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## Worker's household idea saves Army some money

BY SKIP VAUGHN

If a money-saving idea can switch on like a light bulb, Bill Kerr's would certainly qualify.

Kerr, a documentation specialist, helped the Army avoid spending too much for a light switch plate by finding what was needed on a federal stock list. The military switch plate or cover is like the common household variety except it is made of metal and painted to glow in the dark.

Instead of buying them from a contractor for about \$60 each and a minimum of 50, Kerr simply had four regular plates painted and lettered. These cost only \$2.14 apiece unpainted. "So I couldn't see \$58 more for painting the stupid things," said Kerr, who works in the configuration management office of Systems Engineering Directorate.

He got in touch with the prototype engineering shop (formerly called "Skunk Works") and had them painted and lettered. It took about an hour for all four plates to be finished.

"All I did was research to see if there was an existing item in the supply system, and made arrangements for the prototype engineering group to paint and letter them and get them back to me," Kerr said.

"All I did was a little research to see if I could save some money."

The plates, labeled fluorescent or incandescent, were picked up by an appreciative civilian worker for their ultimate trip to Germany. It had taken only a week to order the plates and two days to have them finished. Kerr ordered four plates so there would be an extra pair. Ordering from the federal supply system was not only cheaper but faster than going to a manufacturer, he said.

A contractor had wanted \$69.32 each for at least 25 of one type plate and \$73.07 each for a minimum of 25 of another plate, according to Dave McDaniel, an item manager in Missile Logistics Center. Kerr's alternative meant "a pretty substantial savings, at least percentage-wise," McDaniel said.

Leland Womack, chief of configuration management and Kerr's supervisor, said "I think it was an outstanding job that he did."

Kerr wasn't the only one involved. Carol Rencher, a contract specialist in repair parts division of Procurement Directorate, was the buyer. She initially questioned the price given by Clifton Precision Inc. of Davenport, Iowa. The switch plates were needed in field stations used to clean and recharge bottles for night sights; the metal bottles fit on the sights to cool them to a certain temperature. These sights are used on the Tow, Dragon and GLD weapon systems.



TURN ON — Bill Kerr turned the Army on to saving money by using ordinary light switch covers.

Because of the rarity of requests for switch covers, there were no specifications for getting them. Years ago, the plates had been part of a system buy so the Army went back to that original manufacturer. Rencher got a final price of \$59.49 each for one type plate and \$62.15 for the other— at a minimum of 50 plates—and looked around for alternatives.

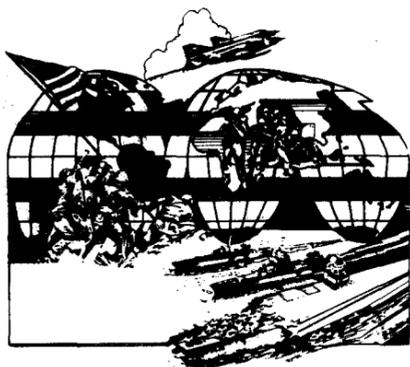
"Carol's action means a small savings (\$3,000) but, gosh darn it, if you put together a lot of small ones like

that it does add up," said Maj. Gary Spunaugle, her supervisor.

And trying to save a little money was all Kerr had in mind, too. The 56-year-old Huntsville native started working at Redstone in 1956 as an engineering draftsman.

"It's a good feeling to know that somebody appreciates your efforts to save a dollar here and there," Kerr said. "I appreciate when somebody tries to save me a dollar."

## Celebration includes parachute drop, Bob Hope



IN CELEBRATION — The second annual Armed Forces Celebration, a joint effort of the military and civilian communities of Huntsville, continues its week of activities through Saturday.

Today marks the official start of Huntsville's Armed Forces Celebration, with a proclamation luncheon honoring Vietnam veterans.

Industry and military exhibits continue at the Von Braun Civic Center. The show, that opened Tuesday, features the latest accomplishments in military weapon systems and aerospace engineering. Redstone workers can take advantage of free shuttle buses between the post and the civic center so they can see the exhibits during their non-duty time.

Buses will run through Thursday from Redstone to the exhibits. Shuttle service is available from buildings 112, 5250, 5400, 4488, 5681 and 7120. All buses will depart from the arsenal at 9, 10:05 and 11:15 a.m. Returning passengers can leave the civic center at 10:40, 11:50 a.m. and 1:10 p.m.

On Thursday Miss Alabama, Angela Tower, will appear at the military and industry exhibits. That evening, military families will be treated to an evening of

Huntsville Stars baseball by the Association of the United States Army.

The Army's 82nd Airborne band and chorus will arrive at Redstone by parachute on Friday morning, and will take part in a retreat and retirement parade later that afternoon. Vietnam veterans and their families have been invited as special guests. The arsenal will be open to the public for both events. The band and chorus will give a concert Saturday morning at Madison Square Mall.

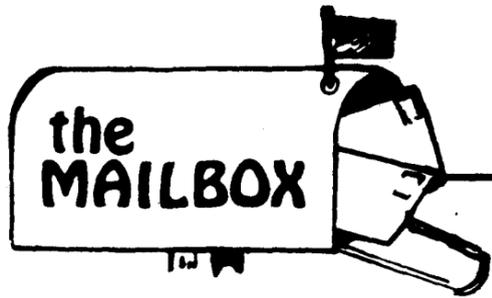
Bob Hope will appear at the Von Braun Civic Center on Saturday night. After his show, there will be a "Grand Finale Gala" featuring oriental and western food, and entertainment by the 82nd Airborne band and chorus. Tickets for the Bob Hope show are \$15, \$20 and \$25. Tickets for the party after the show are \$20.

(See Schedule cont'd on page 2)

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## Day care

**Editor:**

With regard to the day care service letter in the May 7 *Rocket*, I feel this is a very timely letter in that there is renewed interest in this subject at DA level and I am hearing much interest expressed on the arsenal.

As it happens, this is one area that the Federal Women's Program Committee is planning to address in an upcoming questionnaire/survey. The committee is interested in whether the civilian workforce:

- Has a need for child development/care
- Is finding adequate facilities off post in the commuting area
- Would like to have an on-post child development/care facility

And if there is a need — for what ages: infant, toddler, preschool, school age; and at what times: routine eight-hour, non-routine shifts, before and/or after school, other times.

Your written comments are solicited by the undersigned.

**Catherine Gant**  
Federal Women's Program Manager  
AMSMI-EO

## Autovon abuse

**Editor:**

With so much emphasis being put on the use/abuse of FTS, what about the fraudulent use of the Autovon by personnel at Redstone Arsenal? You can sit and time the hours that are spent calling buddies, stateside and overseas, on strictly personal calls. Every once in awhile, you hear a legitimate call being made pertaining to office-related work. These calls are not made by your privates or low ranking civilians (they seldom have access to a telephone). If they are going to monitor the FTS, why not monitor the Autovon? Needless to say, the folks who do the monitoring would be shocked at all the unofficial Autovon calls that go out of Redstone each day.

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## Navy EOD leader visits

The commander of Navy explosive ordnance disposal training came to Redstone last week for an inspection and awards presentation.

Cmdr. John Sedlak, commanding officer of the Naval Explosive Ordnance Disposal School at Indian Head, Md., visited May 14-16.

"His main purpose for being here was administrative inspection of the EOD Navy detachment," said Chief Petty Officer Tom Dove, an instructor. This all-service school at Redstone offers two weeks and two days of training. An additional 22-week phase is provided at Indian Head.

Sedlak presented master training specialist awards to five of the instructors at Redstone. Recipients included Navy Aviation Ordnanceman Master Chief George LaBree; and MSgt. Ross Averbeck, TSgt. R.G. Kuhn and SSgt. George K. West, all of the Air Force. A now-retired Air Force master sergeant, Robert J. Ritchie, was mailed his award.

The award, which includes a badge and certificate, recognizes instructor performance evaluations over the past year. The EOD phase here is to move to Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., in 1987.

### WORTH REPEATING

**"Let us never negotiate out of fear. But let us never fear to negotiate."**

—John F. Kennedy

## Celebration schedule

(Cont'd from page 1)

Here is the celebration's schedule of events: **Today**— military and industry exhibits, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Von Braun Civic Center; **Thursday** — military and industry exhibits, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Von Braun Civic Center; Huntsville Stars baseball game, Joe Davis Stadium, 7 p.m.; **Friday** — parachute drop by 82nd Airborne band and chorus at approximately 10 a.m., Shane drop zone adjacent to Rideout Road, Redstone Arsenal; retreat and retirement parade, 4 p.m., Redstone parade field on Patton Road; **Saturday**— concert by 82nd Airborne band and chorus, 1-3 p.m., Madison Square Mall; Bob Hope show, 7:30-10 p.m., Von Braun Civic Center; Grand Finale Gala, 10 p.m. to midnight, Von Braun Civic Center.

For more information about the armed forces celebration, call 533-4141.

## First photographs submitted for 'kinship'

If you have a relative in uniform then you may be interested in joining other MICOM workers and participate in "Operation Kinship."

Operation Kinship is an AMC-wide project to emphasize the personal support relatives in the military get from their government-employed relatives at home.

Participation at MICOM so far includes photos of the sons and daughters belonging to Arthur Jones, Hydra-70 project office; Virginia McMillan, Missile Logistics Center; Fran Granger, Air Defense Command and Control Systems; Lois George, MLC; and Donald Griffis, Advanced Anti-tank Weapon System project office.

The photos will be displayed around mid-June in

building 5250 then other worksites later depending upon response.

If interested in participating in "Operation Kinship" send any size photo (black and white or color) of a close relative serving in any branch of the military. The individual must be active duty and in uniform.

Send photographs to the Public Affairs Office (AMSMI-IN), building 5250, room A-134. Include the name and rank of the relative, the name and organizational element of the individual providing the photo and the relationship to the individual in the photo. Photo deadline is May 30.

Public Affairs contact is Ginger Stephens, 876-4161.

## Army says second summer safety campaign 'a snap'

Redstone has joined in the Army's second annual campaign to keep its people safe for the summer.

The theme for the second annual "101 Days of Summer Safety Campaign" is, "Get the safety belt habit, it's a snap." The idea is to encourage habitual seat belt use by soldiers, Army civilians and their family members.

"Basically the reason (for the campaign) is what we've been doing all along, and that is just trying to succeed in preventing loss of life," said Military Police Sgt. Maj. Phillip Hendren. Encouragement is offered on post in the form of a mandatory seat belt law.

Everyone in a moving vehicle on post is required to wear a seat belt, according to Dian Avery of the MICOM safety office. "All (Army Materiel Command) installations have the same requirements now," she said. Avery cited studies finding that seat belts can reduce anywhere from 57 to 75 percent of traffic injuries and deaths.

With seat belts, "your chances of survival are much much greater," she said.

Military police plan to conduct seat belt checks. Drivers in violation of the seat belt law are to receive tickets that can assess three points against their post

driving privilege. Points are also given for other types of traffic violations. The post commander can suspend driving privileges of those with 12 points in a year or 18 points in two years.

"The reward for compliance (with the seat belt law) is a bumper sticker," said Hendren. The red, white and blue sticker states the theme of the Army's summer safety campaign.

"In addition to the seat belt effort, we're going to be establishing sobriety checkpoints at various locations on post," the MP sergeant major added. Also, the safety office and the community counseling center plan to have displays supporting the seat belt effort and identifying the effects of drugs and alcohol. A related effort, cited by safety officials, is providing designated driver programs in night clubs.

Of the 950 soldiers killed in traffic mishaps in the last three years, "an intensive investigation of those accidents showed they were caused, number one, by not wearing seat belts and, number two, use of alcohol and other drugs," Avery said.

The Army summer safety campaign is scheduled for May 24 (the Saturday before Memorial Day) through Sept. 1, Labor Day. Avery, a safety and occupational health specialist, provided the following tips:

Be aware of the effects of heat and the sun; avoid heat exhaustion or sunburn. Go hiking or swimming only in pairs, not alone. Make every effort to be visible to drivers while riding a motorcycle or bicycle or jogging.

"In addition to seat belts," said Hendren, "I think another message is don't drink and drive, obey the traffic rules and regulations, and have a safe summer."

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# Hawk missile marks 30th year of service in June

BY PAM ROGERS

June 22, 1956 may not mean much to most folks around here anymore, but it was on that date at White Sands Missile Range that an Army-Raytheon team watched as a Hawk missile intercepted and destroyed an F-80 drone.

It was the first guided flight of the "bullet with a brain," fired from a single boom launcher.

In the 30 years since then, Hawk has become one of the most widely deployed missiles in the free world, used by the Army, Marine Corps, and 20 friendly nations. Hawk has evolved from vacuum tubes to microchips, has a vast array of support equipment, and has proved itself in actual combat.

Jim Hinkle, deputy project manager for Hawk, explained some of the changes the system has experienced over the years.

"In 1960 we deployed Basic Hawk," he said. "It had vacuum tube technology—totally a manually operated-system. In 1970, there was Improved Hawk. It was the first major upgrade to the system. This included the replacement of vacuum tubes of Basic Hawk with a solid-state, certified-round missile. Also, at that time, we incorporated a computer into the system, giving it the capability of operating on manual, automatic or semi-automatic mode.

"In the mid-'70s we embarked on an extensive product improvement program for Hawk." By combining several improvements and fielding them as one modification to the system, the command was able to minimize the disruption to tactical units, and lighten the logistics burden, Hinkle pointed out.

"The first block of improvements to the ground support equipment was called phase one PIPs," he continued. "It included performance, reliability, availability and maintainability improvements. Phase one improvements have been fielded with the U.S. forces and most of our international customers, all of whom are upgrading their systems to phase one configuration.

"Our phase two improvements include addition of an optical tracking capability to the system, and a major redesign of illuminator radar to improve its RAM characteristics through utilization of solid state technology," he said, adding that these improvements have eliminated 16 of the top 20 logistics "problem repair parts" in the system, and tripled the mean time between failure of the illuminator radar. Phase two has been fielded with the U.S. forces and

is just beginning to be fielded among the system's foreign customers.

Phase three improvements concentrate on reducing the operational, support and logistical costs through elimination of several major items. "Again we are using the latest available technology to improve the system performance and the man-machine interface," Hinkle said.

"In parallel with the phased improvements to the ground support equipment, we have been making improvements to the missile. These are primarily oriented towards improved electronic counter-counter measures. At the same time we are replacing shelf-life items in the missile and performing a minimum refurbishment of the missile electronics at the contractor's facility to restore missile reliability to the original level.

"The user desires further improvements to Hawk to improve its mobility and performance and reduce operation and support costs. These improvements will be pursued based on their relative priority and the availability of funds," he said.

Hinkle began a long association with the missile system in 1960 when he was a soldier serving as a Hawk platoon leader. He has been with Hawk ever since, except for a seven-year stint with Safeguard.

Frank Marksberry also has known Hawk for a long time.

"My first experience with Hawk was at Pueblo Army depot in 1958. It was a far cry from what it is now. It was all vacuum tube technology, since then much of it has been replaced. Now there's the latest state of the art technology in the ground support and the missile," he said.

Until three years ago, Marksberry worked as a logistics management specialist in the Hawk project office, a job that took him to Germany, Korea, Iran and China. Now he's chief of the Egypt-United Arab Emirates branch of the Security Assistance Management Directorate.

He believes Hawk to be the oldest missile system in use by the Army. "It's fed me for 27 years," he said.

Although the original plan was for Patriot to replace the Hercules and Hawk systems, it was discovered that Patriot and Hawk complemented each other and the Army has decided to retain Hawk indefinitely.

Marksberry and Hinkle both agree the single most important improvement to the system was the certified-round missile, which requires no field tests or repairs. The certified-round missile has almost twice the shelf life, with no rebuilds or refits, of the original design, according to Hinkle.



LOOK BACK — Jim Hinkle (left) and Frank Marksberry remember the early days of Hawk.

He cites two reasons for the longevity of Hawk. The first reason is simple—Hawk works. "In the case of Hawk, we have a system in the field which performs satisfactorily. That takes the pressure off meeting the schedule for development and fielding of improvements. Through the years we were able to take the time needed to totally and properly test improvements before we fielded them. In that way most problems were discovered as part of the development process as opposed to problems discovered by the troops," he said.

"For the class of weapon system Hawk is in, the fact it is used by 20 of our allies and has been for many years attests to its performance and reliability.

"Without question, Hawk will be

providing air defense for sectors of the free world well beyond the year 2000," he asserted.

The second reason for Hawk's staying power, according to Hinkle, is teamwork. "Historically in the Hawk project, we have emphasized the importance of teamwork, and the need to develop and retain good people in all areas."

Some of those people were recognized for their years of service at the annual Hawk Roundup May 6-9. In addition to Marksberry they were Billy Boland, Hawk Project Office, 27 years; Oliver Esslinger Jr., Missile Logistics Center, 28 years; Della Bradford, Missile Logistics Center, 28 years; Janice Roland, Missile Logistics Center, 28 years; and Frank Buckley Jr., Legal Office, 30 years.



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## Officers Wives Club makes donations

The Officers Wives Club gave more than \$17,000 in community donations and student merit awards in a luncheon that ended its 1985-86 club year.

Donations were made possible by fund-raising events throughout the year. Recipients included Huntsville Botanical Garden Society, Meals on Wheels, Hope Place, Hospice of Huntsville Inc., Ridgecrest Elementary School, The Harris Home for Children, and Chi-Ho Mansion.

Among many projects at Redstone Arsenal receiving donations were two Level II Space Camp scholarships through the Army Community Service (ACS) space camp scholarship program, the Child Development Center, Boy Scout Troop 308, the Red Cross junior volunteer program, the Total Tots program, and a donation to refurbish the patient lounge at Fox Army Community Hospital. Also, a special donation was made for the families of victims of the 101st Airborne Division air crash in Gander, Newfoundland.

The merit award program was expanded to include awards to current college students as well as high school seniors. Winners this year include University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa student Mark Morrison, son of retired lieutenant colonel B.W. and Pam Morrison; Grissom High student James Ware, son of Maj. James and Kitty Ware; Butler High student Debra Goodridge, daughter of retired lieutenant colonel Clair and Julie Goodridge; Grissom student Laura Whitaker, daughter of retired lieutenant colonel Chester and Alice Whitaker; and Butler student Doris Albertson, daughter of Col. Tom and Ann Albertson.

The OWC luncheon was held Tuesday, May 13, at the Officers Club. New wives club officers for 1986-87 include Diana Lamb, president; Toni Taylor, first vice president; Peggy Morrow, second vice president; Lillian Kawano, corresponding secretary; Cathy Ryan, recording secretary; and Annette Grant, treasurer.

## Spouse abuse may be on decline here

There are no indications that spouse abuse will go away overnight, but figures kept by the Security Directorate may show a decrease in this form of family violence here.

Charlie Thorpe of the Crime Prevention Team keeps records of the number of incidents in which his group becomes involved. The military police usually respond to family violence; the Investigation Section becomes involved in the situation only when there is evidence of an assault, Thorpe said.

In 1984 the team responded to 21 such incidents. The figure for 1985 was 16. In the first four months of 1986, there have been six reported cases of assault connected with family violence, Thorpe said.

"I think it represents a downward trend," he said,

adding that there is no way to know exactly what the situation is, since some cases of spouse abuse probably are never reported.

He credits the network of service agencies which respond to family violence cases and the cooperation of commanders for the perceived decrease in incidents here. "We have one of the best family advocacy programs, and the hospital gets involved real quick," he said.

Thorpe believes the Army's increased emphasis on the military family over the past several years has been beneficial in eliminating violence in the home. "We have a better identification and reporting system, better-trained people getting into the right channels to alleviate the problem," he remarked.

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## CFC applications due by June 16

Local agencies may apply through June 16 to receive funds from the next Combined Federal Campaign.

"Local nationally-federated and non-affiliated agencies performing voluntary, charitable, direct health and welfare services to individuals and families in the Huntsville area are eligible to apply for allocations," states a release from the CFC Coordinating Committee.

Applications will be evaluated based on current regulations published by the Office of Personnel Management.

Agencies should first obtain the new "Local Presence Application" form from Wayne Sims, chairman of the 1987 CFC Coordinating Committee. His address is U.S. Army Missile Command, Attention: AMSMI-CO (CFC), Wayne Sims, Redstone Arsenal, 35898-5000.

To be eligible for consideration, completed applications must be returned to that address, postmarked no later than June 16. For more information, call Sims at 876-3641/3651.

## Volksmarch a success

An estimated 3,000 walkers turned out for the Armed Forces Celebration Volksmarch held Saturday, May 17 in Huntsville.

The European-style "peoples walk" through the historic downtown area was a success, according to the project officer who didn't get a chance to walk in either the 10-kilometer (6.2 mile) or 20-kilometer course.

"No, I didn't get to walk," said Shelby Williams, director of Outdoor Recreation. "I had to work, we had to get all the people in and out. I don't think any of the workers got to walk, we had such a wonderful turnout."

"It was a beautiful day," she said. "It was kind of windy, it wasn't too hot or anything. It was real nice."

# Ammunition career program covers broad spectrum

BY SKIP VAUGHN

The newest civilian career program is unique because of its wide range, according to civilian personnel officials here.

Ammunition specialist career program covers 17 occupational series from four different fields— procurement, maintenance management, supply and transportation. To fall under the new program, at least 50 percent of a job's duties must be ammunition logistics functions.

"Normally a career program covers an occupational series or group of closely related occupational series," said Alice Cox, a branch chief in personnel's position management and classification division. The new program is unique because it covers a list of different occupational series. They range from general supply specialist to transportation specialist— all in the same career field.

Besides those with at least half their work in ammunition, others eligible for the program include people who previously did such work. Applications are being accepted for a screening panel to convene June 17-25 at Savanna, Ill., for those qualified for assignment to GS-11 through GS/GM-15 positions in the career field.

The U.S. Army Defense Ammunition Center and School at Savanna manages the career program. As in other career programs, someone can enter training as a GS-5 and finish two years later as a GS-9.

"The career program is like all the others in that

there is an intern program associated with it," said James Foster, chief of career management branch in personnel's training and career management division. "And it constitutes 52 weeks of formal (classroom) training in ammunition logistics at Savanna, followed by one year of training at an activity or installation."

Applications for entry level positions are taken Feb. 1-28 and Aug. 1-31 each year. The career program, which officially began May 15, brings to 24 the total of Army civilian career programs.

Jobs expected to automatically fall under the new program would be created by the establishment of an

ammunition management office. This office, directed to be formed at the Missile Logistics Center, would include about eight to 10 people, according to Cox.

For those who voluntarily apply, the new career program offers "opportunity for consideration in an additional career field," said Cox, chief of personnel's readiness branch.

"This gives them the chance to register in another career program they might qualify for," said Janet Dinges, career program coordinator in training and career management division. For more information about the program, call Foster at 876-5814.

## New ROTC cadet command activated

FORT MONROE, Va.—The United States Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps Cadet Command has been activated as a major subordinate command of the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command at Fort Monroe.

Maj. Gen. Robert E. Wagner is the first commander of an organization that recruits and trains approximately 60,000 ROTC cadets on more than 400 university campuses throughout the country.

"ROTC currently produces 75 percent of the second lieutenants entering the Army. Approximately 70 percent of all general officers are ROTC graduates," said

Wagner, Commander, U.S. Army ROTC Cadet Command.

"Our mission is to commission the future officer leadership of the United States Army. We are going to accomplish this mission through 'Operation Goldstrike,'" he explained.

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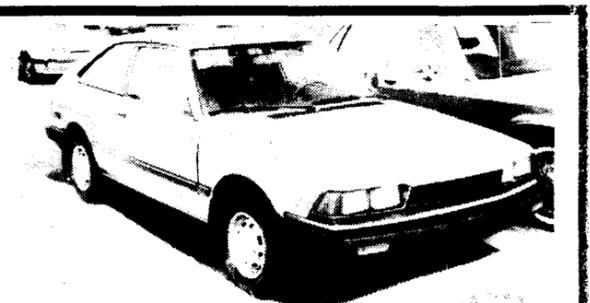
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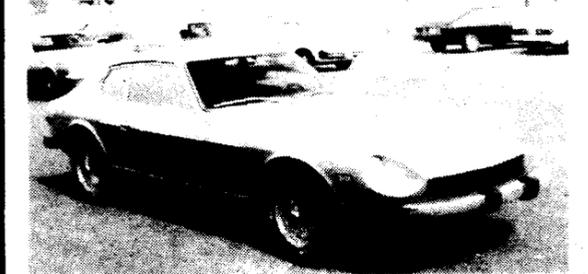
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Picking through the rubble of what had been the U.S. Embassy in Beirut when it was bombed in April 1983, rescue workers uncovered the body of 21-year old Marine Cpl. Robert V. McMaugh. Beside his body lay the tattered remains of the U.S. flag that had once stood proudly beside McMaugh's guard post in the embassy's main lobby.

McMaugh's fellow Marine security guards draped their dead comrade in a fresh American flag and carried him away on a stretcher. A squad of Marines snapped to attention and saluted.

"It was a poignant moment," recalled Chief Warrant Officer Bill Henderson, a spokesman attached to the 22nd Marine Amphibious Unit in Lebanon at the time of the bombing.

"Everyone had been digging and digging, then suddenly, everything stopped. Not a word was said.

"Seeing the body of a fellow Marine, covered with the American flag... it was an electrifying moment."

While stationed in Beirut, Henderson said he came to appreciate the flag not just as a piece of material, but as a symbol of courage.

"Each Marine (in Lebanon) wore an American flag on his shirt," he said. "It did more than show that we were Americans. It showed that we were representing this country and what it stands for: freedom for all people."

When president Woodrow Wilson established June 14 as National Flag Day in 1915, he knew that the freedoms the U.S. flag stands for weren't — and never would be — free.

"The line of red are lines of blood," Wilson said in his first flag Day address, "nobly and unselfishly shed by men who loved the liberty of their fellowship more than they loved their own lives and fortunes. God forbid that we should have to use the blood of America to freshen the color of the flag."

A part of Wilson's world of continuing sacrifice, Capt. Roger Mathews of U.S. Army Forces Command watched the shiny black hearses lined up outside a huge aircraft hangar of Dover Air Force Base, Del. An honor guard from the 101st Airborne Corps snapped to attention as a C-141 aircraft arrived, carrying the first of 248 of their fellow soldiers killed in a December 1985 plane crash in Gander, Newfoundland.

There was sudden quiet as the aircraft ramp slowly came down, revealing 10 caskets, each wrapped in the bright red, white and blue of the American flag.

"That sight," said Mathews, "simply sucked the air out of everyone."

One by one, the caskets were carried from the aircraft and aligned on pedestals on the hanger floor.

"It was, by far, one of the most significant events of my life," Mathews said.

Raised in a military family, Mathews said the flag has always had a special significance to him. But his experience at Dover, he said, gave him a more personal understanding of what the U.S. flag means to members of the U.S. military.

"America stands for a lot of ideals. The flag has always been symbolic of those ideals.

"And when you serve in the military, you're sometimes called on to give everything you have to give for those ideals... You just can't give much more than what those soldiers gave at Gander."

Throughout history, the flag has survived victories and tragedies, glory and degradation.

Frances Scott Key's great inspiration about the American flag, "*The Star Spangled Banner*," was written during the War of 1812, when in the face of a British bombardment, the battle-scarred American flag continued to fly over Fort McHenry.

Col. David M. Roeder had spent only eight days as the assistant Air Force attache to the U.S. Embassy in Iran when he and more than 50 other Americans were taken hostage on Nov. 4, 1979.

For 44 days, Roeder lived with out the freedoms he loved and worked to protect as a member of the U.S.

Military. He looked on helplessly as U.S. flag burnings became almost daily media events and his captors carried garbage from one area of the embassy compound to another, wrapped in the American flag.

Roeder said that in the face of this adversity, he never lost faith in his country or the flag that symbolizes it.

His most positive memory associated with his captivity took place the day the newly freed hostages arrived in West Germany and were met by thousands of waving American flags.

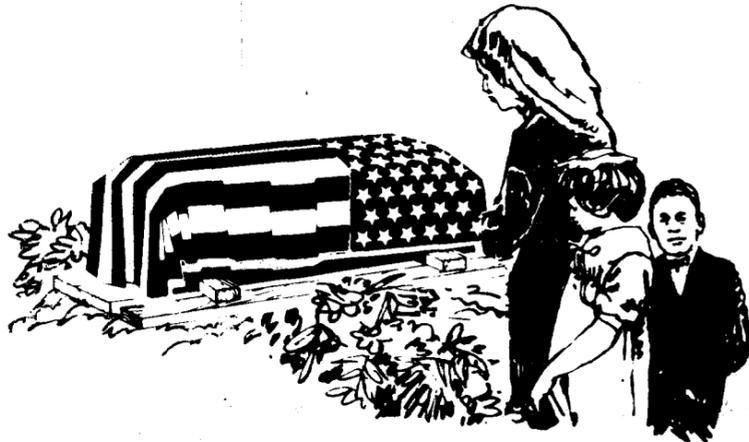
Having just hours before run the gauntlet of angry Iranian faces, Roeder said that the sight of "all those friendly faces and all those American flags being waved made the reality of freedom explosive."

Roeder, who said he's always been a nationalist, said his experience in Iran emphasized every positive feeling he'd ever had about the United States and what it stands for.

"When you talk about a flag, whether it's standing in a place of honor at a ceremony, or draped over a casket, or waving from someone's house, you're talking about a symbol," he said.

"But the importance of that symbolism is monumental. It represents what we are, wherever we are in the world. And no matter what anyone else says about it or does to it, the flag never loses its dignity.

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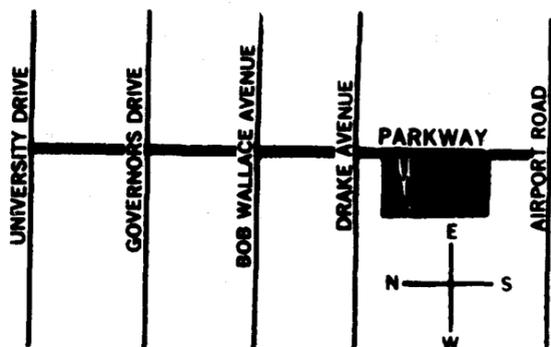
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# Good nutrition can benefit defense readiness

Once, the military's attitude toward food was to "get it down and get out." But no longer. If an army or any other military service is going to travel on its stomach, that stomach had better be fueled with nutrients, not weighed down with excess fat and "empty calories" from concentrated sugars or bloated by water retention brought on by excess salt.

A recently issued DoD health promotion directive (1010.10; 11 March 1986) is probably best known as the "Defense Department's anti-smoking directive." But it is just as concerned with other aspects of the healthy lifestyle — such as nutrition and exercise.

Dr. William Mayer, assistant secretary of defense (health affairs), noted, "We have the healthiest men and women of any armed force on earth. This directive is intended to make them even healthier. We don't try to force changes on men and women — you cannot alter human behavior. But we must continually impress upon our people the importance of choosing a healthy lifestyle and maintaining healthy habits if we are to maintain the high state of readiness required to do our mission."

The directive makes formal an already existing trend toward providing more nutritious meals in military dining facilities. More than two years ago, the joint service Armed Forces Recipe Service began developing recipes that would help trim waistlines and unclog arteries. Now, these recipes are being used, and meals with reduced amounts of fat, salt and calories are available in military dining halls wherever feasible.

Vending machines and snack concessions are expected to offer nutritious alternatives to the usual candy and soda pop — such as fresh fruit, fruit juices and whole grain products. In addition, the directive instructs dining halls to provide calorie information where feasible.

And finally, the services will be providing even more nutrition education than before, education that will "get the message across" about the value of good nutrition, such as these facts:

□ Foods with a high fat content (like bacon and sausage) can contribute to coronary heart disease.

□ Foods with a high salt content should not be eaten by those with high blood pressure. Some foods are surprisingly high in salt. For example, the recommended safe and adequate level of salt in the adult diet is approximately 1,100-3,300 milligrams per day. One large dill pickle contained 1,900 milligrams of salt, and a tablespoon of soy sauce contained 1,320.

□ Foods with a high sugar content contribute to the high incidence of dental cavities in American youth. Many children's cereals — especially the sugarcoated ones — are surprisingly high in sugar content (more than 50 percent).

□ Additives such as monosodium glutamate (MSG) can cause headaches. Monosodium glutamate is particularly common in food served in oriental restaurants.

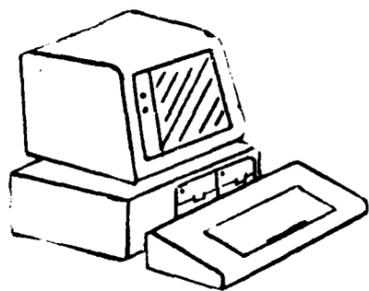
□ Excessive amounts of the fat-soluble vitamins A, D, and K are stored in body tissues and can be dangerous.

□ Diets too low in fiber may contribute to cancer of the colon. Fiber is found in fresh fruit, vegetables and whole grain products. However, don't overdo the fiber — too much fiber (more than 40 grams per day) inhibits calcium absorption.

□ Regardless of your age, you need calcium. A recent study shows calcium may help prevent colon cancer. Women, in particular, need enough calcium to prevent osteoporosis, or brittle bone disease. Experts recommend 800-1,000 milligrams of calcium per day for women before menopause and as high as 1,500 milligrams after menopause. One cup of milk contains 298 milligrams of calcium.



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# U.S. reaffirms right to operate in international waters

BY DONNA BOLINGER  
American Forces Information Service

For centuries the world's oceans have been governed by the rule of "freedom of the seas." This means that, except for a band of coastal waters that extends no more than 12 nautical miles off a country's coast, the open seas are owned by no one—and free for use by anyone.

And even that narrow band of coastal waters is free for other countries' ships to pass through without permission or notification under the rights of "innocent passage."

Recent United States Sixth Fleet naval operations and maneuvers reinforced these ancient rights. In mid-March, two U.S. Navy ships passed through coastal waters off the Soviet Union's Crimean Peninsula while enroute from one point to another in the Black Sea. This action was an assertion of the right of innocent passage.

Later in the month, and with considerably more publicity, U.S. Navy ships conducted exercises that emphasized the right of all ships to operate in international waters off the Libyan coast.

This exercise has demonstrated once again what it

set out to do—our right, and the right of all nations, to operate in international waters," Secretary of Defense Caspar W. Weinberger said at the close of the exercise in the Gulf of Sidra.

Keeping the seas open, and preserving the balance between the needs of coastal nations and those that use the seas, is critical because 80 percent of all world trade passes through these waters, explained Lt. Cmdr. Robin Blackwood, head of the Navy Judge Advocate General's Law of the Sea Branch.

Freedom of the seas has critical military implications as well, because closure of any waters would have an impact on strategic decision-making, she said.

"Coastal nations watch each other's actions closely," Blackwood said. "If one nation is allowed to close areas of oceans, others will do the same. The result would be the closure of large areas of the oceans to free use."

Blackwood said it's important to continue to exercise freedom of the seas when a coastal state, such as Libya, has tried to close it "because the failure to do so may result in the loss of the freedom of the seas in that area of the ocean."

Weinberger said that in the last seven years, the United States has reaffirmed its right to operate in international waters claimed as private preserves by 35 countries, including the Soviet Union. U.S. fleets have conducted 19 exercises since 1981 in the Gulf of Sidra alone, eight of which took place below the 32 degree 30 minute (north latitude) line designated by Libyan Col. Muammar el-Qadhafi as the "line of death."

"In each case, we have operated in those areas to demonstrate that they are in fact international waters, as we did again," Weinberger said.

He said the Sixth Fleet's operations, in the face of both verbal threats and lethal weapons, emphasized this freedom.

"If Libya's radical claims and aggression against our forces were to go unanswered, then I think no peaceful nation could safely rely on freedom of the seas. That's a cardinal principle of the United States," Weinberger said.

"This has been part of our policy since our country began, to see that international waters remain international. Illegal claims to the sea will be challenged."

## Two Koreans go to head of class

When you travel a long way to school, you might as well make the best of it.

Two Korean officers did just that recently in a course at the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School. Cpts. Heon Mo Cho and Joong Hyuk Choi were graduated at the top of the month-long, technical escort course.

Cho finished with a 99 percent average, first in the class, while Choi finished with a 98 average, third overall. A Marine Corps warrant officer, Harold D. Willis, had the second best average.

Since the Army opened the course to students from other countries, three allied students have attended. All have been from Korea. The first attended April-May 1985.

"For those two students to come in and score as high as they did, we feel that's truly remarkable," said SSgt. William Stover, NCOIC of the technical escort section. "They basically outshined all the other students."

As allied students, they could have used their notes while taking the final exam to avoid language problems, Stover said. Cho and Choi chose not to; Cho

scored 96 and Choi scored a perfect 100 on the final.

The course, which lasts four weeks and a day, deals with transportation of hazardous materials. Instruction blocks include nuclear, biological and chemical agents and decontamination; NBC protection, identification and storage; chemical accident and incident control operations; and escort operations. The Army provides technical escort training for all the branches of the armed service, according to Stover. Normally there are about 20 students in the course which, beginning next year, will be offered 10 times a year instead of eight.

It is part of the Explosive Ordnance Disposal division of the munitions training department at OMMCS. Course instructors include SSgt. Gary Fraley, Sgt. Deborah Fraser, Sgt. Angela Demorest, Sgt. Kenneth Blount, and Marine 1st Lt. William L. Jackson, officer in charge.

"With the language barrier we had, they (the two Korean students) were able to understand and comprehend the course and still score better than 90 percent," Stover said.



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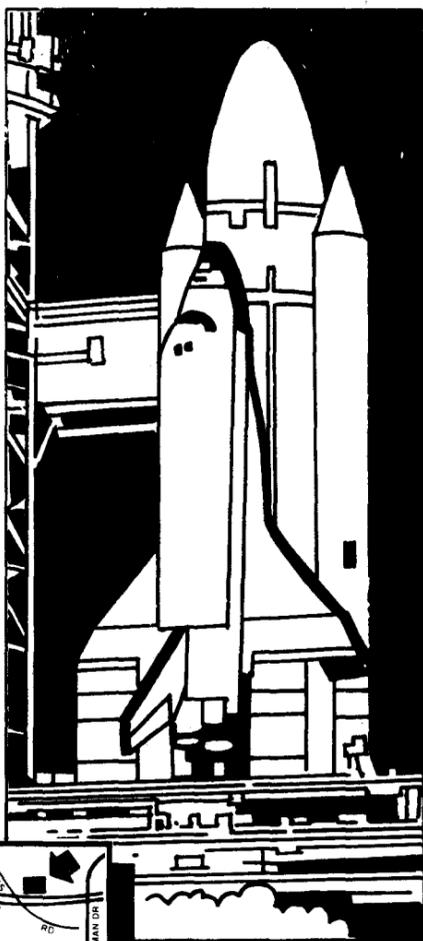
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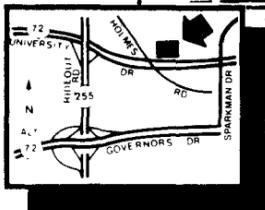
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# Army recruits 2,000,000 since end of draft

In late May, the Army Recruiting Command will reach a milestone. On approximately the 20th of that month, the Army will enlist the two millionth Regular Army recruit since the last conscript was inducted on June 30, 1973.

In the nearly 13 years since that last draftee, the Army has enlisted 1,764,500 men and 235,000 women.

"There was a great deal of apprehension about whether an all-recruited Army would work," said Maj. Gen. Allen K. Ono, who commands the Army's recruiting effort. "The Gates Commission said that it was possible, in theory, to make it work. We've proven it in practice.

"We are especially proud that, despite a declining number of young people and an improving economy, we have continued to provide the strength for the Army. But the numbers alone wouldn't mean much without quality recruits," the general said.

In both fiscal years 1984 and 1985, more than 90 percent of nonprior service recruits were high school diploma graduates. In fiscal 1980 only 54 percent of the Army's nonprior service recruits were graduates. By comparison, approximately three-fourths of the nation's enlistment-age population has a high school diploma.

A second way the Army measures quality is the Armed Forces Qualification Test. In 1980, 25 percent of Army recruits scored in the upper half of that test. That number has been rising each year, reaching 63 percent in 1985.

At the same time, the proportion of recruits who score in the lowest acceptable category on the entrance exam has declined. In 1980, 57 percent of Army recruits scored in the 16th to 30th percentile range, but in 1985, nine percent scored in the range. Ono says that number will decline again this year, as the Army has raised its minimum standard to the 26th percentile.

"The natural question is: Why has the Army been successful?" the general said. "Well, it wasn't any one factor. I'd say that enlistment incentives have been a major contributor to our success in recruiting quality people. And the GI Bill and Army College Fund have been powerful recruiting tools for us.

"Another factor, one that shouldn't be dismissed lightly, is the support we have received from the Army leadership and the American people," said Ono. "I have around 7,800 Regular Army recruiters to keep the Army at its end-strength of 780,000. So those recruiters are almost exactly one percent of the Army's active duty strength. The Army leadership has agreed

with us that the one percent should come from the top of the Army's non-commissioned officers.

"That's important. We've learned that it takes quality recruiters to enlist quality young men and women for the Army. We must have a force of bright, educated recruiters so we can fill the Army with bright, educated soldiers.

"The continuing support of the American people and our national leaders has been crucial," Ono said. "The reinstatement of educational incentives, more dollars for advertising, and the support of the Army leadership enabled us to improve the quality of the Army. While we celebrate today's milestone, we must never forget that the price of failure in recruiting is failure for the entire Army."

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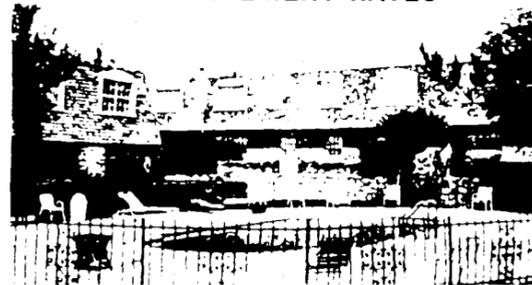
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# One-stop job center had a successful first year

BY PAM ROGERS

June 1 marks the first anniversary of the opening of the One-Stop Employment Center in the Civilian Personnel Office.

A part of the Army Family Member Program, the center's primary purpose is to help military family members who are looking for jobs, but just about everybody who visits it benefits for the services offered. It was the first such center to open within the Army Materiel Command, and remains the only one which is truly "one-stop," according to Margaret Pena, coordinator for the Army Family Member Program.

By making one visit to the center, people can get information about job opportunities from the Alabama State Employment Service, the Nonappropriated Fund, the federal Office of Personnel Management and CPO.

A major activity of the one-stop center is the Army Community Service Family Member Employment Program. Exclusively for military family members, the program makes referrals of applicants to private sector employers.

Rita See became the ACS representative for the program this past April. In addition to screening applicants, making referrals, and finding employers who are willing to participate in the program, she helps family members improve their job skills by suggesting courses or volunteer jobs.

"I consider this a very exciting, very challenging job. Every day somebody is here, and there are so many people looking at this program right now," said See. A military wife, she had a difficult time finding a job when she first came here, because prospective employers considered her "transient." She feels that through the efforts of ACS, private sector employers are discovering military family members make good employees.

Since it opened last year, 1,100 military family members have signed up with the ACS Family Member Employment Program, and 325 have been placed in jobs through that office, or other representatives in the center, Pena said.

Pena considers the convenience of the center to be one of its major advantages. "ACS is quite removed from here, and the distances between the Alabama



ACS REPRESENTATIVE — Rita See is the newest member of the One-Stop Employment Center.

Employment Office, and OPM—it would take a person a week to go to all of them," she said.

"OPM only provides services on certain days, and they don't have the funds for a job information center. They send us the job listings, all the announcements and forms," she said.

Mary Brewer, receptionist for the center, can usually tell visitors what jobs and registers are open in the federal sector. The Alabama State Employment Service has its own representative.

Pena works with family members who are eligible for federal employment under various initiatives, such as the appointment of former overseas employees and the family member priority placement program.

Before the one-stop center opened, job hunters tended to drift through the building, asking questions of anyone they could find, said Pena. Now they are channeled into one area where they can get satisfactory answers.

Joe Winston, chief of Recruiting and Placement at CPO, is pleased with the way the one-stop center is working out. "By establishing the one-stop center we've brought together a number of concerns. The old system required visiting several different locations on post, and sometimes off-post, in seeking jobs. Now we have all that established in one center. I think we have a program MICOM can be very proud of," he said.

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# Stallions gallop to a pair of CWF softball wins

The Stallions took two lopsided wins last week to stay among the league leaders in Civilian Welfare Fund softball.

Led by power-hitting Gordon Jones, the Stallions whipped F&A 15-6 and Patriot 19-4. Jones slammed three homers and drove in five runs in the win over F&A. Jim Chiarizio and Jerry Williams each contributed three hits.

Jones smashed another homer in the win over Patriot. Jeff Crawford contributed four hits; Pete Barnes, Louis Pierce and Williams each got three; and Bill Cannon and John Jordan chipped in two apiece.

In other games, the Cougars stayed unbeaten by clobbering CPO 18-1 and nipping MIA 8-7; MIA beat MED 12-9; Express cruised past PAD 7-4; T&E hammered COE 17-6; Mercury burned Patriot 16-8; Pershing whipped MED 16-9; Mercury outslugged Thiokol 14-11; and F&A cashed in CPO 17-5. MLC forfeited to RADS, and Pershing forfeited to Thiokol.

## CWF standings

Here are the standings for Civilian Welfare Fund softball after last week's games:

	W	L
Cougars	6	0
Stallions	5	1
T&E	5	1
RADS	5	1
F&A	4	2
MIA	4	2
Express	4	2
Pershing	3	3
Thiokol	3	3
Mercury	3	3
Patriot	2	4
PAD	2	4
MLC	1	5
MED	1	5
CPO	0	6
COE	0	6

James Battle slammed a homer and drove in three runs to lead the Cougars' romp over CPO. Stan Williams homered and drove in two runs; Tony Acklin tripled, doubled and drove in two runs; Kenny Brooks drove in four; and Ken Lomax and Robert Peagler each had two hits.

Williams hit two doubles and accounted for four runs in the close win over MIA. Other contributing Cougars included Don Tiller, who drove in two runs; Sam Meadows, who homered; and Dewitt Palmore, who batted two for three.

Ken McCormick homered, tripled and drove in three runs to pace MIA past MED. Don Carver batted three for three with a double.

Jeff Starks and Bob Potter each smashed a pair of

home runs in Mercury's big win over Patriot. In the win over Thiokol, Starks homered again and doubled; Ron Thompson tripled; and Willie Watson doubled.

Jethro Dailey homered and drove in five runs to lead F&A past CPO. Mark Tinker tripled, doubled and drove in three runs. James Love and Jeff Mitchell each tripled and drove in a pair. Shawn Blackburn doubled and accounted for two runs. Randy Pate hit a triple, a double and drove in a run; and Ricky Prince doubled.

PAD came up short against the Express despite loading the bases in the seventh inning; the team just couldn't bring the runs home. PAD leaders in the losing cause included Steve Watts and Steve Nelson, who each drove in two runs; Milton Love, who doubled; and Melesia Love, who batted two for three.

## Burger King coming in exchange area

BY RENEE SCRUGGS

Biscuits and Burgers closed May 9 to make way for a new Burger King that is scheduled to open in September.

Renovations will be made to convert the format of the Biscuits and Burgers into the standard Burger King decor. The menus offered will be the same as the menus offered in other national Burger King restaurants. The tentative operating hours for the new restaurant are scheduled to be from 6 a.m. to midnight.

"It depends on what kind of business we do what the hours will be," said Robert Davis, post exchange manager. "If we have large lines at midnight, we'll stay open later; if not, the hours may shrink."

Applications for employment are available at the main exchange office, building 3220. Employment opportunities are opened to all interested persons. Workers at Biscuits and Burgers were offered jobs by the Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) and all but one accepted, according to Jack Cornelison, chief of morale, welfare and recreation branch of Military Community Services Division. That



worker has accepted a job at the NCO Club. Two people who were "intermittent" employees have been placed in other food activities run by military community services division, Cornelison said.

"Everybody (at Biscuits and Burgers) was able to be taken care of either by AAFES or within our own system," he said.

The change from Biscuits and Burgers to Burger King came about as a result of an Army survey taken to see what foods people on installations liked most. The survey revealed that fast foods ranked top of the list. With this in mind, the Army decided to install fast-food restaurants on base. When given choices of fast-food restaurants, "the Army and Air Force chose Burger King," said Cornelison, "and the Navy chose McDonald's."

The new restaurant will be located on Goss Road in the same building that housed Biscuits and Burgers. It will be operated by the post exchange as part of the Burger King franchise.



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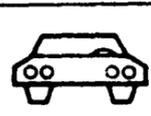
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## AMA agrees to provide list of civilian doctors to Department of Defense

WASHINGTON— The American Medical Association (AMA) has agreed to provide a list of doctors in the United States to the Department of Defense (DOD) for use in the event of war or other presidentially-declared emergency.

The AMA data base, which is updated periodically for at least 98 percent accuracy, contains over 500,000 entries with information on all U.S. doctors, including medical students and foreign doctors who are licensed in the U.S. Each entry includes the age, specialty, board certification and address of the doctor, AMA officials said.

DOD sought the agreement to avoid what it estimates could be a 60- to 90-day administrative delay during a national emergency, officials said. It could take that long for Congress to pass legislation

authorizing a draft to meet the military's wartime needs and for the draft to be put into effect, they said.

The AMA agreement provides DOD with a readily available list of doctors who could be asked to volunteer their services in a national emergency, said DOD officials. They emphasized their preference for a volunteer system over mandatory registration of doctors and other health care practitioners.

DOD would be unable to handle large numbers of casualties in a major conflict without access to civilian physicians, according to Dr. William Mayer, assistant secretary for health affairs. The military services have about 12,000 active duty physicians, but would face an acute shortage of surgeons, anesthesiologists and other doctors in a major war, DOD officials said. The Army has 5,317 doctors on active duty, and, depending on

the size of an emergency, many more could be needed, according to Tansill Johnson, of the Army Surgeon General's office.

Discussion toward the agreement with the AMA was initiated in March 1986 by Mayer, who announced the agreement to the surgeons general of each service on April 24.

DOD would be provided the information only in the event of a "presidentially declared crisis," such as war or an extreme national disaster, DOD officials said. (Arnews)

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## Program offers help for 'exceptional' family members

BY PAM ROGERS

Soldiers and others employed by the Department of the Army here who have handicapped family members can get help for them through the Exceptional Family Member Program.

Family members sign up for the program at Fox Army Community Hospital, and their names are referred to Army Community Service. Sharon Messer is the social worker who runs the program for ACS.

Messer can provide information about medical, educational, recreational and professional services to families and to military personnel officials. Enrollment in the program means active duty soldiers will receive consideration based on the needs of his or her family member when it comes to reassignments, Messer said.

The program will also assist families of Army National Guard and Reserve members, military retirees, and Army civilian workers. Messer can refer program participants to agencies within a 50-mile radius of Huntsville.

"We are rich in resources, as far as educational and medical facilities are concerned. There are some recreational services, but they're not real well-developed right now," Messer said.

Messer, who has been with the program since February, is an Alabama licensed social worker. Before coming to Redstone she investigated cases of alleged child abuse and neglect for the state Department of Pensions and Security.

She's pleased with the amount of support for the

program from the military and civilian communities. "The Huntsville community is eager to work with us...include us in their programs.

"The Army has put an emphasis on the soldiers'

family; meeting the needs of the family," she said.

For more information about the Exceptional Family Member Program, call Messer at 876-2859.



**SOCIAL WORKER** — Sharon Messer runs the ACS Exceptional Family Member Program.

## Oil analysis program saves \$50 million

**WASHINGTON** — Army Materiel Command has an oil analysis program that prevents a lot of engine failures.

AMC's Materiel Readiness Support Activity in Lexington, Ky. operates the program.

The oil analysis program has more than 20 laboratories in the United States and overseas and is described as "a maintenance tool for identifying problems with transmissions and diesel engines of aircraft, combat vehicles and ground equipment."

Analysis reveals the lubricating condition of the oil and detects impending engine or transmission failure.

The Army does not sample oil from gasoline engines and standard transmissions since AMC has determined that it is cheaper to replace them in the long run.

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# Army's Community and Family Support Center honored

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The Public Employee's Roundtable presented the award May 8 in recognition of the center's outstanding programs designed to enhance the quality of life for the 2 million soldiers, civilian employees and family members in the active Army, and the reserve component soldiers, retirees, and their family members, said Joan Keston, the Roundtable's director of Operations. The ceremony, featuring Constance Horner, director of the Office of Personnel Management, took place at the Rayburn building in Washington, D.C.

Brig. Gen. Edmond S. Solymosy, deputy commander of the center, nominated his organization for the award based, in part, on the following accomplishments achieved since its activation in November 1984:

— Pioneered utility and rental security deposit programs that saved soldiers over \$5 million;

— Developed a comprehensive plan for child sexual abuse prevention that has served as a proven model for other agencies;

— Established a job reinstatement policy for Army family members, increasing work opportunities and easing the transition for family members uprooted by frequent military moves;

— Launched 27 Burger King franchises on installations worldwide to provide military personnel "civilian world" services on installations, while simultaneously establishing a business profit center that provides a cash flow into morale, welfare and recreation activities.

"These and other efforts have contributed to an outstanding support and morale program for our nation's soldiers who daily protect our precious freedoms throughout the world," said a Roundtable press release announcing the award winners.

In accepting the award, Maj. Gen. Robert M. Joyce, USACFSC commander, said, "I am particularly proud to receive this award because while it is satisfying to

receive an award, it is doubly satisfying to be recognized by one's peers — other government employees."

The Roundtable has been presenting the Public Service Excellence Award for the past three years to "let the public know what terrific things public service employees do for taxpayers," Keston said. "Usually, we only hear bad news about public employees. When the governmental system is working well, you don't hear about it."

A group of senior government executives established the non-profit, educational organization four years ago to improve the image of public employees. The Round Table's 24 members represent about 750,000 public service personnel in federal, state and local governments. (Arnews)

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## Announcements

### Top graduates

Those graduating OMMCS courses during the week May 5-9 with the highest academic standing were Pvt. Douglas Hocker and Sgt. Gary Snyder, Pershing electrical/mechanical repair; Sp4 Todd Heinz and Sgt. Charles Hicks, nuclear weapons specialist; SSgt. Alfred Kelly and Pvt. John Whearty, Tow/Dragon repairer; Sgt. Robert Anderson and Sgt. James Conaway, Lance system repairer; Pvt. Ronald Williams and Pvt. Joseph Lacombe, Chaparral/Redeye repairer; Sp4 Christophe Huffman and Pvt. Ei Jung Yiu, Vulcan repairer; Sp4 David Brown and SSgt. Steven Thompson, Improved Hawk radar signal simulator station repair; Cpl. Roxanne Egan and Cpl. Fred Terling, ammunition specialist; SFC Everett Emberson, land combat/air defense weapons system maintenance NCO advanced.

### Discount tickets

A \$1 Armed Forces Week discount is being offered for military members and retirees on tickets to the Leon Patillo Christian music concert May 24 at 7:30 p.m. at Madison County Coliseum. Ticket purchasers can buy a second ticket for a guest for \$5. Regular ticket price is \$7.50 in advance and \$9 at the door. For information call 883-7672.

### Mobile food service

Breakfast and lunch can be obtained from an AAFES mobile food truck at the Biscuit and Burgers, which closed May 9 and will reopen in September as a Burger King. Breakfast is available from 6:30-9 and lunch from 11-1:30.

### Smoking cessation

Smoking Cessation Classes for military beneficiaries will be held at Fox Army Community Hospital from 6-7:30 p.m. June 16 through 20. To sign up, call Capt. Neil 876-5780.

### Recreation center

Tonight—*Foosball tourney* at 7. Thursday—*Bingo* at 7 p.m. Friday—*Ping pong tourney* at 7 p.m. Saturday—*Mini-golf tourney* at 2:30 p.m. Sunday—*Monopoly tourney* at 2:30 p.m. Monday—*Nashville Satins in concert* at 4 p.m. Monday—*Pool tourney* at 7 p.m.

### Alcoholics Anonymous

The Redstone Arsenal Group of Alcoholics Anonymous has its "Happy Hour" meeting at 5:15 each Friday afternoon in room 11 of the Bicentennial Chapel. This is an open discussion meeting. Anyone interested in the subject of alcoholism is invited to attend.

### Emergency repairs

The procedure for requesting emergency repairs is unchanged even though support services were contracted out. To report problems that need immediate attention, call 876-9881 (during the day) or 876-2801 (day or night). The 876-9881 line is a rotary number that is available from 7 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., according to Bill Wilson, chief of resources management for Holmes & Narver/Morrison-Knudsen.

### Change of station delays

The Army has given authority to "waiver a portion of the one year current assignment prior to voluntary retirement...for retirement qualified soldiers whose PCS from overseas was involuntarily delayed." These soldiers may submit retirement applications immediately, to be effective by Oct. 1, provided they will have served at least nine months at the stateside assignment or duty station. For more information, call the retirement services officer 876-1671.

### Education presentation

The OMMCS Professional Development Education Department is hosting a presentation by Richard L. West from the AUSA Speaker's Bureau on May 21. West, a retired lieutenant general, is to discuss "Landpower: A Decisive Element in National Security." The presentation is set for 2-4 p.m. in the post theater, building 3712. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Lt. Col. Robert R. Arnold 876-2820/5301.

### Motorcycle safety course

Motorcyclists who wish to operate their motorcycles on post after June 1 must either take the safety course offered by the education center, or provide proof of taking a certified course elsewhere. Classes are available here on May 23-25 and May 30 and 31. Cost is \$14, payable by money order or cashier's check made out to the U.S. Treasury. Call Reita Perry or Shirley Dowdy at 876-9761 for more information.

### Benefit golf tournament

The seventh annual Girl's Ranch Golf Tournament will be held June 5 at Stoney Mountain Golf Course in Guntersville. This is a best ball, team play, scramble tournament open to both men and women. Entry fee is \$25, and the proceeds go to the Alabama Girl's Ranch. For more information call Martha Rice 876-1024.

### Women's health

Fox Army Community Hospital will hold a seminar on women's health issues May 28 in the OB-GYN clinic from 10 to 11 a.m. "Alternatives to Fad Diets" will be the subject. For more information call Deborah Daniel 876-4158/4159.

### Learning center

The Learning Resource Center has several computer-based education courses that are designed to improve leadership skills. These include "Effective Supervision" (two hours), "Excel" (21 hours), and "Time Management" (five hours). Also, those leaving the military could benefit from a course entitled "How to Select and Get a Job" (23 and a half hours). Call 876-1061 to reserve time on the PLATO computer system.

### Materiel maintenance management

The next DA Materiel Maintenance Management Career Program Ad Hoc screening panel will be held July 15. This panel is for reviewing initial and reevaluation requests for employees eligible for referral to GS/GM 13-15. Forward original and five copies of MM-MCP career appraisal to AMSMI-LC-ME, Vickie Gist, building 5681, no later than May 27 for review and to obtain ACPMs signature. For more information call Gist 876-4580.

### Supply management civilians

An Army Supply Management Civilian Career Program screening panel will convene July 22 for employees eligible for referral to GS/GM 13-15. This panel is for reviewing reevaluation requests and initial evaluation requests. Forward original plus six copies of SMCP career appraisal to AMSMI-LC-MM, Willena Richardson, building 5681, by June 5. For more information call Richardson, activity career program assistant, at 876-1531/1411.

### Chapel events

A *Greek Orthodox* service will be held at the Post Chapel May 21 at 7 p.m. *The Catholic Youth of the Chapel* will meet at the Recreation Center May 24 for miniature golf from 6:30-8:30 p.m. *The Protestant Youth of the Chapel* will meet at the Bicentennial Chapel May 25 at 1:30 p.m. for choir members and 2 p.m. for other members for a trip to Point Mallard in Decatur. *The Widows or Widowers Group* will meet May 22 at 7 p.m. at the Bicentennial Chapel. Pizitz will present a fashion show.

### Tax information seminar

An IRS Tax Information Seminar will be held from 8 a.m. to noon May 23 in the University Center, room 126, at the University of Alabama in Huntsville. While the seminar is directed toward small business owners, anyone interested in starting a new business is urged to attend. The seminar fee is \$5. For more information, call 895-6407.

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## Eligibility extended for travel benefits

**WASHINGTON** — Soldiers who have made a permanent change of station move with their families since Oct. 1, 1985, may be entitled to more money as a result of a recently approved travel benefits package. However, they will have to wait until June 1 before an amended claim for retroactive payment can be made.

The travel benefits package now entitles all soldiers and their families reimbursement for travel costs, said Gary Olson, public affairs officer at the U.S. Army Finance and Accounting Center at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind. Previously, most soldiers in the grades of E-4 and below were not eligible to file a claim for family travel expenses.

The new package authorizes the spouse traveling with the soldier to three-fourths of the member's per diem rate, but not more than \$50 per day. Per diem rates vary according to geographic area and are to compensate a traveler for food and lodging expenses.

Spouses traveling separately are also authorized the new rate, not to exceed \$50 per day.

Each other family member is also entitled to a \$50 maximum rate per day. Those 12 years and older are entitled to three-fourths of the soldier's per diem, while those under 12 are entitled to one half that rate.

Lodging receipts will be required with all claims. Meal receipts, however, are not required in most cases. If lodging receipts for family members traveling separately were not kept, lodging costs will be assumed to be \$27 per day, said Olson.

The new travel package also provides for new PCS mileage rates. One traveler can claim 15 cents per mile. Two traveling together will be entitled to claim a total of 17 cents per mile, while three traveling together can claim a total of 19 cents per mile. A total of 20 cents per mile can be claimed by families of four or more. (Arnews)

## DOD dependent schools facing budget cuts

**WASHINGTON** — Department of Defense dependent school summer classes for 1986 have been canceled because of budget cuts.

Summer classes will be made available for the handicapped, however, if the family member's individual education program calls for it, said DODDS director Beth Stephens. Congress mandates that such classes be provided.

The cancellation was a cost-saving measure required by the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings balanced-budget legislation that calls for a \$26.8 million reduction in the fiscal year 1986 school budget. This reduction comes in addition to the nearly \$29 million cut taken earlier this fiscal year.

In addition, officials have delayed the opening of the 1986-87 school year by eight days, moving back the first day of class from Aug. 25 to Sept. 5.

Other moves to save money during the remainder of this school year include reducing transportation for ex-

tracurricular activities to the maximum extent possible, Stephens said. The system also is reducing its spending on audio-visual equipment by 25 percent.

The amount of money budgeted for the purchase of new textbooks also has been affected. The available funds have been reduced from \$7.7 million to \$6.2 million for this fiscal year. However, essential texts, such as the new edition of the math book scheduled for purchase this school year, were bought, Stephens said. She added that children will not have to share such books.

One area that won't be affected by the budget cuts is the teaching staff, Stephens emphasized. "We have no plans to reduce any of the teaching staff by attrition or any other means." She did say, however, that no new permanent teachers would be hired through June. Part-time substitute teachers will be hired to fill any vacancies. (Arnews)

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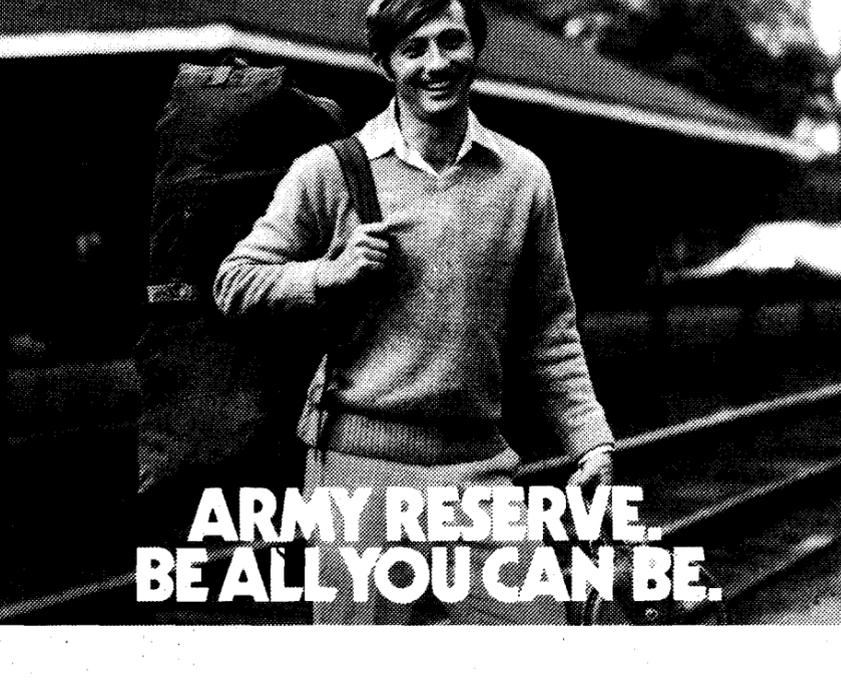
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