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## The next best thing to being there

### Families can use video teleconferencing facility during the holidays

People throughout the Army Materiel Command can exchange holiday messages face-to-face with loved ones and acquaintances elsewhere without having to travel.

The Missile Command and other AMC activities are allowing civilian and military workers and their family members to have family video teleconferences Dec. 27-30. The half-hour talks are being scheduled now on a first come, first serve basis.

"It allows family members or employees to talk to anybody throughout the AMC network," said Don Banes, a video teleconference production specialist. "If a soldier is in White Sands and his family is here, they can come together and for 30 minutes they can see and talk to each other."

Besides Redstone, locations on the network include Alexandria, Va., Rock Island, Ill., St. Louis, Mo., Fort Monmouth, N.J., Letterkenny, Pa., Adelphi, Md., Warren, Mich., Aberdeen, Md., and White Sands Missile Range, N.M. Multi-party videoconferences involving three or four locations can be arranged.

"We can start at 6:30 in the morning and we can operate till 5:30 in the afternoon," said Marvin Solomon, chief of visual information and services. "If something came up where it had to be a different hour then we'll work toward it."

To schedule a family videoconference for Dec.

27-30, call Linda McDonald at 876-5104. "It's first come, first serve so (schedule a conference) as far in advance as possible," Solomon said.

The video teleconferencing facility here, located in room B-300 of Missile Command headquarters, has (See Video, cont'd on page 15.)



**OPERATORS** — Don Banes and Bobby Cornelius are video teleconference production specialists who operate the VTC facility.



**HAPPY HOLIDAYS** — Sgt. Maryland Bright of HHD, 269th Ordnance Brigade, and his family — daughter Alysia, 2, son Dejun, 5, and wife Carolyn — pose in front of the post Christmas tree near Bicentennial Chapel. Alysia helped light the tree at the second annual tree-lighting ceremony. As of this week, the *Redstone Rocket* will be off for the holidays and will resume publishing on Jan. 4.

## Second Pershing missile elimination site now in business

**PUEBLO, Colo.** — The Army put its second Pershing missile elimination site in business Dec. 5 with a 56-second static firing of a Pershing II rocket motor.

The governor of Colorado, a U.S. senator and 10 Soviet inspectors were among more than 100 officials, guests and media representatives watching from a nearby hilltop at Pueblo Depot Activity.

Army officials delayed firing for 25 minutes waiting for wind conditions specified in the state permit authorizing motor eliminations to be conducted at Pueblo. State health officials want winds at the site from the west at more than four miles an hour to carry the exhaust plumes from motors away from the city of Pueblo.

More than 100 Pershing rocket motors have been fired at Longhorn Army Ammunition Plant in Texas where eliminations began in September in accord with the Treaty on Intermediate Range Nuclear Missiles between the U.S. and U.S.S.R.

Anatoly Samarin, senior Soviet inspector, told newsmen after the firing: "Now we are a bit more optimistic of having a world without nuclear arms."

Governor Roy Romer said the first motor firing at Pueblo proved that state and Army officials could cooperate to protect the environment and do what is required to be done under the treaty. Colorado officials were reluctant to OK motor firings until the Army did a test firing and collected soil, air and water samples to establish that it could be done without harm to the environment.

Later in the day after VIPS and the press departed,

the Soviets watched a second Pershing II first stage motor static firing. The empty motor cases were then crushed.

On Dec. 6 the Soviets saw nine Pershing II nose sections crushed, after unfavorable winds forced cancellation of further static firing. They were to remain at Pueblo until 18 motors have been eliminated.

The U.S. must destroy all its Pershing missiles by June 1, 1991.

## New directorate to be added here

The Missile Command will add a new element in 1989, the Weapons Systems Management Directorate.

Maj. Gen. Gus Cianciolo has directed Col. Thomas M. Brown to set up the new organizational element and run it. Brown has been serving as the Pershing project manager.

He has been told to have the directorate operational not later than Oct. 1, 1989, earlier if possible.

MICOM elements to be moved into the new directorate include Pershing, Hawk and Chaparral/Faar projects as well as four elements of the Missile Logistics Center: Close Combat Systems Management Office, Fire Support Systems Management Office, Targets Management Office and Hydra-70 Rocket Management Office.



## NCO Club

### Editor:

This letter is being written in the hope that someone who is responsive and responsible will take a serious look at the overall operation of our NCO Club here at Redstone Arsenal.

Within the past year, I attended a NCO Club Council meeting where it was explained that the club systems had to become money-making, self sustaining entities. This was generally understood as the clubs are a business and the "freebie well" has long since run dry. With that bit of common sense, and fact, I would think that every effort and approach would be examined to make profit-making a reality.

On Tuesday, Dec. 6, I and a fellow club member asked questions of and made a few recommendations to the current NCO Club manager, as a means of the club serving its membership more completely and making money for a financially strapped system.

The attitude of the club manager or perhaps I should say, the attitude of his superiors expressed through him, was appalling. It was not the position of "if it ain't broke, don't fix it" (even those in the system realize that a "fix" is needed) rather it was the position that "it's always been this way, broke or not" (better known as the Redstone Arsenal Club Systems Philosophy 101).

Case in Point: the manager mentioned during our conversation that the club is not profitable on Wednesday evenings. The only unique item on Wednesday is the regularly scheduled Pinocle Tournament.

I recommended to the manager that he should consider switching the operating hours of Monday and Wednesday. The club is currently closed after lunch on Mondays.

My rationale for the recommendation was as follows:

(1) With the Monday Night Sports Line-up, (especially in fall/winter) coupled with the large screen TV, the membership/patron draw could be considerably larger than Wednesday. (A mere check of such establishments as Moffets, Septembers and Bowties will attest that sports events on Mondays do draw larger crowds.)

(2) Card games could be played on Monday as easy as Wednesday since no special equipment that is not already present is required. (This one and No. 1 above equals two draws, even at Redstone Arsenal NCO Club.)

(3) Monday being the start of the work week is probably second only to Friday as being the evening that most would like to relax after work, with friends, co-workers, a beer, soda or a cocktail. Let's face it—and members of MADD, SADD, etc., please don't get

upset, as all who drink are not drunk drivers—if the club systems don't sell booze, they lose!

(4) In view of the fact that the lounge had not been open on Mondays since prior to 1984 (according to the manager), there was no comparison data available to show which of the two days in question would be more profitable, so why not give it a try?

(5) There would be no difference in the amount of salaries, hours, or personnel since they would only be changing the same from one day to the other with the distinct possibility of making more money on the other.

The manager's response to me concerning these and other recommendations were as follows:

(1) They spray for bugs on Mondays and the contract can't be changed. (After brief discussion, he finally lamented that bugs could die on Wednesday as well as Monday.)

(2) Generally, clubs downtown close on Monday. (Again, after brief discussion in which I reminded him of the sports draws at several clubs, he stated that the NCO Club couldn't get the draw because of downtown. My response was, "if we are not open, where do you expect people to go?")

(3) Go to the Civilian Personnel Office and apply for the manager's position here at the club, then make the changes yourself. (Classic high-level management style.)

(4) Join the council or put your grievances in the suggestion box, that's what they are for. (Do we really need a committee to look at the committee to see if the committee can see what's wrong?)

(5) The folks "up on the hill" don't listen to me anyway and I will not bring up these recommendations to the "hill" just because a few of you mention it. (See my previous response.)

(6) In previous assignments in other areas of this country and world, I've found that Monday is not profitable. (My response—that's what we need to make money in 1989, a 1972 philosophy situated and based on Lower Monrovia.)

I think that the club system, membership and the Redstone Arsenal community deserve better than the "it's always been this way" syndrome. I hope that the powers to be feel the same way. If not, save the Redstone Arsenal community a lot of money by closing the clubs totally and force all to go downtown for the services that could be provided here.

I'm glad that Army and Air Force Exchange Service (Redstone) outlets desire us to spend money "here at home" and provide that opportunity by making it possible and accessible for us to do so.

Calvin Miller  
Retired SFC

## One bad apple

### Editor:

In response to objection to "direct observation" of drug testing, no doubt it is a shame for such testing to exist and I doubt that those who implemented the program feel any great degree of satisfaction and joy in doing so.

But it's the same old problem we have always had, "one rotten apple in the barrel can spoil the whole barrel." The foolishness and lack of discipline of only a

few causes the majority to suffer. All past and present soldiers know what it means for one buddy to foul things up for the whole platoon.

I am not at this time a soldier and I hold in high regard those soldiers who do take their jobs seriously and I know that the things our armed forces are asked to do are sometimes degrading. However, when a person has succumbed to the drug habit, whether it is a soldier or a civilian, it just does not matter how others are affected. The habit must come first.

Surely we have all observed the complete disregard of human dignity the flood of illegal drugs has caused in our society, and because of this we all must suffer in one way or another. I have no problem with an embarrassing observation of a urine test if it will prevent some disaster from occurring in the misuse of some deadly weapon or the failure to respond during an attack or even the taking of some child's life in an accident.

As a civilian I am willing to suffer the indignity of a visual urine test if it will help prevent such disasters.

I personally feel the anger of this young soldier is directed the wrong way. If the willingness to speak out and take action toward those who are responsible for the distribution of illegal drugs to our children, fellow soldiers and civilians was demonstrated more frequently, we might be able to stop this cancer that is eating away at our society and then such degrading testing would not be necessary.

Curtis Ivey  
Contract Specialist

## Happy holidays

### Editor:

The executive board of the American Federation of Government Employees, Local 1858, wants to wish all AFGE members and federal workers a very happy holiday season. We want to thank each of you for your cooperation and making 1988 a memorable year—a year where we all worked together through the budget crunch. We had a lot of early-out retirement, overtime and travel curtail, but most of all no furlough.

We are looking forward to a good 1989, although we know we will have some problems such as health insurance, perhaps pay; hopefully no RIF. However, if we all work together, we shall overcome.

John Sturdivant, AFGE national president, has promised to work with Congress on all the above items. We will be contacting you at times throughout the year for your support. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Dennis Garrison  
President,  
AFGE Local 1858

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## Pershing worker wins poster contest

Dara H. Smith of Pershing Project Office took the top two prizes in a poster contest held by the Competition Management Office.

She entered two posters and won a \$100 U.S. savings bond for first place and a \$75 savings bond for second. Smith is a configuration management clerk at Pershing Project.

William L. Smithson, a configuration management specialist in Army Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Project Office, won the third place prize of a \$50 savings bond.

Merita Sharp, a logistics management specialist in the technical analysis and support office of Missile Logistics Center, placed fourth and received a certificate of recognition and "honorable mention."

The Competition Poster Contest was held in September and October. The theme was any function within the area of Competition Management Office responsibility: Replenishment Parts Purchase or Borrow Program, Postage Stamp Persuasion, Army Price Challenge, Breakout, Reverse Engineering, or just competition in general. The posters were judged by a MICOM panel consisting of Lt. Col. Robert Gaddi, the competition advocate; Dave Marty, chief of the

graphics section; and Col. William Greer, director of the Security Assistance Management Directorate and former chief of staff.

Posters were judged on originality, clarity of the message to be portrayed, and visual presentation.

## Dying child wants cards

A Florida boy with a terminal illness would like to receive Christmas cards from everyone.

The chief nurse at Fox Army Community Hospital, Lt. Col. Dwayne Miller, was contacted about this by the Child's Last Wish Organization. Hospital officials here then spread the word about the boy's last wish.

"David of Springhill, Fla., is dying of leukemia and his last wish is to receive as many Christmas cards this year as he can," said Liz Davis of information management office at Fox Hospital.

You can send a Christmas card to David in care of Child's Last Wish, P.O. Box 5997, Springhill, Fla. 34606.

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# Project office shares Christmas past and present

Members of Chaparral/Faar Project Office had their before and after pictures on display at their annual Christmas party last week.

We're talking *way* before: these were baby pictures.

The bulletin board of baby photos was at the project office until put on display at the party held Dec. 7 at the Rustic Lodge. The Chaparral workers held a contest to see who could identify the photos; this included a consolation prize for whoever got the most wrong answers.

"We generated a lot of interest by the baby pictures," said Ted Gandy, deputy project manager for Chaparral/Faar.

Next to the baby picture board was a board on which current photos of workers were arranged in the shape of a Christmas tree. "Sort of a before and after," Gandy said.

All but about 10 of the 54 members of the project office brought in a baby picture, including the project manager, Col. Claude Ellis Jr.

"I didn't have any hair then and I don't have any now," said Gandy, laughing near his own pictures.

"So his are before and before," quipped Kenneth Gurley, a budget analyst in the project office.



THEN AND NOW — Gandy and Gurley point out their baby pictures at the Chaparral/Faar Christmas party.

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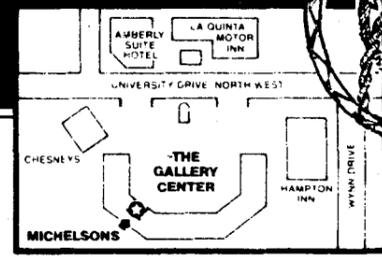
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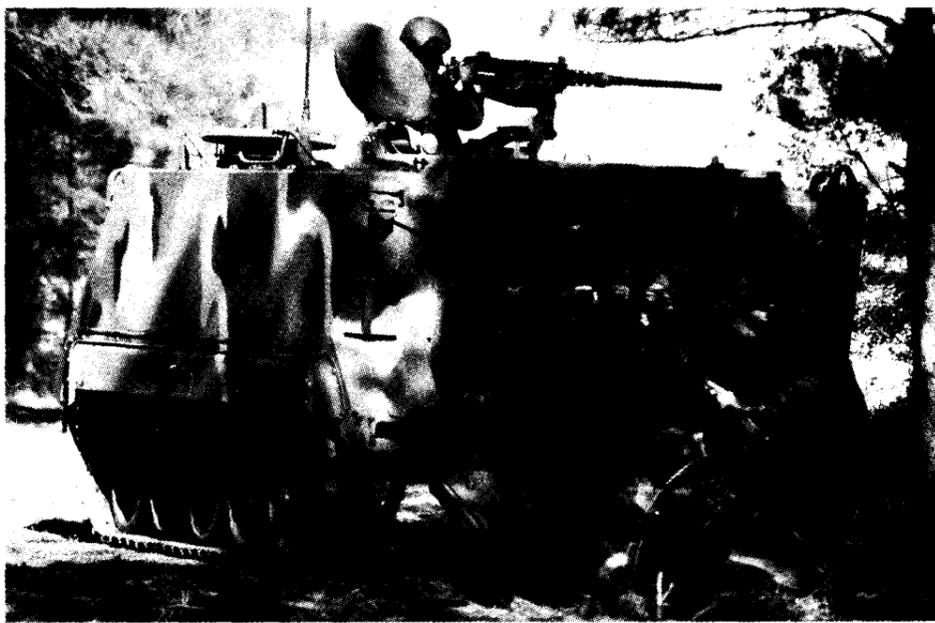


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# Military bass anglers show their Christmas spirit

BY SKIP VAUGHN

North Alabama's military bass anglers decided to help make Christmas a little merrier for needy local families.

They contributed \$250 to the chaplains' food basket program, and are making a separate donation toward food and gifts for a Huntsville family which they "adopted" for Christmas.

Don Larimore, the North Alabama district director for Military Bass Anglers Association, presented the \$250 cash to Chaplain (Capt.) Barry Presley for the Christmas food basket program on Dec. 6. Members of North Alabama MBAA will collect donations for the needy family at their meeting tonight at 7 at the NCO Club.

"I think it's fantastic," said Presley, project officer for the food basket program. "I wish more organizations would get involved this way because we definitely have a need and this helps meet the need."

The bass anglers' food basket contribution will go toward purchasing vouchers so that food basket recipients with a military ID card can buy additional food items at the commissary. The food baskets will contain nonperishables such as canned goods. Food baskets are to be distributed this Thursday and Friday. "The priority for distribution is first, E-1's through E-4's who are recommended by their company (their first sergeant and company commander); then, E-5's and E-6's; and then those who have disability retirements, the retirees and widows or widowers of retirees who are on fixed incomes," Presley said.

Besides helping the food basket program, the North Alabama MBAA adopted a Huntsville family for Christmas through the Salvation Army. The family

consists of a single mother with three sons age 15, 11 and 6.

"What we plan on doing for the family: we plan on buying everything they need for a Christmas meal," Larimore said, "and we plan on giving the kids either two or three gifts each. It's a way we can say, hey we like our community and we're concerned about what happens. Maybe this will make Christmas a little bit better for some little kid who's less fortunate than we happen to be, and it's not going to break any of us." The local military bass group has 80 members. Of-

ficers include Larimore, who founded the chapter in 1976; Art Griffin, the fishmaster; and John Brannen, tournament director. This year's community Christmas project was a first for the group "but we don't plan on it being the last," Larimore said.

"I'd like to take this opportunity to say a sincere thanks to each and every member for their donation and participation in the program," he said. "I'd like to wish each and every one of them a very merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year, and may God bless each and every one of them."



FOOD BASKET DONATION — Presley accepts the bass group's donation from Larimore.

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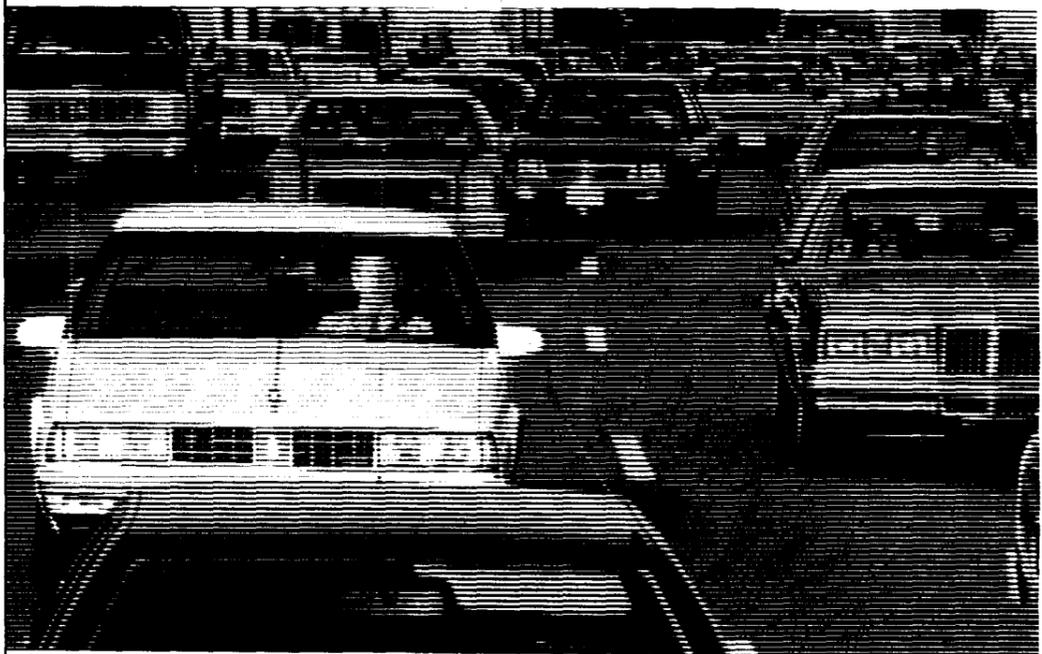
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# Adopted family celebrates forever home at Christmas

BY PAM ROGERS

Christmas is a very special time around the Levie house, because for the eight Levie children, being home for Christmas means being in a real home—their home—not a temporary foster home.

Bill and Doris Levie began their family in 1971. Their youngest came to them in 1984, the last to be adopted.

"After we had been married for six years, we realized the chances of having children were slim and none," said Bill, an industry and contracts management specialist in the Hawk Project Office. So they decided to adopt a child.

They had wanted a big family.

"I had always hoped for 12 children. I even had 12 names picked out," Doris said. As it turned out, they didn't use any of them and they were only able to choose names for two of their children.

Why eight kids?

Bill, a part-time Methodist minister, believes it was the will of God.

When they adopted Shawn, now 18, in 1971, Doris quit her job.

"We cut our salary in half, added a mouth and survived," she said.

In 1974, they adopted six-month-old DeAnne, who had medical problems so severe that their pediatrician advised against the adoption. Today she's a perfectly healthy 15-year-old.

"We lived in Madison for 13 years in a very adequate house—we only had two children—but for two years we very diligently looked for another house. I don't know why. When we bought this house, there was another offer, for more money, in cash, but we got it. Then we found out we were getting two boys," Bill said.

"It was divine providence," he reflected.

Another reason they were able to adopt so many children is that they never limited themselves to infants, choosing to offer a home to older, so-called "hard to place" children.



ALMOST ALL THE LEVIES — Bill and Doris Levie (center) relax at home with six of their eight children. Charles is seated on the floor between them, William is sitting to the left of Bill, and Edward is standing behind him. Shawn is holding Blair, the puppy, and De Anne and Cartis are to the right of Doris. Tammie was at work and Daniel was in school.

Several of their children are natural siblings or half-siblings. Cartis, 20 and Edward, 18 are brothers. They became Levies in 1982. Tammie, 18, Charles 16, and Daniel, 14 are siblings. They came to the family in

1983. William, 13, is a half-brother to Cartis and Edward. He was adopted in 1984.

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# Troop intramural bowling standings

Here are the troop intramural bowling standings as of Dec. 8:

Tuesday's Conference		
	Won	Lost
HHC-1	199.5	100.5
HHD 832nd-1	183.5	116.5
A Company 73rd-1	175.5	124.5
HHD 269th	173	127
Marines-1	162	138
B Company 73rd	160.5	139.5
C Company 73rd-2	155.5	144.5
MEDDAC-1	152	148
95th Maint. Co.-1	132.5	167.5
291st MP-1	128	172
Marines-2	125	175
MEDDAC-2	120	180
95th Maint. Co.-2	117.5	182.5
HHC-3	115.5	184.5

200 games/600 series bowled on Dec. 6:

Gary Miller (HHC-1)	211, 208 & 610 series
Chuck Buxton (Marines-1)	247
Jeff Young (Marines-1)	237
Carl Hamann (95th-1)	234
Jim Morrow (C Co 73rd-1)	232
Randy Fraser (B Co 73rd)	214 & 203
Ted Gerard (A Co 73rd-1)	213
Ken Healey (Marines-2)	213
Robin Lee (95th-2)	211
Shelley Anderson (MEDDAC-2)	210
George Roberts (HHD 269th)	207
Benny Seals (HHD 269th)	207
Doug Dixon (HHD 832nd-1)	206 & 204

Ron Pullen (MEDDAC-1) 205  
Lynn Whitaker (291st MP-1) 203  
Arnold Davis (HHD 832nd-1) 200  
Doug Parmeter (HHC-1) 200

Thursday's Conference

	Won	Lost
A Company E&TTD-1	220	80
A Company E&TTD-2	180	120
Marines-3	176	124
C Company 73rd-1	174	126
HHC-2	170.5	129.5
B Company 832nd	149.5	150.5
291st MPs-2	149	151
C Company 832nd-2	144.5	155.5
A Company 73rd-2	144	156
C Company 832nd-1	135	165
B Company SAD	121	179
D Company 832nd	120.5	179.5
B Company EOD	117.5	182.5
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Mike Wells (D Co 832nd)	207
Neil Smith (B Co EOD)	205
Leo Avizinis (C Co 73rd-1)	202
Reginald Richardson (C Co. 832nd-1)	201

# Worker injured

A contractor worker was injured Monday when the ladder he and another worker were attempting to lower from the roof of a covered walkway at building 5400 came into contact with a high-voltage power line.

One of the workers, Michael Pratt, was uninjured. The other, Steve W. Couch, 34, of Huntsville, was knocked unconscious and fell to the ground.

Initial reports indicated he suffered third-degree burns to both feet, a possible concussion, broken nose, broken left arm, and possible internal injuries. He was transported by ambulance to Fox Army Community Hospital, from there to Huntsville Hospital, and later to the University of Alabama at Birmingham Medical Center.

Both workers were with Harbert International, a construction company based in Birmingham.

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# Waiting Wives

## New support group hopes to make separations easier

BY SKIP VAUGHN

A support group is being formed here for spouses awaiting their servicemember's return home.

Plans for the Waiting Wives group for people on and off post include meetings, family activities, and coming up with ways to meet needs such as transportation. The Post Chapel is coordinating this effort for spouses of servicemembers in any branch of the military, regardless of rank.

"Lonely, taxing and scary is what it's like being a waiting wife," said Chaplain (Col.) Billy Whiteside. His wife was a member of a waiting wives group while he was in Vietnam in the mid 1960s.

Members can provide "support for each other while their husbands are gone," said Barbara Goldsby, a volunteer helping to organize the group. A list of more than 35 names has been compiled.

"We're finding out quite a few women aren't really aware of the services available for them," said Kathy Southern, another voluntary organizer. "They don't realize Army Community Service is also available for them, not just the servicemember; just because he is gone doesn't mean they cannot utilize it."

Besides providing help through information, the waiting wives group will be able to discuss problems and plan outings such as picnics, events that involve the children.

"The biggest problem that the waiting wives have right now is transportation," Goldsby said. "There are so many who can't drive."

"This should be one of the things we can get together on," added Perry Butler, a chapel volunteer serving as coordinator of the Waiting Wives. "If someone needs to take a baby to the hospital, for instance—perhaps we can work on getting a corps of volunteers."

Beth Hardin and Rosie Durham are both waiting wives. SSgt. Terry Hardin, an air traffic controller, is serving a year in Korea until May 1989, leaving Beth to care for their 11-year-old son and 6-year-old daughter. "It's lonely, very lonely," she said. "I think the most difficult thing is always having to be the decision-maker."

SSgt. William Durham is serving a year in Korea until August 1989, leaving behind Rosie and their 7-year-old son and 5-year-old daughter. "I think the kids really suffer a lot," Rosie said. "Because when a kid asks you why daddy's not here, you tell them he's

away because the Army's his job. It takes some time at night. You have to be a nurse, you have to be a psychologist. And (sometimes) the kid won't eat."

"The kids get scared," Beth added. "They say, 'I don't want to go to bed because daddy's gone.' The security's not there, they miss that."

The two waiting wives agreed that a holiday like Christmas is even more difficult. "You can't share it with your spouse," Beth said.

For more information about Waiting Wives, call the chapel at 876-2409.



PLANNING GROUP — Making plans for the Waiting Wives group are, from left, Rosie Durham, Whiteside, Beth Hardin and Butler.

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# Retiring after 31 years like leaving extended family

BY SKIP VAUGHN

Betty Meadows has mixed emotions about retiring Dec. 31 with more than 31 years of government service.

The longtime communications specialist looks forward to spending time with her grandchildren, but will miss the people she's worked with. "A great many of the people I work with are the same people I've worked with since I came into the communications center (in 1961)," Meadows said.

"And it's kind of a family oriented office. We've worked together so many years, they're more like my brothers and sisters than co-workers," she added. "And of course some of the contacts I make outside my office are people I talk with everyday who I'll miss."

Meadows came to work at Redstone in February 1958 in the telephone office. She was there for three years then transferred to the communications center which consolidated and moved into the newly-built building 5250. In 1974, a reduction in force caused her to move to Safeguard (now the Strategic Defense Command) in Huntsville's Research Park. Meadows returned to the communications center in building 5250 about 1976 and she has been here ever since.

A lot has changed since she first arrived. "When I first came to communications, it was what we refer to as a 'torn tape relay.' We typed all our messages on paper tape and then we ran the paper tape off and made a hard copy," she recalled. In today's computer age, the communications center uses automated multi-media exchange.

The center, which operates 24 hours a day, had 20 or more people per shift back in 1961. "Now there's probably about four civilians and maybe five military on the day shift; and, on the midnight shift, there's only three to four people," Meadows said.

Meadows, 55, is a native Huntsvillian. Her brother, Terry Morgan, worked in the post office at Redstone for several years before recently transferring to the Ardmore station. Her 73-year-old mother, Elizabeth Morgan, lives next door to her.

After graduating from Huntsville High in 1951, she married Olen L. Meadows who was in the Air Force at the time. They lived in Florida for a while then returned to Huntsville when he left the service. Olen is a security guard at Redstone.

They have twin 32-year-old daughters: Teresa Honea of Park City, Tenn., and Lisa Smith of Gurley. Each daughter has a girl and boy.

"I plan to spend some time with my grandchildren," Meadows said, referring to life after retirement. "I love to sew. I've got so many things lined up, it'll probably take me the next 10 years to do them. And I probably won't do half of them."



MEADOWS

## MLC high rollers take to the alleys

Bowling scores reached an all-time high for games and series bowled in Missile Logistics Center's Wednesday Night Mixed League on Dec. 7.

Roy Brown of the Bounty Hunters rolled a 279 game with a 621 series to take the top spot in men's standings and ensure his team a three-game victory over the Screwballs. This also put the Bounty Hunters in first place until a roll-off among four teams is held.

Lorenzo Elliott rolled a 239 and 213 with 631 series and Ken Brooks had a 215 with 577 series to lead the Spoilers to a three-game win over Behind the 8-Ball.

The Alleycats overpowered the Challengers to leap from sixth into third place. Carol Waters of Alleycats bowled a 511 series while Cindy Ebersole of the Challengers had a 507.

Papa Smurf & Smurfettes and the Avengers split by winning two games apiece.

John Edwards rolled a 523 series as the Family defeated Comic Relief in three games. Clarke Jones had a 511 series for Comic Relief.

Substitute bowler Rick Johns shot a 200 and 236 with 605 series as Ron and the Honey Bees ensured their fifth place standing by taking three games from the Polaks. For the Polaks, Hank Lemke rolled a 221 with 523 series and substitute Walt Stewart had a 501 series.

Other 200 games and high series included Luz Crawford 507, Irene Garoppo 509, and Rob Ruiz 223 with 585 series.

Pending a roll-off between the Misfits, Mickey's Crew, the Pin Heads and the Luckies, team standings are as follows: Bounty Hunters, 28 wins and 12 losses; Luckies, 25 and a half wins, 10 and a half losses; Alleycats, 24 wins, 16 losses; Spoilers, 23 and a half wins, 16 and a half losses; Ron & the Honey Bees, 23 and a half wins, 16 and a half losses; Misfits, 23 wins, 13 losses; Avengers, 21 and a half wins, 18 and a half losses; Family, 20 and a half wins, 19 and a half losses; Challengers, 19 wins, 21 losses; Comic Relief, 19 wins, 21 losses; Mickey's Crew, 18 wins, 18 losses; Polaks, 16 wins, 24 losses; Pin Heads, 16 wins, 20 losses; Papa Smurf & Smurfettes, 15 wins, 25 losses; Screwballs, 10 and a half wins, 28 and a half losses; and Behind the 8 Ball, 9 wins, 31 losses.

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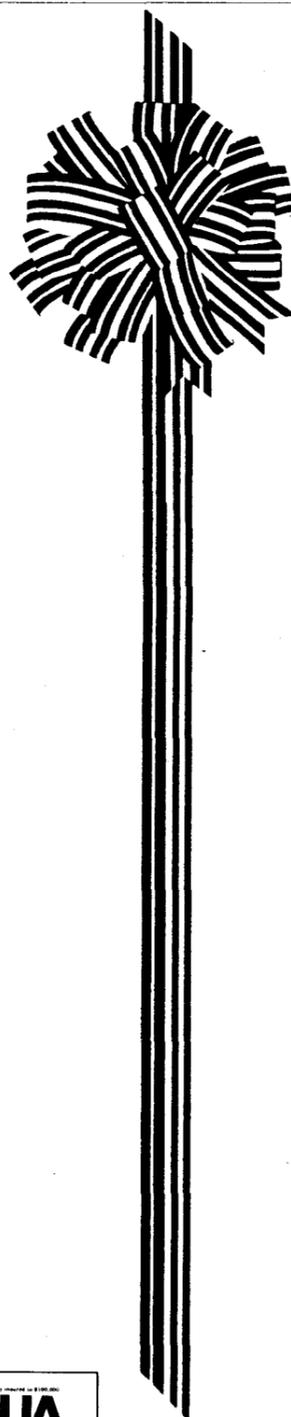
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## Video

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been in operation since 1986. It includes seven video cameras, 35mm slides, videotape recorder and playback, viewgraph capability, a chalkboard for stand-up presentations, and capability for hardcopy send and receive. The room seats 16 people and its conferences can be transmitted to observers in an adjoining room. The facility is also capable of providing an audio feed to installations which do not have a video teleconferencing center.

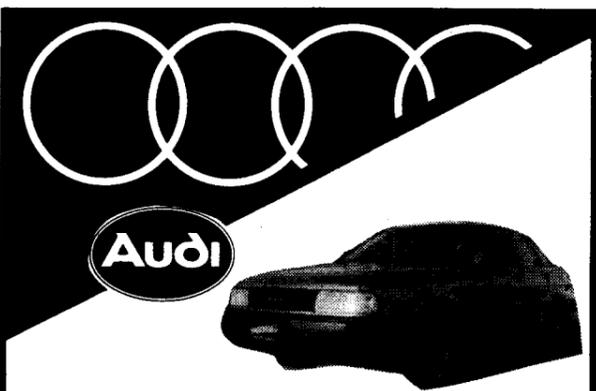
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conferences and not be away from their work site."

Within the past year the facility has resulted in about "a million dollar cost avoidance," he said, referring to money that would have been spent for TDY and travel costs. The number of conferences held each month has ranged from 44 to 80.

This is the second year the facility will have family videoconferences during the Christmas holidays. With limited advance notice, only six such conferences were held last time. "Last year they gave us a real short fuse—only two days notice. We didn't have time to publicize it," Solomon said. "Even though it didn't get the exposure it needed, it was a limited success based on some actions and things that occurred during those conferences we did have."

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# Worker praised for money-saving idea

Letters of appreciation from the defense secretary and other high-level officials are the latest awards a MICOM worker received for suggesting that the Army and Marines buy training rounds at a reduced price.

Ray Summar, a program analyst at the Program Executive Office for Fire Support, made the suggestion while working in the Advanced Antitank Weapon Systems project office. He thought of a way to save the Army and Marines some money when it came to buying AT4 tracer bullets; the bullets are used for training troops to use the anti-armor system.

In 1987 Summar received a suggestion award of more than \$5,000. This year he received letters from Frank Carlucci, the secretary of defense; William Taft, deputy secretary of defense; John Marsh, secretary of the Army; Lt. Gen. James McCall, comptroller of the Army; Gen. Louis Wagner, commander of Army Materiel Command; Maj. Gen. Gus Cianciolo, commander of the Missile Command; and Brig.

Gen. William Schumacher, program executive officer for fire support.

"It's pretty nice the Army takes time to do that," Summar said. He worked at advanced antitank weapon systems from 1978 until June 1987 when he joined the program executive office.

Summar, 48, will have 30 years of government service in January. He worked for the Veterans Administration before coming to the Missile Command in 1965. He and his wife, Cathy, have a daughter and son.

Dated Aug. 24, Carlucci's letter states in part: "Recently I learned of your initiative concerning revised procurement procedures for Army and Marine Corps ammunition requirements, which resulted in a first year savings of over \$524,000. This remarkable achievement represents a substantial contribution to more efficient government operations."



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# Redstone police receive DUI detection training

BY PAM ROGERS

Drunk drivers will run greater risks of being arrested on Redstone soon, thanks to training which was offered by the Huntsville Police Department last week in conjunction with Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Capt. Wayne McGurk, chief of MP Operations, took the training along with SFC Kenneth Renew, operations sergeant and Charles Frazier, a traffic investigator with the DoD civilian police force.

The three-day course, entitled "DUI Detection and Standardized Field Sobriety Testing," is an attempt to make detection of people who are driving under the influence of alcohol more consistent across the state.

"The goal is to increase the deterrence of DUI violations, thereby reducing the number of accidents, deaths and injuries caused by impaired drivers," McGurk said.

During the course, students were taught the tell-tale signs of a drunk driver, learned how to administer the standardized field sobriety tests and got a chance to administer them to volunteers who had taken part in controlled drinking of alcohol.

Two of the standardized field sobriety tests involve divided attention. They are known as the walk and turn, and the one-leg stand. The walk and turn in-

volves a fairly involved set of instructions and requires the suspect to take nine steps, heel-to-toe, along a straight line, then turn in a specified way and return to the starting point in nine steps. The one leg stand requires the suspect to stand on one foot for 30 seconds without losing balance. Both tests, according to McGurk are fairly simple for a sober person to do, but almost impossible for someone who is intoxicated.

The third test is the horizontal gaze nystagmus test. Nystagmus, according to McGurk, is a natural, involuntary jerking of the eyeball as it follows a point to the outer limit of the field of vision. People who are intoxicated will exhibit the phenomenon at a different point than those who are sober.

The Huntsville Police Department has been using the standardized testing for several years, and has a 93 percent accuracy rate when they stop someone for suspected DUI, McGurk said.

The testing is not currently being used on Redstone, but may go into effect as soon as Saturday, since three officers are now trained in the testing. The entire force will receive the training beginning in January.

The class also learned some statistics which may be surprising to some people, including the following:

- Alcohol related crashes are nine times more likely to result in death than similar accidents which do not involve alcohol;

● The typical "DUI driver," someone who routinely drives after drinking, will commit the crime 80 times a year.

● From about 10 p.m. on Friday until 2 a.m. on Saturday, 10 percent of all drivers are under the influence of alcohol.

McGurk feels confident that he will be able to spot drunk drivers more easily now, and is determined to do his part in getting them off the roads.

"After you've seen one or two accidents where alcohol is a contributing factor and there are mangled bodies everywhere, it leaves a lasting impression," he said.

## Marines win all-sports trophy

The Marine Detachment has gained permanent possession of the commanding general's small unit All-Sports trophy by winning it three consecutive years, while B Co., 73rd Ord. Bn., won in the large unit category.

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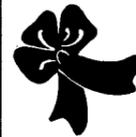
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complex in terms of problems with adjustment, according to the Levies.

"You'll have children raised in totally different environments, with totally different standards from yours," Doris said.

"They don't come with instant love, or even like. They don't like us at first," Bill said.

The most difficult obstacle for older adopted children to overcome is the distrust, Bill and Doris agreed.

"They don't believe it's a forever home. It takes years," Bill said. William is just beginning to accept the fact that he will not be taken away someday. He's been a part of the family four years.

When it comes to raising a diverse group of

children, all with some problems, whether emotional or physical, Bill and Doris don't really have what they call a philosophy.

"We just do the best we can, and what's right. We've made many, many mistakes. But there's not anybody in the world who hasn't made mistakes raising kids. Some just don't acknowledge it," Doris said.

Like most families, the Levies have their own traditions which make Christmas special.

"On Christmas morning we have a hunt," Doris said. "We (she and Bill) spend half the night Christmas Eve setting it up. There is a clue on the Christmas tree, written in poetry, and it leads from one place to another. It might tell one particular child to brush his teeth. There will be another clue on the toothbrush holder," she said. The hunt eventually leads each child to his or her special gift.

When it's time for Christmas dinner, there can be 24

people sitting down to eat at the Levie house. Doris' parents and Bill's mother always come, and the children usually have some friends over.

Managing a family of 10 isn't easy. Bill has two jobs and does some farming on the side, Doris has her own computer peripherals company, and every child gets a part-time job when he or she turns 16. That's not a rule, but "they do if they want spending money," Doris said.

The Levies have been interviewed countless times for newspaper articles and television spots, and have been singled out for their compassion in giving a home to eight children. But they don't really consider themselves unusual.

"We're not heroes. This is just how we got our children," Bill said. "We're not hunting glory. That's just the way we turned out. We've got our share of problems like everybody else."

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Course #	Course Title	Prereq.	Instructor
CJ 101	Intro. to Criminal Justice	None	Bill
ECON 293	Macroeconomics	None	Traylor
ENG 104*	Developmental English	None	Yates
MGT 479	Business Policy	Instructor Perm.	Smalley

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### MONDAY/WEDNESDAY 7:30 PM - 10:00 PM

Course #	Course Title	Prereq.	Instructor
ACC 381	Income Tax Accounting	ACC 281	Jacobs
ENG 111	English Composition I	None	Yates
FIN 350	Business Finance	JR	Smalley
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SPC 110	Speech Communications	None	Bunyard

### TUESDAY/THURSDAY 5:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Course #	Course Title	Prereq.	Instructor
CIS 300*	Advanced Programming	CIS 150	Marshall
ENG 112	English Composition II	ENG 111	Starkey
HIST 102	Western Civilization II	None	Cushman
MGT/	Industrial/Organizational	MGT 330	Foster
PSY 336	Psychology		

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### TUESDAY/THURSDAY 7:30 PM - 10:00 PM

Course #	Course Title	Prereq.	Instructor
CIS 170	Intro. to Computer Information Systems	None	Thomas
CIS 250*	COBOL I	CIS 150	Marshall
CJ 351	Probation and Parole	Instructor Perm.	Moon
MA 150	College Algebra	None	Patty, S.

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<b>ACADEMIC CALENDAR-SESSION I</b> .....	<b>JAN. 9-MARCH 4</b>
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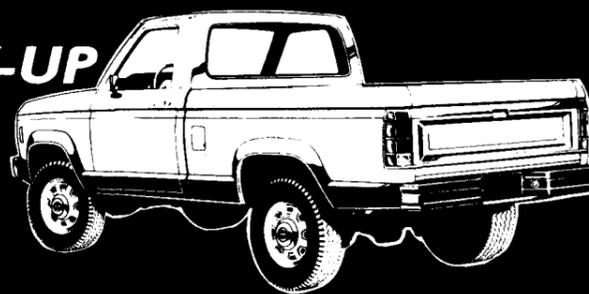
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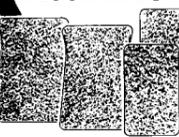
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# Announcements

## Designated driver

For 73rd Ordnance Battalion soldiers, a designated driver can be contacted from Dec. 16 to Jan. 2. This service will be offered 24 hours a day, no questions asked. The phone numbers are 876-1704/2427/7586.

## Foster children

The Department of Human Resources has reported that there are still about 125 foster children who have no sponsors for Christmas gifts. If you'd like to give a Christmas present (gift or cash) to one of these children, call either Sal Riccardi at 876-0445 or Carol Robertson at 881-7602.

## Veterinary clinic

There will be an after-hours clinic for dogs and cats Tuesday, Dec. 20 from 5 until 7 p.m. at veterinary services in building 3543. Services offered at the clinic will include annual vaccinations for rabies, parvo and distemper, puppy and kitten vaccinations, checks for heartworms, fecal examinations and feline leukemia testing. No appointment is necessary.

## Chapel events

*Protestant Women of the Chapel* will have its monthly meeting at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 15 at Bicentennial Chapel. A *Christmas Cantata* will be presented by the combined choirs of Bicentennial and Post Chapels on Sunday: 9 a.m. at Post Chapel and 10:45 a.m. at Bicentennial Chapel. The second annual *Around the World Christmas Dinner* will be held at 6 p.m. Sunday at Bicentennial Chapel; call Chaplain (Capt.) David Krum 876-5707/3433 for information. *Christmas Week* activities include: the annual Children's Mass at 5 p.m. Dec. 24 at Bicentennial Chapel; Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 7 p.m. at Bicentennial Chapel; and Christmas Eve Midnight Mass at Bicentennial Chapel.

## Union open house

American Federation of Government Employees Local 1858 will have a Christmas open house from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dec. 15 at the union office in building 7132. All members and non-members are welcome to attend. For more information, call 876-4880.

## Holiday closing

Military Personnel Division will close at noon Dec. 16 for a Christmas party. Soldiers departing Redstone Arsenal for reassignment or separation that day must clear post and report to Transition Management Branch (building 3708 for separation or Military Personnel Division (building 3710) for reassignment by 11:30 a.m. Failure to outprocess by that time will preclude departure till Dec. 19.

## Volunteers

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## Social Security numbers

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## Car wash

Non-Commissioned Officers Association (NCOA) Chapter 1242 is holding a car wash Dec. 17 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the 1st Alabama Bank parking lot on post. "Clean car for holiday travel."

## NCO wives

The regular business meeting of the NCO Wives Club is tonight at 7 at the NCO Club. All regular members and those interested in becoming members are encouraged to attend.

## Paper drive

Westlawn Middle School Band will hold a paper and aluminum can drive Saturday, Dec. 17 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Items can be delivered to the school, or Sherwood Park and Redstone residents may put items at curb for pickup. Collectible items include newspapers, brown paper bags, computer paper and aluminum cans. No magazines, please. For more information or pickup call 882-6733.



## Sci-fi group

The public is invited to an evening of music and storytelling when local performing artists Steve Maulsby, Dave Linden and Kim Caulfield perform at the Dec. 17 meeting of the North Alabama Science Fiction Association. Meetings are held on the third Saturday of the month at 7 p.m. at the First American Federal Savings and Loan at 4008 University Drive NW, past Jordan Lane. For more information about the December meeting, call 882-1006.

## Movies

Here's the Post Theater schedule; starting times are 7 p.m.: Saturday, Dec. 17—*Without a Clue*, rated PG, 107 minutes. Sunday, Dec. 18—*Caddyshack II*, (PG), 98 minutes. Tuesday, Dec. 20—*Running on Empty*, (PG-13), 116 minutes. Thursday, Dec. 22—*Ernest Saves Christmas*, (PG), 89 minutes. Friday, Dec. 23—*Ernest Saves Christmas*. Admission fee is \$1.50.

## Government accountants

North Alabama Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants will have a joint meeting with the American Society of Military Comptrollers on Dec. 16 at the Holiday Inn- Research Park. Social hour begins at 11 a.m., with the luncheon and speaker to follow. Mayor Steve Hettinger is to speak on "Huntsville's future: its growth and development." For reservations, call Hurley Hughes 876-8215 or Karen Cooper 544-7301.

## Ballroom dance

A Christmas Ballroom Dance, sponsored by the MICOM Civilian Welfare Fund, will be held Dec. 16 from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Carriage Inn ballroom (University Drive at Jordan Lane). Music will be provided by the Serenaders Orchestra. Attire is semi-formal. There will be a cash bar. Tickets cost \$8. Admission is open to MICOM (DOD) employees (civilian and military), retirees, and their family members. For information and tickets, call Pat Blackman 876-9706.

## College mixer

Officers Wives Club will have a College Mixer from 8-11 p.m. Dec. 22 in the Twickenham Lounge at the Officers Club. "Dress casual and wear your favorite college T-shirt or sweatshirt. Mark your calendar to come out and swap stories with the college crowd." To RSVP or for more information, call Mary Black 830-5293 or Amy Meier 837-2573.

## Hawk open house

Hawk Training Division, OMMCS, will have an open house on Jan. 5 to commemorate 30 years of Hawk missile system training at Redstone Arsenal. The event will be held from noon to 4 p.m. with equipment displays and demonstrations available to all guests. A formal program will be presented at 1:30 in building 3308. An invitation is extended to all military and civilian personnel currently or previously associated with the Hawk missile system. For more information call Capt. Korey Jackson or Thomas McClure 876-1541/1863 or call SSgt. Donald Williams or CWO 3 Edward Kahalley 876-8805/8544.

## Dental clinic

The Main Dental Clinic has a special Christmas holiday benefit for family members who are away from home most of the year, such as college students. Their military sponsor can make appointments for them for routine examinations, cleanings and fillings. There will be a limited number of appointments available for these family members. Appointment hours are 7:30-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The dental clinic is closed weekends and holidays. It will be closed from 1-4:30 p.m. Dec. 19, all day Dec. 26 and all day Jan. 2. The clinic, building 3494, is located on Phoenix Drive. For more information call SFC Danny Board, the NCO-in-charge, at 876-7474/2616.

## Black history month

The Black History Month Planning Committee will have its second meeting at 11 a.m. Dec. 15 in the executive dining room in building 5250. All interested persons (military and civilian) are urged to attend.

## Women's support group

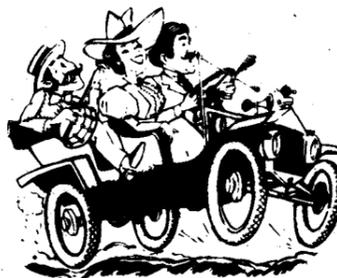
Women's Support Group for victims of domestic violence meets each Monday at 7 p.m. Call 539-1000 for location. Child care is available.

## Museum tours

Candlelight Tours, featuring costumed interpreters, will be held from 6-9 p.m. Dec. 17 at The Museum Village at Constitution Hall Park, 301 Madison St. in Huntsville. Cost is \$3.50 for adults, \$1.50 for senior citizens, and \$1.50 for children 12 and under. For more information, call 532-7551.



**AWARENESS WEEK** — Four soldiers run and hold banners to kickoff Redstone's observance of National Drunk and Drugged Driving Awareness Week, Dec. 11-17. From left are Spec. Frank Torres, SSgt. L.J. Austin Jr., 2nd Lt. Cheryl Jones, all of 291st MP Company, and Sgt. Ed Power of HHC MICOM. From Dec. 16 to Jan. 2, soldiers of 73rd Ordnance Battalion can use a 24-hour designated driver service by calling 876-1704/2427/7586.



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# Pie throw among unit's Christmas party fund-raisers

BY MARIANNE CLINEDINST

Company A, 73rd Ordnance Battalion has an enlisted council that has been very busy the past few months.

The council has been raising money for the company Christmas party which will be held tonight at the NCO Club.

The enlisted council is a group of soldiers, sergeant and below, that acts as a go-between for the commander and unit to help improve esprit de corps and morale.

They also decide how to spend unit fund monies. Before the money can be spent, however, it has to be made.

The council has done many projects over the past few months in order to raise money for this year's Christmas party. The most profitable project was a pie throw in which the council raised \$450.

People were "volunteered" to have a pie smashed in their face. The pies were auctioned off for the chance to throw a pie at someone, and the highest bid was for \$50.

Other projects that the council used to raise money included working a hotdog stand two times, selling doughnuts, and having a bake sale.

Overall, the council raised \$1,100 for the Christmas party.

The Christmas party is not all the council will be doing this month, however. Santa will be visiting the Child Development Center tonight. And the council

plans to deliver toys tomorrow morning to the Madison County Foster Childrens Home.

Company A members who wish to donate toys or volunteer to help distribute them should call 1st Sgt. Doyn Epperson 876-3319/6518.



FOR THE CAUSE — Sgt. Maj. Harold Boatwright (left) and Capt. Scott Fuller help Capt. Laureen Barone get pie-faced.

# Contract branch fulfills child's Christmas wish with bicycle

A branch at Procurement Directorate has done more than just decorate for Christmas.

Members of Clydia Tucker's contract distribution branch in support operations division purchased a bicycle to fulfill the Christmas wish of a needy child. They got the 7-year-old boy's name, Andre, from the Salvation Army "Angel Tree" at Madison Square Mall.

"On his little wish, he wanted a bike and we have bought him his bike plus two little outfits for him to show off, but the bike's the most important thing," said Beverly Anders, secretary in the branch.

Phage Randolph, Chris Black and Darren Sales met and did the shopping for the youngster.

"I hope some more offices take a hint from that (effort)," said Tucker, supervisor of contract distribution branch. "That didn't hurt us at all."

The 20-member branch at building 4488 is also showing its Christmas spirit with an original work of art on its wall. The Christmas scene, which measures about 8 by 23 feet, was done by clerk-typist Katrina Brown.



MERRY CHRISTMAS — With the branch's Christmas tree and the child's new bicycle are, from left, Phage Randolph (kneeling), Katrina Brown and Chris Black.

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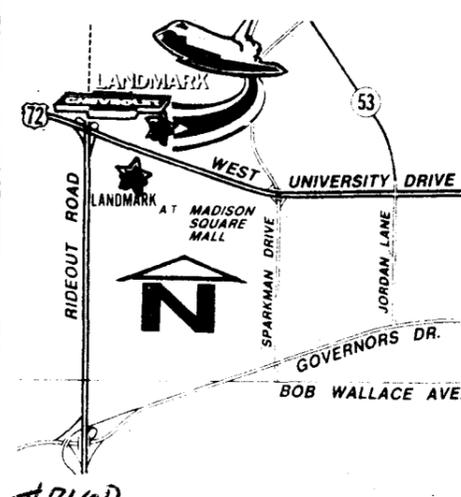
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