



Fort Gordon Spouses' and Civilians' Club
 A Private Organization not affiliated with Fort Gordon or the US Army

Magnolia News

September 2011

From our President.....

Hi again,

September is upon us and thoughts turn to fall. The kids are back in school and, once again, we are back in our routine. I hope you all had a chance to make it to our Super Signup. It was a great affair. "Thank you" to all our vendors and community contributors and a special "thank you" to Gail for an outstanding program! We are looking forward to the many programs you have planned for us. Our next event will take place at Gordon Lakes. It will be for golf lessons and lunch, so please come and join us.

To keep up with us be sure to check out our web page <http://fgscc.com/> and our Facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Fort-Gordon-Spouses-and-Civilians-Club/119950784729949>. It's also time for Christmas House preparations. Our next meeting will be at 10 a.m., September 9 at Christmas House. Come and join the fun. AFAP is coming up in October. If you would like to submit a topic or become a delegate contact Terri Ryan at ACS. If you have some free time check out our various activities...we have so much to offer. Hope to see you soon!

Welcome back,
 Susie



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*Welcome and Thank
 You to Our Advisors!*



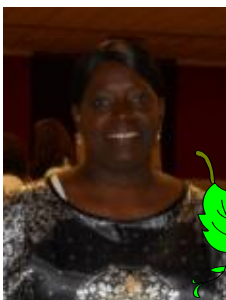
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Don't Let This Be Your Last Newsletter!

We send two newsletters to **past** members each fall. If you were a member for 2010-2011 and have not renewed your membership for 2011-2012, now is the time to sign up to keep your newsletters coming! You will find a membership application in this newsletter or you may contact Evette Ingwersen for more information regarding membership! We don't want to lose you, so rejoin today!



Our Super Signup/
Kickoff Event
Was A
HUGE Success!



Make new friends.....



.....But keep the old



Military friendships.....



Are more precious than silver or gold!

The Fort Gordon Spouses and Civilians Club
Presents Our
September Function:

Golf Workshop & Lunch at Gordon Lakes Golf Course



Wednesday, September 14
\$25 Golf Lesson at 10:30
followed by lunch
at 11:30



*Come out and hit a few balls with us..it will
be lots of fun!*

Please RSVP by September 12 to
Petra Petrack by emailing her at petrapetrack@comcast.net or by calling her at
706-267-9678.

BOARD MEMBERS



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Special Activities

In addition to our monthly activities, we also enjoy special activity groups. New groups and ideas are always welcome! Something for everyone! If you would like to start a group, just let us know!

Breakfast Club – It's so much fun to meet for breakfast and chat about our kids, families, husbands, work etc. over coffee! Come on Wednesday, September 21 at 9 a.m. at Cracker Barrel in Evans.

Lunch Bunch – The Lunch Bunch is always a popular group! The Lunch Bunch will meet September 30 at 11:30 at Giuseppe's Pizza & Italian Specialties, 3690 Wheeler Road, Augusta. Bring a friend! For more info, call Debbie Windhorn at 706-364-8702.

Bowling – Laughs, gutters, and strikes! No experience required and we bowl on post. Call Debbie Windhorn at 706-364-8702 if you are interested. Our first bowling date is Friday, October 7, 9:30 a.m. at Gordon Lanes.

Quilting – Linda Yehle will once again be teaching quilting from beginners to pros! Learn new techniques! Call Linda if you are interested for dates and times at 706-854-9501.

Trips'n'Tours – Participants will take extra trips and tours in addition to our regular monthly functions. If you have an idea or somewhere special you'd like to visit, please let Joanie Bryant know. Our **September** trip will be a tour of the Augusta Museum of History followed by a Trolley Tour of Augusta on September 24. The cost is \$12 and includes both events. From 1:30-2 is the Museum self-guided tour and from 2-3:15 is the Trolley Tour. We can also meet for lunch before the events! Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis as the seating is limited to 19.....Please RSVP to me at JBryant428@aol.com or 706-513-7868 by September 16.

NEW!! HOOK A SPOUSE ON GOLF and LADIES GOLF CLUB!! Fort Gordon Lakes Golf Course, Wednesday, September 28 and Wednesday, October 19: 9 to 10 Free Golf Lesson and 10-1230 Play Nine Holes. Ladies... come and join us for a free 1 hour golf lesson followed by nine holes of golf. The free lesson includes golf clubs (if you do not have your own) and golf balls. After the lesson, please join The Ladies Golf Club for 9 holes of golf. Your greens fees are based on rank and include a golf cart. If you need to rent clubs it is an additional \$5. You will also need golf tees and 2 or 3 balls. To sign up or for more information, please contact Cathy Ruder at 706-955-8758 or Dallas Cooke at 706-791-2433, ext.3. **Please sign up for Wednesday, September 28 NLT Sunday, September 25.**

When is the Next Christmas House Meeting?

Come and join the elves at Christmas House! The first meeting was a huge success. Soon we will be decorating and then shopping for toys begins! If you missed the meeting in August, no problem. The next meeting will be on Friday, September 9, 10 a.m. at Christmas House, Building 21711 on 21st Street. See you then! For more information, please email Lynn Harshman at lynn.harshman@us.army.mil.

PLUG INTO AFAP!

By Teri L. Ryan

Fort Gordon's annual Army Family Action Plan conference is scheduled for 24-26 October. The conference addresses quality of life issues and concerns voiced by our community members. Issues are reviewed, prioritized and presented to the Command Group during the two and a half day conference. Those issues that have merit and Army wide impact will be forwarded to the next higher or region level. If the issue cannot be resolved at the region level, it will then be forwarded to the Department of the Army AFAP conference. The AFAP program can only succeed with the support of volunteers. This is your chance to get involved and contribute to the improvement of the Fort Gordon community. You do not need to be a member of the Army to participate. You only need to live, work or utilize resources on the installation. Various volunteer positions are available! If you are not able to donate your time and talents during the conference, but have an idea or suggestion to contribute, you can do so by filling out an AFAP issue form online at the Fort Gordon Army Community Service website at www.gordon.army.mil/acs. To learn how to participate, contact the AFAP Program Manager at (706) 791-2820, Teri Ryan, Army Community Service Army Family Team Building & Army Family Action Plan Program Manager, Family Outreach Center, Building 33512, Fort Gordon, GA 30905.

Why Should YOU Volunteer at the Fort Gordon Thrift Shop?

Well, first of all, it's FUN! And then there's.....

Thrift Shop Volunteer - Appreciation Benefit Package

- * Birthday Recognition
- * Monthly Potluck luncheon
- * First Opportunity to purchase consigned and donated items
- * Complimentary snacks and drinks
- * Volunteer 12 hours or more – consignment fee reduced from 30% to 15%
- * No "Withdraw Item" Fee
- * Flexible hours
- * Create lasting friendships and have lots of fun
- * *The Thrift Shop pays up to 20 hours a month for daycare if you volunteer*



Thrift Shop Quick Tips:

1. Donations are always gratefully accepted and welcome.
2. Consignments are accepted Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 am until 1:00 pm AND Saturdays, when open, from 9:30 am until 12:00 pm.
3. Consigned items must be in season, clean and in good condition, some limits may apply.
4. Limit: 20 items per day, no more than 10 can be clothing items
5. Anyone can shop at the Fort Gordon Thrift Shop, but only Active Duty and Retired Military members and their families may consign. Government and Contractor personnel employed at Fort Gordon may also consign if they possess a current CAC identification card.
6. The Thrift Shop keeps 30% of the sold price as a fee. The remaining balance is paid the following month on the second Tuesday.

The Fort Gordon Thrift Shop is open on Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm and the first Saturday of each month starting in October. Our profits help benefit Fort Gordon and the local communities. So please stop by....we have been waiting for you!

Our Welfare & Services and Scholarship Recipients Express Their Appreciation

"Dear Fort Gordon Spouses & Civilians Club...

On behalf of the Lakeside High School JROTC Panther Battalion, I would like to express my sincere appreciation for the generous donation given to us by your organization. Your contribution will enable our students to maintain rifle equipment used for national competition. This competition allows students to not only demonstrate their drill and ceremony skills, but to also work together as team members. The Lakeside Army JROTC remains committed to our mission of motivating your people to become better citizens....

Major (Retired) Timothy McKean"

(Lakeside High School JROTC was the recipient of a Grant from the FGSCC)

"Dear Fort Gordon Spouses & Civilians Club...

The Backpacks for Warriors Program was a resounding success, purchasing backpacks for our traumatic wounded warriors who will now recover at the new Military Medical Center at Bethesda, MD. We would not have succeeded without the generous support of 35 Army spouses' groups from all over the world. Many thanks to you and your organization.....Rotary Club of West Point - Highland Falls, NY"

(The Backpacks for Warriors program received a Grant from the FGSCC)

2011 CSRA Community Expo Reminder!

Don't forget! The 2011 Community Expo will take place on September 8 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Gordon Club. Loads of vendors, information, freebies and free pizza & soda! Stop by our own Fort Gordon Spouses and Civilians Club table!

Watch Your Inbox.....Monthly Newsletter Coming to Your Email Address!

Starting this month, September, all newsletters will be emailed to your current email address unless you specified on your membership application that you wanted a paper copy mailed to your home address. This means that it will be up to you to make sure you receive your newsletter each month. If you do not receive your newsletter by the first of the month, please email or call me ASAP and I will make sure you receive your current copy. I want to make sure you do not miss any RSVP deadlines for any of the fun activities the club has planned for you each month! If your email address changes, please let me know that too! We will be saving money by doing this, and you receive your newsletter in color too! For any questions, please call Joanie Bryant at 706-513-7868 or email me at JBryant428@aol.com.

FORT GORDON Spouses and Civilians CLUB

Membership Application

Membership for June 1, 2011 thru May 31, 2012

Name _____

Address _____

EMAIL _____

Phone _____ (H)
_____ (C)

Birth date: Month _____ Day _____

Spouse _____

Annual dues are \$15

Method of Payment

Cash/Check# _____

Signature _____

Your signature above gives us permission to publish the provided information in the Fort Gordon Spouses and Civilians Club directory and to use your photos in our newsletters or news articles.

All newsletters will be emailed to the email address above unless you check here that you want a paper copy mailed to you:

_____ Please send monthly newsletters to my home address

Please mail application and \$15 annual dues to: Fort Gordon Spouses and Civilians Club, P.O. Box 7289, Fort Gordon, GA 30905. You may also bring your completed application to one of our monthly luncheons. Bring a friend!



Plug into AFAP

Army Family Action Plan

Families Soldiers Civilians

Submit an issue
Be a delegate
Work the conference
Be a part of the solution

Army Family Action Plan Conference
24-26 October 2011

Contact the AFAP Program Manager, 706-791-2820
or submit an issue to www.gordon.army.mil/aes

ACS
ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE

Whoooooo has a birthday in September?

Gail Bulken 3



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