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Mask mandate reinstated



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Senior Commander updates G01, reinstates mask guidelines

Staff report

Effective today, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield General Order 1 requires all individuals to wear a mask inside all on-post facilities on Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield.

Service members are also required to wear a mask inside off-post public buildings and facilities. Examples include barber shops, religious services, grocery stores, and more.

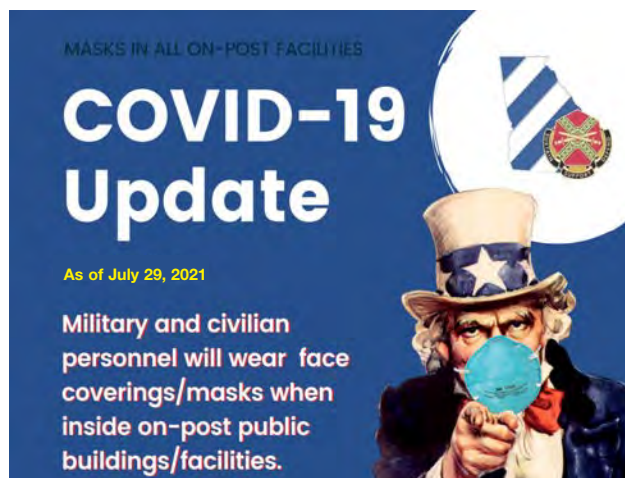
These requirements are required for all individuals, regardless of vaccination status.

Individuals who are not fully vaccinated on Fort Stewart or Hunter Army Airfield must continue to wear a mask indoors and in outdoor public spaces in accordance with previous guidance.

As a reminder, vaccinated Soldiers are required to have a copy of their COVID-19 vaccination card on them at all times for authentication and a digital copy on your cell phone will meet this requirement.

Service members and Civilian employees who misrepresent their vaccination status may be subject to appropriate adverse administrative actions.

These changes are a protection measure in response to the elevated risk and increase in cases of the Delta variant in the Tri-County area and in continued alignment with recent CDC guidelines and mask policy



changes in neighboring communities to Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield.

While at off-post establishments, all DoD personnel should comply with updated CDC, State and local guidelines regarding the wear of masks and any other COVID-19 restrictions.

More details will be coming, and additional details have been published through official channels. Those with questions are asked to speak with their chain of command.

To read the latest General Order 1 guidance, visit home.army.mil/stewart.

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Marne Voices Speak Out

What are your best back to school tips?

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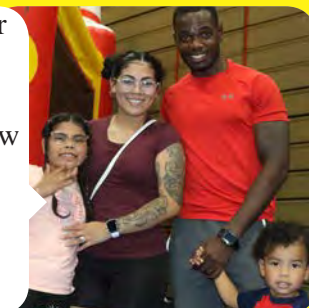
"Study hard and do well. Studying leads to success, good grades leads to success, and there will be a lot more opportunities for you."

The Ramirez Family



"Make sure to get your kids everything they need, way before its time for school and new clothes for the school year"

The Simpson Family



"Manage your time well and prepare ahead of time, it makes things easier."

The Carmona and Lora Families



"Have fun and be prepared with anything essential to send the kids back to school"

The Turner Family

"Make sure you have a planned out outfit for everyday."

The Stone and Locata Families



Cover: Cayla Cloncs, a guidance counselor at the Sgt. 1st Class Paul R. Smith Army Education Center, assists a parent during the Fort Stewart Marne Palooza event, July 27 at Newman Fitness Center. (Photo by Pfc. Michael Udejiofor)

Photo by Molly Cooke

Retired Lt. Gen. Raymond Mason, Army Emergency Relief director (left), discusses updated AER processes to Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield Garrison Commander, Col. Manny Ramirez (right), during a meet-and-greet session, July 20 at the Garrison Headquarters on Fort Stewart. During the visit, Mason explained the AER program and the importance of financial planning for Soldiers, Family members and Retirees across the Army.



Program takes guesswork out of financial assistance for Soldiers, Families

Molly Cooke

Fort Stewart Public Affairs

The life of a service member isn't always easy. But, of all the things a Soldier has to worry about on a daily basis, finances shouldn't be one of them.

That's where the Army Emergency Relief program comes in.

Retired Lt. Gen. Raymond Mason, Army Emergency Relief director, visited Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield, July 20-21 to promote the program and solicit feedback from installation leadership on what they would like to see the non-profit provide Soldiers and Family Members.

In an effort to ease unexpected financial burdens that may arise in a service member's life, AER has taken the guesswork out of financial planning by providing over \$2 billion to Soldiers, Family Members and retirees through zero-interest loans, grants and educational scholarships.

The program has been in existence since 1942.

AER is based 100% on the donations from Soldiers and American citizens with 90 cents from every dollar directly returning to Soldiers and their Families.

"We're not trying to create demand; we're trying to meet valid demand," Mason said. "That's the one thing that keeps me up at night — is there a Soldier or Family member out there that's hurting and doesn't know about us?"

The AER program offers lending options in over 30 categories. The three biggest products being loans, grants, and a combination of a loan and a grant.

"All emergency relief loans start off as a 50% grant, and a 50% loan regardless of a service mem-

ber's rank," Mason said. "It could become 100% grant depending on your individual circumstances. If you have a serious illness or experience a death in the Family, you're already dealing with enough. We don't want to add to that burden."

Mason explained that he and his team also look to ease the burden on those who may be concerned about loan repayment and credit scores.

"There is no need for any Soldier on this installation to lose sleep over not having enough food; not knowing how they're going to fill their vehicle up with gas; or how is their rent going to be paid," Fleming said. "They should sleep well knowing that they can reach out to us to receive the financial assistance they need."

"You'd be surprised how many people ask us what our interest rates are," he said. "We offer our grants and loans at a 0% interest rate and we don't involve a service member's credit in our decision to offer assistance at all."

Additionally, if a service member needs extra time to pay off a loan, all it takes is a simple phone call to the AER office for an extension.

"We are able to extend a loan repayment for up to four extra months," said James Fleming, Army Community Service Financial Readiness program manager. "All it takes is a simple phone call or for them to just come in and speak with one of our financial counselors."

Fleming also expressed the importance of anonymity throughout the loan process.

As long as a service member has been in the Army for more than 12 months, there isn't a need to seek a commander's approval to receive a loan. Additionally, there isn't a limit to how many times a service member can seek assistance through AER.

"We want our Soldiers to understand that there is no need to go downtown to get a loan or to try to circumvent your commanders because you need financial assistance," he said. "Especially when AER is right here on the installation in the form of no-interest loans and grants. As long as there is a need, we are happy to provide."

In addition to financial assistance, the Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield AER program has five certified financial counselors on staff to assist Soldiers and Family members with budgeting and financial planning.

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To learn about the installation's AER program, visit home.army.mil/stewart/index.php/about/Garrison/acs/financial-readiness.

Garrison hosts virtual back to school town hall



Screen capture

The Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield Garrison Command team hosted a virtual back to school town hall, July 21 via Facebook Live and Twitter. School superintendents from Fort Stewart DoDEA schools, along with Liberty, Long, Bryan, and Chatham counties, were in attendance to provide information about the upcoming 2021-22 school year and answer questions from Families who were in attendance. The town hall can be viewed via the Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages.



Photo by Molly Cooke

Below: Col. Manny Ramirez, Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield garrison commander (left), Command Sgt. Maj. Bryan Buchanan, Fort Stewart garrison senior enlisted leader, Dr. Franklin Perry, Liberty County Schools superintendent and Melaniann Pass, Liberty County Schools military coordinator, participate in a back to school town hall, July 21 on Fort Stewart. The town hall was hosted virtually via Facebook Live, Twitter and Instagram.

BACK TO SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE

DoDEA Schools

Sneak-A-Peek: Aug 2, (virtual)

Open House: Sept 7, 4-6 p.m.
(virtual)

Liberty County

July 30

Middle/High: 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Elementary: 3-6 p.m.

Aug 2

Elementary: 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Middle/High: 3-6 p.m.

Bryan County

July 28

Richmond Hill Middle: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. (virtual), 1-6 p.m. (in-person)

July 29

Carver Elementary: 4-6 p.m. | McAllister Elementary: 4-7 p.m.

Frances Meeks Elementary: 4-7 p.m. | Richmond Hill High: 4-6 p.m.

Richmond Hill Primary: 5-7 p.m.

Aug 2

Richmond Hill Elementary: 4-6 p.m.

Long County

July 28: Elementary: 3-6 p.m.

July 29: Middle/High: 3-6 p.m.

Effingham County

Aug 2: Middle/High: 4-7 p.m.

Aug 3: Elementary: 4-7 p.m.

Chatham County

Pulaski:

Aug 1: 1-3 p.m. (Grades PreK-2)

Aug 1: 3-5 p.m. (Grades 3-5)

Southwest Middle:

Aug 1: 3-6 p.m. (Grade 6)

Aug 2: 4-7 p.m. (Grades 7 & 8)

Beach:

Aug 1: 4-7 p.m. (Grade 9)

Aug 2: 4:30-6:30 p.m. (Grades 10-12)

For more info contact the
Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield
School Liaison Officer at 767-6533.





ACS, MWR, Coastal Happening Briefs

Hunter to host housing town hall

Residents of the New Gannam housing area on Hunter Army Airfield are invited to join installation leadership for an in-person Housing Town Hall Friday, July 30 at 5 p.m.

Download the Digital Garrison app

Download the Digital Garrison app for your guide to all on post services, local news and more. Available for free on your android or Apple device. Just search for Digital Garrison app and choose Fort Stewart Hunter Army Airfield to get started.

Podcast now on iTunes, Spotify

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.

3rd ID Museum resumes services

The 3rd Infantry Division Fort Stewart Museum is open again for visitors. Hours of operation are Tuesday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and the first Saturday of the month from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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.; Tuesdays between 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and July 31 and Aug 7 between 8 a.m. and 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. Also, 8 a.m. to noon, Aug. 14. 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.

Tuttle to offer school health screenings

Tuttle AHC will offer a school health screening and school/sports physical exam drive on Aug. 14 from 8 a.m. to noon. COVID-19 vaccination appointments are also available. In order to decrease wait times, please be sure to schedule each of your children requiring a screening/physical for an appointment, bring the child's immunization records and required forms. To book an appointment, call 435-6633.

School health screenings offered

Winn Army Community Hospital will host Health Fairs to complete all examinations and paperwork for the Georgia Public School Health Screening, DoD School physicals, and the Sports Participation Examinations, July 31 and Aug. 7. Dental hygiene evaluation, vision testing, hearing evaluation, nutrition optimization, scoliosis screen, immunizations, and the COVID vaccine for children 12 and over are part of the activities; which are scheduled at 8 a.m., 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. July 31 and Aug. 7. Call the appointment line at 435-6633 to reserve your appointment. Check-in for appointments will be in the main lobby of Winn Army Community Hospital. If you can not make one of the health fair dates, you can schedule a health screenings via the call center, 435-6633.

Holbrook Pond closure

Holbrook Pond is currently closed to fishing and boating for the month of July. All other surrounding areas, to include picnic pavilion rental, basketball and volleyball courts, will remain open. For more information, hours of operation, campground prices, and more, visit stewarthunter.armymwr.com.

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.

Visit Birdie's Snack Bar on Hunter

Birdie's Snack Bar, located inside the Hunter Golf Course clubhouse, offers a variety of lunch specials, such as a smoke brisket sandwich, quarter ribeye steak burger, and wing combo. Open Tuesday through Friday, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.. To view the full menu visit stewarthunter.armymwr.com/happenings/birdies-snack-bar. Dine-in and to-go options available. To place your order, call 315-9115.

Tominac Fitness Center now open 24/7

Tominac Fitness Center is now open 24/7 to patrons. To register your CAC for 24/7 access visit Tominac Fitness Center, Monday-Friday, from 6 a.m.-8 p.m.. For details call 315-5078.

Caro Fitness Center now open

Caro Fitness Center is now open Mon-Fri, 6-8 a.m. to Active Duty and 8 a.m.-1 p.m. to authorized DoD ID cardholders. For more information call 767-4763.

City of Riceboro hosts First Friday

The City of Riceboro will host a First Friday event, Aug. 6 from 4-8 p.m.. Special performance by the 3rd Infantry Division "Dog Face" Brass Band at 5 p.m. Food vendors have been invited. For more information call 884-2986.

Visit LibertyCounty.org

For things to do and best places to eat in Hinesville and Liberty County visit the Liberty County Chamber website: libertycounty.org/ It's your one stop shop for anything happening here in 'The Gem of the Georgia Coast.'

VFW hosts Military Appreciation Day

All are invited to the VFW Post 660 Military Appreciation Day event, Aug. 7, at 1 p.m. come enjoy kids activities and live music. For more information call 235-3001.

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.

SFAB Recruiting Facebook Live event

The Security Force Assistance Brigade assesses Soldiers encourages interested Soldiers to attend information briefs and meet with the SFAB Recruiting Team at facebook.com/SFABRecruiting every Wednesday at 2 p.m. Visit goarmy.com/sfab for information.

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.

DANTES reimbursement program to end

DANTES, the sponsored college and career readiness exams reimbursement will sunset Oct. 1. Service members must submit exam reimbursement requests via the DANTES Exam Reimbursement Center no later than June 30. Be sure to attach a copy of your payment receipt and score report. Exams that will no longer be offered and/or reimbursed by DANTES, as of July 1, 2021, include the: GED, ACT, SAT, GRE, GMAT, and the Praxis Series. If you have any questions, please contact the Fort Stewart Education Center at 767-8331.

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

As of 28 June 2021, AKO has sunsetted/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.

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.

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.

Military spouse employment brief slated

Fort Stewart CPAC will host a Military Spouse Employment Information brief via Facebook Live on Aug. 4 from 1-2 p.m. Topics include military spouse employment preference, USA Jobs resources and resume format. For more information call 767-1585 or visit facebook.com/Fort-Stewart-Civilian-Personnel-Advisory-Center-CPAC-106558614747063

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.

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 iSA-LUTE by visiting inscom.army.mil/isalute/.

ArmyIgnitED offers exception to policy

ArmyIgnitED is not functioning as intended to provide Soldier access to Tuition Assistance and payment of TA funds to education institutions. ACCESS, Army University has created a manual process to authorize Soldiers to go directly to their education institutions for enrollment using TA. Your Education Institution will need to submit your electronic enrollment file to ArmyIgnitED. The education institutions will be repaid when ArmyIgnitED is fully operational. For the most up to date information check out our website and like us on Facebook. Ft. Stewart / Hunter AAF Website: home.army.mil/stewart/index.php/about/Garrison/DHREducation-center. Facebook: facebook.com/FtStewartACES/.

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.

THE ROCKIN' TOP 3

YOUR WEEKLY TOP 3 FROM AROUND FORT STEWART AND HUNTER

Courtesy photos



TOP 3 WAYS TO GET READY FOR BACK TO SCHOOL ON FORT STEWART-HUNTER ARMY AIRFIELD!



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Spartan human resource officer earns Ranger Tab

Staff Sgt. Brian Ragin
2nd ABCT

1st Lt. Conner M. Webber, a 26-year-old Ellijay native and human resource officer assigned to 3rd Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, earned the coveted Ranger Tab on June 25 on Fort Benning. It is not unusual to see the occasional human resource Soldier at the U.S. Army Ranger School because they are needed to fill the ranks of the prestigious 75th Ranger Regiment. But for one human resource officer in the 3rd ID, the goal and a stepping stone graduating the Ranger School became a reality.

Ranger School was developed during the Korean War and designed to build the combat skills of selected officers and enlisted personnel, requiring them to perform effectively as small-unit leaders in a realistic, tactical environment. The school is one of the toughest training courses in the Army and consists of 62 days of training and comprises three phases— Benning, Mountain and Florida phase. Candidates must successfully complete each phase.

While deployed to Romania apart of United States Army Europe's Atlantic Resolve mission in 2020 during the COVID-19 pandemic, Webber started physical training for the school after getting the blessing from his battalion commander.

"I was ecstatic to see a non-infantry staff officer wanting to challenge himself with Ranger School," said Lt. Col. Brian D. Fisher, commander of the 3rd Bn., 15th IR. "I informed Webber that he would have to compete for the opportunity to attend Ranger School just like every other Soldier in the battalion. He took the Ranger Physical Fitness Test used to determine the battalion's Ranger School order of

merit list prior to leaving Romania earning his shot to attend Ranger School."

"I focused more on running long distance and rucking during the deployment," said Webber. "I typically added more weight to my ruck, focusing on keeping a 15 minute per mile pace and walking on uneven surfaces."

Webber, who feels he is a part of an elite group of Soldiers who go straight through the course without failing any of the phases, said, "It wasn't easy, everybody struggles, it's a very challenging school. But knowing that I pushed myself and didn't fail out of any of the phases was very rewarding and a comforting feeling."

"Myself along with the rest of the leadership in the 3rd Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, or China Battalion, are extremely proud of Webber's accomplishment," said Fisher. "Ranger School is known as a challenging course that tests both the physical and mental capacity of any Soldier. To have a human resource officer go straight through without recycling any phase is truly a huge accomplishment. I take every opportunity to tell anyone willing to listen that China Battalion's human-resource, staff officer is Ranger qualified. Our battalion as a whole is extremely proud of Webber because he personifies our motto 'Can Do' in word and deed."

"The person to your left or right is going to earn your Ranger Tab," said Webber. "If you're not supporting them when their in a leadership position, then their not going to support you when it's your turn."

One of Webber's long-term goals since joining the Army was to work in the 75th Ranger Regiment or the special operations community. Now that he is Ranger qualified, he is one step closer.

Courtesy photo

1st Lt. Conner Webber assigned to 3rd Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, pulls security during the Mountain Phase of Ranger School in Dahlonga, June 2021. Ranger School is the Army's toughest course and the premier small unit tactics and leadership school.



The importance of storm water

Amanda Price
DPW Environmental

Whether your facility or residence is two blocks or twenty miles from the water, it has connections to local bodies of water. One such connection is storm drains. Every community is full of rooftops, paved driveways, streets, parking lots, and loading docks. These types of surfaces are known as "impervious," meaning water (rain) cannot penetrate them. Runoff from these areas becomes storm water runoff, which enters storm drains and is carried through a conveyance system directly (without treatment) into local waters.

As storm water runoff travels, it picks up pollutants such as oil, grease, chemicals, dust from vehicle brakes, etc. Since runoff is not treated, anything it picks up along the way is deposited into local waters. According to the Natural Resource Defense Council, a one-acre parking lot produces 16 times more storm water runoff than a meadow of similar size. As little as 5 percent impervious surface can harm the animals and plants living in or along natural streams because the runoff moves faster, carries more sediment, and may cause flooding during heavy rain events.

Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield has taken a sustainable approach to storm water management by utilizing strategies to help minimize runoff and control the volume and frequency of storm water discharges. However, these efforts alone are not enough to sustain our aquatic resources. Everyone living

and working on the Installation plays a role in preventing storm water pollution. By implementing some of the strategies listed below, each of us can help ensure the installation's aquatic ecosystem will be here for future generations of Soldiers and their Families to enjoy. Remember, clean water isn't just good business –it's everybody's business.

Here are some ways you can help prevent storm water pollution:

- Wash cars at an Installation wash rack for personal vehicles or off-post car wash.
- Use drip pans and funnels when changing fluids. Do NOT dispose of these in the woods. Recycle used oil and filters at gas stations or autocraft shops on post.
- Clean oil, grease, or chemical spills immediately and do not rinse the spill area with water.
- Periodically inspect your car for leaks and promptly repair any you find.
- Dry sweep garage floors and driveways instead of wet washing.
- Dispose of pet waste by flushing, burying, or trashing.
- Promptly pick up yard waste and bag for proper disposal.

For more information on the installation storm water program, visit home.army.mil/stewart/index.php/about/Garrison/DPW/environmental/prevention-and-compliance/water.



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The Springs Splash Park at the Corkan Recreation Area on Fort Stewart is just one of the many facilities that benefits from the Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield Directorate of Public Works storm water program.

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MAINTAINERS INCREASE EFFICIENCY DURING TRAINING

Sgt. Andrew McNeil
3rd CAB

The AH-64 Apache helicopter maintenance Soldiers of the 3rd Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment, continue training to learn how to uphold and fix the AH-64E Apache helicopters on Hunter Army Airfield, as the 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, continues fielding the aircraft until the end of 2021.

The previous model of Apache used by the brigade was the AH-64D. In February the 3rd Sqn., 17th Cav. Regt., started rotating Soldiers through a two week and a half week course to learn about the new aircraft.

“The first two weeks were Echo specific which explained the new systems installed in the aircraft and the new capabilities,” said Staff Sgt. Clay Morris, an AH-64 armament, electrical and avionic systems repairer assigned to D Troop, 3rd Sqn., 17th Cav. Regt. “The half week at the end explained the differences between the Delta and the Echo.”

The AH-64E model consolidated multiple operating systems into one unit which increases maintenance efficiency and troubleshooting issues, Morris continued, but the biggest change for the AH-64 armament, electrical and avionic

systems repairers is the efficiency in the wiring system.

“The Delta model used splice junctions for wires, which meant if we needed to do a wire maintenance we had to find that splice point in big bundle of wires and trouble shoot from there,” Morris said. “The Echo uses cannon plugs which makes it a lot easier to troubleshoot, because it’s easier to change out a pin rather than an entire splice and whole new wire.”

The AH-64E also benefits mechanical maintainers who work on the aircraft’s drive train.

“Some of the maintenance tasks are easier because there is more room inside of the Echo,” said Sgt. Brandon Brookes, an AH-64 Helicopter Repairer assigned to D Troop, 3rd Sqn., 17th Cav. Regt. “Then moved things on the aircraft in difference place which make them easier to access.”

As the brigade continues to field the AH-64E Apache helicopters, the maintenance Soldiers of 3rd Sqn., 17th Cav. Regt., will continue learning about and training on the aircraft.

The unit will continue conducting the classes until the end of 2021 to train the new Soldier coming from advanced individual training.



Photos by Sgt. Andrew McNeil

Spc. Cody McKnight, an AH-64 Apache helicopter repairer assigned to the 3rd Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, performs diagnostics on an aircraft during downed aircraft recovery training, July 21 on Hunter Army Airfield.



An AH-64E Apache helicopter sits outside of a hangar as the Soldiers of the 3rd Sqn., 17th Cav. Regt., 3rd CAB, 3rd ID, conduct downed aircraft recovery training, July 21 on Hunter Army Airfield. Downed aircraft recovery team training allows Soldiers to maintain their tactical job proficiency as well as maintain unit readiness.

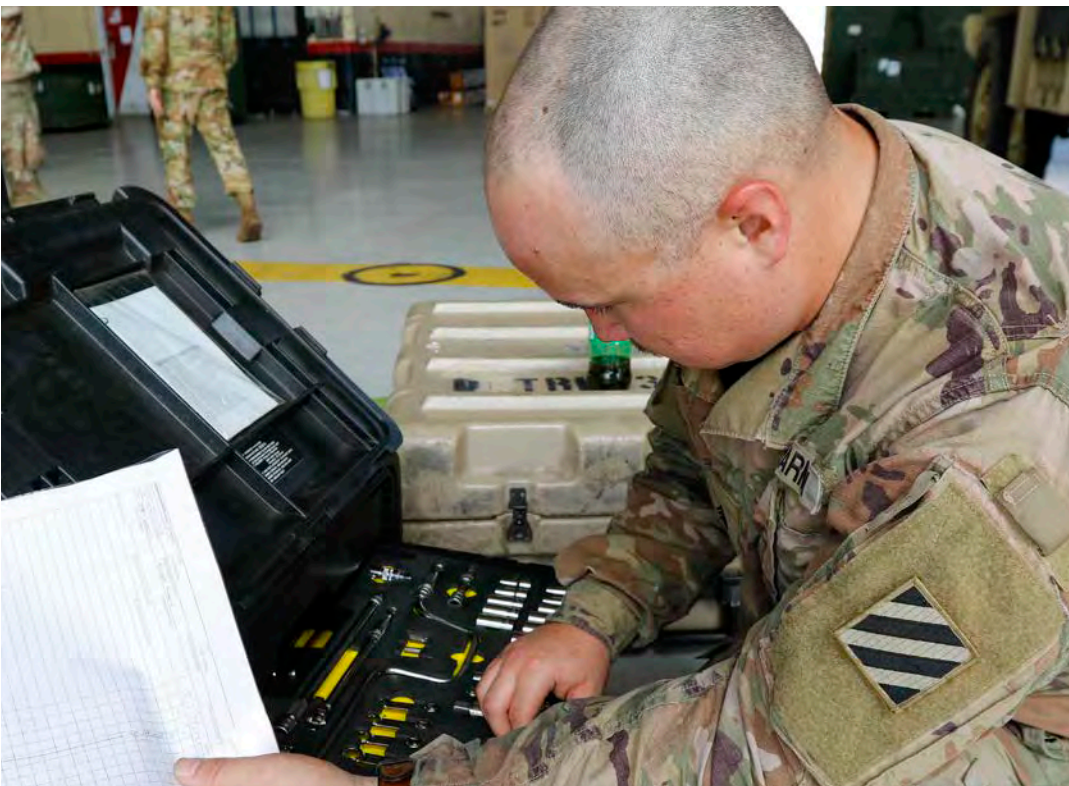


Photo by Sgt. Savannah Roy

Sgt. Brandon Brookes, an AH-64 Apache helicopter repairer assigned to the 3rd Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, goes through his tools as his team performs downed aircraft recovery training, July 21 on Hunter Army Airfield.



Photo by Sgt. Andrew McNeil

Sgt. Brandon Brookes, an AH-64 Apache helicopter repairer assigned to the 3rd Sqn., 17th Cav. Regt., 3rd CAB, 3rd ID, performs diagnostics on an aircraft during downed aircraft recovery training, July 21 on Hunter Army Airfield.



Photo by Sgt. Savannah Roy

An AH-64 Apache helicopter repairer assigned to the 3rd Sqn., 17th Cav. Regt., 3rd CAB, 3rd ID, begins working on an aircraft during downed aircraft recovery training, July 21 on Hunter Army Airfield.

DHR hosts virtual ceremony, selects employee of quarter

Sharon Adams
Directorate of Human Resources

The Directorate of Human Resources hosted their quarterly virtual All Hands employee recognition ceremony, July 15 via Microsoft Teams.

The event included a command information update and employee recognition for significant accomplishments, length of service along with the DHR employee of the quarter for 3rd Quarter FY21.

Employees departing DHR for promotion opportunities were also recognized. The event serves as a platform to share upcoming events, provide information on key topics of interest, and boost morale of DHR employees.

Mark Swindal, from the Administrative Services Division, was selected as the Winner of the 3rd Quarter FY21 DHR Employee of the Quarter for his commitment to excellence, hard work, and resiliency.

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Mark Swindal, Directorate of Human Resources, Administrative Services Division, received the title of DHR employee of the quarter, July 15 during the directorate's virtual All Hands recognition ceremony.

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Defense Health Agency announces new military health system markets

Defense Health Agency

The Defense Health Agency recently announced that more than 120 Army, Navy, and Air Force medical treatment facilities located throughout the country have been reorganized into ten new medical markets.

The markets, as well the flagship medical facilities in that market, are as follows:

- **Augusta** – Eisenhower Army Medical Center, Fort Gordon
- **Central Texas** – Carl R. Darnall Army Medical Center, Fort Hood
- **Coastal North Carolina** – Naval Medical Center Camp Lejeune and Naval Health Clinic Cherry Point
- **Hawaii** – Tripler Army Medical Center, Fort Shafter, Naval Health Clinic Hawaii and 15th Medical Group, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam
- **Low Country** – Winn Army Community Hospital, Fort Stewart
- **Puget Sound** – Madigan Army Medical Center, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Naval Hospital Bremerton, Naval Health Clinic Oak Harbor and 62nd Medical Flight, Joint Base Lewis-McChord
- **Sacramento** – 60th Medical Group, Travis Air Force Base
- **San Diego** – Naval Medical Center San Diego and Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton
- **Southwest Georgia** – Martin Army Community Hospital, Fort Benning
- **Southwest Kentucky** – Blanchfield Army Community Hospital, Fort Campbell

A market is a group of MTFs located in one geographic area that work together with their TRICARE partners, Veterans Affairs hospitals, other federal

health care organizations, as well as private sector teaching hospitals and medical universities, and other health care partners. MTFs within a market operate as a system, sharing patients, staff, budget, and other functions to improve readiness and the delivery and coordination of health services.

“The establishment of markets enables greater collaboration across military hospitals and clinics in the region to strengthen the medical readiness of service members and enable these facilities to deliver better care and a better patient experience,” explained Army Lt. Gen. Ronald L. Place, Defense Health Agency director.

“This is a critical milestone in once-in-a-generation Military Health System reform efforts to improve the readiness of the force and the health care service provided to warfighters, retirees and military Families,” he added.

The effort to establish military medical markets was driven by Section 702 of the Fiscal Year 2017 National Defense Authorization Act, and subsequent guidance provided by Congress that directed the MHS to reorganize, which included redefining the roles of the military departments and the DHA regarding the administration and management of MTFs.

These ten markets are part of an ongoing transformation of the military health system. Previously established markets include the National Capital Region, Coastal Mississippi, Jacksonville, Central North Carolina, Tidewater, Colorado, and San Antonio.

The military departments will continue transitioning administration and management responsibility of MTFs to DHA over the next year.

Media organizations interested in more information or to request interviews on this subject, please contact Peter Graves at peter.j.graves10.civ@mail.mil.

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Leilani Diane Reyes, a girl, 7 pounds, born to Spc. Leslie Reyes.

July 22

Evelyn Helena Dominik, a girl, 7 pounds, 8 ounces, born to Spc. Matthew Dominik and Brittinie Dominik.

Lincoln Anthony Holmes, a boy, 1 pound, 11 ounces, born to 1st Lt. Marquis Holmes and Bridget Holmes.

Patrice Nimoh Duah, a girl, 7 pounds, 2 ounces, born to Sgt. Patrick Duah and Ataa Kwartemaa.

July 23

London Simone Arrington, a girl, 6 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Spc. Neco Arrington and Spc. Teanna King.

Alexander Casey Crean, a boy, 8 pounds 10 ounces, born to Staff Sgt. Craig Crean and Cheyenne Crean.

July 24

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Infantryman and Vietnamese American tells his story

Sgt. 1st Class Justin Naylor
3rd Infantry Division

By the time Spc. Vuongkhang Luong joined the Army, he had already lived a pretty full life. He spent a few years in Marine Corps Reserves. He worked as police officer at a local law enforcement agency. He was even married and expecting his first child.

These things alone made him stand out from other entry-level Soldiers. However, there was one more thing about Luong that set him apart. He is also the child of Vietnamese immigrants.

"The Vietnam War is what brought my parents over here," said Luong, who now serves as infantryman with 1st Battalion, 28th Infantry Regiment "Black Lions," 3rd Infantry Division. "My grandfather served with the U.S. Army. That's why my mom and dad were able to get a visa to come over."

Luong grew up as the only child in his family. He said his parents raised him in a traditional Vietnamese manner, but things started to change when he went to school.

"Growing up learning one way and then going to grade school and learning a different way," said Luong. It was a hard adjustment for him to make.

Luong said that while his parents were traditional by his standards, they paled in comparison to the parents of those who were freshly emigrated from Vietnam.

"Kids who came over from Vietnam

were taught a different way," explained Luong. "It is crazy seeing how the generation that was brought up in Vietnam is different than those raised in America."

This point was reinforced when as a child, he and his parents took a trip to Vietnam. It was an eye-opening experience for him.

"It was a different experience going over there," said Luong. "I didn't know anything. I had never been to Vietnam."

He felt like he stood out, even though his family was from the country.

"They know you're an American, and it stands out with your accent, the way you look, and the way you hold yourself," he said.

One memory has stayed fresh in Luong's mind that highlights just how little he understood his Vietnamese heritage as a child.

"My grandfather served in the South Vietnamese Army, and he has this huge yellow flag with three red stripes, which represented the allied side of the Vietnam," he said. "I stuck it out the window and waved it back and forth," he continued. "I didn't know any better. All the adults were down stairs and I'm stuck up here, so I'm going to play with this flag."

His family quickly rushed to pull the flag back in and explained that many of the mental wounds from the war are still fresh in Vietnam and that waving that flag could be dangerous for his family.

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Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Justin Naylor

Spc. Vuongkhang Luong, an Adairsville native and infantryman with 1st Battalion, 28th Infantry Regiment "Black Lions," 3rd Infantry Division, looks down the sights of a Japan Ground Self-Defense Force weapon during exercise Orient Shield 21-2 at Aibano Training Area, Japan, June 24.



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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



15 Taylor Wells Lane Hinesville - \$209,900 SALE PENDING

This listing won't last long! Outside the City limits, No City Taxes, No HOA!! This beautiful corner lot 4 bedroom, 2 bathroom home is absolutely perfect! It features a master suite with jetted jacuzzi tub and separate shower, eat in kitchen and formal dining room. The outside features red brick, as well as a 2 car garage, screened in back porch with an enormous fenced in backyard. Tile & hard-

wood floors flow throughout. Don't miss out on this great opportunity! Jimmy Shanken at 912-977-4733 cell or Jimmy.shanken@theshankenteam.com



183 Bright Lakes Road Hinesville - \$320,000 SALE PENDING

Have you been searching for the perfect home? Well don't let this one pass you by. Three bedroom, three true bath brick home. The current pool/game room could be used as a fourth bedroom which would make this house a split floor plan. This home sits on 4.05 acres with an attached 2 car carport and screened in porch area, There is also a huge detached two car garage along with plenty of room for his tools and workshop area. It also has an in-ground well, maintained chlorine pool and nice sized stocked lake. And did I mention it is located right outside the city limits? Jimmy Shanken at 912-977-4733 cell or Jimmy.shanken@theshankenteam.com



158 Yellow Bluff Drive Midway - \$499,900 UNDER CONTRACT

Looking for the perfect coastal home? Don't let this one pass you by! With detail around every corner, this southern living cottage floor plan, 3 suite, 3 full bath suite, 1 half bath home is located a few steps from the rivers of coastal Georgia. With the master bedroom on the ground floor, high cathedral ceilings, and plenty of closet space, you'll never want to leave. On the outside of the house, you see a large screened porch, as well as a Kitchen Aid BBQ, wood burning fireplace, and large seating area. With pecky cypress ceilings, tongue and groove walls downstairs, and heart pine floors throughout, you'll fall in love as soon as you step inside. Located in a marina community with

a dock and boatlift, this listing won't last long! Jimmy Shanken at 912-977-4733 cell or Jimmy.shanken@theshankenteam.com



427 Lancaster Loop Hinesville - \$145,000 UNDER CONTRACT

3 bedroom, 2 bathroom, brick home in the sought after Fairington subdivision. Enclosed sunroom/ man cave with fenced-in yard, two-car garage. Conveniently located close to schools, shopping areas, and Ft. Stewart army base. Jimmy Shanken at 912-977-4733 cell or Jimmy.shanken@theshankenteam.com



1462 Paul Caswell Boulevard, Hinesville - \$149,900

IMMACULATE MOVE-IN READY brick home conveniently located in Hinesville, Georgia! 3 bedroom, 2 full bath, home with a beautiful front and back yard. This home features a beautiful wood-burning fireplace in the living room, tile floors in the kitchen, dining, breakfast area, and family room. Stainless steel appliances, dishwasher, refrigerator, stove, microwave. Large walk-in pantry. One-car garage. The home also features high cathedral ceilings. Privacy fence in the backyard. This home has been remodeled. It is located close to Fort Stewart gates, as well as shopping areas, restaurants and schools. No HOA!! Give me a call to schedule your showing. Co-listed with Brigitte Cabeza-Shanken 912-222-8279



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

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

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

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 Hines-

ville 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!

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135 Kallquist Drive Flemington - \$61,500

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 Parkway, 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

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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 Inter-

national 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.

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625 Carter Road Walthourville, GA 31333 - \$349,900

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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
Commercial land available! Stop by today and see the endless possibilities! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

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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 Gumbbranch - \$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

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10 Acres Scrub Oak Lane, Glennville - \$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 nikigaskin@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 entrance. 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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Returning home from Vietnam brought new understanding for Luong of the challenges his family faced to become Americans.

He remembers watching his parents struggle with English and overcome obstacles that so many immigrant families face.

“Coming over here for Vietnam for them, they really had to adapt and overcome through a lot of different trials and tribulations,” said Luong. “They didn’t know much English and they had to fit into a whole different society.”

Luong’s family spent his elementary and middle school years in downtown Atlanta, where he was surrounded by a vibrant Vietnamese community. This all changed as he prepared to enter high school when his family moved to Adairsville, Georgia.

“When I moved to a high school, I went to a place where I was the only Vietnamese person in the school,” said Luong. “It was a culture change moving away from my childhood friends who were all Vietnamese and moving to a more Southern and isolated school. I kind of just adapted to the whole Southern hospitality thing and tried to fit in.”

Although the community was different, Luong said his parents helped him keep in touch with his Vietnamese ancestry.

“They always told me not to forget where I came from,” he said. “They told me not to forget my roots.”

As Luong prepared to graduate high school, his mind was set on serving in the Marine Corps. His parents had other ideas.

“They wanted me to go to college,” he said. “They pushed for me to be a lawyer or to be a doctor. I just didn’t see any interest in it.”

Since he was only 17 years old, Luong had to meet his parents halfway.

“My parents made me go Reserve,” explained Luong, who said his parents refused to sign consent for anything more than the Marine Corps Reserve, where he served in aviation ordinance.

Since he was only serving part time, Luong decided to try out school and enrolled in Chattahoochee Technical College. It didn’t take him long to realize that college wasn’t the right choice at that point in his life.

“It just wasn’t my thing,” he said.

Unfortunately, Luong’s time in the Reserve would soon come to a close as the Marine Corps made the decision to shutter his unit. He was offered another position



Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Justin Naylor

Spc. Vuongkhang Luong, an Adairsville, Georgia, native and infantryman with 1st Battalion, 28th Infantry Regiment “Black Lions,” 3rd Infantry Division, points at the uniform of a Japan Ground Self-Defense Force member during exercise Orient Shield 21-2 at Aibano Training Area, Japan, June 24.

in Louisiana, but it was further away than he wanted to travel.

Fortunately, there was another option.

After speaking with a Marine recruiter about his goals, the recruiter advised that he go and speak with the Army recruiters across the hall. He was signing enlistment paperwork soon after.

“I went over there and I talked to the Army,” said Luong. “I have goals and aspirations; if there is any place I can chase it, it is the Army. They are going to be the branch that is going to give me the most opportunities, the most avenues of approach to chase my goals.”

For Luong, it wasn’t just changing military branches. The job he selected in the Army was quite different than his job in the Marine Corps Reserve.

“If I’m going to do anything, it’s going to be infantry,” he said. “If I’m joining the Army, I want to be kicking down doors.”

Luong had another motivation for choosing infantry. Throughout his time in the military, he admired one individual in particular.

“I always looked up to Maj. Gen. Viet Luong,” he said referring to the now-retired Army infantry officer who most recently commanded U.S. Army Japan.

“We are in no way related,” he joked. “He was the first Vietnamese-born person to become a general. It was amazing to see

a Vietnamese individual achieve that rank.”

Luong says he aspires to follow in the retired officer’s footsteps and achieve similarly great things during his time in the service.

Now serving as infantryman, Luong has already started his journey toward excellence. He’s also taken to heart the lessons on overcoming challenges that he learned his parents.

During a recent iteration of Expert Infantry Badge testing hosted by his unit, Luong faced maybe his greatest personal struggle so far.

Following the completion of a train-up week, Luong began testing for his EIB. Although he made mistakes during testing, he was still in the running by the end when it came time to complete the final event: a 12-mile forced march.

“I was hydrating the entire week and I was doing good and feeling confident,” Luong said. “We weighed bags in morning and my bag was 10 pounds overweight.”

His first sergeant advised he shed some weight and then re-weigh his bags, but Luong was confident he could finish with the extra.

“I didn’t want to sit here and just pull stuff out and be underweight,” he said. “I would rather be a little overweight and pass rather than go through a whole week of testing and be underweight and fail.”

The event began and Luong partnered up with a team leader. They ran and walked intermittently to keep up a quick pace.

“I’m drinking water,” he said. “About halfway in, my [water pack] was empty. I had a bottle of water and finished that. My first sergeant gave me a drink and I finished that, too.”

“About mile nine, I started to feel really fatigued,” he continued. “It was hurting really bad. My feet were hurting, my legs were hurting, and I stopped sweating. By mile 11, I had one mile left, and I started to feel tremendous pain in my legs and my back. About 500 yards from the finish line, I fell. Everyone was surrounding me. I tried to get back up and I was wobbling the last yards. I don’t remember much of it except what they told me.”

“I passed the finish line at 2 hours and 59 minutes,” Luong said. EIB participants are allowed three hours to finish the march. “I don’t remember taking off my rucksack. I was cramping so bad. My whole entire body was cramping.”

He was rushed back to his unit area to be monitored. An ambulance was called soon after.

“They pushed liquids and IVs immediately,” he said. “I was in the hospital the entire weekend. Everyone came and saw me.”

End of summer event brings Families together

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The Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield Morale, Welfare and Recreation Division held an annual end-of-summer bash known as Marne Palooza at both installations this week.

The event took place at the Newman Fitness Center on Fort Stewart July 27 and Tominac Fitness Center on Hunter Army Airfield July 29.

"This is the place you want to be," said Cara Bates, the special events coordinator for the Fort Stewart MWR. "This is where you're going to get all the resources that you need."

Attendees were greeted by booths from the Army Substance Abuse Program, Military Family Life Counselor, the Education Center, United Service Organization, Army Community Service, Department of Human Services, Exceptional Family Members Program, The Directorate of Emergency Services, Retirement Service Office, Transportation of Personal Property and Legal Services. The event was open to Soldiers of all ranks, military Families and Department of Defense ID card holders.

The event was previously known as Care Fair, but the name changed this year to Marne Palooza. The change was made to emphasize that the event offers a host of economic and social benefits while also tying in fun family events, such as a bounce house, food trucks, and activity booth.

"The name change makes it sound a little bit more intriguing and fun," said Bates.

In this era of Covid-19, Marne Palooza planners took steps to ensure the safety of attendees, which included wearing masks if not fully vaccinated, and appropriate social distancing.

"We have everyone spread out so there's a lot of room for social distancing inside," said Bates. "We

have hand washing stations and we just asked that people practice their normal safety measures; we're just going to keep continuing those good habits."

Historically, the event was designed as a way to pass information to those who need it, but this year hosts focused on making it fun for families.

"We placed emphasis on doing really hands-on activity, so even our vendors, and our garrison team are doing some," said Bates. "It's more interactive to get the children and the parents engaged and to make more connections with them and the community. I hope they walk away knowing that we are a huge community here."

MWR worked alongside community partners to make this event happen, resulting in a large turnout. Many attendees left with bags full of educational materials including information packets and contact information for agencies across post.

"This is not just a one time event," said Bates. "You have all these resources to utilize afterward."

"This event has been so much fun," said Staff Sgt. Elizabeth Wise, president of the Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers program on Fort Stewart. "It was amazing to see all the families getting out here, networking, working together and seeing all the services available to them on and off post."

MWR has more community events planned for the near future. BOSS will host a haunted house October 22-23 at Holbrook Pond. A fall carnival is slated to take place October 22-25 and Oktoberfest will be October 23, both events will take place at Donovan Field on Fort Stewart.

"I thought the event was outstanding," said Col. Manny Ramirez, garrison commander for Fort Stewart. "We opened ourselves up to the community and the community came. This is great."

For more information, visit StewartHunter.ArmyMWR.com.



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A young Family member poses for a photo with the Fort Stewart Recycling Program mascot, July 28 at the Marne Palooza event on Fort Stewart. The event celebrated the end of summer and welcomed the beginning of the 2021-22 school year with a host of vendors from both the installation and community.



Photo by Pfc. Michael Udejiofor

Sgt. Terry Climpson and his family pose for a picture in the Newman Fitness Center during Marne Palooza, July 28 on Fort Stewart. Marne Palooza is a yearly event held by the Fort Stewart Morale, Wellness and Recreation Division where Soldiers and Families can find resources and contact information for agencies around post.