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Logistic assistance reps in Saudi Arabia, too

Civilian LARs provide technical expertise on deployed Army missiles

BY SKIP VAUGHN

At least a dozen Missile Command civilians are in Saudi Arabia to provide technical expertise on MICOM missiles to units deployed for Operation Desert Shield.

Twelve logistic assistance representatives from Missile Systems Readiness Directorate were there by last week; 16 more were in various stages of preparation for deployment. These are civilian workers, mostly GS-12s, who wear uniforms.

"They live with the units and put up with the adverse conditions such as sleeping in tents, warehouses," said Leroy Gregg, chief of the logistic assistance division at Missile Systems Readiness Directorate. "One person reported he has a car, an abandoned car; he chooses to sleep under it rather than in it, because it's cooler. They're fully equipped with chemical defensive equipment and have been trained to use it.

"We are of course extremely proud of these people and very anxious for them to return," Gregg said. "Assuming we will have a presence there for several months or longer, we will establish a rotational program."

A yellow ribbon tied to a large oak tree in front of the MSRDR building is a symbol awaiting their return.

Missile Systems Readiness Directorate ensures worldwide readiness of Army missiles. It receives monthly reports from active duty units and quarterly reports from Reserves and National Guard units on the state of readiness of their systems. By last week, 13 of the 17 reportable systems had been deployed to Saudi Arabia. These include Dragon, Patriot, Hellfire, Multiple Launch Rocket System, TOW (mounted on high mobility multipurpose wheeled vehicle, mounted on a helicopter and mounted on an improved TOW vehicle), Chaparral/FAAR, OH-58D mast mounted

sight, and Ground/vehicular laser locator designator.

The logistic assistance representatives, equipment specialists, are helping the troops maintain their systems. This can mean long hours. In a two-week period, for example, one representative worked his normal 80 hours plus 153 hours of overtime for an average of 16.6 hours daily.

"Some of them are multifunctional, and some of them have specific systems that they work with," said Tom Ingram, deputy director for Missile Systems Readiness Directorate. "These guys are experts on the system. Like Mr. Gregg said, we're proud of them."

The directorate has 168 logistic assistance representatives at 70 different locations worldwide. They are mobile and "emergency essential" meaning they sign an agreement to deploy with their unit if the unit needs them.

"We act as the MICOM commanding general's eyes and ears in the field. If there's a problem with a system, those LARs will report the problem for resolution," Ingram said.

Worldwide, the Department of Army goal for readiness is 90 percent; missile systems should be above 90 percent ready in order to exceed the goal. For eight years in a row, MICOM missiles have exceeded on a composite basis that Department of Army goal. "For the last reporting period, we were at 95 percent which by the way is the highest we've been in the last two years," Ingram said. The percentage is based on a composite average — meaning that all the various systems are added up and a gross average is determined — rather than on quantities of particular systems. Col. Bart Noll is director of MSRDR which consists of 267 civilians and seven military members; 170 are stationed with units worldwide and the rest are here at Redstone.

"Our job is to help maintain and sustain readiness,"



Ingram said. "I'm very confident of the capabilities of the systems out there as well as I am of the troops that use them."

Systems deployed to Saudi Arabia are being exposed to extreme hot temperatures and the sand of the desert. "We are taking steps to ensure the systems can do their job. It takes a lot of work, a lot of time and a lot of effort in maintaining because of the environmental impact. There are a number of lesson learned type studies coming out of various exercises — either the National Training Center or other desert exercises. So we're using lessons learned to our benefit," Ingram said.

Native of Peru happy to be in land of opportunity

Editor's note: The opening ceremony for National Hispanic Heritage Month, Sept. 15 to Oct. 15, will be held 11 a.m. Sept. 14 at the Recreation Center, building 3711.

Twenty years ago the young woman who came to the U.S. from her native Peru didn't speak any English.

She had been working to raise money for college in



MARIA TAYLOR

Peru, and traveled to see her father who was hospitalized in New York. "I came over here thinking I'd see him and stay for a while and go back," recalls Maria Antonieta Taylor. "And then when I got over here I decided to stay."

Taylor, now a supply technician in the status section for Missile Logistics Center, did indeed stay in the U.S. Working together with her father, who had come to New York in 1964, they were able to bring the rest of the family from Lima, Peru. Her brother came over in 1971 and her mother, other brother and two younger sisters made the trip in January 1972.

"I had the language barrier because I didn't speak English at all," says Taylor, the senior sibling at 41. "I

started working in a factory and I started learning a little bit from the people that spoke Spanish. My father bought books, and I watched TV. Little by little I started putting things together. It took me about two or three years to be able to hold a conversation."

In 1974 she took a test to enter the Army. Not only did she pass, but she got the highest score in the class. She became a soldier and was sent to Fort Jackson, S.C., for basic training. Language — this time Southern style — became a problem again. "To me it was like starting all over again because it was hard to catch up (with the language) in the South," Taylor recalls.

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Soldiers from 95th deployed as unit

BY PAM ROGERS

A squad-sized element of soldiers from the 95th Maintenance Company left Redstone at dawn Monday in support of Operation Desert Shield. This is the first group deployment from Redstone since the United States began sending troops into the Middle East.

The soldiers, all calibration technicians, made the first leg of their journey aboard Redstone's Caribou airplane, the last of its kind in active Army service. They were to change airplanes at Fort Bragg, N.C., before continuing on to the Middle East.

Soldiers and their families arrived at the Redstone Army Airfield at 5:45 a.m. for a last farewell before the 6:15 takeoff.

"The average age for this group is 36, which is probably a little different from most units which have

deployed," said Capt. James Kolasinski, commander of the 95th.

"They will remain together as a unit," he said. The work the soldiers had been performing here will be done by civilian counterparts.

"I have elements attached to other divisions elsewhere," Kolasinski said. Some of those elements have already deployed with the units to which they were attached.

"These guys here will be in support of the detachments that are already out," he said.

By Monday, more than 100 Redstone soldiers had been processed out of the Military Personnel Office for possible deployment; 48 of them had actually departed the post.



Recycling program

Editor:

I'm sure I sound like a broken record by now, but MICOM still has not implemented an effective recycling program. We all know it's a good idea, so why not implement? No studies are needed, no excuses on why we can't, no blame on too much bureaucracy. Just do it. If a fragmented governmental body like the city of Huntsville can be successful, our MICOM community can too.

My original suggestion was greeted with a letter saying MICOM already had a program in effect. Well, I still see hundreds of aluminum cans thrown in regular garbage each week, probably tons of reusable paper, and all types of plastic containers. So, how's it working? The recycling or selling of computer paper has been in effect for some time, but that's the only indication of a MICOM program. If volunteers are needed for each building or organization, I volunteer. But with one-third or more of our trash being recyclable, why not get with it? This is something positive, and it will help our environment. How can we complain about landfills when we aren't doing our best to limit what we donate to them? It is a bit ironic that the Army won't consider Redstone Arsenal as a possible site for a landfill, but it also won't take a strong position on recycling its own garbage either.

Scott Huber

Intelligence & Security Directorate

(Editor's note: The Directorate of Engineering and Housing provided the following response. "Community and Family Activities Service Division runs a can recycling program. They have collected 600 pounds of cans from 150 collection containers on the Arsenal. Any building that wishes to have a collection container installed can call Mr. David Popel, 876-1418. Many areas collect their own cans for Christmas parties and other special reasons. The can belongs to the purchaser, who is free to do with it as the purchaser desires. If the purchaser desires to throw it away, that is the purchaser's decision.

"As stated in the Redstone Rocket of June 6, the computer paper recycling program has been expanded to include all white paper. We are doing a survey of the rest of Redstone Arsenal to determine where our generations are. We must do a survey because we have to have estimated generations upon which to let a contract for the sale of the paper. Last year we recycled over 146 tons of computer paper. For the first three months of this contract year, we have already recycled over 44 tons of computer and white paper.

"As of June 1, all of our trash and garbage has gone to the Huntsville Refuse Fired Steam Facility which is run by the Huntsville Solid Waste Disposal Authority.

We only landfill asbestos, rubble, and non-recyclable construction materials. Mixed paper, which is what the janitors haul to the dumpsters, currently yields less than \$7 per ton. The costs of separately collecting this would exceed the proceeds generated. This is the type of low value items the Refuse Fired Steam Facility was designed to recycle by turning them into steam to supply the Arsenal.

"The Directorate of Engineering and Housing has initiated a contract request for recycling household waste in the North Family Housing Area. We anticipate this starting prior to January 1991.

"The Commissary sells baled cardboard to a scrap paper contractor. We advertised a large amount of un-baled cardboard on the same invitation for bid as the scrap computer paper. We received no bid, and were told it is because of the tremendous amount of hand labor involved if the paper is not baled. To get this cardboard to a baler would cost much more for labor and transportation than we would ever receive in profits.

"The Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office (DRMO) receives, stores and sells construction scrap and other scrap generated on the Arsenal, including scrap paper, all metals, and lead acid batteries. All proceeds are returned to the Redstone Arsenal Recycling Account. Between October 1989 and August 1990, the Recycling Account has received deposits of \$106,185.80. The DRMO donates all our used oil to Auburn University to be recycled as fuel to heat the campus.

"Department of Defense regulations require we make a profit on our Recycling Program. As you can see, we are managing quite well. One of the reasons for our profit is that we rely on Redstone Arsenal personnel to save the computer paper and white paper, and to voluntarily get it to the pickup point for collection. Some people have asked why we don't grade out more types of paper and have the janitorial service collect it. If we segregated into computer paper, white paper, newspaper, magazines, and low grade paper classifications, each office would need six wastebaskets. All Arsenal employees would have to be trained in paper grading. The janitorial service would have to have six rolling carts to collect in the buildings and make six trips to six different dumpsters or bins located outside each building. The costs for dumpsters, rolling bins, and outside bins alone would be staggering. The labor costs would be huge. As you can see, this is a very expensive labor and equipment intensive process. We would not be able to get enough proceeds to cover costs, and in fact, would have to spend a lot of money to get this done.

"As stated before, we have recycled over 190 tons of paper in the last 15 months. This is because of the dedication and volunteer efforts of a lot of people on post who believe in recycling as we do.

"We have received suggestions from people who want to take nothing out of the waste stream and send everything we generate to be burned at the Refuse Fired Incinerator, because they feel it would be worth more as energy than as recycled fibers. We believe we need to extract the valuable materials out of the waste stream and send the low value items to be recycled by energy conversion.

"There are people who feel we recycle too much, and people who feel we don't recycle enough. There are people who feel it is up to someone else to do the labor to get things recycled and some people who volunteer their efforts gladly. We are acting like a business in trying to gain the optimum proceeds for the minimum costs. We are running a cost effective program by recycling the most valuable parts of the waste stream and reducing the volume of materials going to the landfills.

"Point of contact is Jerry Holton, 876-6125.

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Unfortunate move

Editor:

We have finally arrived at our new duty station and are presently going through the aggravation of sorting through our household goods (HHG) damages and locating our missing items. Having moved 14 times in 19 and a half years, we have had problems with our HHG shipment, but never have we encountered such terrible experiences as our move from Huntsville, Ala. Why? Two primary reasons: first, incompetent/insensitive packing and trucking companies. Second, the lack of concern and support from the government and contractor representatives responsible for assigning and managing the packers/movers.

Listing all of the problems which occurred will re-

quire a voluminous report but basically, the following highlights some of the major difficulties:

(1) The packing company failed to contact us for initial survey to determine packing, transportation, and personnel requirements. I had to personally call several times the day prior to the packout date.

(2) Due to the packing company's lack of planning, a "split shipment" occurred. The company sent a truck that was approximately 50 percent full to put my HHG goods which was over 14,000 pounds (the other shipment came from Arkansas to be shipped to California). The "experts" finally conceded at approximately 1 p.m. the fourth day, that a second truck was needed. By the way, the last item of my HHG was finally loaded into the second truck at approximately 7 p.m. the fourth day. Items from the second truck overflowed into a warehouse and then reloaded into another truck a few days later for shipment to my next duty station.

(3) The packing company hired a couple of rough, untrained/immature teen-agers who carried the sofa/furniture with greasy hands. I had to call the manager to send a supervisor for his workers. Further, the government quality assurance rep had to instruct the packer/mover several times to properly cushion "loose" items.

(4) Due to the QA rep's inability to resolve the problems between me and the packing/moving companies, I had to call the transportation officer (TMO). The TMO along with the BAMSII contractor rep finally arrived at my house at approximately 3:35 p.m., the third day to resolve the problems. They were of great help — to the packers/movers that is! Specifics?:

— Because the mover showed up at approximately 2:30-3:30 p.m. the third day, I requested that loading commence early the next morning because it would take a full day to load approximately 14,000 pounds of HHG. I didn't want the truck with part of my HHG parked overnight at some hotel. Furthermore, when I found out that the movers had traveled all morning and part of the afternoon from Little Rock, Ark., I was concerned with their safety and their ability to continue loading late in the evening. BAMSII/TMO decided that because the mover showed up before 5 p.m., they should be allowed to load until a "reasonable" hour. I asked what was reasonable — astonishingly, BAMSII/TMO replied "9 p.m." Folks, I am not afraid to work long hours. I will do it every day if I have to, but seriously, let's think about the family members. I don't know if the BAMSII rep or TMO have small children — if they do, they should understand what it's like living in a house full of boxes, no bed to sleep on, tired and waiting for packers/movers to leave at 9 p.m.! Let's use common sense — particularly when the packers/movers arrived late and failed to properly plan. They should be penalized, not the military member/family. It was aggravating to witness how our government/contractor transportation reps accommodated the movers/packers that screwed up in the first place.

— Prior to the packout, I specifically instructed the packers that I wanted "major items" marked outside the boxes and in the inventory. This conversation was witnessed by the QA rep. Unfortunately, the markings were inadequate and I informed all parties concerned that I will not sign the inventory sheet. The BAMSII rep intervened, sided with the packer/mover and stated that the regulation required the packer to "mark each

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Rocket expands awards coverage

The Rocket proposes to expand coverage of awards, promotions and other formal recognition of the good performance of its primary readers, the soldiers and Army civilian workers at Redstone and in Huntsville.

We need your help.

We ask you to send us a photo, portrait or a copy of the picture taken when the award was presented, together with your name, where you work, and the kind of award you got.

For example: Jane Doe, Missile Logistics Center, Sustained Superior Performance Award. Sign it so we know we have your OK to use it. Because of the federal privacy act, we need your approval before we publish some information about you.

Send it to Public Affairs Office, Attn: Redstone Rocket AMSMI-IN, Room A-134, Building 5250.

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Deployment may mean less pay for Army families

BY PAM ROGERS

Officials with the Missile Command's Finance and Accounting Office are reminding Army families that soldiers who deploy to the Middle East will lose money.

There is special pay which soldiers are entitled to, but in most cases it will be offset by termination of other allowances, according to Sgt. Fred Pargas of Military Pay.

"The family separation allowance is payable on the 31st day after a soldier deploys and is paid retroactive to the first day of deployment," he said. The amount of family separation allowance is two dollars a day. This money is automatically added to the soldier's paycheck.

Kuwait and Liberia have been designated as areas of imminent danger, and soldiers who are assigned to those countries are entitled to \$110 per month in addition to the family separation allowance. Pargas stressed that Saudi Arabia has not been declared an area of imminent danger at this time.

On the other hand, soldiers who were receiving basic allowance for subsistence (separate rations), will no longer receive this allowance when they deploy. The BAS allowance amounts to about \$180 per month, Pargas said.

That means that a military family's monthly paycheck could be reduced by as much \$120 per month. Even for soldiers who are in an area of immi-

nent danger, the paycheck could be reduced by \$10 per month, Pargas said.

Even \$10 less a month can be uncomfortable for families with extra-tight budgets, Pargas said. He added that Army Community Service is expanding its financial counseling program to help families who have problems as a result of changes to military pay.

He also said that unit commanders must ensure that form DA 4187, which stops separate rations, is sent in for each deploying soldier. It must read "absent field," and be dated the effective day of deployment.

Spouses who need copies of leave and earnings statements can obtain them from unit commanders.

What soldiers in Saudi want most: letters from home

BY SANDA LAGER

Modern-day soldiers are no different from soldiers throughout history in one respect: They depend on mail from home to keep morale high.

When recently interviewed by television network journalists and asked what they wanted most in the Saudi desert, they answered, "Mail from home."

According to television and newspaper accounts, these servicemembers have virtually nothing to do during off-duty time. Of course, all that may change the longer our troops stay there and have time to dig in. They may soon have limited recreational facilities.

However, for the present they spend time writing home and waiting for mail call.

Numerous people throughout the nation have already mailed letters addressed to "any servicemember." Those soldiers 6,000 miles away from home told television newsmen how very much they appreciated getting letters from total strangers.

Even though the people who write an "any servicemember" letter have no idea who will read it, that single letter could serve to brighten the day of a lonely servicemember far from home.

Anyone wishing to send personal mail to troops in Saudi Arabia should use the following address:

For Army, Air Force and Marines:

Any Servicemember, Operation Desert Shield, APO New York 09848-0006.

For Navy and Marines onboard ships in the Saudi region:

Any Servicemember, Operation Desert Shield, FPO New York 09866-0006.

Until late Friday, personal mail for troops was limited to first class mail weighing 12 ounces or less. However, a change came Friday that raised the weight limit on mail to Saudi to 65 pounds, according to Army Materiel Command public affairs office.

Guidance from Department of the Army indicates that normal Saudi Arabian customs restrictions must be adhered to when sending mail to U.S. servicemembers in that country. Information on these customs restrictions are available at U.S. post offices.

Mail sent by servicemembers from Saudi Arabia to the U.S., on the other hand, is neither weight restricted nor subject to censorship.

People wishing to send mail to a servicemember whom they know but have not yet been provided a new mailing address should send letters to the address prior to deployment. That mail will be forwarded as quickly as possible, DA reports.

Most mail sent direct has been reaching Saudi Arabia in about 10 days. Mail forwarded from a previous address is taking longer.

"Any Servicemember" mail addressed to APO 09848-0006 will be transported to a military post office in Saudi Arabia and then distributed to Air Force, Army or Marine Corps units based on the population of the unit. The units will determine the final distribution.

"Any Servicemember" mail addressed to FPO 09866-0006 will be transported to a Naval administrative support unit in the Saudi region and distributed by aircraft to the individual ships in conjunction with daily resupply missions.

"Any Servicemember" mail will be distributed after the official and specific individual mail has been sorted and distributed, DA reports.

SDC identifies contractors for ground based interceptor experiment

The Strategic Defense Command has competitively selected Rockwell International Corporation of El Segundo, Calif., Martin Marietta Corporation of Orlando, Fla., and Hughes Aircraft Company of Canoga Park, Calif., for in-depth negotiations leading to the award of contracts for concept and technology integration for the Ground Based Interceptor Experiment (GBI-X).

The GBI-X effort is part of the Strategic Defense Initiative's GBI Phase I effort. GBI also includes the Exoatmospheric Reentry-vehicle Interceptor Subsystem functional technology validation experiment. The goal of the GBI Project is to develop technology for a Ground Based Interceptor for the Strategic Defense Initiative program's Phase I Strategic Defense System architecture. A GBI would be launched from the ground and destroy attacking ballistic missile reentry vehicles in space.

The objective of the GBI-X concept and technology integration effort is to acquire state-of-the-art technologies that can achieve sufficient maturity to support a Milestone II decision and provide meaningful competition for full scale development of a Ground Based Interceptor.

All three companies proposed an exoatmospheric

kinetic kill vehicle. They will negotiate for contracts that will include a 21-month basic effort for concept development. The contracts will also include options for fabrication and ground testing, for flight testing, for Milestone II documentation, and for nuclear hardened hardware for aboveground and/or

underground nuclear testing. Rockwell and Martin Marietta were also selected to negotiate for an early flight test hardware option, which was optional for the companies to propose. Total contract value for the basic effort and selected options would be in excess of \$100 million for each company.

Truck mishap snarls afternoon traffic

Patton Road around Martin Road was closed to traffic for an hour Friday afternoon after a truck towing a backhoe struck the Patton-Martin overpass while traveling west on Martin.

Falling debris from the impact hit two cars which were also traveling west, but there were no injuries.

North and southbound traffic was redirected off the overpass for about one hour, until the DEH determined that the overpass was safe for vehicles.

However, a weight restriction of three tons, or 6,000 pounds has been placed on vehicles traversing the overpass, according to Bob Mullinix, deputy director of the Directorate of Engineering and Housing.

Temporary signs have been installed advising motorists of this weight restriction, Mullinix said.

The beam-bearing plates were stuck and the north end of the bridge shifted three inches west, said Keith Cook, an engineer at DEH.

The bridge is still intact; just the beams are twisted, Cook said. The bridge will require lifting and two of the four beams and bracings will require replacement.

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Army community pulls together in times of crisis

Editor's note: Riccardi is the family advocacy program manager at Army Community Service. Information on services available to soldiers and family members affected by Desert Shield may be obtained by calling ACS at 876-5397/2859.

BY SALVATORE RICCARDI

It all seemed to happen so quickly. One day, the installation was buzzing with word of a possible troop mobilization. The next, your spouse came home with orders for the Middle East. There were hurried discussions about things that needed to be done, tearful goodbyes from those who promised to stay strong until their soldier returned. The next morning, an empty space in the bed reminds you that your mate is really gone.

For those families who have been part of the military community long enough to have experienced their mate being sent on a long TDY or unaccompanied tour, the adjustment is minimal. For those who have never been separated from their spouses and had to "go it alone," the situation can be very disconcerting. Along with the feelings of abandonment, there comes a myriad of additional responsibilities that can seem almost impossible to handle. The anxiety and self-doubt about being able to run the household alone, along with the lack of emotional support that used to be provided daily by a loving spouse, can slowly turn into depression and desperation. But it does not have to be like that because you are not really alone.

Remember that your spouse works for an organization that has a long history of dealing with this exact situation. As the Army has evolved, it has had the wisdom to learn the importance of preserving the stability of military families, especially during times of soldiers' separation from their homes, and has designed many services and agencies to reduce the stress associated with this adjustment.

In learning to cope effectively with the current change within your home, isolation is the No. 1 enemy. Although part of the American value system stresses "fierce independence," it also is accepted as a reality that all human beings, at some time or another, need the support of another human being to get by. It is that reality which brought about the birth of service agencies like Army Community Service.

The ACS programs, much akin to the Army as a whole, have begun to mobilize in preparation to help soldiers' families make the adjustment to their situation. During pre-deployment briefings and screenings, soldiers are reminded of available services and are asked to identify areas of potential need within their families. Army Community Service staff will then contact those families and offer assistance and work with them to ease their transition. But it does not stop there.

Support groups are being formed which will help those who have never experienced this separation learn from those who have successfully made this adjustment. As many of these spouses will remind you, it can be done. The most important thing to remember is that you do not have to go it alone. Whether the problems facing you are financial or emotional, there are services available to you, staffed by professionals — many of whom have been part of the military family and lived through similar experiences — who are awaiting to assist you with genuine concern for your well-being. All you need to do is call.

If you are in need, but uncertain who to call, ACS is a good place to start. Along with Army Emergency Relief, the budget counseling and family member employment programs can offer help with financial concerns. The Family Advocacy Program conducts free classes on stress management or parenting. The Outreach Program works with the Redstone Arsenal Waiting Wives Support Group and other family support groups. The Information and Referral Program can direct you to local community agencies for needed assistance.

All of these programs were developed in response to the needs of military families during situations such as our installation is currently experiencing.

What is the bottom line, you may ask? The answer is

that the Army community, like any family, pulls together in times of crisis. As a member of that family, you can expect the support of other family members in this time of need. All you have to do is call.

Additionally, for those feeling like they are not in control of their lives, becoming active within the community can help return feelings of mastery of their situation. Activity also helps to alleviate anxiety and/or depression. Volunteering some of your time at ACS or other installation activities can eliminate feelings of helplessness. It also can bring about a sense of belonging to a community that really cares about you.

Whether you choose to take an active role through volunteering or not, remember help is always just a phone call away.

Contracts awarded for high altitude missile

The Strategic Defense Command has competitively selected Lockheed Missiles and Space Company of Huntsville, McDonnell Douglas Space Systems Company of Huntington Beach, Calif., and Sparta Inc. of Laguna Hills, Calif., to receive contracts for concept definition of the Theater High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) missile.

The contracts are firm-fixed-price awards with a duration of 13 months, and are valued at \$4 million each. No further options are included. The concept definition phase of the contracts consists of the development of a preferred design for a high altitude area defense missile, identification of critical technology issues, and detailed planning for a technology demonstration.

The THAAD missile concept would engage theater ballistic missiles at high altitude to provide large area

coverage in the European or other theaters, mature and non-mature, having critical military assets. The missile is expected to be able to operate in the high supersonic or low hypersonic velocity regime with high agility and be capable of integration into the Army's air defense force structure.

The contracts will also result in concept definition data that may be used in developing a THAAD technology demonstration follow-on effort. The government will develop the THAAD baseline for the technology demonstration competition, which will also be open to companies that did not participate in the concept definition. The technology demonstration solicitation is planned for issue in the fall of 1991. The resulting 54-month contract is planned for award in 1992 and is expected to be worth approximately \$300 million.

November and December 1990 Course Schedule

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Logistics center opens total quality management effort

BY SKIP VAUGHN

Total quality management: what it is and how it can be applied at the Missile Logistics Center was the subject of an orientation for MLC people last week.

MLC workers attended a two-hour session held at the Rocket Auditorium Sept. 5-7. Three sessions were held — one each for a third of the more than 1,300 center workers.

"We have been working for almost a year with a fairly small group of folks — I say small, between 40 to 50 — who have been working on total quality management at MLC. This is the first time we've been able to get everybody exposed to total quality management, and the primary purpose of TQM is to get everybody involved," said Jim Flinn, director of the Missile Logistics Center.

Flinn, who conducted the sessions, said the purpose of the sessions was to tell the workers "what the concept is; why it's important to MICOM, particularly why it's important to the Log Center; and what the strategy should be."

Using viewgraphs, he discussed seven major ingredients of total quality management: customer is No. 1; focus on process; continuous improvement; team oriented; participative management; empowerment of the people; and statistical process control.

"The question is what we can do to make things better," Flinn said at one point. He stressed that the workers themselves, rather than management, are best able to identify problems and barriers because they are the ones who work on the processes.

Four keys to TQM include training, change, culture and rewards/recognition, Flinn said. As far as training, last week's sessions were only the beginning. Each section of logistics center workers — from 20 to 25 people in each — will be taught 10 two-hour TQM courses over the next few months. This will represent about 26,000 hours of training.

Emphasizing the importance of TQM, Flinn told the workers: "I need you. I need for you to learn, to

understand, to get involved. This thing has got to be a grassroots kind of effort. We've got a long journey ahead of us, but it's already started. It can't work without you."

The workers completed an organizational climate survey which was prepared by the productivity branch,

plans and management division of the Resource Management Directorate.

"If people don't understand total quality management now, they never will," said Tricia Golden, chief of support operations at MLC, at the conclusion of the session.



DISCUSSING TQM — From left are Melvin Waters, TQM officer for the Missile Logistics Center; Jim Flinn, director of the logistics center; and Doug Driskill, deputy director of the center.

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Judging from the many smiles, Exceptional People's Day was again a big success.

Editor's note: The photos from the fair were made by SSgt. Tab Shiota, public affairs NCO of the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School.



LUNCH BREAK — Pvt. Samuel Green of B Company, 832nd Ordnance, talks with Chris about the day's activities after having lunch.



REST STOP — SSgt. Orlando Wingate of HHC, 832nd Ordnance, and young Matthew stop to get a drink of water and look for the next ride to get on.



AWAY WE GO — PFC Stephen Jansen of C Company, 832nd Ordnance, and Heather enjoy a ride on the bobsled.

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READY TO RIDE — Pvt. Waylon Germer of C Company, 832nd Ordnance, waits with Bobby for the next chance to ride the merry-go-round.



NICE TRIP — Pvt. Scott Hyde of D Company, 832nd Ordnance, carries Leah to the next ride.



CONSTITUTION PLAYERS — Taking a break in preparations for their parts in the mock trial of the Big Bad Wolf vs. the Three Little Pigs are, from left, Daquita Goodrich, Jean-Paul Perreault, Robert Fortney and Dani Perreault. The trial will be part of the Army Communities of Excellence town meeting scheduled to be held at the Youth Center at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 18. For more information call 876-4505.



PANEL — A "Projecting Into the Future" seminar for transitioning soldiers, family members and civilians was held all day Sept. 5 at the Challenger NCO Club. Panel members at the afternoon session include, from left, Janeen Rosenberg of Army Education Center; Mark Barlowe, an Alabama Army National Guard recruiter; Phyllis Lewis, Vocational Rehabilitation Services; Bernard Collier of Civilian Personnel Office; Lou Johnson, U.S. Department of Labor; Robert Wright, Alabama Department of Industrial Relations; and Judy Guerry, Huntsville Rehabilitation Center. Not pictured are Sue Paddock of Family Member Employment Program and Terris Tatum, State Employment.

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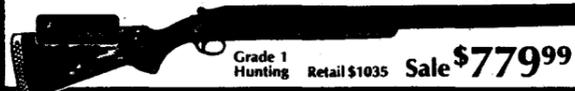
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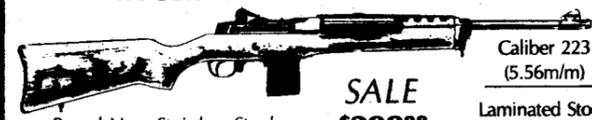
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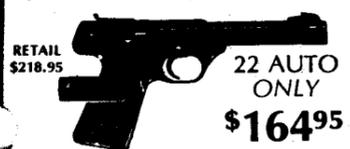
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Letters

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carton to show *only* general contents." What the BAMSIS rep failed to acknowledge was that in that same regulation, or in the DA pamphlet provided to me by the Transportation Office, it required military members to ensure that descriptions of major items are complete and accurate. The BAMSIS rep's definition of major items obviously was skewed to support the packer! For example: (1) Stereo cassette recorders were packed in one box — no model/serial number was written on the box. (2) Men's, ladies and children's clothing were only listed as "clothing." (3) Mess blue and other military uniforms listed as "clothing." (4) .38 caliber pistol was packed in a box and could not be located because they did not mark the box or inventory sheet. After opening several boxes and wasting time, the TMO (or BAMSIS rep?) himself located the weapon! (5) A briefcase full of sterling silver dinnerware (gold trimmings) was in a box of clothes with only "Misc Clothes" marked on the box — and on and on and on! By BAMSIS rep's interpretation of the regulation — the packer did his job — baloney! One final point. His suggestion to file a claim if items are lost also stinks! Believe me, many military personnel lose receipts and documents throughout numerous moves. It is sometimes difficult to file a claim if receipts were also lost during shipment.

I think I have made my point. I hope that the "toes" that I stepped on will not focus their efforts on justifying their actions or fixing blame, but rather, review and seriously consider my recommendations below:

- * That packers be required to physically survey the member's HHG prior to the packout date.
- * That the service member be informed if a split shipment will occur prior to the packout date.
- * That spouses be invited during community meetings to provide input on ways to enhance HHG shipment support. Wives are experts — they have good ideas!
- * That either the regulation be changed to clearly

define what constitutes a "major" item, or the service member be allowed to determine what their "major items" are. Remember: The HHG's belong to the service member. He/she has every right to be concerned that their belongings are not only handled properly, but are properly labeled and inventoried.

* That the definition of what constitutes a "reasonable" time for packers to continue working, should be changed from 9 p.m. to perhaps 6-7 p.m.

In closing, I must add that each year, we lose many good soldiers because we fail to provide quality service and support during PCS moves. We must all strive to continue doing a better job!

Name withheld by request

Special day

Editor:

Thanks again this year to all the military service

members who escorted the handicapped at the Fair this past Wednesday.

Our son, Shane, looks forward every year to attending the Fair and having his own personal soldier to with him. A special "Thank you" to Pvt. Kenneth Byrd of B Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion for making this day special for Shane.

Pat Whitworth

Sign your letter

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Blow whistle on fraud, waste or abuse

Federal workers should feel free to blow the whistle on suspected fraud, waste or abuse without the fear of reprisal.

That's the intent of the Whistleblower Protection Act of 1989. The revised version of the Act establishes the Office of Special Counsel as an independent agency, rather than part of the Merit System Protection Board.

As an independent agency, the OSC is responsible for investigating allegations that a federal worker was unfairly treated after reporting waste, fraud or abuse within an agency.

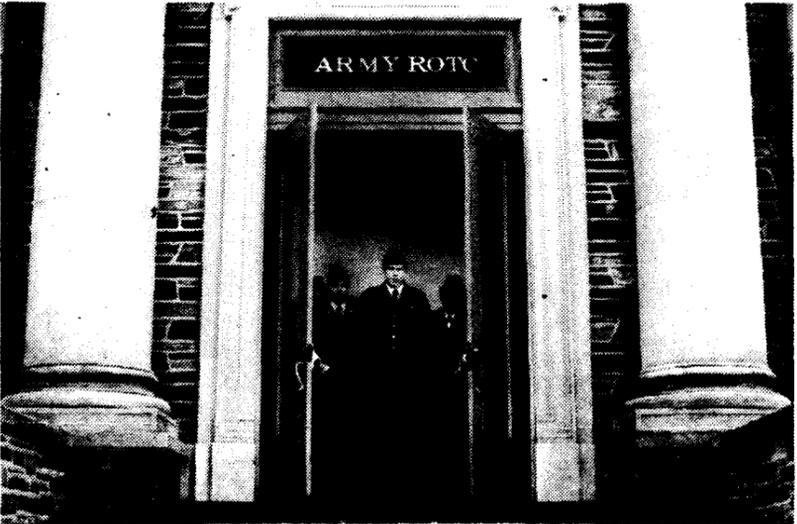
David Points, an attorney in the legal services division of the Missile Command, outlines the following highlights of the Whistleblower law:

- The law strengthens the protections and procedural rights available to whistleblowers.
- It provides whistleblowers with a new independent right to take their cases to the Merit System Protection Board.
- It enhances the authority and responsibilities of the OSC.
- The law establishes the standard for unlawful retaliation involving whistleblowing activities. To show retaliation an employee must show that the protected disclosure was "a contributing factor" in the personnel action. The individual's burden is to prove that the whistleblowing contributed in some way to the agency's decision to take the personnel action.
- Agencies must show by "clear and convincing evidence" that it would have taken its action irrespective of the whistleblowing.

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Notre Dame begins quest for national championship

BY SKIP VAUGHN

Notre Dame opens its season Saturday with a visit to the always tough Michigan Wolverines.

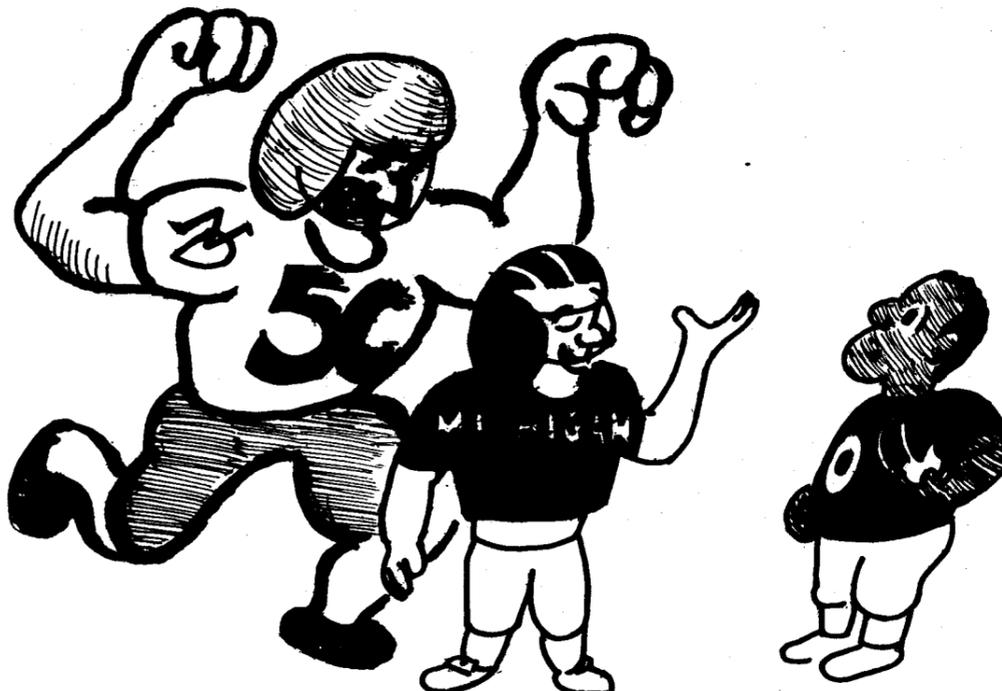
The Fighting Irish are loaded again despite losing quarterback Tony Rice to graduation. They still have speedster Raghob "Rocket" Ismail at flanker. Need I say more?

Michigan will be led by coach Gary Moeller who served as assistant to Bo Schembechler until Bo retired after 21 seasons. His first game will probably be a downer. The pick here is...**Notre Dame**.

Skip's Picks fell on hard times last week as Alabama, Penn State, Clemson and Miami all bit the dust. The 18-16 mark brought the season totals to 33-21-2.

Here are my predictions for selected games this weekend in major college football:

- Michigan at Notre Dame — ND by 7.
- Penn State at Southern Cal — SC by 4.
- The Citadel at Air Force — Air Force by 21.
- Florida at Alabama — Bama by 7.
- Arizona at New Mexico — Ariz. by 14.
- Colorado State at Ariz. State — ASU by 7.
- Tulsa at Arkansas — Ark. by 24.
- Holy Cross at Army — Army by 17.
- Auburn at Mississippi — Auburn by 14.
- Ohio State at Boston College — OS by 10.
- Wash. State at Brigham Young — BYU by 13.
- Miami at California — Miami by 30.
- Cincinnati at Iowa — Iowa by 21.
- Clemson at Maryland — Clemson by 10.
- Colorado at Illinois — Colorado by 7.
- Connecticut at North Carolina — NC by 7.
- Duke at Northwestern — Duke by 14.
- Virginia Tech at East Carolina — East by 4.
- Ga. Southern at Florida State — FSU by 30.
- Fresno State at Utah — Utah by 3.
- Fullerton State at Miss. State — Miss. State by 14.
- Southern Miss. at Georgia — Georgia by 3.



'NOTRE WHO?'

- Houston at Texas Tech — Houston by 7.
- Indiana at Kentucky — Indiana by 4.
- Iowa State at Minnesota — Minn. by 7.
- Kansas at Louisville — Louisville by 14.
- Miami (Ohio) at Louisiana State — LSU by 28.
- Michigan State at Syracuse — Mich. State by 7.
- Utah State at Missouri — Missouri by 10.
- Navy at Virginia — Virginia by 21.

- Wake Forest at NC State — NC State by 17.
- Pittsburgh at Oklahoma — Okla. by 7.
- Washington at Purdue — Wash. by 10.
- SW Louisiana at Texas A&M — Texas A&M by 21.
- Stanford at UCLA — Stanford by 3.
- Texas-El Paso at Tennessee — Tenn. by 30.
- Southern Methodist at Tulane — Tulane by 6.
- Alabama A&M at Knoxville College — A&M by 7.

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Nicholas wins ladies invitational golf tournament

Reita Nicholas won the annual invitational golf tournament held Sept. 5 by Redstone Arsenal Ladies Golf Association.

Nicholas, from Valley Hill Country Club, had a score of 76. Maisie Stripling, also from Valley Hill Country Club, forced a playoff but Nicholas took the win after one hole.

Awards were presented by Col. Perry Butler, deputy post commander, at a luncheon held at the Officers Club. "Chairperson Fran Sullivan and her committee did an outstanding job organizing a breakfast at the Pro Shop; all carts were assigned, the tees were dressed with a cowboy boot, and the western theme was car-



AWARDS LUNCHEON — From left are Col. Perry Butler; Fran Sullivan; Chip Enlow, Redstone golf course pro/manager; and Lucille Johnson.

ried out throughout the tournament and luncheon," said Alice Aldrup, publicity chairman for the association.

Tournament results are as follows:

Longest drive (handicap 21 and under) — Louise Walker. Longest drive (handicap 22 and over) — Sue Hablett.

Flight No. 1 — first low gross Reita Nicholas, Valley Hill Country Club; second low gross Maisie Stripling, Valley Hill Country Club; net low Louise Walker, Valley Hill Country Club.

Flight No. 2 — first low gross Elsie Hobbs, Green River Country Club; second low gross Marion Deppensmith, Valley Hill Country Club/Redstone Arsenal; low net Ricky Currie, Valley Hill Country Club.

Flight No. 3 — first low gross Marty Simpson, Valley Hill Country Club; second low gross Mary Booth, Valley Hill Country Club; low net, Jody McGee, Franklin County Country Club.

Flight No. 4 — first low gross Yvonne Leiding, Redstone Arsenal; second low gross Phyllis Joyce, Rolling Greens; low net, Becky Pierce, Rolling Greens.

Flight No. 5 — first low gross Mary Kilpatrick, Redstone Arsenal; second low gross, Anne Fairclough, Valley Hill Country Club; low net Pat Thimsen, Valley Hill Country Club.

Flight No. 6 — first low gross Dot Baker, Valley Hill Country Club; second low gross Kate Hoppenjans, Burning Tree Country Club; low net Gloria Scudamore, Valley Hill Country Club.

Flight No. 7 — first low gross Beverly Payne, Redstone Arsenal; second low gross Pat Egbert, Rolling Greens; low net Marty Zinn, Rolling Greens.

Flight No. 8 — first low gross Rebecca McGee, Rolling Greens; second low gross Millie Moore, Redstone Arsenal; low net Marie Melochick, Redstone Arsenal.

Flight No. 9 — first low gross Billie Shupert, Redstone Arsenal; second low gross Myrna Gardner, Redstone Arsenal; low net Betty Lewis, Rolling Greens.

Flight No. 10 — first low gross Sidney Ellis, Valley Hill Country

Club; second low gross Sue Hablett, Valley Hill Country Club; low net Camille Slendering, Redstone Arsenal.

Flight No. 11 — first low gross Elka Mullins, Redstone Arsenal; second low gross Geneva Hall, Redstone Arsenal; low net Kather. Houston, Rolling Greens.

Flight No. 12 — first low gross Judi Dwyer, Valley Hill Country Club/Redstone Arsenal; second low gross Marge Torzillo, Rolling Greens; low net Beverly Robbins, Redstone Arsenal.

Flight No. 13 — first low gross Lucille Johnson, Redstone Arsenal; second low gross Janice Langley, Valley Hill Country Club/Redstone Arsenal; low net Joan Murphy, Rolling Greens.

Flight No. 14 — first low gross Mary Jane Parks, Valley Hill Country Club; second low gross Jan Foster, Redstone Arsenal; low net Katie Messenger, Redstone Arsenal.



LADIES GOLF CHAMP — Virginia Payne is the Redstone Arsenal Ladies Golf Association champion. She won the championship Aug. 27-28 with a net 84 and 83 for a two-day total of 167. Coming close behind were Jacki Lane with a score of 82 and 91, Mary Kilpatrick with 94 and 86, and Millie Moore with a low net of 89 and 96. Kilpatrick had the longest putt, longest drive and closest to the pin in the tournament. First Flight winners were Nancy Hall, Jane Robinson, Maggie Bennett, and Fran Sullivan, chairperson of RSALGA.

Retired soldier wins annual Redstone men's golf championship once again

Charles Parker, a retired chief warrant officer 2, won the annual Redstone men's golf championship held Sept. 1-3.

Parker shot a three-day total of 214 and was 2 under par for the tournament. "He's won it previously 1985, '86 and '88," said Chip Enlow, Redstone golf course pro/manager.

There were 82 competitors. Jack Cowan placed second in the championship A division with 221; the defending champ, John Pitcher, was third with 222; and Mel Adams finished fourth with 228.

Other results included the following:

• **Championship B division** — Ben Gardner, 239 (won playoff); Gary Gardner, 239; Ray Gudaitis, 242; David Ingram, 243.

• **First flight A division** — Larry Loomis, 239; Dan Everett, 241; Steve Smith, 244; Billy East, 245.

• **First flight B division** — Mark Moe, 248 (won playoff); Bob Shirey, 248; Virgil McVicker, 249 (won playoff for third); Felix Milar, 249.

• **Second flight A division** — Harry Evans, 248; Darold Zimick, 252; Pete Evans, 254; George Doritty, 255.

• **Second flight B division** — John Youngmans, 256; Paul Stanger, 257; Chip Cochran, 263; Jim Waltress, 267.

• **Third flight A division** — Milton Robbins, 256; Warner Davis, 261; Herb Holdsambeck, 263; Bob Sullivan, 267.

• **Third flight B division** — Joe Kaufman, 271; Bill Sellers, 273; James Boddie, 275; Allyn Griffith, 276.

• **Fourth flight A division** — Tim Messer, 270 (won playoff); Richard Frahm, 270; Hank Szarek, 273; Michael Cohen, 280.

• **Fourth flight B division** — Bob Winer, 289; Gil Leiding, 293; Nes Gurley, 297; Dick Nimon, 301.

"On Sunday's play Bob Sullivan had his first hole-in-one on No. 16 hole, 207 yards," Enlow said.

Col. Perry Butler, deputy post commander, presented tournament awards which were golf shop gift certificates.

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The usual crowd of 500 to 700 is expected for the 15th annual Military Retiree Activity Day on Saturday, Sept. 15 at the Challenger NCO Club.

There will be guest speakers, a panel of Redstone organization leaders, and the traditional "county fair" featuring information tables. Activities begin at 8 a.m. and will end about 1:30 p.m. with drawing for door prizes. Everything is free except a nominal fee for lunch.

Scheduled guest speakers for Military Retiree Activity Day include Jim Pennington, a retired Army major general who is executive vice president of the National Association for Uniformed Services. Also expected to speak will be the chief or deputy for retired pay at the Army Finance Center, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind. After the guest speakers, a panel consisting of Redstone leaders will field questions from attendees. Panel members are to include the hospital commander, dental activity commander, Post Exchange officer, Commissary officer, Redstone Arsenal Support Activity commander, and the chaplain.

"People should attend this event because it'll give them an opportunity to obtain firsthand information on future post as well as congressional legislative activities which will affect their lives."

Lunch is set for 12-12:45 p.m.; cost is \$3.75. There will be complimentary coffee and doughnuts throughout the day.

From 40-50 organizations will be represented at information tables in the far end of the club that day. This county fair type activity will enable retirees and their family members to have their questions answered and receive help. Some of the represented organizations will include the Retired Officer and NCO Associations, the Officers and NCO Wives Clubs,

Retiree Wives, Army Emergency Relief, the Chaplain, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Fox Army Community Hospital, Legal Assistance, and the Military Police crime prevention unit.

Military Retiree Activity Day is sponsored by the Redstone Arsenal Military Retiree Advisory Council and supported by the post commander. There are about 10,000 military retirees in northern Alabama and southern Tennessee.

"People should attend this event because it'll give them an opportunity to obtain firsthand information on future post as well as congressional legislative activities which will affect their lives," said Brandon Parker, a retired Army colonel and past chairman of the Military Retiree Advisory Council. The current chairman is Robert L. Moore, a retired lieutenant general and former commander of the Missile Command.

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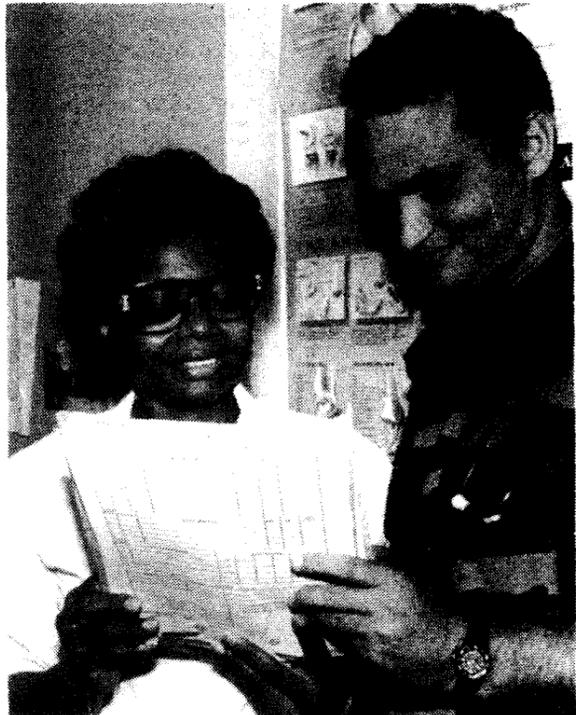
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Civilian nurse finds Army hospital work satisfying

BY PAM ROGERS

Otha Tucker believes she wouldn't be quite as happy anywhere else as in her job as a registered nurse at Fox Army Community Hospital.



ON THE JOB — Tucker goes over a chart with Dr. (Capt.) Donald Bowling.

She left Druid City Hospital in Tuscaloosa last November and went to work as a civilian nurse for the Army. She had worked at Druid City since her graduation from the University of Alabama in 1982.

Working for the Army has given her a chance to work with equipment and medical conditions which nurses in civilian hospitals rarely see, she said.

Tucker works in the emergency room, and although her patients don't stay with her very long, she finds the work rewarding.

"I'm in nursing because I love people, and I love to help people. I find that doesn't always mean starting an IV or giving medicine, but just being there to listen. We, as a society, we're always busy, and there's no one to take the time, but soldiers away from home need support," she said.

Military hospitals are run a little differently from those in the civilian sector, but Tucker is used to the regimentation because she's also a captain in the National Guard. She's aware that at any time she could be deployed to the Middle East.

"Activation would mean leaving home, and that makes me a little apprehensive, but I believe I can do it," she said.

She believes that an Army hospital would be a good place for a new nursing graduate to begin a career.

"Working in a military setting will build confidence

sooner," she said, adding that she has found work at Fox to be less stressful. The pay and benefits are about comparable to what one would make in a civilian hospital.

Tucker moved to Huntsville when she and her husband, Edward Turner, married. She decided that Fox had the best pay and benefits package for her.

"The people here are just great. There's a lot of support from the administration. It's a family setting," she said.

There was one big surprise for Tucker when she came to work at Fox.

"I have never worked in a place where you didn't have to ask people to do things. These guys here just do it. It's unbelievable. You don't have to follow up, even with the younger ones. Their performance is outstanding," she said.

"I just don't think I would be as happy anywhere else."



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Soldier has family ties at Redstone Arsenal

BY SANDA LAGER

Not every soldier who passes through Redstone was born here, let alone has parents who both work here.

But such is the case of PFC Paul Anthony Crawford. He was born in 1971 in building 112, the old Redstone Arsenal hospital, the son of Paul and Hazel Crawford. Paul Crawford was an Army warrant officer, and the family lived on post the first six months of young Paul's life.

Now, at 19, PFC Crawford has graduated from the Hawk fire control/continuous wave radar repair school and will soon be reporting for duty with his new unit at Fort Bragg, N.C.

The 45-week course Crawford completed on Friday produced the first MOS 27K10 Hawk Phase III qualified maintenance technicians from a residence course, according to Patrick Dillaha, Hawk Phase III team chief at the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School.

Dillaha said Crawford had been a good student with a high average, and a conscientious soldier.

"His parents have stayed in close contact. He has the support of his family. In fact, his father talked to me (about the new Phase III class) before his son came here," Dillaha said.

"The class had to put up with a lot because they were the first. They've been the guinea pigs," he said.

All four soldiers enrolled in the class were good

students, Dillaha said, one reason being their EL and GT scores were above average.

"The students who come in with high scores do well. The ones with low scores struggle," Dillaha said.

Crawford lived in Germany and Fort Bliss, Texas, after his family moved from Redstone in the early 1970s. He graduated high school in 1988 in Weisbaden, Germany.

The family returned to Huntsville in 1984 when Paul Crawford retired from the Army, but moved back to Germany shortly thereafter when Paul Crawford accepted a civilian job as a logistics assistance representative.

Once again returning to Huntsville, PFC Crawford enrolled at the University of Alabama-Huntsville and studied electrical engineering for one and a half years before joining the Army in August 1989. He completed basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Crawford said it was easy for him to adjust to life as a soldier. "I was brought up disciplined and grew up around the Army, so it wasn't a culture shock for me."

He has a 16-year-old brother, Sean, who is a junior at Grissom High School.

Crawford said he doesn't have many hobbies, except working on his car and swimming.

Even though Crawford will soon be with his unit in North Carolina and in the Army for a while, he hopes

that one day he'll be returning to Huntsville and Redstone.

"I consider this my home," Crawford said.



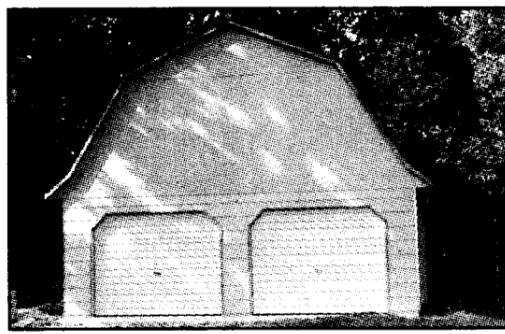
HAWK UNIT REPAIR — PFC Paul Crawford, right, adjusts the display screen of a Hawk tactical engineering display control console located in a Hawk platoon command post. SFC Terence Reis, NCOIC of the Hawk Phase III training, supervises.

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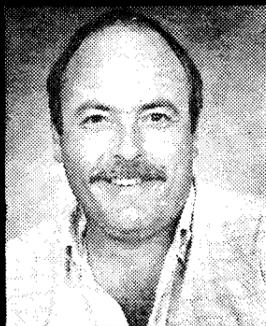


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Peru

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She got married in October 1974 in Paterson, N.J., to a civilian named Antonio Rojas who was also from Peru. Tragedy struck four years later when her husband, who was vacationing, was among 10 people killed when a bus collided with a truck in Chiclayo, Peru. He was 32 years old when he died. She was left to carry on with their two young sons — one was seven months and the other was 2 years. "I feel things just happen for a reason," Taylor says.

Taylor had left the Army before her husband's death and was planning to stay at home to take care of the kids for a while. That all changed Halloween night, 1978 with her husband's fatal bus ride.

"I got odd jobs. I did anything — all kinds of housework — anything I could do to get my children what they need, so they wouldn't have to suffer," Taylor says. In 1979 she found a temporary job as a receptionist in Asbury Park, N.J. After about a year, she started working at Fort Monmouth as a GS-3 clerk typist. She met Gary Taylor in 1982 at Fort Monmouth; they fell in love and got married. They thought Athens, Ala., where his folks were from, would be a better place to raise the children than New Jersey so they came to Redstone in 1988. He is a logistics

management specialist at Security Assistance Management Directorate. The two sons are now teen-agers: Anthony, 14, and James, 12. The Taylors also have a daughter, Rebecca, 4. In addition they're raising three other children: Gary, her 17-year-old nephew from New Jersey; and Christopher, 13, and Robert, 12, two sons of a late friend of hers.

While she worked at Fort Monmouth, Taylor became active with the committee planning the Hispanic Heritage observance each year. She is doing

the same at Redstone. The observance serves "to show the contribution of the Hispanic people in this country, and also to share our culture," Taylor says.

"I think it's a great country. It's my country now. I'm planning to stay here until God takes me away. I have found so many opportunities; so many doors are open," she says. "It's not easy, it takes time but you can make it. You set your goals and you get there. You have to be patient."

Fort Benning wins with drivers' ed

FORT MONROE, VA. — A defensive driving course taught at Fort Benning, Ga., has been selected as the best in the military during 1989 by the National Safety Council (NSC).

Entitled "Coaching the Mature Driver," the program is a four-hour course designed for soldiers who have had their driver's license for several years. It teaches them, through classroom instruction, what to expect in all driving conditions and locations.

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Change made for payroll savings bonds

Army civilians here can no longer get \$50 and \$75 EE savings bonds through the payroll savings plan.

Effective the pay period ending Sept. 8, the minimum denomination available to payroll savings plan participants is the \$100 bond which has a purchase price of \$50. The \$25, \$50 and \$75 bonds are still available over the counter at banks but not through payroll savings.

The U.S. Treasury says nationwide as of October it will no longer issue \$50 and \$75 bonds through payroll savings plans.

"It (the change) is going in for the pay period ending 9/8/90," said John Wright, an accountant and bonds coordinator at Finance and Accounting Division here. "And it'll be the check that people receive on the 20th of September."

The change for payroll savings plans is among several changes to the payroll system that must be made by Sept. 30. "Every year they put in a group of

changes to the pay system about this time," Wright said.

The minimum payroll savings deduction for civilians will be \$5 per pay period to purchase a \$100 bond. The computer system for the civilian payroll savings plan automatically converted civilian bondholders to the \$100 denomination unless they submitted a bond allotment change.

For soldiers, the U.S. Army Finance and Accounting Center sent a letter to each soldier who is affected by the U.S. Treasury's change in policy. Unless the soldier submitted a bond allotment change by the end of August, USAFAC will automatically convert their \$50 or \$75 bond to the \$100 bond during September.

"Industry has put some pressure on their congressmen and have gotten the Treasury Department to move to the \$100 bond to reduce cost by having less often mailings," Wright said.

Deployed soldiers may qualify for leave accrual

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Soldiers who deploy to the Middle East on Operation Desert Shield may qualify for special leave accrual, say officials at the U.S. Total Army Personnel Command here.

Jim Hoffman, a PERSCOM spokesman, said federal law permits special leave accrual under two narrowly defined conditions. These conditions are:

- For soldiers who are entitled to special pay for duty subject to hostile fire for at least 120 consecutive days
- For soldiers who are deployed for contingency reasons which preclude their taking leave.

While either condition may apply to this deployment in support of Operation Desert Shield, Hoffman said public law and Department of Defense directive provide relief to soldiers who meet all of the following conditions:

- Deployed for a lengthy period away from home station
- Deployed to meet contingency operations of the United States;
- Deployed to enforce national policy of an international agreement based on a national emergency or in the need to defend national security
- Deployed status precluded the soldier from taking leave through Sept. 30, the end of fiscal 1990.

"All four of these provisions must be met," said Hoffman. "For that reason some soldiers on deployment may be approved for special leave accrual while others may not meet all the criteria. For instance, if soldiers return before the end of the fiscal year, they are expected to take leave."

If soldiers fail to request leave or if leave is denied, the soldiers may lose their eligibility for special leave accrual.

Hoffman said unit commanders should identify soldiers deployed in support of Operation Desert Shield who will have more than 60 days leave at the end of the fiscal year.

"Soldiers must use any leave accrued in excess of 60 days before the end of the third fiscal year in which the qualifying service ends," Hoffman said. "If it isn't used, the leave will be lost. Leave approved for special accrual may not be exchanged for additional pay."

Soldiers with questions regarding special leave accrual should contact their unit personnel office. (Arnews)

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ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Army quality of life issues will be addressed at an upcoming conference for total Army family participants set for Oct. 22-26 in Arlington, Va.

One goal of the annual Army Family Action Plan planning conference, say officials at the U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center here, is to identify and prioritize current soldier and family issues for Army leaders.

The mission of the AFAP is to direct actions to improve family programs, benefits and entitlements for the total Army family.

Army quality of life issues which initially surface at installation family forums are either solved locally or forwarded to the post's major Army command for resolution. The planning conference addresses those remaining issues representing quality-of-life concerns requiring higher authority action.

CFSC officials say they expect more than 180 delegates representing all major Army commands, the Army National Guard and the U.S. Army Reserve at the conference. Participants include soldiers, retirees, teens, spouses and Department of the Army civilian employees.

Scheduled to speak at the conference are: Under Secretary of the Army John W. Shannon; Army Chief of Staff Gen. Carl E. Vuono; and Sgt. Maj. of the Army Julius Gates. (Arnews)



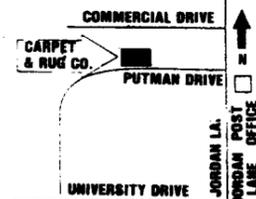
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Multicrafts

Here's the Multicrafts Center schedule for the second half of September. Sept. 19, *Rectangular mat workshop*, 6:30 p.m.; Sept. 21, *Make-it-and-take-it wreath*, 11 a.m.; Sept. 22, *Pen and Ink Caribou Painting Session*, caribou will be painted on glass and image must be inked before coming to class, 9:30 a.m.; *Youth sculpey clay workshop*, 11 a.m.; *Oak frames on stained glass*, 1 p.m.; *Oval mat workshop*, 1:30 p.m.; Sept. 26, *Glass etching workshop*, 6:30 p.m.; *Basic picture framing class*, 6:30 p.m.; Sept. 28, *Quick and easy parchment decorating*, 11 a.m. The shop is open to all active and retired military members, government civilian workers, family members and guests. For more information about activities call 876-7951 or visit building 3615 at the intersection of Vincent Drive and Gray Road.

Health course

Fox Army Community Hospital is offering a short health education course on high serum cholesterol and its long-term effects on one's health. The purpose of this class is educational and no lab testing will be performed. The course includes a discussion on two topics: first, the types of blood cholesterol and their relationship to increased risk of coronary artery disease; and second, the methods to reduce the serum cholesterol levels through lifestyle changes. The two-hour course will be offered Sept. 26 from 2:30-4:30 p.m. at the MEDDAC Classroom and thereafter every fourth Wednesday of the month. The course is available to active duty, retired personnel, their family members, and Defense Department civilians. Seats may be reserved by calling 876-8483, or stopping by the Medical Clinic, Fox Army Community Hospital, building 4100; contact Annie Friend, registered nurse, 876-8483.

Education committee

The ACS Education Committee will meet at 7 p.m. Sept. 12 at Army Community Service, building 3491. All committee members and interested persons are encouraged to attend. For more information call ACS at 876-2859/5397 and ask for Frances Howard, or call Maj. Scott Wilson, committee president, 842-8327.



Chapel events

Redstone Arsenal Catholic Community Picnic will be held 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16 at the Civilian Recreation Area. The 11 a.m. Mass normally at Post Chapel is canceled. There will be a Mass at noon at the picnic site. Rain location is the Rustic Lodge. Barbecue chicken, hot dogs, hamburgers, coleslaw, drinks and dessert will be served. There will be door prizes and entertainment for all. For information call 842-2175 or 876-5707/5751.

Club news

A *free rock concert* featuring the band Pressure will be held 8 p.m. to midnight Sept. 14 and 15 at the Enlisted Club. Effective Sept. 18, the *Officers Club Barber Shop* will extend its hours to 6 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays; for more information call 876-6866.

Moonlight golf tourney

Redstone Golf Course will have Moonlight Madness II Golf Tournament (mixed scramble), Sept. 14 beginning at darkness about 8 p.m. The \$10 fee per person includes finger foods and drinks from 7-8 that night. Each foursome will be furnished "glo-balls, glo-tees, and a glo-putter." Each golfer should bring a flashlight. For information call 876-6888.

Flea market/auction

Interfaith Mission Service will have a flea market/auction Saturday, Sept. 15 in the gym at Grace Lutheran Church, 3321 South Memorial Parkway (across from Joe Davis Stadium). The flea market starts at 11:30 a.m. and the auction at 12:30 p.m. Included are furniture, appliances, stereos, computer equipment and many other items donated by local merchants and individuals.

Talent show

Auditions for a citywide talent show will be held from 3-5 p.m. Sept. 24, 25 and 26 at the Academy for Academics and Arts, 2800 Poplar Drive. The talent show will be held at the Fine Arts Festival, Oct. 20 at the Academy for Academics and Arts. Call 881-5530 to schedule an audition time or for more information.

Movies

Here's the Post Theater schedule; starting times are 7 p.m.: Thursday, Sept. 13 — *Nuns on the Run*, rated PG-13, 92 minutes. Friday, Sept. 14 — *Quick Change*, R, 89 minutes. Saturday, Sept. 15 — *Navy S.E.A.L.S.*, R, 113 minutes. Sunday, Sept. 16 — *Navy S.E.A.L.S.*. Tuesday, Sept. 18 — *Back to the Future III*, PG, 120 minutes. Admission is \$1.50 for adults, \$1 for children.

Resource managers

Redstone/Huntsville Chapter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers will have its monthly luncheon meeting 11:30 a.m. Sept. 13 at the Officers Club. Scheduled speaker is Jennifer Moore, tourism sales manager with the Huntsville Convention and Visitor Bureau. For reservations call Voncille Williams 722-1420 or one of the reservation members.

Space conference

Four Soviet space specialists will be in attendance at the AIAA (the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics) "National Space Programs and Technologies Conference" set for Sept. 25-27 at the Von Braun Civic Center. The three-day conference will focus on past, present and future civil and military space programs with 59 sessions and more than 350 papers. Registration fees are \$285 for AIAA members and \$395 for non-members. For more information on registration contact the AIAA Meeting Department, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, Washington, D.C. 20024-2518 or call in Huntsville 837-6558.

Economics seminar

"The Keys to Prosperity," a seminar based on Eric Butterworth's book *Spiritual Economics*, will be held 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15 at the Religious Science Center, 6 L&N Drive, Huntsville. For more information, call David Leonard 534-2832.

Philippine-American ball

The Philippine-American Association of Alabama will hold its third annual inauguration ball at the Huntsville Hilton and Towers, 401 Williams Ave, Huntsville at 6:30 p.m., Sept. 15, 1990. Tickets are \$15; \$7 children 6 and under. For information or tickets call Mindy Mendiola, 837-7869.

Society of Logistics Engineers

The SOLE monthly meeting will be Sept. 20 at Holiday Inn Madison Square with a social at 6:30 p.m. and dinner at 7:00. * SOLE President Norman P. Michaud will speak. Spouses are invited. Dinner cost is \$7 per person. For reservations call Barbara Karbens 876-7322 by Sept. 18.

Army Learning Center

ALC is offering the following Macintosh courses: How to Operate the Macintosh II, How to Use Microsoft Word, and How to Use Microsoft Excel. For information call 876-9416/1416.

Comptroller careerists

HqDA has rescheduled the August rating session for GS-12 and above CP-11 careerists to Oct. 25-26. CP-11 careerists should submit initial registration packages to AMSMI-RM-MS by Sept. 12. Packages received after Sept. 12 will be rated during the next quarterly session. For information call 876-6188.

Auditions for play

The second audition date for the combined chapels Christmas play, "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," will be Sunday, Sept. 30 from 1-4 p.m. at the Post Chapel. A cast of 27 people — four men, six women, nine girls and eight boys — is required. Ages of the children are: boys 7-13, and girls 6-12. Many extra children of all ages will be needed for the Angel Choir which is part of the play. No experience is necessary. Rehearsals will be twice a week. You need not be a member of the Post Chapel or Bicentennial Chapel to audition for this play; all community members are encouraged to audition. At least one parent should accompany their children to auditions, as important information will be given about the play, rehearsals, etc. The play will be performed 7 p.m. Dec. 9-10 at Post Chapel. For more information call Shirli Boddie, the director, 430-0309.

Cantata rehearsals

Rehearsals for the Christmas Cantata sponsored by the Office of the Chaplain will begin 7:30 p.m. Sept. 12 at Bicentennial Chapel. All voices are welcome. The cantata will be under the direction of Dr. Delbert Bailey. For information call 876-5707/2337.

Surplus sale

A local spot bid sale of government surplus property will be held Sept. 19 in the Defense Reutilization & Marketing Office building 7427 on Warehouse Road. Registration starts at 7:45 a.m. and the sale begins at 8:45. Some of the items for sale include typewriters, televisions, electronic test equipment, data processing equipment, copiers, bookcases, books, valves, diesel engine, and scrap radiators. The items may be inspected from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 14, 17 and 18, and 7:45-8:45 Sept. 19. A list of items for sale, and more information will be available during the inspection period in building 7426.

Supply management

Department of Army's annual Supply Management Civilian Career Program screening panel will meet Nov. 14-16 to evaluate employees — series 346, 2001, 2003, 2010, 2030, 2032, and 2050 — eligible for promotion or reassignment to GM/GS-13 and above grade level positions. The no change option is not required at this panel. "Skap" packages in career program 13 (original plus four copies) should be provided by Oct. 1 to AMSMI-LC-MM, building 5681, room B4S, Attn: B.J. Fields or Willena Richardson. For more information or forms, call Fields or Richardson 876-1531. DA will not accept late packages for this panel.

Road race

On Sept. 15 a five-mile run, the first of what is to become an annual event, will be held at 8 a.m. starting at Pagano Gym. All participants must register. There is no registration fee. If you desire a commemorative T-shirt, however, the cost is \$8. Refreshments will be available at the finish line. This is among the activities for National Hispanic Heritage Month, Sept. 15 to Oct. 15. For more information call Barbara Alexander 876-8005.

NCO wives

NCO Wives Club will have a special get-together "just for you" at 7 p.m. Sept. 26 at the Challenger NCO Club. There will be a fashion update from Parisian, a speaker from Space Camp, refreshments and door prizes. The wives club meets the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Challenger NCO Club. For more information, call Blanche Moore 533-5599.



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