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# Opening 'a shining city on a hill'

Retirement community invites  
everyone age 62 and older

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Impending rain was just another hurdle the retirement community project had to overcome. Again the challenge was met.

So, the ribbon-cutting ceremony to dedicate Redstone Village in southeast Huntsville proceeded without a hitch Thursday – indoors rather than outside as originally planned. The retirement community, which began as an idea by a group of military retirees, is officially open for occupancy to everyone age 62 and older.

"We're proud of what we've accomplished here and we know you are, just for the fact that you're here with us," retired Maj. Gen. George Turnmeyer said in welcoming the ceremony attendees. When an organization began in August 1993 to originate plans, he was elected president of the board of directors. Now his only role is resident and serving as "corporate memory" to the president, retired Brig. Gen. Bill Fiorentino.

Fiorentino too was among the speakers, calling the upscale housing complex "a shining city on a hill."

Huntsville Mayor Loretta Spencer helped cut the red ribbon along with Turnmeyer and retired Col. Lee James. James was among the five retirees who told his companions more than a decade ago, "We need to build our own retirement facility."

Greystone Communities Inc. of Irving, Texas, manages the life-care community which offers independent living, assisted living and a skilled nursing facility. The 88-acre site occupies a hill off South Memorial Parkway, south of Hobbs Road.

"Greystone is very proud to have a relationship with Redstone Village and we look forward to its continued success," Mike Lanahan, chairman of Greystone's board of directors, said.

"With Redstone Village we have all won something," Zachary Jacobsen, executive director of Redstone Village, said.

From its inception more than a decade ago, the project evolved as much as the land it occupies. Originally, the planners wanted to get federal land on Redstone Arsenal. The government avenue didn't work out, so they went the commercial route. Going commercial requires approval from many organizations, and the planners didn't have any funds.

"So the first thing we did was find a contractor who would be willing to put up seed money," Turnmeyer recalled in an interview late last year. They selected Greystone in 1994.



Photo by Skip Vaughn

**DEDICATION—** Cutting the ribbon for Redstone Village are, from left, retired Maj. Gen. George Turnmeyer, Mayor Loretta Spencer and retired Col. Lee James.

Greystone ran a series of surveys on the project's validity and agreed. In December 1996, with Greystone's help, the organizers asked the State Health Planning Development Agency in Montgomery for approval. The state approved the group's letter of intent enabling the organizers to submit an application for a certificate of need. The planners applied in April 1997 and received state approval in September 1998.

But the hurdles weren't over. Five other organizations that were seeking certificates of need sued the state, making the Redstone Village group a co-defendant along with the state. The five organizations decided to withdraw in April 1999. The state then awarded another certificate of need to Redstone Village, giving it final approval.

The group just needed the money for the project. So the planners went back to Greystone and arranged for \$2 million of seed money. With that money, they obtained a contractor, William Sims, originally out of Florida, who put together a \$59 million package.

"He put the package together for us and it was approved by a group of (14) financiers – from all over the country but basically New York," Turnmeyer said. "And we started the construction."

The contract was signed to buy the 88 acres; and the construction company, Brice Building out of Birmingham, broke ground Dec. 11, 2001, and began work in early 2002.

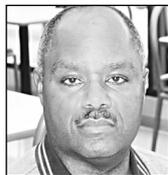
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# An open lane random survey

*Was justice served in the Terri Schiavo life-or-death case?*

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*Robert Spates contractor*  
**"It's a hard decision to make for the legal system. From a legal standpoint I think they made the legal decision. It may not be the moral one, not even for the judge, but I think it was the legal decision."**



*Sgt. Maj. David Pollison EOD Training Department*

**"The court system went too far. It shouldn't have gone there. They never even should have gotten involved."**



*Pfc. Kyla Little Charlie Company*

**"I think it should be left up to the family to decide what they want to do. I don't think it's any of the court's business. I think the court did the right thing by letting her loved ones handle it."**



*Janice Williams retiree spouse*

**"For the most part, I believe the court was right to stay out of it. I try to think of it from a personal perspective. If it was someone from my own family, I wouldn't want courts deciding that and taking it out of my hands."**



## Quote of the week

**"The time to prepare a roof is when the sun is shining."**

— John F. Kennedy

# Gasoline prices off base

I would like for someone to again explain why gasoline prices at places like Fort Campbell, Scott AFB and the Birmingham Air National Guard stations are 15 cents or thereabouts cheaper than off-post stations?

There is no benefit to the military or retirees to come to the Arsenal only to purchase gasoline when it is priced the same as off-post stations.

**Steve Huffman**  
IMMC

*Editor's note: The Garrison provided the following response. "AAFES surveys the local gas prices in the community and matches the lowest competitor on each grade. In this market we have been surveying almost every day to ensure we remain competitive. Below is our response to this type of inquiry. We have also included yesterday's survey for your review. We're sure there are stations in the area of Scott AFB and Fort Campbell that may be 15 cents higher than on the installation. The same can be found here at Redstone. If you notice on the survey below, Conoco at the*

*corner of Bob Wallace and Leeman Ferry, is selling unleaded regular for \$2.28 per gallon. This is 15 cents higher than our price of \$2.13 today.*

*"Gasoline price survey for April 5: Conoco at Drake/Jordan Lane, \$2.25 unleaded, \$2.38 midgrade, \$2.48 premium; BP at Drake/Jordan Lane, \$2.25 unleaded, \$2.38 midgrade, \$2.48 premium; Conoco at Bob Wallace/Jordan Lane, \$2.13 unleaded, \$2.23 midgrade, \$2.33 premium; Conoco at Bob Wallace/Leeman Ferry, \$2.28 unleaded, \$2.39 midgrade, \$2.50 premium; Fuel Center at Drake/Thomas Drive, \$2.14 unleaded, \$2.24 midgrade, \$2.34 premium; Liberty at Drake/Triana Boulevard, \$2.13 unleaded, \$2.23 midgrade, premium \$2.33; Cowboys at University Drive, \$2.19 unleaded, \$2.27 midgrade, \$2.39 premium; Cowboys at Holmes/Jordan Lane, \$2.16 unleaded, \$2.26 midgrade, \$2.36 premium. Lowest price: \$2.13 unleaded, \$2.23 midgrade, \$2.33 premium. Number at lowest price: two unleaded, two midgrade, two premium."*

# All the best to the best

I have been honored to serve the greatest nation on earth for almost 30 years. I have been honored to be a part of an Army that does not serve to conquer a people, but one that puts the lives of its Soldiers at stake so that others have the same rights as we enjoy, an Army that serves so that others can wake up in the morning without having fear that they might be tortured or murdered for what they may have said or done. It is an Army that serves so that others may have the freedom to pursue happiness and build a future, not of despair but one

of hope for a better tomorrow.

I remember so well the morning of Sept. 11, 2001. It was a beautiful morning, blue sky, plenty of sunshine, and I remember walking in from the parking lot thinking how thankful I was to live in a country where I could walk freely. I didn't have to walk through piles of debris from war, and I pretty much didn't have to worry about being slain by random gunfire. My family had plenty of food and clothing, enough material goods surrounding them to

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# Weighty issue on Indian Creek

Why are they not enforcing the posted 3-ton weight limits on the three bridges on Martin Road between Gate 7 and Rideout? Three tons equals 6,000 pounds.

**Name withheld by request**

*Editor's note: The Garrison provided the following response. "We thank you for your concern on this matter. The Provost Marshal's Office would like to bring to your attention an article in the Redstone Rocket, March 16, 'Martin Road West Closing to Heavy Vehicles.' A sub-paragraph of that article states 'Vehicles exceeding the 3-ton limit including heavy trucks and school buses will be diverted from entering Gate 7. This will keep these heavy vehicles off the Indian Creek*

*bridge until repairs...' The 3-ton limit means only passenger trucks and cars will be allowed on that three-mile stretch of road. Verification with personnel at the Directorate of Public Works by this office revealed that the intent was not to include the numerous vehicles listed on your enclosure (listing weights for passenger vehicles). Enforcement of the weight limitation for vehicles is being accomplished on a case-by-case basis with the limited number of personnel that the Directorate of Emergency Services has available for patrol. Notification has gone out to the Redstone Rocket and AMCOM web page to alert all who utilize the installation roadways and we request voluntary compliance."*

# Explanation of religious differences

Islam is the foundation in which many of the social values, attitudes and moral norms of the Islamic society are built. Islam means submission, obedience and peace. Muslims are the people who abide by Islam. Islam is not just a religion; rather, Islam is a way of life. It is based on the Quran, the Muslims' Holy Book, which is the divine revelation of the sixth century prophet Muhammad (peace be upon Him).

Almost one-fourth of the world's population are Muslims. More than 7 million of them live in the United States. Muslims regardless of their language, call God by His Arabic name "Allah." The 1.3 billion followers make this youngest monotheistic religion the second largest after Christianity.

The word Islam means "surrender" and is related to the Arabic word Salaam or peace. Islam is by no means

addicted to war, and Jihad (Holy war) is not one of the Five Pillars of Islam. The concept of jihad has been used by some radical groups to justify violence. Jihad means struggle. The Prophet (Peace be upon Him) said: "The greatest Jihad is the struggle of a man against his own evil influence." Should you have to fight in a war the Prophet added, "Do not kill women, children or non-combatants, do not kill old people or religious people (priests, nuns and rabbis), do not cut down fruit bearing trees, and do not poison the wells of your enemies."

Islam does not advocate or encourage terrorism. There is a verse in the Quran that says: "Do not let the hatred of a people prevent you from being just. Being just is closer to piety."

The insurgents are morally and religiously bankrupt,

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# Getting to know you

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**Name:** Chief Warrant Officer Roslyn Barbee

**Job:** Instructor/course manager, Electronic Systems Maintenance, Warrant Officer Training Division, Ordnance Munitions and Electronics Maintenance School

**Where do you call home?**  
Los Angeles, Calif.

## What do you like about your job?

I love mentoring and seeing the lights come on when my students grasp a new concept. That's what I like.

## What do you like to do in your spare time?

I love supporting my children (three daughters) in all of their activities. I also am very active with my sororities – Alpha Kappa Alpha and the Order of the Eastern Stars. I do a lot of cookouts, I love to cook. And traveling with lots of friends and family. I hang out at the Starbucks in Barnes & Noble on weekends for my 'me' time.



## What are your goals?

In May I will become the highest ranking female warrant officer in my career field as a chief warrant officer 4 so that is a great goal that I have accomplished. I plan to use my MBA and my contracts management certification to venture into the government and private sector upon retirement. A personal goal is to always act like a lady and mentor my daughters in the same godly fashion. I love sharing a smile with any life my life touches.

# AER fund-raisers set

The Army Emergency Relief campaign continues through May 15. Fund-raising events include the following:

- Fancy scented candles, through May 15, at Sparkman building 5302, second floor. Call Teri Benson 842-7717.
- Teddy bear and magnetic ribbon sale, through May 15, sponsored by Engineering Directorate. Call Janet Martin 313-1996.
- Ice cream social, April 18 and May 11 from 10:30 a.m. to noon, in the building 5300 hallway. Call Amos Richardson 955-9395 or Danny Berger 955-6193.
- Friendly folks personalized cartoons, through May 15, at building 5302, third floor. Call Pat Reilly 876-0209 or Sandra Swartz 842-6772.
- Online auction, through May 15, at www.aer-redstone.com. Call Maj. Kirk McCauley 313-4260.
- Unity bands sale, through May 15, for \$3 each or two for \$5 at building 5400. Call Jo Countess 876-8161, Toni Hamilton

842-9388 or Juanita Gooden 842-9402.

- AER shirt sale, through May 13. Denim shirts both long and short sleeve, polo shirts and T-shirts. Call Cheryl Garrison 876-1034 or Marie-Helene Worthington 876-2396.
- Mr. Cinn-O-Man cinnamon rolls for sale, \$2 each. Call Lisa Gomien 842-8389 or Dorothy May 842-8391.
- Barbecue, with pork steaks and chicken, Thursday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at NASA Recreation Area. Call Lisa Rushing 313-4302 or Kathy McDaniel 955-0694.
- Chicken and fish fry, Thursday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost \$6 per ticket. Call Lynn Allan 876-2848.
- Golf tournament, April 21 at Sunset Landing Golf Course. Call Chris Farmer 313-6553 or Will Lovell 955-2370.
- Popcorn/soda/peanut sale, April 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the building 5300 hallway. Call Susan Douglas 842-

# Crimes, accidents and other occurrences

The Provost Marshal Office provided the following list of reported incidents:

**March 31:** An individual reported that she had been assaulted while on Redstone Arsenal. Investigation continues by the Provost Marshal Office.

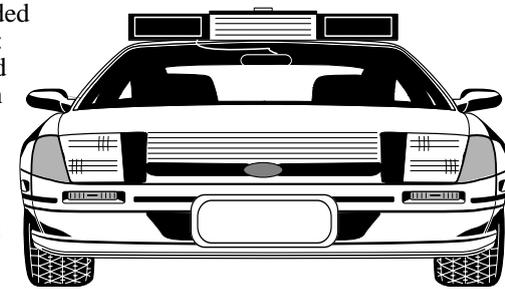
**April 2:** An individual intentionally overdosed on drugs when she took an undetermined amount of pills and drank an undetermined amount of window cleaner.

**April 3:** An individual was found to be operating his vehicle while under the influence of alcohol during an inspection at Gate 10. He was issued a violation notice and detained until his blood alcohol reached an acceptable level.

**April 4:** An individual reported that someone entered her back yard and removed a box of lawn edging and strew garbage across the yard. Investigation continues by the Provost Marshal Office.

**April 4:** An individual reported that someone removed an undetermined amount of cash from an unsecured pair of pants from the barracks. Investigation continues by the Provost Marshal Office.

**April 6:** An individual reported that he found four capsules of an unknown substance outside his place of work. Investi-



gation continues by the Provost Marshal Office.

**April 6:** An individual was found to have an outstanding arrest warrant during an inspection at Gate 8. He was transported and released to the Arab Police Department.

**April 6:** An individual reported that someone removed 20 music CDs from the barracks. Investigation continues by the Provost Marshal Office.

**Traffic accidents reported:** five without injuries, none with injuries.

**Violation notices issued:** 12 speeding, 2 driving with a suspended/revoked/canceled driver's license, 1 driving under the influence, 3 failure to obey traffic control device, 1 expired driver's license, 1 parked in a no parking zone.

6795 or Cherry Hovik 876-9484.

- Chicken and fish fry, April 28 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost \$7 per ticket. Call Lynn Allan 876-2848.
- Book sale, April 25-29 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. between 5303 and 5304. Call Jerome 955-0042.
- AER bowling tournament, April 21 at noon, at Redstone Lanes, tickets \$10. Call Don Slagle 876-3445 or Lynn Moore 955-6001.
- Cookout, April 21 from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., outside building 5302. Call Jennifer Cash 876-1156.
- Chocolate and coffee extravaganza, \$10 purchase prior to the event, May 2 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club. Call Sam Whitaker 876-9762 or Donald Battise 876-2333.
- Garrison AER FunDay, May 3 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at building 4488. Call Maj. Dave Bailey 313-2874.
- Ice cream social, May 4 from 11:30

a.m. to 2 p.m. at building 5250 (north entrance). Cost \$1 per scoop, 25 cents per topping. Call Bill Breffeilh 842-0794.

• Bake sale, May 4 at 7:30 a.m. at building 5308 lobby. Call Jennifer Jerome 955-0042.

• RDEC 5K Run and Fun Walk, May 10 at 9:30 a.m. at PT track off Corporal Road. Entry fee \$15 includes T-shirt and refreshments. Rain date is May 11. Call Wynema Wooten 842-2775, Carolyn Farmer 876-3810 or Justin Olander 842-2769.

• Barbecue, May 12 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Vincent Park (Rustic Lodge if rain). Tickets are \$8 each. Call Michelle Hankins 876-3755 or Mary Burnett 313-6541.

• AER golf tournament, four-person scramble, May 20 at Redstone Golf Course. Cost \$28 for members, \$40 non-members. Register by May 13 (rain date May 27). Call Nadine Manderson 842-8714 or Jim Dabbs 842-0170.

# Pope-Kelly plants new roots as organization director

Avid gardener  
leads SAMD

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Like a garden, an organization needs tending to flourish. Adrienne Pope-Kelly should know.

She's had plenty of experience at running an office and a garden. She became director of the Security Assistance Management Directorate on Feb. 20.

Pope-Kelly served as interim director after Dr. Gene Paro retired last July and previously was his deputy.

"Same office, right here," she said laughing. "I haven't even changed the sign on the door. I've been here since February 2002, I think. It all blends in. When you get my age it all runs together."

The Sylacauga native grew up in a household where education was stressed both for her and her two bothers and two sisters.

"My parents had to leave to go to high school because there

were no high schools in that area," she said. "But they made sure all five of us went to college."

Family encouragement led her to Alabama A&M University for her bachelor's degree in business administration. While stationed at New Cumberland Army Depot, Pa., from 1973-75, she attended the graduate program at Penn State before finishing her master's in business administration at Alabama A&M.

She is a former Army Materiel Command intern. "I am the result of what teamwork can do. I never thought I would rise to a position of this level, but it's thanks to all the wonderful mentors that helped me along the way," she said.

Pope-Kelly returned to Alabama in 1975 and has been here ever since. She spent time in the Pershing office before joining SAMD. Then she returned to Pershing to help in deployment before going back to SAMD for good. As Patriot division chief for 10 years, she did a lot of reading on airplanes to pass the time. Now she has other hobbies.

"I have a variety of interests. I'm highly involved in my church, St. John's African Methodist Episcopal, and my sorority, the Epsilon Gamma Omega chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha. We do a lot of tutoring and community service," Pope-Kelly said. "I like to garden. I like to get out and work off my frustrations planting flowers and bushes. It's a good thing to get out in Mother Earth and try to release some of my stress."

She spends much of her spare time beautifying her yard. Gardening does more than add to her life aesthetically.



Photo by Kelley Lane

**STAYING BUSY—** Adrienne Pope-Kelly is director of the Security Assistance Management Directorate.

## Units add 21 Soldiers in month

Twenty-one Soldiers arrived in March in join Redstone units. The Garrison provided the following in-processing list:

Chief Warrant Officer Dennis Scott Busch, Corpus Christi Depot, Texas; Chief Warrant Officer Jerome Paul, Delta Company; Lt. Col. Linda Shelley, Logistics Support Activity; Pvt. Jing Wang, Garrison; Sgt. 1st Class Gary Carter, Headquarters & Alpha Company; Sgt. 1st Class John Holloway, Headquarters & Alpha; Sgt. 1st Class Richard James, HHC 59th; Sgt. 1st Class Monica Randolph, Headquarters & Alpha; Sgt.

1st Class Lawrence Scott, Bravo Company; Sgt. Chaya Passmore, HHC 59th; Sgt. Paula Perkins, HHC 59th; Spc. Patricia Fails, MEDDAC; Spc. Jennifer Moore, MEDDAC; Staff Sgt. Edward Cruz, HHC 59th; Staff Sgt. Mark Grooms, Delta Company; Staff Sgt. Cletoria Jackson, 832nd Ordnance Battalion; Staff Sgt. Shane Schrader, NCO Academy; Spc. Richard McKeithan, NCO Academy; Staff Sgt. Anthony Feldi, 832nd Ordnance Battalion; Sgt. 1st Class Keith Mason, White Sands Missile Range, N.M.; and Sgt. Tina Paton, MEDDAC.

"It's relaxing. Getting outside in the early morning and pulling up weeds and things of that nature clears your head. I know it sounds simplistic," she said. "But it works."

While flowers are important in gardens, people are the greatest part of her job.

"There are some amazingly intelligent folks in security assistance," she said. "They come from different backgrounds and different specialties and they put it all together and make it look so simple. It's a very complex process and the people who work here are just absolutely the best at

doing it – and I mean the best in the Air Force, Army and Navy as well. They do a tremendous job."

Pope-Kelly expects challenges ahead, particularly the Life Cycle Management Command initiative.

"Seeing that it is integrated and complete is one of the biggest challenges for all of us," she said. "Army transformation is a big challenge in security assistance, making sure that it stays a viable entity. It is the arm of the State Department and the execution of State Department policy – not only just for SAMD, but for the command."

# Administrative professionals mark decade of development

## Local chapter celebrates 10th anniversary in April

It's time for celebration in the Redstone Arsenal Chapter, International Association of Administrative Professionals.

This month the Redstone Chapter celebrates its 10th anniversary, and members are planning a reception celebration at 11 a.m. April 19 in conference room 5140, building 5300. Everyone is invited, especially past members of the chapter. Managers are encouraged to drop by to say hello.

The chapter began with 44 charter members April 23, 1995 in Bob Jones Auditorium. Alabama Division president Margaret Caddell installed new chapter members and Jim Flinn, then director of Integrated Materiel Management Center, was guest speaker. Hazel Crawford was the event coordinator.

Peggy Mason's hard work led to the chapter's creation. She thought it would be good to establish a chapter on Redstone and proceeded to do this with the approval and encouragement of her supervisor, Polly Cason. Mason researched the actions needed to establish an Arsenal chapter and then canvassed senior secretaries for interest in becoming a member. Mason, now retired, was installed as the chapter's first president.

This year marks another milestone for the chapter. Ellen Mahathey, who has served in all offices in the chapter including president and at least one



Photo by Skip Vaughn

**OFFICE WORK—** From left are Elise McWilliams, coordinator of the chapter's 10th anniversary celebration; Hazel Crawford, coordinator of the chapter installation ceremony in 1995 and past charter member; Peggy Mason, charter president in 1995; and Ellen Mahathey, charter member and Alabama Division president-elect.

committee each of those 10 years, will become Alabama Division president this spring. Her responsibilities will include the oversight of 16 professional chapters and five student chapters throughout the state.

The chapter has five members who hold the Certified Professional Secretary rating which they attained by taking an all-day exam covering office systems and

technology, office administration and management. Current CPS holders now have the option of taking an added portion to the test, advanced organizational management, to earn the Certified Administrative Professionals rating. Most colleges recognize the CPS rating and offer 32 college credit hours toward a degree for those holding this rating. All members are encouraged to study for this test to attain

their own rating. The chapter has several members studying to take the test.

Last year members voted to amend the chapter bylaws to allow administrative professionals working for Redstone contractors to become members. This is proving a wise decision as more contractor administrative professionals are learning they have this option. Chapter members were encouraged by the strong support of Crystal Shell, president and CEO of Will Technology Inc. when she encouraged her seven administrative professionals to become members, even paying their dues. This happened last month.

Members said they appreciate support from their managers. IAAP is about being a leader in the administrative profession, about education and training, and about being a good example to others. The IAAP mission is to be the acknowledged, recognized leader of administrative professionals and to enhance their individual and collective value, image, competence and influence.

IAAP's purpose is to provide information, education and training and to set standards of excellence recognized by the business community on a global perspective. IAAP's objectives are to elevate the standards of all administrative professionals and to promote their working relationships with management through continuing education, authorized programs and publications. IAAP's vision is to inspire and equip all administrative professionals to attain excellence. (*International Association of Administrative Professionals*)

# Engineers travel to Texas for Roving Sands

*Exercise has edge over simulation*

By **DEBRA VALINE**  
*SMDC Public Affairs*

FORT BLISS, Texas – In a non-descript beige building on Fort Bliss – far away from the action of exercise Roving Sands 05 – important work is being done.

Taking a live feed from the actual exercise, a team of government and contractor employees are testing an Air and Missile Defense concept that involves two weapons systems: Patriot and Avenger/Surface Launched Advanced Medium Range Air-to-Air Missile.

“We asked the Space and Missile Defense Command to support us in this effort,” said Chief Warrant Officer Odie Huffman, AMD Battle Lab’s project officer for the experiment. “This partnership is invaluable. What we brought to the table is basically the need – the requirement – to do this based on real world events. We are incorporating lessons learned from Operation Iraqi Freedom. SMDC brings considerable technical expertise. We are coming together to try to work through some issues. We have a long way to go.”

Inside the Common Command Post, operators sit at computer terminals watching large video displays that are monitoring the skies over the exercise areas, looking for any sign of an incoming threat missile or aircraft. Avenger/SLAMRAAM and Patriot weapon systems stand ready to shoot them down.

And that’s what the air defense community is looking for – a common command post that can participate on the battlefield using multiple weapon systems.

SMDC provided its Future Operational Capability/Tactical Operations Center II Testbed to support the Common Command Post Joint Experimentation Test and Evaluation Advanced Concept Technology Demonstration. “The experimental command post includes two Reconfigurable Tactical Operations Simulators representing a Patriot Information Coordination Center and a SLAMRAAM Integrated Fire Control System in lieu of the actual systems,” said John Robinson, of SMDC’s Future

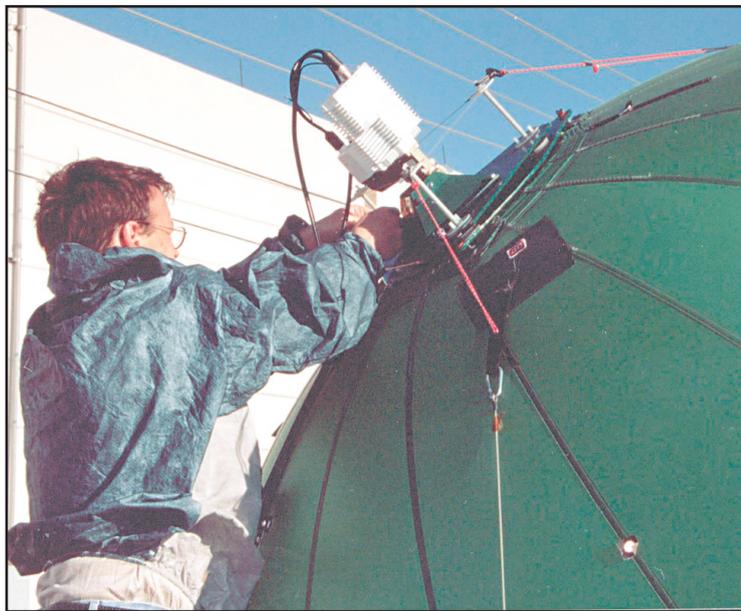


Photo by Debra Valine

**ANTENNA UP—** Paul Gierow, a contractor with SRS in Huntsville, adjusts the deployable satellite communications antenna outside the Future Operational Capability/Tactical Operations Center II Testbed at Fort Bliss, Texas, March 31, during exercise Roving Sands.

Warfare Center. “Also included are the Northrop Grumman Gateway manager and Thales Raytheon Systems Sentry controller as well as SMDBL’s Advanced Warfare Environment software. Satellite Tool Kit, ArcView and BattleScape are used as graphical interfaces by the battle captain staff which includes the battle captain, the S-2 intelligence officer and the S-3 operations officer.”

The FOC Testbed Program is a hardware and software technology testbed that allows SMDC to demonstrate emerging technologies and concepts in a warfighter context to support systems requirements definition for both system developers and industry. In its current form, the FOC Testbed permits warfighters to conduct exercises, experiments and combat operations with an enhanced decision-making capability using a significantly reduced footprint.

“The CCP JETA is an experiment to align command and control functions within a central command post to control air defense battlefield operations and to direct coordinated fire control efforts for multiple weapon systems,” Robinson said. “The results of this experiment, along with previous efforts, will contribute to the combat developer’s CCP requirements definition process. Findings also will be shared with the

military exercises to generate activity for the experiment’s equipment.”

The SMD Battle Lab had previously participated using this equipment and software during exercise Amalgam Virgo 04 at Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla., in August 2004.

Roving Sands is a three-week joint air training exercise involving U.S. and coalition troops and aircraft to practice joint air defense interoperability and incorporate lessons learned from Operation Iraqi Freedom. Roving Sands is part of the larger exercise Joint Red Flag, a multi-service and multi-national exercise involving 12,000 participants at various locations across the United States. Allied forces from the Netherlands, United Kingdom, Canada and Kuwait are participating this year. The exercise focuses on Joint Theater Air and Missile Defense and Joint Tactical Air Operations while integrating Army, Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps command and control nodes and associated air and missile defense systems.

“This CCP JETA concept came about as a method to inform the TSM (Training and Doctrine Command System Manager) here and inform our

Directorate of Combat Developments requirements people about System of Systems integrated fire control and also to help understand fire control solutions for air and missile defense battalions that are standing up,” Huffman said. The new air defense units are a composite of Patriot and Avenger missile batteries.

“There are three parts to the CCP JETA,” Huffman said. “We have the FOC studio, along with a team from the Boeing Co. and their software. Boeing is using this exercise as a way to develop and improve their software. And we have the Acoustic Research Lab and MILTEC from the University of Mississippi. They have four engineers located north of Nellis Air Force Base, Nev., who are collecting some acoustic data on cruise missiles.

“Without SMDBL, we would not be able to do this,” Huffman said. “We would have to use simulation. We are using real components, taking live feeds and we are exercising engagement operations and force operations using real equipment. We are using real operators so we get a lot more in-depth feedback about how things are really working. The problems we solve here have real application to the future force. This is not a science experiment.”



Photo by Debra Valine

**ROVING TEST—** From left are Dave Fortune of CAS, Terri Innes of Future Warfare Center, Tony Kirkpatrick of Symbiont Enterprises and Billy Stender of CAS, contractor lead for SMDC’s participation in exercise Roving Sands.



Photo by Skip Vaughn

**APPRECIATIVE AUDIENCE—** Attendees applaud the opening of Redstone Village.

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Originally, the planners envisioned a facility for military retirees only but the financial group stipulated in 2003 that it should be open to everyone 62 and older. So, the facility is open to everyone 62 and

older, starting at \$167,500 entrance fee. For assisted living and skilled nursing, there is just a \$1,000 reservation fee.

“We’re building a life-care community,” Turnmeyer explained last year. “What that means is we’re building something that will provide for us to look out for ourselves for the rest of our lives. That means we’ll have independent living, assisted living and a skilled nursing facility.



Photo by Skip Vaughn

**NATIONAL ANTHEM—** Retired Maj. Gen. Grayson Tate sings the national anthem at the ceremony.

“So what you do when you come to this facility, you’re buying a contract not only for a place to live but someone who will look out for your health for the rest of your life.”

Turnmeyer moved into one of the 88 independent living apartments which represent Building A, open since Nov. 18. There are also 16 independent living houses. The next level of care is 50 assisted living apartments. And there are 40 skilled nursing beds for the third level.

“My apartment is 1,424 square feet

— two bedrooms, a den, living room, dining room and kitchen – and I paid \$300,000. When I pass away, 90 percent goes to my heirs so it’s 90 percent refundable,” said Turnmeyer, who also pays a monthly fee for occupancy.

“Some organizations like ours have a different refundable policy. I think we have in my mind the best available or I wouldn’t be here,” he said. “In summary, we’ve protected our investment. We’ve protected our health future and we’re living in a private club. And I don’t think you can beat it.”

## Volunteer of year nominee enjoys great outdoors

### Phillips ensures safety at Outdoor Recreation

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Rick Phillips can't walk away from a problem. If something needs fixing, he does it.

That's why Phillips is among 22 nominees for 2005 Volunteer of the Year awards. The 14 winners will be announced at the 21st annual Volunteer Recognition and Awards Luncheon at 11 a.m. April 21 at the Officers and Civilians Club.

Phillips, a senior thermal engineer for NASA contractor Qualis Corporation, was nominated by Outdoor Recreation where he has volunteered almost two years.

"People ignore things day after day here. So we're just trying to make it better looking and safer for the youth as well as the adults," the avid outdoorsman said. "I really enjoy the Outdoor Recreation programs and look forward to working with them in the future."

He identifies safety hazards and gets them fixed. Phillips has done numerous repairs to the archery tower, installing handrails and safety rails. He volunteered with the summer youth program, teaching youngsters about fishing and archery. He did a display for annual National Hunting and Fishing Day last September. Phillips, 45, has also been painting the bathrooms at the Col. Carroll Hudson recreation area. He spends a lot of time at the Outdoor Recreation counter signing hunters in and out – sometimes as early as 3:30 a.m. on weekends.

The Battle Creek, Mich., native probably volunteers 200 hours a year for Outdoor Recreation.

"Partly because I have such a good time doing this stuff," he said. "I like to stay busy. I've made several fantastic friends through the Outdoor Recreation program. And I'm a believer if you see something that needs fixing, find it and get it fixed. If you see a safety problem, it needs to be dealt with. You just don't ignore it."

The other volunteer nominees include Loyd Ackerman III, Gail Askew, Liz Blackmon, Michelle deGroot, Robin Elliott, Tyler Freeman,

Marie Handley, Janeshia Henderson, Ed Ingold, Wendy Lebeschak, Octavia March, Olivia March, Mary McCarthy, Amanda Medley, Jean Mulcahy, Sharon Samuelson, Thomas Sharp, Judy Storie, Karen Thompson, Jasika Williams and Summer Wilson.

Larry Leggett, quality of life manager at Army Community Service, coordinates the recognition luncheon during National Volunteer Week, April 17-23, with this year's theme "Inspire by Example."

Winners will be announced in the following categories: Redstone Arsenal School Age Service Young Leader, Redstone Arsenal Middle School Young Leader, Redstone Arsenal Teen Young Leader, Redstone Arsenal Service to Youth Volunteer Award, Redstone Arsenal Dedicated Service to Youth, Redstone Arsenal Special Event Volunteer, Redstone Arsenal New Volunteer, Redstone Arsenal Active Service Volunteer, Redstone Arsenal Community Service, Redstone Arsenal Community Dedicated Service, Redstone Arsenal Community Lifetime Service Award, Military Community Service, Military Community Dedicated Service and Military Community Lifetime Service Award.



Dorothy Moore/Photo Lab

**Rick Phillips**

# Egyptian military student makes best of his stay

## PIONEERS OF ELECTRONICS



Capt. Mohamed Hussein

Courtesy photo

An Egyptian soldier here for training says he has enjoyed his experience at Redstone Arsenal.

“Good time, a lot of fun,” Capt. Mohamed Hussein said. “Lots of shopping.”

The air defense officer has attended the Integrated Family of Test Equipment Course from Aug. 16 until May 3. He is assigned to Headquarters & Alpha Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion.

“I went on many trips (with the International Military Student Office) and enjoyed my time with my host family (Stan and Pat Johns) of Huntsville,” the single 27-year-old said.

Hussein, calling America a “good country,” interacts with the people to get a true picture. “The people of the USA love this country so they sacrifice everything to maintain it (as) the best nation all over the world,” he said.

He will use his training to work with the Avenger air defense system in his country.

The International Military Student Office sponsors activities for trainees from other nations. “They supported me a lot for everything and made my stay very memorable,” Hussein said. “Thank you to all.”

## Background of Islamic faith described

### Differences

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since they have nothing to offer but killing and destruction.

The two major groups in Islam are the Sunnis and the Shiites. The Shiites represent 15 percent of the Muslim population. The vast majority of the Shiites live in Iran and Iraq. Both Sunnis and Shiites have unanimous agreement regarding the Quran authenticity. The Quran is being safeguarded from addition or deletion. Both also believe that the Quran is the word of Allah and it is eternal. The Quran is the primary source of all the Muslims tenants of faith, their rights and rules of conduct.

Both Sunnis and Shiites share the most fundamental Islamic beliefs and articles of faith (the Five Pillars of Islam):

- There is no God but Allah, and Mohammad is His messenger.
- Fasting the month of Ramadan.
- Giving Alms.
- Pray five times a day.
- Pilgrimage to Mecca.

The division between the Shiites and Sunnis dates back to the death of the Prophet and the question of who was to take over the leadership of the Muslim Nation.

Sunnis agreed with the position taken by many of the Prophet’s companions, that the new leader should be elected from among those capable of the job. They believe that leadership of the community is not a birthright, but a trust that is earned and which may be given or taken away by the people. This is what was done, and the Prophet’s close friend (Abu Baker) became the first Caliph (Ruler) of the Islamic Nation.

The Shiites, however, have neither recognized the authority of the elected leader nor the political institutions.

They believe that following the death of the Prophet, leadership should have stayed within the Prophet’s own family, and that Ali is the legitimate successor of the Prophet. The Shiites, however, chose instead to follow a line of Imams, which they believe have been appointed by God. They believe that the Imams (spiritual leaders) are sinless by nature, and that their authority is infallible as it comes directly from God. Therefore, Shiites often venerate the Imams as Saints and performs Pilgrimages to their tombs and shrines in the hope of divine intercession. The Sunnis, however, counter that there is no basis in Islam for a hereditary privileged class of spiritual leaders.

The Sunni believe that the Ahaadeeth (the Prophetic Traditions) are the second source of law, after the Quran. It is not permissible to contradict or reject the rulings and directives contained in the Ahaadeeth, which are reliably attributed to the Prophet.

The Shiites, however, reject all traditions that are not narrated by the members of Ahl Al Bate (the immediate family of the Prophet) or their descendants.

These are the main differences between the Shiites and the Sunnis.

In my personal opinion, all killers regardless to their religious affiliation are socially, morally and religiously bankrupt, since they have nothing to offer but destruction. I won’t be surprised if the Washington-area sniper and/or the abortion clinic bomber will proclaim that they also did it for God.

**Rif Ajjuri**  
SAMd security officer

## Retiring worker expresses her appreciation

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make them the equals of kings of the Third World. One son was in schooling paid for by the citizens of this nation; the other family members were off to their pursuit of happiness. There was no dictator standing in their way. It was a typical day in the American way, a day we so often take for granted.

Then the unthinkable happened and we were forced to think outside of our comfortable world. The rest is history and only time will tell if we are the saviors of the world.

But I can witness that it has worked for one nation so far. Because of people like you and I supporting a bigger purpose, there are people close to experiencing the freedom I felt the morning of 9-11. No matter the job title or what we do, we are all woven into the fabric that makes this Army function. We have a lot to be proud of. But the world never stops turning, and we can never set on our laurels.

**‘Trust that those in charge will make the right plans to improve our organization, and remember – you are an important part of a bigger thing than just day-to-day details. You do make a difference.’**

We Americans are a giving people. We give on a huge scale and we give individually. Nowhere has this been more true than right here. The first month I worked at the Missile Logistics Center, as it was called then, folks were deeply involved with collecting donations for two individuals who were ter-

minally ill. It impressed me. I noted the generosity and how people treated one another as family here. The MLC wasn’t just an organization, it was a family.

I remember an early Army Emergency Relief fund-raiser. Rather than just collect donations lukewarmly, I thought it would be a great idea to give something in return for the generosity. We began selling doughnuts. The next year it grew into pizza sales. Little by little the event got bigger and more involved, and we were raising money at an unprecedented level. Before we knew it we were having cake auctions, festivals, barbecues, car washes... And all of it to help that one Soldier and his family needing AER, because here we appreciate the sacrifices they make for all of us.

That appreciation, that care, that giving attitude toward one another is what makes this organization a great one. When you have that level of esprit de corps, you make a good product because you are proud to be a part of the Army family.

I ask you each not to get caught up with the uncertainties of the day. Make your standards high, believe in yourselves and your co-workers. You are providing the best to the best. Trust that those in charge will make the right plans to improve our organization, and remember – you are an important part of a bigger thing than just day-to-day details. You do make a difference.

Thank you for honoring me this day. I love each and every one of you. You have given me very fond memories and much pride. You will always be in my heart. Take care and God bless you.

**Mary Ann Kelly**

*Editor’s note: Kelly delivered this speech March 2 at her retirement from the Integrated Materiel Management Center, formerly known as the Missile Logistics Center.*

# Be prepared, not scared of West Nile Virus

*Only small percentage develop severe effects*

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Spring is here and it's time to invite guests over, get the grill out, head for the lake and enjoy the season. But uninvited mosquitoes will also pay you a visit.

Here are some facts to know to protect your family and friends from these unwanted guests.

West Nile Virus is spread by infected mosquitoes that have fed on infected birds. Although the first reported cases of West Nile Virus appeared in New York City at the Bronx Zoo in 1999, the virus could have been here beforehand. Unfortunately there is no way to prevent the virus from spreading and to predict the areas of the country that will be hardest hit, so we need to take measures to protect ourselves.

Of those infected by the virus, 80 percent will show no sign or symptom. Of the remaining 20 percent, less than 1 percent will develop the severe effects. These severe effects include encephalitis and meningitis. With an incubation period of 3 to 14 days, symptoms may include flu like characteristics such as headache, muscle aches, fever, stiffness in the neck, disorientation and possible paralysis.

There is no vaccine at this time to cure West Nile Virus, but its symptoms and complications can be treated. However, it does appear that once a person has been infected with the virus that a natural immunity develops.

Since birds are the carriers of the virus, testing can be done to determine if West Nile Virus is present in your area. Monitoring and testing of dead birds is one way that we test for the presence of the virus. Only certain birds are tested for the virus — these include the crow, blue jays and birds of prey. If you do come across one of these types of birds here are the rules for collecting: do not pick up the bird with your bare hands; the bird must have died within the last 24 hours. If the bird is found on post call Preventive Medicine at 955-8888, ext. 1026. For off post finds, call Madison County Department of Public Health at 539-3711 and select option 2.

To protect yourself, the following measures can be implemented:

- Wear loose, light colored clothing and cover as much skin as possible.
- Avoid wearing sweet fragrances, this will only attract mosquitoes.
- Wear insect repellent and apply according to manufacturer's directions.
- Limit outdoor activities at dawn or dusk, this is when mosquitoes are most active.
- Ensure screen doors/windows are intact.

• Do not leave standing water in your yard: rain gutters, used tires, children's toys, bird baths.

Note that chlorophyll tablets, citronella candles, vitamin B and "ultrasonic"

devices are not effective defenses against mosquito bites.

For more information, visit the Center of Disease Control's web site: [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).

## Community Block Party promises fun for all ages

*Youth Center event scheduled Saturday*

By PAM BERRY  
*Child and Youth Services*

Attention all parents: Are you looking for a family friendly activity for your children? How about a totally free event with free food, entertainment, games and make-and-take projects for the children?

Then look no further. Morale Welfare and Recreation's Child and Youth Services is planning the annual MWR/Redstone Arsenal Community Block Party for Saturday from 1-4 p.m. at the Youth Center, building 3148.

The Block Party is designed to be a multi-cultural fun event for all ages. It will include activities such as the SKIESUnlimited instructional classes with demonstrations from the Kindernastic, Tae Kwon Do, Tennis with AI, and the

African Dancing and Drumming classes. There will also be a Babies R' Us Diaper Derby for the toddlers, sponsored by Babies R' Us. Other activities include a "make-and-take" tent, 3-on-3 basketball tournament and a dodge ball tournament.

In the true spirit of family, exhibitors will be on hand to answer your questions concerning children and teens. Babies R' Us will be there to pre-register children for its baby registry program. Also, you don't want to miss the opportunity to meet Clifford the Big Red Dog, brought to you by Barnes and Noble.

This event is brought to you with the help of the Enlisted Spouses Club, the Commissary, and these commercial sponsors: Boise Office Supply, Papa John's, Babies R Us, Barnes and Noble, and the Huntsville Flight.

For more information about the Community Block Party, call Pam Berry at 876-7801 or e-mail [pamela.berry@redstone.army.mil](mailto:pamela.berry@redstone.army.mil).

## Letterkenny Depot enters pact for Humvee parts

NASHVILLE — Letterkenny Army Depot commander Col. William Guinn and E.R. "Pony" Maples, president of Military Systems Group Inc., have cemented a partnership that will ensure parts availability for standard military Humvees and explore continuing opportunities to protect America's warfighters.

A contract allows for \$12.5 million to be spent over five years to buy a variety of 37 parts. This contract will be used to purchase swing arms, gun mounts, and brackets to get mounted on the doors and tops of vehicles.

"This joint program supports units from all branches of the services, typically in the special operations field," Guinn said. "This adds firepower to the traditional non-combatative vehicle."

A memorandum of understanding between MSG and Letterkenny was also penned agreeing to work together toward engineering solutions and providing

responsive, timely and reliable product support to the warfighter. The three-year agreement calls for the enhancement of the industrial base to improve and sustain repair, recapitalization and remanufacturing capabilities within the organic and private sectors. (*Letterkenny Depot release*)



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**PARTNERSHIP— Col. William Guinn, Letterkenny commander, and E.R. "Pony" Maples, Military Systems Group president, discuss their partnership agreement.**

# Bob Countess remembered for varied interests, kindness

Former Army chaplain succumbs to cancer

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Former Redstone chaplain Dr. Bob Countess died March 18 at age 67 after a brief struggle with a brain tumor. He leaves behind a large family and an even larger wealth of memories.

Countess served as a chaplain and captain at Redstone from 1980-84. He served 11 years on active duty, with Redstone being his last post. He also served an additional 16 years in the National Guard and Reserves until retiring in 1997.

Countess was perhaps best known for his love of knowledge. Family members describe him as someone who not only thirsted for learning, but fostered that same appetite in others.

"If you were in a room with



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**WORLD TRAVELER— Former Chaplain (Capt.) Bob Countess died March 18 at age 67.**

Bob he would encourage you to read. He wanted to instill in you the desire to increase your intellect," said Laura Byrd, his daughter-in-law.

He spoke several languages, including Greek and Latin. One

of his favorite pastimes was reading and making notes in the margins of his books. These notes are sometimes in Greek, as are some of the books themselves.

He taught several subjects at various colleges and universities around the world. He spent time teaching language, speech, philosophy, religion and history. Some of his teaching positions were local, such as the University of Tennessee and the University of Alabama-Huntsville. Others were in such places as Amsterdam, Berlin and the Ukraine. Elda Countess, his wife, said he loved to travel. She remembers one time when Bob's good nature allowed him to overcome difficulties with paperwork.

"We were in Czechoslovakia and they wanted to see our papers before the guards would let us through. We didn't have them, so Bob just started singing 'Sweet Home Alabama.' They just laughed and waved us on," she said. "He sang and sang. He just had fun."

Included in his travels were numerous speaking engagements. He made numerous trips to Nashville, New York and even Sydney, Australia as a guest on radio and television talk shows.

He spent a considerable amount of time on the other side of a desk. He was a Huntsville High School graduate voted Wittiest Boy of the Senior Class of 1955. He earned a doctorate in New Testament Greek from Bob Jones University and a M.L.S. in Humanities and Philosophy from Georgetown University.

He was also an avid chess player, teaching all of the children in his family to play. Twice a month he would venture to the Madison Cross Roads School, where Byrd taught, to play her entire eighth-grade class at once.

"They would put their desks in a horseshoe. They each had their own chess set in front of them. He would make a move and then go down the line," Byrd said. "They had to have their

move made by the time he got back to them."

Countess' son, Timothy, believes his father will be most remembered for not only his intelligence, but also his good natured and caring heart. He believes most people will also remember how varied his interests were.

"He ran, he played table tennis, racquetball and soccer. He loved old French cars. He loved architecture," Timothy said. "He loved to read and loved coffee. He would go every morning to the local coffeehouse to read and drink his coffee as far back as I can remember. He had a zest for life that couldn't help but rub off on people."

"He was a brilliant man who brought the entire world to all of us," Elda said. "There was never a man like Bob before and there never will be one again. He was one of a kind. I don't say that loosely either."

## Family loss helps prevent tragedy near Countess home

Teens contribute to rescue effort

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When a crisis occurs, what would you do? Most people like to think they would keep their wits about them and do what needed to be done. However, you never know for sure how you will react until you are put to the test. Jason and Lindsey Byrd, the children of Keith Byrd, who works in instrumentation at Test Area 6, passed the test March 20.

The grandchildren of the late Bob Countess were on their way to their grandmother's home after Countess' visitation at a local funeral home when they found themselves watching a tragedy unfold. Just around the bend from their destination, a girl ran in front of Lindsey's car. She was soaking wet.

"She was screaming. I asked her if she was OK and she just kept saying 'They're still in the car! They're still in the car!' Then I looked to where she was pointing. All you could see was the red taillights glowing under the water," Lindsey, a freshman at the University of Alabama, said.

A car carrying five local teens had left a nearby house. They had lost control of their vehicle and drove into a pond. Two boys from the house they had left were able to pull the three girls in the backseat out of the car before it

became fully submerged. The two teenage boys in the front seats were still inside and unconscious. Jason and Lindsey ran to help, followed by their parents.

Jason, a junior at Sparkman High, swam out to the car. One of the boys from the house nearby ran to get something to break the window so that the trapped teens could be rescued. He came back with a barbell from his weight set.

"He just started bashing the rear window," Jason said. "It broke and he pulled the guys out."

The boy was cut and bleeding profusely from the broken glass, so Jason took the first passenger and carried him through the water to his uncle Chris Jackson and the help waiting at the edge of the water.

"I just kept my eyes focused on Uncle Chris," Jason said. "He was telling me that I could do it. He said to just bring him there. Uncle Chris was all I could see." There Lindsey and her mother, Laura Byrd, assessed his injuries as best they could.

"He was bleeding from his ear. Turns out it was just a cut, but we didn't know that. We thought he could have had a major head injury. He was in and out of consciousness. He didn't know what was happening," Laura said.

When the driver was brought to the shore, he wasn't breathing. Lindsey sprang into action. She performed CPR until an ambulance arrived.

Both boys, one of the girls



Photo by Kelley Lane

**LIFE SAVERS— Jason and Lindsey Byrd help young victims of a car wreck after visiting a local funeral home.**

and the teen from the nearby house were all taken to Huntsville Hospital to be treated for their injuries. The Byrd family went to visit them afterward to be assured that they were all going to be OK.

The fact that the family was so close at hand when the accident happened is a blessing. The visitation had ended a little earlier and they had stayed behind to finalize some last details for the funeral. Lindsey and another girl were rehearsing a song they planned to sing

during the service. Things made them stay behind.

"There were just a lot of little delays that kept us from leaving and put us passing by the accident at just the right time," Laura said. "If we had left earlier we would have missed the whole thing."

The boy who had been slipping in and out of consciousness was the new neighbor of Timothy Countess, uncle of Jason and Lindsey. Timothy and his family had already arrived at his late father's home when

the accident occurred. He was in the driveway and heard the car tires squeal. The subsequent thump had sent him and his brother-in-law racing to see what had happened.

One of the girls involved in the wreck was the sister of one of Laura Byrd's former students. Two of the emergency medical technicians in one of the ambulances called to the scene were also close family friends. Jan Countess, Bob Countess' daughter-in-law and member of the sustainment group in the industrial operations division of Research Development and Engineering Center, thinks her family was there for a reason.

"Normally, there wouldn't be so much traffic on that road at that time of night," she said. "If it hadn't been for my father-in-law's visitation and so many family members around, the boys probably would have drowned because it is doubtful that anyone would have known they were in the pond until it was too late. We felt as if my father-in-law's work as an angel began immediately."

The entire ordeal only lasted a short while but "it seemed like the whole thing took forever," Jason said. "After it was over everything sped up so fast."

"You hope that your kids will do what they should when something happens," Keith Byrd said. "It just makes you proud to see them do it."

## Hazardous Devices School railroad gets new addition

Illinois contributes train cars for bomb technician training

By DAN O'BOYLE  
For the Rocket

Students at the Hazardous Devices School will soon have the opportunity to train on a train. Two double-decker commuter train cars have been donated for use at the school on Redstone Arsenal.

Dave Jernigan, FBI special agent in charge for Hazardous Devices School, looks forward to using this new training capability. The school is administered by the FBI and operated by the Army.

"In order to make our training more realistic, the State of Illinois Rapid Transit Authority called METRA offered the cars to us when they found out that we had 300 feet of track and a train station," Jernigan said. "The idea being that Al Qaeda, having hit the Madrid train station last year, and that rail is a target and has been a target since 9/11, we needed this addition to our practical problem village to let our students play like they practice when they leave here."

The cars were built in 1959 and seat 161 passengers. The cars had been used for light-rail transportation until August 2004.



Photo by Dan O'Boyle

**HEAR THAT TRAIN A COMIN'—** Workers prepare to install a 123,000-pound, double-deck, Pullman commuter coach at the Short Line Railroad in the Hazardous Devices School on Buxton Road.

"Norfolk Southern railroad shipped two cars to us here, free of charge," Jernigan said. "So neither the cars nor the transportation cost us anything."

Realistic training will be enhanced by the addition of the cars.

"Most of our students will be going back to their home bases where transit is a part of everyday life," Jernigan said. "Students will be able to exercise, and then be able to play for real when they get back. These cars are also very

narrow inside, much like the inside of an airplane, with close seating and a low overhead."

The school plans to add a school bus and a transit bus to the training facilities as well as an airplane for realistic training on all forms of public transportation.

Jernigan also gives credit to the Huntsville/Madison County railroad authority for helping move the cars.

"I had to go to the Department of Justice and get a gift letter," Jernigan said. "But now, these cars actually become FBI property, and we have to get them bar codes and serial numbers. They are accountable and part of the school's inventory."

Annually, the school trains 1,000 students.

"We have the ability to train students here, letting them make mistakes here, so they won't make any when they go home," Jernigan said. "The training we do here saves lives. This cooperative effort between the U.S. Army and the FBI is very important, and it's very important to be as realistic as we can be. This training site here is the only one in North America and one of only two in the world that trains first responders and bomb technicians to this level of expertise."



Army photo

**FREE FALLING—** An Intermediate Bulk Container fails a drop test at the Packaging Storage and Containerization Center's new drop test facility Jan. 7 at Tobyhanna Army Depot. The container design, the largest ever tested at PSCC, passed six different tests.

## Packaging lab breaks out new test facility

Depot tries containers for transportation

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TOBYHANNA ARMY DEPOT, Pa. — A new drop test facility at Tobyhanna Army Depot proved its worth in testing a container for the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The Logistics Support Activity's Packaging Storage and Containerization Center uses the facility. The PSCC is part of the Army Materiel Command and tests containers, packaging and storage systems.

"The Department of Transportation inspectors travel nationwide inspecting containers to ensure they comply with safety standards," said Charlotte Lent, LOGSA PSCC's hazardous materials packaging testing team leader. "If they need a container tested, they ship it here and we put it through a series of regulation tests to evaluate compliance."

Two Intermediate Bulk Containers, designed to hold several hundred gallons of hazardous liquids, were sent to PSCC for testing in January. One of the

containers was subjected to the following tests:

- A vibration test using water to check strength under repetitive shock.

- A bottom lift test that tests the container's ability to hold its contents while lifted with a forklift.

- A top lift test that tests the container's ability to hold its contents while lifted using chains, cables or slings. In this case, the container weighed more than 18,000 pounds, twice the maximum permitted gross weight.

- A stack test to test the maximum weight that can be placed on top of a container. The guideline for the test requires 1.8 times the maximum permitted gross weight.

- A leak proof test that ensures the container doesn't have pinholes before being filled with a hazardous liquid.

- A hydrostatic pressure test that forces air into the container to expand it and determine if it can withstand the increased pressure resulting from temperature-induced expansion of the liquid.

"All these tests were conducted on one container, which passed them," Lent said. "A

drop test was performed on a second container, which was chilled to zero because the tank was plastic. The container was filled with antifreeze for the test. We conducted one drop test, dropping the container flat on its bottom."

The hazard level of the substance and its relative density determines drop height. The higher the hazard level, the higher the drop height. The starting drop height for medium danger is about 4 feet, which is then adjusted upward by factors for heavy liquids. For example, a medium danger liquid that is heavier than a liquid dropped from 4 feet would be dropped from a higher height.

The drop test facility is outside, permitting an unlimited height. The 280 square foot drop surface is composed of a 10-foot square steel plate embedded in concrete with a 1,000 gallon recovery tank. A rolling roof allows year-round use. The IBC was the first tested at the new facility and the largest container ever tested at PSCC.

"The non-resilient, non-yielding surface gives us a repeatable set of conditions

# Troop volleyball preseason concludes

## NCO Academy beats Marines for tournament championship

By SKIP VAUGHN

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Preparation paid off for the Marines volleyball team Thursday night at Pagano Gym.

The Marines benefited from a 21-0 forfeit win in the first game when the Delta Company team wasn't ready in jerseys for the scheduled 6:45 start. They then won the second game 21-15 for the match.

But the Marines lost to the NCO Academy 21-14, 21-14 on April 11 in the preseason tournament final.

"We've just been practicing hard every day, sticking to the fundamentals," Marines player-coach Richard Nyman said. "Not doing anything fancy, just giving it our best every night."

NCO Academy team coordinator David Beier said the academy's team has "a lot of initiative" which he attributes to its cohesiveness.

"There's a pretty good amount of talent

on that team as far as experience playing volleyball," he said.

Delta, the defending post champion, looks forward to the regular season which begins April 18.

"We're going to practice very hard during the morning and we'll be ready for this championship," Devastating Dragons player-coach Pedro Delgado said. "We won last year, we will win again. Our Soldiers are highly motivated and that's good for the team."

Tournament results included:

- **April 4** – HHC 59th def. Charlie 14-21, 21-17, 14-6; Marines def. Bravo 21-15, 21-13; NCO Academy def. Headquarters & Alpha 21-13, 21-13.

- **April 5** – Delta def. HHC 59th 21-11, 21-16; NCO Academy def. Marines 21-11, 19-21, 15-13; Bravo def. Headquarters & Alpha 21-18, 21-14.

- **April 6** – NCO Academy def. Delta 21-6, 21-14; Bravo def. HHC 59th 21-13, 16-21, 15-11; Marines def. Charlie 21-12, 21-6.

- **April 7** – Marines def. Bravo 21-12, 18-21, 15-9; and Marines def. Delta 21-0, 21-15.

- **April 11** – NCO Academy def. Marines 21-14, 21-14 for championship.



Photo by Skip Vaughn

**NET PLAY**— The Marines defend against Delta Company spiker Michael Ortiz in their match Thursday night.

# Ensuring the right items get at right place on time

## Command's logistics program undergoes modernization

By DAN O'BOYLE  
For the Rocket

As revolutions usually go, this one has been rather quiet, but, nonetheless a revolution is under way in AMCOM's logistics business processes.

Specifically, the command's Logistics Modernization Program has been busily 'revolting' with Artro Whitman of Integrated Materiel Management Center leading the revolutionary charge.

"LMP is central to the effective support of future military operations and is also the cornerstone of AMC's efforts to balance readiness and modernization," Whitman said. "LMP will modernize our 30-year-old wholesale and retail logistics business processes and practices, with the goal of providing agile, reliable and responsive services. We will do this by leveraging the best practices and technology to deliver world-class logistics and readiness to the warfighter."

Ultimately, LMP will replace the Commodity Command Standard System and the Standard Depot System

But right now, LMP's focus is on training, with center employees using a web-based Learning Gateway to access LMP training modules. This Gateway provides self-paced training overviews to prepare users for accessing the live LMP system.

Further, the Gateway introduces terms and concepts organized by functional area.

Upon LMP implementation, the modules will be integrated into a real-time logistical system across Army Materiel Command. More specifically, when a requisition is entered, all related business processes such as inventory balances and financial reporting will be updated.

"LMP currently has prototype sites at CECOM and Tobyhanna Army Depot," Whitman said. "LMP must be fully stabilized at the prototype sites and all AMCOM requirements must be fully incorporated and tested before we go live. Based on that, the local actual deployment time frame is being negotiated, with the first quarter of fiscal 2006 being envisioned as the AMCOM deployment date."

The center's Ken McGee and Don Finnegan are Whitman's revolutionary team partners in a phased migration approach to LMP and its vital forecasting feature. Modernizing forecasting will mean that appropriate input and output adjustments will feed a new demand plan-

ning process. In this way, planners will have a time-phased picture of both demand frequency and volume.

"We have been evaluating a German-made commercial Enterprise Resource Planning package, called SAP, which will provide the LMP foundation," Whitman said. "Program and system architectures have been examined and revamped to accommodate the unique needs of our Soldier customers. Team LMP is stressing a web-based, services approach with the ability to continually update and incorporate commercial best practices and new technology."

Each "Windows-based" screen in SAP is one transaction, with users having access to all transactions, which is different from current operations. Additionally, LMP must be capable of sustaining both legacy and modernized weapon systems.

"Toward meeting that challenge, a number of task orders are under contract, with several more in negotiation," Whitman said. "One task order will incorporate needed interfaces between LMP and the Defense Finance and Accounting Service. While another task order will address the development of interfaces with another major Army reform initiative, the Single Stock Fund.

"We are dedicated to making sure that Soldier requirements are met, and we are excited about this opportunity to truly partner with industry offering the warfighter world-class logistics support that is in step with the Army's vision."

The Logistics Modernization Program is a key component in the Army's major transformation to become more responsive, deployable, agile, versatile, lethal, survivable and sustainable. This transition requires the Army to exploit technology, eliminate activities that do not add value, and develop processes that result in sound and timely decision making. The only way for the Army to meet this challenge is to find a way to capitalize on the dramatic business processes and technological advances that are occurring in the commercial world.

The LMP solution will provide an integrated logistics management capability that enables total asset visibility; velocity management; enhanced decision support; a collaborative planning environment; a single, actionable source of data; improved forecasting accuracy; and real-time, easy access to enterprisewide information.

"Next fiscal year, we hope to have an integrated logistical system that will serve us well in the 21st century by assuring that the right item arrives at the right place at the right time," Whitman said.



Photo by Faye Yates

**REVOLUTION IN PROGRESS—** John Chapman, right, IMMC executive director, meets with from left Alma Morgan, Ken McGee and Virgil Wiley to discuss recognition of Team Redstone personnel supporting Change Management activities at AMCOM. Chapman recently presented awards throughout Redstone recognizing individual Logistics Modernization Program contributions.

## ■ Tobyhanna tests container for transportation department

### Test

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conforming to a standard," Lent said.

The IBC was dropped from a height of about 76 inches and failed, catastrophically.

"The container burst into many pieces and spilled the entire contents in waves.

Pieces flew everywhere," Lent said. "The facility is designed to be hard on containers, which equates to containers being durable enough to withstand handling without incident."

PSCC has an ongoing testing program that varies with the type containers submitted. The new drop test facility was recently used to test infectious substances packaging that require a drop height of 30 feet.



### Bowling challenge

Want to get back at the Provost Marshal Office? The office issues a bowling challenge to any Redstone team – military, civilian or contractor – as a fund-raiser for Army Emergency Relief. Five-member teams are preferred but smaller groups are also welcome. “Males, females, mixed – it doesn’t matter. And it’s all for a good cause, AER donations,” organizer Lee Henry said. For more information and to sign up a bowling team, call Henry 876-4285 or Lt. Kenny Renew 876-2222.

### Golf tournament

A golf tournament fund-raiser for Big Brothers Big Sisters will be held April 22 with a shotgun start at noon at Colonial Golf Course. Call 880-2123 to register or go to [www.bbbsna.com](http://www.bbbsna.com).

### Bowling tournament

The Army Emergency Relief bowling tournament is noon April 21 at Redstone Lanes. Tickets are \$10. Call Don Slagle 876-3445 or Lynn Moore 955-6001.

### Pineapple Open

The Officer and Civilian Women’s Club will host the 11th annual Pineapple Open Golf Tournament on April 29 at the Redstone Golf Course. Registration will begin at 7 a.m. A rain date has been set for May 6. The entry fee is \$45 for MWR golf members and \$60 for non-members. The entry fee deadline is April 22. For more

information, call Gail Askew 726-0156.

### RDEC 5K

RDEC 5K Run and Fun Walk, a fund-raiser for Army Emergency Relief, is May 10 at 9:30 a.m. at the PT track off Corporal Road. Entry fee \$15 includes T-shirt and refreshments. Rain date is May 11. Call Wynema Wooten 842-2775, Carolyn Farmer 876-3810 or Justin Olander 842-2769.

### Sports ball

The eighth annual Sports Ball, a formal affair, is May 14 at 6 p.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club. Cost is \$20 for adults, \$10 for ages 10 and under, with checks made payable to the Officers and Civilians Club. The New South Coalition is this year’s sponsor. The organizers are parents, Alabama A&M University alumni and others who get together to support local children in furthering their education through scholarships nationwide. “My father, Charles Cooke, a World War II veteran, created the program on behalf of my daughter Marion Jones, a former J.O. Johnson High track student,” said Connie Jones, the event’s co-founder. Anyone interested in sponsoring a student should call Jones 859-4850 or the Officers and Civilians Club 842-0449 or 830-2582.

### Golf town hall

All golfing patrons of Team Redstone are invited to a golf town hall meeting 6 p.m. April 19 at the Officers and Civilians Club ballroom. Many key topics of interest to the golfing patrons at large will be presented, to include: the 2005 USGA Agronomist Report on Redstone Golf

Course; the Golf Course Master Plan (greens, status of the new nine and other planned improvements); new fees and new fee programs for 2005; election of new Golf Advisory Council representatives; automating the tee-time system; tournament schedule; and more, plus an open discussion, Q&A session. Plan to attend if you want your voice heard by your elected advisers, the Morale Welfare and Recreation management and Garrison command team. Refreshments will be served.

### Bass tournament

The Tennessee Valley Chapter of the Army Aviation Association of America is holding its 2005 Spring Bass Tournament April 22-23. Each day will be scored as an individual tournament. Tournament headquarters and launch/weigh-in site is the Joe Wheeler State Park, Elk River Group Lodge. Limited lodging is available by calling Bob Vlasics 881-4144. Pre-registration is required by April 18. For more information and registration call Vlasics, Tom Geoffroy 955-8188, Matt Boenker 955-6420, Tony Giannelli 313-6054 or Odis Nickoles 313-4976.

### Senior softball

Slow-pitch senior softball, under auspices of the Huntsville Senior Center and Huntsville Recreational Services, will begin for men over age 55. All games and practices are held at Brahan Spring Field 4. The season starts May 16 with games Mondays and Thursdays at 6 p.m. and 7:15. Practices are Saturdays, Mondays and Thursdays at 10 a.m. until season start. If interested call Ray Beverly 859-7419 or Fred Garcia 883-1135.

### Boating course

The Coast Guard Auxiliary will have its Boating Safety Course beginning April 14 and running each Thursday night from 6:30- 9, ending May 26. The classes will be taught in building 3305, Zeus Drive, room 215. For more information, call Tom Kunhart 885-7096 or 830-6621.



## Conferences & Meetings

### Men singers

The Rocket City Chorus, a chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, meets every Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Aldersgate Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 12901 Bailey Cove Road. For more information, call John Gonzalez 842-2992 (work) or 852-2408 (home).

### Warrant officers

The Warrant Officer Association, Redstone Arsenal Chapter invites all warrant officers to attend its meetings the second Wednesday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club. Chapter activities and information can be viewed at <http://www.redstonewarrants.com/>. For more information, call retired Chief Warrant Officer Tommy Vaden 955-0886.

### Air Force association

The Tennessee Valley Chapter of the Air Force Association invites all former and any present Air Force members, reservists or ANG to the Firehouse Pub for an informal gathering on the last Thursday of each month at 5 p.m. “AFA membership is not required to participate and we encourage anyone who has worn the blue suit to stop by and enjoy the camaraderie,” a prepared release said. For information call Terry Roop (256) 230-0396 after 6 p.m.

### Military pay operations

The 10th Army Military Pay Operations Conference is scheduled April 19-22 at the Marriott East Hotel, 7202 East 21st Street, Indianapolis, Ind. The theme is “One Team, One Mission” with the underlying purpose of resolving any pay issue as one team with one mission in mind: pay servicemembers what they expect to be paid when they expect to be paid. For more information and to register, visit the Field Services Office web site at <https://dfas4dod.dfas.mil/centers/dfasin/milpay/fso/> or e-mail Master Sgt. Scott Hummel at [scott.hummel@dfas.mil](mailto:scott.hummel@dfas.mil).

### Logistics support conference

The annual Army Integrated Logistics Support Conference is May 3-5 at Bob Jones Auditorium. This event is sponsored by ASA (ALT) ILS Directorate, the Logistics Support Activity and the International Society of Logistics. To register and see an agenda, go to the Tennessee Valley Chapter of the International Society of Logistics home page [www.hats.org/sole](http://www.hats.org/sole). For more information call Randy Gibbs 313-2942, Debbie Baugh 955-0963, Jane Reeves (334) 663-6762, or Kurt Weidenthal 464-5351, ext. 214.

### Contracting forum

DCMA Huntsville will hold a Government-Contractor Forum May 17-18 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Bob Jones Auditorium. For information e-mail Lorena Henderson at [warfighter@dcma.mil](mailto:warfighter@dcma.mil).

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### Supply management seminar

The Center for Management and Economic Research at the University of Alabama-Huntsville and the North Alabama International Trade Association will offer a three-day seminar May 12, 26 and June 16 at UAH on global supply chain management. For more information, call Dr. Jeet Gupta 824-6593.

### Transition workshop

The Transition Center, Military Personnel Division, Human Resources Directorate, Garrison hosts a three-day transition workshop once each month in building 3493 for personnel transitioning out of the military or leaving civil service, military retirees and family members of all. In this workshop, various service providers brief on retirement and separation benefits as well as resume preparation and preparation for interviews and how to dress. Upcoming workshops are April 19-21 (already full) and May 17-19. To reserve a seat for May, call Tanzella Jackson 842-2718.

### Project management institute

The Project Management Institute will hold its monthly luncheon meeting from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 19 at Landry's Seafood Restaurant (just off I-565 and Bob Wallace Avenue, near the U.S. Space & Rocket Center). Dr. Jay Billings of Defense Systems Management Corporation is to speak on "Data Configuration Management." This will be a joint meeting with the IEEE Engineering Management Society. Cost is \$20. RSVP by Friday to programs@NorthAlabamaPMI.org or prepay at www.NorthAlabamaPMI.org.

### Engineers society

The Huntsville Post of the Society of American Military Engineers meets for lunch April 21 at Wild Flour Bistro, Jordan Lane. Susan Walker of the Flint River Conservation Association is to speak on "Environmental Sustainability and Stewardship." Check in is 11:30 a.m. with lunch at noon. The meal cost is pay as you go. For reservations call Laura Beth Quick 895-1302.

### Resource managers

The American Society of Military Comptrollers will hold its monthly meeting at 11:30 a.m. Thursday at the Trinity Personal Growth Center on Airport Road. AMCOM commander Maj. Gen. Jim Pillsbury is to speak on Condition Based Maintenance and Soldier Support. For tickets — \$9 members, \$10 non-members — see your organi-

zation representative or call Kim Jean 876-7208 or Lisa Lowry 876-1423.

### Parent-teacher council

The Huntsville Council of PTAs will hold its monthly meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday at the Huntsville City Schools Annex Building on Bob Wallace Avenue. For more information, call Becky Vansant 694-8035.

### Administrative professionals

Administrative assistants, office coordinators, executive secretaries and other types of administrative staff in the greater Huntsville area are invited to network with other professionals during the second annual "Pride in Professionalism" seminar and education forum April 26 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Huntsville Hilton. This event is sponsored by the Huntsville Chapter of the International Association of Administrative Professionals. Keynote speaker Judy Kehr of Bessemer State Technical College is to open with the topic "Essential Qualities of a Team Player." Concurrent workshops will include "The Indispensable Assistant — Tech Know How"; "Smart Women Finish Rich"; "Public Speaking"; "How to Market Yourself and Your Company" and more. Continental breakfast, office expo and sit down lunch are all included for \$85 if you register by Thursday. Late registration is \$95 until April 21. For more information and to register, call Paulette Bell 824-6100.

### Women accountants

American Society of Women Accountants will meet April 18 at the UAH- Tom Bevell Center, 550 Sparkman Drive. Social begins at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6 and the program at 6:30. The program is "First Impressions — Best Foot Forward," Student Night, with speaker Elsie Morris; and it will qualify for one hour CPE credit. Cost is \$16.50 members, \$17.50 non-members and \$10 full-time undergraduate students. Reservations are required by noon Thursday; call 830-0377.

### Air defenders

Redstone-Huntsville Chapter of the Air Defense Artillery Association will hold a luncheon April 21 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Select Hotel by Holiday Inn (formerly the Hilton across from the Von Braun Center), Azalea Room. Scheduled speaker is Col. Richard DeFatta, project manager, Cruise Missile Defense. The entree is lime grilled chicken at \$20 for

members, \$23.50 non-members. RSVP by 3 p.m. Friday by calling Sue Acuff 726-1251.

### Women of chapel

Protestant Women of the Chapel will hold its Spring Women's Conference, Friday and Saturday. Events include a family fiesta Friday from 6-9 p.m. at the Diane Campbell Recreation Center, and a retreat of rejoicing Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club. To RSVP for the retreat at the chapel, e-mail jennifer@ministryforlife.com.

### Communications electronics

Huntsville Chapter of the Armed Forces Communications Electronics Association will hold its bimonthly luncheon April 19 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Bevell Conference Center, 550 Sparkman Drive, second floor, room 280. Scheduled speaker is Col. Frank Arena Jr., senior Air Force representative to Marshall Space Flight Center and the Air Force Space Command liaison. For more information, call Larry C. Hall 955-6953.

### Young business leaders

Young Business Leaders, a ministry to men in the marketplace, will hold its first breakfast meeting of 2005 on April 29 at 6:30 in the morning at the Huntsville Marriott. James "Micky" Blackwell, a consultant to several corporations and policy groups, is scheduled speaker. Cost is \$15. To RSVP, call Bob Boerner 882-6003 by April 25.

### Sergeants major

Sergeants Major Association will hold its monthly meeting April 21 from 6:30-7:30 in the morning in the Twickenham Room at the Officers and Civilians Club. For more information, call retired Command Sgt. Maj. Jean Rose 313-1659.

### Reserve association

Fleet Reserve Association Branch 278 will have its monthly meeting at noon April 23 at Greenbrier Barbecue on I-565, ext. 3. For information call Gene Aittala (256) 773-6283 or Jim Sutton 650-5748.

### Education committee

The Garrison Education Committee meeting is noon April 18 in the Redstone Room of the Challenger Community Activity Center, building 1500. The meeting is designed to keep the Garrison commander and committee members informed of the educational opportunities available to the Redstone community and provide information on Huntsville City Schools, where children who live on Redstone Arsenal go. For more information, call Pam Berry 876-7801.

### Officers association

Huntsville Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America will hold its informal monthly breakfast April 23 at 8 a.m. at Victoria's Cafe, 7540 Memorial Parkway southwest. The chapter's monthly luncheon meeting is 11 a.m. April 27 at

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the Officers and Civilians Club with scheduled speaker Col. Tim Crosby, cargo helicopter project manager. For more information, call retired Air Force Maj. Steve Crawley 883-2323.

### Test week

The Defense Test Resource Management Center will sponsor Test Week 2005, "The Major Range and Test Facility Base: How Should It Transform to Meet the Needs of the Warfighter?" June 6-9 at the Von Braun Center South Hall. Registration fee is \$325 for all attendees. For information call Sherry Hillely 842-6715.

### Process improvement workshop

The Software Engineering Directorate is sponsoring a free Practical Acquisition Process Improvement Implementation Workshop, April 28 from noon to 3:30 at SED, building 6263. "This workshop was developed with DoD Acquisition work force personnel in mind, to include: program management office personnel, matrixed functionals, and those working in all aspects of systems, software, and hardware acquisition," a prepared release said. Registration is required. For more information and to register, call Mamie Morgan 890-4514 or e-mail mamie.morgan@L-3com.com.

### Madison art league

The Art League of Madison meets at the Clay House Museum, 16 Main Street, Madison, on the third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. The next meeting is April 18. For more information, call Robin Hall Brewer 325-1018.

### Federally employed women

North Alabama Chapter of Federally Employed Women will hold its monthly meeting April 21 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club, Regimental Room. For more information, call Donna Rigsby 313-3021.



### Miscellaneous

### Reserve unit openings

A local Army Reserve detachment doing weekend drills on Redstone Arsenal has openings for computer specialists. The unit seeks prior active duty Soldiers or transfers from other Reserve/National Guard units with a specialty of 25B/74B information systems operators and 75B/H unit administration. For 25B/74B, the unit will consider reclassification action to 25B if you can document with resume your Civilian Acquired Skills to include your education/experience in the following computer skills: data base management, programming, networking and telecommunications. Minimum of a secret clearance is required. And you must possess the personal qualifications to pass a SBI background investigation process to obtain a top secret clearance soon. Specialties 74C and 74F are now authorized to convert to 74B as well. For specialty 74C or 74F, they have merged into the 25B career group and convert to

25B/74B as well. To schedule an interview, call Victor Marshall 313-0168.

### Civilian deployment

Civilian employees are needed to support Aviation and Missile Command missions overseas. Deployment opportunities exist in Southwest Asia in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. Skill sets needed include acquisition, maintenance, supply, quality assurance, engineers, operations officers, logistics and automation, among others. Volunteers must be currently employed by AMCOM. Contractors cannot be considered to fill these positions. Civilians interested in deploying should notify their supervisor and call Eddie Allen 876-4106 or Carl Washington 876-2082. Contractors and other interested people can access [www.cpol.army.mil](http://www.cpol.army.mil) for openings and opportunities for overseas employment.

### Surplus sales

Marshall Space Flight Center's surplus property can be purchased through the General Services Administration sales web site. Go to [www.gsaauctions.gov](http://www.gsaauctions.gov), search by State of Alabama; and there you will find items located at MSFC and other federal agencies in Alabama to bid on. For more information, call 544-4667.

### Tax assistance center

The Redstone Tax Center, building 3489 off Ajax Road, provides free tax preparation and electronic filing services to active duty and retired military and their dependents. Hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. by appointment only, and Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5-7 for walk-in services. For an appointment, directions, or more information, call 842-1040.

### Thrift shop

The Thrift Shop, building 3209 on Hercules Road, is open for shopping 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays and 9-4 Wednesdays and Thursdays. Walk-in consignment hours are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9-1. Military personnel and their families may call the manager for an appointment. The shop is accepting spring and summer items. Donations are accepted and tax slips are available. Volunteers are needed. For more information, call 881-6992.

### Association scholarship

The Redstone Arsenal Chapter of the Warrant Officer Association will present a \$1,000 scholarship. Application packets must be received before May 1 in order to be considered. Completed application packets should be mailed directly to: RAWOA Scholarship Program, c/o Chief Warrant Officer Richard Storie, 102 Trevor Circle, Toney, AL. 35773. Applications will be accepted from the children (natural and adopted), dependent stepchildren under age 21 (seniors in high school or currently enrolled college freshmen) of

members of the active, National Guard, reserve, and retired military and DoD civilians in the Tennessee Valley area. Awards will be announced by June 15. To download a packet and application form, go to [www.redstonewarrants.com](http://www.redstonewarrants.com).

## CFC charities

Tennessee Valley Combined Federal Campaign is accepting applications from non-profit charitable human health and welfare organizations wanting to receive contributions. Under federal law, each recipient must be a 501 (c) (3) organization. The application period continues through Thursday. The CFC campaign manages the collection and disbursements of donations from military and federal employees in Cullman, Lawrence, Limestone, Madison, Marshall and Morgan County as well as Lincoln County, Tenn. For more information or to obtain an application, call Melinda Seigler, CFC director, 536-0745, ext. 108 or download the application with instructions at <http://cfc.redstone.army.mil>.



## Computer classes

The Employment Readiness Program offers free self-paced computer tutorials to military family members who would like to develop or enhance their computer skills. Other members of the military community, including active duty personnel, retirees and civilian employees may take advantage of this training on a space available basis. Classes are available for Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Publisher, Outlook, Access, and Windows XP. A certificate of completion is issued upon successful completion of each course. For more information, call Debra Jefferson at Army Community Service 876-5397.

## Enlisted scholarships

The Huntsville Chapter of the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association has a number of scholarship opportunities available for undergraduates and graduates. Scholarships are available for military personnel, working students and students enrolled in SROTC. For more information, go to <http://www.afcea.org/scholarships>.

## Defense association honors

The Tennessee Valley Chapter of the National Defense Industrial Association announces the opening of nominations for its annual awards program to recognize the accomplishments of the local Defense Industrial Base work force. The chapter will recognize these individuals with an Annual Awards Banquet on the evening of April 28 at the Marriott Space Park. The chapter is accepting nominations for its Medaris Award, two Defense Management Awards and four Defense Technical Awards. These nationally-recognized awards will be presented as will the recipients of two book scholarships given by the chapter to Alabama A&M University and UAH and the recipients of five fellowships given by the Space and Missile Defense Working Group. More information on the 2005 Awards Program and the nomination process can be found at [www.ndia-tvc.org](http://www.ndia-tvc.org).

## Labor law symposium

North Alabama Chapter of the Federal Bar Association is sponsoring the third annual Labor Law Symposium April 21 at the Sheraton Four Points Hotel. Cost is \$125 for FBA members and \$175 for non-members. "This is a one-day symposium and we are seeking to get 6 hours of continuing legal education credits from both the Tennessee and Alabama state bar associations," a prepared release said. "We have two Merit Systems Protection Board judges, one Equal Employment Opportunity Commission judge, and our own local U.S. Magistrate judge, Harwell Davis, as speakers. The other two speakers are Joyce Kitchens, an attorney from Atlanta, and Lt. Col. Margo Stone, chief of the civil law division of the Air Force Judge Advocate School at Maxwell AFB." For more information, call Margaret Simmons 895-1101.

## Accreditation notice

The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations will conduct an accreditation survey of Fox Army Health Center on April 20-22. The purpose of the survey will be to evaluate the organization's compliance with nationally established Joint Commission standards. The survey results will be used to determine whether, and the conditions under which accreditation should be awarded the organization. Joint Commission standards deal with organizational quality of care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided. Anyone believing that he or she has pertinent and valid information about such matters may request a public information interview which will be carefully evaluated for relevance to the accreditation process. Requests for a public information interview must be made in writing and should be sent to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins. The request must also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such requests should be addressed to: Division of Accreditation Operations, Account Representative (Attn. Ms. Fontanetta), Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, One Renaissance Boulevard, Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181. The Joint Commission will acknowledge such request in writing or by telephone and will inform the organization of the request for any interview. The organization will, in turn, notify the interviewee of the date, time and place of the meeting.

## High school musical

The Buckhorn High School drama department will present "Grease" at 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$5.

## Car wash benefit

The Evening Optimist Club will hold its annual car wash to benefit the Youth of Huntsville, May 22 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Lee's Magic Tunnel Car Wash, 2318 Memorial Parkway southwest. Cost is \$7 for wash and sealer wax (\$13.50 value). In case of rain, the event would be held June 5. For information or tickets, call Bob Allen 772-5966.



Courtesy photo

## Achievement awards

From left Wesley Kilgore, director of Major Procurement Fraud Unit, Army Criminal Investigation Command, presents Civilian Achievement Awards to contract specialists Colleen Rodriguez and Clarence Daniels while Acquisition Center executive director Marlene Cruze looks on. They are recognized for their assistance and cooperation in a major procurement fraud investigation which resulted in a \$1.4 million recovery to the government.

## Volunteer award

The National Military Family Association is accepting applications for the Very Important Patriot Award. The program, now in its 11th year, recognizes exceptional volunteers worldwide whose outstanding service contributes to improving the quality of life in their military and civilian communities. Any active duty, National Guard and Reserve, or retired servicemember of the seven uniformed services, their family members, and survivors are eligible to be nominated. Nominations will only be accepted online at <http://www.nmfa.org/vip> through Friday. Winners will be notified mid-May.

## AER book sale

Command Analysis Directorate's annual book sale for Army Emergency Relief is April 25-29 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Sparkman building 5300, first floor corridor between 5303 and 5304. Books, books-on-tape, CDs, DVDs and videotapes can be contributed through April 26 by calling Brian Barry 876-5743.

## Workers' compensation session

The Injury Compensation Office, in the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center, will conduct a Workers' Compensation information session at request. If your organization wishes to schedule a session at your location choice, call Debra Hammond 842-9038 or Kim Stoufer 876-5294.

## Aviation association scholarships

The Army Aviation Association of America offers scholarships and interest free loan opportunities to eligible children, spouses and siblings of AAAA members. Certain scholarships are also dedicated to enlisted, warrant officer, company grade

officers and Army civilian members. Application deadline for academic year 2005-06 is May 1. Sponsor AAAA membership must have been activated by May 1, 2004 for 2005-06 applications. For specific application information/forms visit the AAAA web site at [www.quad-a.org](http://www.quad-a.org), email [aaaa@quad-a.org](mailto:aaaa@quad-a.org), or call (203) 268-2450. For Tennessee Valley Chapter scholarship or membership information, call Tom Harrison, vice president for scholarships (256) 964-8460, ext. 103, or Mike Carden, vice president for membership, 461-6039.

## Mustang drivers

The Rocket City Mustang Club is hosting the 2005 National Mustang Club of America car show May 13-15 at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 8-4 Sunday. If you would like to show your Mustang, the deadline to register is April 15. Admission is free for all spectators. Registration forms along with more details on the show can be found at [www.rocketcity-mustang.com](http://www.rocketcity-mustang.com).

## Infantry reunion

Veterans of the 88th Infantry (Blue Devil) Division and Trieste U.S. Troops (TRUST) are invited to join the Southeastern Chapter, 88th Infantry Division Association, at its 50th reunion April 28 to May 1 at the Holiday Inn Columbus North in Columbus, Ga. For more information, call Robert McCall 881-6325.

## Library week celebration

The Redstone Scientific Information Center will celebrate National Library Week today from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. as part of the

annual national celebration of libraries and librarians. National Library Week has been a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries across the nation since 1958 and is a time to recognize the contributions that America's libraries and librarians have made. Light refreshments will be served and live demonstrations of RSIC resources will be available. "Learn all about the library's electronic resources and connect with the ultimate search engine – your RSIC librarian!" a prepared release said. RSIC is located at building 4484 just off Martin Road behind Garrison headquarters. For more information, call 876-9309.

## Tsunami impact

The tsunami that occurred in Asia Dec. 26 impacted many. Do you want to share how it influenced your life and family with the Redstone community? If you have any information that you would like included in an upcoming program on the Arsenal, call Gladys Lee 876-5844 or Sgt. 1st Class Monique Mixon 876-8648.

## Job fair

A "Job Fair" will be held April 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Challenger Community Activity Center, building 1500. This event is open to all military spouses, military retirees, transitioning Soldiers, National Guard and Reservists returning from the war on terrorism. This is an opportunity to meet with several employers in one location for employment consideration. A job fair preparation session specifically designed for returning National Guard and Reservists was held on April 6 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the National Guard Armory on Johnson Road. A resume writing workshop will be offered at 10 a.m. today at Army Community Service for military spouses; call Debra Jefferson 876-5397 to register. There is no registration required to attend the Job Fair.

## Resumix training

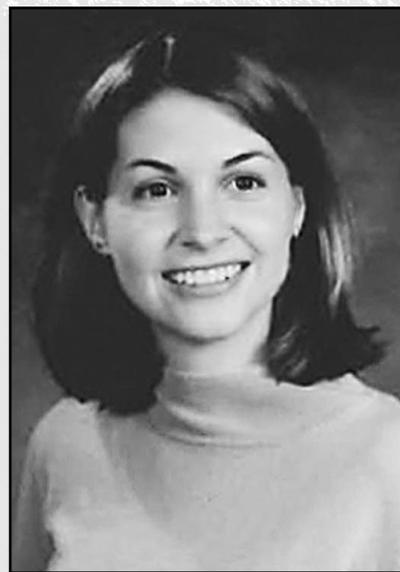
A representative from the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center will give an overview of the Resumix and federal application process April 19 from 10-11:30 a.m. at Army Community Service, building 3338 on Redeye Road. Military spouses and veterans are encouraged to call ACS at 876-5397 to reserve a seat.

## Historic homes tour

Civilian Welfare Fund Council is selling tickets to Alabama's Largest Antebellum District Historic Homes Tour. The tour May 7 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. includes five private homes, two residential gardens, the First Presbyterian Church and Weeden House Museum featuring vintage wedding gowns. You may purchase tickets for \$15 by calling Randy Bigler 955-0505 by May 4.

## Voices from past

On May 8 from 2-4:30 p.m., the Huntsville Pilgrimage Association is sponsoring Voices from Past Times – Maple Hill Cemetery Stroll with more than 80 Huntsville residents in period costumes representing notables from the past,



Courtesy photo

## Alabama scholar

**University of Alabama senior Stephanie Nance will receive two awards Friday in Tuscaloosa: outstanding undergraduate in economics and the Murray Havens Award. Stephanie, daughter of contract specialist Karen and Steve Nance of Madison, will graduate May 7 with a 4.0 gpa.**

most of whom are buried at Maple Hill. This event is free to the public. Donations are welcome. For more information about Pilgrimage Weekend, May 7-8, call Margaret Strickland 533-5723 or Gwen Walker 551-9872

## Block party

In celebration of the annual Month of the Military Child, the Redstone Arsenal Child and Youth Services Community Block Party from 1-4 p.m. Saturday at the Youth Center, building 3148. There will be plenty of friends, families, food and fun. For details call 876-7801.

## Summer camp

Child and Youth Services is conducting summer camp registration through May 15 from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at building 1500 on Weeden Mountain Road. Youth whose parent/guardian are military, retired military, DoD, Army, Redstone contractor or NASA employees are eligible to participate. Registration cost is \$18 per person or \$40 per family. Required registration items include a current immunization record and the child's Social Security number. For more information, call 876-7801.

## Scholarship banquet

Alabama A&M University will hold its fifth annual black-tie scholarship banquet and ball Thursday night at 7 at the Von Braun Center North Hall. Open seating is \$50; and Thursday is the ticket purchase deadline. For more information, call Angela Morton 313-7271.

## Genealogical society

Huntsville Genealogical Computing Society will present a free program at 7 p.m. April 17 at Huntsville-Madison County Public Library, 915 Monroe St. The program is titled "Find Out about Surnames, Given Names, Nick-Names and No-Names, Where are My Relatives Hiding?" For more information, call 883-5650.

## Cadet scholarships

Col. Michael E. Johnson, president of the Redstone-Huntsville Chapter of the Air Defense Artillery Association, will present scholarships for academic and military achievement to two Alabama A&M University Army ROTC Advanced Course cadets. Cadet Jessie Mooney, a Military Science III student, will be given a check for \$1,000; and Cadet Brian Kitching, a Military Science IV student, will be awarded \$500. The awards program is 2:30 p.m. April 21 in the university's School of Business multipurpose room.

## Anxiety disorders

To help individuals learn about anxiety disorders, their symptoms and effective treatments, the Mental Health Center of Madison County and the Mental Health Association will hold a free program and screening May 4 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Huntsville Hospital Corporate University.

## PX news

The Post Exchange announces the following: Texier Purse event through May 10, Lighting Bazaar through May 15, Whirlpool Kitchenaid appliance sale April 15-24 and Oriental Rug Bazaar April 26 through May 19.

## Choir rehearsal

The sanctuary choir of First Baptist Church will hold a community-wide open house/rehearsal tonight from 6:30-7:30. "If you love to sing great choral music and currently don't have an outlet to do so, you're invited to sing with the FBC choir," a prepared release said. For more information, call the church 428-9400.

## Astronomy day

Von Braun Astronomical Society will hold an Astronomy Day program Saturday at the Von Braun Planetarium and Observatory in Monte Sano State Park. Admission is free. Activities noon to 6 p.m. include planetarium shows, movies, demonstrations, games, crafts and more. Evening activities starting at 7 feature guest speakers and a tour of the night sky. For more information, visit the web site [www.vbas.org](http://www.vbas.org).

## Library open house

The Post Library is holding an Open House to celebrate National Library Week, April 12-16, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. Stop by to express your appreciation for libraries, meet the staff and tour the library. There will be door prizes and refreshments. For more information, call 876-4741.

## Arts and crafts classes

The Arts and Crafts Center offers the following classes: April 16, Adirondack Chair; April 18, Introduction to Wood

Working; April 19, Crocheted Felt Purses; April 23, Matting & Framing Class; and April 25, Woodturning for Beginners. Prerequisites and advance registration may apply for some of these classes. For class times and prices, call 876-7974.

## Mentoring program

The G-1 (Human Resources) is accepting mentor and mentee applications until Friday for those interested in volunteering to participate in the AMCOM People Empowering People Mentoring Program. This program is open to all AMCOM permanent civilian employees. The next six month mentoring cycle will be conducted from May to October. In order to apply, interested participants will complete a mentoring application used to match mentees to mentors. The applications are in the Mentoring Handbook, posted on the AMCOM intranet web site, under subject index "M." Submit applications to Cheryl Wise at AMSAM-HR or e-mail to [cheryl.wise@redstone.army.mil](mailto:cheryl.wise@redstone.army.mil). For more information, call Wise 876-6062.

## Free seminars

Free seminars are open to all active duty, retired, civil service, contractors and their family members. Titles for some of the seminars include: Basic Problem Solving, Supporting your Child's Education and Benefits, Entitlements and Compensation, to name a few. The seminar will take place May 3-5 from 6-9 p.m. in building 3325 on Redeye Road. Dinner and child care will be provided with advance registration. For more information or to register, call 842-8375.

## Women investors

Shari Burnum, president of Investor's Resource and branch manager of Raymond James Financial Services Inc., is hosting a "For Women Only" luncheon April 21 from 11:30-12:30 at the Palladium Executive Building in Madison. The topic this month is "Alzheimer's and Caregiving" and will include a Q&A with the regional director of the Alzheimer's Association. Lunch will be catered by Main Street Cafe. Cost is \$10. Call Rachel Caudle 772-4646 to reserve your seat.

## Garage sale

Morale Welfare and Recreation will host a post-wide garage sale from 8 a.m. until noon May 7. The garage sale — open to the entire Redstone community (active duty and retired military, and civilian and contract employees) — will be held at the south end of the Post Exchange parking lot. Permits to sell items may be purchased for \$5 at the Diane Campbell Recreation Center, building 3711. Active



duty may purchase their permits April 16-17. The rest of the Redstone community may begin purchasing permits April 18. All items being sold must be personally owned or used and sellers must be in place by 7:45 that morning. No vendors will be allowed. For more information, call 876-4531.

# ARMY POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS REDSTONE ARSENAL AND HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA AREA

ANNOUNCEMENTS	POSITION TITLE	CLOSING	ORGANIZATION	PAY PLAN	GRADE	POT	PAY RANGE	WHO CAN APPLY?											
		DATE	LOCATION	& SERIES	LEVEL	GRD	(FROM - TO)	A	B	C	D	E	F	H	I	R	T	V	U
<b>AS OF 7 APR 05</b>																			
<b>THE FOLLOWING ARMY ANNOUNCEMENTS CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEB AT WWW.CPOL.ARMY.MIL</b>																			
SCBK05495434	General Engineer	13-Apr-05	LOGSA	GS-0801	13	13	72,486 - 94,229		X										
SCBK05513880	Electronics Engineer	14-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0855	3	3	60,955 - 94,229		X	X	X	X	X						
SCBK05477869	Program Analyst	14-Apr-05	SMDC	GS-0343	13	13	72,486 - 94,229		X										
SCBK05517759	Computer Engineer	15-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0854	3	3	60,955 - 94,229		X	X	X	X	X						
SCBK05517759D	Computer Engineer	15-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0854	3	3	60,955 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05502708D	General Engineer	15-Apr-05	SMDC	GS-0801	14	14	85,656 - 111,355	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05491749	Human Resources Specialist (HRD)	15-Apr-05	AMCOM G1	NH-0201	3	3	60,955 - 94,229		X										
SCBK05480931	Lead Materials Engineer	15-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0806	4	4	85,656 - 130,988		X	X	X	X	X						
SCBK05480931D	Lead Materials Engineer	15-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0806	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05488808	Logistics Mgmt Specialist	15-Apr-05	LOGSA	GS-0346	12	12	60,955 - 79,238								X	X	X	X	
SCBK05488808D	Logistics Mgmt Specialist	15-Apr-05	LOGSA	GS-0346	12	12	60,955 - 79,238	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05473228	Supervisory Inspector General	15-Apr-05	AMCOM IG	NH-1801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988								X	X			X
SCBK05473228D	Supervisory Inspector General	15-Apr-05	AMCOM IG	NH-1801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05444829	Supv Logistics Mgmt Sp.	15-Apr-05	LOGSA	GS-0346	14	14	85,656 - 111,355		X										
SCBK05492302	Contract Specialist	18-Apr-05	ACQ Ctr	GS-1102	7	11	34,363 - 44,673	X	X	X				X					X
SCBK05412491D	General Engineer	18-Apr-05	GMD JPO	NH-0801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05500327	Operations Research Analyst	18-Apr-05	PEO Aviation	NH-1515	3	3	60,955 - 94,229	X	X										X
SCBK05500327D	Operations Research Analyst	18-Apr-05	PEO Aviation	NH-1515	3	3	60,955 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05481009	Supv General Engineer	18-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988		X	X	X	X	X						X
SCBK05481009D	Supv General Engineer	18-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK0506798	Training Specialist	18-Apr-05	OMEMS	GS-1712	9	11	42,034 - 66,115		X	X									X
SCBK05502309	Logistics Mgmt Specialist	20-Apr-05	IMMC	GS-0303	7	7	34,363 - 44,662	X											X
SCBK05496160D	Supv General Engineer	20-Apr-05	SMDC	GS-0801	15	15	100,756-130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05509226	Electrical Engineer	21-Apr-05	CofE Huntsville	GS-0850	12	12	60,955 - 79,238		X	X	X	X	X						X
SCBK05509226D	Electrical Engineer	21-Apr-05	CofE Huntsville	GS-0850	12	12	60,955 - 79,238	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05475214R	Health Physicist (Leader)	21-Apr-05	TMDE	GS-1306	13	13	72,486 - 94,229		X										
SCBK05491272	Civil Engr; Mech Engr; Elec Engr; Chem Engr	22-Apr-05	CofE Huntsville	GS-0810, 0830, 0850, 0893	13	13	72,486 - 94,229		X	X	X			X			X	X	X
SCBK05501417	Lead Aerospace Engr	22-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0861	4	4	85,656 - 130,988		X	X	X	X	X						X
SCBK05501417D	Lead Aerospace Engr	22-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0861	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05516627	Lead Human Resources Specialist (R&P/CLASS)	22-Apr-05	CHRA CPAC	GS-0201	13	13	72,486 - 94,229								X				
SCBK05502266	Logistics Mgmt Specialist	22-Apr-05	IMMC	GS-0301	13	13	72,486 - 94,229	X											
SCBK05502280	Supply Systems Analyst	22-Apr-05	IMMC	GS-2003	12	12	60,955 - 79,238	X											
SCBK05479181	Administrative Support Assistant (OA)	25-Apr-05	IMMC	GS-0303	6	6	30,923 - 40,201	X		X				X				X	X
SCBK05475145	Program Manager	25-Apr-05	RDECOM	DE-0340	5	5	100,756-130,988		X	X	X	X	X						X
SCBK05475145D	Program Manager	25-Apr-05	RDECOM	DE-0340	5	5	100,756-130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05496160	Supv General Engineer	25-Apr-05	SMDC	GS-0801	15	15	100,756-130,988		X	X	X	X	X						X
SCBK05511963D	Materials Engineer	29-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0806	3	3	60,955 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05511963OC	Materials Engineer	29-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0806	3	3	60,955 - 94,229		X	X	X	X	X						X
SCBK05508973	Safety Engineer	29-Apr-05	CofE Huntsville	GS-0803	13	13	72,486 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05508973D	Safety Engineer	29-Apr-05	CofE Huntsville	GS-0803	13	13	72,486 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05511751	Supv General Engineer	1-May-05	RDECOM	DB-0801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988		X	X	X	X	X						X
SCBK05511751D	Supv General Engineer	1-May-05	RDECOM	DB-0801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05509433	Equal Employment Specialist	5-May-05	Garrison-Redstone	GS-0260	11	11	50,858 - 66,115		X										X
SCBK05516926	General Engineer	5-May-05	RDECOM	DB-0801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988		X										X
SCBK05478802	IT Project Manager	5-May-05	Garrison-Redstone	GS-2210	13	13	64,478 - 83,819		X										
SCBK05516926D	General Engineer	6-May-05	RDECOM	DB-0801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05515420	Supv Logistics Mgmt Sp.	9-May-05	PEO Aviation	NH-0346	4	4	85,656 - 130,988		X										X
SCBK05515420D	Supv Logistics Mgmt Sp.	9-May-05	PEO Aviation	NH-0346	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05511963OC	Materials Engineer	29-Jun-05	RDECOM	DB-0806	3	3	60,955 - 94,229		X	X	X								X
SCBK05377091OC	Safety and Occ Health Specialist	9-Aug-05	CofE Huntsville	GS-0018	11	11	50,858 - 66,115		X	X	X								X
<b>THE FOLLOWING OPM/DEU ANNOUNCEMENTS CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEB AT WWW.USAJOBS.OPM.GOV</b>																			
SCBK05513880D	Electronics Engineer	14-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0855	3	3	60,955 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05517759D	Computer Engineer	15-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0854	3	3	60,955 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05502708D	General Engineer	15-Apr-05	SMDC	GS-0801	14	14	85,656 - 111,355	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05480931D	Lead Materials Engineer	15-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0806	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05488808D	Logistics Mgmt Specialist	15-Apr-05	LOGSA	GS-0346	12	12	60,955 - 79,238	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05473228D	Supervisory Inspector General	15-Apr-05	AMCOM IG	NH-1801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05412491D	General Engineer	18-Apr-05	GMD JPO	NH-0801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05500327D	Operations Research Analyst	18-Apr-05	PEO Aviation	NH-1515	3	3	60,955 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05481009D	Supv General Engineer	18-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05496160D	Supv General Engineer	20-Apr-05	SMDC	GS-0801	15	15	100,756-130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05509226D	Electrical Engineer	21-Apr-05	CofE Huntsville	GS-0850	12	12	60,955 - 79,238	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05501417D	Lead Aerospace Engr	22-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0861	4	4	85,656 - 130,988		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05475145D	Program Manager	25-Apr-05	RDECOM	DE-0340	5	5	100,756-130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05511963D	Materials Engineer	29-Apr-05	RDECOM	DB-0806	3	3	60,955 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05508973D	Safety Engineer	29-Apr-05	CofE Huntsville	GS-0803	13	13	72,486 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05511751D	Supv General Engineer	1-May-05	RDECOM	DB-0801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05516926D	General Engineer	6-May-05	RDECOM	DB-0801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05515420D	Supv Logistics Mgmt Sp.	9-May-05	PEO Aviation	NH-0346	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

**WHO CAN APPLY CODE DEFINITIONS (Note: Only U.S. citizens are eligible to apply for Army positions)**

**A** - Army permanent competitive service employees and certain Army excepted service employees serviced by Redstone CPAC.

**B** - All Army permanent competitive service employees and certain Army excepted service employees (SF-50 documenting service required).

**C** - Compensable Disabled Veterans receiving 30% or more compensation from a military service or the VA (SF-15 and other documentation required).

**D** - All Department of Defense competitive service employees and certain DOD excepted service employees (SF-50 documenting service required)

**E** - Executive Order 12721 eligibles. (Former overseas family member employees who meet eligibility requirements)

**F** - All Federal Employees

**H** - Severely handicapped persons (Documentation from State Vocational Rehabilitation Service required)

**I** - Interagency Career Transition Assist Plan (ICTAP). (Non-DOD Federal employees who have been displaced by RIF.)

**R** - Reinstatement eligibles (former competitive service Federal employees who meet eligibility requirement.)

**T** - Transfer eligibles (non-Army Federal competitive service employees) (SF-50 documenting service required)

**V** - Certain veterans and prior military members who meet the eligibility criteria under VRA or VEOA programs (DD-214s or proof of service required).

**U** - All