



Annual Training to be held at Fort Stewart

The Georgia State Defense Force's Annual Training exercises at Ft. Stewart in southern Georgia will be held from Nov. 4-6. This year's AT will involve simulated disaster response following a Category 3 hurricane, with search & rescue operations, triage, and aerial MEDEVAC.

GSDF members traveling to Ft. Stewart should remember that they are not only representing the Georgia State Defense Force but the Department of Defense of the State of Georgia, and should strictly adhere to the following:

- ~ Have a current and valid Georgia Driver's License and GSDF ID Card in your possession at all times.
- ~ Have a copy of your orders with your name highlighted on an attached list in your possession at all times.
- ~ Do not carry, have in your baggage, in your automobile or otherwise bring a weapon of any type onto the installation.
- ~ Rigidly obey the posted speed limits on the installation. Two miles over can get you a speeding ticket. Ensure that your uniform is neat and complete to include all required GSDF name tags and patches, and authorized badges or patches earned in prior active military service.
- ~ Have a copy of your DD Form 214 or equivalent in your possession to prove if questioned that you are

- entitled to wear combat infantry badge, flight or jump wings, submariner's or other badges earned in prior military service to include right shoulder last overseas unit patch worn in combat.
- ~ Conduct yourself with military bearing and dignity; treat others with respect and courtesy at all times. Do not engage in arguments or altercations with installation personnel. Report any untoward incidents to your unit commander at the earliest opportunity.
- ~ Do not under any circumstances consume excessive alcoholic beverages when or if visiting an on base recreational facility or club.
- ~ Each vehicle should have registration papers and proof of insurance. Note that this is a Federal installation - even though Georgia no longer requires insurance cards for proof of insurance, this may not apply on Ft. Stewart.

GSDF Trooper in Afghanistan

PFC Buck Filbey, of the Georgia State Defense Force's ENGR DESIG-DEV Co./ENGR BN/911th Support Command, recently sent along this picture from Afghanistan (thanks to MAJ William



PFC James "Buck" Filbey takes aim in Afghanistan

McShane for sharing the photo). PFC Filbey has been in Afghanistan for nearly a year now, working with the Fluor Corporation to help rebuild that shattered country. The GSDF wishes Buck well in his work, and looks forward to his safe return!

Basic first aid will be among the METL tasks to be performed at the 2006 Annual Training exercise.



In Memoriam: 1LT Jerry Nosin

1LT Jerome "Jerry" Nosin of the Georgia State Defense Force passed away on the morning of Oct. 9th, suffering from an apparent heart attack as he slept. He was found in bed on the evening of Oct. 9th by work associates. Nosin was 55 years old.

Funeral services for Jerry Nosin were held on 14 October at the Mayes Ward Dobbins Funeral Home in Marietta, Georgia.

In a 2003 story about state defense forces in the USA Today newspaper, 1LT Nosin said that he was proud to be part of a trained group of volunteers who want to help their country. "I consider this to be part of my civic obligation," said Nosin about his GSDF service.

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9/11 Remembered

Museum of Patriotism holds memorial

On Patriot Day last month the National Museum of Patriotism in Atlanta held a memorial ceremony honoring the victims of the Sept. 11th 2001 terrorist attacks against the United States. MAJ Rich Elwell and 2LT Garry Moon, both of GSDF Headquarters Public Affairs, participated in the ceremony,

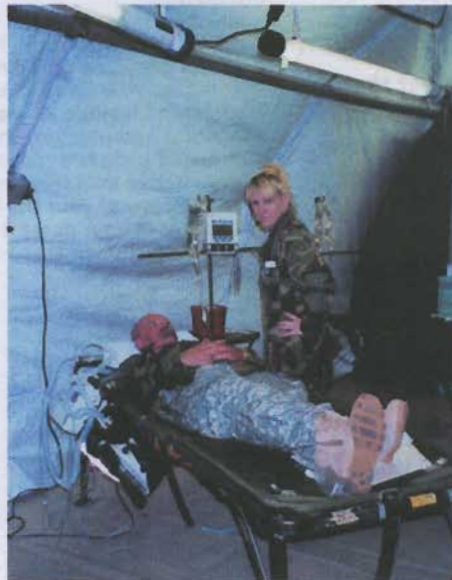
where the names of all 2,801 people killed in the attack were read aloud. Congressional Medal of Honor recipient Michael E. Thornton spoke at the memorial. Thornton was the first person in more than a century to receive that honor for saving the life of another Medal of Honor recipient.



2LT Garry Moon with Medal of Honor recipient Michael E. Thornton

3rd MEDCO trains with GAANG

On Sept. 18th & 19th the GSDF 3rd Medical Company participated in a training exercise with the Georgia Air National Guard's 165th Medical Group at Travis Field in Savannah. The mission, SER04EX06, included members of State Guard Units from Alabama, Tennessee, and Florida, as well as personnel from FEMA, GEMA, CEMA, and DMAT. The 3rd Medical Company troopers worked in the EMEDS Mobile Hospital and functioned as members of the Command and Control Team for the exercise, according to their CO, CPT Alton Suggs.

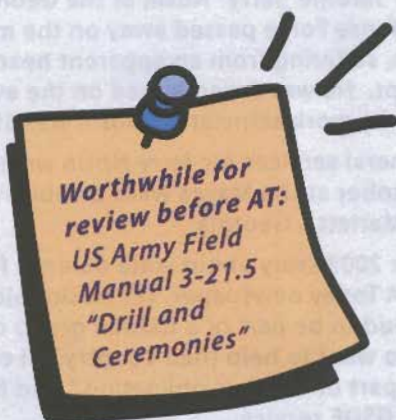


Left: A "casualty" is cared for by GSDF's 3rd MEDCO.

Below: Exercise participants confer in the EMEDS Mobile Hospital.



It's A Fact



Worthwhile for review before AT:
US Army Field Manual 3-21.5
"Drill and Ceremonies"



Fort Stewart, which hosts the GSDF's Annual Training mission, has been home to the 3rd Infantry Division since 1996. It is named in honor of Gen. Daniel Stewart, a Georgian who had fought with Francis Marion during the Revolutionary War.

THE GSDF'S MISSION:

When ordered by the Adjutant General, provide an organized, trained, disciplined, rapid response volunteer force to assist state and local government agencies, and civil relief organizations in impending or actual emergencies to assure the welfare and safety of the citizens of Georgia.

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