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## *RASA reduction in force scheduled; contracting decision in February*

MICOM will stop promotions and hiring in the Redstone Arsenal Support Activity and post commissary Dec. 4 to prepare for a reduction in force in mid-1984.

The freeze on personnel actions covers only those in RASA and the commissary. Civilian workers in those two elements of MICOM are in a competitive area separate from the remainder of the command.

MICOM began to move toward a RIF as the result of a General Accounting Office decision two weeks ago that upheld most points raised in a formal protest filed by a west coast-based combine, Holmes and Narver/Morrison-Kundson. The combine had protested a decision by a DARCOM appeal board last summer which ruled that the competition between RASA and the contractor to provide support services at Redstone had been won by the government.

The GAO ruled that the government's bid—prepared in compliance with DARCOM direc-

tion and guidance—had been incorrectly computed and ordered the Army to recompute the bid. Should the recomputation show the contractor's bid to be lower than the government's, about 600 jobs now done in RASA by Army civilians will be contracted.

The Army has until early January to refigure the government bid and report the result to DARCOM.

A final decision to contract or keep the work in house is expected some time in February. Regardless of the decision, a RIF will be necessary, either to protect the rights of those workers now in the jobs to be contracted or to reorganize RASA. The government bid is based on a so-called "streamlined" RASA organization, not the one now used.

MICOM had begun the RIF process last Spring but stopped after the DARCOM decision to keep the work in house and the resultant contractor appeal.

Had the RIF been run last summer, MICOM Civilian Personnel Division estimated 938 personnel

actions would have been required to get RASA into its new organization setup. That would have included 123 changes to lower grade and 13 involuntary terminations. Most RASA people would have been reassigned without adverse impact.

If the work had been contracted, however, 1,007 personnel actions would have been required, including an estimated 481 involuntary terminations and 179 downgrades. Government workers "displaced" in a contracting action have the right of first refusal for jobs with the contractor for which they are qualified.

The individual personnel actions now must be redone, a task estimated to take several months.

A plan approved by the MICOM Commander this week calls for individual letters to be issued to personnel involved in the RIF by late May.

All personnel actions will become final on August 1, when RASA either begins operation in a new organization or the contractor starts work.

## **Review started three years ago**

It has been three years almost to the day since the Army announced its review to determine if various support functions here should be contracted out to save money. The review, scheduled to last about one year, originally involved 880 civilian and 176 military jobs in four agencies here.

**Dec. 3, 1980**—Army directs Redstone Arsenal to "...review various commercial and industrial type activities for possible conversion to civilian contract."

**July 1981**—Fox Army Community Hospital with 191 civilian and 124 military jobs removed from consideration for contracting by congressional action.

**May 24, 1982**—Government posts winning bid for security services, keeping in-house jobs being performed then by 131 civilian guards and 42 military police.

**August 1982**—Following cost comparison of competitive bids, Army announces intention to contract out telephone operator services performed by approximately 17 government workers here.

**September 1982**—One of numerous delays in the RASA commercial activities review is encountered when Congress approves a prohibition on contracting out of government firefighter positions, thus removing from consideration for contracting the jobs of 39 arsenal firefighters. This congressional action required that government and contractor proposals be revised and resubmitted, delaying the review by about three months.

**March 16, 1983**—Civilian firm is apparent winner of RASA competition; conditional contract awarded to Holmes and Narver/Morrison-Knudson after cost comparison shows contractor proposes performing support services at less cost than government workers can.

**March 30, 1983**—AFGE Local 1858 files appeal to Army's decision to contract out support services; contends government labor costs incorrectly computed.

**April 25, 1983**—DARCOM-appointed appeal board rules in favor of AFGE, reverses award decision to civilian firm.

**June 10, 1983**—Board upholds reversal decision following second appeal period.

**July 1983**—Holmes and Narver/Morrison-Knudsen protests board's decision to General Accounting Office.

**November 1983**—GAO upholds contractor's contention that government bid incorrectly computed, gives Redstone Arsenal until early January to recompute bid.

## **Late registration possible for health insurance**

Late registration is possible until Dec. 30 for health insurance open season here due to partial receipt of open season materials, according to the civilian personnel office.

"We received the comparison charts Wednesday (Nov. 23) but we're still missing the addendums to two plans," said Phyllis Partridge, a personnel management specialist. "We have been told they have been mailed. Hopefully we'll get them the beginning of (this) week."

The charts are to be distributed to employees through administrative offices. Major benefits and rates of each plan are listed so that employees can compare plans.

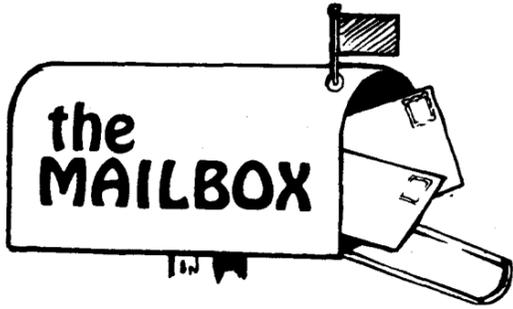
Addendum sheets listing changes were being stapled to the 1983 brochures. But sheets for two of the largest plans hadn't been received by late last week. Brochures are available for review at the administrative offices and employees who enroll in a plan are to get a copy of that plan's brochure.

"Everything will be distributed through the administrative offices," Partridge said. Employees are asked to enroll or change enrollment during the original period for open season, Nov. 14 through Dec. 9, whenever possible.

Changes are to go into effect Jan. 1. Various insurance carriers have given presentations for this Federal Employees Health Benefits open season.



**PRESIDENTIAL VISIT**—John F. Kennedy was welcomed by local officials on a visit here in September 1962. He spoke here the following May for Armed Forces Day. In an article on page 3, that event is recalled on the 20th anniversary of Kennedy's assassination.



## Why 'Redstone'?

Editor:

Over the years there have been much speculation and several stories of how Redstone Arsenal received its name, but to my knowledge no satisfactory answer has been reached on this question.

I have been doing some archival research over the past several years and have run across references to a place name—Redstone, being located somewhere in Pennsylvania, which seemed to be a council or gathering place for Indians of the locality. These references occurred in very early colonial times well before the Revolution.

Recently, I ran across another reference to this place name (East Tennessee Historical Society Publications, Volume 5, Jan. 1933) in an article titled "Nathaniel Gist, Father of Sequoyah."

Gist was an early trader among the Cherokee and a Revolutionary War soldier attaining the rank of colonel. Gist was commander of Redstone Fort, located on Redstone Creek, which is tributary to the Monogahela River. The author of this article says Brownsville is now located at the Redstone Fort site. Brownsville is about 40 miles south of Pittsburgh.

Reading this account just made me wonder if one of the early Army officers, such as Colonel Hudson, connected with the opening of the Arsenal, could have been from that locality, familiar with the old Fort, and thought it fitting to name a new arsenal from an old Revolutionary War frontier fort.

Perhaps your office or the MICOM historian could do further research on this to see if there is a connection. In any case, it's a possibility that can be added to the list.

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## In appreciation

Editor:

We would like to express our profound appreciation for the kindness and sympathy shown by our many friends in the MICOM family and on Redstone Arsenal when Mike Gregg, the youngest member of our family, was killed in an automobile accident.

Our RASA family was particularly supportive and helped sustain my family through this most difficult time. There are too many friends to recognize individually in this letter, but please be assured that each of you will be remembered in our thoughts and prayers.

The tragic unexpected loss of a loved one is always difficult, confusing and grievous. Your sympathy and friendship has been our single most source of comfort. God bless each of you.

Lt. Col. Steve Gregg and the Gregg family

Letters to the editor should be signed (name withheld on request) and sent to: The Redstone Rocket, DRSMI-G. Unsigned letters will not be used.

## CFC donations exceed \$691,000

The final total for this year's Huntsville Area Combined Federal Campaign exceeds \$691,000, according to the campaign coordinator.

"I think we did excellent," said Peggy Burns, chairperson of the local CFC coordinating committee. "You can thank all the volunteers again because this was their campaign."

She also wants to thank the contributors "not only for me but for all the people in the Huntsville area who are going to receive the help from the agencies who they supported in the campaign."

The total tops a \$625,000 goal for the four-week drive that officially ended Oct. 28.

## Exchange follows troops to Grenada, Barbados

DALLAS—"AAFES thanks you for being here. We serve you proudly," reads the sign in Army and Air Force exchanges in Grenada and Barbados.

The facilities may be temporary, but inside American troops can buy many of the same items they are used to finding in AAFES exchanges around the world.

The exchanges operating in Grenada and Barbados are known as "tactical field exchanges." These "TFE's" have a preset amount of merchandise based on the number of people they serve. About 200 different items, ranging from cigarettes, soap, razors, magazines and foot powder to alarm clocks, snack items and insect repellent are on the shelves. The TFE's also have soft drinks, beer, suntan lotion and batteries; everything the soldiers need in a one-stop shopping operation.

One of the biggest sellers in the two Caribbean TFE's is soft drinks. So AAFES selected this item to offer at substantial additional savings. Fruit juice also proved to be popular and additional supplies were sent via military transport.

## Health care claims to be checked against enrollment

By the end of the year, CHAMPUS claims from all 50 states will be checked against DEERS, the enrollment system for all Uniformed Service benefits.

Once the CHAMPUS/DEERS tie-in is made, CHAMPUS claims won't be paid if the military sponsor is not on the DEERS data base or if DEERS shows the patient to be ineligible. "No legitimate claims will be denied," said Theodore Wood, director of CHAMPUS. "If a legitimate claim is not paid because of a DEERS check, the sponsor or family should straighten it out with personnel and resubmit the CHAMPUS claim with proof of eligibility," he added.

Active-duty service members, and retirees who receive retirement pay, are automatically enrolled with DEERS.

DEERS reports that 98 percent of sponsors are

enrolled, and that most of the problems with legitimate claims so far have come from mistakes with Social Security numbers on the claim forms.

Defense officials expressed concern about the next and upcoming phase in the CHAMPUS/DEERS link, when CHAMPUS claims will be checked to see if the patient is enrolled (and eligible). Family members are not enrolled automatically with DEERS.

DEERS currently estimates that approximately 90 percent of active-duty families and at least 75 percent of retiree families are enrolled so far. But only two thirds of surviving families of either active-duty or retired service members who have died, appear to be signed up.

Families can check on their DEERS status through any military personnel office. Active-duty members should enroll their families with DEERS through the

personnel office of their parent service. All others can enroll through the nearest personnel office of any of the services.

Currently it takes about 6-8 weeks after the enrollment papers are sent in to the DEERS center before a person comes up on the DEERS data base. The 50 largest service personnel offices across the country are now able to enroll and update DEERS records through a direct link with the DEERS computer. This has cut the lag time, in many cases, to approximately 24-48 hours for new enrollees or for changes to existing records to come up on the data base.

In the future, all uniformed service ID cards will be tied to DEERS with a new type of card similar to major credit cards. DEERS will ultimately be tied to all service benefits, such as commissary and exchange privileges.

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# President Kennedy visited here in May 1963

The presidential helicopter landed at Redstone Army Airfield for an Armed Forces Day celebration on May 18, 1963.

It was President John F. Kennedy's second visit here in less than a year and marked the first public presidential speech ever made at Redstone. He first came here on Sept. 11, 1962 for a tour of Army and Marshall Space Flight Center facilities.

Last week marked the 20th anniversary of the assassination that grieved the nation. On Nov. 22, 1963, Kennedy was shot to death while riding in a motorcade in Dallas.

Descending from the helicopter with the president at Redstone for Armed Forces Day was Alabama Gov. George Wallace who last week remembered Kennedy as a "young and energetic and very popular individual."

Some 10,000 people came here from North Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi and Georgia to see the president that warm May Saturday. Four helicopters brought Kennedy and his party across state to Huntsville. He arrived here about 3:30 p.m. from Muscle Shoals where he had participated in ceremonies marking the 30th anniversary of the Tennessee Valley Authority.

The presidential copters put down at Redstone on the air strip apron, just north of the hangar. The guests were met in shiny convertibles by the official greeting party, the cars being provided by the Huntsville Chamber of Commerce.

A short parade procession was formed and the president motored to the red, white and blue bunting bedecked speaker's platform. The route took him alongside the waiting, cheering crowd. Many had been waiting three or four hours, under umbrellas, sun hats and caps.

The tanned and smiling president mounted the steps to the speaker's platform which was slightly south and west of the tower at the Redstone airfield.

As he prepared to speak, security ropes which had been placed earlier about 50 feet in front of the rostrum, were dropped by Secret Service officers and spectators were allowed to rush within 10 feet of the chief executive.

Kennedy spoke briefly but the address seemed to please his audience.

"...All of us are committed to a great objective, and that is to see the United States of America, of which we are proud, not only meet its responsibilities at home, not only provide a better life for its people, but also continue to be, as it has been since 1945, the keystone of the arch of freedom all around the world," he said.

The president paid tribute to the armed forces and recommitted the United States to be first in the space race.

"I believe the United States of America is commit-

ted in this decade to be first in space, and the only way we are going to be first in space is to work as hard as we can here and all across the country, and support not only Major Cooper, but all those who come after him," he said.

At the completion of his remarks, President Kennedy left the platform and marched into the middle of the crowd, shaking every outstretched hand he could reach.

Personal contact of the crowd with the president lasted only a few short minutes but it was the chance of a lifetime for many. Mindful of the president's securi-

ty and the tight schedule he was on, staffers, guardsmen and Secret Service agents moved in and carefully steered the president down the airfield apron to his waiting "Air Force No. 1," the official presidential plane that had been flown in.

Saying farewell to his official hosts at Redstone, he mounted the long flight of steps pausing long enough at the top to wave good-bye to Redstone Arsenal and the crowd gathered to see and hear him.

In a few minutes the jet zoomed into the air to take President Kennedy and his party back to Washington.

## Decorations approved for troops in Grenada

WASHINGTON—Several wartime badges and decorations have been approved for military service in Grenada from Oct. 22 through Nov. 2. Among others these include the combat infantryman badge, the combat medical badge, bronze star medal, and the purple heart.

Basic eligibility for the combat infantryman badge is limited to American Army personnel only. Infantry officers in the grade of colonel or below and enlisted men with an infantry military occupational specialty assigned or attached to an infantry unit of brigade or smaller size are eligible. Soldiers must have been engaged in active combat against an armed hostile force, and must be personally recommended by their unit commanders.

The combat medical badge will be awarded only to those medics who accompanied Army Infantry units engaged in active combat with a hostile force. Unit commanders must personally recommend individuals for the award.

Hospital commanders in receipt of casualties retain purple heart approval authority. Soldiers wounded or killed while engaged in active combat with a hostile force are eligible for the award. The following commanders may award the bronze star medal and lesser decorations, the purple heart, combat infantryman badge and combat medical badge to eligible personnel,

assigned to their subordinate commands: 18th Airborne Corps, 1st Army Corps, 82nd Airborne Division, 24th Infantry Division, 101st Airborne (Air Assault) Division and 1st Special Operations Command.

Soldiers are authorized only one combat infantryman or combat medical badge for service in Vietnam, Laos, the Dominican Republic, Korea (subsequent to July 27, 1954), and Grenada regardless of whether an individual has served one or more tours in one or more of these areas.

Right shoulder wear of the unit sleeve insignia has been approved and its wear is governed by paragraph 26-17A, Tab B, Army Regulation 670-1.

The joint chiefs of staff have designated the operation as qualifying for the award of the armed forces expeditionary medal. An opening date of Oct. 24, 1983, has been established; but a closing date has not yet been determined, officials say.

Awarding of the bronze star device to the parachute qualification badge designating a combat jump is under consideration.

Imminent danger pay (previously known as hostile fire pay) for eligible soldiers is in DA level staff coordination, officials say.

The Army achievement and meritorious service medals will not be awarded for actions in the operations area. (Arnews)

## Language training offered to qualified soldiers

WASHINGTON—The Army is looking for soldiers to attend language training.

Prerequisites for enrollment are outlined in chapter four of Army regulation 611-6; soldiers who meet these qualifications can volunteer for the training by submitting the required documentation to the U.S. Army Military Personnel center in Alexandria, Va.

Selectees will attend training at the Defense Language Institute's foreign language center at the

Presidio of Monterey or the Presidio of San Francisco, Calif., or at the State Department's foreign service institute in Arlington, Va.

Additional information on language training can be found in the Department of the Army circular 350 series. Soldiers can contact their local military personnel office or call MILPERCEN on Autovon 221-8415/0640 or commercial (202) 325-8415/0640 for further details. (Arnews)



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# Local workers named Army's suggesters of year

John Black of MICOM and Donald Parker of BMDATC were scheduled to receive Department of Army suggester of the year awards from the Secretary of the Army in a ceremony today in Washington, D.C.

This honorary award is the top award for the Army suggestion program, according to Jimmy Temple of the MICOM civilian personnel office. Both the recipients work in local Army activities.

"It's an honorary award for whoever does the best job during the year. Each of them had suggestions with high savings," Temple said. They had each received earlier more than \$9,600 for their ideas.

Earlier this month James R. Pierce of MICOM received a Secretary of Defense award for productivity excellence in a ceremony in Washington, D.C. Eight Army employees were included in the group of Defense Department personnel selected for this honorary award. "That's the first time the Secretary of Defense had an award of that type," said Temple, chief of personnel's management employee relations and incentive awards branch.

Pierce's award from the Secretary of Defense was based on a suggestion that saved the government \$1,153,350, according to officials. He had earlier received a \$8,968 special act or service award for this recommendation to modify existing W-30 cables at Red River Army Depot in lieu of procuring new cables.

"I feel very honored about it," said Pierce, a logistics management specialist in Chaparral/Faar Project Office. "It's a very worthwhile effort by the Secretary of Defense to recognize productivity in the civil service segment of the services."

The framed certificate citing his achievements was signed by Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger. It was presented in a Nov. 16 ceremony at the Pentagon.

Black and Parker were to be recognized today by Secretary of the Army John O. Marsh Jr. as the Army's two outstanding suggesters of the year. Marsh was to present plaques in a ceremony at the Pentagon.

Approximately 35,000 suggestions are made each year by Army employees and service members as part of the federal incentive awards program. Established by Congress in 1954, the program recognizes government personnel through monetary and honor awards for efforts, beyond their job requirements, to improve operations and services and reduce wasteful or inefficient practices.

The Secretary of the Army normally singles out one civilian employee suggester each year for special



Pierce



Black



Parker

recognition. This year, the suggestions of Parker and Black were judged so close in significance and savings that both employees were to be honored by Marsh.

"I'm surprised and elated and humbled because I really didn't expect it," said Black, a logistics management specialist in the Missile Logistics Center. "I'm looking forward to meeting the Secretary of the Army who I understand will be presenting the awards."

"And I would like to thank all the people who have helped me in obtaining this award—certainly the incentive awards office, Jimmy Temple and his staff. And I've had all the support in the world from my immediate organization—Jack Isom and Col. Jimmy Hill at the Missile Logistics Center and Ray Terry and Adrian Watson, my immediate bosses."

Black had earlier received a \$9,615 award for suggesting that the Army fabricate and obtain Redeye modification kits from the Navy in lieu of a regular procurement from a private contractor. Officials said this saved the Army an estimated \$1,283,072 during the first year but Black says the actual savings were much higher.

He pointed out that two other people, Henry L. Darby and E.D. Wallace, were nominated from

MICOM for the outstanding suggester award but were not selected. Black and his wife Betty were to travel to Washington for today's ceremony. "This is not a monetary award but it is certainly a high honor," he said.

Parker, an engineer with the Ballistic Missile Defense Advanced Technology Center, was awarded a \$9,634 bonus earlier this year for conceiving and following through with an idea for a better, more economical way of performing ground demonstration and checkout of a specialized sensor system.

Parker's suggestion was for equipment and methods to test components in infrared sensor systems being developed by the Army for defense against ballistic missiles. Infrared sensors are useful for ballistic missile defense because, looking into the intense cold of space, they can detect approaching ballistic missile warheads at great distances.

The Army says Parker's suggestion for modification of an existing sensor synthesizer in the forward acquisition system sensor program saved an estimated \$1,286,982. Parker's \$9,634 award was the largest ever made for a single suggestion at any of the Huntsville-area Army agencies.

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An introduction to microelectronic circuits and applications in digital and analog systems. Background: basic knowledge of electrical circuits. Instructor: J. B. White, Ph.D.; General Electric Company.

**11-671 ADVANCED RADAR SYSTEMS I** MW 4:30-6:40 p.m.  
A detailed study of advanced topics in radar systems. Background: basic knowledge of radar systems. Instructors: Stephen M. Gilbert, Ph.D.; Dynetics, Inc.; Larry D. Bennett, D.Sc.; U.S. Army Missile Command.

**14-544 MISSILE GUIDANCE & CONTROL** TT 4:30-6:40 p.m.  
A study of control systems and techniques for guided tactical missiles. Background: basic knowledge of aerodynamics and control systems desirable. Instructor: Christopher E. Kulas, Ph.D.; Systems Dynamics, Inc.

**17-301 COMPUTER PROGRAMMING** TT 4:30-6:40 p.m.  
An introduction to computer programming using Fortran. Background: basic knowledge of college mathematics. Instructor: Marvin Polan, M.Sc.; Teledyne Brown Engineering.

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**17-514 COMPUTER DATA STRUCTURES** MW 6:50-9:00 p.m.  
A study of logical data structures and their machine processing. Background: basic knowledge of Fortran programming. Instructor: Maurice M. Hallum, III, D.Sc.; U.S. Army Missile Command.

**17-622 ADVANCED PROGRAMMING: ADA** Sat. 8:00-12:00 noon  
An examination of the development, structure, and applications of the Ada language. Background: knowledge of high-level programming. Instructor: Jerry R. Brokshire, Ph.D. Candidate; U.S. Army Missile Command.

**17-631 ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE** MW 4:30-6:40 p.m.  
An examination of the theory and applications of intelligent computer systems. Background: good knowledge of computers and programming. Instructor: Virginia P. Kobler, Ph.D.; U.S. Army BMD Advanced Technology Center.

**17-661 ADVANCED COMPUTER NETWORKS I** TT 4:30-6:40 p.m.  
A study of the design and operational techniques for computer communications and calculus. Instructor: William J. Barksdale, Ph.D.; South TEC Associates.

**17-674 SOFTWARE COST ANALYSIS** MW 4:30-6:40 p.m.  
An examination of cost factors in advanced software development. Background: good knowledge of programming; knowledge of software design desirable. Instructor: Mack W. Alford, M.A.; TRW Huntsville Facility.

**21-611 MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES** TT 4:30-6:40 p.m.  
An examination of the functional and societal responsibilities of management. Background: degree or equivalent. Instructor: Walter W. Tribble, D.Mgt.; U.S. Army Missile Command.

**21-695 SEMINAR: CREATIVITY** Tu 6:50-9:00 p.m.  
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**24-632 DECISION INFORMATION ACCOUNTING** Sat 8:00-12:00 noon  
An examination of managerial accounting and information systems for decision making. Background: basic knowledge of accounting desirable. Instructor: Richard H. Shuford, Jr., D.B.A.; Consultant.

**24-656 FEDERAL PROCUREMENT LAW I** MW 4:30-6:40 p.m.  
A study of the legal aspects of federal procurement policies and practices. Background: basic knowledge of government contracting. Instructor: Don A. Howard, J.D.; U.S. Army Missile Command.

**27-521 PROJECT/PROGRAM MANAGEMENT** MW 6:50-9:00 p.m.  
A study of management of high-technology projects and programs. Background: experience in technical programs desirable. Instructor: Henry F. Magill, M.S.E.; Teledyne Brown Engineering.

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A concentrated introduction to basic calculus and its applications. Background: knowledge of introductory college mathematics. Instructor: Robert R. Covelli, S.M.; System Development Corporation.

**31-504 QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS METHODS** TT 6:50-9:00 p.m.  
A survey of mathematical techniques that are used in managerial decision making. Background: basic knowledge of college mathematics. Instructor: Raymond C. Watson, Jr., Ph.D.; Southeastern Institute of Technology.

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# New group promotes 'total fitness'

BY SKIP VAUGHN

The Army is promoting a total fitness approach for its soldiers and their family members.

This includes nutrition and weight control, managing mental stress, control of substance abuse, smoking cessation, and exercise and fitness.

At Redstone a health fitness advisory team, consisting of medical activity officials, has been formed. "We're just a new committee forming to develop informational programs for the units and the rest of the community," says Capt. Ted Gutierrez, chief of physical therapy at Fox Army Community Hospital.

Total fitness was emphasized about two years ago by Gen. E.C. Meyer who was then the Army's chief of staff. At that time he said, "Proper exercise and diet very directly affect our professional competence."

Since then medical activities have formed health fitness advisory teams to educate and motivate soldiers and family members to improve their lifestyle.

"It's the total fitness or holistic approach. You're not just concerned with physical fitness; you're also concerned with the whole person," says Gutierrez, assigned recently as fitness facilitator of the advisory team here. He serves as the liaison between the team and the community.

The advisory team arranged for Gutierrez to teach career development classes on physical training and total fitness at the school here. These two-hour classes are taught about once a month. On Nov. 8, another member of the team, hospital dietician Idola Knickerbocker, taught the nutrition section.

Other team members include Redstone's drug and alcohol director, the hospital social worker, community health nurse, psychiatrist, and chief of preventive medicine. Hospital Commander Col. Graham Beard is chairman of the 10-member committee.

"In essence they're all the specialists in the five different areas," Gutierrez says. "So together as a group they try to form a more unified effort to make a more effective program in promoting health."

Here are the five main areas:

—Nutrition and weight control is "the very basic foundation of total fitness," says Gutierrez. "Our nutritional habits are the essential component in providing for total fitness because food intake provides the essential nutrients that our bodies require to grow and function."

—Managing mental stress. "Stress can be defined as any demand either pleasant or unpleasant upon our bodies," he says. "We know that stress is a fact of life. We can't avoid everyday stress therefore we need to educate ourselves to manage that stress."

—Control of substance abuse. Substance abuse is a negative habit that is usually in response to stress, according to the physical therapist. "We really want to concentrate on the control of alcohol and drug abuse."

—Smoking cessation means stopping a habit that increases blood pressure, elevates the pulse rate, increases blood sugars, and increases significantly lung cancer risks, Gutierrez says.

—Exercise helps improve the body's defenses against fatigue, infection and stress, according to Gutierrez.

"Total fitness is the responsibility of the

individual," he says. "Commanders and units and health fitness advisory teams can support and encourage but without individual motivation, the total fitness approach will not work."

## Bicyclists should know rights, responsibilities

Bicyclists can help prevent accidents and protect lives by understanding their rights and responsibilities.

As the number of bicycles using arsenal roads increases, so does the potential for accidents involving them, and military police offer the following bicycle safety suggestions:

—Obey traffic regulations, signs, signals, and markings. Bicycles should be operated as safely as any motor vehicle and are subject to the same rules of traffic. A good rule of thumb is to avoid congested streets. Use bikeways, lanes, or paths where possible.

—Observe all regulations and local ordinances pertaining to bicycles. Registration, licensing, inspections, driving on sidewalks, etc., may all be covered by local laws. It is your responsibility to know and abide.

—Keep right. Drive with traffic, not against it. Drive single file. Keep close to the curb. Some states require you to ride single file. Don't block vehicular traffic.

—Watch for drain grates, soft shoulders, and other road surface hazards.

—Watch for car doors opening and for cars pulling into traffic.

—Don't carry passengers or packages that interfere with vision or control. A good rule is one person, one

bike. Use baskets or luggage carriers for packages.

—Never hitchhike a ride on a motor vehicle.

—Be extremely careful at intersections, especially when making a left turn. Most accidents happen at intersections. If traffic is heavy, get off and walk your bike with pedestrian traffic.

—Use hand signals to indicate turning or stopping. Let the motorist know what you plan to do by giving the appropriate hand signals for turning left or right or stopping.

—Protect yourself at night with reflectors and lights. Again, state laws vary. Most require a headlight, tail light, or red rear reflectors for night cycling. Others require reflective material. If you are driving at night, use maximum protection.

—Drive a safe bike. Have it inspected to ensure good mechanical conditions. Make sure your bike fits you. See to it that the brakes, pedals, lights, reflectors, shifting mechanisms, sound devices, tires, spokes, saddle, handle bars, and all nuts and bolts are checked regularly.

—Drive your bike defensively. Watch out for the other person. Observe the car in front and also the one in front of it. Leave yourself time and room to take defensive action.

## Commemorative coin sales help Olympic games

WASHINGTON—If you're a staunch supporter of the U.S. Olympic effort, the folks at the U.S. Treasury Department have an item giving you a chance to expand that support while investing in a collectors item.

It's the recently unveiled "Olympic gold coin" minted as part of the program set in motion by Congress' Olympic Coin Act of 1982.

The program, says Director of the Mint Donna Pope, aims at both commemorating and helping finance the U.S. Olympic effort. She made that plain in a recent West Point, N.Y., ceremony with the phrase "Support the home team—buy an Olympic coin. "Of all the competing nations in the Olympics," Pope said, "the United States is the only country that doesn't spend public funds to train our athletes or stage games. Through this coin program, every American has the chance to support the home team and to help turn precious metals into Olympic gold

medals."

Treasury officials say that profits from sale of the coins will be divided equally between the U.S. Olympic Committee and the Los Angeles Olympic organizing committee.

As the first gold coin to minted in the states since 1933, the first-ever Olympic version is being sold in a three-coin set that includes a 1973 and a 1984 silver-dollar coin. The gold coin, bearing a 1984 date and the letter "W" (for West Point) mint mark, is the only coin set being struck at the U.S. Bullion Depository, West Point.

The complete set with display case sells for \$416 plus a \$2 shipping fee. Out of that amount, the Olympic committee gets \$70.

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# New action plan guides family issues

WASHINGTON—A half-inch-thick stack of paper has officially changed the way the Army treats its families.

After years of research, the 55-page "Army Family Action Plan," released this month, will guide the Pentagon in handling the enormous range of issues facing Army families—including medical care, housing, education, employment and many others.

"This is the first focused effort we've had to support the family," explained Lt. Col. Milton T. Tankersley of the DA family action coordination team. "We had people doing good things, but they weren't coordinated with each other. There were not priorities. Now we'll be able to set some."

Over the years, national and local Army-family forums helped identify the problems. But the plan also results from the new emphasis on recognizing the family's importance to the Army's readiness and retention.

Last August's "Army Family White Paper," signed by Chief of Staff Gen. John A. Wickham, Jr., stressed the need to "strengthen the mutually reinforcing bonds between the Army and its families." With the action plan, the Army hopes to transform that philosophy into policy.

## Taking Problems Head On

There are 66 different issues—called "initiatives"—in the action plan, and each gives policy-makers a sort of staff-action checklist for getting things done. Initiatives are grouped according to cost, time involved, and overall effect on Army families.

While the plan attempts to tackle many tough, long-range issues, including doctor and child development center shortages, officials here predict immediate results. "The fastest thing families will see will be an attitude change," Tankersley said. He said as more and more people realize the family's importance, that attitude will have a "positive impact."

Families may also see changes soon in areas falling under the "low-cost/high-payoff" category. Plans for "the near term" include upgrading overseas orientations, having families help design housing, working to establish space-available dental care and others.

"We're talking in terms of doing some things now, some things in the future," Tankersley said. "For example, sponsorship is actually a low-cost program, but it takes more time to develop a program that will work in the long run. We don't want a quick-fix we'll have to look at again in another couple of months."

At times the plan calls for research instead of policy. "In many cases we're not even sure what it is we really need," Tankersley said. "That's the situation with 'bicultural adjustment,' where the soldier marries someone from another country."

The plan also centralizes many operations formally spread across several Pentagon agencies. For example, the exceptional family member program, which tries to match up assignments with the needs of a handicapped child or spouse, now falls under the director of human resources.

"It used to be that Army Community Services, the school system, surgeon general and MILPERCEN were all involved," Tankersley said. "Now we've brought everyone together to eliminate duplication of efforts."

## Family support into tomorrow

While most of the plan's actions are directed at agencies in the Pentagon, the Army is keeping the field

involved. Major commands have been asked to identify family issues and come up with their own action plans, and local communities have been encouraged to host their own Army-family symposiums.

Also, the Training and Doctrine Command has been asked to develop family member orientation courses at some of the service schools.

Officials here are already working on the plan's future. Next year both the family office and a general officer-level steering committee will review all the initiatives, revising or adding issues wherever needed.

"This is not a closed document," Tankersley said. "We allow for changes. And we keep going. We're not going to finish what's in this plan and go home. We'll move on to other things." (Arnews)

# Major family initiatives listed

Here are some of the major initiatives of the "Army family action plan," released this month.

## Low-cost/high pay-off, actions for the near term

**Relocation:**  
—Update and ensure soldiers and family members receive good overseas orientation information.

—Work to provide reasonably priced supplemental household goods insurance coverage available worldwide.

—Require family members be invited to participate in family housing construction and design boards.

—Develop standard Army procedures for terminating and clearing government quarters.

**Medical:**  
—Continue efforts to gain congressional approval for space-available dental care.

**Family support and role identity:**  
—Examine housing adequacy standards and recommend changes.

—Provide "self-help" guidance to family members on using volunteer experience in employment applications.

—Research sources of remuneration for volunteer workers.

—Monitor and evaluate priority placement program for family members accompanying sponsor in continental U.S.

—Provide information and instructions to family members seeking employment overseas; ensure maximum opportunities.

—Revise regulation to instruct servicemember on ways to include spouse employment data on officer and enlisted preference statements.

—Work to further publicize educational financial aid.

—Evaluate and make recommendations concerning educational programs for handicapped, gifted and talented students.

## High-cost/high pay-off, long-term actions

**Relocation:**  
—Standardize and automate housing management techniques.

**Medical:**  
—Develop priority system to decrease waiting time for treatment in hospitals and clinics.

—Research and develop ways to provide more family practitioners.

**Family support and role identity:**  
—Develop plan to reduce problems with family quarters maintenance.

—Develop standardized plans to provide safe child care centers with trained personnel.

—Work to expand funding and manpower in drug and alcohol abuse program.

—Develop ways to provide employment information and referral services to family members.

**Education and youth:**  
—Research and make recommendations concerning bi-cultural family adjustment.

—Research and make recommendations concerning overseas school lunch programs.

## Low-cost/high payoff, but not in the near term

—Work to improve CHAMPUS reimbursement system.

—Develop plan to provide additional dental care through CHAMPUS, dental insurance plan or other means.

(see Initiatives, cont'd page 8)

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# Initiatives

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**Relocation:**

- Work to improve sponsorship program.
- Family support/role identity:**
- Research and recommend solutions for providing mass transportation to on-post facilities.
- Develop actions to ensure family members of DA civilians are included in programs designed to address Army family needs.
- Develop Army-wide plan to support families during mobilization.

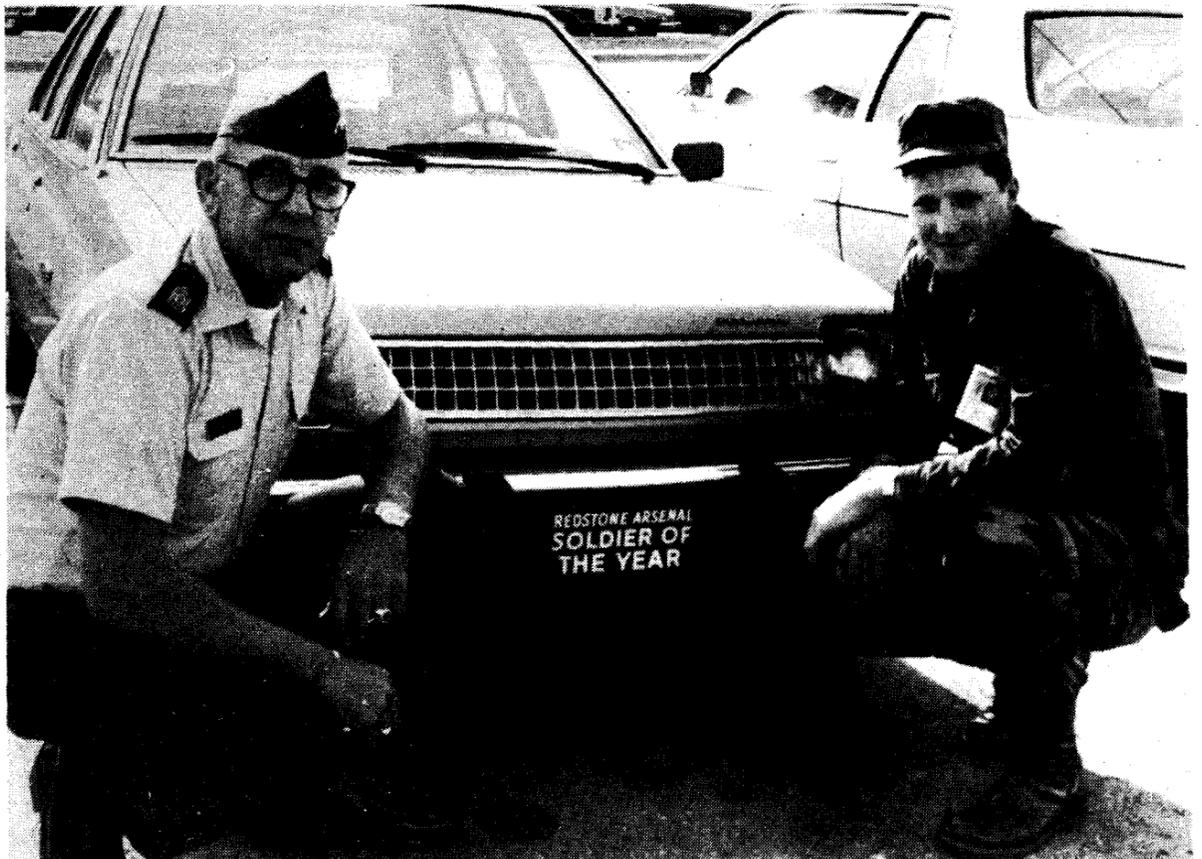
**High-cost, long-term actions**

**Relocation:**

- Continue efforts to obtain congressional approval to increase housing goods limitations above current limits.
- Develop plans to alleviate housing shortages for soldiers and families.
- Initiate actions to provide reimbursement for real estate expenses.

**For managing and evaluating action plan**

- Establish family and community policy division to coordinate and monitor all family actions.
- Establish general officer-level steering committee to review on-going actions.
- Organize approach through Army Research Institute and Walter Reed Army Institute of Research to research Army family issues and programs, and their affects. (Arnews)



**IDENTIFICATION TAG**—Post Soldier of the Year Sp4 Harold Champion, right, and CSM Harvey Kahl show the tag Champion gets to display on his car for being the arsenal's top troop. Beginning next year a similar tag will be awarded to a NCO of the Year under a new program Kahl is establishing.

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# Survivors of Beirut dead will be informed of benefits

The Veterans Administration is coordinating efforts to ensure the survivors of the Marines killed in Lebanon are informed of the benefits available to them, according to James Conway, director of the Montgomery VA regional office.

Conway said, "All claims for benefits by survivors of these men will be given top priority."

"The Veterans Administration and the Department of Defense are working in full cooperation to take care of the victims, the widows, the children and the needy parents directly affected by this international tragedy," Conway said.

Most of the benefits are available to any veteran, but the VA also will provide personal assistance to the families of the more than 200 Marines killed and scores injured in the Beirut bombing.

The VA director said the Agency will work with the Marine Corps to determine the best time to meet with families to explain the benefits.

"Since most of the Marines are young, the primary benefit is expected to be Servicemen's Group Life Insurance," he said. Those benefits range up to \$35,000; and more than 99 percent of active service personnel are enrolled.

Other benefits include:

—A one-time "death gratuity" to family members equivalent to six months' pay of the deceased and ranging from \$800 to \$3,000.

—Spouses, children and "needy parents" will be entitled to dependency and indemnity compensation. The rates for a spouse range from \$445 monthly for recruits to \$817 for a colonel with more for a higher-

grade officer. An additional \$51 is payable for each child.

—"Parents are eligible either now or in the future if they can demonstrate need," Conway said. "It's assumed that if he were still living, he would step in and fill the void if his parents became disabled or ill in the future."

—Wives and children up to age 23 are entitled to educational benefits including an allowance of \$342 monthly for up to 45 months of college-level training.

—Spouses will be eligible for GI home loans, just like veterans.

—Wives and children will be eligible for medical

benefits under the Defense Department's Civilian Health and Medical Program.

—Marines who must leave the service due to injuries or disabilities suffered from the bombing are eligible for the full range of benefits given Vietnam, Korean or World War II veterans. A main benefit is vocational training which includes tuition and fees as well as a monthly training allowance.

"The Marine Corps will handle funeral arrangements; and the VA will provide flags, headstone markers or allowance, and burial at Arlington Cemetery or any other National Cemetery if requested," Conway said.

# Some World War II vets eligible for bronze star

WASHINGTON—A special award of the bronze star medal has been approved for certain U.S. Army veterans of World War II. Veterans who defended the islands of Luzon, Corregidor and the Harbor Defense, Philippine Islands, from Dec. 7, 1941, to May 10, 1942, and whose unit was awarded the distinguished unit citation (currently named the presidential unit citation) will be considered.

According to officials at the U.S. Army Military Personnel Center in Alexandria, Va., the award honors the meritorious achievement of the first major U.S. Army force to be involved in intense and sustained ground combat during World War II. Officials say that because of unique circumstances they encountered, these men and women will get special recognition for their achievement.

Those veterans (or their primary next of kin) who believe they may be eligible for the award should write to: Commander, U.S. Army Reserve Components Personnel and Administration Center, Attn: DAPC-PSE-AW-BSM, 9700 Page Boulevard, St. Louis, MO. 63132. The letter should include name, rank, Army serial number and Social Security Number, unit, location in the Philippines, dates of assignment and period of service during the campaign, and a copy of the separation document.

Former members of the Army Air Corps should send their information to: Center Manager, GSA, National Personnel Records Center, Attn: Air Force Reference Branch, 9700 Page Boulevard, St. Louis, MO. 63132. (Arnews)

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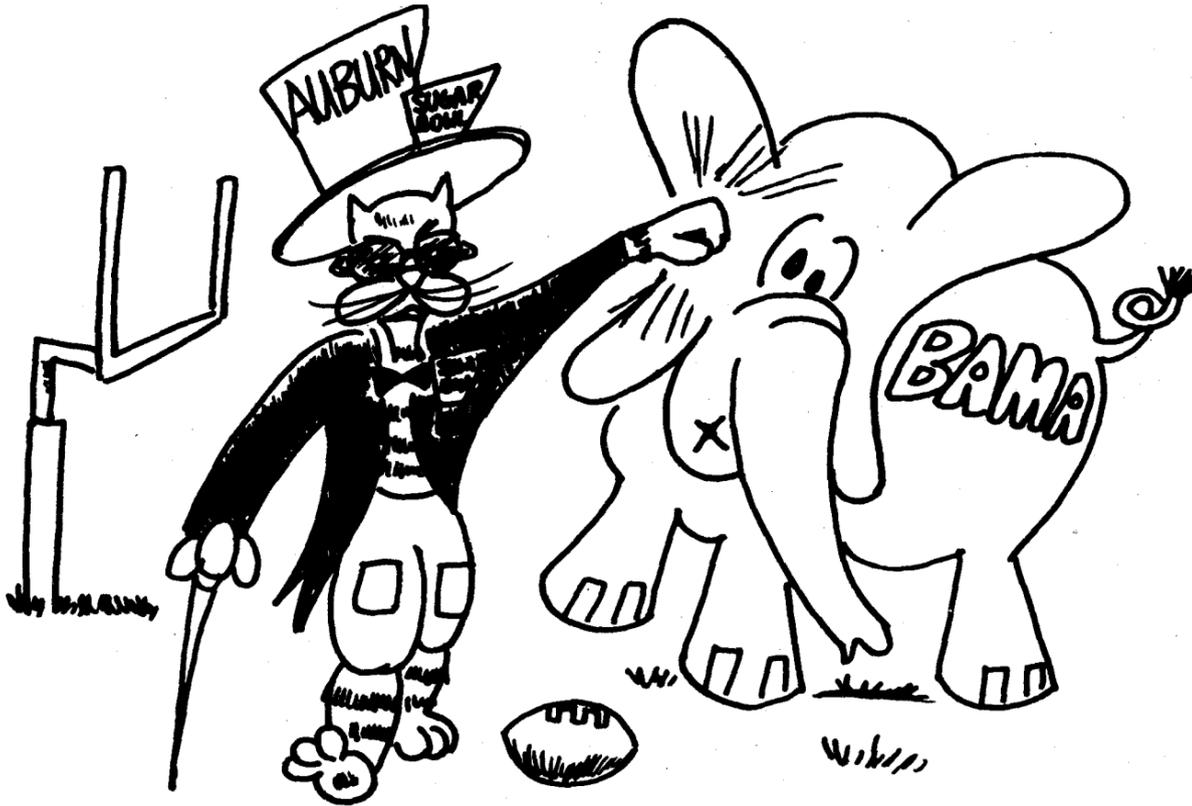


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# Tigers picked to whip Tide



BY SKIP VAUGHN

It's called the "Iron Bowl" when Auburn and Alabama face off in their annual season-ending classic in Birmingham.

Auburn is the number three ranked football team in the country behind Nebraska and Texas. The Tigers have a 9-1 record with wins over Southern Mississippi, Tennessee, Florida State, Kentucky, Georgia Tech, Mississippi State, Florida, Maryland and Georgia. Six of those teams are slated for bowl games.

The only loss for Auburn this year was a 20-7 whipping by Texas Sept. 17 in the Tigers' second game.

Alabama's Crimson Tide meanwhile has had a fairly good season in Coach Ray Perkins' first year. Its 7-3 record includes wins over Georgia Tech, Ole Miss, Vanderbilt, Memphis State, Mississippi State, Louisiana State, and Southern Miss. Only Ole Miss is scheduled for postseason play.

The Tide lost to Penn State, Tennessee and last week to Boston College. A case of fumbleitis was probably due to the weather at BC.

A victory over archrival Auburn would more than heal the wounds from the Tide's disappointing losses. But there will be a little too much of the Tigers' Lionel James and Bo Jackson at Legion Field on Saturday. The pick here is..... Auburn.

Last week's picks delivered an 8-3 record and made the season totals 273-90-10 for 75 percent. Here are Skip's Picks for this week in major college football.

Auburn vs. Alabama—Auburn by 7

Florida State at Florida—FSU by 3

Air Force at San Diego State—Air Force by 14

Oklahoma at Hawaii—Oklahoma by 21

## Fort Lewis will host new special forces group

WASHINGTON—The Army's 1st Special Forces Group, consisting of about 700 soldiers, will be activated this fiscal year at Fort Lewis, Wash.

The new unit is part of the effort to improve the capabilities of the special operations forces.

Army officials say the group's mission centers on the training of other soldiers "in an unconventional-warfare situation during hostilities, or providing training assistance to the military forces of friendly nations in a foreign internal-defense role during peacetime." (Arnews)

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# FE's traditional Thanksgiving feast marks 32nd year

BY GINGER STEPHENS

The oven was fired up right after work and the cooks stayed up all night so the traditional turkey dinner would be ready by noon the next day.

For the last 32 years Facilities Engineering workers have celebrated Thanksgiving with a feast on Thanksgiving Eve.

"When it started in 1951, six of us ate. They liked my cooking so well they said let's do it again next year," said Tyrus Bailey, the originator of the tradition. Bailey, from Arab, Ala., retired from FE 10 years ago and turned over the head cook job to Fred Smith.

The first year, \$1.50 was spent on a turkey and this year Smith spent \$376 for 34 turkeys. A little over \$700 was spent on the meal this year, according to Smith.

"Everyone contributes money for the meal and the left over money goes to a Christmas party," he said. "But we usually don't have any left."

Food is sometimes left over and is divided among "anyone who wants some."

Bailey cooked the first turkey at home but persuaded his boss to let him use an industrial oven the next year. The oven, used in the repair of large electric motors to bake on a phenolic material, has been used to cook turkey every year since.

"It serves as a walk-in oven and cooks better than a Jenn-Air," said Bailey.

The oven was full this year, but the circulating heat baked all the turkeys in a few hours.

Bailey's secret to baking a turkey is to salt and pepper, baste in butter, wrap in foil, cook at 450 degrees and "go off and leave it for five or six hours," he said.

The 600 pounds of turkey was expected to feed approximately 400 people last Wednesday, but, according to Smith, they usually serve more.

The Thanksgiving meal included turkey and dressing, baked potatoes, gravy, peas, slaw, cranberry sauce, pickles, and Bailey's lemonade.

Baking turkeys and making lemonade are Bailey's specialties and he comes back each year to do his part.



TEAMWORK—Leon Reyer empties cans of cranberry sauce while Roy Howard slices it for serving.

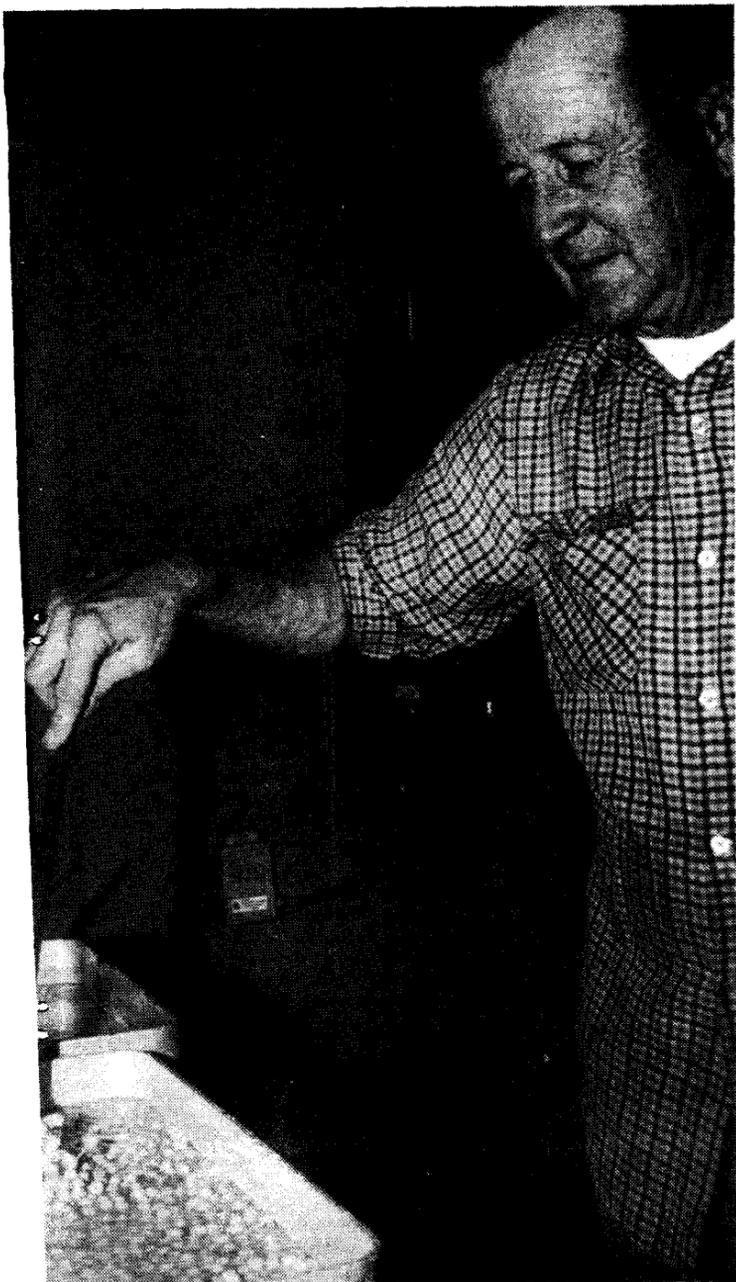


HOT POTATOES—Big pan of potatoes was baked in an old industrial oven used in an electric motor repair process.

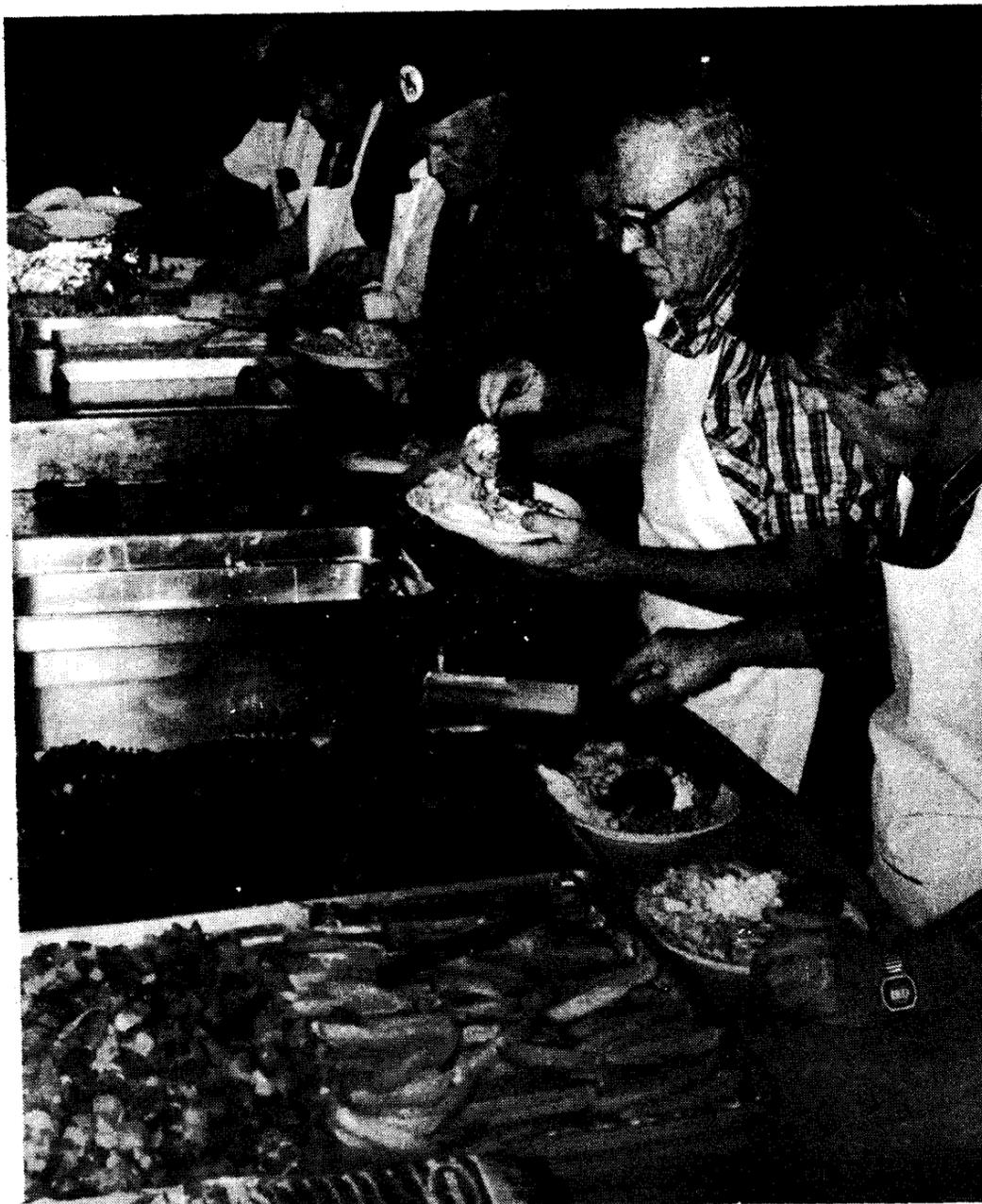
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COLE SLAW in a large container readied for serving by Don Walker, complimented the Thanksgiving meals main course of 600 lbs. of turkey.



—John Shores has helped cook the Thanksgiving meal for 15 years. He is preparing this one.



SERVING LINE—Plates were piled heaping full by the time they reached the end of the serving line. Shown handling serving chores are, front to back, Charles Merrall, Leon Reyer, Milton Wynn, William Bolin, Jim Stoner, Will Alexander, and Fred Smith.

# 'Tis the season for bad checks at shopping center

BY SKIP VAUGHN

The before Christmas period is the worst time of the year for bad checks at the Post Exchange.

That's according to the official who handles returned checks at the PX here. The number so far this year has dropped compared to the same period last year, says Julia Harris, retail operations supervisor.

There were 722 returned checks, representing \$35,751, from Jan. 26 through Nov. 24. This compares to 915 returned checks for \$39,947 for the same period last year. Harris believes the decrease is due to the \$15 handling fee and a change in banking procedure.

"There's a \$15 charge providing it is not a bank error or administrative error," she says. The charge was upped \$5 in March.

The change in banking procedure was by the bank the PX sends its checks to, First Alabama Bank. Since October 1982 the bank has been sending the returned checks it gets from other banks back to those banks

for a second time. This gives the checks a second chance to be covered. "Actually they're doing the service member a favor," Harris says. "It has helped to cut back on me getting so many (bad checks)."

When a check is returned to the PX, the service member's battalion and then company are notified. They inform the soldier and then Harris sends a written notice.

"Occasionally it's not the service member's fault; it's the bank's fault," Harris says. "If they (bank officials) send a letter stating it is their error then this is not held against the individual and he does not have to pay the handling fee."

Usually it's not the bank's fault but she doesn't believe most returned checks are deliberate. Some are admitted bookkeeping errors.

Someone might write a check that gets to the bank before funds to cover it are deposited. Harris points out that the PX doesn't hold checks and they might get

to the bank that very day.

"Double check on your bookkeeping," she advises. "If in doubt I'd certainly call the bank to see if I had sufficient funds to write a check."

She also advises keeping up with service charges that the bank may charge for keeping a minimum balance in an account. In addition a bank may hold a check maybe 10 days "to give it time enough to clear to be sure it's a good check and it's in your account," Harris says.

"Some of these GI's that are on the bad check list on our computer, they'll write their buddy a check and let him cash it," she says. "Whoever that check is made payable to in cash, that's who we have to go to to get our money from...So second party checks are just not too safe anymore."

Cashiers at the PX usually tell patrons with a second party check that they are responsible for taking care of it if the check bounces.



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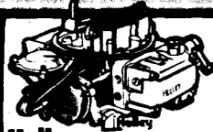
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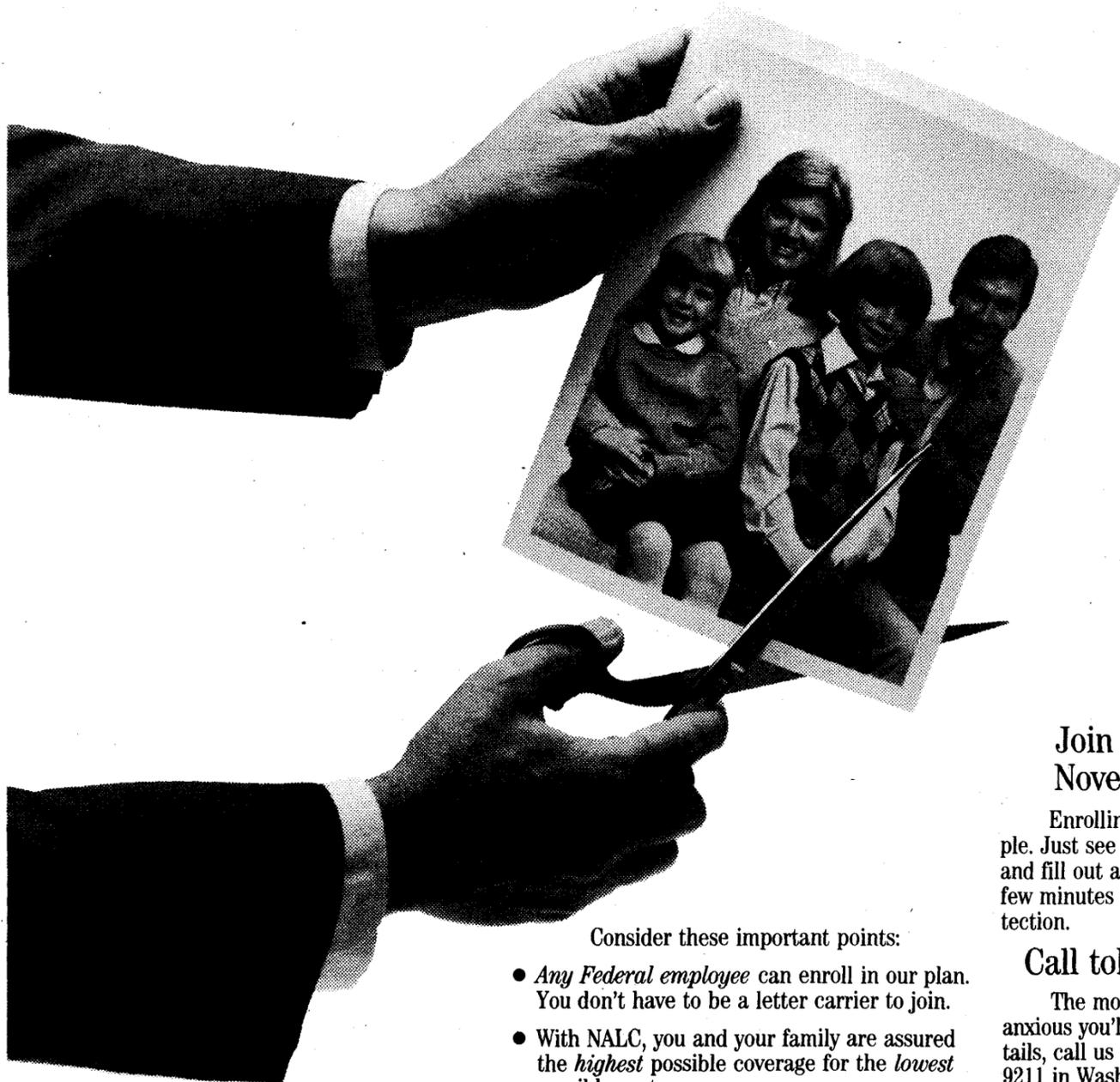
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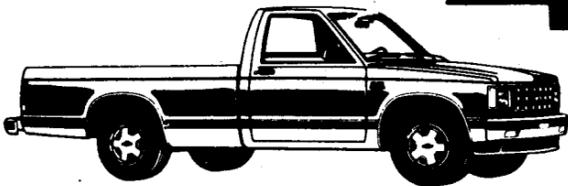
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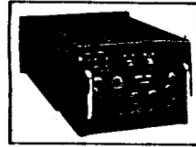
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# Apply now for 'catch-62' earnings statements

WASHINGTON—If you're a former soldier and now an active or retired federal employee covered by the so-called "catch-62" of the current law governing civil-service retirement plans, you're being asked to apply now for statements of your post-1956 military compensation.

Army finance officials remind everyone concerned that civil service pensions based on combined military-civilian service must be recomputed when the retiree reaches age 62 so as to exclude computation credit for the years of military service covered by Social Security. The total of the recomputed federal pension and the retiree's Social Security benefits might well represent a loss of income, but careerists affected by catch-62 can avoid the recomputation by "buying into" the civil service retirement fund.

To do so, they must deposit an amount equal to seven percent of the total compensation received for military service covered by the Social Security.

The request for buy-in must be supported by proof

of military earnings, and officials at the U.S. Army Finance and Accounting Center say that the earnings statements should be requested now. Even though the careerist may still be undecided about the buy-in, asking for the statement, they say, has no effect on when, or even whether, the deposit is made. They point out, however, that the statement should be an essential part of the careerist's decision on his or her retirement options.

Requests for the estimates should be addressed to: U.S. Army Finance and Accounting Center, Dept. 88, Indianapolis, Ind. 46249, and should include copy of the DD Form 214 received at the time of last separation, or retirement. Only those persons whose last military service was in the Army should write to the center. Those who served in the Army but were last discharged from another service should write to that service's finance center, say officials.

According to officials, a new law permits persons employed in civil service before Oct. 1, 1982, to make

their deposits interest-free any time before Oct. 1, 1985. After that date, deposits will be subject to a variable interest charge at a rate equal to the civil service retirement fund's earnings on new investments at the time the deposit is made. This rate has averaged 11.3 percent over the past five years.

Persons first employed in civil service after Oct. 1, 1982, may make the deposit at any time before retirement.

Deposits may be made in installments; but to avoid the interest charge, the deposit must be completed within three years of the date the first installment is paid.

Because each case has its own considerations, careerists should consult the servicing civilian personnel office and the local Social Security Administration office for information and counseling to help them make their buy-in decisions, Army officials say. (Arnews)

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SM 5006 Managerial Statistics I	17 Jan. 84	27 Mar. 84	Tues.
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CM 5031 Procurement—The Legal Concepts	17 Jan. 84	27 Mar. 84	Tues.
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OR 5011 Operations Research I	18 Jan. 84	28 Mar. 84	Wed.
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Approval has been granted for Veterans Administration tuition assistance for eligible persons. For information contact F.I.T. Resident Director, 876-1581 or visit the Center in Building 7446 Warehouse Road, weekdays between 0900-1630.

## Holiday food baskets help needy families

Food baskets will be given to needy Army families again this Christmas. Last year donations helped 67 families have Christmas dinner with all the trimmings. The collection program begins each year on Thanksgiving and will continue until Dec. 21 this year. Cardboard collection bins wrapped in Christmas wrapping paper will be placed in each chapel, and all buildings and cafeterias.

Checks for money to buy perishable items like meat,

fruit, and fresh vegetables can be made to the Consolidated Chaplains Fund.

The chaplains and chapel staff will collect the goods and fill baskets with food items needed to make a good Christmas dinner. Food baskets can be picked up at the post chapel on Dec. 23 between 9 a.m.—4:30 p.m. The chapel staff will deliver baskets to families who cannot come to the chapel for their baskets.

To volunteer or for more information call 876-2409.

## Hood group to Carson in 'Division 86' move

WASHINGTON—A squadron of Fort Hood, Texas soldiers and equipment is scheduled to move to Fort Carson, Colo., next spring as part of the "Division 86" structure.

Army officials say the 3rd Squadron, 10th Cavalry at Fort Hood will move to Fort Carson and be

redesignated as the 4th Battalion, 68th Armor. The new armor battalion will replace the 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry, which is scheduled to be deactivated.

The move, scheduled for March 1984, will involve about 400 soldiers and some 48 M60A-1 tanks (Arnews)



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## AFGE, Local 1858 Says: Hold on to your pay statements

ALL AFGE firefighters and law enforcement officers entitled to back pay for overtime under the revised standards won by AFGE's lawsuit are advised by the General Counsel to retain all copies pay and leave statements, plus any other documents relating to the way the money is being computed.

In its decision in AFGE's suit, Jones v. Donovan, the U.S. District Court in Washington ordered the Department of Labor to reduce overtime ceilings from 216 to 212 hours for firefighters and from 186 to 171 hours for law enforcement officers over 28-day period. The suit was filed under the Fair Labor Standards Act.

THE BACK PAY—which AFGE estimates could run from \$750 to several thousand dollars for individuals depending on pay grade, time worked and other factors—is to be retroactive to January 1, 1978. Determinations are being made under FPM Letter 551-20.

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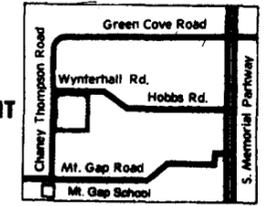
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# Military women spotlighted in new Pentagon display

WASHINGTON—From their involvement in the Revolutionary War to their incorporation as a mainstay of the American military force, women have made innumerable contributions to the national defense of the United States.

To commemorate the deeds of these women, the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services encouraged the establishment of a Pentagon "military women's corridor": a permanent display in one of the buildings most heavily traveled hallways.

The corridor displays artifacts and memorabilia contributed by the military services' museum system as well as by other individuals and organizations. It acknowledges the significant contributions made by past and present military women, and provides incentives for women of tomorrow.

The corridor display presents the forerunners of American servicewomen, traces the history of military women from World War I to the present, and ends with an audiovisual display which highlights the importance of women in the military today and in the future. Colorful artwork panels anchor the exhibit and compliment the theme of each display.

Secretary of Defense Caspar W. Weinberger dedicated the corridor during an official ceremony Nov. 16. Speaking before dozens of guests he said, "This corridor is a fitting tribute to those women who have defended America, really since the Revolutionary War. It symbolizes the changing nature of the military services."

## NCO logistics program adds specialties

Senior NCO's in some missile specialties have been added to those eligible for the Noncommissioned Officer Logistics Program.

This program is designed mainly for soldiers who are E-7s through E-9s. Specialties added include 21L Pershing electronics repairer, 24V Improved Hawk maintenance chief, 27B land combat support system test specialist, 27G Chaparral/Redeye repairer, and 27Z ballistic/land combat/light air defense systems maintenance chief.

"It provides about an eight week course at the

logistics school to take senior NCO's and give them a working knowledge of logistics," says MSgt. John Brady, NCOIC of organization division of combat development directorate at the school here.

For more information about the program, call 876-7508. Prerequisites for the Noncommissioned Officer Logistics Program can be found in Army Regulation 614-200. People meeting the prerequisites may apply through personnel channels to Milpercen, Attn: DAPC-EPM-L, Alexandria, Va. 22331.

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# Duck season starts Friday

The state duck season opens Friday amid reports that local waterfowl numbers are below what they were last year, the worst duck season in many years.

Officials at Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge say each cold front that moves through the area brings in more birds to overwinter at Wheeler. They add, however, that their counts to this point are below the comparable dates last year.

Arsenal hunters had one worry removed by the heavy rains last week. Duck areas should have normal water levels.

Persons who hunt waterfowl on Redstone Arsenal must have a valid state license and both state and federal waterfowl stamps.

Bag limits again this season will be on the point system, with ducks assigned points by species and, in some cases, sex as well. One major change this season has been to increase the points for a single black duck from 70 to 100.

The Outdoor Recreation Center will be open at 7 a.m. tomorrow to sign up hunters seeking to reserve an area for opening day. Only military personnel, their dependents and guests may hunt waterfowl on the arsenal.

Shooting may begin one half hour before local sunrise and must end at sunset. The season runs through Jan. 20.

# Furlough fares offer family member discounts

WASHINGTON—Active duty military family members may now buy the same 50 percent discount tickets their sponsors get when traveling on USAIR or Frontier.

USAIR and Frontier recently announced that family members could buy the discount tickets for all domestic routes. Travel must be on a round-trip basis, and discount is off the normal coach fare.

Reservations may be made anytime prior to departure, officials said. Soldiers and family members must travel together on all portions of the trip.

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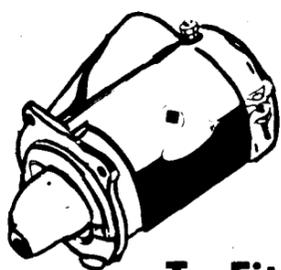
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## Army clarifies policy on drunk driver sanctions

WASHINGTON—Army officials have answered recent questions about the new sanctions against drunk drivers outlined in the latest change to Army regulation 190-5, motor vehicle traffic supervision.

A general officer must sign the required letter of reprimand for Army personnel involved in drunk driving offenses. If an installation is not commanded by a general officer, a general officer at the next higher headquarters will sign the letter.

Only the appropriate general court martial convening authority can approve requests for restricted installation driving privileges or probation by persons apprehended or convicted of drunk driving or other alcohol-related offenses. (Arnews)

## Redstone under-12 team wins soccer tourney

An under-12 team from Redstone beat Fort Rucker 1-0 to win a state youth soccer tournament in Mobile.

Team Redstone under-12s defeated Mobile 4-0, Dothan 1-0 and Fort Rucker in the championship game of the Alabama State Parks and Recreation Department tournament.

The finals were played in a heavy downpour Saturday night, Nov. 19. Bill Spratling scored with only goal against Rucker early in the first half.

It was a team effort. In the last stages of the game, with the wind at their back, Rucker made a final charge to tie the game that was thwarted by defenders David Johnson, Melissa Unterseher, Johnathen Smith

and goalie Chris Freed.

Redstone's District II under-14 champs were eliminated by Dothan 2-0 in the second round. The under-17 district champs were defeated by Dothan 3-2 in a first round contest.

The under-12 state champs were coached by Clay Harris and Bob Freed. Team members included Roger Atkins, Chris Freed, David Goolsby, Darlye Graham, Jarred Harris, John Hecker, David Jansen, Michael Lafferty, Tommy McAdams, Eric Satcher, Larry Sato, Robert Sherbundy, Steven Skonieczny, Johnathen Smith, Bill Spratling, and Melissa Unterseher.

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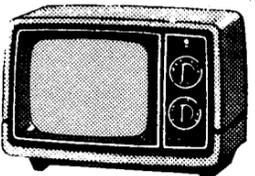
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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PX holiday hours

The Post Exchange main store is staying open later on Sundays and opening Mondays to accommodate holiday shoppers. Sunday and Monday hours are 11 a.m.—5 p.m. through Dec. 19. The store will be open Friday Dec. 23 from 11 a.m.—6 p.m. On Christmas eve Dec. 24 store hours will be 9 a.m.—4 p.m.

## 'Nutcracker' performance

The "Nutcracker" ballet will be performed by the Huntsville Community Ballet company in the Von Braun Civic Center concert hall on Saturday, Dec. 10 at 2:15 and 8:15 p.m. and on Sunday, Dec. 11 at 2:15 p.m. Tickets are \$5 general admission, \$3 for students and senior citizens and \$2.50 each for groups of 10 or more. For ticket information call 533-1953. Tickets are on sale at the civic center ticket and arts council offices and at Huntsville Ballet studios, 604 Randolph Ave.

## NCO Wives Club party

The annual NCO Wives Club Christmas party is scheduled Dec. 10 at the NCO club. A social is at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7:00. Each member and spouses and guests are asked to bring a gift to be exchanged. Cancellations must be made by Dec. 8 by calling Liz Stengel 883-6762.

## Christmas gift wrapping service

The NCO Wives Club will offer a Christmas gift wrapping service in the lobby of the main PX. Nov. 25—Dec. 24. Hours for this service will be the same as PX operating hours.

## MICOM Christmas party

The MICOM Christmas party will be Dec. 9 in the ballroom of the officers club. The cost is \$12.50 per person to include dinner and dancing. A cash bar will open at 6:15, dinner will be served at 7:15, with dancing to the band "Southern Comfort" from 9 p.m.—1 a.m. Dress is business suit and cocktail attire. For reservations call the protocol office 876-7135.

## Food basket program

The annual Food Basket Program collection will continue until Dec. 21. Look for collection sites for canned goods and other non-perishable foods. Checks for money donations to buy perishable foods can be made to the Consolidated Chaplains Fund. Last year 67 military families received baskets of food for a complete Christmas dinner.

## MLC party

Missile Logistics Center's Christmas party will be held at the Elks Club on Franklin Street on Friday, Dec. 2. Social hour is 7-8 p.m. with the party lasting till midnight. All MLC employees, spouses, guests and retirees are invited. For reservations or information or call Jean Adams or Teri McGinnis, 876-1982.

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## Information Systems Professionals

The local chapter of the Association of Information Systems Professionals will hold their dinner meeting at the Sheraton Inn, Thursday, Dec. 8. Social time begins at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7:00 and a program on communications at 7:45. For reservations call 881-7313.

## Baby Jesus shower

This year's "baby Jesus shower" sponsored by the Catholic Women of the Chapel, will be held in the Bicentennial Chapel at 9 a.m. on Dec. 2. Items for newborn babies can be donated at the mass during the shower to be distributed to new mothers. The program will include a slide presentation on the Shroud of Turin. All ladies are invited.

## Warrant officers

The monthly meeting of Redstone Arsenal's Warrant Officer's Association will be held Dec. 7 at 11 a.m. at the officers club. You need not be a member to attend; all warrant officers are welcome. For additional information call CW03 Blount at 876-8379.

## Jewish services

A Chanukah pot luck dinner for Jewish military personnel followed by a family service will be held at Temple B'Nai Shalom, Clinton and Lincoln Streets, downtown on Friday, Dec. 2 at 6:15 p.m. Reservations are required. For information call Rabbi Scott, auxiliary Jewish chaplain, 536-4771. Rabbi Scott will be at the post chapel on Wednesday and Friday mornings. If you wish to see him call 876-2409.

## Carpool Hotline



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## Athens

Carpool members wanted from Athens to 4488, hours 7—3:30. Linda Gray 876-2749/7627.

## Recreation Center

Today—TV Movie "Officer and a Gentlemen" at 2:30 and 6:30 p.m., cribbage tournament at 7 p.m. Thursday—TV Movie "Breaker Morant" at 2:30 and 6:30 p.m., bingo at 8:30 p.m. Friday—TV Movie "Brubaker" at 2:30 and 6:30 p.m., air hockey tourney at 7 p.m. Saturday—Battleship tourney at 2:30 p.m. Sunday—Domino tourney at 2:30 p.m. Monday—Video game tournament at 7 p.m. Tuesday—Pool tournament at 7 p.m.

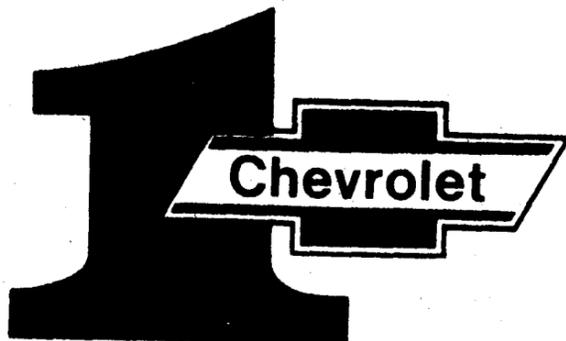
## Five mile run

Fox Army Community Hospital will sponsor its second annual five mile run at 10 a.m. Dec. 17 starting in front of the Medical Company barracks, building 3433 on Aerobee Road. Officials say a few female athletes did not get recognition but they hope to correct that problem this year. Registration forms may be obtained at the Medical Company billets. For more information, call Capt. Leary Bonnett 876-4949/7407.

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