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Due to the spread of COVID-19, MWR event dates are subject to change for situations concerning the health and safety of our community. While some facilities are open, others remain closed.

For the most up-to-date details on MWR events, please visit:

# gordon.armymwr.com/events

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# FROM THE COVER

Change of Commands happen often. Change of Commands during a pandemic, not so much. Meet the new Garrison Commander, COL Shaw Pick, and get his take on Fort Gordon. We hope you all are safe and well.



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# FEATURE ARTICLE



The New Garrison CDR In Town: COL Shaw S. Pick



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# Season's Greetings



#### **COL Shaw Pick, Garrison CDR**

Wishing all of our Fort Gordon Family a Happy Holiday Season! As we have all navigated a challenging year, we have remained resilient and are ready to forge ahead into 2021. My family and I are looking forward to celebrating the holidays with the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, and Civilians of the Fort Gordon Team to the maximum extent possible. Thank you for your service and contributions each and every day in support of our nation. As we enjoy time with our family and friends let's pause and remember those deployed or standing the watch because freedom and democracy are never gifts that can be taken for granted.

Thank you for all you do - Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Shaw and Stacy Pick

## Mr. Craig Larsen, MWR Director

I want to extend my sincere wishes for a happy and hopeful holiday period, a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to the Fort Gordon Community. It goes without saying that this year has been unprecedented with the impacts of COVID-19, as well as the division and unrest infecting our country. I firmly believe we can work through and get past all of the negativity that has inundated our daily lives. The way to do that is to love and care for each other and focus on what we have in common instead of what divides us. That core message has been part of the holidays since the beginning. I hope and trust you find solace and peace this holiday period and wish only the best for you and yours in the New Year.





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#### MWR MILITARY APPRECIATION DAY

Discount valid only on November 6-8, 2020, 9am-3pm. Augusta Mall location only, 3450 Wrightsboro Road, Augusta, 6A 30909. Must present proper military identification. Open to Active Duty, Reservists, Retirees, Dependents, DoD Civilians & Contractors. Limit one coupon per customer. Must only be used on one transaction. Discount applied before tax charges. Cannot be combined with any other offer, team discount or used for gift cards, licenses or previously purchased merchandise. Coupon valid on in-store purchases only. No reproductions or rain checks accepted. Returns or exchanges where a ScoreCard Reward or discount was applied may result in an adjusted refund amount. Excludes DICK'S Team Sports HO Uniform and FanWear purchases.

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The New Garrison **CDR In Town** 

**COL Shaw S. Pick** 

By Crystal Blackwell Tyson, Editor Photography by Dante Burgos

The role of Garrison Commander is not one to be taken lightly. It takes a strong leader to fill the position. One willing to listen and make effective decisions based off facts. One able to uplift their team in the rockiest of storms, lead while following, and create an environment in which people feel they can come to you for guidance or assistance. If you have not met COL Shaw Pick already, hopefully this interview will let you in on the type of leader he is, and the vibe felt when you walk into his office.

COL Pick, a Kirkland, Washington local, graduated from the University of Washington in 1993. He was commissioned in 1997 and

from there took off into a world of excitement in the Army. Although a Signal Corps Officer, COL Pick took on leadership roles one would consider out the box, working in Field Artillery as well as Special Forces, eventually leading him to the position as Garrison Commander.

Upon walking into his office, we (MWR Photographer, Dante Burgos and I) were greeted with a lighthearted chuckle, "Ready when you are, come on back!" In my past experiences, these type of interviews have been very meticulous, getting straight to the point and answering the questions given during a small window of time. COL Pick, however, was ready with whatever we threw at him and said, "Just let me know what you need me to do!" He began taking his photos and answering questions about his office décor - a tomahawk with shark teeth, a traditional Hawaiian weapon, stood out most of all. He spoke of its beauty without hesitation. As we walked out of the building, he interacted with us and others, even taking a moment to discuss actual work with an employee; then, returning right where he left off in conversation. It was such an easy-going environment, I had not realized upon completion of the photo shoot, he had answered all my questions.

#### Tell us a little about yourself.

I'm basically a West Coast kid that loves to ski steep mountains, mountain bike steeper mountains, play my guitar too loud and ride my even louder Harley Davidson... which drives my wife nuts!

## Tell us a little about your family.

I have been married to my best friend for 20 years. We met in college out in Washington State, and she has been with me through my entire career of 23 years, 5 combat deployments, and more moves than I can count. We have three beautiful children, boy/ girl twins that just started 9th grade, and a 12 year old daughter that just started 7th.

#### Do you have history with Fort Gordon? Have you been stationed here before or have any memories you want to share?

I do! I came here for Signal Officer Basic Course in 1997, and returned for the Captain's Career Course in 2001. I recall Fort Gordon fondly, to include getting slaughtered by the International Students in the annual soccer match! On a more somber note though, I remember being in the Captain's Career Course classroom on the morning of September 11th, 2001. The day the world (and our collective military careers) changed. I remember we all departed for our follow on assignments not knowing exactly what was coming, but that war was likely in our futures. I had no idea that I would end up spending 42 to 100 months deployed to combat zones and how important family resiliency would be for me and my family.

### What does MWR mean to you?

So, what most people think about when you mention MWR is the 'M' and the 'R' (Morale & Recreation). As a consumer of MWR services, I totally get that. What has become clear to me as the Garrison Commander is that the most important letter is the 'W'. The welfare of our soldiers and families is the most important thing that MWR does... it is a primary weapons system for building resilience in our families in an Army that has been at war for 19 years and is currently navigating a pandemic. Things like CYS, ACS, and fitness facilities are absolutely critical to helping our service members and families handle what life throws at them. I could not be more proud of what our DFMWR Team does for Fort Gordon. I am in awe!



# Do you have goals you would like to see accomplished for MWR?

I will tell you, Mr. Craig Larsen, Director of FMWR, is an absolute professional in getting outside entities to want to come and hold their events on Fort Gordon. Though the pandemic has unfortunately forced the cancellation of many events this year, Craig is already working with our partners both locally and nationally to assemble a stunning calendar of events for 2021 should we come out of this COVID-19 situation. You're going to love what he's putting together!

#### Do you have any words of encouragement for the community in regards to keeping spirits high with some MWR facilities being unavailable during COVID?

I'm a glass half full kind of guy. What I tell everyone that will listen is this: The world is giving us lots of reasons to be pessimistic... don't fall victim to that thinking. Focus on what is still open for you to do with your family. Get outside, golf, fish, bike, run, swim in the lake, camp... do what you CAN and don't focus on what you CAN'T. It's all about perspective. We will get through this period of time together. Of that I have zero doubt!



#### READ THE FULL ARTICLE AT GORDON.ARMYMWR.COM/COL-PICK

Based on first impressions, COL Pick seems ready to make this community the best it can be while going through a pandemic. He seems like an optimistic leader ready to put in hard work to get things accomplished while keeping the community as safe as possible. Although he creates an open, light environment, I get the feeling that things get accomplished. Yes, this pandemic has shaken and turned some things upside down, but it seems the glass will eventually get filled.



# **MY.FUTURE**

The Middle School and Teen Center provides fun tutorial programming videos through our Facebook page "Gordon CYS Teen" and the Boys & Girls of America. My.Future (www.myfuture.net) is BGCA's mobile-friendly web platform with access to over 250 Boys & Girls Club program activities in 11 program areas of STEM, leadership and the arts. With My.Future, kids and teens can learn new skills, connect with their friends, and earn recognition and rewards in a safe and fun online environment. Check out My. Future today at www.myfuture.net. We miss our youth and families and hope you all are taking care!

# **COMMUNITY**



# 2020 GOLD STAR FATHER'S DAY **NOVEMBER 9, 2020**



November 9th is now known as Gold Star Father's Day. This special day honors fathers who have lost children in service to the United States of America. On behalf of our Nation and our Military Forces, we are here to support and provide resources. The sacrifices of our veterans and fallen heroes are immeasurable. You are not alone. For Survivor Outreach Services (SOS) questions, please contact your Fort Gordon SOS Coordinator, Mr. Haider Aljubouri at 706-791-7359. Hours of operations are Monday-Friday, 7:30am-4pm.

# Let us help!



Need Help with Home-School equipment for your children? AER Can Help...

Parents of children who are affected by a COVID-19 school closure on or after 1 March 2020 and those who have selected the home-school, virtual/distance learning or hybrid program options for the upcoming Academic School Year (AY) 2020/2021. Additionally, this guidance expands assistance to parents who are homeschooling their children in grades K-12th and eligible dependents in college (up to age 24).





**ARMY**EMERGENCY RELIEF

More info, call ACS: 706-791-3579



**October 2:** Money Tools - Topic will cover the differences between banks and credit union/investing and understanding credit

October 12: Holiday Budgeting - Making the Holidays Merry and Bright

October 20: NPSP Virtual Breastfeeding Support Group

October 29: Debt Snowball - How to Get Yourself Out of Debt and Stay That Way

**November 6:** Money Tools - Topic will cover the differences between banks and credit union/investing and understanding credit

November 17: NPSP Virtual Breastfeeding Support Group

**November 17:** The Art of Deal Making: How to Negotiate the Home and Car Buying Process

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**December 10:** Retirement and Investment Workshop: How to Start and Grow Your Retirement Nest Egg

**December 15**: NPSP Virtual Breastfeeding Support Group

# **RELOCATION READINESS**

Relocation Readiness is currently working remotely. The Computer Lab and Lending Closet is closed until further notice. For Inprocessing and the Virtual Newcomers Brief, email *sharell.a.byrd.civ@mail.mil.* For Outprocessing with MWR, call 706-791-1922. For Outprocessing with ACS and AER, call 706-791-3579.

# C.A.R.E.S. ACT

# (CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY)

For most of us, the first we heard of the CARES Act was when we received a stimulus check, but the Cares Act has other components. The four major components are:

- Aid for American Workers & Families
- Aid for State, Local & Tribal Governments

- Aid for Small Businesses

- Conserving Jobs for American Industry

Learn more: gordon.armymwr.com/cares-act



# **FUN DEALS AT GORDON LANES**

Bowling Leagues - Looking for a great way to show off those bowling skills, meet new people, have some fun and be a part of a great team? Sign up to join one of our many bowling leagues! Call 706-791-3446 for more information.

New Year's Eve Extravaganza - Bring in 2021 with a strike! Join us December 31st for our New Year's Eve Extravaganza! Call us at 706-791-3446 to inquire about tickets.

Electronic 24 Number Bingo - Tired of paper sheets and daubers? Electronic 24 Number Bingo is waiting for you and your friends. Sure to keep you entertained for hours!



Come and grab a tasty treat from our snack bar. Now offering an assortment of novelty bars and loaded sundae cups.

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# **GAMING PARTY HOSTING**

Host your gaming party with Battleground Gaming inside the Alternate Escapes Recreation Center. We have up-to-date games & equipment and food, drinks & fun! Call 706-791-7019 for more details!

# **MONTHLY BINGO SPECIALS**



There's always something exciting and new happening at Bingo Palace. Specials like gift cards and bingo computer giveaways are within your grasp. Don't wait to hear about it, come play and bring a friend with you! While you're here, enjoy good food with the nightly specials at Jackpot Cafe! Visit gordon.armymwr.com/bingo-palace for more information and regular programming schedules.







# TOURNAMENT PACKAGES

Check out our great tournament packages! Whether it is the Birdie, Eagle or Masters Package – Gordon Lakes has the right package for any golf tournament. From 50 to 225 players, we will work with you to make your tournament a success!

Take advantage of the cooler temperatures of the fall and enjoy some relaxation at Gordon Lakes Golf Club. If you are looking for a fun round with friends on a beautiful golf course, swing instruction from a PGA Professional, a good practice session on the driving range, or some delicious food at Bogey's Grill, GLGC is the perfect place for you!



Fall Trifecta November 7-15: Masters Week

# **WOODWORTH FALL ACTIVITIES**

Virtual Story & Crafts: every Wednesday on Facebook.

The 2020-2021 theme is "The Body". (Craft kits available weekly for pickup\*) WOODWORTH LIBRARY

## Virtual Readers Circle:



October 13: An Anonymous Girl

November 10: A Well-behaved Woman:

A Novel of the Vanderbilts

**December 8:** The Deal of a Lifetime

#### STEAM Labs:

(Available monthly for pickup\*)



October: DIY Pumpkin **November:** Turkey ART

December: Mystery Lab

For more information, visit the library's Facebook page or call 706.791.READ (7323). \*While supplies last.

**VENUE & DINING** 



# **BOOK YOUR EVENT WITH GCC**

Book your special event at Gordon's Conference and Catering – the premiere venue for catered events for military and civilians! Our team works hard to make any event special! Weddings to retirements, meetings to expos – everyone is an honored guest. Our office hours are Tuesday through Friday from 9am until 4pm. You can call 706-791-6780 to schedule an appointment, but walk-ins are always welcome!

Take a tour of the newly renovated Cypress Ballroom, Jasmine Ballroom, Ivy Ballroom and Cedar Meeting Room!







# Fall Drink Specials

October: Pumpkin spiced everything! (Lattes, smoothies, waffles and more) Stop by to see what we have for you!

**November:** Cinnamon Apple Cider (Hot, iced or blended).

December: Eggnog Latte (Hot, iced or blended).



FAMILY AND MWR ADMINISTRATION	New Parent Support706-791-3579
Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation (DFMWR)706-791-4140	<b>Relocation Readiness</b>
Bldg. 28320, Lane Ave.	Survivor Outreach Services (SOS)706-791-3579/7014
<b>Advertising Sales/Sponsorship</b> 706-791-3912 Bldg. 44401, Rm. 149, 44th St.	AUTOMOTIVE
<b>FYI Editorial</b>	<b>Gordon Car Care Auto Skills Center</b> 706-791-2390 Bldg. 29300, 30th St.
For a complete list of DFMWR key personnel,	RECREATION
visit gordon.armymwr.com/contact-us	<b>Community Garden</b>
CHILD & YOUTH SERVICES	Recreation Office706-791-4300
CHILD CARE	Bldg. 44401, Rm. 170, 44th St.
Child Development Center Main706-791-2701/6761 Bldg. 45300, 45th St.	RECYCLING Recycling Office706-791-0132
Child Development Center East706-791-8707/8507 Bldg. 290, East Hospital Rd.	Bldg. 997, 10th St. and Chamberlain Ave.
Child Development Center West706-791-0718	DINING
Bldg. 18407, 19th St.	CATERING SERVICES
<b>Family Child Care</b> 706-791-3993 Bldg. 44401, 44th St.	<b>Gordon's Conference &amp; Catering</b> 706-791-2205 Bldg. 18402, 19th St.
CHILD RECREATION	COFFEE & SMOOTHIES
<b>Youth Sports &amp; Fitness</b> 706-791-1306/4790 Bldg. 45400, 46th St.	Lift-A-Latte706-791-2647 at Gordon Fitness Center, Bldg. 29607, Barnes Ave.
<b>SKIES Unlimited</b>	RESTAURANTS
PARENT SUPPORT	Alternate Escapes Café706-791-0785 at Alternate Escapes Recreation Center, Bldg. 25722, B St.
Parent Outreach Services706-791-4455/4722 Bldg. 44401, 44th St.	Bogey's Grill
SCHOOL SERVICES	Domino's Pizza706-863-6211
School-Age Services706-791-7575 Bldg. 45410, 46th St.	at Alternate Escapes Recreation Center, Bldg. 25722,B St.  Heroes Sports Bar706-791-8716
School Support Services706-791-4168/7270 Bldg. 44401, 44th St.	at Gordon Lanes Bowling Center, Bldg. 33200, 3rd Ave.  Huddle House706-798-3722
Youth Services, Middle School & Teen706-791-6500	Bldg. 35304, Avenue of the States Dr.
Teen Center, Bldg. 41503, Brainard Ave.	Jackpot Café706-791-5106 at Bingo Palace, Corner of Lane Ave. & 15th St.
COMMUNITY	Kegler's Café706-771-6907
ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE	at Gordon Lanes Bowling Center, Bldg. 33200, 3rd Ave.
Army Community Service (ACS)	<b>Me Me's &amp; Bo Bo's Express</b> 706-792-9774 at the Bus Station, Bldg. 36200, 3rd Ave.
Bldg. 35200, 271 Heritage Park Lane	<b>MWR Café</b>
Army Emergency Relief (AER)706-791-3579/8685	Towers Café
Army Volunteer Corps (AVC)706-791-3579/3880  Domestic Violence Hotline706-791-STOP (7867)	at Signal Towers, Bldg. 29808, Chamberlain Ave.
Employment Readiness Program (ERP)706-791-3579/0368  Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)706-791-3579/1918	LEISURE
Family Advocacy Program (FAP)706-791-3579/6967	ACTIVITIES
Family Outreach Center706-791-3579	Fort Gordon Disc Golf Course706-791-6433 Wainwright Cir.
Bldg. 33512, Rice Dr. Financial Readiness706-791-3579/0844	<b>Gordon Lakes Golf Club</b>
Information and Referral Services706-791-3579/0794	Gordon Lanes Bowling Center706-791-3446
Military OneSource1-800-342-9647	Bldg. 33200, 3rd Ave.
Mobilization & Deployment Program706-791-3579/3504	<b>Hilltop Riding Stable</b>

ENTERTAINMENT		VENUE/EQUIPMENT RENTAL	
Alternate Escapes Recreation Center	706-791-0785	EQUIPMENT	<del></del>
Bldg. 25722, B St. <b>Battleground Gaming</b> at Alternate Escapes Recreation Center, Bldg. 257		Outdoor Equipment Rentals at Tactical Advantage Sportsman's Complex, Bldg. 00445, Carter Rd.	
Bingo Palace		Sports Equipment Rentals Bldg. 24501, 25th St.	706-791-7857
Dinner Theatre	706-793-8552	STORAGE	
Special Events	706-791-8878	Gordon Storage Bldg. 29300, 30th St.	
LIBRARY		Pointes West Boat Storage6703 Washington Rd., Appling GA	706-541-1057
Woodworth LibraryBldg, 33500, Rice Rd.	706-791-7323	VENUES	
OUTDOOR		Gordon's Conference & Catering Bldg. 18400, 19th St.	706-791-6780
Leitner Lake Recreation Complex	706-791-5078	Leitner Lake Conference Center MWR Lake Park Dr.	706-791-5078
Outdoor Recreationat Tactical Advantage Sportsman's Complex,	706-791-5078	Pavilion Rentals Bldg. 44401, Rm. 170, 44th St.	706-791-4300
Bldg. 00445, Carter Rd.		Pointes West Conference Center	706-541-1057
Pointes West Army Resort	706-541-1057	Bluegill Rd., Appling GA	
SERVICE MEMBER SPECIFIC		MISCELLANEOUS	700 704 0740
BOSS Headquartersbehind The Courtyard, Bldg. 36708, O' Club Dr.	706-791-5902	Commissary	
Warrior Adventure Questbehind The Courtyard, Bldg. 36708, O' Club Dr.	706-831-8328	<b>Dwight David Eisenhower Army Medical Cente</b> 300 East Hospital Rd.	
TRAVEL		ExchangeBldg. 38200, Avenue of the States	706-793-7171
Aladdin Travel	706-771-0089	ForcesUnited	
Bus Station	706-793-0026	Housing OfficeBldg. 33720, Chamberlain Ave.	
Carlson Wagonlit Travel - Official Travel Bldg. 33720, Rm. 117, 307 Chamberlain Ave.	800-269-6230	ID Card Section/DEERS Office Darling Hall, Bldg. 33720, Rm. 161, 307 Cha	
SPORTS & FITNESS		IHG Army Hotels	706-790-3676
AQUATICS		Military Police Station Bldg. 32422, Rice Rd.	706-791-4380/4537
Indoor Pool	706-791-3034	NAF Civilian Personnel Office Bldg. 35200, 271 Heritage Park Ln.	706-791-6382
Outdoor Pool & Spray Parkat The Courtyard, Bldg. 36710, Brainard Ave.	706-791-8053	Post Information	
FITNESS CENTERS		Public Affairs Office (PAO) Darling Hall, Bldg. 33720, Rm. 382, 307 Cha	
Cyber Fitness Center	706-791-7370	Technical Support Services (TSS) Bldg. 12307, Lane Ave.	
<b>Gordon Fitness Center</b>	706-791-2369	U-Do-It Shop Bldg. 40101, 40th St.	706-791-7683/3942
Nelson Fitness Center	706-791-6872	Veterinary Services Bldg. 500, Range Rd.	706-787-7375/3815
Victory Fitness Center	706-791-2864	Welcome Center at Gate 1	
SPORTS		Yellow Cab	706-733-3444
MWR Sports	706-791-1142	ADVERTISE WIT	

706-791-8692

# **FORT GORDON MWR MAP KEY**

#### **CHILD & YOUTH SERVICES**

- 2 CDC East
- 10 CDC West
- 19 Teen Center
- 20 Parent Outreach Services
- 22 School Age Center
- 23 CDC Main
- 27 Youth Sports & Fitness

#### **OTHER**

- 7 Darling Hall
- 20 Marketing Office
- 20 Recreation Office
- 30 Duplex
- 31 DFMWR Office

#### LEISURE

- 4 BOSS
- 6 Alternate Escapes
- 13 Woodworth Consolidated Library
- 14 Bingo Palace
- 17 Dinner Theatre
- 18 Gordon Lanes Bowling Center
- 21 Hilltop Riding Stable
- 24 Outdoor Recreation
  - (Range 14)
- 25 Gordon Lakes Golf Club
- 28 Fort Gordon Disc Golf Course
- 34 Sports & Equipment
- 35 Aladdin Travel

#### **DINING**

- 6 Alternate Escapes Café
- 7 MWR Café
- 9 Lift-A-Latte
- 11 Gordon's Conference & Catering
- 18 Heroes Sports Bar
- 18 Kegler's Café
- 25 Bogey's Grill
- 32 Towers Café

## **VENUE/EQUIPMENT RENTAL**

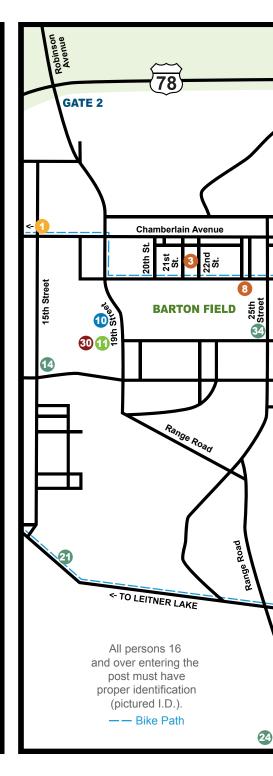
- 15 The Courtyard
- 16 Gordon Storage

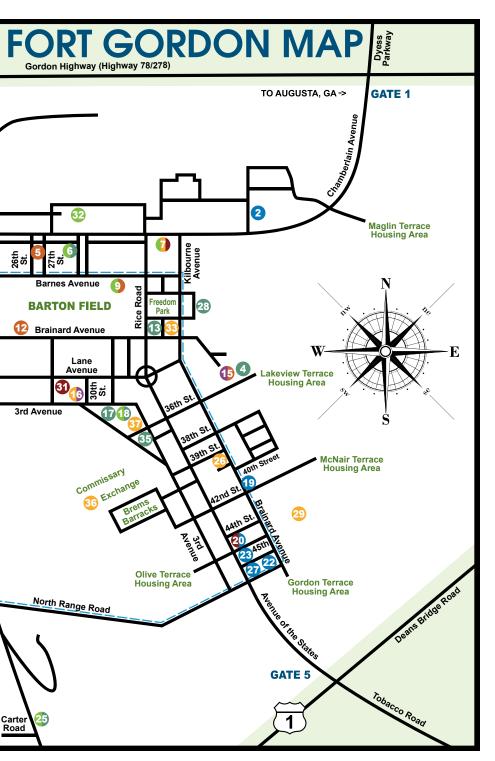
#### **SPORTS & FITNESS**

- 3 Nelson Fitness Center
- 5 Cyber Fitness Center
- 8 Indoor Pool
- 9 Gordon Fitness Center
- 12 Victory Fitness Center
- 15 Outdoor Pool & Spray Park

#### COMMUNITY

- 1 Recycling
- 7 ACS Relocation Readiness Services
- 16 Gordon Car Care Auto Skills Center
- 26 Dog Park
- 29 Community Garden
- 33 Family Outreach Center
- 36 ACS Annex
- 37 ACS (various departments)







# Live Entertainment

\* Christmas Carols Lighting of the Christmas Tree

# Kris Kringle Market

\* Gift and Craft vendors with something for everyone on your list to include jewelry, home décor, personalized items and much more!

December 3, 2020 • 4:00 p.m.

Fort Gordon Barton Field No Pets • #mwrchristmasfest20

Visit Gordon.ArmyMWR.com or call 706-791-8878 for more information. (Times and events subject to change)















