, administers the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine to a U.S. Army Soldier, Aug. 17 on Fort Stewart.



Career fair provides advantages to military Families

Daniel Malta
Hunter Army Airfield Public Affairs

The installation, along with Army Community Service and the USO, hosted a career fair at Tominac Fitness Center, Aug 26 on Hunter Army Airfield.

The career fair featured approximately 40 local employers.

“We had everything from law enforcement to warehouse work,” said Oscar Edwards, Employment Readiness Program manager. “Our goal was to bring together a wide variety of agencies to appeal to every family member.”

According to Edwards, the event was open to Family members, retirees, Department of the Army civilians and transitioning service members.

Working full-time at the Army Community Service Employment Readiness Program, Edwards is always available to help Family members find employment. Aside from the occasional career fair, he offers counseling, resume assistance,

assessments and resources.

“We are always seeking ways to provide advantages to our military Families,” said Travis Mobley, Hunter Army Airfield deputy garrison commander. “Bringing these opportunities on-post is a great way to do that and it’s also a great way to showcase the talents of our Soldiers and Families.”

Edwards stated that there are always options when considering employment, even if the Family member has no previous work experience.

“Many times we have Family members with little to no experience,” Edwards said. “I’ll tell them myself, I started out as a volunteer and based on that experience I was able to apply and move up through federal service.”

To learn more about the Employment Readiness Program and other ACS offerings, please visit their website at home.army.mil/stewart/index.php/about/Garrison/acs or visit Bldg. 1286 on Hunter Army Airfield and Bldg. 86 on Fort Stewart.



Photo by Daniel Malta

Transitioning Soldiers and Family members seek employment at the Hunter Army Airfield Career Fair, Aug 26 in the Tominac Fitness Center. The event was attended by approximately 40 employers from the local area. Aligned with current installation COVID-19 mitigation efforts, all present wore face masks, booths were appropriately distanced and only 25 job seekers were allowed within the Fitness Center at one time.

Fort Stewart Hunter Army Airfield

MASKS REQUIRED INDOORS



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- An individual is alone in a floor-to-ceiling walled office
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ACS, MWR, Coastal Happening Briefs

New General Order 1 updates posted

To learn more about what is permitted during COVID-19 and what is not and what is not make sure to check out the latest guidance posted at: home.army.mil/stewart/application/files/8816/0702/6315/3ID_Holiday_Guidance_2020.pdf

Face masks required in on-post facilities

Effective immediately, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield GO1 requires ALL individuals to wear a mask inside ANY on-post facility at Fort Stewart or Hunter Army Airfield. Service members are also required to wear a mask inside off-post public buildings/ facilities (i.e. barber shops, religious services, grocery stores, etc.). See the 3rd ID and Fort Stewart Hunter Army Airfield Facebook pages for more information.

Mask mandate exceptions

Exceptions to the mask mandate can be made if an individual is alone in a walled office; if an individual is eating and drinking and is socially distant from a co-worker; masks may be required to be lowered for identification or security purposes or as an annotated and approved reasonable accommodation. For details, visit home.army.mil/stewart.

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The Marne Report podcast can now be found on iTunes and Spotify streaming platforms. Join us for our semi-regular podcast where we explore the ins and outs of Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield.

Virtual newcomers orientation

Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield have launched an interactive and streamlined newcomers orientation. It takes one quarter the time to complete and is accessible from any device, anywhere, anytime. Everyone can use the information on housing, finance, medical, child care, recreation and so much more. Check it out at stewartandhunter.com.

Housing on post

The Department of Defense continues to be fully committed to ensuring the Nation's military Service members and their Families have access to safe, quality and well-maintained homes and communities on DOD installations. Review the documents at home.army.mil/stewart/index.php/my-fort/newcomers-1/housing

Fort Stewart lost and found property

If you've lost something on Fort Stewart you may be in luck. The Fort Stewart Military Police lost and found property custodians may be holding your item. To see if your item has been turned in, or to report a missing item, email usarmy.stewart.usag.list.des-crimb@mail.mil with a detailed description of the item you are looking for. The office is also open for visitors every Thursday from 1-4 p.m.

COVID-19 vaccination schedule update

COVID-19 Vaccine services remain available on Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield to beneficiaries 12 years and up. Parents or legal guardians must accompany those under 18 years-old. Walk-ins are welcome, though priority goes to appointments. Fort Stewart offers the Pfizer vaccine in the Patriot Auditorium each Monday and Wednesday 1-4 p.m.; and Tuesdays between 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Winn ACH Pediatrics offers Pfizer, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday. On Hunter Pfizer is offered at Tuttle Army Health Clinic, 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m., each Wednesday at the Drive-Up clinic. The Moderna vaccine is offered each Tuesday 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Winn ACH. On Hunter, Moderna is offered at Tuttle AHC, 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. The appointment line is 435-6633, Option 1.

Family Child Care providers needed

If you have a love for children and are interested in a rewarding career in early childhood education, or perhaps you desire a career that can transfer with you to your next duty station, then becoming a Family Child Care provider may be for you! Family Child Care allows you to provide quality child care for fellow military families in need of a safe, affordable, and convenient location for their children. For more information, call 767-7326.

ScriptCenter now open at Winn ACH

The new ScriptCenter at Winn Army Community Hospital on Fort Stewart is now open. The ScriptCenter is an automated pharmacy kiosk and locker system that provides a safe and secure pick-up of prescriptions; 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. It offers extended hours for community members, providing services after the regular pharmacies close. The drive-up service will be discontinued Aug. 20, allowing pharmacy staff to resume normal services. Contact the Main Pharmacy at 435-6161 to learn more.

Join the Hunter BOSS program

Hunter Army Airfield's Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers program is on the lookout to fill a few vacancies within its program. Open positions include the BOSS President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Submissions will be accepted until Oct. 8. For information, visit, stewarthunter.armymwr.com.

On and off-post COVID-19 testing

COVID-19 testing is available on and off-post to TRICARE beneficiaries. The Logistics Support Area Castle, 13313 East 14th Street, on Fort Stewart, is available to active-duty Soldiers 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (no appointment required). Hawks and Marne North TMC testing available for Soldiers requiring testing for military schools and overseas travel, by appointment. Winn ACH is available to all beneficiaries by appointment. Tuttle AHC is available to all beneficiaries 8-10 a.m. Monday-Friday. Call To schedule an appointment at an on-post testing site, call 435-6633. In addition, TRICARE offers a COVID-19 test online search tool at militaryrxexpress-scripts.com/find-pharmacy. If you are exhibiting mild COVID-19 symptoms, self-isolate and follow the above guidelines to schedule a test. Do not go to the emergency room.

RMO seeks Super Saver submissions

The Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield Resource Management Office is seeking submissions for the Garrison Super Saver program. Is there something you see on Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield that is potentially wasting money? Is it a problem that can be solved locally? Garrison employees who submit the best idea for saving the Garrison money are eligible to win a \$500 cash award. Garrison employees are asked to fill out the Super Saver submission form found on the Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield website at home.army.mil/stewart/index.php/about/Garrison/garrison-staff-offices/RMO and forward to barbara.j.cardinal.civ@mail.mil for board review. Nominations are boarded with the Garrison of the Quarter Award submissions. For more information, call 767-4130.

Installation hosts 9/11 Remembrance Run

Join the Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation on Sept 10 for their annual 9/11 remembrance run. Participants are encouraged to pick-up a running bib at Newman and Tominac Fitness Centers on Thursday, Sept 9. The run will take place at Trent Field on Fort Stewart and Saber Hall on Hunter Army Airfield. The pre-run ceremony will be at 6 a.m, and the run will begin at 6:30 a.m.. Cost is free. For more information, visit stewarthunter.armymwr.com.

FMWR hosts hiring fair

FMWR will host a hiring event for a variety of positions, Sept 10 at the Sgt. 1st Class Paul R. Smith Army Education Center. On the spot interviews will be offered to qualified applicants. Post installation access is not required. For more information, visit stewarthunter.armymwr.com.

Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield Briefs

Join the SAMC

Are you a Sergeant Audie Murphy Club member? Do you have aspirations of becoming a member? The Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield "Rock of the Marne" SAMC is reaching out to all members across the installation. We are actively updating our contact rosters and want to ensure we are capturing our members for updates with the Club. Please contact Sgt. 1st Class Kyle McKelvey at kyle.l.mckelvey2.mil@mail.mil for more information. We look forward to hearing from you. The meeting is the second Tuesday of each month at noon. Location will be listed on the Fort Stewart SAMC Facebook page.

Info for seeking asylum for Family members

Service members who have Family members in Afghanistan who are in need or would like assistance on immigration or asylum should contact the Soldier and Family Legal Services Office at usarmy.stewart.forscom.mbx.fsga-legal-assistance-office@mail.mil to schedule an appointment to speak with an attorney.

Drug suppression team offers assistance

The Fort Stewart CID Drug Suppression Team (DST) is available to assist all commanders with Drug Awareness Briefings and support Health and Welfare Inspections. The DST has also updated their urinalysis hotline to request all positive urinalyses notification and supporting documents be submitted via email. For drug awareness briefings, health and welfare support, positive urinalyses, and questions, please contact the DST at usarmy.stewart.3-mp-gp.mbx.stewart-cid-dst@mail.mil or call 435-3315.

Personal Property ends virtual applications

The Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield Personal Property Offices have stopped receiving virtual applications for Household Goods Moves. Soldiers, Family Members and Department of the Army civilians who require assistance with scheduling Household Goods must visit the following locations to schedule their Household Goods Shipments. Fort Stewart Soldier Service Center: 55 Pony Soldier Road, Bldg. 253, Room 2003A Phone: 767-7971/8154. Hunter Army Airfield Soldier Service Center: 171 Haley Avenue, Bldg. 1286, Room 229, Phone: 315-3828/2038.

Virtual unit TARP training offered

The Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield Counterintelligence Team offers unit virtual TARP Training on the first Wednesday of every month at 1 p.m.. Unit training officers call 315-2006 or submit a request via email usarmy.hunter.902-mi-grp.list.308th-savannah-fo@mail.mil to schedule.

3rd ID Equal Opportunity hotline

The 3rd Infantry Division Equal Opportunity Office has a 24 hours a day, seven days a week hotline that Soldiers and Family members can call and speak to an Equal Opportunity Advisor in the event they have any questions pertaining to Military Equal Opportunity. Additionally, you now have the ability to do an anonymous complaint through this number as well, 432-0421.

Commissaries offer Click2Go option

The Defense Commissary Agency's new online ordering/curbside delivery service, is here. Operating hours: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Online payment only. Visa, Discover, American Express & MasterCard accepted. The \$4.95 service fee has been waived for all patrons. No minimum order size or dollar amount required and customers can order 24/7 up to six days in advance. Visit commissaries.com for more information. First time customers will need to create an account.

CIF appointment procedure update

AKO has been discontinued. This means the access to AKO to make CIF appointments has been discontinued. To make an appointment for Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield CIF, call 435-0302/0193. All services are by appointment only.

Vehicle parking safety reminder

When parking a vehicle into a space, do not block the pedestrian walkway with your bumper or trailer hitch. If there is a sidewalk, or marked pedestrian pathway, ensure that it is not blocked by any portion of your vehicle when you park by it. A pedestrian walking past the vehicle may not notice a trailer hitch, and be severely injured by walking into it. Removing the hitch, and storing it inside the vehicle is the best way to ensure the safety of those walking close to your vehicle. For more information, please contact the Safety Office at 767-8442.

New bicycle law now in effect

As of July 1, the operator of a motor vehicle approaching a bicycle shall approach the bicycle with due caution and shall proceed as follows. The new 3-Feet-Law is outlined in § 40-6-56.

- Make a lane change into a lane not adjacent to the bicycle if possible in the existing road and traffic conditions
- If a lane change under paragraph (1) of this subsection would be impossible, prohibited by law, or unsafe, reduce the speed of the motor vehicle to a reasonable and proper speed for the existing road and traffic conditions, which speed shall be at least ten miles per hour less than the posted speed limit or 25 miles per hour, whichever is more, and proceed around the bicycle with at least three feet between such vehicle and the bicycle at all times.

DASG internship program

The Department of the Army Security Guard Internship Program at Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield is looking for new interns. Start six months from your ETS date through SFL-TAP. Contact the POC at 767-3675.

Antiterrorism awareness month

The Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield Installation will conduct Antiterrorism Education and Awareness training during the month of August for Soldiers, Department of Defense Civilians, Family Members, and Retired Soldiers and Civilians to increase their Antiterrorism awareness and vigilance. Antiterrorism Awareness Month instills Army-wide heightened awareness and vigilance to prevent terrorist attacks and protect Army critical resources from acts of terrorism and extremism. Report Suspicious Activity to iSALUTE by visiting inscom.army.mil/isalute/.

Changes to speeding violations issued

The commanding general recently authorized the Fort Stewart Military Police to issue DD Form 1408 for traffic violations when a Soldier is pulled over for speeding 10mph or over above the speed limit. The DD 1408 is effectively a military speeding ticket that allows a Soldier's brigade commander to issue administrative reprimands, non-judicial punishment, suspension of on post driving privileges, corrective training, and/or other appropriate remedial measures. Master Sergeants and above caught driving 10 mph or over the posted speed limit will have their misconduct addressed by the commanding general in accordance Policy Letter #3.

Post Exchange parking lot renovations

The parking lot at the Fort Stewart Main Post Exchange is currently under renovation. The project will be completed in 3 phases and is scheduled to be completed in early October. Please use caution while in the area and follow assigned walkways. For more information, call 767-1222.

College to offer military-affiliated benefit

Effective with the 2021-22 fall registration, Columbia College is implementing the Military-Affiliated Benefit (MAB) which reduces the undergraduate and graduate tuition rates for military spouses and dependents to the same rate their military sponsor is charged using military tuition assistance. Additionally, this rate is extended to all Installation employees. Finally, MAB provides a 15% tuition grant towards the standard tuition rate to the spouses and dependents of all installation employees. The Military-Affiliated Benefit (MAB) should provide a significant boost to the affordability of higher education for your installation communities.

Installation housing opens 24/7 maintenance call center

Daniel Malta
Hunter Army Airfield Public Affairs

Balfour Beatty Communities recently rolled out a new 24/7 call center for work orders available to residents of both Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield.

“Last year we added the app and this year we’ve added the 24/7 call center,” said Billy Lawson, regional property manager with Balfour Beatty Communities. “So now you can call and get a scheduled time for repairs making the process more immediate.”

According to Lawson, the goal of both the app and call center was to provide more transparent, convenient processes to submitting work orders. For example, the app allows residents to track work orders all the way through completion and provides them the ability to submit pictures and feedback after completion.

In contrast, the call center provides 24/7 service calls from the installation, providing residents a schedule for repairs and notification of completion. With emergency service requests, the call center will begin coordinated with technicians immediately for repairs. Lawson explained that if the first technician

does not respond in the middle of the night, they have a call list of several other people, him included.

Then, once complete, an auto-generated text asks whether they were satisfied with the repair.

“If not, we’ll come back out and look at the additional issues so there’s complete transparency. We are not done until the customer says they are satisfied,” Lawson said.

The call center is dedicated to Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield residents and has the information needed to understand each community for proper resourcing.

“You’re dealing with a real person at either Fort Stewart or Hunter Army Airfield, which is a big advantage,” said Carl Owens, chief of housing with the Directorate of Public Works. “At the end of the day, it’s nice being able to reach someone instead of leaving a message after hours or over the weekend.”

While most routine work orders should be submitted through the app, the call center serves community members with more immediate issues. An example provided was that if you have a leaky sink, submit through the app but if you have a pipe burst, contact the call center.

To place a work order through the 24/7 call center, call 459-2147 for Hunter and 408-2466 at Fort Stewart.



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Raider named 3rd ID Career Counselor of the Year for 2nd time



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Staff Sgt. Darrell Vassey, a career counselor from the 1st Battalion, 64th Armored Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, poses for a photo with his battalion command team, Lt. Col. Scott Stephens (left) and Command Sgt. Maj. Kirk Ray, Aug. 20 on Fort Stewart.

Staff Sgt. Daniel Guerrero
1st ABCT

Once a combat engineer, Staff Sgt. Darrell Vassey, from the 1st Battalion, 64th Armored Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, earned the title of 3rd Infantry Division Career Counselor of the Year for the second time, Aug. 20 on Fort Stewart.

The division-wide competition was four days long and tested each candidate with an Army Combat Fitness Test, general military knowledge, and reactionary situations that career counselors may encounter.

Career counselors play a vital role in ensuring Soldiers are informed and make the best decisions for their careers.

"I've been a Career Counselor for two and a half years and my favorite part of being a Career Counselor is the reach that I have in affecting individual soldiers Careers," Vassey said. "What I mean by that is as a squad leader in a Sapper company my reach was limited to 5-12 Soldiers at a time. As a Career Counselor I have the ability to provide purpose, direction and motivation to 500 or more Soldiers."

With such an important role within a battalion, career counselors often develop close working relationships with many enlisted Soldiers. This can also mean working closely with the battalion's senior enlisted leader, the command sergeant major.

"My experience working with Staff Sgt. Vassey has been great, he has set the standard high for all career counselors," said Command Sgt. Maj. Kirk Ray, the 1-64 AR command sergeant major. "He takes initiative, genuinely cares about our Soldiers futures, and continues to lead from the front."

Vassey credits the Raider Brigade's retention team for his success. He says without them, he would not have the knowledge he does today. He also is incredibly thankful for the support from his wife Tabatha, and his daughters Kendal and Freya.

Vassey will move on to work as a career counselor at the Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 3ID. There he will continue to expand his influence and continue to ensure that Soldiers within his organization receive the best career counseling available.

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WMD Coordination Team members recognized for Exercise Fused Response

Walter Ham
20th CBRNE Command

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Maryland—The U.S. Army South commanding general recognized two Soldiers from the 20th Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, Explosives (CBRNE) Command for supporting Exercise Fused Response 2021.

Chief Warrant Officer 3 Robert V. Hocog and Master Sgt. Tyler W. Lemmons received personal letters from Maj. Gen. William L. Thigpen, the commanding general of U.S. Army South, for their efforts during the exercise, July 6 - 16.

“Your CBRN knowledge and experience was invaluable to the success of the command. Army South is now better postured to execute its critical mission,” wrote Thigpen, who assumed command of U.S. Army South, the Army service component command for U.S. Southern Command, in June. “We look forward to working with the 20th CBRNE team in the future to address planning and operational support during both training and real-world CBRN crisis events.”

Maj. Gen. Antonio V. Munera, the commanding general for 20th CBRNE Command, recognized both Soldiers with command coins.

Hocog and Lemmons are part of the Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland-based 20th CBRNE Command’s Weapons of Mass Destruction Coordination Team 2.

“We assisted (U.S. Army South) in the allocation and synchronization of CBRNE assets to enable freedom of maneuver and preservation of the force,” said Hocog, an Army Ranger and Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear technician from Salinas, California.

Lemmons is an 11-year Explosive Ordnance Disposal technician from Tehachapi, California, who has deployed to Iraq three times, Afghanistan once and Syria once. A former instructor at the Naval Explosive Ordnance Disposal School, Lemmons has participated in 150 EOD missions overseas and 40 domestic explosive mitigation missions.

WCTs deploy around the world to support combatant commanders, supported commanders and lead federal

agencies. During Exercise Fused Response, Hocog and Lemmons went to U.S. Southern Command Headquarters in Doral, Florida, and U.S. Army South Headquarters on Joint Base San Antonio in San Antonio, Texas.

The Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland-based 20th CBRNE Command is home to 75 percent of the U.S. Army’s EOD and CBRN units, as well as the 1st Area Medical Laboratory, CBRNE Analytical and Remediation Activity, three Nuclear Disablement Teams and five WMD Coordination Teams. From 19 military installations in 16 states, Soldiers and civilians from the 20th CBRNE Command deploy to take on the world’s most dangerous weapons and hazards in support of military operations and civil authorities.

In addition to WCT 2, the Fort Stewart-based 51st Hazard Response Company participated in the exercise and advised components about CBRNE capabilities. The 51st Hazard Response “Cobra” Company is part of the 83rd CBRN Battalion, 48th Chemical Brigade and 20th CBRNE Command.

Chief Warrant Officer 2 Carl A. Kortum from the 51st Hazard Response Company integrated with planners from Department of State, Defense Threat Reduction Agency and Southern Command elements and provided subject matter expertise throughout the planning process, to include target handover and disposition of contaminated materials.

Integrating in the exercise, Capt. Jenny R. Metzler, the commander of the 51st Hazard Response Company, provided multiple CBRN options to the ground force commanders.

According to Maj. Derek E. Taylor, the operations officer for the Fort Stewart-based 83rd CBRN Battalion, Soldiers from the 51st Hazard Response Company played an instrumental role in the exercise.

“Soldiers executed detailed troop and equipment decontamination on the assault force element and synchronized efforts that set conditions for potential follow on missions,” said Taylor. “51st Soldiers demonstrated mission command and adaptability throughout the entirety of the mission as the operational environment continued to develop.”



Photo by Walter Ham

Then-Brig. Gen. Antonio V. Munera (left), the commanding general for 20th CBRNE Command, reads a letter from the U.S. Army South commanding general thanking Chief Warrant Officer 3 Robert V. Hocog (center) and Master Sgt. Tyler W. Lemmons for their work during Exercise Fused Response. Munera has since been promoted to major general.

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Capt. Lindsay Heisler (left) and Capt. Lauren Smart (right), AH-64 Apache helicopter pilots assigned to the 82nd Combat Aviation Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division, pose together after performing a flyover at Lincoln Financial Field in Philadelphia, during the Army versus Navy game on December 14, 2019.

How the spinning blades of a helicopter in Afghanistan created an Apache pilot in Alabama

Sgt. Andrew McNeil
3rd CAB

While in Army flight school at Fort Rucker, Alabama, all prospective helicopter pilots hit a point where they need to rank their airframe. In the conventional Army, there are three main rotary-wing airframes used: Chinook, Apache and Black Hawk. Each platform has various models with their own unique mission sets, and for most Army Aviators the airframe that is assigned in flight school will be what they fly for the rest of their military career.

The process of selection can be stressful for the students, because there is a select number of slots for each airframe and the order of merit list determines when they get to pick. The order of merit list is the future aviator's ranking in the class. The ranking is determined by the various tests, grades and tasks the Soldiers complete during the program.

"In the class, we were feeling each other out, because each class has its own personality," said Capt. Lauren Smart, commander of B Troop, 3rd Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division. "Some class-

es everyone really wants Chinooks, so you talk amongst your classmates to see what they want and find out how likely you are to get your airframe of choice."

But for Smart, the choice was not as clear as it was for some of her classmates, so during her time in flight school she studied each platform to develop an understanding of their missions and capabilities.

During this study she found an article that was published about Capt. Lindsay Heisler and Chief Warrant Officer 2 David Woodward, AH-64 Apache pilots assigned to the 101st Aviation Regiment, and their actions in Bagram, Afghanistan.

"The article was about two pilots at Fort Campbell, a CW2 [chief warrant officer 2] and a captain, who were awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, which is the highest award that can be awarded to someone for valor and bravery in battle in aviation," Smart said. "I really focused on the part of one of them being a female captain. This stood out because I could envision myself in that role."

Smart was a lieutenant in flight school and was told that for commissioned officers most of their flying was done while they were lieutenants, Smart

explained. There is a perception that as aviation officers progress in rank their schedule become too busy for them to spend time flying. The article about Heisler dispelled that myth and proved to Smart that commissioned officers—no matter the rank—do fly and conduct missions.

As Smart read on, she learned about Heisler and Woodward's actions. On the night of December 5, 2015, Heisler and Woodward were pulling security for 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment MH-47 Chinook helicopters tasked with conducting air assault operations for the 75th Ranger Regiment.

That night, the Rangers called the 160th SOAR for an air lift. As the MH-47 Chinook helicopter was about to touchdown, enemy combatants opened fire. Woodward, sitting in the pilot seat, placed the Apache between the friendly forces and insurgents drawing their attention away from the Rangers. Heisler, in the gunner's seat, began to provide suppressing fire. The combined actions of Heisler and Woodward allowed the Chinook to land, load and extract the ground troops.

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After reading the article, Heisler became a role model for Smart.

“At first I did not want to go Apache until that article came out,” Smart said. “It completely turned me around, because that is the mission I want to do; I want to protect people.”

Smart said that she saw the person she aspired to be in Heisler. Heisler was a strong leader and woman. Smart made up her mind and hoped her hard work and studying placed her high enough on the order of merit list to get her choice.

The day came and the class buzzed with excitement, Smart said. Until that point, the students did not know the order of merit list, so they just filed in, took their seats and hoped their names were called quickly.

“I was nervous I would not get my airframe,” Smart said. “Every name that is called you are super nervous and you’re biting your nails thinking, oh no what if I don’t get it.”

Smart’s name was eventually called.

“Oh, thank god there were still Apaches available,” Smart said, as she recounted what ran through her mind after hearing her name.

She popped up from her seat and walked to the white board erasing the tally mark under the Apache claiming her airframe, Smart continued. She then entered the advanced airframe course of flight school and began learning about the AH-64 Apache airframe.

Smart completed her training at Fort Rucker in May 2017. She was then stationed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. While there, Smart was presented with the unique opportunity to meet her hero.

“I was a company commander, and she was a platoon leader in 82nd Combat Aviation Brigade,” said Maj. Lindsay Heisler, the woman who inspired Smart and now an observer coach trainer at the Joint Multinational Readiness Center at Hohenfels, Germany. “She was actually my husband’s

platoon leader, he was also an Apache Troop Commander, at the time.”

Smart formally met Heisler during an event hosted by her unit.

“I heard a lot about her from my husband and others in her unit before I met her,” Heisler said. “Everyone always said great things about Lauren. They said she was an extremely competent Aviator, a fantastic officer, and someone who you want to be around and work with. Once I got to know her, it just confirmed everything I had already heard about her.”

After being introduced, Smart told Heisler that she was the reason Smart picked the Apache and Heisler was her role model as an aviator, officer and woman. Heisler and Smart quickly developed a strong working relationship and became friends.

One of the things the two women pilots share is that they are both graduates of the United States Military Academy at West Point. Heisler graduated with the class of 2012 and Smart graduated with the class of 2015.

In 2019, they were presented with a dream opportunity for any West Point alumni. The 82nd CAB was selected to conduct the flyover of the December 14, 2019, Army versus Navy football game.

“Participating in an Army-Navy game flyover is an absolute bucket-list item for a West Point graduate,” Heisler said. “There’s nothing quite like flying over a stadium ahead of an Army-Navy football game.”

Heisler and Smart performed the fly over at the Lincoln Financial Field located in Philadelphia, during halftime. Heisler was in the lead Apache while Smart was in the rear, but it was the flight back to North Carolina that Smart remembers most.

“I actually flew back with her,” Smart said, explaining how they were in the same aircraft on their way back to Fort Bragg. “It was cool to come full circle. I got to fly with the woman who inspired me to fly the Apaches. It was unreal.”



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Aircraft from the 82nd Combat Aviation Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division, conduct a flyover at Lincoln Financial Field located in Philadelphia, during the Army versus Navy game on December 14, 2019.

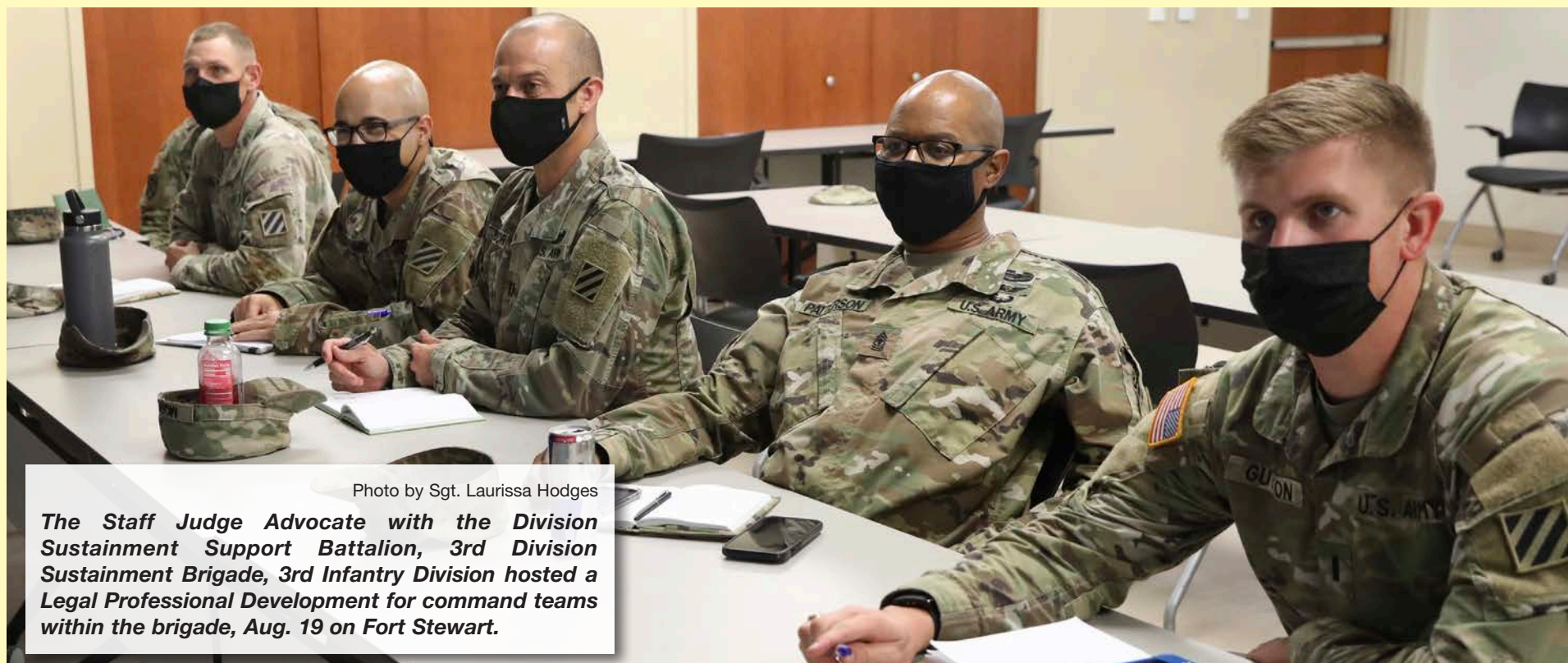


Photo by Sgt. Laurissa Hodges

The Staff Judge Advocate with the Division Sustainment Support Battalion, 3rd Division Sustainment Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division hosted a Legal Professional Development for command teams within the brigade, Aug. 19 on Fort Stewart.

Provider leaders receive legal professional development

Sgt. Laurissa Hodges
3rd DSB

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"It's important to make sure that the command team understand what they can expect from us and what we can expect from them in terms of executing an Article 15, chapters and GOMARS {General Officer Memorandum of Reprimand} effectively," said Capt. Simon A. Barta the 3rd Division Sustainment Brigade Staff Judge Advocate.

Another reason the LPD was held was to serve as a refresher for incoming and outgoing leadership.

"It also shows them that not everything needs to be taken higher and that it can be handled at

their level," said Sgt. Trevor Gulette a paralegal specialist assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Special Troops Battalion, 3rd DSB.

While some of the information served as a refresher some provided new insight.

"I had not previously realized that an administrative separation for patterns of misconduct generally requires at least one rehabilitative transfer with a minimum of three months in each unit," said Capt. Joshua Moore the commander of 24th Ordnance Company, 87th DSSB.

Training like this helps the legal team and the leadership work toward solutions to provide a better atmosphere within their ranks.

"The training provides the command team with the ability to flatten communications with us so that they are speaking the same language as us and we can work together," Barta said.

Though leadership were the only Soldiers that

attended the class, their attendance also benefits their Soldiers.

"It helps the Soldiers because if the commanders know what they are doing then it helps process the Soldier's paperwork faster so that the Soldiers are not sitting in limbo," Gulette said.

The legal team, command teams and Soldiers all do their part in working towards a common goal.

"All commanders have a responsibility to our Soldiers to fully understand military justice and the correct processes and procedures to enforce good order and discipline within our organizations," said Moore.

Moving forward, the legal team plans to continue conducting legal leader professional development training to strengthen the readiness of the 3rd DSB.

"We have two more slated in the next 30 days," Barta said. "Depending on the COVID-19 restrictions, it may turn into a virtual event, but right now we plan to have three towards the end of September."



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(Sept. 6) Outpatient-Pharmacies closed Sept. 6

On Monday, Sept. 6, all MEDDAC-Fort Stewart Outpatient Pharmacy sites will be closed in observation of Labor Day. Normal hours will resume Sept. 7. On Sept. 3, The Main Outpatient Pharmacy hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; the Fort Stewart PX Pharmacy hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Hawks TMC Pharmacy is 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Marne TMC Pharmacy will be closed.

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Things will get better

Maj. John Fimple
1st ABCT Chaplain

I've had several conversations this week where the person I was talking to said, "This has been a bad week." Be it world events, COVID-19 upticks, family or personal problems, the conclusion of their current states of mind were things are bad.

Yes, we all have bad days, weeks, or even longer seasons of life; however, Holy Scripture reminds us that God is aware of our situations and gives us hope and vision for better things to come.

"This will continue until God pours his Spirit from above on us. Then the desert will be like a fertile field, and the fertile field like a forest" (Ezekiel 32:15).

Imagine looking out physically and seeing only a barren desert where you did not want to be. The air is hot and there is no reprieve or shelter for cooler temperatures, you are thirsty, and the land is not hospitable for person or vegetation.

Imagine being told you are forced to live there with no end date in sight. I'm sure anyone in that situation would have reason to complain and wonder about the future. For God's people in such a situation, the prophet Ezekiel intervenes and tells them that someday not only will the land become fertile, it

will be like a forest. Maybe today you have a barren desert situation. Holy Scripture invites us to envision better days, that with God's help we can once again enjoy blessings.

I recently heard a pastor share a story of encountering a stranger in a restaurant who looked sad, sitting by himself with his head slumped down. Passing by on his way out the door, the pastor stopped and introduced himself and simply said, "I don't know what you are going through, but things will get better." Several months later, the pastor received a letter from the man who said, "I was in the midst of a divorce, but you taking the time to stop in the restaurant and remind me things will get better was what I needed to hear. And things have gotten better."

Whatever you may be going through today, let me invite you assess how things are going. Are there things causing you to conclude "This has been a bad week?" If so, what would need to happen for things to get better? The starting point for joy and hope is to vision, to envision how life can be better in the future.

There may be actions you can take to start the journey out of the barren desert, but at the very least have faith, simple faith that with God's help things will get better.



Photo by Daniel Malta

Leaders with 3rd Infantry Division work in small groups during day 2 of Marne Leader Integration at Club Stewart, Aug. 25 on Fort Stewart. According to Maj. Michael Schumacher, future operations planner with 3ID, "This event facilitated camaraderie by bringing in all key leaders into one venue as they shared their experiences with recently welcomed Dog Faced Soldiers."

Division leaders focus on installation

Daniel Malta
Hunter Army Airfield Public Affairs

3rd Infantry Division leaders and their spouses participated in Marne Leader Integration, Aug. 24-27.

The four-day program was held at locations on both Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield, informing Soldiers and their spouses about various aspects of the Garrison and 3rd Infantry Division.

"Marne leader integration strengthens the foundation of our leaders and spouses by familiarizing them with the assets, resources, systems, key policies, procedures, and facilities available at Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield," said Maj. Michael Schumacher, future operations planner with 3ID.

Organizations from across the installation presented a wide range of topics including training facility capabilities, power projection systems, and on-post resources.

"The U.S. Army Garrison at Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield exists to provide outstanding support to our Soldiers and Families assigned here. Our dedicated workforce proves this every day and we

hope this event has shown this level of dedication," said Col. Manny Ramirez, Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield garrison commander. "Ultimately, we hope that the information shared here improves the quality of life of our Soldiers and Families through improved knowledge and access."

"It also gave [Department of the Army] civilians an opportunity to showcase their capabilities and share best practices to support the units," Schumacher said.

According to Schumacher, division planners were able to capture feedback and friction points within the organization through the program. The data and information gathered will be used to further streamline organizational efficiencies going forward.

Attendees included brigade and battalion commanders, their command sergeants major, spouses, division primary staff members, and all tenant command teams throughout Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield.

Marne Leader Integration is an annual event already scheduled for 2022.

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0 Cypress Street Ludo- wici - \$299,900

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286 Hardman Road Walthourville - \$349,900

Industrial opportunity located
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curity fence and warehouse. Call
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606 East Oglethorpe Highway Hinesville - \$750,000 REDUCED

Commercial property in the
rapidly growing highway 84
corridor with approximately
289 linear foot of state highway
frontage. Its location is cen-
tral to the Hinesville VA Clinic,
Ft. Stewart gates 1, 2, and 3 as
well as being located inside the
downtown overlay district and
military opportunity zone. There
are approximately 30,650 vehi-
cles per day. Jimmy Shanken,
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230 W General Screven Way Suite 100 Hinesville - \$15NNN

This is a 4200 sq ft former piza-
za restaurant. There is a walk-in
cooler in place. It is less than
one mile from Ft. Stewart Gate 1
and is located in the downtown
overlay district. Jimmy Shanken,
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863 Oglethorpe Highway, Suite #260, Hinesville

Fantastic Business Opportunity
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\$150,000 for fixtures & equip-
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the TJ Max, Hobby Lobby An-
chored Shopping Center. Co-ten-
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**135-139 Martin Luther
King, Jr Drive, Hinesville**
The Brantley Building has been

renovated and is in the heart of
Downtown Hinesville. Available
for lease: Suite 201 is approxi-
mately 755 SQ FT. This suite
features: Walk-in waiting area,
reception window, 2 private
offices, storage closet, space
available for conference set up,
another office, or additional
storage. The Brantley Building
Rent: Suite 201 A, B, C \$1750
per month, Suite 200 A, Confer-
ence Room \$100 1/2 day, \$200
full day, Suite 200 B & C \$1,000
per month, Suite 101 A, B & C
\$1,500.00 and Warehouse \$1,000
per month. Jimmy Shanken,
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430 Industrial Blvd. Midway - \$2,048 per Month

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Midway Industrial Park. Conve-
nient to I 95 north and south off
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to lease excess space. Call for pri-
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621 West Oglethorpe High- way, Hinesville - \$899,900

1 Acre Pad Site! All utilities in
place. Seller to provide access
road with cross access ease-
ments with Chili's Grill & Bar,
curb cuts in place, designed with
a drive thru in mind. Excellent
visibility from Hwy 84, Oglethor-
pe Highway. Tenants in the
area include Chili's Grill & Bar,
Cook Out, Sonic Drive-In, Krispy
Kreme, Lowe's, and Walmart. This
is 1 Acre parcel taken from par-
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131 North Macon Street, Ludo- wici - \$399,900 SALE PENDING

Exciting opportunity in cen-
tral Ludowici! 4,000 SQ FT Steel
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16 E Cypress Street, Ludowici - For Lease \$3,000 per month

Excellent Lease Opportunity! ONLY Signalized corner in Ludowici, located in one of the fastest growing communities in GA. Former Auto Parts Store building has a showroom, warehouse with 2 oversized rooms. Combination Lock, please call for the code. Co-listed with Skyler Wingate Lic #357833, contact at 912-387-3076 or skyler.wingate@outlook.com.

20.81 East Oglethorpe Highway, Hinesville - \$1,100,000

Excellent location on US Highway 84 in a rapidly growing community in Flemington, Georgia. This property is centrally located between Ft. Stewart Gate 3 and Midway, Georgia. It is located in a military opportunity zone. This property is great for many commercial users. 25,940 vehicles per day. Two Parcels 084023/083C017. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

759 Veterans Parkway, Hinesville - \$899,900

Room to grow, possibilities are endless!! 3,600 SQFT Steel Building currently operating as an automotive repair shop. Access from Veterans Parkway and cross access easement to Elma G Miles Parkway. Zoned C3. Sale is real estate only, no equipment included! Call Jimmy Shanken 912-977-4733 to make an appointment.

3.34 AC West 15th Street, Hinesville - \$130,000

Excellent retail development opportunity located less than 1 mile to Fort Stewart gate 7. Fort Stewart's only commercial entrance. Great location for Day Care, Convenience store, or self storage units. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

HOMES FOR SALE



34 SW Factory Street, Ludowici - \$229,900

GREAT MULTI-FAMILY INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY IN LUDOWICI!!!! Updated Quadplex features 4, 1 bedroom, 1 bath units. New A/C units, New Water Heaters, New Windows, New doors, New Kitchen Cabinets, New Counters, New Sinks, New Appliances, New Linoleum Floors, Fresh interior & exterior paint! New Washer & Dryer in the laundry room and Attic Insulated to R-38. Vacant unit is fully furnished and 3 occupied are unfurnished! Convenient to schools and Downtown, 15 minute drive to Fort Stewart Gates. Pictures coming soon! Don't miss out! Jimmy Shanken at 912-977-4733 cell or Jimmy.shanken@theshankenteam.com



506 Idlewood Circle, Hinesville - \$134,900

This adorable 3 bedroom, 1 bath home on a cul-de-sac won't last long!! New Metal Roof! Windows & HVAC replaced within the last two years! Wood laminate and tile floors throughout. Convenient to Fort Stewart, shopping & schools! Please contact Jimmy Shanken at 912-977-4733 or jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com



200 Levy A Ray Road NE, Ludowici - \$129,900 SALE PENDING

Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity located in a rural setting. This refreshed, 4 bedroom, 2 bath home is located in a great location in the rapidly growing town of Ludowici, GA. It features laminate wood floors, a large bath-tub in the master bathroom, and a great sized yard. It is also conveniently located approximately 15 minutes to Ft. Stewart Army Base. Jimmy Shanken at 912-977-4733 cell or Jimmy.shanken@theshankenteam.com



126 McArthur Drive, Hinesville - \$124,900 SALE PENDING
3 bedroom, 2 full bath brick home located in Hinesville, GA close to Ft. Stewart Army Base. It features a large front porch, as well as a 1 car attached carport. It also has a privacy fenced backyard. Don't miss this opportunity! Jimmy Shanken at 912-977-4733 cell or Jimmy.shanken@theshankenteam.com



38 Montgomery Lane, Allenhurst - \$325,000 SALE PENDING

Celebrate nature in this rustic beautiful home with a pond, nestled on 8.4 +/- Acres! Elegant, custom, cedar 4 bedroom, 3 bathroom home is convenient to Ft. Stewart & shopping. The living room features wood floors, built in bookcases and a floor to ceiling wood burning fireplace. The kitchen has tile floors, granite countertops, brand new stove top and dishwasher! There's a sun room you can relax in, a bonus room, a huge master bedroom that is large enough to allow for sitting room furniture with 2 walk in closets! The master bathroom has tile throughout and a large shower with two shower heads and a long bench. 2 bedrooms also have walk-in closets. Enjoy the pond and small dock while relaxing in a private setting! Call us today! Jimmy Shanken at 912-977-4733 cell or Jimmy.shanken@theshankenteam.com



516 Azalea St, Hinesville - \$199,990

MOVE IN READY!!! BEAUTIFUL

ONE-STORY HOME BETTER THAN NEW! Don't miss the wonderful opportunity on this beautiful 4 bedroom, 2 full bath home in the heart of Hinesville, GA. Lots of natural light! OPEN FLOORPLAN! Many upgrades! Brick front home features a covered front porch, back patio, stainless steel appliances and granite counter-tops. Top-of-the-line floors flow through the home, high ceilings and designers molding. A two-car garage, a paved driveway and a nice front yard. This home is located near shopping, businesses, and restaurants in Hinesville, but in the perfect location for peace and quiet. It also is conveniently located about half of a mile to Ft. Stewart's Main Gate. Do not pass up this amazing home! Jimmy Shanken at 912-977-4733 cell or Jimmy.shanken@theshankenteam.com

LAND/LOTS FOR SALE

0 Shyam Road - Hinesville - \$475,000. Five (5) acres of commercial potential. Located just off of US Hwy 84 in Hinesville. Centrally located between Fort Stewart Gates one (1), two (2) and three (3). There are thirty thousand six hundred and fifty (30,650) V.P.D. May also access from Sandy Run Drive. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

0 Willowbrook Drive, Hinesville - \$499,900. Incredible opportunity to own a parcel inside the city limits of Hinesville that is correctly zoned and engineered for a multi-family development. Located off Veteran's Parkway and EG Miles parkway centrally located between Fort Stewart Gate 8 and Walmart, Lowes, and the TJ Maxx Shopping Center. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

504 West Oglethorpe Highway Hinesville, GA 31313 - \$295,000

Commercial Development opportunity at the center of Hinesville retail corridor. This interior lot has 130 LF of road frontage at the traffic signal at the Intersection of Oglethorpe Hwy. This site has 35,800 vehicles per day. Adjoining parcels avail.

Tenant Occupied. Please do not disturb the tenant. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

0 West 15th Street Hinesville - \$375,000

Great mixed-use opportunity adjacent to Fort Stewart Gate 7. Approximately 56.156 acres of land. This property is ready to go and visible from the entrance of Fort Stewart Gate 7. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

5.93 Old Ludowici Road, Ludowici - \$37,900 REDUCED

Homesite with a small pond and No City Taxes!! Unrestricted lot, mobile homes are ok. 5.93 Acres adjacent to Aaron's Mobile Home Park in Walthourville. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

Lot 21 Fair Hope Drive Townsend - \$239,000 PRICE REDUCED!

BELVEDERE ISLAND PLANTATION LOT! This beautiful wooded lot shares a private dock. Enjoy the many amenities that Belvedere Plantation has to offer! Community club and guest house, swimming pool, tennis court, dock, horse stable and the gorgeous view of the river. If you look on the water it is not unusual to see the dolphins enjoying the clear waters. Have you always wanted to own a piece of land close to the river? Well this is your chance. 0.86 acres of land ready to be yours! Contact us for more information today! Take a look of all that this beautiful community has to offer. All it's missing is your house! <https://belvedereislandplantation.com/communitysite.com/> Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733, Co-Listed with Brigitte Cabeza-Shanken 912-222-8279 brigitte.shanken@coldwellbanker.com.

135 Kallquist Drive Flemington - \$61,500 SALE PENDING

Great lot to build your perfect home. Just outside the city limits so there are no city taxes. Approximately a mile from Fort Stewart and less than a five mile commute to schools. Extremely quiet neighborhood tucked away from all the noise but yet still unbelievably close to the center of it all. You definitely don't want to miss this rare gem. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

901 Pine Street Hinesville - \$64,900

New on the Market and conveniently located. Minutes away from shopping, restaurants and Fort Stewart Gate 8. Currently Zoned for a duplex, can be re-zoned for a four plex. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker

Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

19 Acres - 0 East Oglethorpe Highway Flemington - \$900,000

Excellent location on US HWY 84 in rapidly growing community of Flemington, Georgia. Centrally located between Ft. Stewart Gate 3 and Midway. It is located in a military opportunity zone. Great property for many commercial users. 24,430 vehicles per day. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

1.4 Acres - 00 East Oglethorpe Highway Flemington - \$600,000

Excellent location on US Highway 84 in a rapidly growing community in Flemington, Georgia. This property is centrally located between Ft. Stewart Gate 3 and Midway, Georgia. It is located in a military opportunity zone. This property is great for many commercial users. 25,940 vehicles per day. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

260 Interchange Drive Richmond Hill - \$199,900

Remarkable pad site just off of US 17 and I95 Interchange. Several parcels available. All utilities in place. Multiple uses include office or hotel. Easy access to streets and all access in place. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

0 Coldwell Road NE Ludowici - \$59,900

This tract of land is perfect for a family wanting to build a house with some seclusion! This +/- 10 acres is only 15 minutes away from Hinesville! Come build your dream home! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

4.5819 West Oglethorpe Highway Walthourville - \$299,900

This is 4.5819 acres of Commercial land. It is centrally located on the East West freight corridor between Valdosta and the Port of Savannah. It is also located in the Military and SBA opportunity zone. This is a corner lot. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

.24 Acre Veterans Park-

way, Hinesville - \$225,000

Last available frontage road on drive home side of Veterans Parkway zoned C-2. Off site water retention included. Property can be combined with 777 Veterans Parkway for a total asking price of \$495,000 Owners are licensed Real Estate Brokers in the state of Georgia. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

Belvedere Island Plantation Lot 216 Riverpoint Lane, Townsend - \$69,900

Excellent opportunity for gated community living!! Great lot to build your dream home in this tranquil community with deep water access club house and horse stables. Enjoy remarkable sunrises from The Club House and Community Deep Water Dock. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

Lot 41 Salt Marsh Drive, Midway - \$49,900

Coastal Living at its finest!! Gorgeous building lot inside the tranquil Yellow Bluff Subdivision ready to build your "Dream Home"!!! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

422 Catbird Road Midway - \$99,000 SALE PENDING

Build your own coastal retreat on this beautiful, huge 10 acre tract of property! Located just 30 minutes from the Savannah International Airport, and only a few miles from the rivers of coastal Georgia. Marina access, fishing, and boating opportunities are just a few miles from this amazing piece of property. Interested in owning horses?

This property is the perfect place for you, as it is a private property that is large enough to accommodate your equestrian desires. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

1.98 AC Fiddlers Cove Townsend - \$30,000

Build your dream home on this private & secluded 1.98 Acres lot in Spring Cove, a gated community, less than one hour to Savannah! Perfect home site with access to a beautiful pond! Located near fishing, crabbing & boat ramps. Short drive to Harris Neck Wildlife Refuge. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

0.24 Acre Veterans Memorial Parkway, Hinesville - \$225,000

Last available frontage road on drive home side of Veterans Parkway zoned C-2. Off site water retention included. Owners

are licensed Real Estate Brokers in the state of Georgia. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-977-4733. jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

0 E. Oglethorpe Highway, Hinesville - \$2,500,000 PRICE REDUCED!

Excellent hotel/restaurant site located next to La Quinta in Flemington. Parcel has offsite water retention. Owners will subdivide. Owners are licensed Real Estate Brokers in the state of Georgia. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-977-4733. jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com
777 Veterans Memorial Parkway, Hinesville - \$395,000. Last available frontage on drive home side of veterans parkway zoned C-2. Off site water retention included. Owners are licensed Real Estate Brokers in the state of Georgia. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-977-4733. jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com
625 Carter Road Walthourville, GA 31333 - \$349,900

Multi-family Development Opportunity! 8.756 acres of land available to build a home or mobile homes. Conveniently located minutes from Fort Stewart and the new Oglethorpe Shopping Center! Call us today! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

Lot 3 Lakeview Drive Glennville - \$19,900

Great .7 acre lot located in Lakeview Estates. Don't miss an opportunity to build your dream home on this gorgeous lot. Additional lots available. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

Lot 4 Lakeview Drive Glennville - \$19,900

Great .58 acre lot in Lakeview Estates. Don't miss out on an opportunity to build your dream home. Additional lots also available. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell

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Lot 5 Lakeview Drive Glennville - \$19,900

Great 0.56 acres lot in Lakeview Estates. Take advantage of an opportunity to build your dream home! Additional lots available for purchase. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

Lot 6 Lakeview Drive Glennville - \$19,900

Great 0.67 acre lot in Lakeview Estates. Don't miss out on an opportunity to build your dream home. Additional lots also available for purchase. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

Lot 7 Lakeview Drive Glennville - \$19,900

Great 0.67 wooded lot in Lakeview Estates. Don't miss out on an opportunity to build your dream home! Additional lots available for purchase. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

Lots 1-10 West Court Street Hinesville - \$499,000

Located in the Downtown Overlay district. Redevelopment in the heart of downtown Hinesville. Entire city block with access to four paved roads! City water, city sewer and NO FLOOD ZONE! Walking distance to Municipal Buildings, Main Street and Bradwell Institute. Excellent multi-family site. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

5163 Leroy Coffey Highway Fleming - \$75,000

This land has it all! Electricity, telephone, cable television and trash collection available in the area. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

5163 Leroy Coffey Highway Fleming - \$299,000

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0 Patriots Trail Hinesville - \$1,613,250

Dynamic multifamily potential along Patriots Trail! This property is situated at the center of regional growth, walking distance to the Liberty County Recreational Department and YMCA. Convenient to Fort Stewart gates 1,2, and 3. Tract 3 is partially located in the city limits of Flemington. Approximately 1700 linear feet of road frontage on Patriots Trail. Plat attached in documents. Great opportunity! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

1 Terrell Drive Hinesville - \$2,250,000 PRICE REDUCED!

Shovel ready apartment pad sites. 132 total units, 3 buildings with 8 units, 9 buildings with 12 units. Roads and utilities are in place. Conveniently located near Ft. Stewart Gate 7. Ft. Stewart's the largest Department of Defense Installation East of the Mississippi River. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

1135 West Oglethorpe Highway Hinesville - \$499,900

This is 4.18 acres of commercial land. This property is cleared, level, and ready to build on. It is accessible from Highway 84 and Main Street. It is centrally located in between Hinesville retail areas, Walmart Supercenter and the

Walmart Neighborhood Market. It is conveniently located near Ft. Stewart. Ft. Stewart's the largest Department of Defense Installation East of the Mississippi River. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

B25-B28 David Road Gumbrecht - \$19,900 PRICE REDUCED!

This is a fantastic lot! It is located in a private, secluded setting. It is cleared and has the corners marked. This lot is ready for your mobile home! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

1.61 Acres Barry McCaffrey Boulevard - \$65,000

Centrally located Town home site, minutes to Fort Stewart gates

and shopping. 1.61 Acres, zoned RTH near the intersection of Barry McCaffrey Blvd. and Shaw Rd. Contact us today for more information! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

10 Acres Scrub Oak Lane, Glenville - \$69,900 SALE PENDING

Private Setting! 10 Acres suitable for a small farm, partially wooded some former pasture. No improvement in place, stick built homes or manufactured homes ok. Seller is a licensed realtor in the State of GA. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

Lot 177 Dogwood Lane,

Hinesville - \$2,600

Looking for a staycation? Load your RV up and stay the weekend at your new home away from home! Be sure to bring your bathing suit & fishing pole. There's a community pool and a large pond with a dock. There are two dumping stations in the community. Water and electricity in the area. Optional pool membership. The seller's daughter is a licensed real estate agent in the state of Georgia. Co-listed with Nikki Gaskin, contact her at 912-610-8304 or nikki.gaskin@theshankenteam.com.

8.67 AC West 15th Street, Hinesville \$300,000

2 parcels of land that would be an excellent retail development opportunity located less than 1 mile from Fort Stewart gate 7. Fort Stewart's only commercial en-

trance. Great location for Day Care, Convenience store, or self storage units.

1 AC Peter King Road, Riceboro \$24,900

Great piece of property located on 1 acre in Riceboro, GA. This property would be a perfect place to build a new home! It is conveniently located just a short distance to S Coastal HWY. Not far from Brunswick or Savannah. Mobile homes are ok. Don't miss out, it won't last long!

16.84 AC Hwy 84 East, Midway \$795,000

Development Opportunity!! 960 LF of Frontage on one of the last undeveloped exits in GA, Exit 76 on I-95!! Excellent Retail or Hospitality development opportunity adjoins land owned by The Development Authority of Liberty County.

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Monthly tour acclimates new leaders, spouses to installation

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Hunter Army Airfield Public Affairs

Senior leaders and their spouses attended a garrison sponsored orientation tour Aug. 24.

The garrison staff designed the tour for battalion level and above leadership and their spouses. This iteration was attended by the 3rd Infantry Division Commanding General, Deputy Commanding General of Maneuver, Deputy Commanding General of Readiness, Deputy Commander of Support, Chief of Staff and garrison leadership along with several of their spouses.

“Last fall we initiated the Senior Leaders and Spouses Tour at Hunter Army Airfield to help newly arrived command teams orient to the post,” Lt. Col. Stephan Bolton, Hunter Army Airfield garrison commander said. “Our goal was to help them better understand where they and their units’ Soldiers and Families can get the assistance they need, or take full advantage of all the opportunities the garrison offers.”

During the tour, garrison staff provided leaders and their spouses an overview on the history of Hunter Army Airfield, a tour of the installation and a number of stops. The groups stopped at outdoor recreation, Soldier and Family Support Services, and STARBASE, the DoD STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) academy for school age children.

While the group was small at 12, the networks represented through these attendees have the opportunity to affect the Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield community at large.

“We started with a discussion of why this base exists, Hunter’s unique history as an Army Air Corps and then Air Force Base, and its long connections to the

City of Savannah and Fort Stewart,” Bolton. “We then focused on Hunter’s support of Soldier and family readiness. We ended the tour with a meet-and-greet with local civic leaders hosted by the Savannah Chamber of Commerce.”

The focus of the tour was providing attendees with lesser-known information to ensure Soldiers and their families get the most out of life on Hunter Army Airfield.

“The more we can inform command teams at every level and in every unit about how we at the garrison serve their Soldiers and their unit readiness, the better they will be able to advise the Soldiers and Families that arrive in their formations,” Bolton said. “This is also about building trust between garrison and our tenants and shared understanding of our people first priorities.”

After touring the installation, attendees met up at the Olde Pink House in downtown Savannah, where the local Chamber of Commerce shared information about local businesses and the economic impact of the military community.

“Hunter and Fort Stewart, combined with our local veteran and retiree communities, bring nearly \$5 billion annually into the Coastal Georgia economy and are top regional employers,” said Travis Mobley, the Hunter Army Airfield deputy garrison commander. “The military is an important part of the prosperity and wellbeing of this region, and our local civic and business community leadership value the relationship. This was a great opportunity to strengthen the bonds between Savannah, Chatham County and the newly arrived Marne leaders.”

The next tour will focus on Hunter-based units and is scheduled for Sept. 24. Please contact Hunter Public Affairs Office for more information.



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Senior leaders and their spouses receive information about the Department of Defense STARBASE program, from the STARBASE Director, Betty Morgan, Aug. 24 on Hunter Army Airfield. STARBASE is a DOD sponsored STEM academy that is offered to local school children at no cost.



Mark Germonprez, Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield Family Morale, Welfare and Recreation director, discusses FMWR programs with tour participants, Aug. 24 on Hunter Army Airfield. During this stop, FMWR staff showcased a wide range of equipment that can be rented through the Hunter Army Airfield Low Country Adventure Center.

BRAVE-HEARTS HONE SKILLS DURING TRAINING

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Soldiers of the 135th Quartermaster Company gathered around Sgt. 1st Class Kendrick Robinson as he demanded a show of hands. Like a Super Bowl winning quarterback, Robinson commanded the eyes and ears of his teammates as he divided up roles of the play they were expected to run. He spouted assignments, timelines, and safety standards. Their huddle broke with a clap of chemical resistant rubber gloves as Soldiers assumed their positions.

Soldiers of the 135th Quartermaster Company, 87th Division Sustainment Support Battalion, 3rd Division Sustainment Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, conducted a ten week training build up where they honed their skills on setting up and manning a forward arming and refueling point for 2nd Battalion, 3rd General Support Aviation Battalion “Knighthawks,” 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade, on Fort Stewart, that culminated during a training event Aug. 26.

3rd DSB Soldiers rarely get the chance to establish a FARP site for an aviation battalion. While not related directly to their mission essential tasks, most petroleum supply specialists inevitably provide fuel for aviation units at some point in their career.

“This is a unique capability that took a lot of coor-

dination and help from our sister companies,” said Capt. Abraham Escobar, commander of 135th Quartermaster Company. “We’re excited for the opportunity to be able to do this.”

Training to achieve aviation fuel standards includes passing a series of checks and fuel quality standards that do not usually apply to ground fuel. This proves that if necessary, 135th Quartermaster Company can support aviation assets with the proper equipment and training to keep them in the fight.

“I want our Soldiers to be proud,” Escobar said. “Because this isn’t something we get to do everyday, I want our Soldiers to get the experience and familiarity of a FARP operation and take it with them moving forward.”

The FARP system is specifically designed for refueling helicopters in remote areas at a designated fuel system supply point. The system is lightweight and can be flown to the refueling point by helicopter or fixed-wing aircraft. The bulk fuel for the system is usually flown to the site in 500-gallon collapsible drums by utility or cargo helicopters. For this training exercise, Soldiers simulated pumping fuel directly from a 2,500 gallon heavy expanded mobility tactical truck.

“FARP is important because it extends a range of our aviation assets in any operation and along the battlefield,” said Warrant Officer Omar Stoddard, a petroleum systems technician.

Much like a race car pit crew, a team of petroleum fuel supply specialists at the FARP can refuel and reload an aircraft within minutes.

Employing a FARP increases Soldiers’ abilities to efficiently complete a mission by providing a mobile refueling point anywhere an aircraft is able to land and eliminating the need to return to the main base or a fueling station.

In 2020, 135th Quartermaster Company sent a platoon of Soldiers to Honduras in support of Joint Task Bravo. While there, they provided humanitarian aid during hurricanes Eta and Iota. They moved equipment, performed FARP and refueling operations, and executed ground fuel operations, which required constant travel between nearby countries.

“Our time in Honduras allowed us to gain valuable experiences doing jump-FARPs, which is where we moved from one remote location to the next, setting up and breaking down our equipment from site to site with very little support,” said Sgt. 1st Class Kendrick Robinson, a petroleum supply specialist for 135th Quartermaster Company. “It was a great experience.”

With this training under their belt, Soldiers of the 135th Quartermaster Company are well prepared to provide support to aviation assets anywhere in the world.



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Soldiers of the 135th Quartermaster Company, 87th Division Sustainment Support Battalion, 3rd Division Sustainment Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, following the conclusion of a training event with 2nd Battalion, 3rd General Support Aviation Battalion “Knighthawks,” 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade, Aug. 26 on Fort Stewart. This event was the capstone of a 10-week train up that focused on setting up and manning a forward arming and refueling point.