



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, 2ND BATTALION, 7TH INFANTRY REGIMENT
1ST ARMORED BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM
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FORT STEWART, GEORGIA 31314

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Dear Arriving Soldiers & Families,

Welcome to the Cottonbalers! The 2nd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment is a one of the oldest units in the United States Army. The Battalion was constituted in January of 1812 and has fought in every major war since 1812. The unit earned its nickname, "The Cottonbalers" at the Battle of New Orleans and has been awarded 68 campaign streamers and 13 unit citations.

The Cottonbalers maintain this proud history through continual preparation to fight and win our nation's wars. As part of the 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team and 3d Infantry Division, you will be joining the most modernized heavy division in the United States Army. You will find this assignment both professionally challenging and personally rewarding.

Located in the town of Hinesville, Georgia, Fort Stewart is approximately one hour from Savannah, Georgia and a couple hours from Hilton Head, South Carolina; Jacksonville, Florida; or Atlanta, Georgia. The area is well known for its beautiful weather, landscape, dining, and entertainment for both single Soldiers and families. You and your family will be able to experience a wide range of activities in a culturally abundant area.

Newcomers will be assigned a sponsor and report to the Marne Reception Center for in-processing with 3d Infantry Division and Fort Stewart. You can find more information about reception at Fort Stewart and the area at the following link:

<https://home.army.mil/stewart/index.php/my-fort/newcomers-1>, which includes a virtual orientation for both single Soldiers and families.

The Battalion will contact new Soldiers while at the Marne Reception Center and transition Soldiers and families into their respective companies once the Soldier completes division level in-processing. Contact **1LT Elaine Hayes** at Elaine.t.hayes.mil@mail.mil or **912-435-1577** if you do not have a sponsor or you need assistance with your arrival to Fort Stewart.

Every single Cottonbaler is an important member of our team. Good luck on your transition to Fort Stewart and we are looking forward to your arrival!

Sincerely,


Joseph C. Cobb
Command Sergeant Major, U.S. Army


George M. Morris
Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Army
Commanding

COTTONBALERS, BY GOD!

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Follow the Cottonbalers on -

 **2-7 Infantry** (open) / **2-7 Infantry Families** (closed group)
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