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## Enforcement of child restraint seat law begins here

BY SKIP VAUGHN

Military police are keeping a closer watch on whether people are obeying the state law for child restraint seats in vehicles.

Violators will receive tickets carrying a \$10 fine for not having their child under age 3 in a passenger restraint system.

"We've been issuing warnings and saying put your child in a seat, instead of writing tickets," said 1st Lt. Larue Ulshafer, chief of police operations division. "But with summer coming on and the fact the law's been in force for a while, we're going to go ahead and increase emphasis on identifying people who are violators and issue citations."

This is part of an overall effort to ensure safety of children in vehicles. MPs also advise against leaving children alone in locked cars, especially with the arrival of warm weather.

The car seats for children must be federally approved, said SFC Steven Shaver, military police operations sergeant. This is usually indicated by a tag on a purchased device. "An adult restraining device, such as a seat belt, can hurt the child instead of help him," Shaver said.

Children's car seats can help "to save lives and reduce injuries," according to Dian Avery of the Missile Command's Safety Office.

In an accident here about two months ago, a car struck a utility pole and two children were injured inside the vehicle. MPs say the injuries were not serious but would have been prevented if restraint devices were used.

"We have a loan lease where we let them lease them out for the infants and the toddlers," said Eleanor Placek of the Madison County Chapter for the American Red Cross. Under the chapter's KISS (Kids in Safe Seats) program, people can borrow car seats by making a deposit. A \$25 deposit means they can use an infant seat until the child is up to 20 pounds or up to 10 months old. The Red Cross refunds \$17.50 when the seat is returned (the \$7.50 is used for cleaning the seat and getting it in condition to be loaned out again).

These infant car seats are available Monday through Friday at both the Red Cross chapter office and Huntsville Hospital. "It's just a community gesture the hospital is doing for us, so the child will be safe when it leaves the hospital," Placek said.

The Red Cross chapter loans out toddler seats to be used until the child is up to 40 pounds or 4 years old. There is a \$35 deposit on the toddler seats, \$20 of which is refunded when the seat is returned. The remaining \$15 is again used for sterilizing and reconditioning.

"We have plenty (of car seats) here at all times," Placek said. To borrow them, people can go to the chapter office at 701 Andrew Jackson Way from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (phone 536-0084).

"As of June 1st, seats will be available at the Red Cross field office on Honest John Road (at Redstone) for federal personnel of Redstone Arsenal and NASA," Placek said.

Because of the demand Army Community Service no longer loans out car seats. "We had like two or three of them and it wasn't enough to go around to everyone," said Sgt. Michael Howell, ACS noncommissioned officer in charge.

Car seats can be purchased at the Post Exchange, however. Prices range from \$19.50 to about \$46.

Use of car seats is not the only concern that military police have for children's safety in vehicles. In at least two cases this year, MPs have found a child left unattended in a locked car. The most likely place for this to happen is a shopping center parking lot where the parent may end up standing in a line and leave the child longer than anticipated, said Ulshafer, the police operations chief.

An MP who sees an abandoned child in a locked vehicle would use the license plate number to get the owner of the car, try to find that person inside the



INFANT SEAT — Amy French, 7-month-old daughter of Carolyn and Sgt. Graham French, sits in car seat next to her mother.

store, then tell that person not to leave the child alone. Usually the individual's first sergeant would be contacted later. MPs would also notify a social worker at the hospital on post.

"If there's one case of a child being injured because

they weren't in the proper restraint or if there's one case of a child being injured from here because he was locked in a car, then we have a problem," Ulshafer said, "because you can't put a value on a child's health or life."

## Follow these tips for safety seat use

Not only is it important to use child car safety seats, it's also important to use them correctly.

The National Transportation Board studied 34 car crashes in which child restraints were used but they were used correctly in only six of those wrecks, according to the MICOM Safety Office. The board said proper use of the seats could have prevented death or injury in all six cases.

Some of the problem seems to be that people do not understand or are not following instructions. Here are examples provided by the safety office:

— The safety harness must be properly fastened around the child.

— The car safety belt must be passed through the car seat.

— The seat's tether strap must be secured to the car seat.

"I think it's criminal not to use them," said Dian Avery of the safety office, referring to child restraint systems. "I can't understand why a parent or parents who would be concerned if the child had a temperature of 100 and want to take him to a pediatrician, would

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## Static electricity caused Pershing II mishap

The accidental ignition and burning of a Pershing II rocket motor that killed three soldiers and injured others was caused by a discharge of static electricity within the rocket propellant, according to the Army.

On April 24 the Army announced an investigating board's findings. A simultaneous announcement was made by the Ministry of Defense of the Federal Republic of Germany which had been continuously informed of the work of the investigating team based at Redstone Arsenal.

The accident occurred Jan. 11 at the U.S. Army's Fort Red Leg complex near Heilbronn, Germany, when a crew from "C" battery, 3rd Battalion, 84th Field Artillery, began to lift the 9,145 pound first stage propulsion section from its steel shipping container.

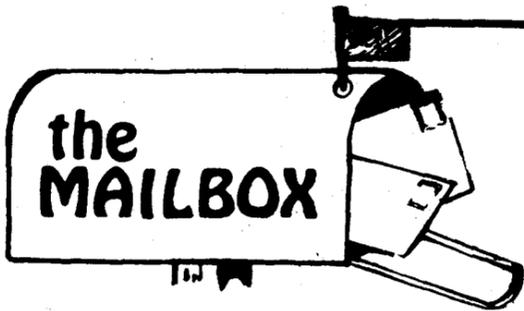
The Army said relatively simple modifications have already been introduced into Pershing II hardware being manufactured in the United States. Missiles and other equipment already in Germany will be modified on site, the Army said, a process that will take several months.

The modifications prevent the buildup of electrostatic charges on the missile sections and also provide improved ground techniques to quickly dissipate any charge that may be induced by handling the missile sections.

Modifying the system to eliminate the cause of the accident will not cause a delay in completion of deployment of the Pershing II, the Army said.

The investigation, headed by Col. Thomas H. Denny of the Army Safety Center, has been supported by a technical team of the Missile Command, Army Missile Laboratory and Pershing Project Office, Pershing contractors, and experts from the Air Force, Navy, NASA, universities and private research organizations.

Research and tests performed during the investigation established that the Pershing II propellant becomes sensitive to electrostatic discharge under a particular set of low temperature and low humidity conditions, facts previously unknown and unsuspected.



## Secretary's surprise

**Editor:**

This is a "Thank You" note to all of the people who assisted me in my 3 1/2-year effort to obtain a window air conditioning unit for my office. This unit is necessary due to my disability (multiple sclerosis) which mandates that I be kept in a cool environment.

There are so many of you who offered me moral support and backed me up with administrative support, but I would just like to mention a few of them: Charles Ray and Bonnie Kilgore and the great people in the MICOM EEO Office; my supervisor Rich Paladino and his supervisors Larry Seggel and Col. Nicholas Hurst who were not afraid to get involved and bring this whole issue to a very happy solution; to all of my co-workers in the MLRS Project Office for their support and encouragement to keep on trying when it appeared that I was banging my head into stone walls; to my doctor at Fox Army Hospital, Dr. Bell, for his willingness to sign several statements attesting to my handicap and need for the a/c unit; and to Maj. Gen. Bunyard who signed the papers which led to today's (April 24) installation of the much hoped-for and long-awaited air conditioner.

Thank you, each and every one. I now have a work place which is comfortably cool and can look forward to wearing a dress without the bother of having to pack a pair of shorts and a tank top in case I got too

hot. I only hope that the next MS patient who comes to work for MICOM will not be forced to wait 3 1/2 years, as I was. I can say to you all that this was well worth waiting for. What a great Secretary's Week surprise!

Judi Almy  
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## Not the best years

**Editor:**

Some of us may remember the movie "Splendor in the Grass" starring Natalie Wood and Warren Beatty. The scene was during the 1930s and the theme was that love once lost can never be regained again. This is somewhat parallel to some of us senior employees with 30 years plus who are near retirement.

The youth that we once had, including the strong drive to get the job done, appears to have been lost in the latter years. It is somewhat refreshing to see our young people who are not yet warped by time and the cruel world. Their "Rose Colored Glasses" are not yet tarnished by time and the system. One would think that the years near retirement are the greatest but that's not necessarily so.

A lot of our senior employees are in a "dead-end" position or in a corner like a "step child" at supper time. All we ask for is a meaningful position with a challenge in which to forward the mission of this command and the Department of the Army. This expertise once lost by the command can never be regained again. The chance of ever being picked up through the lateral system within the civilian personnel office is nearly zero. Most managers are interested in promoting from within and unless there is an inside connection, one's chance of a new position is not likely.

Hershel D. Cramer

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## Service to complement chain of command

People who live and work on Redstone have a new opportunity to give their ideas, make suggestions, and even complain about the way things are done here.

The new program, called Dial-a-Boss, enables people with suggestions or problems to leave a recorded message by telephone.

1st Lt. Pamela McCullough, assistant deputy chief of staff, said the program is in keeping with this year's Army theme of leadership.

"This is not a substitute for going through the chain of command. It is intended to complement it," she said.

People who call Dial-a-Boss will hear a recorded greeting from Gen. Jerry Max Bunyard. The caller will be asked to state his or her name before leaving a message. The message will be forwarded to the ap-

propriate person or office for solutions of problems and acknowledgement of suggestions.

"We want people to give their names, because we want a one-to-one relationship between the person with a problem, and the person who is tasked to solve the problem," she said.

Activities that are assigned to solve problems have 24 hours to acknowledge by phone to the person who called Dial-a-Boss that they are working on the problem.

McCullough expects most calls to be from people who have tried other ways of solving their problem.

Dial-a-Boss will be operational no later than May 6, said McCullough. The phone number for the service is 876-BOSS.

## Value engineering is cost-cutting tool

Value engineering must be an important part of the Army's push to get good products at reasonable cost, Brig. Gen. John Drosdeck said here Friday.

"I believe sincerely that our value engineering program is a good one and with intelligent application and emphasis can achieve substantial cost reductions for the Army," the command's deputy for procurement and readiness said at an April 26 program for command value engineering representatives.

Application of value engineering principles can help make sure that the command meets its "very serious obligation" to the public to promote national defense and spend their tax dollars wisely, Drosdeck said.

"It's not just a buzz word, not just a lot of paper," the general stressed. "Value engineering can achieve substantial savings and it needs your commitment and that of your co-workers."

During the five-hour "mini-symposium", command representatives heard speakers from government and industry talk on various aspects of value engineering. The program also included a panel discussion and question and answer session.

## Ordnance Ball scheduled

Plans are complete for the Ordnance Ball scheduled for May 18 in the Officers Club. Lt. Gen. Benjamin F. Register, Army deputy chief of staff for logistics, will be guest speaker for the expected 300 attendees.

The receiving line opens at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 8:30. Music in the dining room will be provided by the 101st Airborne Band. Desiree will entertain in the Big Spring Lounge.

Some tickets are still available. For reservations call 876-5577.

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# Engineer picked for renowned study program at MIT

BY SKIP VAUGHN

A research electronic engineer here has joined an elite group of people selected for the Sloan Fellowship Program at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Dr. Jay Loomis will follow a 12-month course of study leading to a master of science degree in management at MIT's Alfred P. Sloan School of Management. Only 55 people from the U.S. and abroad were selected for the program this year at Cambridge, Mass.

"I'm really honored. I've heard it's an intensive course, a real good course," said Loomis, who works in the advanced sensors directorate of Army Missile Laboratory. "There have been a lot of people here at MICOM who've had a chance to do this. I've never heard anything but good things about the course of study up there and the people you get to associate with, your classmates."

The 47 men and eight women selected by Massachusetts Institute of Technology were nominated by their organizations. The only selectees from the Army were Loomis and Maria B. Winston, who works for the deputy chief of staff for personnel, directorate for military personnel management, Department of Army in Washington, D.C.

This June will mark the 54th year for the program that has had more than 1,500 men and women graduates. Many who apply are not selected for the program which takes a person with a technical background and gives him or her a general background in management. "Quite a number of the people that are going to be attending (this year) are from foreign countries such as Japan, England, France, Argentina and Guatemala," said Lawrence Williams, an employee development specialist with civilian personnel's training and career management division.

Nominations here for long-term training are made from an organization and then considered by personnel's training division. The next step is the Missile Command Training and Executive Development Committee, a group of about 35 people led by Ernie Young. That committee approves nominations for the commander. Loomis was the only Missile Command nominee this year for the Sloan Fellowship Program at MIT. Training committees or training boards at Army Materiel Command and the Department of Army in turn approved the nomination.

Over the last 15 or 20 years, "quite a few" Missile Command people have been selected for the program at MIT, Williams said. But not many have been selected from here in recent years. Loomis is probably the first in three years, according to Williams.

"I think that it's an honor for the Missile Command and Dr. Loomis because he's going to leave here and go up there for a year of advanced study," he said. The Army will pay expenses such as tuition, travel and per diem, along with Loomis' salary.

Loomis, 38, a GS-15 research electronic engineer in the radar technology branch, does research on radar for air defense missile systems. He started out at the same desk when he came to work here as a GS-12 in 1974. "The job changes as there are more and more developments coming along, so it stays continually exciting in my view," Loomis said. "So although the title's been the same or similar titles, the work has changed dramatically over the last 10 years."

He is a self-described "Army brat" who was born in Oklahoma City, Okla., but spent time in various places (Germany, Florida, Connecticut, and Texas, among others). His father, J. Mort Loomis, is a retired Army colonel. His mother, Jean, was an Army nurse during World War II who met her future husband at Fort Sill, Okla.

Loomis is the oldest of five. His brothers both live in Texas—Tom in Austin and Ricky in McAllen. His

sisters, Karen Crawford and Joan Bell, live in Huntsville. Loomis was graduated from Butler High School in Huntsville in 1964. After two years at the University of Oklahoma, he went to Auburn University where he received a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering in 1969, a master's in 1970, and a doctorate in 1972.

"I was commissioned as a second lieutenant in '69 after I got my bachelor's degree and I was granted a delay to attend graduate school," Loomis said. After getting his doctorate in electrical engineering, he served his two-year commitment and left the Army as a first lieutenant. He then came to work here.

His family will be leaving with him in June to spend the year of study in the Boston area. They have already rented a house in Wellesley, a town located about 15 miles from the MIT campus. His wife Vicki, a budget analyst in the advanced sensors directorate, is the daughter of retired major general John G. Zierdt, a former commander here. The Loomises have a son and daughter. Benjy, 13, is a seventh grader at Holy Spirit Catholic School. Kimberley, 9, is a fourth grader at Holy Spirit.

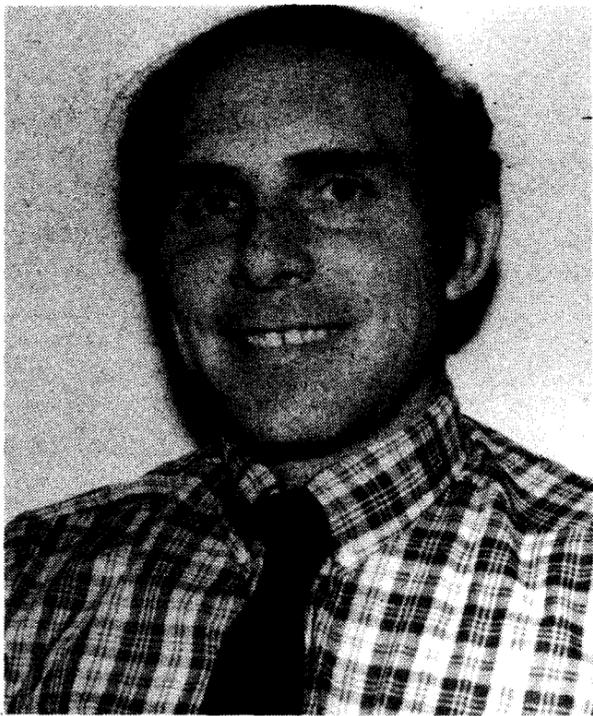
"I think both my wife and children are really anxious to go up to Massachusetts and are looking forward to seeing a different part of the country," Loomis said. "And when you've got the enthusiasm of everyone, it really makes a move like this so much easier."

His education and most of his work have been very technical in nature, he said, and this opportunity to study management principles is a new experience. "It's an opening, perhaps, of new career opportunities," he said.

He looks forward to returning to the Missile Command after finishing the course at MIT.

"My immediate goal is to get as much out of that course as I possibly can, and then after that I'll just

come back and see where it leads," Loomis said. "We're doing some very interesting research here and, while I'm enthusiastic about going up to school, I think I'll be just as enthusiastic about coming back and continuing my work here at MICOM."



SLOAN FELLOW — Dr. Jay Loomis is a research electronic engineer in the advanced sensors directorate.

## Company sets aside a day for spouses

Members of 95th Maintenance Company gave their spouses a tour of their workplace and briefings in what is to become a semiannual event.

The company's first ever Spouses Day was held Friday, April 26, from 8 a.m. to about noon. Plans are to have it every six months, according to 1st Sgt. Jose Quitugua,

"It was very successful. Everybody was impressed that we had it," Quitugua said. The purpose was to let the family members tour the various sections and "make them feel a part of the company," he said.

After a reception in the company day room in building 3434, the spouses were given a tour of the company headquarters. They were taken to the Special Troops classroom in building 3437 where they heard a briefing from Capt. Harry Hamilton, 95th's commander. A representative from Army Community Service, Susan Carr, gave a presentation on ACS programs.

MSgt. Jose Valentinmunoz gave a tour and briefing on the operations office, the data section, property book office, and tech supply. The spouses then heard a quality assurance briefing by CWO 2 Fred Taylor. Laboratory briefings and tours were given by MSgt. Seturnino Canales, Sp6 James Calhoun, and SFC Michael Whiteley. Sp4 Calvin Dane gave a talk at the company motor pool.

Quitugua returned the spouses to the company day room where they had refreshments. He gave each spouse an "honorary calibrator certificate" and a "serviceman's wife award."

"The purpose (of Spouses Day) was to give the family members an opportunity to tour and see about

the mission of the 95th, tour the different sections, and to be aware of what their husbands are doing. If you're not a calibrator, it's pretty hard to explain what a calibrator is unless you show them," Quitugua said. "Also (it was to) make the family welcome, to make them know the most important part of this overall thing is the family, to make them feel a part of the company."

He credited Sgt. Kenneth Roberts and Sp5 Joseph Carney for helping him arrange the event. Spouses that attended included Quitugua's wife Aida; Roberts' wife Annette; Teresa Gutierrez, wife of 1st Lt. James Gutierrez; Marsha Kelly, wife of Sgt. Floyd Kelly; Monika Rosello, wife of PFC Gregerio Rosello; and Gloria Allen, wife of SFC Alonza Allen.

## 'World's fair of logistics'

WASHINGTON — Described as a world's fair of logistics, "Prolog 85" will highlight current and future logistic capabilities of the Army during the week of May 13-17 at Fort Eustis, Va.

Demonstrations scheduled throughout the week include rail equipment, cargo handling, water purification and the Army's watercraft family of vehicles and firefighting techniques.

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# Youth soccer

Here are the AYSO Region 388, Redstone Arsenal, team standings as of April 28:

Eisenhower League (under 10)				
	Won	Loss	Tie	Points
*Sharks	3	2	1	7
Cobras	3	3	0	6
Scorpions	2	2	2	6
Eagles	2	3	1	5
* Denotes league champ				
Bradley League (under 12)				
	Won	Loss	Tie	Points
*Panthers	8	0	0	16
Strikers	4	4	0	8
Rowdies	3	2	1	7
Cougars	1	6	1	3
Eagles	1	7	0	2
* Denotes league champ				
Club team				
	Won	Loss	Tie	Points
Team Redstone	4	5	0	0
MacArthur League (under 14)				
	Won	Loss	Tie	Points
*Quakes	3	0	0	6
Bandits	0	3	0	0
* Denotes league champ				
Club team				
	Won	Loss	Tie	Points
Redstone Express	4	1	0	0
Pershing League (under 16)				
	Won	Loss	Tie	Points
*Rockets	5	1	0	10
* Denotes league champ				
Club team				
	Won	Loss	Tie	Points
Club team	0	5	0	0

# This month in history

- 43 years ago:** The first carload of finished ammunition left the Redstone Arsenal classification yard (May 29, 1942). During World War II, more than 45 million separate units of ammunition were loaded and assembled for shipment.
- 31 years ago:** Linton Field was dedicated to the memory of Capt. Paul M. Linton who served at Redstone Arsenal from August 1952 to February 1954 and later died in action in Korea (May 17, 1954).
- 29 years ago:** The VIP guest house, located near Redstone Arsenal headquarters building, was officially named Goddard House in honor of Dr. Robert H. Goddard, professor of physics and pioneer in rocketry who died in 1945 (May 1956).
- 28 years ago:** The first Jupiter missile was fired successfully at the Atlantic Missile Range, marking the first successful firing of an intermediate range ballistic missile in the western world (May 31, 1957).
- 26 years ago:** Monkeys Able and Baker, passengers in a Jupiter nose cone, became the first living beings to be recovered alive from a flight into outer space, paving the way for putting the first man into orbit around the earth (May 28, 1959).
- 24 years ago:** The Improved Honest John system began replacing the Basic Honest John, which had been in the field since June 1954 (May 1961).
- 22 years ago:** President John F. Kennedy made his second visit to Redstone Arsenal for an Armed Forces Day speech (May 18, 1963).
- 13 years ago:** The first American-made guided missile was fired by U.S. soldiers in combat near Kontum, Vietnam, when airborne Tow antitank missiles destroyed four captured American M41 tanks, an artillery gun, and a truck (May 2, 1972).
- 8 years ago:** The last Sergeant battalion was phased out of the U.S. Army (May 1977).

Compiled by Mary T. Cagle, Command Historian

## First commander to revisit arsenal, reenact groundbreaking

It's been almost 44 years since Col. Carroll Hudson walked into a cotton field outside town to break ground for a new Army shell loading and assembly plant.

When he returns here for this city's first annual Armed Forces Celebration in May, Redstone Arsenal will probably not be like the place he remembers. Many of the buildings that were constructed during his tour as the first commander of what was then the Redstone Ordnance Plant have since been torn down.

Hudson, who retired from the Army in 1954, was Redstone's commander from 1941 to 1946, and again from 1948 until 1952.

One of his most important achievements during his

first tour of duty here, according to Mary Cagle, chief of the U.S. Army Missile Command's Historical Office, was to suggest that the ordnance plant be redesignated as an arsenal.

"At the end of the war, many of the ordnance plants were shut down. The arsenals had more of a permanent status," she said.

With the end of WWII in 1945 came demobilization and phase-down of the arsenal. For a short period in 1947 and 1948, the facility was placed on standby status with a skeleton crew.

In October 1948, Redstone was designated as a center for rocket research, and later, for guided missile research and development. Hudson returned to the

post of commander to organize the reactivation and staffing of the installation for its new mission.

Before Hudson left Redstone in 1952, he established the Provisional Redstone Ordnance School, the forerunner of the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School.

Hudson will tour the arsenal on May 23 with a few of the people who made up his staff when he was Redstone's commander, and he will reenact the 1941 groundbreaking on the original site.

On May 24, Hudson will be grand marshal in a downtown parade honoring Huntsville's WWI veterans.

Other activities in the community-wide event include an exhibit of industry and military displays at the Von Braun Civic Center, an Air Show at the Huntsville-Madison County Jetport, and a ball at the civic center.

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# Soldier has settled on being 'a true 30-year man'

BY SKIP VAUGHN

The phone kept ringing and soldiers kept coming around seeking advice, but SFC Bill Wynne probably wouldn't have it any other way.

Wynne does get tired of the phone at times— "I'm doing good, I was able to sneak off to the snack bar for a minute," he says—but he really likes the Army.

On May 15 he will have served for 19 years. That's a lot longer than the three-year commitment Wynne originally planned on. Now he calls himself "a true 30-year man."

"I like the Army a lot, I really do. It's hard for me to envision myself as a civilian," he says.

Wynne, maintenance supervisor for missile section "B" in the OMMCS Department of Logistics, joined the Army in 1966. He wanted to serve in Vietnam. "I just felt (that) if we had to flood the country to win the war, then I'd be one of the flood," he says. It turned out, however, that his critical missile specialty wasn't wanted in Vietnam so he didn't get to go there. "It's a sore spot in my life, because that's what I really had joined for," he says.

Of course, Wynne found reasons to stay in the service. He had been unhappy with his progress as a worker for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. In his first three years as a soldier, however, he made sergeant and was graduated from the 7th Army NCO Academy at Bad Tolz, Germany.

Wynne had been raised in a military environment. He was born in Los Angeles but grew up at Edwards AFB. His late father, Bennie, had served in the Army and in civil service. His mother, Maudess, resides in Lancaster, Calif. Wynne, an only child, lettered in varsity football, wrestling, baseball and track at Desert High School at Edwards AFB. He was graduated in 1963.

He left Antelope Valley College in Lancaster to work fulltime for NASA and then joined the Army. He has served a number of tours at Redstone since 1967. Other places he has been include Germany, Fort Sill, Okla., Fort Bliss, Texas, Korea, Buffalo, N.Y., Fort Campbell, Ky., Fort Bragg, N.C., and Fort Ord, Calif.



**CAREERIST** — SFC Bill Wynne is maintenance supervisor for missile section "B" in the OMMCS Department of Logistics.

"The Army's done an awful lot for me. Technically it's given me a very good background in electronics, it's given me a chance to 'be all I can be' as a leader," Wynne says. "It's given me and my family the opportunity to travel around the world and see things civilians can only dream about."

The Company A soldier is taking Columbia College courses on post at night to earn a bachelor's degree in business administration with a minor in computer science. He was named NCO of the Quarter for the second quarter of 1985. "My next goal is to be Noncommissioned Officer of the Year," he says. "That's one of the immediate ones on the way to Sergeant Major of the Army."

Wynne, 39, and his wife, the former Gloria Martin

of Huntsville, have a 13-year-old daughter Andrea who attends Huntsville Middle School. Gloria is a secretary for the Defense Contracts Administration Service.

Wynne is among 57 members of missile section B. They provide 24-hour maintenance support for the land combat training department with three shifts a day. "One of the things I really like about being here is I've got some outstanding soldiers here. Quite a few of the soldiers here in my section have been Soldier of the Month repeatedly. We've got some fine young NCOs too," says Wynne.

"I encourage all good soldiers to stay in (the Army)," he says.

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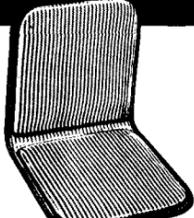
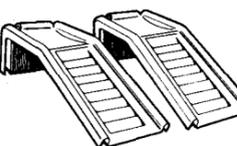
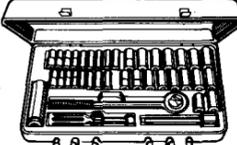
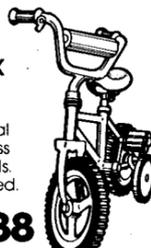
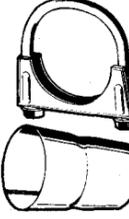
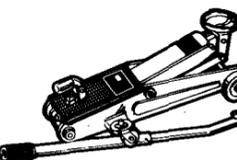
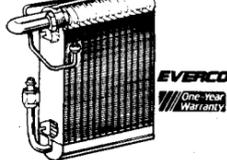
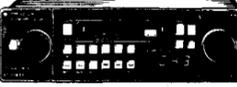
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## Saddle club sets weekend show

Members of the Redstone Saddle Club are getting ready for a schooling show this weekend.

This non-rated competition is mainly to prepare beginning riders for "some of the harder shows later on," said Madelyn Poteat, a member of the saddle club. The show is set for Saturday, May 4, at 8 a.m. (with schooling set for 7-8 a.m.).

Proof of negative six-month coggins and encephalitis shots is required for horses in the show. Six ribbons will be given in each class. Cost is \$5 per class. The public is invited to watch the show at the saddle club facility located off Rideout Road.

"I think it'll be a pleasant way to spend a spring afternoon," Poteat said. "It's entertaining and it's free, and it's really fun to watch. There's going to be jumping events and that's always fun to watch. And they can bring a picnic lunch or there will be food to buy."

"The public is welcome," said Pam Schofield, show chairman. "The more people we can get out here the better."

For more information about the show, featuring English rather than Western riding, call Schofield at 837-8399.



RIDING — Dana Duke, 12-year-old daughter of Marine Maj. Scott and Pam Duke, practices riding atop Cadence.



BATHING — Lexi Poteat, 16-year-old daughter of retired colonel John and Madelyn Poteat, washes Summer Thunder.

## Tips

(Cont'd from Page 1)

not be concerned enough to try to save his life by using a restraint system. There's no doubt, statistics show lives are saved and injuries reduced."

Officials recommend using car restraints in the back seat of the vehicle, especially for infants. This is to ensure that the child's forward momentum can be stopped in the event of an accident. "Really the back seat's safer for anybody if you have proper restraints on," Avery said.

Avery, a safety and occupational health specialist, warns against placing a child in a car seat during hot weather without first checking the metal parts. The metal buckles could burn a child so it might be best to let them cool off first, she said. This may be especially true for infants. "A little child can tell you if they're burning and an infant can't," Avery said.

Here are some statistics provided by the safety office:

— As of January 1984, 42 states and the District of Columbia had child restraint laws on the books.

— Car crashes are the number one cause of death to children age 1-5.

— A common cause of death and injury to children in cars is being crushed by adults who are not wearing safety belts.

— In a sudden stop or crash, momentum will cause a 20 pound baby to "weigh" 400 pounds or more.

— A thousand children die each year in car wrecks and many thousands more are critically injured—some permanently. Surveys indicate that 48 to 60 percent of these deaths and injuries could have been prevented.

— Researchers at the University of Kansas Medical School have proved that buckled up equals better behavior. In several studies they observed children riding in cars with their parents. When not buckled up, the children squirmed around in their seats, stood up, complained, fought, and pulled at the steering wheel. When buckled into car safety seats, however, there were 95 percent fewer incidents of bad behavior.

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# Class extended 3 weeks; ammo students learn bar-coding

BY JEFF WATSON

A three-week holdover for some recent AIT graduates has given them a glimpse of some new technology that may be incorporated into their field in the near future.

The Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School in association with the Army's Human Engineering Laboratory and Armament Systems, Inc., is conducting a study to evaluate a program for the logistics applications of automated marking and reading symbols, called LOGMARS, in an ammunition storage point environment.

The LOGMARS field study is the first attempt to identify the benefits and limitations of bar-code equipment in an around-the-clock, outdoor environment.

Twenty-two Army and Marine graduates from the Ammunition Storage Specialist Course at OMMCS were selected to participate in the LOGMARS project and were given less than two weeks notice that they would be staying at the school for an additional three weeks.

"At first I was pretty disturbed," said Pvt. Ricky Gillison. "I hadn't been home since basic training so I was looking forward to a break. But once the project got started it really didn't bother me anymore since we are learning something new."

"It puzzled me for a while, but when they explained it, and started us working with the equipment, I can see now how it will help in the future," Pvt. Alfred Jones said. "The project training is all we talk about now."

The study, being conducted at the OMMCS training ammunition storage point, known as an ASP, is comparing the current manual ammunition inventory procedures with the proposed procedures using the new LOGMARS bar-code equipment.

"Initially it was the pits, a bad feeling, having to stay around here for three more weeks," Sp4 Daniel Kostrzebski said. "After meeting with Capt. Lamitie, she brought some light to the end of the tunnel and better things started to happen. It's been worth it so far, I have no complaints. It's been good training and a chance to work on some new equipment."

Supporters of the project feel that this is a timely initiative in that the results of the study could influence the selection of equipment to be extended to the con-

ventional ammunition companies worldwide beginning in late 1987. The hardware specifications are presently being developed and the software procedures are being defined.

Previous to their assignment to the 8th Student Company (the Marine students remained attached to the Marine Corps Detachment) and project LOGMARS, the Army students were on a rigorous training schedule and restrictions, hence the reluctance to stay an additional three weeks. Once selected for the project though, restrictions were reduced with the help of Capt. Linda Lamitie, project director, and the students were given more free time when they were not participating in the LOGMARS training.

Even though many of the students did not like the idea of staying an additional three weeks at OMMCS, some felt otherwise.

"I wanted to stay. I like Redstone Arsenal and I put in for this program," said Marine Pvt. Bobby Morey. "At first I thought it was going to be hard and complicated, but it hasn't been. It seems every time I use the new equipment I feel I'm progressing and getting faster."

"Initially I didn't really care, although I thought more notice would have been nice," Pvt. Thomas McCoy said. "The training has gone fine, and the experience is something to look back on later. I think if the new equipment is used it will be worth it. Those of us that took the training will have the hand up on the others."

While the LOGMARS field study has provided a rare opportunity for 22 recent graduates of the Ammunition Specialist Course to use equipment of the future, the hands-on experience has proven mutually beneficial. Their likes and dislikes will help improve the prompts and edits of the software routine, and their repeated field trials will enhance training.

Now that the initial shock of an extended visit to OMMCS has worn off, many of the students have begun looking on the brighter side of the special training they are involved with. They even composed a song about it that begins like this. "I was sitting there eating MRE's/Marine captain came over and down on me./He said, hey soldier boy you ain't a going home/I got a little job that's a 3 weeks long...."



NEW TECHNIQUE — Sp4 Marvin Hicks, an instructor, and PFC Bobby Morey use a bar-coding inventory procedure for ammunition.

## Initial contract let for Beretta pistols

WASHINGTON — The initial contract for the M-9 9mm Beretta pistol was awarded recently to the Beretta U.S.A. Corp., in Accokfek, Md., according to the Department of Defense.

The fixed-price contract in excess of \$9,448,000 is for the first increment of 315,930 weapons destined to replace the Army's current .45-caliber pistol. Total cost for all pistols under this contract is expected to be more than \$56 million.

The long-range plans call for approximately 500,000 handguns to replace the 400,000 .45-calibers now in stock, and about 100,000 .38-caliber pistols. (Arnews)

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**Into next century**

# Night sight gives Chaparral new lease on life

A series of improvements to the 15-year-old Chaparral air defense missile system are intended to extend its usefulness on into the next century.

A modifications team is presently in Europe fitting Chaparral firing units with a night sight which represents for the system "an order-of-magnitude improvement, at least," according to Capt. Jack Myers of Chaparral/FAAR Project Office. The team also is making various mechanical improvements to the system and the M-730 tracked vehicle which carries it.

Meanwhile, the project office has planned another block of improvements that include a more powerful, turbocharged engine, a better transmission and a steering wheel to guide the vehicle in place of lateral (lever) controls.

Addition of the night sight quite literally spells the difference between daylight and dark for the Chaparral. Known as a FLIR (forward-looking infrared) sight, this device allows a gunner to see aircraft targets at night and under some conditions of bad weather,

where previously Chaparral was a daytime, good-weather weapon since a gunner had to be able to see the aircraft target with his own eyes.

Chaparral project began development of the sight around 1980 with Fred Huston as lead engineer and began receiving production units in August 1983. Dick Gray of Maintenance Engineering Directorate is in charge of the team installing the devices on firing units in Germany. On the team are technicians from Red River Army Depot and from Texas Instruments, which builds the sight, and Ford Aerospace, Chaparral prime contractor.

Chaparral procurement officials Jim Cruce and William Hattaway said 522 units are being bought. Two hundred have been delivered, with most of these first units earmarked for Germany.

Later units will go to Korea and to tactical and training units in the United States, including Hawaii. The sight installation program is expected to extend into 1988 or 1989, Hattaway said.

The sight is a canister device that mounts between Chaparral's left-side launcher rails. The front section contains a telescope. It gathers the infrared energy that is converted into an image of the target. The back half contains electronic parts.

"Energy comes in and is detected and converted to a television signal that goes into a display in front of the gunner," explained Huston, the sight's engineer.

The sight has two fields of view, wide for searching and detecting a target and narrow for seeing it in more detail and tracking it. An "autotracker" tracks the target automatically.

Huston said the new sight does not make Chaparral an all-weather system although it does allow a gunner to see better through haze. It also allows him to see targets at a greater distance than before. Tests have shown that in the climate of central Europe, the sight has increased Chaparral's operability from 39 percent to 85 percent of the average day.

A Chaparral firing unit carries four heat-seeking missiles on launch rails ready to fire and eight others inside the vehicle.

A short range air defense mainstay that has been around since 1969, Chaparral, with the new night sight and other product improvements, "is going to be in the inventory beyond the year 2000," predicted Myers, a veteran Chaparral officer who works in the project's systems engineering section.

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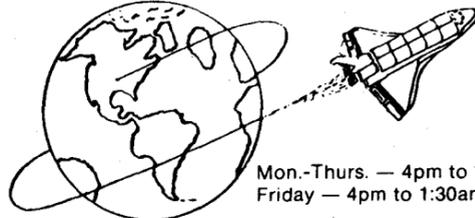
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# Redstone's good cooks make collection 'the best'

BY PAM ROGERS

After almost eight months of sorting and organizing recipes and trying out new dishes, Darlene Arnold can sit back and enjoy the results—the new Officers Wives Club cookbook.

Arnold is the editor of the cookbook, entitled "Cooking with the Best." Dottie Cento is the assistant editor.

Recipes for the collection were gathered from members of the OWC. One of the main sources was a luncheon which required a recipe as the price of admission, said Arnold.

"We've had a lot of good comments about it already," said Cento. "I think we have some of the best cooks in Alabama right here in Huntsville because some of them have been all over the world. There's a representation of every kind of cooking in this book."

"There were a lot of guinea pigs on this post. Every time I was invited to a function I took a dish from the cookbook. They were all delicious," said Arnold.

"My kids were very helpful—at least they tried to eat everything I cooked," she said.

Arnold and Cento agreed that the cookbook will be useful to new cooks as well as those who are more experienced in the kitchen. None of the recipes have hard-to-find ingredients.

This is the second cookbook Arnold has edited, but the previous one was smaller than this collection of over 400 recipes, she said.

"Now the next one will be easier," said Arnold, who hopes someday to write her own cookbook.

Other members of the "Cooking with the Best" staff include Donna Crocker, Lynn Fabian, Lillian



COOKING WITH THE BEST — Dottie Cento, (L), and Darlene Arnold review the new OWC cookbook.

Kawano, Sharon Willis, Jon Stieglitz, and Ida True Terry.

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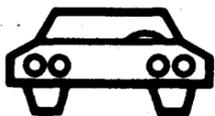
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# Planning underway for big family picnic

Planners for the MICOM Family Picnic likely will be meeting each Friday for the next few weeks as they work out a schedule of activities for the June 29 event.

About 65 organizational representatives assembled last Friday in Rocket Auditorium to exchange ideas and work out committee assignments. The next meeting May 3 will be held in the auditorium in the lobby of MICOM headquarters building, according to picnic chairman Jere Ducote of Army Missile Laboratory.

The planning group has representatives from all main elements of the Missile Command. "We're trying to get everybody in MICOM involved in this thing," said Ducote. "We want to get a lot of people out there and the best way to do that is to get a lot of people involved."

The chairman presented a long list of entertainment ideas to the committees for their consideration. Ducote has proposed dropping some activities of picnics past and adding some new ones including a "contests" segment which might include events such as arm wrestling, archery, casting, pie judging and chili tasting.

Other new activities under consideration by the committees include exhibits and displays, a flea market, bingo, a beauty contest and water skiing and boat rides.

New this year is a committee for teen activities in an effort "to try to get the kids out," the chairman said, stressing the picnic's family orientation. Among activities this group is discussing is a rock music band at the Rustic Lodge as a teen attraction.

The planners would like to have shuttle buses at the picnic to move people around, Ducote said.

Tentatively, planning committees have been established for entertainment, children's activities, sports, contests, food and refreshments, exhibits and displays, flea market, bingo, dunking booth, teen activities, oversight, facilities, communications, publications, decorating, security, publicity, prizes and trophies, medical, budget and finance, and safety and scheduling. Mike Sheehy of Army Missile Laboratory is deputy picnic chairman.

# Army missile lab again gets award

The Missile Command's Army Missile Laboratory is excellent...again!

Dr. William McCorkle, the lab director and MICOM technical director, accepted the Army Materiel Command lab award for excellence in a ceremony Friday before MICOM soldiers and civilians.

Robert O. Black, AMC's principal assistant deputy for research, development and acquisition, presented the award in the high bay of building 5400. Black is the lab's former associate director for systems.

Before winning this award, MICOM had won six other laboratory excellence awards since 1976, and topped that by being named in 1981 as the best among all the Army laboratories and research institutes.



AWARD — Robert Black (right) presents lab award to Dr. William McCorkle.

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# Outdoor Recreation Center has cure for cabin fever

BY CINDY WATSON

Maybe it's cabin fever. You have not done one thing since last summer. The kids are cranky and you have had just about enough.

So what is stopping you from getting outdoors and having a good time? Don't know where to go, what to do, or how you will get the equipment to do it?

Servicemembers, including military retirees, can let the Outdoor Recreation Center solve their problems.

The Outdoor Recreation Center in building 5127 just northeast of the intersection of Patton and Martin Roads provides services ranging from trap and skeet shooting to picnicking and camping facilities, along with all types of rental equipment.

A trap and skeet range located near the Outdoor Recreation Center is open 1-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, and weekends from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. There is a charge of \$1.25 for 25 clay targets or \$6 if you need a gun and ammunition. Nearby is an archery range with 30 field targets. Use of the range is free. Rental archery equipment is available for \$1 per day.

Eight ponds, plus the Tennessee River, are available for fishing on post. All anglers are required to have a state of Alabama fishing license and those fishing the eight ponds must also have a Redstone Arsenal permit, which is free. Both are available at the Outdoor Recreation Center; the license costs \$6.25. Rods and reels can be rented at a cost of \$1 per day.

Boats and canoes with trailers and motors can be rented for \$4 to \$7 daily. These are also available for weekly rental.

The military recreation area on the Tennessee River provides picnicking and camping facilities and a ramp to launch boats.

An adjacent campground has a bathhouse and electricity and water hookups for 23 trailers. A trailer space can be rented for \$2 per day. Camping trailers, sleeping bags and tents can be rented for \$4 to \$7 per day. These are also available on a weekly basis.

To reach the military recreation area, go west on Buxton Road to Shields Road and turn south to the river.



PICNIC TIME — SSgt. Everette and Theresa Rainey and their children Melissa, 17, Samantha, 10, Everette, 8, and Dexter, 3, enjoy a family outing at the Tennessee River military recreation area. A variety of outdoor recreational activities are available here for the military community.

Nearer the troop area, a physical trail with chin-up bars, tires and sit-up boards is located next to the picnic area on Vincent Drive. Also located within this area is a nine-hole frisbee golf course, multipurpose ball court and softball field.

Sports equipment can be rented for \$1.00 per day

and a cooker for unit parties is available for \$10.00.

So solve that cabin fever problem, use the services provided by Outdoor Recreation Center. For more information contact Shelby Williams, acting outdoor recreation director, at 876-6854.

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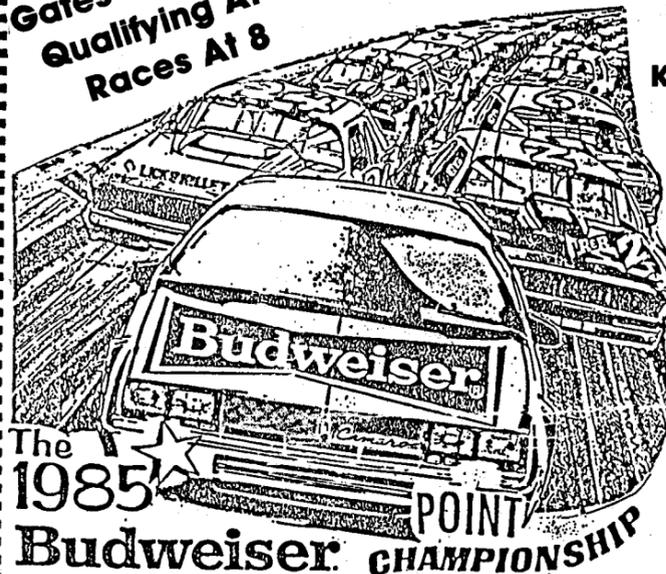
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## Bike rodeo tests skills

Children of Redstone's military families will have a chance to improve their bicycling skills and win prizes during the annual bike rodeo here on Saturday.

Charlie Thorpe, crime prevention team leader, said rodeo contestants will be judged on their negotiation of an obstacle course, and on the condition of their bicycles.

"The obstacle course has six tests which are designed to test the kids ability in operation and safety aspects," said Thorpe.

Bicycle registration will be held before the rodeo. Judging will be done by military police.

Two age groups will be judged, with trophies going to the top four places in each group. Kids in kindergarten through second grade make up one group. The other will consist of third through sixth graders. Children who do not fall into age groups are welcome to participate also, and anyone can register a bike at the rodeo, said Thorpe. Everybody who enters the rodeo will receive a participation certificate, a balloon, a whistle, and a junior police badge.

The rodeo will be held in the Bicentennial Chapel parking lot from 9-12 a.m. Rainout date is May 11. Parents are not required to attend with their children, but are welcome.

## Civilian maternity care may be costly to soldiers

WASHINGTON — Pregnant soldiers taking maternity leave from overseas areas to the United States to deliver their babies in civilian hospitals near home could face stiff medical charges under a recent change to Army regulation 40-3.

The change requires soldiers to deliver in military treatment facilities, or other approved facilities in areas where military treatment facilities don't exist. Failure to follow this change could result in the soldier being held liable for whatever costs are incurred at a civilian facility, according to Col. Lloyd A. Schlaeppli, patient administration consultant in the office of the Army surgeon general.

Previously, overseas soldiers could elect to take maternity leave, travel to the United States and deliver their babies in civilian facilities near their leave address if there was no military treatment facility within 30 miles. The same procedures applied to soldiers stationed within the United States. Expenses for civilian delivery under such circumstances were paid by the government through Army open allotment.

The Feb. 15 change in the regulation now states that the Army will not pay for delivery in civilian facilities except in the event of bona fide emergencies. Soldiers may still deliver at military treatment facilities nearest to their leave address, but must first ensure that such care is available at that facility.

Soldiers with questions concerning their health benefits should contact the health benefits advisor located in the patient administration division in Army hospitals and clinics. Phone numbers and locations of advisors worldwide can also be found in the Champus handbook. (Arnews)

## Volleyball standings

Here are the troop volleyball standings as of April 25:

Eastern Conference		
Team	W	L
Marines	11	0
Meddack	10	3
7th Students	8	4
A Company	9	5
291st	9	5
95th	7	6
BMD	3	10
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# This officer learned leadership from an NCO

BY CINDY WATSON

"Mission first, soldier always" is Capt. Gregory Smith's leadership creed.

"The mission and the soldier must be put on the same level," says Smith, 35, chief of the senior training branch in the OMMCS Professional Development Training Department. "To be a good leader you have to be, know, do. Be technically and tactically proficient. Be responsible. Be fair."

In his job at the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School, Smith gives leadership training to lieutenants new to the Army. Smith came into the Army as a private in 1968.

"We must define why the mission is important and why the soldier is important to the unit," he continued. "We can't fake. Soldiers are smart, they know when we are faking. We must be genuine."

"Soldiers are your responsibility. Never say you are too busy to talk to them."

The Army is saying a lot about leadership these days. Most leaders will tell you they had a role model, someone they learned about leadership from and strove to emulate. In Smith's case it was an uncle, an NCO.

"He taught me about leadership and the relationship with enlisted and officers."

"He said you need to talk to soldiers. Stop and ask them how they're doing. Say good morning. This shows you are responsible and respect them."

"Respect is something you can't buy. You must earn it. You can require soldiers to salute you, but you can't require them to respect you."

In Smith's experience, soldiers of honesty and integrity "are more than willing and capable of performing a task if we provide the resources and leadership they need."

"If you take care of your people they take care of you."

He continued: "I want the soldiers who leave here to have an impact on the soldiers in their command."

"I just want to sleep good at night knowing I lead to the best of my abilities."



TOE THE MARK — Capt. Gregory Smith measures the toe angle of student lieutenants standing at attention. Perfection is the point of the exercise.



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### Catholic women

The Catholic Women of the Chapel will hold their monthly meeting and Mass on May 3 at 9 a.m. at Bicentennial Chapel. For information call 876-2409.

### Toastmasters

Mason-Dixon Toastmasters club meets each Monday at 6:30 p.m. at Shoney's West on Governor's Drive. For information call 33-3272.

### Ladies' golf

The Redstone Arsenal Ladies' Golf Association will hold a spring natch play tournament. Qualifying date is May-15 with tee time from 8:30-10 a.m. There will be one match each day May 21-23. Sign up at the golf course or call 881-2215 or 883-2497 for information. A \$5 entry fee is due by May 12.

### Bloodmobile

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will visit building 5250 on May 3 from 7-12, contact Jo Barnette, 876-8421; and be at building 3338 on May 6 from 8-11:30, contact Madge Garnand, 876-2720.

### Military personnel

SFC Thurston Burris, professional development NCO from 1st Airborne, will be the speaker at an open session at 8 a.m. May 9 in the Toftoy Auditorium, building 3495. He will discuss such topics as assignment procedure, professional development, force modernization, reclassification, and the Enlisted Personnel Management system. Burris will be available after the open session to discuss in private any topic that soldiers may want information on. Supervisors are asked to allow for maximum participation. For more information call 876-1428/2743.

### Red Cross teens

The Red Cross will hold a teen aide orientation course at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 1, in the conference room at Fox Army Community Hospital. Participants must be from 14-18 years old and family members of active duty or retired military personnel. For more information and registration, call Kitty Caldwell 837-0365 or Rita Jo Smith 837-9265.

### Drunk driving

ABC television will present "One Too Many," dramatizing the tragedies of teen-age drunk driving, on Tuesday, May 21 from 7-8 p.m. This film has been endorsed by Mothers Against Drunk Driving, and Students Against Driving Drunk. For more information call Steve Knight at Autovon 289-2453.

### OWC luncheon

The BMD ladies are hostesses for the OWC's final luncheon of the season on May 14th. Officers for 1985-86 will be installed, merit awards will be presented, and welfare monies will be disbursed. The Dixie Debs from Butler High School will present several dance routines. Social hour begins at 11:00, and lunch will be served at 11:45. For reservations: A-E, Gayle Moore 533-0226; F-L, Bev Paul 830-4471; M-Q, Ann Patterson 837-6579; R-Z, Sharon Hagan 830-4739. Reservations must be made no later than noon May 10. Cancellations must be received by noon May 13.

### Parents without partners

Parents Without Partners is a support group for single parents who are coping with a new lifestyle. The next meeting is Thursday, May 2 at 7 p.m., at St. Paul's Methodist Church, 3601 Gesman Place. For more information call 536-6681.

### Black federal employees

The Black Federal Employees Association will meet Tuesday, May 7 at 7 p.m. in the Alpha House meeting room at 4301 Oakwood Avenue.

### NCOA

The Redstone Missile Chapter of the Non Commissioned Officers Association will meet tonight at 6:30, at the NCO Club. Members should attend to vote on two new trustees. The speaker will be Janean Phillips from the education center, who will talk about education benefits. All enlisted personnel E-4 and above are eligible to join NCOA, and are invited to attend the meeting. For more information call SFC Ernest Holmes 876-1092/3794.

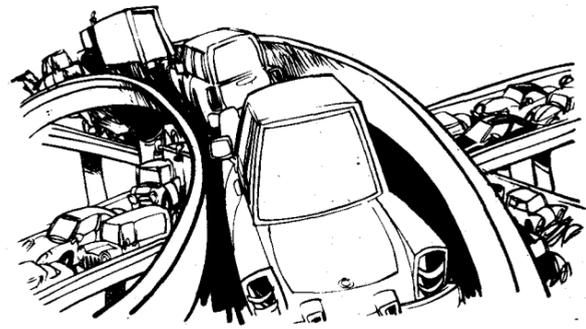
### Recreation Center

Tonight— Air hockey tourney and popcorn at 7:00. Thursday— Jazzercise 5:30-6:30 p.m.; Bingo at 7 p.m. Friday— Checkers tourney at 7 p.m. Saturday— Softball throw contest at 2:30 p.m.; "Bob and Nicki Magic Review" at 7 p.m. Sunday— Tour Braves vs. Montreal leaves at 7:30 a.m. Cost is \$9.50. Chess tourney at 2:30 p.m. Monday— Trivia quiz at 7 p.m. Tuesday— Jazzercise 5:30-6:30 p.m.

### Thrift shop

The Thrift Shop will again be open on the first Saturday of the month, May 4 from 9 a.m. to noon. Consignments will not be accepted during this opening. Consignments are accepted during normal operating days, Wednesday and Friday, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Normal thrift shop hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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### AUSA dinner meeting

The Redstone-Huntsville Chapter of the Association of the U.S. Army will have a general membership dinner meeting on Tuesday, May 7, at the Officers Club. Lt. Gen. Charles P. Graham, commander of 2nd U.S. Army at Fort Gillem, Ga., is to speak on the readiness of the 2nd U.S. Army and on the Army's future readiness endeavors. Social hour begins at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7:30. Tickets cost \$10.25 per person; in addition to individual tickets, tables of eight are available for reservations. To make reservations, requested by May 3, call Marie Petty 876-1708 or Joyce Gardner 895-3113.



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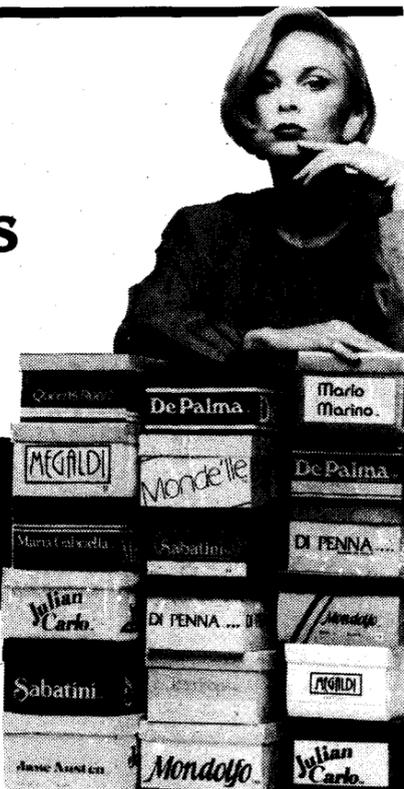
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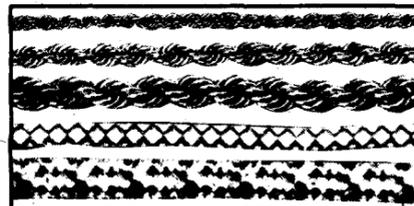
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# Headaches can be avoided when changing legal residence

BY LONNIE GROOT

In some states you pay state income taxes, in others, you don't. In some states military personnel living outside the state are exempt from paying state taxes, in others, they aren't. Happily, I have the State of Florida as my residence and domicile because I don't pay any state income taxes. Maybe you'd like to become a citizen of the Sunshine State or some other non-income tax state. Let's explore how a person changes his or her legal residence or domicile.

## Residency

The law is supposed to be very complicated, so let's start out with this earth shattering proposition: You are a resident of the state you reside in. Strange, but true, you are a resident of the place where you live. But, you may not be a legal resident or domiciliary. Determining where you do domicile answers a lot of questions about what rights you have or responsibilities you may owe.

## Domicile

A person's legal domicile is a place that a person has voluntarily adopted to be his or her permanent home. In Florida, there are two essential elements in acquiring a new domicile. First, a person must be a resident. That means that the person must be physically present in Florida. Secondly, the person must have the mental state that demonstrates an intention to make Florida the permanent home and not return to the old locality. In Florida, there is no particular length of time necessary to create the new domicile. One day may be sufficient provided the required intent to create the domicile is present.

## Evidence of domicile

The acquisition of domicile can be proved or disproved by various facts and circumstances. The Legal Assistance Office has a list of about 200 facts that can be used to establish domicile. Some "old standards" are registering to vote and voting in elections, obtaining a driver's license, registering and licensing vehicles, acquiring property within a state, the declaration of domicile in wills, and the list goes on and on. In

Florida, a new domiciliary will also file a Declaration of Domicile and Citizenship which is filed with the clerk of the circuit court and the local tax assessor. The declaration does not eliminate the need for physical presence or intent. The Florida courts state the key to establishing Florida residency "when a good faith intention is coupled with an actual removal evidenced by positive overt acts, then the change in residence and domicile is accomplished and becomes effective."

## The jealous mistress

When law students first meet the Dean of Law, he invariably tells spouses or boy/girl friends that "the law is a jealous mistress." I assure you that the law is not that interesting, but I also assure you that the state that has gladly accepted your monthly tax withholding for state income taxes may very well feel scorned when the river flowing out of your monthly paycheck runs dry. That's why I always tell my clients that changing domicile is best done when the tax year changes.

If your monthly withholding stops in December, and you file your last tax return for your old state for a full year, you are in a lot better position than if you file a part year return while trying to explain to your old state that you became a domiciliary in a new state in mid year. You might have a fight on your hands. And, if you're in for a fight you better have all the evidences mentioned above to show that you've broken your attachments to the old state and now are exercising citizenship rights in the new state.

## Military personnel

Courts have recognized that the main problem of an armed forces member's change of domicile is the absence of freedom of choice in selecting a place to live. There are some things that military personnel can do to provide evidence of a change of domicile. A commissioned officer cannot change his or her home of record. DD Form 2058 should, however, be completed and filed appropriately. DD Form 2058 is a certificate of legal residence for state income tax purposes and will cause withholdings to be made or not made depending on what state is declared.

Since an enlisted person can change a home record at a reenlistment, that should be accomplished to match the state declared on the DD Form 20. Also, it is smart to file your federal income tax return using an address outside your old state of domicile. From time-to-time, states will use computer records from the IRS of all people who filed federal returns in the particular state as a filing address. They determine who filed a federal return, but not a state return and then assess taxes and penalties based upon IRS income data. I've seen soldiers use their parer address although they weren't residents in the state as their parents and have the state come after them for income taxes.

And, I've seen people use the pre-printed label with their old address and have their old state on their bills for taxes due. Again, if you're breaking ties with your old state — do it absolutely. Or, as the old song says "breaking up is hard to do" because the government of your old domicile liked your kind of money assistance.

## Do it right

If you're changing domicile, you should do it right. There is no reason to pay state income taxes to a state that you never intend to live in again. To avoid a lot of headaches, however, you should make the break with the greatest of ease and with legal support for your decision.

(Capt. Lonnie Groot is an assistant staff judge advocate and legal assistance officer.)

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The companies are taking the precaution because of the question of whether super-absorbant substances like polyacrylate increase the risk of toxic shock syndrome. Products stocked in Army and Air Force exchanges which are affected by the recall are Playtex super deodorant and non-deodorant tampons and Tampax super plus tampons. Both companies have reformulated their tampons, eliminating polyacrylate. However, exchange customers who currently have the tampons on hand may return them to their exchange for a refund by May 1. After May 1, customers can write to the companies for replacement coupons.

Those who have bought Playtex super deodorant and non-deodorant tampons should send the front panel of the box to: International Playtex Inc., P.O. Box 7010, Dover, Del. 19903. Customers with Tampax super plus tampons should send the back panel, which carries the wording "polyacrylate fibers," to the following address for a replacement coupon: Super Plus Exchange Offer, P.O. Box 7311, Stratmore Station, Bridgeport, Conn. 06650. (Arnews)

## Graduation sale offered

DALLAS — The Army and Air Force Exchange Service is featuring a graduation sale in honor of students young and old who make the mark.

The sale runs from May 1st through the 5th and features an array of merchandise from giftware and music systems to watches, typewriters and clothing. Also available will be luggage, attache cases, calculators and grooming aids.

In addition, many personal services concessions will discount \$7 from any purchase of \$20 or more. A coupon offering 15 percent off the regular processing price of color prints and enlargements will be available in exchange advertising tabloids. (Arnews)

## Here's how system works

WASHINGTON — A test program designed to afford the Army's military and civilian family members ready access to job markets at their families' duty locations now has permanence.

Begun about two years ago, the program, renamed "Department of the Army family member referral system," has received Defense Department approval both for permanent operation and for extension to Alaska and Hawaii.

During its test period, the program, which originally provided special consideration for jobs at Army installations within the 48 contiguous states, resulted in a 72 percent placement rate of family members at their new duty stations.

Army civilian personnel officials report a number of highly satisfied "customers" in the program — both registrants and hiring supervisors.

"I was impressed by the placement program," wrote one person. "Since I was hired two weeks after arrival (at new duty station)." Another wrote: "I'm grateful for this new program. I am thoroughly pleased with the way I was treated upon arrival at (new duty station)."

On the hiring side, such comments as "got a good worker, the program works" and "we certainly are fortunate to be able to hire (family member)" typify the written feedback.

Family members who seek to qualify for referral and placement under the program will find useful the various "employment information sheets" issued at most Army activities by their civilian personnel offices. Such a sheet summarizes pertinent information on the activity's mission, range of employment opportunities, and location of any nearby non-Army organizations that might have openings for either part-time or full-time work. The sheets also contain application instructions, review the eligibility requirements, and address the special programs for the handicapped, veterans, interns, and students.

Family members seeking employment at the sponsor's next Army installation or at the current location, will find answers to most questions by visiting the local civilian personnel office. Some job-information assistance is offered also at the local Army Community Service office. By arrangement with the U.S. Army Civilian Personnel Center in Alexandria, Va., most of these local offices have copies of the various employment-information sheets. (Arnews)

## Firm bankrupts; Army may lose \$11 million

WASHINGTON — The Army's central banking and investment fund could lose \$11 million as a result of the bankruptcy action filed in April by Beville, Bresler and Schulman, a New Jersey-based investment firm.

The fund, administered by the U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center, routinely invests its earnings. Generated from installation morale support activities, club profits and vending machines, among others, with over 20 investment firms. This investment method, according to an Army spokesman, is permitted by Department of Defense and Army regulations to increase the funds by using high interest, short-term market rates.

An audit of Army investments was completed in September 1984.

No specific activity or project will be directly affected by the loss, said the spokesman, as Army non-appropriated funds are pooled and further invested.

The possibility exists that when the assets from BB&S are liquidated, the Army May recover its initial investment.

The \$11 million was invested March 6 at 9.18 percent interest for 33 days for an expected interest yield of \$92,565. The investment was to be secured by \$12.36 million in U.S. Treasury bonds as collateral held by BB&S. According to the spokesman, the Army does not have this collateral "in hand" because regulations allow up to 10 percent of total Army investments to be transacted in this manner. The Army investment fund is currently worth \$370 million.

The fall of BB&S follow the recent crash of another securities firm which held \$1 million in Air Force funds. As a result, Army and Defense Department officials may reevaluate the investment policies, the spokesman said. (Arnews)

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Register by taking these forms to the civilian personnel office at the new duty station (or to the nearest DA or Defense Department civilian personnel activity servicing the DA activity to which your sponsor is assigned within seven working days of arrival at the new duty station.

Upon registration, you'll receive consideration during the next 90 days for job vacancies for which you qualify. Of course, there's no guarantee that the consideration will lead to a job offer, but officials point out that the "special consideration" certainly keeps your foot in the door. (Arnews)

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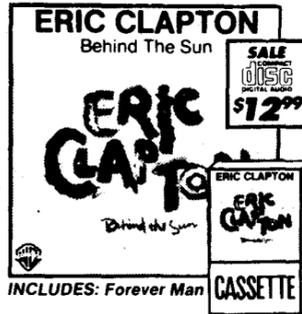
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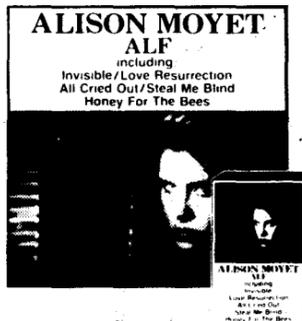
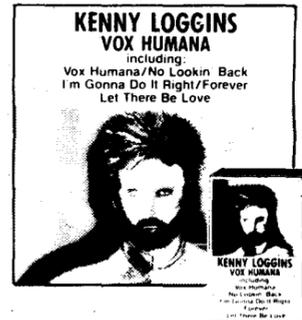
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