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Soldier's return from Saudi a welcome surprise

BY SKIP VAUGHN

When the Carey children hung up the phone with their father, SSgt. Steven Carey, they couldn't believe he was actually home from Saudi Arabia.

They called their mother, Valerie, at Army Community Service where she serves as volunteer coordinator. Their dad was home two hours later.

It was a good thing the staff sergeant was able to reach someone at home — he called at 3 on a Tuesday afternoon and the kids happened to be home sick from school that day. He would have had a hard time finding his family because they had moved while he was in Saudi Arabia.

"We didn't know he was coming home. We had a two-hour notice," Valerie recalled. The Careys have a daughter, April, 11 (she turns 12 on April 5th); and a son, James, 13. Both attend Westlawn Middle School.

Carey, a counterintelligence specialist, was in Saudi Arabia from Aug. 23 until Feb. 4. He had left Redstone Aug. 17 for MacDill Air Force Base, Fla., where he departed for Saudi.

"A lot of it was boring," Carey said, describing his time in Saudi Arabia. "The first month went by pretty quick because we were waiting for something to happen. We were expecting the Iraqis to come across (the border). After it became obvious about late September he wasn't going to invade, it really became boring waiting for what would happen next — at least until 17 Jan. when things started back up."

From late September until the air war began in mid-January, "we were just waiting to see whether Iraq was going to pull out of Kuwait or whether we were going to go in," Carey said.

Carey was stationed near Dhahran with the Special Operations Command Central. He did not become involved in combat — although he saw his share of Patriot missiles intercepting Iraqi Scud missiles. "I spent most of my time keeping track of terrorist groups, so I wasn't involved in any of the other normal things," he said.

He described the fireworks scene of a Patriot missile intercept which normally occurred at night: "When the Scud would come back into the atmosphere, it



TOGETHER AGAIN — SSgt. Steven and Valerie Carey pose with their daughter, April. Their son, James, was at track practice at Westlawn Middle School.

would trail red sparks behind it, kind of like a roman candle. You'd see a white streak (the Patriot), and when they met it would just light up the sky."

Carey was able to call home at least once a week until Jan. 14 when he told his wife that events after Jan. 15 might prevent him from calling again. "As a matter of fact our commander called us in at midnight and told us the air war was going to happen in the next couple of hours," he recalled.

A member of Headquarters and Headquarters Company at the Missile Command, Carey works with the Intelligence and Security Directorate. He is a 38-year-old native of Kansas City, Mo., who plans to retire from the Army June 30.

"He brought a lot of T-shirts back home for the kids and stuff," said Valerie, referring to their daughter's shirt emblazoned with the words "Free Kuwait" in both English and Arabic.

Patriot soldiers, civilian reps on center stage in war

BY JAN FINEGAN

The saying goes "Behind every successful man is a woman." The story of the success of Patriot missile A Battery, 2nd Battalion, 7th Air Defense Artillery Regiment, is no different.

A radar named Erica (after actress Erica Eleniak) guided the Patriots of A Battery to all their successes when Saddam Hussein launched his Scuds at Saudi Arabia including the first one on Jan. 18.

If the Patriot missile system, supported by logistic assistance representatives (LARs) and soldiers of Army Materiel Command's Missile Command, was the star of the show, then the members of 7th Air Defense

"You could see Scuds coming in, but it wasn't scary. You have to have a lot of faith in the equipment. I was with the unit when it did live firing so I had the confidence."

— Sgt. George McCarthy
Patriot soldier

Artillery are the road crews on whom the star depends. And when problems arise, the logistic assistance network within AMC steps in.

Ask LARs what they do and they'll tell you units call them when they get in a bind and need spare parts faster or equipment repaired more quickly or run into problems they've never seen before.

Alex Torres, Patriot LAR, says he helps by tracing lost requisitions. The unit gives him a call and he begins to backtrack the order through the system, checking to see if contracts have been awarded, calling item managers to see where parts are and pulling parts off the production line, if necessary, to expedite getting equipment through.

"The logistics system has to work," Torres says,
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Final Pershing II elimination marks end of an era

SCHWAEBISCH GMUEND, Germany — The Pershing II intermediate range ballistic missile became a part of history March 13 when the last Europe-based Pershing II began its journey from Ramstein Air Base to the United States aboard an Air Force C-5 Galaxy transport. The missile will be destroyed at a facility in the United States.

Removal of the Pershing II from Europe marks the end of an era, 27 years during which the Pershing missile system and the men and women who supported it worked quietly to preserve the peace and security of NATO.

Initially deployed to Europe in 1964, the Pershing missile system was an integral part of NATO's nuclear deterrence force. The Pershing I was a mobile missile with a 400 mile range, mounted on a tracked vehicle. Beginning in 1969, that system was upgraded to the

Pershing IA missile. This upgraded missile had the same range but used a more mobile, wheeled erector launcher.

The Pershing II intermediate range ballistic missile was developed and deployed by the United States on NATO request following the Soviet Union's deployment of intermediate range, mobile SS-20 nuclear missiles. The deployment was a key part of NATO's dual track approach — continue to negotiate with the USSR for the removal of the SS-20, while deploying the Pershing II and Ground Launched Cruise Missile (GLCM) systems to Europe. Pershing II missile deployment began in 1983 and was complete by December 1986. Pershing II missiles, with a range of 1,000 miles, replaced U.S. Pershing IA missiles, which were returned to the United States and eliminated

under the provisions of the Treaty on Intermediate Range Nuclear Forces (INF).

NATO's commitment to the dual-track approach resulted in the signing of the INF treaty on Dec. 8, 1987. The treaty mandated the first-ever removal and elimination of an entire class of weapons from U.S. and USSR inventories. The first and second stage rocket motors of the last Pershing will be eliminated by static firing at the Longhorn Army Ammunition Plant near Marshall, Texas, in early May.

The Pershing II missile system effectively fulfilled its role as a deterrent, contributing to the security of Europe.

The last Pershing II left quietly. Its departure is a testimony to the positive results of negotiation and cooperation between nations.



Desert deserters

Editor's note: Barbara Rosenblum, a contract specialist in Procurement Directorate, wrote the following poem entitled "The Deserters."

In the distance there we saw them
Slowly walking in the way
Over dunes of relentless desert
Covered with sand, their faces gray.

From the posture of their bodies
Drooping shoulders, hanging heads
There's no spirit left within them
Empty bodies, the living dead.

Swiftly then we lift our rifles
Cautious of their cunning ways
Do we dare to let them closer?
Will they turn on us as prey?

When they see our lifted rifles
They fall prostrate on the ground
Lifting up their poignant faces
Showing tear streams in the sand.

As we draw a little closer
Shudders quake within our souls
Some we thought were hardened soldiers
Were just children 12 years old.

With softened hearts from their condition
We gave them water from our cans,
Fed them with our meager rations,
With thankful hearts they kissed our hands.

More there came across the desert
Tens, then hundreds, wailing loud a plaintive cry
White flags wrapped around their rifles,
Pleading take us lest we die.

Thank you Lord for our great leaders
Whose gallant deeds fill us with pride
Oh how sad to have a leader
So unwise that thousands died.

Barbara Rosenblum

Cemetery upkeep

Editor:

In the area north of the Civilian Recreation Area, between Igloo's 8936 and 8937, there is an uncared for cemetery with numerous unmarked graves. We were

appalled at the condition of this cemetery and we are inquiring as to who is responsible for the care and maintenance of the numerous cemeteries on Redstone Arsenal. This area has an old fence that is broken down and the cattle within are free to roam at will. I for one would not like it, if one of the cows fell into an old grave and got stuck or damaged a grave some way.

Any improvement to this cemetery and any others on the Arsenal would be appreciated by members of the families and other members of the Redstone Arsenal community. If the government can spend so much money for ACOE (Army Communities of Excellence) projects, why not a project such as upkeep of the old cemeteries on the Arsenal. Knowing this is a touchy subject, we doubt if we get any answer that makes sense.

Jack E. Berry
Jim Garner

(Editor's note: The Missile Command's Environmental Office provided the following response. "The MICOM Environmental Office is responsible for the maintenance and protection of archeological and historical assets at Redstone Arsenal. As such, the office began a program in 1990 to renovate and upgrade the condition of the installation's cemeteries. These renovations generally require improving or installing fencing, repair or replacement (as possible) of headstones, background searches on each cemetery (as to family name, dates, etc.), control of burrowing animals, mowing, etc. However, since there are in excess of 40 cemeteries at the installation, we are doing the ones that need it worst first. We will have 11 renovated by the end of fiscal year '91. Each cemetery must be evaluated by a trained person, in order that the proper renovations are accomplished. In so far as the Joiner and Lacy Cemetery between Igloos 8936 and 8937, it was not on the FY '91 list of cemeteries. However, the office will review the condition of this cemetery and if warranted, it will be scheduled for renovation in FY '92.")

Self-Help kudos

Editor:

All too often we are quick to criticize but seldom do we take the time to praise. In pursuit of the latter, I should like to extend my appreciation to the "cheery" group of personnel working at the Self-Help store.

Regional data center moves to Redstone

An Army regional data center that has been moved here from Atlanta has set the stage for continued expansion of computer missions at MICOM, officials say.

This new activity, which has been designated the U.S. Army Information Processing Center-Huntsville, more than doubles the computing power and disk storage capacity at the USAIC-MICOM Data Center, while adding 35 jobs and computer equipment worth \$7.5 million. It is co-located with Redstone's main computer facility operated by U.S. Army Information Systems Command in building 5201.

In remarks at a dedication ceremony March 27, Brig. Gen. Robert Wynn, commander of the Army's 7th Signal Command, said this is the first of four information processing centers that will save taxpayers millions of dollars by letting government workers perform a computer support function that had been contracted out. The other information processing centers are to be established at St. Louis, Mo., Rock Island, Ill., and Chambersburg, Pa.

The local center will provide computer support to 10 Army posts in the Southeast, some of which sent

Community delays war celebration

The planned Huntsville-Madison County victory celebration will be delayed until more local servicemembers return from Southwest Asia.

Community leaders two weeks ago had tentatively set the event for April 25. Last week the Chamber of Commerce committee arranging the "Celebration of Patriots" said they would wait a while.

"The committee has decided to schedule the celebration after the return of many of the soldiers, which at this point is an uncertain date," Harry B. Brock III, chairman of the planning committee, said March 28.

"Their return is indeed the main reason for holding the parade and celebration."

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John Schmidt

Four-day week

Editor:

Our local AFGE union seems to have myopia. They negotiated a very good four-day week system that allows employees to take a Friday off every two weeks. But, they fell into the trap of going to arbitration over whether or not this new work week system can have flex time.

Management wants everyone to come to work at exactly the same time and go home at exactly the same time. Even to the most naive, management's plan should be seen as impractical. When the Huntsville and Arsenal traffic gets jammed up, somebody in the management structure will see their folly and correct the situation.

Suggest our Union withdraw their demand for the flex time and let management have its way so that the four-day week time system can begin. Of course, the Union should mount an advertising campaign to make sure everyone knows management is responsible for the completely unnecessary traffic jams, wrecks, and waste of petroleum resources.

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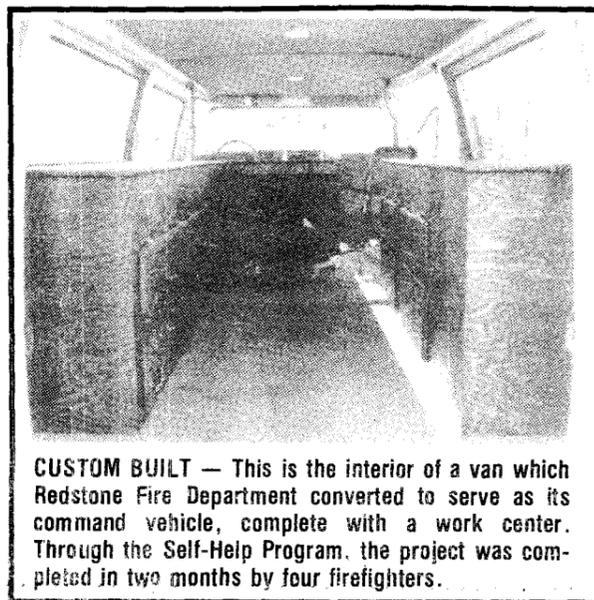
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CUSTOM BUILT — This is the interior of a van which Redstone Fire Department converted to serve as its command vehicle, complete with a work center. Through the Self-Help Program, the project was completed in two months by four firefighters.

Women's history luncheon dedicated to war participants



RATCLIFF

BY GERDA SHERRILL

Guest speaker Sara Boney Ratcliff, deputy assistant secretary of defense for civilian personnel policy/equal opportunity, was very upbeat in her remarks to an audience of more than 300 at the fourth annual Women's History Month luncheon held March 22 at the Officers Club.

She elaborated on this year's theme, "Nurturing Tradition, Fostering Change," when she described how today's women serve on all levels of life just as their ancestors have, "as nurses and spies, in support of military campaigns, in logistics and communications — they have always been crucial to the war effort — and by nurturing valued traditions and fostering necessary changes, women have contributed much to the development of our unique society."

The luncheon was sponsored by the U.S. Army Strategic Defense Command's Federal Women's Program and dedicated to the men and women of Operation Desert Storm. Special tribute was given to Spec. Melissa Rathburn-Nealy and Maj. Rhonda Cornum who were prisoners of war; in memory of Pvt. Adrienne Mitchell, Specialists Christine Mayes and Beverly Clark, and Maj. Marie Rossi who gave their lives for their country; and in deepest sympathy to Joyce Wilbourn from USASDC and her family in the loss of their son Trey during the Gulf war.

"We should enjoy the contributions of those who have gone before us, recognizing the trail that they have blazed to make our path clear; where we are today; and how do we as individuals foster change,"

said Ratcliff, who served most of her career in the nation's legislative branch.

She reminded the audience of a number of women from this year's national women's history honor roll who have nurtured tradition and fostered change, including Essie Parrish, an American Indian shaman and ethnographer; Jade Snow Wong, author and goodwill ambassador; Juliette Low, founder of the Girl Scouts of America; Septima Clark, civil rights organizer and citizenship educator; and Jovita Idar, journalist, teacher and nurse.

Ratcliff described the role of women on the national defense team with more than 1.5 million performing tasks vital to U.S. security. That number includes members of the active military services, the Reserves and National Guards, and military spouses. "The Department of Defense under Dick Cheney is committed to the American ideal of equality of employment opportunities which includes the right to training, advancement and career enhancement," she said.

Maj. Gen. John Peppers, deputy commander for Strategic Defense Command, presented a commemorative plaque to the guest speaker. Others participating in the program included Linda Shockley who provided the musical background; Carolyn Thompson who gave the invocation and narration in honor of female casualties during Operation Desert Shield/Storm; Missy Ming Smith who introduced the speaker; and Mary Peoples who organized the luncheon, assisted by her Federal Women's Program committee.

Army weapon systems earn high marks in Gulf War

WASHINGTON — In a report presented to budget committees on Capitol Hill, the Army is getting the word out that weapons fielded during the defense build-up of the 1980s performed as advertised during their first combat test.

While cautioning that only anecdotal evidence is available to date, Army officials have begun circulating preliminary accounts of the technology — and the soldiers who applied it — that ultimately liberated Kuwait. The early reports they say, are almost unanimous: the M-1A1 Abrams tank, the Bradley Fighting Vehicle, the Apache attack helicopter and other recent additions to the Army's inventory far out-fought anything Iraqi forces could throw against them. The following are among the accounts reported.

THE ABRAMS TANK:

- During a night move by the 3rd Armored Division, more than 300 tanks covered 200 kilometers without a single tank breaking down.

- Rounds fired from Soviet-made T-72 tanks struck seven M-1A1s; none of the U.S. tanks suffered damage.

- Thermal sights on the M-1A1 were able to find enemy tanks through the smoke from oil field fires and other battlefield obscurants; the Iraqi T-72s could not.

- Overall, M-1A1s maintained operational readiness rates over 90 percent before and during combat.

THE BRADLEY FIGHTING VEHICLE:

- Bradley readiness rates stayed over 90 percent both before and during combat.

- No transmission failures were reported during combat. Problems with the Bradley's transmission were widely reported during the Desert Shield build-up to war.

- Crews reported the 25mm Bushmaster cannon was more lethal than expected.

THE AH-64 APACHE HELICOPTER:

- Apaches from the 101st Aviation Brigade fired the first shots of the war. Early Jan. 17, eight Apaches fired 27 Hellfire missiles at two Iraqi early-warning radar sites deep in western Iraq. The attack completely destroyed both sites, creating an air corridor used by the Air Force to begin its bombing campaign.

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SUBWAY

My Way!

MICOM gears up for future with new planning office

BY SANDA MARTEL

With a leaner Army on the horizon, in terms of both manpower and resources, a new office responsible for long range planning and quantitative analysis has been established at the Missile Command.

The Program Analysis and Evaluation Office, located in building 5250, will look at proposals for change using quantitative techniques, and advise the command group on the best course of action, said Dr. Pauline Cason, who is heading the new office.

"For now, the office has only two defined and recurring responsibilities, long range planning and serving as the command's spokesperson and coordinator for Vision 2000 planning," Cason said.

The office is located in A-147, where the Vision 2000 planning team was previously located. Vision 2000 is the Army Materiel Command's proposal to downsize and become more efficient in order to conform with Department of the Army's overall plan to reduce its number of personnel and spending by 1995.

In terms of planning and operation, the Program Analysis and Evaluation Office can play a valuable role for MICOM, Cason said.

She gave an example of how the office will support the command: A manager in a functional area suspects there's a better and more efficient way of doing business, but there's no data to support the opinion. That manager would ask PA&E to investigate and run analyses and find out if the proposal would work.

Thus, as the command group encounters situations and future decision points, the PA&E will be asked to

perform quantitative analyses to support decision-making, Cason said.

The office will have 10 spaces, including Cason's. A former manager in the Resource Management Directorate, Cason returned to MICOM March 1 to take the helm in the new office.

She returned to Huntsville from the Pentagon, where she had worked as a GM-15 in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Financial Management) for the past two years. She had worked at MICOM more than 20 years prior to the move to Washington, D.C.

Cason is now staffing the PA&E positions and looking for the best available qualified people from each of the functional areas to make up the team.

"We're looking for well-trained people with a wide breadth of experience in their functional areas, plus the skills needed for analysis; employees with demonstrated experience in quality performance," Cason said.

A multi-disciplined team with heavy emphasis on quantitative analysis will result from bringing together employees with many and varied work experiences, she said.

"With our workforce and work environment changing, the way we've done business in the past may not be the best way for the future. But we can't make changes until quantitative information to back up those changes is available. Public and congressional scrutiny demand it," Cason said.

The PA&E will be that catalyst for change, as a sup-

port to the decision-making process that will provide the rationale to make changes, according to Cason.

"Our focus is futuristic because we will be helping cope with the massive changes that are going to be taking place in the Army. We hope to be the vehicle for positive change," she said.



CASON

Strategic defense retiree receives award for service

BY EARLA LOCKHART

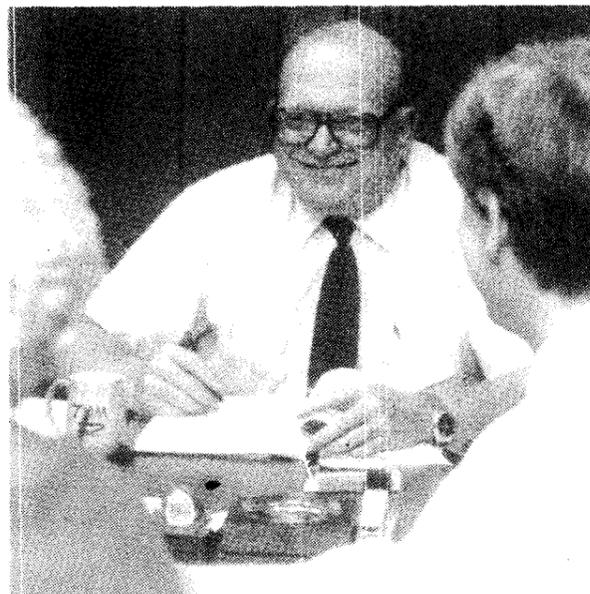
Dr. Thomas Patton, former arms control/treaty adviser for the U.S. Army Strategic Defense Command, has received the second highest Department of the Army civilian award.

Maj. Gen. John Peppers, USASDC deputy commander, presented the Meritorious Civilian Service award to Patton in recognition of his exceptional service as USASDC arms control/treaty adviser.

Patton served as the principal staff consultant to the commanding general, the deputy commanding general, and staff on all matters relating to arms control and treaty compliance. In this capacity, he was responsible for making certain that USASDC programs were in compliance with the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty and other arms control agreements.

"The success of each USASDC program undertaken during the Strategic Defense Initiative era can be traced, to some degree, to the efforts of Patton," Peppers said during the award ceremony.

"I was the only civilian in the Army who was dedicated full time to arms control," said Patton, who



PATTON

regularly interacted with the Department of Defense and other government agencies.

Patton retired Oct. 31, 1990 completing a federal government career spanning 31 years. The Littleville, Ala., native holds a bachelor's degree in industrial engineering from the University of Alabama, and master's and doctorate degrees in public administration and international relations from the University of Oklahoma.

Before joining USASDC in 1982 when the arms control/treaty adviser job was created, Patton held positions at the Missile Command, the Ballistic Missile Defense program (a predecessor of USASDC), and at the Marshall Space Flight Center.

In the late 1970s, while serving as a foreign military sales specialist with the Missile Command, Patton's career began to change direction away from primarily technical work. In the early 1980s, he completed his doctoral dissertation on how a nation's choice of weapons systems affects progress in arms control. His selection as USASDC arms control/treaty adviser was a natural result of his broad-based training and experience.

He earned a reputation as a key member of USASDC and was a recognized authority within the Department of Defense arms control community.

Patton, a Decatur resident, is having no trouble adjusting to retirement. He spends his time visiting his grandchildren, fishing, reading and cooking.

"If it ain't fun, I'm not going to do it," he said.

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Procurement workers ready to improve processes

Members of the Procurement Directorate have completed the second phase of a three-phase approach to Total Quality Management.

The final group of procurement workers received their certificates Friday after finishing 20 hours of classroom training over two and a half days in "Team Building for TQM." This meant nearly 700 members of the directorate had completed the second phase. Total Quality Management means better understanding current processes and streamlining those processes.

Procurement Directorate workers last year completed phase one of TQM training which was three hours of awareness training. Since December groups of procurement workers have gone through phase two. Phase three, entitled "Teamwork Improving Processes," is about 40 hours of training which will begin in April. "It's going to be a total of 40 hours — 15 of which will be classroom training; the rest of it will be on-the-job training," said Barbara Rosenblum, a contract specialist serving as one of the trainer/facilitators.

"We started with our educational process about a year ago in January," said Al Reeder, the director of Procurement Directorate. "The key to TQM is training and understanding before you really get your feet wet, and I think the command has recognized that too. I'm beginning to see results. I'm getting more good remarks from our customers, from project managers, the PEOs (program executive officers), and it makes you feel a lot better. The directorate and the people have probably gotten more letters of commendation in the last year than we've received in the last five years."

He drew an analogy between the three-phase TQM approach to a novice pilot learning how to fly. "So far, we've had ground training. Now with phase three, we'll mix in some additional classroom training and start trying to improve the processes. Now it's sort of like — along with the instructor — actually taking off and landing the aircraft," Reeder said. In phase three,



PROCUREMENT PEOPLE — Al Reeder, second from left, and Lt. Col. Joe Paddock, second from right, pose with the final class of second phase TQM graduates. From left are David Cobb, Reeder, Betty Herchenhahn, Gloria Reiswig, Linda Williamson, Ramona Berry, Jean Oden, Joyce Crabtree, Margaret Campbell, Jo Hill, Paddock and Jim Brown.

workers will be selecting a process and applying Total Quality Management to improve that process.

"People want to improve," said Fred Carr, one of procurement's TQM facilitators. "People want to do a better job."

The trainer/facilitators have included procurement workers as well as people from other Missile Command organizations. The procurement facilitators also help with TQM training in other directorates.

Facilitators included Gary Bell, Frencetta Stanford,

Sandy Davis, Barbara Rosenblum, Stephen Bradford, Dave Nixon, Fred Carr, Lt. Col. Joe Paddock and Barry Blake, all of Procurement Directorate; Charlene Coke of Intelligence and Security Directorate; Bob Erwin of Readiness Directorate; Phillip Gilbert of Research Development and Engineering Center/AAWS Project Office; Jane Johnston of Security Assistance Management Directorate; Joan McWilliams of Civilian Personnel Office; and Wyatt Shankle of Product Assurance Directorate.



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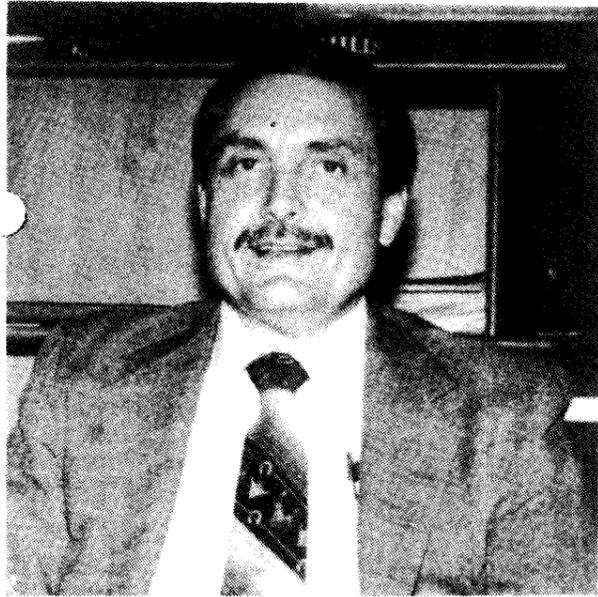
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Logistics worker has taste of war in desert

BY PAM ROGERS

Chuck Petit responded to an Army Materiel Command call for volunteers in Southwest Asia before the war started. He was awaiting a manifest from Dover, Del., when the news came that the air war had begun.

He arrived in Saudi Arabia around Jan. 19, and the reality of where he was hit home later that night when Iraq aimed its Scud missiles at Dhahran.



BACK TO STAY — Petit said he won't be leaving the country again any time soon.

"The first few days we had a lot of Scuds," Petit said. "You kept your gas mask beside you and your MOPP suit within hurrying distance."

Petit, who works in the Missile Logistics Center, was with the Army Support Group, where he helped to expedite maintenance actions for weapon systems. He was assigned to air combat systems, but did much of his work on the land combat systems.

There weren't as many calls for maintenance as were expected because of the short duration of the war and, according to Petit, the high quality of MICOM systems.

"Everything worked," he said. "I feel very good about MICOM systems. Overall, they did their jobs with only minor support requirements."

Workers in the "depot minus" facility (a depot function minus some of the capabilities of a complete depot facility) where Petit was assigned performed their tasks as a willing team, he said.

"It was a real good feeling in that everyone was very confident in what they were doing. They believed in what they were doing, and the soldiers were very professional," he said.

Petit's living conditions in Dhahran were adequate. He had a bed, running water and a place to wash his

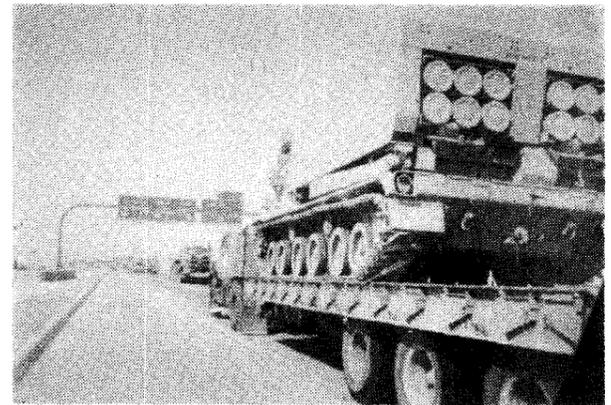
clothes. He had to eat MREs for only one meal a day. "It was a lot better than the soldiers on the front lines were getting," he said.

Petit lived about 30 miles away from where he worked. Each day, workers were bused from their living quarters to their workplace. Work days averaged about 12 hours, so when he got "home," he had time to do little other than eat before going to bed.

Petit was lucky enough to come home March 19. The only other MLC worker who accompanied him, Randall Schaefer, is still there.

"I was glad to have the opportunity to be a part of it, and to do a little bit," he said.

Petit, whose government career began after he ended a two-year hitch in the Army in 1967, has two children. His son, John, 22, is a student at University of Alabama-Huntsville. Daughter Renee, 26, is married and lives in Madison. Petit resides in Somerville.



HEADING OUT — Petit snapped this shot of MLRS units being hauled north toward the Iraqi border.



IN COUNTRY — A tired-looking Petit poses in front of a camel pen.

Troop bowling

Here are the Redstone Arsenal troop intramural bowling standings as of March 28:

Tuesday's Conference	Won	Lost
HHC 832nd-1	463	212
F Company 832nd-4	415.5	259.5
F Company 832nd-3	379.5	295.5
HHC Command & Staff	362.5	312.5
USATSG	352	323
HHC 832nd-3	332.5	342.5
MEDDAC	319.5	355.5
HHC MICOM	307	368
Marines	240	435
C Company 832nd	196.5	478.5

200 games bowled March 26:

Bill Young (F Co. 832nd-4)	206
Leo Avizinis (HHC 832nd-1)	203
Jerry Matias (HHC 832nd-1)	203

Thursday's Conference

	Won	Lost
E Company 832nd-1	431.5	243.5
F Company 832nd-1	430.5	244.5
* Readiness Group	389.5	260.5
HHC 832nd-2	383	292
F Company 832nd-2	375.5	299.5
* E Company 832nd-2	332.5	317.5
* 515th Ordnance Co.	320	330
* HHC 832nd-4	278.5	371.5
E Company 832nd-3	220	455
D Co. 832nd	149	526

* has make-up match

200 games/600 series bowled March 28:

Steve Cook (F Co. 832nd-1)	213, 200 & 607 series
Roy Brown (F Co. 832nd-1)	225 & 201
Gary Smith (E Co. 832nd-1)	222
John Davis (F Co. 832nd-1)	210

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CAREFUL AIM — Pvt. Steven Hearst urges Shawn Hicks, from Monrovia School, to push the ball harder during a Special Olympics Bowling event held March 1 at Pin Palace in Huntsville.

Desert Storm families treated to country music concert

The Country Radio Seminar and the Academy of Country Music invited Operation Desert Storm family members in north Alabama and middle Tennessee and active duty military to be their guests at a recent George Strait concert in Nashville.

"We wanted to show our patriotism and support of the troops in Saudi Arabia and those serving all over the world in the armed forces," said Bob Coleson of the Association of Country Radio Broadcasters.

The Academy of Country Music and the Association of Radio Broadcasters coordinated the invitation with the Country Radio Seminar. "The country music business has always expressed their love for country and flag. This concert was an opportunity for the music folks to do something tangible for both the military and their families," Coleson said.

From this area more than 390 individuals from the National Guard, Reserves and Redstone Arsenal active duty military and family members attended the concert. A total of 1,600 individuals from three states were present at the concert held March 7 at Grand Ole Opry House in Nashville.

Rhonda Robertson, representing the Chaplains Family Support Group at Redstone Arsenal, presented Strait with a Desert Storm sweatshirt after the concert. The country music star thanked Robertson with a hug and kiss.

Invitations to the concert were directed through Fort Campbell, Ky., Arnold Air Force Base, Tenn., and Redstone Arsenal. Virginia Dempsey, outreach program manager at Army Community Service, coordinated the project with the local National Guard and Reserve units and the family support group at Redstone.

Three buses and drivers were provided by Sgt. Maj. Paramjit Sibia and Ken Carroll of the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School.

"The response to the invitations and the concert was very positive," Dempsey said. "The Desert Storm families were very appreciative of being remembered in such a special way."



GIFT FOR SINGER — Rhonda Robertson, left, a Redstone military spouse, presents a Desert Storm sweatshirt to singer George Strait as Virginia Dempsey of Army Community Service looks on.

National defense medals reinstated

Editor's note: The following information was provided by the Missile Command adjutant general.

The secretary of defense has approved reinstatement of the National Defense Service Medal (NDSM) for members of the U.S. armed forces serving on active duty on or after Aug. 2, 1990.

The termination date will be determined in the future. The NDSM was previously awarded for honorable service for any period between June 27, 1950 and July 27, 1954, both dates inclusive, or between Jan. 1, 1961 and Aug. 14, 1974, both dates inclusive.

A Bronze Service "Star" will be worn on the suspension medal and service ribbon to signify second or subsequent awards of the NDSM. For example, one bronze service star will be worn on the suspension medal and service ribbon by soldiers who served in the 1961-74 period and the new period beginning Aug. 2, 1990 to date to be determined. Subsequent award of

the NDSM is not authorized for soldiers who met the criteria in one time period, left active duty and returned during the same period of eligibility.

Headquarters, Department of the Army, will top load the officer master file to add/change the NDSM to Officer Record Briefs for officers and warrant officers. The MICOM Military Personnel Office will annotate the records for all enlisted personnel to reflect authorization for the award.

Medals and Bronze Service Stars have been requisitioned by the Headquarters Support Troops S-4, who will arrange for distribution through Support Troops chain of command. In the interim, soldiers may purchase the service ribbon at the Military Clothing Sales Store, located in the Redstone Arsenal Post Exchange. Workers at the Military Clothing Sales Store indicated March 25 that the National Defense Service Medals probably won't arrive for another 10 to 14 days.



FBI ACADEMY GRAD — CWO Robert Dearth, a special agent of U.S. Army intelligence assigned to the Missile Command, is among the 246 law enforcement officers who graduated March 22 from the 164th session of the FBI National Academy at Quantico, Va. The program offers 11 weeks of advanced investigative, management and fitness training for selected officers having a proven record as a professional within his or her agency.

Many prospective members for the Officers Club

You don't have to be a soldier to become a member of the Redstone Arsenal Officers Club.

Yvonne Coleman-McGuire, chief of marketing and advertising branch in Community and Family Activities, says many people may not be aware that GS-9 equivalent and above are eligible for membership.

Membership benefits include no annual fee charge card, special member prices, member discounts, free

party rooms, formal dining room, two-for-one steak night, free food buffet (Fridays), birthday cake and wine, special golf benefits, free entertainment Friday, bingo (held at Challenger NCO Club), charge privileges, social hours Friday, catering services, check cashing, family oriented activities and barber shop.

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Crafts workshops planned for military children

BY SKIP VAUGHN

The Multicrafts Shop, or Arts and Crafts Center, is having special workshops in April for the Month of the Military Child.

Military children are invited to the free two-hour workshops set for April 6, 11, 19 and 26. The shop is in building 3615 on the corner of Vincent Drive and Gray Road.

A workshop for spin art with neon colors on T-shirts will be held 10 a.m. April 6; all military youngsters (including toddlers) are invited.

Magnet creations will be the subject of the workshop set for 4 p.m. April 11. This workshop, in conjunction with the Child Development Center, is for school-age children.

Weapon

(Cont'd from page 3)

- In a single battle, the 229th Aviation Brigade's 4th Battalion destroyed 50 Iraqi tanks.

- Apache readiness rates exceeded Army standards throughout the operation.

THE PATRIOT AIR DEFENSE SYSTEM:

- Patriots were fired against 47 incoming Scud missiles, intercepting 45 of them.

- Patriot readiness rates stayed above 95 percent throughout the deployment.

- An Air Force officer said, after Scud attacks on Dhahran and Riyadh during January, that "no one should underestimate the value of the Patriot system in this war...in the historical analysis and stories of this war, Patriot will be one of the key systems which influenced the outcome."

Other equipment drawing praise from Army officials includes the UH-60 Blackhawk, CH-47 Chinook and OH-58D Kiowa helicopters, the Joint Surveillance and Target Attack Radar System, and the Single-Channel Ground and Airborne Radio System.

For example, a still-experimental JSTARS-equipped aircraft located a division assembly area and a 60-vehicle convoy on Jan. 22. A subsequent coalition air strike destroyed 58 tanks.

SINGARS earned high marks in the field, particularly from the 1st Cavalry Division, whose units using the system at retransmission sites enjoyed a 30-percent increase in range. Special forces units using the system also praised its light weight.

Along with the successes, some needed improvements are finding their way into the early accounts. For example, reports presented on legislators say better identification, friend or foe, equipment is needed to reduce friendly fire casualties.

The Army is also studying an apparent need for improved night vision equipment for aviators flying over featureless terrain, and a similar need for better helicopter communications during nap-of-the-earth flying. (Arnews)

A sponge painting on T-shirts workshop for school-age children and above will be held 6 p.m. April 19. The final workshop, scheduled 6 p.m. April 26, will feature shrink art for preschoolers and older.

"For all of these little workshops we'll be having, they'll be no class fees but there may be some supplies they'll have to buy; but they'll be very limited supplies," said June Hughes, manager of the Multicrafts Shop. Youngsters attending the T-shirt workshops should bring a washed T-shirt for their project. All other materials will be available at the multicrafts shop.

The workshops, instructed by Kaye Hoult, are specifically for military children. "Since this is the Month of the Military Child, there is emphasis on the military children," Hughes said.

The multicrafts shop has been trying to develop a Family Night on Fridays for the entire community — including active duty and retired military, government civilians at Redstone, and contractor employees here. These people and their family members can use the

shop for a creative outlet from 5-8 p.m. each Friday. The family nights began the first of the year and have yet to catch in attendance. "We're open to suggestions concerning this program," Hughes said.

Hours of operation for the center include 1:30-10 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays; 5-10 p.m. Thursdays; on Fridays, the multicrafts are open 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. while the wood shop is open 11:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and the center is also open 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturdays. Classes taught at the center include stained glass, jewelry, painting, ceramics, matting and framing, and general crafts.

"If the military community would take advantage of using the Arts and Crafts Center, it would greatly reduce stress and anxiety and create family harmony. I really do believe that," Hughes said.

Besides her the staff consists of Al Wendt, Charles "Ski" Shalansky, Bob Potts, Kaye Hoult and Hyon Hodge. The center moved to its present location in 1979 from building 3491. For more information about its programs, call 876-7951 and ask for June Hughes.



GENERAL CRAFTS AREA — June Hughes and Charles "Ski" Shalansky show examples of creative T-shirts designed at the arts and crafts center.



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Bike rodeo this weekend for military children's month

An annual Bicycle Rodeo will be held here Saturday morning for the Month of the Military Child.

The event, sponsored by the Provost Marshal Office, is set for 9 a.m. Saturday in the parking lot at the Youth Center, building 3148. The rain date would be April 13.

"It's for the children of Redstone military families and it's designed to improve on their bicycling skills with emphasis put on safety in the riding of their bicycles," said Charlie Thorpe, a criminal investigator in the Investigations Branch at Provost Marshal Office. He is coordinating the event which has been held every year since 1983.

An obstacle course for young bicyclists will test their skills and safety awareness. The six tests include a bicycle safety check; a single, zigzag obstacle course; a double, zigzag obstacle course; a maneuvering test which will require them to go through a figure eight course; a double obstacle requiring them to slowly go straight through pairs of cones without touching any cone; and a test of signaling and stopping in which a temporary stop sign will be set up.

Trophies and other prizes will be awarded to the top three winners in each age group. The age groups include 6 and under, 9 and under, and 12 and under. All participants are to receive a certificate of achievement.

"Everyone is welcome to participate even though they don't fall in one of the age categories," Thorpe said. "One thing we want to do is get as many bicycles registered as possible because in the summer we always have a problem of bicycle thefts. To have those bicycles registered, it might assist us in recovering them if it becomes stolen."

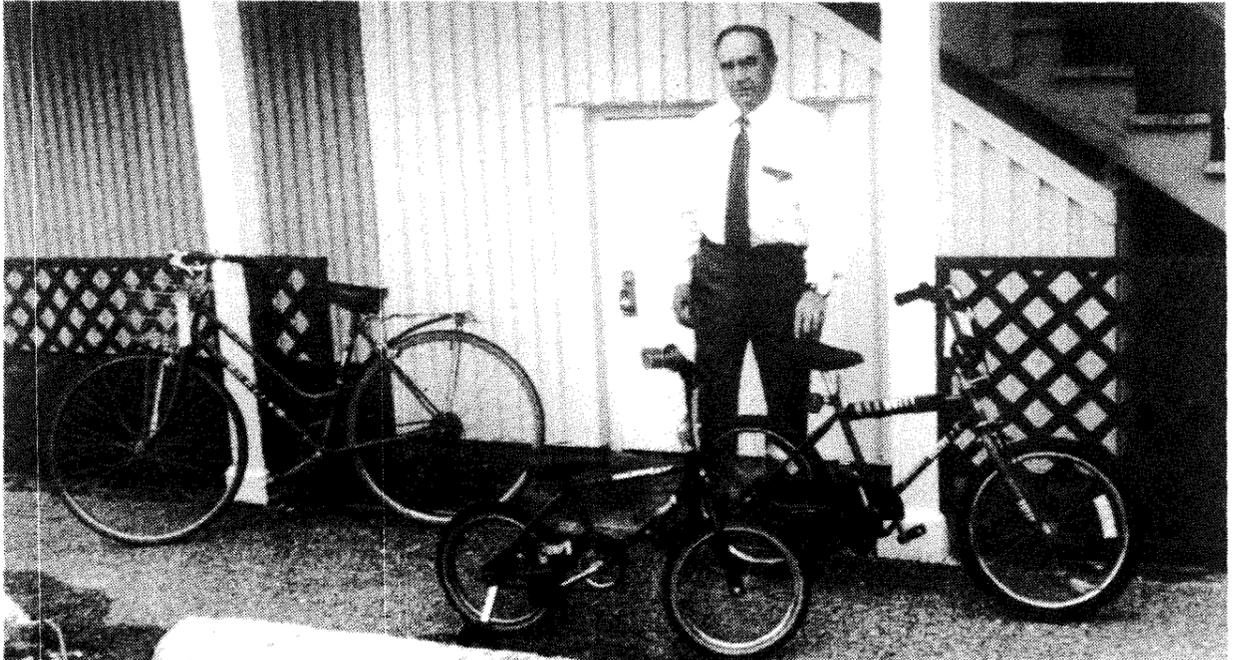
Youngsters should be at the rodeo by the 9 a.m. starting time so they can first have their bicycle registered if not already registered on post. They should have their bicycle and information such as name, address, Social Security number and telephone number.

"Ensure that they have their name, address and

telephone number, and we'll ask them to use their own bike. Part of the course itself is to make sure they have their bicycle in good operating order," Thorpe said.

Mike James, a member of the local Safe Kids Coalition, will be giving a safety lecture to the youngsters before the event. "That is an organization in which Redstone Arsenal is a member, and they will be putting on a bicycle rodeo at Joe Davis Stadium on the 4th of May," Thorpe said. "The purpose of the coalition is for the safety and protection of children in the community."

The Youth Center will provide refreshments for the bicycle rodeo which is to last from 9 until noon. For more information, call 876-2090.



AWAITING OWNERS — Thorpe shows some of the bicycles which have been found on post. "We have several of these every month," he says.

Time changes Sunday

Remember to spring your clocks forward an hour this weekend or you'll be late to work Monday.

Daylight Saving Time begins at 2 a.m. Sunday, April 7.



FLAG-WAVERS EVENT — Some 1,300 people attended the inaugural induction ceremony for the U.S. Flag-Wavers Hall of Fame held recently at the Space and Rocket Center. Sitting at the head table are, from left, George Mahoney Jr., co-chairman of the hall of fame; Dr. Kyo Jhin, executive assistant to the secretary of veterans affairs and keynote speaker for the event; and Maj. Gen. William Chen, commander of the Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal.

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'Hey, mon!' Come to the travel fair here

Editor's note: Kim Huffstetler of SatoTravel provided the following article.

SatoTravel Expo '91 is scheduled for 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 10 at the Officers Club. There will be 39 exhibitors.

This travel fair is open to the public and will be targeted toward vacation opportunities for the military and government civilian community of Redstone Arsenal. We have several new exhibitors that were not present last year.

For the adventuresome, Windjammer Barefoot Cruises will be present. Experience the winds of the Caribbean in the sails of these tall ships. This year we have many exhibitors from Jamaica. Whether you are a recluse or the life of the party, Jamaica has a place for you. Elegant resorts in hidden coves with beautiful

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We have several hotels and car rental companies to tell you about taking advantage of government discounts for leisure travel as well as business.

Last year we had 900 guests at the travel fair. We hope to have an even larger crowd this year. We have some fabulous door prizes including round-trip airline tickets and weekend stays in jacuzzi hotel suites.



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National Guard unit helps project office with testing

BY SKIP VAUGHN

Soldiers from an Alabama Army National Guard unit last week helped the Missile Command conduct part of the testing for an advanced antitank weapon system in development.

A mortar crew from 1st Battalion, 167th Mechanized Infantry out of Leeds, Ala., was here March 25-29 to fire night illumination rounds in support of the testing for Advanced Antitank Weapon System-Medium (AAWS-M). They fired their own equipment to illuminate specified areas at night so that the weapon system could be tested under these battlefield conditions.

"The test that we're performing is to expose the AAWS-M system to different battlefield environments. What we're doing is gathering data for the contractor to enhance the weapon system performance," said Robert McCain, the AAWS-M test engineer.

The National Guard unit "bent over backwards" to get the people and equipment here on time to provide night illumination in support of the test, according to Capt. James Machin, test officer for AAWS-M. "They basically took what we needed and turned it into a plan of action and implemented it," Machin said.

For the test, the guardsmen fired 4.2-inch night illumination mortars in precise locations at Test Area One on post. The mortars, a total of 16 rounds, are basically flares on parachutes. These mortars provided an illuminated environment so that the antitank weapon system could be tested in nighttime battle conditions. "We have a test missile that has a seeker/tracker unit in the missile," McCain explained. "We put that on a helicopter and fire simulated missile

trajectories at a target that is illuminated by their mortars."

The office for director of operational test and evaluation, secretary of defense, told the Missile Command to examine the weapon system in such an environment. AAWS-M is a 50-pound, manportable tank-killer with a range of more than one mile, scheduled to be fielded in 1995 as the replacement for

the Dragon missile. Col. Earl Finley is the project manager, and Jack Vickers is deputy PM.

The five-member National Guard team was led by MSgt. Roy Williams, mortar platoon sergeant and first sergeant for Detachment 1, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 167th Mechanized Infantry. Equipment they brought from Leeds included two 4.2-inch mortars, a two-and-a-half-ton truck and HMMWV (high mobility multipurpose wheeled vehicle), and a fire direction center. "Our task or assignment for this week has been to support the AAWS-M system testing with indirect firing of illumination rounds," said Williams, 40, a Birmingham police officer and a pastor of a United Methodist church at Pleasant Grove, Ala., where he resides. Together the five-member crew had 79 years of military experience. Besides Williams they included Sgt. Eddie Gardner, SFC Roger Nabors, Sgt. Jimmy Little and Sgt. Carter Jackson. Williams, Nabors, Little and Jackson are all veterans of the Vietnam War; Gardner served in Germany from 1970-73.

"We're eager to help serve our country or we would not be in the Alabama Army National Guard," said Williams, when asked how he felt about supporting the testing here. "All my people were eager to get activated for the big test in the Persian Gulf, and we didn't so in essence this is to continue our support for the big picture. And we'd be happy to come up (here) anytime and help them any way we can."

Gardner, 39, a truck driver with Birmingham Dry Wall who has spent 17 years in the National Guard, had similar feelings about supporting the test here. "I feel great about it, get a chance to do something useful," Gardner said.



MORTAR CREW — The National Guard crew which came here from Leeds, Ala., includes, from left, Nabors, Williams, Gardner, Little and Jackson.

Airfield gets pair of modern planes to replace Caribou

BY SKIP VAUGHN

Redstone Army Airfield has added two airplanes to its fleet and plans to turn in its old Caribou soon.

Both additions are C23-A Sherpa made by Shorts Brothers out of Ireland. "They're '84 models, purchased by the Air Force brand new in '85," said Jim White, the standardization officer at flight operations.

When the Air Force finished with the planes, they were transferred to the Army Materiel Command and issued to Redstone which had a need for them. One arrived March 19, and the other March 25. They will be used mostly for cargo and some passenger transport.

"They replace the Caribou. And it gives us a lot cheaper and more modern airplane to do the job that the Caribou has done for years. It's faster so therefore it can be cheaper per mile. And the Caribou was getting old and it was getting hard to find parts for it; of course it was made in Canada," White said. "It's just like you getting a new car to replace an old car."

The C7 Caribou, a 1963 model, is described as slow and noisy and uses aviation gas which is more expensive than jet fuel. When the Caribou departs, probably within the next few months, the airfield's entire fleet — including helicopters — will use jet fuel. Jet fuel is cheaper and easier to maintain, according to White. The other members of the fleet include three U21s — two of which are H models and the other a pressurized F model — plus four helicopters, UH1s.

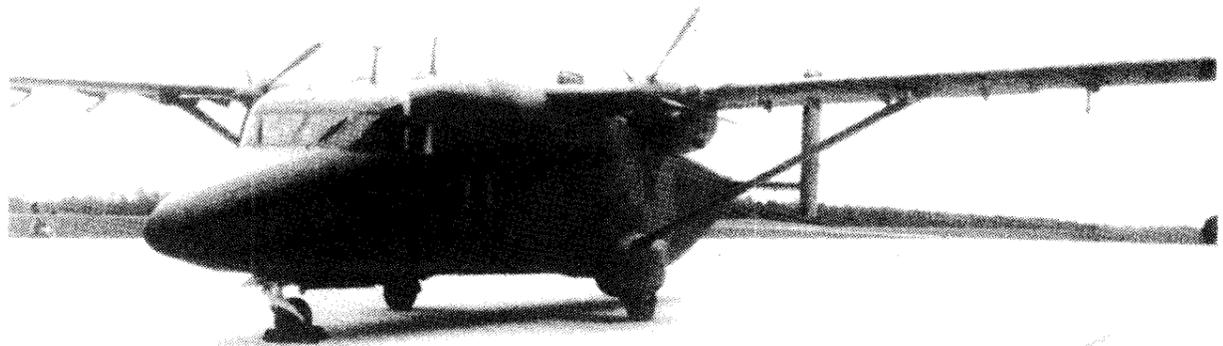
The latest additions, the C23-As, are twin-engine turboprops which can carry 5,000 pounds of cargo for 500 miles or 2,500 pounds of cargo for 1,000 miles before having to stop for refueling.

"It's got more modern everything in it," White

said, comparing this aircraft to the old Caribou. "It's just a step up."

Pilots at the airfield include Maj. Al Carreon, the director of flight operations; CWO 4 Loren Dethlefs; CWO 3 John Aiken, a helicopter pilot; White; Tommy

Cameron; Les Haas, a helicopter pilot; Roger Christie; Sam Maki; and LaRue "Lash" Wisener. Flight mechanics O.C. Armstrong, Bob DeBerry and Doug Paddock maintain, service and travel as flight crew engineers on the C23-As.



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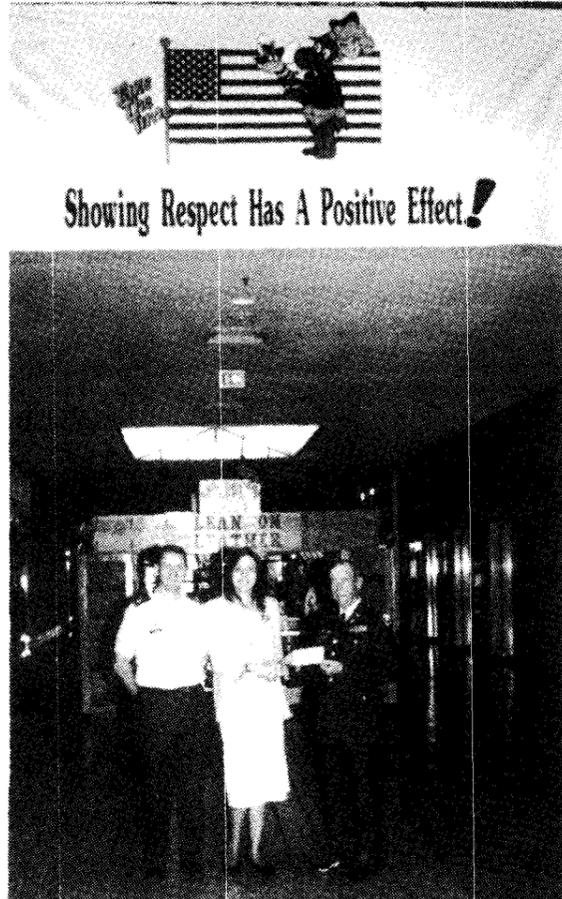
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Shopping mall contributes to family support group

BY SKIP VAUGHN

Madison Square Mall last week presented a \$1,350 check to the Redstone chaplains to benefit the family support group here for Desert Storm families.

The March 27 contribution represented proceeds from a fund-raising effort held at the shopping mall Feb. 15-18. For a \$1 donation, members of the com-



FOR FAMILY SUPPORT — Chaplain (Maj.) David McLean, left, and Chaplain (Col.) Billy Whiteside accept the Madison Square Mall contribution from Cherrie Cross, a member of the mall's advisory committee.

munity signed their name to a patriotic banner displayed in the enclosed mall's center court.

"We're really excited that we got such an overwhelming response," said Angela White, assistant marketing director for Madison Square Mall. Besides the mall, others involved in the fund-raising campaign included Take the Time Inc., Sign and Banner, and WZDX Fox television channel-54.

"The whole thing started when M. Powell-Askins — she owns the Take the Time company — was approached by a gentleman at Sign and Banner and they wanted to create a banner to honor the people serving in the Middle East," White said. June Johns, the marketing director for Madison Square Mall, coordinated the fund-raiser and arranged to have the Time-Tip banners hung in the center court area.

Over the Presidents' Day weekend, Feb. 15-18, donations were taken to sign panels displayed next to two banners. One of the banners read "Take a Stand — For This Land!" and the other read "Showing Respect Has a Positive Effect!" There were also flag lapel pins available for purchase; and the Castner Knott store donated flags to sell. Both banners were displayed for at least a week. One had to be taken down March 1 in order to make room for another banner.

Last week the "Showing Respect Has a Positive Effect!" banner was still hanging from the upper floor rail in center court, next to two signature panels and a yellow bow. Cherrie Cross, manager of Endicott Johnson Shoes and a member of the mall's advisory committee, presented the \$1,350 check to Chaplain

(Col.) Billy Whiteside and Chaplain (Maj.) D. McLean on behalf of the Chaplains' Family Support Group.

The contribution will be used for the family support group "in dealing with some of the reunion and readjustment conferences and programs that we'll be planning," McLean said. The family support group is continuing to meet. "We were talking yesterday with soldiers who were returning (from Saudi Arabia) and they said for them their biggest problems were with their families; their biggest concern was what their families were feeling and that their families were being taken care of," McLean said.

"I think it's fantastic," Whiteside said, referring to Madison Square's contribution. "And it shows the community support, community involvement and that really means an awful lot to the soldiers."

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Research center team wins basketball tournament

The RD&E basketball team won the men's YMCA basketball tournament March 12 at the Southeast YMCA by beating defending champions Sho-Nuff by the score of 82-78.

Sammie Jackson led all scorers in the championship game with 30 points.

Thirty-six teams were in the tournament, and RD&E had no easy cakewalk to the championship. RD&E first beat team CE 81-80 in overtime, then beat team Todd Hauling 73-67. From there they played Inter-Pro and won 88-84, putting them in the final four. There they met the Stars and won 104-90.

RD&E finished its first season with a record of 17 wins and three losses. RD&E met Sho-Nuff earlier in the season and won that game as well, by a score of

89-79. RD&E might not have lost any games this season if not for several injuries and players sent on TDY. However, coach Eddie Barber was still thrilled with the effort given all season by the players.

RD&E averaged 82 points per game and won its games by an average margin of 15.

For the season Calvin Staten led the team in scoring by averaging around 27 points per game, followed by Sammie Jackson with 26. Tommy Harris, Bill Guzak and Vernon Daniels all averaged a little over 11 points each. Others who helped contribute were Eddie Barber, Lorenzo Jones, Darrell Hill, Mike Davis, Patrick Dowdy, Wayne Wright and Bobby Ford.

On the coattails of its successful season, RD&E hopes to get into a summer league at the YMCA.



TOURNAMENT WINNERS — RD&E basketball team members include, from left, (front row), Patrick Dowdy, Tommy Harris; (second row) Wayne Wright, Vernon Daniels; (back row) Darrell Hill, Bill Guzak. Team members not pictured include coach/player Eddie Barber, Lorenzo Jones, Michael Davis, Bobby Ford, Calvin Staten and Sammie Jackson.

Nicholson wins Rocket Run 10-miler

Carl Nicholson, 44, won the 18th annual Rocket Run 10-mile race here Saturday in 56 minutes and 28 seconds.

"It was real windy out there," said Nicholson, a Boeing engineer who is working on the Avenger air-defense program. Ginny Hornberger was the first female finisher in 69:03. There were 81 finishers in the race.

Rick Brim won the 5K (3.1 mile) race, which was held after the longer run, in 17:45. Nicholson narrowly missed being a double winner by finishing only a second behind in 17:46. Selina Thome was the top female finisher in 21:44. There were 60 finishers in the 5K.

Age group results are as follows: **Male, 10-mile:** Overall — Carl Nicholson (56:28). 20-29 — Gregg Foreman (58:08), Ken Harrison (66:23), Fred Hegg (68:04). 30-34 — John Ricci (66:45), Mike Condrey (66:57), David Zajic (68:18). 35-39 — Joe Francica (60:07), Malcolm Morrison (64:41), Bill McDowell (66:23). 40-44 —

Nicholson (56:28), Steve Rice (60:46), Al Rosenberger (61:00). 45-49 — Dick Franklin (62:15), Dwight McPherson (65:29), Doug Beal (73:45). 50-59 — Gaylon Dodson (65:18), Paul McCain (67:18), Jim Oaks (68:44). 60-over — Jay Grove (82:36), Mike Dooley (94:10), E.R. Ritch (97:27). **Female, 10-mile:** Overall — Ginny Hornberger (69:03). 20-29 — Lisa Schwenning (72:46). 30-34 — Hornberger (69:03), Meshelle Whitt (72:52), Jamie Clay (75:57). 35-39 — Mary Eipert (74:16), Helen Jackson (95:25). 45-49 — Sandy Berg (80:26), Alice Hoffman (86:57), June Stanley (95:51). 50-59 — Barbara Meyer (87:02), Cele Coyle (89:57), Karol Landram (92:50). 60-over — Betty Dooley (97:31). **Male, 5K:** Overall — Rick Brim (17:45). 20-29 — Brim (17:45), Larry Dickerson (18:25), Donald Bowman (18:30). 30-39 — Kirk Broadwater (18:42), Brad Hinman (20:51), Mark Baker (21:36). 40-49 — Carl Nicholson (17:46), Steve Rice (18:28), Mike Marshall (18:50). 50-59 — Earl Jacoby (20:04), Malcolm Gillis (21:02), Maurice Graham (21:14). 60-over — Grady Edwards (23:09), Robert Cobb (24:52). **Female, 5K:** Overall — Selina Thome (21:44). 19-under — Natalie Fahey (23:08). 20-29 — Thome (21:44), Suzette Baker (25:04), Julie Jennings (27:54). 30-39 — Meshelle Whitt (23:02), Jody Baker (23:13), Jamie Clay (24:06). 40-49 — Pam Marshall (21:51), Sandy Berg (25:53), Barbara Roberts (29:55). 50-59 — Barbara Meyer (29:39), Jerri Vickers (31:28), Hattie Lesley (33:05).

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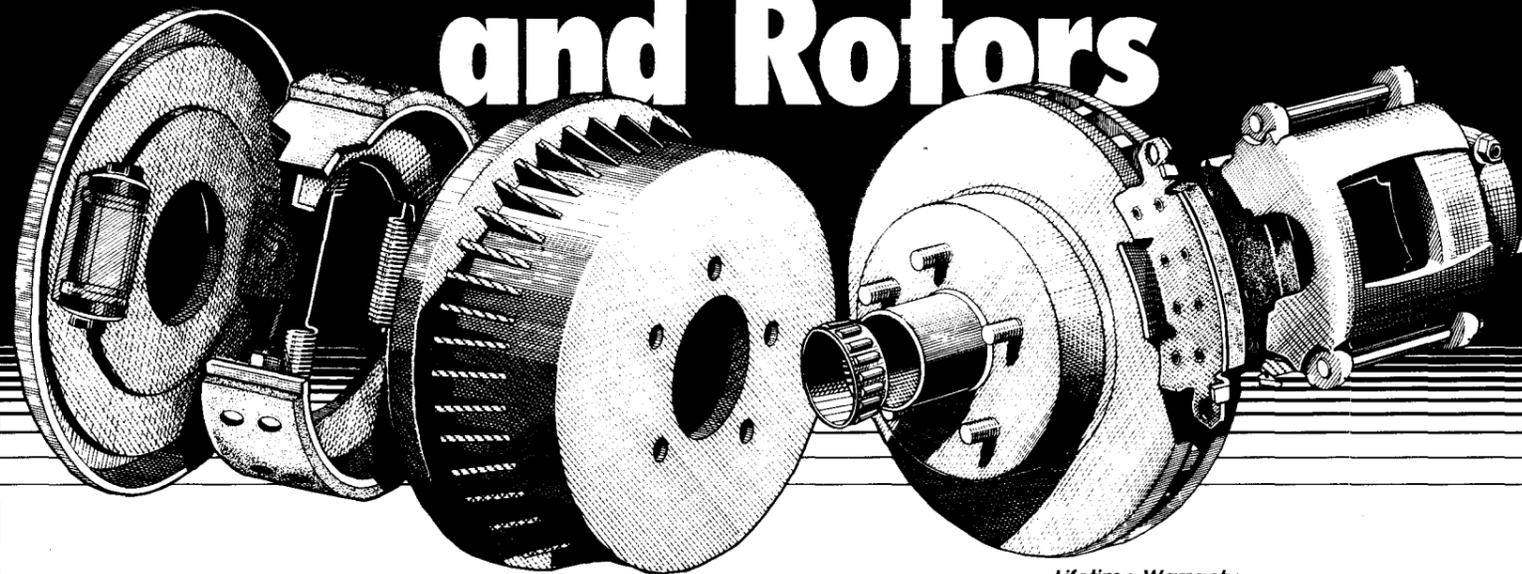
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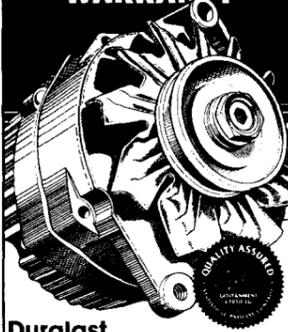
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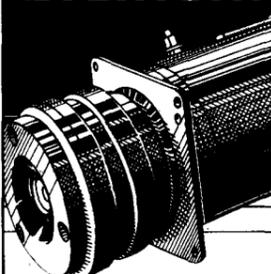
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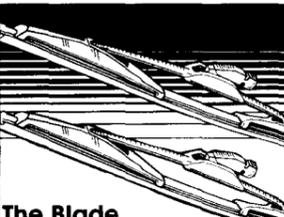
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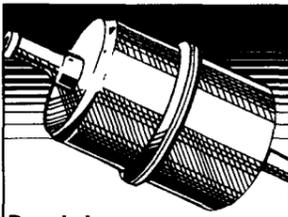
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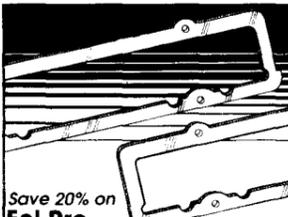
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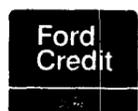
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'and the system is to call us if units need help. Those guys are so good they usually can fix the problem without our help, but sometimes they need us.'

ONE PATRIOT BATTERY had problems with cables dry rotting so they contacted the LAR who went back to Missile Command to see if anyone else had encountered this problem. Maintenance engineering at Redstone Arsenal got involved and the problem was solved.

James Rose, AMC logistic assistance officer with the 11th Air Defense Artillery, gives another example of how AMC helps.

'We were getting piles and piles of unserviceable Patriot circuit cards and I know there aren't a lot of them around, so everything that needs repair has to get back to U.S. depots for repair and reissue.

'Four thousand pounds of cards were waiting for shipment back when I got here. I took LARs in to identify them and set up a return and repair cycle. We boxed them up and got them back to the depot so they could be repaired and returned to the system.

'We developed a letter of instruction for the brigade so they not only have a system for receiving and disseminating new parts but also for shipping stuff back to depots for repair. That has a direct bearing on readiness because if you can't get a part back into the system, the system is down. We were working getting things here, but no one had been working on repairables.'

AND READINESS WAS VITALLY IMPORTANT to everyone who depended on Patriots, the only defense against Scuds.

'It was really scary when they were shooting all those Scuds in January,' Torres said. 'In one night, A Battery shot down four and B Battery shot down seven.'

A Battery's SFC Bobby Potter describes it as 'like the Fourth of July. It's a rush to fire.'

Potter's platoon is the 'heart and soul of the battery,' according to Potter. 'We are in charge of firing Patriots, supplying power for the system, communica-

tion, maintenance — our job is shooting down Scuds. Like Southwestern Bell, it reaches out and touches.'

Doing their job wasn't easy for the members of the battery. Potter says he slept in a chair for 67 days because putting up a tent was too much work — they were on standby to move within two hours notice and moved three times in that 67 days. Since the end of December, however, they stayed put and were able to do some site improvement.

'We did a lot of scrounging,' Potter said. 'We traded tomatoes for 4x4s and ended up with bulldozers to push up berms and build bunkers.'

Rose said because the unit was echelons above corps, they had a hard time getting support until the first Scud hit.

'We have seven battalions scattered across the country and that's a big logistics issue. We had our own break-bulk point and were having to truck and fly parts all over. When the first Scud hit, everybody here couldn't do enough for Patriots. After that, we could get anything shipped in and anything shipped out.'

Capt. John Dundas, commander of B Battery, 8/43, says the 1st Infantry Division definitely appreciated what the Patriot batteries could do.

'We jumped the breach with the 1st ID,' says Dundas. 'When we drove up, they (1st ID) started to cheer. They were great.' Dundas' battery in Iraq is dominated by a sandy mountain housing an Iraqi command and control post for a 130mm enemy gun. The battery found the post commander's diary and turned it in, Dundas said. They've been told the diary's comments were mainly personal notes by a commander who must have been concerned for his and his troops' future.

A Battery commander, Capt. James Spangler, says his battery also experienced recognition for the missile system's abilities.

'The Air Force loves us,' he says. 'After the first Scud, they gave us everything we wanted — phones, showers, tents, storage, mil vans. We defend the whole base. No one has any TB (tactical ballistic missile) capability but us and eight out of 10 Scuds we shot down were coming to the base.'

Erica takes over when the Scuds come in. The radar

tracks both aircraft and Scuds and sends the data to the engagement control station where the three-man crew tracks Scuds. The radar tracks multiple targets and sends hostile ones to a separate screen. A computer collects data on the target, tells the best time to fire and goes manual or auto engage based on the data. The battery had three manual engagements. On auto engage, the computer selects either a salvo (for ATBM) or a single missile (for aircraft) and slews the radar and launchers.

Sgt. George McCarthy, who works in the engagement control station, says the crew can't leave the ECS.

'You could see Scuds coming in,' McCarthy says, 'but it wasn't scary. You have to have a lot of faith in the equipment. I was with the unit when it did live firing so I had the confidence.'

Potter took a tape recorder into the bunker during a Scud attack and recorded the whole thing. Playing it later brings back frightening memories.

'That's a scary sound,' says SSgt. (promotable) Ardis Alexander. 'That thing comes in fast and it comes in burning. You can't see it till it comes in but when you see it, it looks like it's coming for you...Fire pops out and fire lights up. Let me tell you, it's flaming...I have confidence in the equipment. I know it'll track to where the impact point is...We trained since we got here. For us, the war started the day we assumed station.'

The battery is in an open area next to a small mosque. The mosque was 'deholyfied,' according to Potter, so the troops can use it as a dayroom. In the distance is the burned out hulk of a jetliner set afire when someone tried to brew tea on takeoff a few years back.

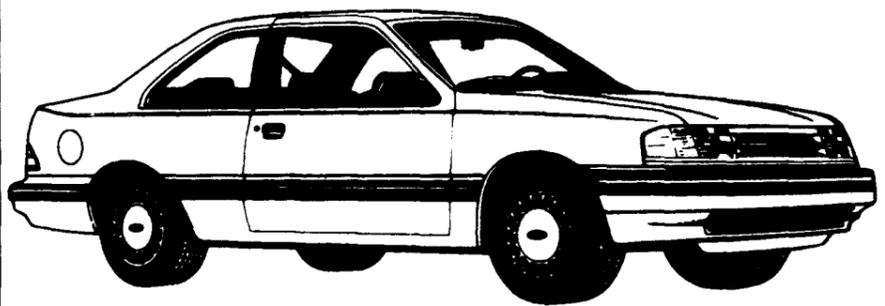
The battalion, not too far away, operates from an underground bunker. A canary in a cage hanging in a corner sings away. Someone says the canary did his job. He stayed alive. Now he's just a pet.



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Computer users

Huntsville PC User Group meets at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 6 in room 200 of Morton Hall on the campus of University of Alabama-Huntsville. The program is to be a presentation by Bob Bundy of the financial programs "Quicken" and "Managing Your Money." The Novice Special Interest Group (SIG) meets prior to the general meeting. Bill Born is to give a minidemonstration of the new "Norton's Backup" at 1:15 p.m. The public is invited to attend. For more information, call Danny Born 539-5940.

Motorcycle class

A Motorcycle Safety Course is required for all individuals desiring to operate their motorcycle on Redstone Arsenal. This course must be taken before a decal can be issued. The next class will be conducted 8 a.m. April 6. Anyone desiring to take the class must call Tricia Marcet 876-3084 for registration.

MICOM soldiers

Soldiers assigned/attached to HHC MICOM will be administered the Army Physical Fitness Test during April. Test location is Tin City on Patton Road. Test schedule is as follows: 6 a.m. April 1-5, all officers; 8 a.m. April 6, all officers; 6 a.m. April 8-12, all NCOs (E5-E9); 6 a.m. April 15-19, junior enlisted (E1-E4); 6 a.m. April 22-26, alternate events for soldiers with valid profiles; April 22, 24 and 26, 2.5-mile walk; April 23, 6.2-mile bike ride; and April 25, 800-yard swim. Soldiers unable to test during their scheduled time due to operational commitments (TDY, etc.) or emergencies should call HHC MICOM training NCO at 842-7092 to arrange for an alternate test date. For more information, call SSgt. Veronica Edmiston or Capt. Lennie Upshaw 876-5710.

Pistol match

The Redstone Arsenal Pistol Association will have its monthly practice session and match at Shields Range at noon April 7. The match will begin at 2:30. This event is open to all active-duty and retired military. For more information, call SSgt. Carl Mathes 842-2321.

Officers wives

Officers Wives Club says try your luck at International Bingo at the April 9 OWC brunch. The fun takes place at the Officers Club. Prizes will originate from all over the world. Every continent will be represented. Social hour begins at 10:30 a.m., brunch at 11. Cost will be \$6.25. RSVP by noon April 5. Cancellations are due by noon April 8. Call Elizabeth Bradshaw 837-3442 (letters A-H), Lawanda Blue 837-1957 (I-P), Judy Westrum 830-5287 (Q-Z, newcomers and cancellations).

Wellness expo

Sponsored by American Heart Association and Huntsville Hospital, Wellness Expo provides the public with the opportunity to participate in free wellness/health screenings by experts. Wellness Expo '91 is scheduled for 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 6 at Market Square at the Heart of Huntsville Mall. For more information, call the American Heart Association 536-0400.

Air defenders

The Redstone Arsenal/Huntsville Chapter of the Air Defense Artillery Association will hold its monthly luncheon April 17 at 11:30 a.m. at the Officers Club. Scheduled speaker is Brig. Gen. J. Morgan Jellett, project manager for Joint Tactical Missile Defense. His subject is to be "JTMD Organization." Cost is \$6.05. RSVP to Mary Weaver or Capt. Rick Coalwell 895-4742/4746 no later than April 15.

AER bass tournament

F Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion is sponsoring a bass tournament to benefit the Army Emergency Relief fund April 27 at the civilian recreation area on the Tennessee River. The event will start at dawn, and weigh-in will be at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome to participate. The entry fee is \$25 per boat. There will be cash prizes (a percentage of the proceeds will be used for the prize fund). For more information, call SSgt. John Spears 842-9676/9675.

AER flea market

The Army Emergency Relief fund is sponsoring a flea market at the Old Post Gym, building 5663 on Stewart Road. The flea market will be held from noon to 8 p.m. May 3 and from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. May 4. Donated items (new or used) are needed now and may be dropped off at Army Community Service, building 3491; Post Chapel; or Bicentennial Chapel. For more information call Army Community Service 876-2859, Vivian Moore 722-0849 or Juanita Adams-Clark 883-5869.

Post Theater movies

Thursday — *Eve of Destruction*, rated R, 100 minutes. Friday — *Nutcracker Prince*, G, 73 minutes. Saturday — *Awakenings*, PG-13, 122 minutes. Sunday — *Awakenings*. Tuesday — *The Russia House*, R, 124 minutes. All shows begin at 7 p.m. Admission is \$1.50 for adults, \$1 for children.

Surplus sale

A local spot bid sale of government surplus property will be held April 10 in the Defense Reutilization & Marketing Sale 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 televisions, bicycles, table lamps, desks, typewriters, drafting tables, wardrobes, dining chairs, generator set, wire and cable, compressor unit, sump pump, condensing units, and electrical hardware. The items may be inspected from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 5, 8 and 9, and from 7:45-8:45 a.m. April 10. A list of items for sale and additional information will be available during the inspection period in building 7426.

Preretirement orientation

The next scheduled preretirement orientation for military people with more than 18 years of federal service will be held 8 a.m. to noon April 18 in the Post Theater, building 3712. Spouses are encouraged to attend. The preretirement orientation is mandatory for military people in their 18th year of service and every third year thereafter until retirement. For more information, call Lewis Spencer 876-2022/4668.

Preseparation orientation

The next preseparation orientation — not retiree orientation — for military people with ETS or Release from Active Duty dates through July 31, will be held from 8 a.m. to noon April 4 in auditorium room 119 of Toftoy Hall, building 3495. Representatives from Veteran Affairs, Employment Services, Military Pay Division and others, will brief attendees and answer questions pertaining to post-separation plans. Spouses are encouraged to attend. It is mandatory for specified personnel to attend.

Vehicles sale

General Services Administration will hold an auction of government vehicles 9 a.m. Tuesday, April 16 at the GSA Sales Lot, Roland Road — building 3631. The vehicles may be inspected from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. April 15, and from 8-9 a.m. April 16. For more information, call 876-4067/1021.

Volleyball tournament

The 515th Ordnance Company's junior enlisted council is sponsoring a two-on-two "superspike" volleyball tournament at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 13. The location is between buildings 3498 and 3496. Entry fee is \$10; the event is open for 12 teams. Individual trophies will be awarded to both first and second place winners. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Spec. Lisa Patton 876-2207 or 842-9138.

Financial fitness seminar

Young Adults for a Better World will co-sponsor a free financial seminar on repossessed homes, tax tips and property management. The seminar will be held from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 6 at Mr. Gatti's on Highway 72 east. For more information call Sandra Brazelton 830-5869 or 852-1456, or call Reginald McKenzie 837-2400 or 852-6017. The public is invited to attend this seminar.

Post exchange

The PX will have its annual tent sale April 4-6. This sale features "some of the best buys of the season, i.e. televisions, stereos, small appliances, sewing machines, luggage and much more." Flyers are available at the PX, building 3220.

Job information day

The ACS monthly job information day will be held Thursday, April 11, from 8-11 a.m. at building 3491. Civilian Personnel and Non-Appropriated Fund representatives will answer questions and show military spouses and other interested persons how to qualify and apply for jobs. For more information call Sue Paddock 876-5397.

Science fiction

The North Alabama Science Fiction Association and the Huntsville Community Ballet Association & Youth Orchestra are sponsoring an informal chat with Joanne Forman, composer of the score of the world premiere of "The Soul Painter & the Shapessitter," which will be performed April 6 at the VBCC. The location is Ibis Books, 3301 Governors Drive on Wednesday, April 3, 7 p.m. Her topic will be "Music of the New Age and Old Age." Free admission. For more information, call Jack Lundy 882-0675 or 876-9414.

Yard sale

The Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Huntsville will have a yard sale April 5-6 at First Christian Church on Whitesburg Drive. The sale will be both days from 8 to 4. For more information, call 534-2628.

Yard of the Month

April marks the beginning of the "Yard-of-the-Month" competition at Redstone Arsenal. The competition is designed to recognize the greatest effort made to enhance the beauty of family housing areas and unit areas during the months of April through August. Two winners will be selected monthly from both the officer and enlisted areas. One winner will be selected each month for the unit areas. Awards will be presented to each winner during a scheduled ceremony at the quarters and unit areas selected. "This is your program and its success will depend upon the enthusiasm and interest you display."

Volleyball clinic

A Volleyball Skills and Rules Clinic for coaches and players will be held from 7-9 p.m. Thursday, April 4 at Pagano Gym. For more information, call Ted Compoc 876-7969.

Federal women

Federally Employed Women will have its monthly meeting 5:30 p.m. Thursday at Shoney's, Haysland Square. Gatha Crowson is to speak on "My Unique Me." For more information, call Debra Sims 722-1676.

Red Cross volunteers

Red Cross needs volunteers to run the information and public address system desk at Fox Army Community Hospital. This would be four hours a day, either morning or afternoon. For information call Mary Ferguson 881-7741 after 2:30 p.m.

Union election

Members of American Federation of Government Employees (AFGE) Local 1858 are reminded that Monday, April 8 will be election day for all officers of AFGE Local 1858. Voting hours are 6 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the union office, building 7132. "Support your Local and your candidates — come out and vote!" For more information, call 876-4880.

Multicrafts

Here's the Multicrafts Center schedule for the first part of April. April 4, *Wood safety workshop*, 4:30 p.m. (mandatory for anyone who wishes to use the wood shop); *T-shirt decorating classes*, 6 p.m. (different T-shirt each week); *Rectangular mat cutting*, 6:30 p.m.; April 5, *Family night out tie dye project*, 5 p.m.; *Wood safety workshop*, 5 p.m.; April 6, *Wood safety workshop*, 10 a.m.; *Double mat cutting techniques*, 10 a.m.; *Youth spin art T-shirts*, 10 a.m.; *Jewelry casting*, 1:30 p.m.; April 9, *Lathe turning techniques*, 5:30 P.M.; *Creative sewing*, 6 p.m.; *Oil painting classes*, 6:30 p.m.; April 9 & 10, *Picture frame classes*, 5:30 p.m.; April 10, *Wood router instructions*, 6 p.m.; *Ceramic mud dabbers class*, 6 p.m.; April 11, *Month of the Military Child classes for Child Development Center students*, 4 p.m.; April 11, *Designing with oval mats*, 6 p.m.; April 12, *Youth projects*, 6 p.m.; April 13, *Recycle baskets with bows and cutouts*, 9:30 a.m.; April 13, *Perfecting oval mat cutting*, 10 a.m. The center is open to all active duty and retired military members, government civilian workers, family members and guests. For more information, stop by the center in building 3615 at the corner of Gray Road and Vincent Drive or call 876-7951.

Desert Storm people

Congressman Bud Cramer will host an informational meeting for Operation Desert Storm/Desert Shield personnel and their families from 6-8 this evening (April 3) at Moose Lodge 1007 at 1914 Jordan Lane. Representatives from the Internal Revenue Service and the Small Business Administration will be present to provide information on recent changes in federal tax law and federal small business regulations.

AER bake sale

The Weapons Systems Management Directorate and Close Combat Systems Office are sponsoring a bake sale at 8 a.m. April 4 in front of building 3205 on Hercules Road. Proceeds will benefit the Army Emergency Relief fund. For more information, call Anne Beddingfield 842-2528 or Capt. Craig Hogan 842-2530.

Post softball teams

Pagano Gym is forming post-level softball teams, including a men's team and a women's team. Tryouts will be held April 10, 11, 15, 16, 17 and 18; women's tryouts begin at 5:30 p.m. and the men's tryouts begin at 7:30 p.m. on Linton Field. The teams are for active-duty military only. For more information, call Joe Reed 876-7969 or David Blake 876-7760.



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FOR SALE: Two spinning wheels, one colonial style, measures 26" high, at wheel, 38" high at distaff, 42" long, in good condition, \$70. One is disassembled, new unfinished wood, no instructions included, approximately 36" high, vertical type, \$40. Call 837-6425 anytime, leave message if no answer.

FOR SALE: 1986 Chevy S-10 Pickup. AM/FM cassette, 70,000 miles, well maintained, \$3900. 722-9321 after 4 p.m.

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FOR SALE: 1987 Ford Tempo. 5 speed, air conditioning, power steering, new power brakes, cruise control, am/fm cassette, good condition, \$4500. Call after 5 p.m., 883-5353.

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