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Combined Federal Campaign has permanent coordinator

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Serving as coordinator for the Combined Federal Campaign has always been a full-time job. But usually there would be a new person in that position every two years.

That's no longer the case.

Donna Johnson of the Garrison is now the permanent coordinator for the charity drive. She served as coordinator for last year's successful campaign and became the first permanent coordinator July 24.

"I think it's a great idea," Johnson said. "Because it provides for continuity in the campaign and gives me an opportunity to grow the campaign. And it gives me the opportunity to learn more about CFC operations which will enable us to have a better program."

Darrell Brewer, deputy to the Garrison commander, initiated the change to a permanent coordinator position. Johnson was appointed as campaign coordinator in May 2004 by Maj. Gen. Jim Pillsbury, chairman of the Tennessee Valley CFC; and her appointment was originally scheduled to end in December 2005.

Changing this to a permanent position "says a lot about management," Johnson said. "It sends a message that management really cares about the campaign and CFC is important to the community.

"I'm excited about it," she said. "I'm extremely honored to be placed in this position on a permanent basis and it makes me feel management has confidence in me to be able to do this job, so I am happy.

"My goal in this position is to continue to have the great campaign that we've always had in the past. The community has always supported CFC. I want us to be able to continue to grow. I want to make sure everybody in the work force knows the importance of CFC to the community."

The 2005 campaign is Oct. 3 through Nov. 11 with a $1.8 million goal and the slogan "CFC – Compassion in Action."

Photo by Skip Vaughn

CFC FIXTURE— Donna Johnson is the first permanent coordinator of the Tennessee Valley Combined Federal Campaign.

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AMC executive looks forward to moving here

Panel approves recommendation regarding higher headquarters

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The top civilian executive at AMC headquarters will return to Huntsville next week to speak to the local chapter of Federally Employed Women.

Kathryn Szymanski, acting executive deputy to the commander of Army Materiel Command, said she looks forward to visiting what will become her new home. Pending the president's approval, AMC headquarters is slated to move to Redstone from Fort Belvoir, Va., as part of base realignment and closure.

Courtesy photo

Kathryn Szymanski

"The (BRAC) commission voted last week on the recommendations," Szymanski said in a phone interview Thursday. "Some recommendations were modified but the majority were not. And one of the recommendations that was not modified was the move of AMC headquarters to Huntsville.

"We fully intend on executing whatever decision the president accepts from the BRAC commission," she said.

Szymanski is to speak on the Army's transformation and give the latest on BRAC and the National Security Personnel System during the luncheon of the North Alabama Chapter, Federally Employed Women at 11 a.m. Sept. 14 at the Officers and Civilians Club.

"I'm really honored to have been asked (to speak)," she said. "I'm a big supporter of the Federally Employed Women."

She is also a fan of Huntsville which she has visited at least a dozen times since 1984 or '85.

"I'm excited about it," she said of the headquarters coming to Huntsville. "I think that the move to Huntsville for AMC headquarters is a good move. Personally, I'm very excited about it. It's a wonderful area, which I consider to be the Silicon Valley area of the South. So for me, I'm really looking forward to it."

She recalled how the local community welcomed the aviation workers from St. Louis in 1997. There was a one-stop area for newcomers in a local shopping mall, for example.

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An open lane random survey

Should we help other countries when they are attacked by terrorists?

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Sgt. Frederick McCallum
Fox Army Health Center

"I think we should help other countries with terrorism. That's what we're out to do now, eliminate terrorism. So wherever we can get them at, we should go get them."

Sgt. 1st Class Clyde Henneman
Proponency office

"It's a war for everybody. It hits everyone at home."

Jim Brown
retiree

"Absolutely. We should help them if they ask for it, no question about it."

Eddie Edgemon
Postal worker

"I think it depends on whether the country is one of our allies and if it is a country who harbors terrorists. It's their obligation to clean that up themselves, not ours."

Quote of the week

'I owe a lot to my parents, especially my mother and father.'
— *Greg Norman*
Pro golfer

Letters to the Editor

Clean up logging on roadside

Not only is the landscape along the east side of Vincent between the fire station and the credit union an eyesore, it is a fire hazard. Not only are numerous piles of dried-out branches throughout the area that will permit a mower access to get in and cut the grass, they also represent a fire hazard. Redstone Arsenal allows logging but evidently does not require the companies that do the logging to clean up their mess. And I have seen this same situation at other locations around Redstone Arsenal.

I think that if Redstone Arsenal is going to allow logging companies to cut down the trees then these companies should be required to clean up their mess at no cost to the government.

Richard Rice

Editor's note: The Garrison provided the following response. "The area in question is part of the commercial forest program at Redstone Arsenal. The forest is managed and harvested to provide timber revenue, improve the health of the forest stand and to support the mission of the installation. Our commercial harvesting (logging) contracts do have provisions that require a limited amount of cleanup but not to the extent that is needed in an urbanized or cantonment area. Contracts solicited with those provisions result in no valid offers, therefore, contract solicitations are written according to standard practices for logging in the local area. A different contractor is hired to clean those areas of the forest program that are in the cantonment area. This is what is being done at the area in question and cleanup has started. Forty percent of the sales from the commercial forest program are given to the state of Alabama to be distributed to local schools or for local road programs. Contact the installation forester (Jesse Horton) at 876-6145 if you need further information."

More tips on career advancement

There are benefits to having the Certified Professional Secretary/Certified Administrative Professional rating. However, if you are taking these exams only in order to give yourself a competitive edge here at Redstone, please reconsider. I took the exam when it did not have the CAP portion and passed first time. My supervisor at the time, who filled out the paperwork that was required from him, said that it should help for promotional considerations. It did not. It did not help in getting a bonus, step increase or upgrade to the next pay band.

Like June Pockrus said in the *Redstone Rocket* of Aug. 31, it is beneficial if you are completing your college degree — many colleges/universities give credit hours for passing the exam. And it is good if you want to pass for your own self-confidence, or work outside the government in the states or overseas. At one time taking the CPS certification was a one-time only deal. Now it is required that you retake it in order to maintain certification. The exam is not the only requirement. There are seminars, classes and workshops that give you points toward recertification. There is a Redstone Arsenal chapter whose web site is: http://www.geocities.com/iaaprsa/home.htm. It meets at 11 a.m. the third Tuesday of each month except July at Sparkman Center building 5300, room 5140 (unless otherwise specified); cafeteria/snack bar available.

Name withheld by request

Thanks for opening gate

I just wanted to take a moment to thank the Garrison for improving the conditions at Gate 3. I understand the need and the requirement to upgrade the gate area and please take as long as needed to get the job right the first time. I would also like to extend my thank you to the Garrison for opening Gate 2 instead of requiring employees living in south Huntsville to make the trek through the construction area on the Parkway to Gate 1. The only request I have is that the Garrison please always have two guards (three would be nice) on Gate 2 entry in the mornings to speed up the 5-20 minute wait that fluctuates from day to day.

Name withheld by request

Hunting, fishing tradition continues

Few will argue that hunting and fishing have been valued American traditions. But increasingly today, there are those who argue that these sports have outlived their relevance and should go the way of the dinosaur and the horse and buggy.

For anyone familiar with the role that hunting and fishing have played in shaping and driving our nation's conservation movement, an end to these traditions in America is an alarming and discouraging thought. This Sept. 17 and 18, Morale Welfare and Recreation's Outdoor Recreation Division marks the annual celebration of National Hunting & Fishing Days. There may be no more appropriate time to comment on the past and future role of these sports in America. MWR has planned a fun event to coincide with this year's popular Oktoberfest. Activities will include the NRA Great American Hunters Tour, youth archery shoots, and a wide array of the latest in outdoor gear from Wiley's Sports, KC's Power Sports and S&L Marine, just to name a few. While you are there you will have the opportunity to help out our community by donating blood to the American Red Cross. Everyone is welcome!

It was an avid hunter and outdoorsman, Theodore Roosevelt, who helped launch the conservation movement. President Roosevelt established the nation's first national wildlife refuge, and since that time, hunters and anglers have followed his lead, supporting special license fees and taxes on their equipment to fund conservation efforts. Over the years, this group of Americans has contributed

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Getting to know you

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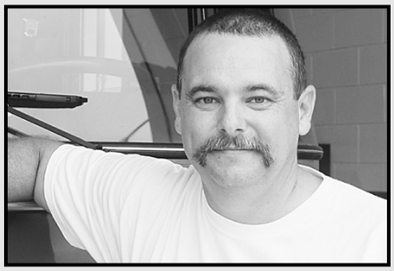


Name: Wendell Jones

Job: Captain, Redstone Arsenal Fire and Emergency Services

Where do you call home?
New Market

What do you like about your job?
I've been in fire service for like 27 years now, and I just like to do what I've got to do as far as firefighting and helping people who need help. I've just always enjoyed helping somebody else that needs help. And the challenges. You're confronted with new challenges daily.

What do you like to do in your spare time?
I like to hunt, fish. I do a lot of home carpentry work. And I'm also a volunteer firefighter for New Market. So I do a lot of that too at home.

What are your goals?
Hopefully to continue in fire service so I can retire. And pretty much help those who need help. My goal is to continue what I love doing and that is firefighting.

What's your favorite football team?
Miami Dolphins

Ethics training expands for acquisition workers

Doing the right thing is even more important these days to the Army.

The mandatory annual ethics training remains in place for all Army military and civilian personnel. In addition, acquisition ethics training is now required for about 4,300 employees.

The command's Legal Office has scheduled eight occasions where it will deliver both training presentations on the same day at Bob Jones Auditorium.

"All employees should attend the regular mandatory ethics training that I am doing," David Points of the Legal Office said. "About 4,300 acquisition coded employees have to get the second hour of training which is the acquisition ethics training."

Ethics training, followed by acquisition ethics training, is scheduled for 9-11 a.m. Sept. 13, 1-3 p.m. Sept. 15, 1-3 p.m. Sept. 28, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. Oct. 3, 1-3 p.m. Oct. 20, 1-3 p.m. Oct. 21 and 1-3 p.m. Oct. 26.

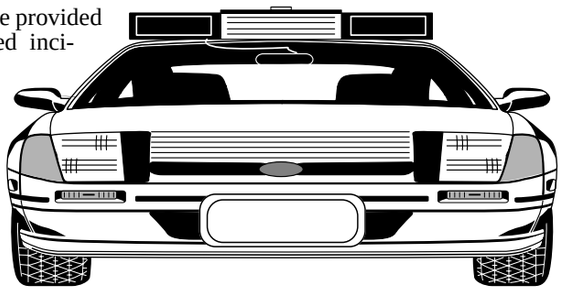
Sessions for ethics training only are 2-3 p.m. Sept. 13, 9-10 a.m. Oct. 12, 1-2 p.m. Oct. 18, 9-10 a.m. Oct. 27, 9-10 a.m. and 1-2 p.m. Nov. 7, 1-2 p.m. Nov. 9, 9-10 a.m. and 1-2 p.m. Nov. 21.

Photo by Skip Vaughn

Chief promotion

Alfred Kelly is promoted from chief warrant officer 3 to chief warrant officer 4 during a ceremony Aug. 31 at Heiser Hall. Doing the honors are his wife, Capt. Kathleen Kelly, and Maj. Gen. W. Montague Winfield, commander of Cadet Command at Fort Monroe, Va. Kelly serves as executive officer of Electronic Technology Training Department at the Ordnance Munitions and Electronics Maintenance School.

Crimes, accidents and other occurrences



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

Aug. 25: An individual was observed selecting items in the Post Exchange and then exiting without rendering proper payment. He was issued a violation notice and released. Investigation continues by the Provost Marshal Office.

Aug. 25: An individual reported that persons unknown pumped gas at the Shoppette and then left without rendering proper payment. Investigation continues by the Provost Marshal Office.

Aug. 26: An individual was observed selecting items in the Post Exchange and then exiting without rendering proper payment. He was issued a violation notice and released. Investigation continues by the Provost Marshal Office.

Aug. 26: An individual was found to be operating a vehicle with a revoked license during an inspection at Gate 10. He was issued a violation notice and released.

Aug. 27: An individual reported that he was assaulted by another in the barracks. Investigation continues by the Provost Marshal Office.

Aug. 28: An individual was found to be operating a vehicle with a suspended license during an inspection at Gate 10. He was issued a violation notice and released.

Aug. 30: An individual was found to be operating a vehicle with a suspended license during an inspection at Gate 10. He was issued a violation notice and released.

Aug. 30: An individual reported that persons unknown entered his garage and removed a stereo and amplifier. Investigation continues by the Provost Marshal Office.

Aug. 31: An individual was found to be operating a vehicle with a revoked license during an inspection at Gate 10. He was issued a violation notice and released.

Traffic accidents reported: three without injuries, none with injuries.

Violation notices issued: 12 speeding, 4 driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license, 1 trespassing, 1 shoplifting, 1 expired tags, 1 failure to yield right of way, 1 improper backing.

■ Garrison names permanent coordinator for charity campaign

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An outdoor kickoff is scheduled Sept. 20 from 10-11 a.m. at the NASA Picnic Area. The agency fair and other activities follow from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The grand door prize is two airline tickets to anywhere in the United States, compliments of Sato Travel and Northwest Airlines.

"Feelin' Groovy is the (kickoff) theme," Johnson said. "And we want to invite federal employees to come get into the groove and support CFC."

The Tennessee Valley Combined Federal Campaign includes 36 federal organizations with more than 15,000 employees – including federal, postal and military. It covers six north Alabama counties (Marshall, Madison, Limestone, Cullman, Morgan and Lawrence) and Lincoln County, Tenn. Contributions can go to 158 local and 1,718 national and international charitable organizations. Last year's campaign raised $1,918,000.

"The CFC campaign belongs to the federal employees," Johnson said. "It's just our opportunity to make a difference in our community."

■ Hunting, fishing remain relevant

Outdoors

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more than $23 billion to environmental protection programs which, in turn, have led to the remarkable resurgence of many native species of wildlife — including the white-tailed deer, wood duck, wild turkey and elk.

For various and complex reasons, hunting and fishing enthusiasts like myself often have an immediate and intense reaction to anyone who questions the validity of these traditions. This reaction is often expressed in an energetic — and often counterproductive — refusal to adapt to change. In the struggles for public opinion and acceptance, however, intransigence rarely wins the day.

As outdoors enthusiasts, we have a responsibility to be honest in our approach to the current debate about the hunting and fishing traditions. We must be honest in admitting our imperfections. We must continue to do all we can to eliminate the abuses committed by a few people who profess to be hunters and anglers but who are, in fact, not worthy of these traditions. In return, our opponents should do the responsible thing by acknowledging our past conservation accomplishments — as do most major conservation organizations — and admit the legitimacy of our presence in the outdoors.

Thomas Pyburn
MWR Outdoor Recreation

New phase brings new product director

Col. Raymond Nulk returns from Pentagon assignment

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Photo by Kim Henry

WARM WELCOME— Employees congratulate and greet Col. Raymond Nulk, product director for Joint Land Attack Cruise Missile Defense Elevated Netted Sensor System.

Col. Raymond Nulk was named product director for the Joint Land Attack Cruise Missile Defense Elevated Netted Sensor System in a ceremony Aug. 29 at Rocket Auditorium.

Cruise Missile Defense System project manager Col. Edward Mullin presided over the change of charter and thanked Mike Grannan for taking the JLENS system through a successful Milestone B, which gives approval to proceed into the system development and demonstration phase. Grannan will serve as the deputy product director for JLENS.

Mullin welcomed Nulk as the new director to take JLENS through the next phase.

"He (Nulk) comes to us with really great credentials," Mullin said. "We are happy to have him on board and I need all the help I can get with the JLENS program as we move forward toward getting our system development and demonstration under way. We're hoping to do that in the next couple months, but we've got a lot of hard work to make sure that we have that program postured for success."

Nulk, who returns to Redstone for the fourth time, has two goals for JLENS. "My near term goal is to have a good solid launch into SDD," he said. "My long term goal is to meet the users' needs in a timely fashion."

He said he sees it as a benefit to start off directing JLENS in the SDD phase. JLENS has been approved to enter SDD, but he feels it is his job to make the transition as smooth as possible. "Actually I am taking more time and effort in ensuring that we are going to have a credible launch," Nulk said.

Nulk attended both Ordnance Officer Basic and Advanced Courses at Redstone. He also served as the deputy product manager for the Multiple Launch Rocket System's Improved Fire Control System from 1992-94. His last assignment was working at the Pentagon for the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for acquisition, logistics and technology.

"I had a prior life working with MLRS that actually brought me back here," he said. "I started out here and then I came back here. As an Ordnance officer my specialty was missiles so I started my basic and advanced courses down here as well. I am looking forward to this job. For me it is intellectually challenging and I am looking forward to it."

For Nulk his family has been the backbone of his career. "I wouldn't be here without my wife backing me up," he said. "I've been in the Army for some time and part way through my career I got married and found what the benefit of a supportive family really means. That's one thing that I really want to maintain — the balance between professional life and family life. That's key."

Nulk, 45, is originally from San Francisco. He and his wife, Missy, a New Orleans native, have two daughters, Taylor, 11, and Blair, 8.

Redstone units add 62 Soldiers in month

Sixty-two Soldiers arrived to join Redstone units in August. The Garrison provided the following in-processing list:

- 1st Sgt. Jerry McIntyre, HHC 59th; 2nd Lt. Jacob Quinn, Headquarters & Alpha; Col. Timothy Alan Becker, Dental Clinic; Col. Michael Eric Cantor, Program Executive Office for Missiles and Space; Col. John Robert Fellows, Missile Defense Agency support Arrow; Col. Charles Thomas Kallam, Aviation and Missile Command; Col. Edward Leroy Mullin, PEO Air Space and Missile Defense; Col. Walter Roy Seifried, Space and Missile Defense Command; Capt. Jeffrey Ryan White, PEO Air Space and Missile Defense; Chief Warrant Officer Charles Austin Woodcock, Headquarters & Alpha; Lt. Col. Douglas Trent Banks III, PEO Air Space and Missile Defense; Lt. Col. Joseph John Dellasilva, Space and Missile Defense Command; Lt. Col. Layne Bradley Merritt, PEO Aviation; Lt. Col. Steven Michael Noe, PEO Missiles and Space; Maj. Scott Anthony Bodine, Aviation and Missile Command; Maj. Frank Dane Bridges, PEO Simulation Training and Instrumentation, Orlando, Fla.; Maj. Andrew Bullington Clanton, PEO Missiles and Space
- Maj. Gerald Lawrence Dwyer, PEO Aviation; Maj. Christine Ann Hackett, PEO Air Space and Missile Defense; Maj. Michael Wayne Harris, Aviation and Missile Command; Maj. Gary Lee Hill, Aviation and Missile Command; Maj. William David Jackson, PEO Soldier; Maj. Frederica Lashon King, PEO STRI, Orlando; Maj. Vernon Lasean Myers, PEO STRI, Orlando; Maj. David Alan O'Connell, Research Development and Engineering Center; Maj. Audrey Ransom, PEO Missiles and Space; Maj. Roderic Spencer, Space and Missile Defense Command; Master Sgt. Antwan Nicolette Turnipseed, Bravo Company; Master Sgt. Clark Edward Ware Jr., Headquarters & Alpha; Pfc. Gregory Bruce Goggans, MP; Pvt. Tony Chadrick Vest, MP; Sgt. 1st Class Melecio Hugo Campos, Headquarters & Alpha; Sgt. 1st Class Henry Stirling Dickerson, Headquarters & Alpha; Sgt. 1st Class Chenita Lavette Henderson, Headquarters & Alpha; Sgt. 1st Class Anthony Jay Johnson, Headquarters & Alpha; Sgt. 1st Class Mary Ann McKnight, HHC 59th; Sgt. 1st Class Albert Rocker Jr., NCO Academy; Sgt. 1st Class Grant Richard Scott, Headquarters & Alpha; Sgt. 1st Class Anthony Lavon Sheff, Headquarters & Alpha; Sgt. 1st Class Barron A. Williams, Missile and Space Intelligence Center; Sgt. Maj. Edward Ralph Armstrong Jr., 5th Brigade, 2nd Regiment ROTC; Sgt. Maj. Kelvin Leon Spencer, Headquarters & Alpha; Sgt. Lakeshia C. Dunigan, HHC 59th; Spc. Joshua Eric Latham, Headquarters & Alpha
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Distinguished graduate returns to Korea

A Korean Navy officer says he will always remember being a student at Redstone.

Lt. Cmdr. Won Min Shin was distinguished graduate of the Ammunition Specialist Course and finished the Ammunition Specialist Basic NCO Course with a 98.5 average. He trained from Dec. 29 through Aug. 28.

"It was a very interesting, impressive and unforgettable time," he said.

He spent much of his time "learning, experiencing and enjoying American culture and people."

The International Military Student Office, assigned to Headquarters & Alpha Company, provides activities for military students here for training.

"They were very sincere and helpful persons," Shin said. "They treated my family like their family. I appreciate (their) good support and help."

Courtesy photo

Lt. Cmdr. Won Min Shin

Former aviation manager returns

Col. Mike Cantor directs project

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Col. Mike Cantor took over as project manager for Joint Attack Munition Systems in a change of charter and retirement ceremony Aug. 31 in Bob Jones Auditorium.

"He's earned the right to be the project manager of the Joint Attack Munition Systems Project Office," Brig. Gen. Mike Cannon, program executive officer for missiles and space, said. "He has impeccable credentials and we are so fortunate to have Mike Cantor come in and fill in behind Jody Maxwell. The project office will continue to move ahead with great stride providing the best weapons systems we can provide for our Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines."

The JAMS Project Office was chartered June 1 with the merging of the Aviation Rockets and Missiles and the Joint Common Missile Project Offices. The JAMS PM manages the 2.75-inch family of rockets, the Hellfire missile and launcher family and the Joint Common Missile.

Maxwell, who officially retires Nov. 1, met challenges of taking the JCM program through a Defense Acquisition Board, termination planning and then the merging of ARM and JCM project offices.

"Those are amazing accomplishments in a four-year period," Cannon said. "Not a lot of project offices go through that much turmoil or heartache in a four-year period or sometimes even longer. So we were fortunate to have Jody Maxwell as a project manager for that four-year period because he has really done magnificent work holding a project office together and actually moving it forward aggressively."

Like Maxwell, Cantor has faced and overcome adversity in project management. "Mike Cantor was selected as the project manager of the Comanche program. Unfortunately the Army couldn't afford Comanche and within a year of him taking over the program was canceled and Mike had to work the termination effort of that program," Cannon said. "He has been through the kind of devastation that common missile has been facing."

Though Cantor has only spent a short time with the JAMS PM staff he said he is moved by their diligence. "I've been impressed with the way that you have pulled together as a cohesive team following a major reorganization and continue to execute and support the programs we have in the field, in Reset and in the early stages of the life cycle in a manner that was transparent to the customer," he said. "The ability of the team to execute during adversity, turmoil and stress is a true measure of that team's mettle and their professionalism. And you've met the challenge."

Cantor was previously assigned as the chief of staff for the Ground-Based Midcourse Defense Joint Project Office. He and his wife, Marcia, reside in Madison with their three sons, Craig, Matthew and Daniel.

Dorothy Moore/Photo Lab

PASSING THE TORCH— Brig. Gen. Mike Cannon, program executive officer for missiles and space, hands Col. Mike Cantor the charter for Joint Attack Munition Systems.

■ Headquarters exec visiting future Huntsville home

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"I really think Huntsville knows how to welcome people," Szymanski said. "Southern hospitality is alive and well in Huntsville."

On the National Security Personnel System, she also supports this scheduled overhaul of the defense civilian personnel system. She returned from Army training on NSPS in Chicago a few weeks ago. The Army is moving forward on this system and making plans. The program executive office for NSPS will respond soon to comments to the proposed recommendations.

"I'm a supporter of NSPS," Szymanski said. "I'm really looking forward to it. I'm a big pay-banding and pay-pool fan."

Her visit for next week's luncheon will be followed by a return Sept. 20-22 for the AMC Equal Employment Opportunity/EO Conference at the Huntsville Marriott. This conference is held in conjunction with Alabama A&M University; and Szymanski will represent the AMC commander, Gen. Benjamin Griffin.

Smaller cafeteria made to order for building 5250

Longtime eatery gets updated

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The Program Executive Office for Missiles and Space needed more room for offices, and the cafeteria was larger than necessary.

A smaller, more modern cafeteria at building 5250 proved to be the answer. A grand opening was held Aug. 29 for the updated eatery, which represented a joint effort between the PEO and Morale Welfare and Recreation.

"Both of those needs coincided," Brig. Gen. Mike Cannon, the program executive officer, said. "We pooled our resources."

The result was nice offices for his organization and "just a great looking cafeteria," he said.

The cafeteria, originally built in the 1950s, has been renovated at least three times. It hardly resembles its predecessor now.

"It's approximately half the size that it was before," Post Restaurant Fund business manager Bill Bullen said. "The facility was just bigger than it needed to be for the number of people so we've downsized. It lowers the overhead cost plus operates with less people, so it helps us two ways."

Cannon initiated the remodeling project just over a year ago. The cafeteria shut down for renovation last November and reopened June 24. In the interim, the post restaurant served meals out of a mobile food unit on the north end of the building.

The cafeteria was renovated for $530,000, including $460,000 from the PEO and $70,000 from the Post Restaurant for equipment.

"I think it's great," Joe Scott, of System Studies & Simulation Inc., said while eating in the cafeteria with two co-workers. "They've done real well with it."

"It's up to date," co-worker Mack Wyatt said.

"Made a nice cozy little cafeteria," co-worker Bill Bunn said.

Photo by Skip Vaughn

GRAND OPENING— Cutting the ribbon for the remodeled cafeteria are, from left, Mark Germonprez, director of business operations for Morale Welfare and Recreation; Virginia Baldonado, cashier at the cafeteria; Brig. Gen. Mike Cannon, program executive officer for missiles and space; Patricia Burton, cafeteria manager; and Karen Bandera, assistant, deputy chief of staff, G-1 at headquarters Army Materiel Command.

Preschoolers jump into all-around fun

Weekly class teaches basic gymnastics

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"Can you skin the cat?"

It really is quite simple. Just ask the preschoolers who "skin the cat" every week with Yashica Smith, a Kindernastics instructor with Child and Youth Services.

"Skinning the cat" involves hanging upside down from a horizontal bar and then bringing your legs up through your arms.

Smith's students take the technique a little further when they then use their legs to "hang like a bat" from the bar.

"Jack, come skin the cat," Smith called to one of her students during a recent class.

Three-and-a-half-year-old Jack Maurer needed no further encouragement. He went straight to the horizontal bar and let Smith position him in the middle of the bar. With her help, he grabbed the bar, put his head back and pulled his legs up so he hung upside down, and then brought his legs forward and through his arms, hanging them from the bar.

"Hang like a bat," Smith said. "Put your head on the mat."

Jack's head came down to rest on the mat, he let his arms fall down over his head. The exercise let him experience what it feels like to hang upside down from a bar by his knees. Yet, because the bar is "child-sized," Jack was able to easily touch the mat and knew he could quickly get down if he got scared.

Five-year-old Gracie followed Jack on the horizontal bar. She easily "skinned the cat" and "hung like a bat." But, the next student, 3-year-old Noah Langwinski, needed Smith's help to guide his legs up onto the bar.

"I've got you, Noah," Smith encouraged her young student as her hands gave him the support he needed to complete the move.

Gymnastics is a sport of challenging physical skills. But, in Smith's Kindernastics classes her young students use their energy to learn basic gymnast skills and have fun on "child-size" apparatus. They use mats of all shapes and sizes, inclines and spring boards, hula hoops, ribbons, bars, balance beams, trampolines and tunnels during a once-a-week romp in the gym.

Smith's goal is to teach the students how to have fun with gymnastics in a safe way. She keeps a close eye on how they hold the bars with their hands, where they place their hands when doing a flip, how their legs and arms and hands work together to spin their bodies through a host of gymnastic moves. She is their spotter and their encourager, staying close beside each student and helping them accomplish a skill.

On a recent day, Smith, known as "Miss Shica" to her students, went through a lesson on how the children should grip and regrip the horizontal bar so they can roll their bodies around the bar.

She held her hands out in front of her and told them to "grip." The children followed her instruction, balling their hands up into fists around an imaginary bar.

She then told them to "regrip," showing them how to turn their arms so their hands are up and balled into fists.

"On the bar, we grip and regrip," she said. "When we regrip, we change the positions of our hands. You regrip and then you do a forward roll around the bar."

One by one, the five students jumped up on the bar. They positioned themselves with their hips against the bar, and then changed the position of their hands so they could roll around the bar. The entire time Smith was beside her students, guiding them through the skill.

Lessons must be taught quickly and simply to preschoolers with short attention spans. Smith uses several techniques to keep them focused, including fun stickers the children wear on their hands and feet.

One of the children's favorite apparatus is the mini-trampoline. Two at a time can jump on facing trampolines. Each child must hold on to a stationary bar as they jump over and over again.

Three-year-old Shelby Reece and 2 1/2-year-old Luciana Levan jump together first, followed by Jack and Noah. But, Gracie, got to jump by herself because Smith needed to closely monitor her skill.

"Gracie is a super, duper jumper," Smith told the class as they watched how high Gracie could jump.

"Try to keep your feet in the center. Those are such great jumps."

"Physically, it's extremely important for them to learn these skills," said Katie Levan, the mother of Luciana.

"For Luciana, it's been important for her to work on her gross motor skills, fine motor skills and coordination. She is also learning how to be in a group and listening skills. Miss Shica is an incredible teacher who loves each of her students. She teaches the movements, and safety and everything else you need to know in the gym. The children really trust her."

Noah's mom, Mag Langwinski, likes to see her son use his energy in the gym.

" It's a real physical activity for him," she said. "Miss Shica doesn't rush them. She is very creative in teaching them and helping them get comfortable with the skills they are learning."

Smith, a certified U.S. gymnastics instructor, has been teaching gymnastics to children for more than 15 years. She started teaching at Fort Rucker, following a successful high school career as a competitive gymnast. She began Redstone Arsenal's Kindernastics program three years ago. Her husband, active reservist Michael Smith, is serving in Iraq with the 306th MP Battalion.

"We are teaching these children the basics of gymnastics," she said.

"Once they know the basic skills, they will be able to transition to a bigger program with ease. Because everything is kid-sized we can do all the skills gymnasts do in the gym."

The equipment, designed by Kidnastics, accommodates kids from ages 2 to 5, or up to 90 pounds. The year-round program, offered through SKIESUnlimited (Schools of Knowledge, Inspiration, Exploration & Skills) is set up in five- or six-week sessions, with the next session beginning Sept. 26. Sessions are $30 for one class a week.

Children do not have to have any knowledge of gymnastic skills to join a class.

"This is a progressive class," Smith said. "We are building up strengths in confidence, social skills and physical fitness in a relaxed atmosphere. This is a recreational class provided for fun where children can get physical fitness and learn some skills they can use if they want to go on to an all-around gymnastics program."

How to sign up your child

What: Kindernastics

When: Once a week, 9:30-10:30 a.m. and 10:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays, and 6-7 p.m. Wednesdays; Sept. 28-Oct. 27, and Nov.9-Dec. 15 (Additional classes can be added if needed. Further session dates will be scheduled later.)

Where: Youth Center

Cost: $30 per session

Organization: SKIESUnlimited, Schools of Knowledge, Inspiration, Exploration & Skills; Child and Youth Services; Morale Welfare and Recreation

Registration: Children must be registered with Child and Youth Services, Central Enrollment Registration, Building 1500, Weeden Mountain Road, Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:20 p.m., $18 registration fee per child or $40 per family.

Questions: Brandi DeRemer, 313-3701

Photo by Kari Hawkins

GRAB ON— Kindernastics instructor Yashica Smith helps 3-year-old Shelby Reece grab hold of a horizontal bar during a recent Kindernatics session at the Youth Center.

Rocket City honors space program with new high school

Huntsville remembers shuttle Columbia

By JULIE FREDERICK
For the Rocket

"There is no doubt in my mind that that's what I want to do when I grow up." That is a bold statement for anyone, but for the late commander of the space shuttle Columbia, Rick Husband, remembering his decision to become an astronaut was a testament to the determination of a child with a dream.

With the goal of ensuring that every student can make a similar statement, Huntsville City Schools opened the doors to a new high school Aug. 8. Columbia High School, named in honor of the space shuttle Columbia and her crew, will service Huntsville City School District 5. It will also replace Butler High as the core high school for Redstone Arsenal. District 5 students that attended Butler last year were allowed to choose whether to finish out their education there or transfer to Columbia. Currently the new high school has 331 students enrolled. Dr. Jennifer Garrett, principal of Columbia, said the school's inaugural year is going well.

"We experienced a smooth and wonderful opening," she said. "Students and teachers are all positive and excited about what this year means for our school. We constantly remind everyone that we are making our school's history and traditions right now, so they must do their best each and every day."

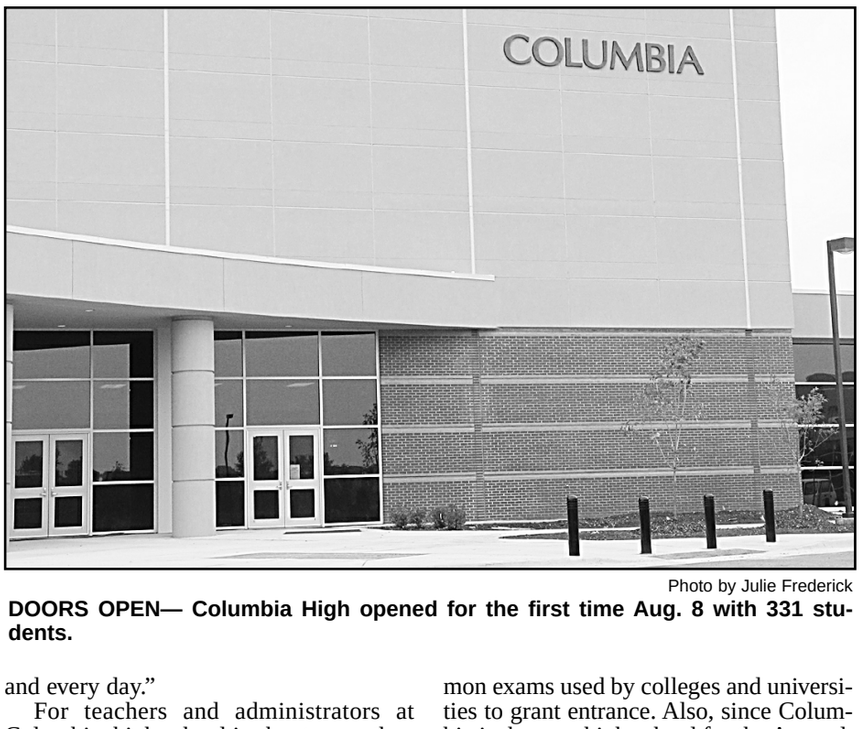

Photo by Julie Frederick

DOORS OPEN— Columbia High opened for the first time Aug. 8 with 331 students.

For teachers and administrators at Columbia, high school is about more than book knowledge, athletics and dances; it is the in-road to preparing students for where they will go after graduation. To help prepare students for college, they are encouraged to take higher achievement standardized tests. The Standard Achievement Test and the American College Testing Program test are the two most common exams used by colleges and universities to grant entrance. Also, since Columbia is the core high school for the Arsenal, the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery placement test is encouraged for students interested in the military. The ASVAB does not automatically enlist students. It simply lets them know what part of military life they are best suited for if they choose to enlist.

The mission for the school states that it will strive "to be a Center for Forensic Studies and a Life Academy." Garrett said the development of life skills in students is as important as providing them with a quality education and learning experience.

"We want to provide students with hands-on life based learning and aid in the development of higher order thinking skills. We would like to have every student know what life's next step is before graduation."

Students are also encouraged to take part in a Senior Project during the summer before their senior year at Columbia. The project is designed to get students to consider future career fields and interests. The project requires them to research the career, log at least 25 volunteer hours in the field, and develop a presentation about their experiences. Not only does the Senior Project help students determine what they want to do with their lives after high school, it helps them develop a portfolio that can be beneficial to college entrance and job interviews.

Columbia High is also beginning to develop an athletic program. The first step they are taking is to hold cheerleader tryouts. The athletic department is working to develop other programs that will begin later in the year. The first team sport scheduled to showcase Columbia athletics will be boys and girls basketball; soon to be followed by baseball, softball and track. The school has decided on crimson and gold as the school colors. Their nickname will be the Trailblazers, and their mascot will be the Eagle.

Childhood adventures make good material for book

Lifelong storyteller relates experiences

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When Samuel Wright wants to teach a lesson he tells a good story.

As a lifelong storyteller, Wright, a business analyst here, has often captivated audiences with stories of personal conflicts, difficult choices and life's challenges. He has relied on his storytelling talent to mentor youth at the East Highland Baptist Church in Athens and to enrich the sermons he preaches as the associate minister of Greater Hope Missionary Baptist Church in Athens.

"I like telling children's stories before I preach," he said.

"They help to keep people's attention during the sermon. If a story will keep an adult's attention, then it can also work with children. So many times, children are left out of a church sermon. Referring back to a story during the sermon helps to keep the attention of adults and children."

But a storyteller's stories come and go. To make them have a lasting impact beyond the storyteller, they have to be written down. And that's what Wright has done in his book called "The Adventures of Childhood."

Wright's book is a compilation of 18 stories based on his own childhood memories, stories told by friends and family, and his ability to create a good story to teach a moral.

"Sometimes, on the fly, I will come up with a story," he said. "I can draw a story from the environment or a situation that takes place in life. Stories come from things I am familiar with."

Most of the stories in Wright's book have to do with children learning about the consequences of their decisions and actions, and learning about what it means to take responsibility for themselves.

"Overall, they are about situations that happen in kids' lives where they don't often learn a lesson until the end result," he said.

"I want kids to understand there are consequences from the decisions they make, that good and bad decisions bring good and bad results."

Such as the story about the girl whose mother bought her a pair of red shoes as an early birthday present with instructions not to wear them until her birthday. The girl disobeyed her mother and ended up ruining her shoes before she celebrated her birthday.

Or, the story of the girl who tried to sneak a cookie from a cookie jar only to break the jar. In her shame, she tried to blame the accident on the family cat. But she got found out.

Or, the story of the much-loved family pet that was ignored by busy children and ended up getting lost. Or, the story of two girls who were almost killed by a wild animal when they chased butterflies into the woods against their parents' strict orders.

"I want to give children a way to see what the wrong road is before they start down it," Wright said. "They need the opportunity to see the paths and the consequences of decisions and actions."

But, Wright's book isn't just for children.

"I hope adults read the book as well, especially if they have children," he said. "It gives them a reason to sit down with their children and talk about these types of situations. It's not just a children's book. It's a good book to use when talking with children."

Wright has approached several pastors and family counselors about the possibility of using his book for ministering and counseling children.

"It's a really good counseling tool because these stories are relevant to their lives and they show how different situations will eventually play out," he said.

He thinks it is especially important for churches to use materials that help address difficult issues with children.

"A lot of church programs for children don't talk so much about what is going on in their lives," he said. "Teaching them about life and real-life consequences is missing. There just aren't a lot of programs out there that make a real impact on the lives of children and youth."

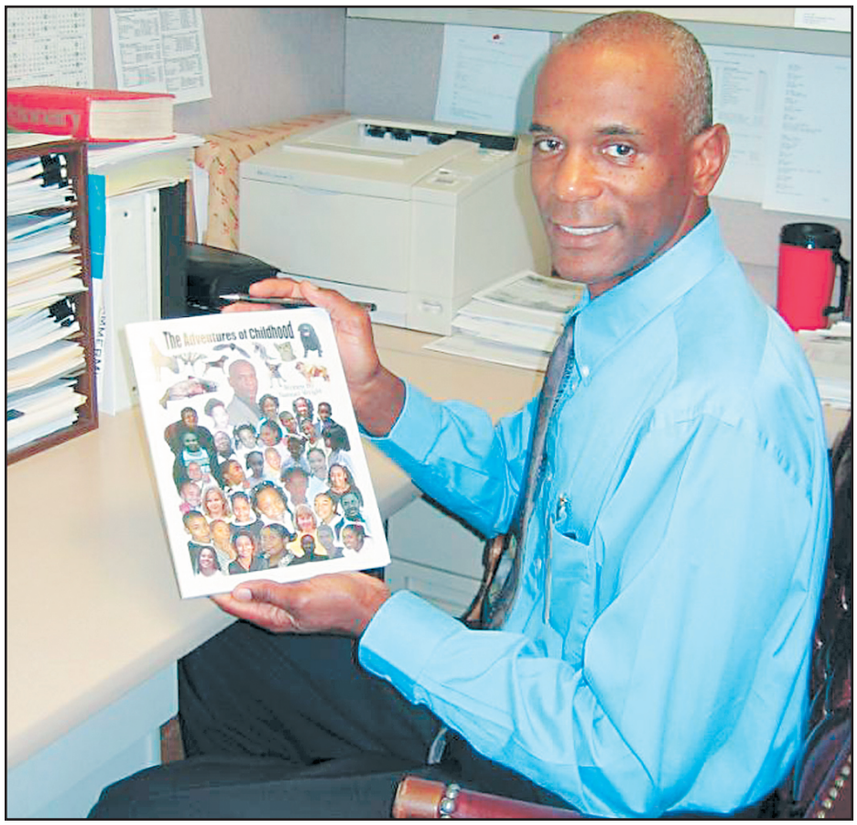


Photo by Kari Hawkins

AUTHOR— Business analyst Samuel Wright has written a children's book, "The Adventures of Childhood."

All the stories in his book are among Wright's favorite stories. But one does hold special meaning for him.

"The story 'Just Like the Old Man and the Sea' has a lot to do with me," he said. "I like fishing and I probably relate to that story the most because I am still trying to catch the big fish."

Besides writing and editing the book, Wright also illustrated it with pictures of children and their parents. He found his models in his friends, family and co-workers.

This isn't Wright's first venture into the publishing field. He has also written two plays – "And the Beat Goes On" and "Just Over the Horizon" – both of which have been presented during Black History Month at Redstone Arsenal.

Although many of the stories in his book take place in rural settings, Wright, 51, grew up on the hard streets of Philadelphia. He comes from a family of 10 children.

"Living in that kind of environment can harden you or soften you," he said. "It made me sensitive to what is going on around me. Caring for people is much more satisfying than caring for yourself."

Wright escaped most of the problems faced by his older brothers, who were members of a city gang, and came to Huntsville to attend Oakwood College. He, his wife Monica and two sons live in Athens.

What Wright remembers most from his childhood are the annual trips he and his siblings took with their mom to visit relatives in North Carolina. It is in the rural setting of those visits where Wright found the inspiration for most of his stories.

"What I experienced freed me to write these stories," he said. "It freed me to open myself up to life and life's lessons."

Dishing out service with a big smile

Dining facility worker on job 43 years

By JULIE FREDERICK
For the Rocket

There is a man who works at Redstone Arsenal that few people have probably ever met, but everyone would love if given the opportunity. He is small of stature, full of smiles and laughter and has diligently served the Soldiers at Redstone for 43 years. Who is he? The dining facility's Otha Humphrey.

Humphrey has served Huntsville's servicemembers since 1962. At age 24, he embarked upon what would become a lifelong career at Redstone in the dining facility. He has worked as mess attendant the entire time he has been with the Arsenal. He has cleaned and sterilized the pots, pans and cooking utensils used to prepare and serve Soldiers meals 365 days a year for 43 years. Hal Weatherman, food program manager for the dining facility, has nothing but praise for Humphrey and the work that he does.

"I have worked with Otha since 1990, and he is a great employee," Weatherman said. "I have to inspect the facility frequently, and I never worry about Otha's area."

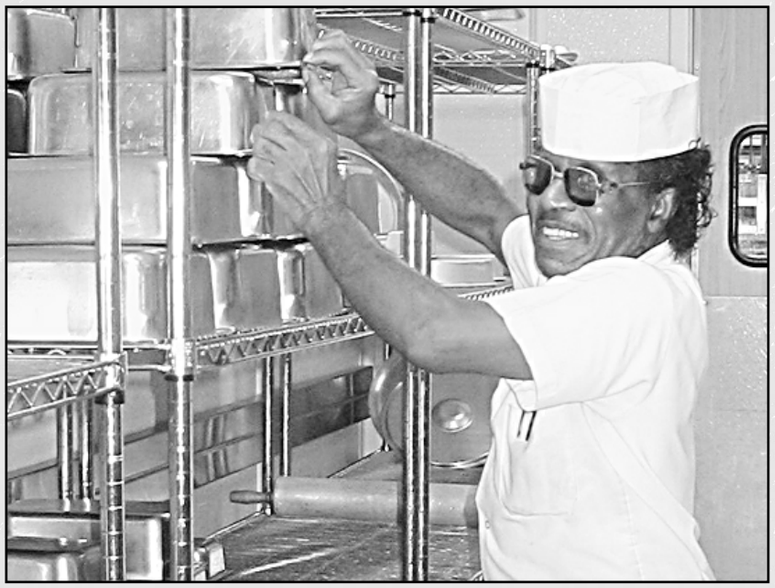
Humphrey works by himself most of the time, cleaning and sanitizing whatever comes his way while grooving about to his favorite music, classic R&B. He obviously loves his job and it shows on his face as he flashes a huge smile while talking about his life at Redstone.

"My mom brought me up to go along with everything that comes my way," Humphrey said. "The longer I work, the better I like it. If they keep me, I'll work here as long as I'm able."

That is an amazing statement coming from a man whose whole day is spent cleaning up someone else's mess. He works from about 4 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and spends his time putting his bare hands in water reaching temperatures up to 171 degrees. When asked why he did not wear gloves Humphrey responded, "I tried that once. Some of the water got down in it (the gloves) and burned my hand." He then decided they were too much trouble to deal with and adapted to working in the hot waters without them.

For most of his 43 years, Humphrey has worked everyday that the dining facility has been open. Weatherman said Humphrey has been a dedicated employee who is always there, only occasionally taking vacation days. Humphrey only recently requested that his work week be reduced by one day, to four days a week, so that he would be able to spend more time with his wife, Mattie, who has health problems. Weatherman was more than happy to give Humphrey the extra day after all the years of service he has given to Redstone.

It is easy to see that the dedication he has to his job is only trumped by the dedication he has to his family. While he says the Arsenal has been able to provide him with "real steady working," he is truly proud of his life away from work — a life that has given him a loving wife, Mattie, four children and one grandson. He is an active member of his church and enjoys the peace he finds while mowing his yard.



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DEDICATION— Otha Humphrey has worked in the dining facility since 1962.

Personnel worker honored as teacher

John Bentley of Civilian Personnel Advisory Center has been recognized for outstanding support for the Garrison's Directorate of Information Management strategic off-site planning sessions.

The human resource development specialist was cited as a "trusted consultant and valued asset, and his knowledge and skills in conflict management, strategic planning techniques and change managements are reflection of Army total values."

Bentley presented a course for the Redstone work force Aug. 22-26 on Leadership Education and Development. The LEAD course is phase two of mandatory supervisory training to be completed within six months of appointment to an individual's first supervisory position.

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TOP INSTRUCTOR— John Bentley of Civilian Personnel Advisory Center presents a Leadership Education and Development course Aug. 26.

Technical library an encyclopedia of knowledge

Visit information center in person or via web

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There is a lot of science and technology going on at Redstone. There are new projects and advances being worked on every day. These are founded upon advances made in prior years, with other projects and technology from all over the world. Obviously, there is not enough room or manpower to keep track of all of that information at the desk of every engineer, scientist or project employee – or is there? That's where the Redstone Scientific Information Center comes in.

RSIC maintains a physical library and an online resource so that those who need trade journals, project documentation, technical reports, manuals or just about anything else to do with the science and technology of Redstone's business can get what they need when they need it.

"Our professional staff is very knowledgeable and trained to find information quickly and cost effectively," Gwen Wallace, third-floor librarian, said. "We're offering a lot of experience. When we have a question, we know where to find answers."

Located in building 4484, just behind the Garrison, is a wealth of resources. It houses RSIC's physical collections, electronic resources and the guides to all of this information, the librarians themselves. The sheer numbers of what is available is staggering. There are approximately 250,000 books. These range from encyclopedias and dictionaries to scientific texts and historical volumes dating back as far as 1886. The library also maintains close to 1,400 subscriptions to science and technology journals. Some are in hardcopy, others are electronic. There are over 2.78 million U.S. patents. In addition to all of this, there are also close to 3 million documents on CD, microfiche and hardcopy. Checking with RSIC before paying to access outside Internet materials is also a good idea.

"We may already have a subscription to that service or already have an account with those publishers," Elizabeth Lloyd, first-floor librarian, said. "We'll get it for them."

RSIC also strives to put as much material as possible on the desktops of their customers through web-based resources such as their online database and WebCat, the online catalog and knowledge gateway which does so much more. Besides being able to search their inventory, users can request electronic documents and access files. Users can also ask a librarian, via e-mail, for assistance finding what they need. While librarians are only available during business hours, they try to maintain a 24-hour response time.

"A lot of times they'll e-mail us something they're looking for. We'll e-mail them search results. They'll tell us which items they're interested in and we e-mail the articles back, all without them coming here," Diane Moore, third-floor librarian, said. "Within 24 hours we've helped them and never saw the person."

While the web services offer 24-hour convenience from any location, there is still no substitute for a trip to their site. Three floors of information await any who make the trip. The first floor, Open Literature, houses journals, Internet access and information, reference materials and books. Offices are housed on the second floor. The third floor, Documents, is home to classified, restricted and limited information. These materials with soon include the files on the ended Comanche project, which are currently being processed into RSIC. Some of the information housed on the third floor of RSIC is not available anywhere else. Because of the restrictions on such material, working with a librarian is crucial to finding what you need on the third floor.

Photo by Kelley Lane

HERE TO HELP— Ginny Navarro, a first-floor librarian, is ready to assist users of Redstone Scientific Information Center.

"In the documents section, you are in a vault area so you cannot go and browse the shelves. Because of security, we have to go and get the information for them," Wallace explained.

In addition to the Army work force, retirees and contractors, the library also serves Marshall Space Flight Center and SMDC. They have an agreement with the University of Alabama-Huntsville to allow students access. They also have a branch in the Sparkman Center. In an effort to let more people know what they have to offer and how to access it, library staff members have been going out to organizations to make presentations and set up informational booths. Prospective patrons can pick up a form to receive a library card there or can do so on their web site. These can be faxed or presented at the library in person. Government employees do not need the form; they can register at the library without one, if they do not need access to classified material. Once patrons have a card they can check out or receive information, they can receive a pin to access information online. When time is an issue, the facility even has a self-checkout station for materials by the front door.

Even for those who might only need periodic access to library materials, RSIC is performing a valuable service. Patrons can set up search criteria or areas of current interest. They will then be notified by e-mail of materials, reports and journals that meet that criteria or field of interest as they become available. It's an easy way to stay on top of what is happening in a particular field.

"Current Awareness Services is a way to keep patrons aware of their particular subject area," Anne Foreman, first-floor librarian, said. "The engineers and scientists can't keep up with everything that is being published these days. They used to be able to look at a handful of journals, read a couple articles and that was enough. Now there is so much being published they don't have the time to look through every journal."

Library hours for the main facility are 11 a.m. on Monday until 4 p.m. for Documents, with Open Literature staying open until 5:30 p.m. Hours on Tuesday through Thursday are 7 a.m. until 4 p.m. for Documents, 5:30 for Open Literature. Both floors are open 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fridays. The Sparkman Center branch is open Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information or to request an informational booth or presentation, call RSIC at 876-5195 or 876-5181. More information is also available through the web site https://rsic.redstone.army.mil or e-mail rsic@amrdec.army.mil.

Appreciation day turnout grows annually

Military retirees gather for information update

By LIRA FRYE
For the Rocket

Like a family reunion, hugs and handshakes were happening all around. Nearly 2,100 military retirees and their spouses gathered for Retiree Appreciation Day, Aug. 27 at the Sparkman Center to visit with old friends and to receive benefits updates.

Vendors with Morale Welfare and Recreation and the Commissary treated participants to a free breakfast before the official start of the event. Speakers representing Military Officers Association of America, Combat Related Special Compensation, Defense Finance and Accounting Service and the Department of Veterans Affairs provided benefits information and answered questions.

Harold Hovenden traveled with his wife Pat from Eastabogo, Ala., near Anniston to find out about the new things happening in the retiree arena and to hear the Veterans Affairs briefing.

"The person who briefs is very straightforward and very informative," he said. "I like what she says."

Hovenden, who spent 30 years in the Army, made it a point to travel to Redstone for this year's event.

"It's always been an excellent event," he said. "I've been to a lot of other places, this one is really good."

Cynthia Anderson said she likes comments like these. Anderson, Redstone Arsenal's retiree services officer, works along with the office's staff to coordinate the annual event and meet the retirees' needs.

"It was overwhelming, the amount of things we were able to provide this year," Anderson said.

Information booths lined the walls outside Bob Jones Auditorium. Private organizations like Association of U.S. Army shared about their mission and canvassed the area for new members. Other booths touted services available to retirees on Redstone Arsenal and the Huntsville area.

See **Retirees** on page **17**

Photo by Lira Frye

WATCHING THE NUMBERS— Sandra DePhillips, visiting from Pennsylvania, has her blood pressure monitored by Robert Love, registered nurse with Fox Army Health Center.

Flag football preseason ready for kickoff

Ex-Delta Dragons hope to defend title

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Much has changed since the last flag football season.

Delta Company, which won the 2004 championship, no longer exists. It became part of Headquarters & Alpha in an evolution and merge ceremony June 22.

Playing under the Headquarters & Alpha banner, the Dragons subsequently defended their post softball title. Now they hope to do the same in flag football.

"This is my first season playing with them," Headquarters & Alpha wide receiver Billy Clark said. "It seems like we've got a pretty good team. We get our camaraderie together and work as a team, we should be all right."

The Dragons beat 326th Chemical in last year's final and finished 14-1.

"We had a lot of transition of players from last season to this season," 326th wide receiver Samuel Davis said. "So we're pretty much starting over. We have a whole new lineup, it's going to be a totally different team. But we're optimistic about the season. We like our chances."

The preseason tournament kicks off Sept. 12 and the season is tentatively scheduled to start Oct. 11.

In another unit-level sport which counts for Commanders Cup points, the 5K Run is slated for Saturday morning at Pagano Gym. Check-in time is 7:15.

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ON THE LINE— An official watches the line of scrimmage during Delta's 24-20 win over HHC 59th in the 2003 preseason final. The Dragons also won the 2004 preseason tournament and subsequently the post championship.

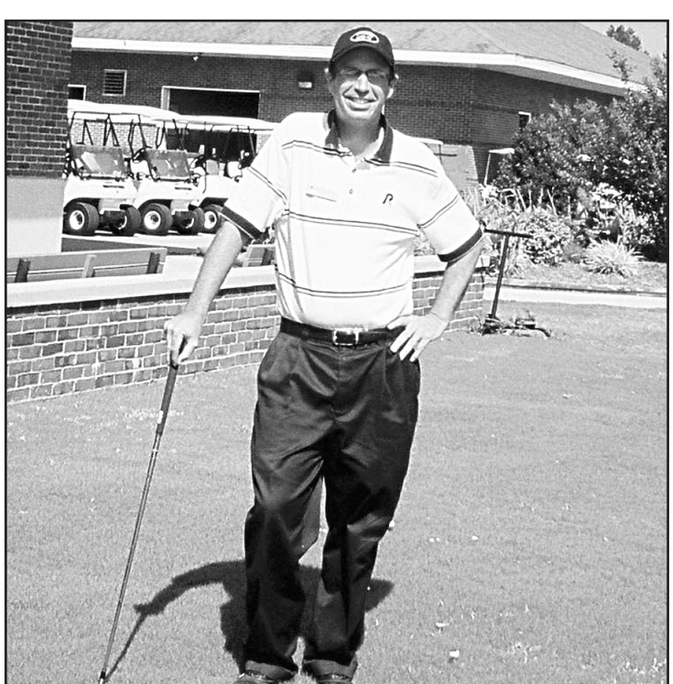

Photo by Patricia Klaver

REAL PRO— Jon Samuelson is the golf professional and pro shop manager at the Redstone course.

Samuelson likes green pastures of golf course

Professional on board at Redstone facility

By PATRICIA KLAVER
MWR Sales and Marketing

There's a new kid on the block at Redstone Golf Course.

Jon Samuelson, the new MWR golf pro and golf pro shop manager, says he's excited about being back at Redstone Arsenal.

Samuelson started his golf career in Huntsville, lived in various places throughout the country, and jumped at the chance to "come back home."

His first taste of golf came at age 13. He knew then that he wanted to be involved with golf for a lifetime, maybe even for a living.

"Once you hit that perfect ball, golf is in your blood. It consumes you," he said. He now teaches, plans tournaments, runs the pro shop and occasionally gets to play. "I love getting paid to help people," he said.

Golf lessons are $40 per session and are available each Wednesday through Sunday afternoon. There is no minimum amount of lessons to buy; pay only for what you need. Pay for four lessons, and the fifth lesson is free. Samuelson begins the first lesson with a computerized video analysis of the student's golf technique. He finds these tools helpful because he said, "feelings aren't facts. You can't lie to the camera."

The computerized analysis helps Samuelson determine where to begin with each student. And the Pro Shop handles everything you need to get started.

Samuelson now plans all the tournaments at the golf course. A Redstone Golf Course Senior Championship is planned for September. Look for new and exciting changes at the golf course as well.

The Golf Course and Pro Shop are open Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. until dusk, with first tee at 7:30 a.m. Hours are 6 a.m. to dusk on Saturday and Sunday, with first tee at 7 a.m. The golf course is located off Goss Road. For more information, call 883-7977 or visit www.redstonemwr.com.

Georgia gets nod over South Carolina

Skip's Picks for week 2

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Here are Skip's Picks for the second week of the college football season:

South Carolina at Georgia – **Georgia**
Mississippi State at Auburn – **Auburn**
Southern Mississippi at Alabama – **Bama**
Alabama A&M at Grambling – **Grambling**
UAB at Troy – **Troy**
Alabama State at Texas Southern – **Ala. State**
Louisiana Tech at Florida – **Florida**
Vanderbilt at Arkansas – **Arkansas**
Idaho State at Kentucky – **Kentucky**
Arizona State at LSU – **LSU**
Army at Boston College – **Boston College**
Stanford at Navy – **Stanford**
San Diego State at Air Force – **San Diego**
Texas at Ohio State – **Texas**
Jackson State at Tennessee State – **Tenn. State**
Oklahoma State at Florida Atlantic – **Okla. State**
Alcorn State at Southeastern Louisiana – **Alcorn**
Pittsburgh at Ohio – **Pittsburgh**
Washington State at Nevada – **Wash. State**
Kansas State at Marshall – **K-State**
Cincinnati at Penn State – **Penn State**
Clemson at Maryland – **Clemson**
Liberty at Connecticut – **Connecticut**
Massachusetts at Colgate – **Colgate**
Notre Dame at Michigan – **Michigan**
Temple at Wisconsin – **Wisconsin**
Virginia Tech at Duke – **Va. Tech**
Tulsa at Oklahoma – **Oklahoma**
Akron at Purdue – **Purdue**
Hampton at Howard – **Hampton**
Richmond at Lafayette – **Richmond**
William & Mary at VMI – **VMI**
Central Michigan at Miami (Ohio) – **Miami (Ohio)**
Colorado State at Minnesota – **Minn.**
San Jose State at Illinois – **Illinois**
Eastern Illinois at Brigham Young – **BYU**
Louisiana-Monroe at Wyoming – **Wyoming**
Buffalo at Syracuse – **Syracuse**
California at Washington – **Washington**
Hawaii at Michigan State – **Mich. State**
Iowa at Iowa State – **Iowa**
Montana at Oregon – **Oregon**
North Carolina at Georgia Tech – **Tech**
Villanova at Rutgers – **Rutgers**
Arkansas-Pine Bluff at Bethune-Cookman – **Pine Bluff**
Northeastern at Youngstown State – **Youngstown**
Northern Illinois at Northwestern – **Northwestern**
Southern Oregon at San Diego – **San Diego**
Nicholls State at Indiana – **Indiana**
Rhode Island at Central Connecticut State – **Rhode Island**
Furman at Western Carolina – **Furman**
Hofstra at Albany – **Albany**
La.-Lafayette at Eastern Michigan – **E. Mich.**
McNeese State at Georgia Southern – **Ga. Southern**
Southern at Mississippi Valley State – **Southern**
Wofford at West Virginia – **West Va.**
Boise State at Oregon State – **Boise State**
The Citadel at Florida State – **FSU**
Appalachian State at Kansas – **Kansas**
Bowling Green at Ball State – **Bowling Green**
Cumberland (Tenn.) at Austin Peay – **Austin Peay**
Florida A&M at South Florida – **S. Fla.**
Florida International at Texas Tech – **Texas Tech**
James Madison at Coastal Carolina – **James Madison**
Lehigh at Delaware – **Delaware**
Newberry at Morehead State (Ky.) – **Morehead**
New Mexico at Missouri – **Missouri**
North Texas at Middle Tennessee – **Middle Tenn.**
Quincy at Southwest Missouri State – **SW Mo. State**
Samford at Baylor – **Baylor**
Sam Houston State at Houston – **Houston**
Chattanooga at Jacksonville State – **Jax State**
Tennessee-Martin at Arkansas State – **Ark. State**
Union College (N.Y.) at Southern Illinois – **S. Ill.**
Wake Forest at Nebraska – **Nebraska**
Western Michigan at Toledo – **Toledo**
Drake at Illinois State – **Illinois State**
Eastern Kentucky at Western Ky. – **Eastern**
Minnesota-Duluth at Northern Iowa – **N. Iowa**
Utah State at Utah – **Utah**
Valparaiso at South Dakota State – **S.D. State**
TCU at Southern Methodist – **TCU**
Idaho at UNLV – **UNLV**
Northern Arizona at Arizona – **Arizona**
New Mexico State at Colorado – **Colorado**
Rice at UCLA – **UCLA**
Weber State at Fresno State – **Fresno**

Alabama Guard provides critical disaster response

Units providing relief operations support to hurricane victims

By Capt. STEVE ALVAREZ
American Forces Press Service

MONTGOMERY — A few months ago, Army Maj. Gen. C. Mark Bowen, the adjutant general of Alabama, met with a village leader in Afghanistan while visiting his Soldiers who were deployed to support the war on terror. The village leader, Bowen said, walked up to an Alabama National Guard officer and hugged him. The Afghani leader later told Bowen that he didn't want the officer's battalion to leave Afghanistan. The Alabama unit had been providing security to the region where the village is located.

That scene was replayed Sept. 2, only this time, a Gulf Coast mayor was telling Bowen that he didn't want the National Guard troops to leave. Bowen kept the troops in the mayor's town.

"Once you put Soldiers on the streets with M-16s, things tend to settle down," Bowen said today at his bustling state headquarters. There, he is managing Alabama's forces as they provide relief operations support not only to Alabama, but also to Louisiana and Mississippi.

"They were tickled to death to see us," Bowen said. "When the Guard comes, they bring everything."

Guard forces ordinarily enter an impacted area from one of the sides of the hurricane's path, hours after the storm passes through, Bowen said. As Katrina hit South Florida, Bowen and his staff began planning and pre-positioning personnel and equipment, using full-time Guard members to handle the bulk of the planning phase.

Less than 24 hours after Katrina had left its trail of destruction, Soldiers and airmen from the Alabama National Guard were rescuing and evacuating civilians from the state's Gulf Coast. Guard officials here said 96 civilians were rescued from the Mobile area, and Alabama troops evacuated 400.

"The Alabama National Guard was prepared to provide support," Bowen said. "They did a Herculean job to get these Soldiers out there."

"These people have jobs," Bowen said. "We have to get them into the armory, get them in uniform, equipped," he said. But despite the challenges, more than 1,400 soldiers and airmen from Alabama were called to state active duty to support relief efforts hours after the wind stopped howling.

Initially, the Guardsmen were mobilized to conduct search-and-rescue operations. Approximately 75 Special Forces Soldiers, equipped with agile inflatable boats, helped rescue personnel, but the mission eventually shifted westward and changed once military leaders in Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana surveyed the damage.

The Special Forces Soldiers were then sent to New Orleans to search for victims and a 300-strong military police unit and 500 engineers were diverted to Mississippi to help distribute ice, water and food, keep order and clear roads.

"During the storm we knew they were over there taking a beating," Bowen said. After the storm, Bowen said he spoke with the adjutant general of Mississippi and the two agreed to cooperate and combine their efforts under the Emergency Management Assistance Compact.

Photo by Capt. Steve Alvarez

RELIEF PLANS— Army Maj. Gen. C. Mark Bowen and a staff officer discuss Alabama National Guard disaster relief operations in the new Joint Operation Center at the Guard's state headquarters in Montgomery.

EMAC is a national mutual-aid and partnership agreement that allows state-to-state assistance during governor- or federally declared states of emergency. EMAC provides a straightforward system for the National Guard in unaffected states to send troops and equipment to help states in need.

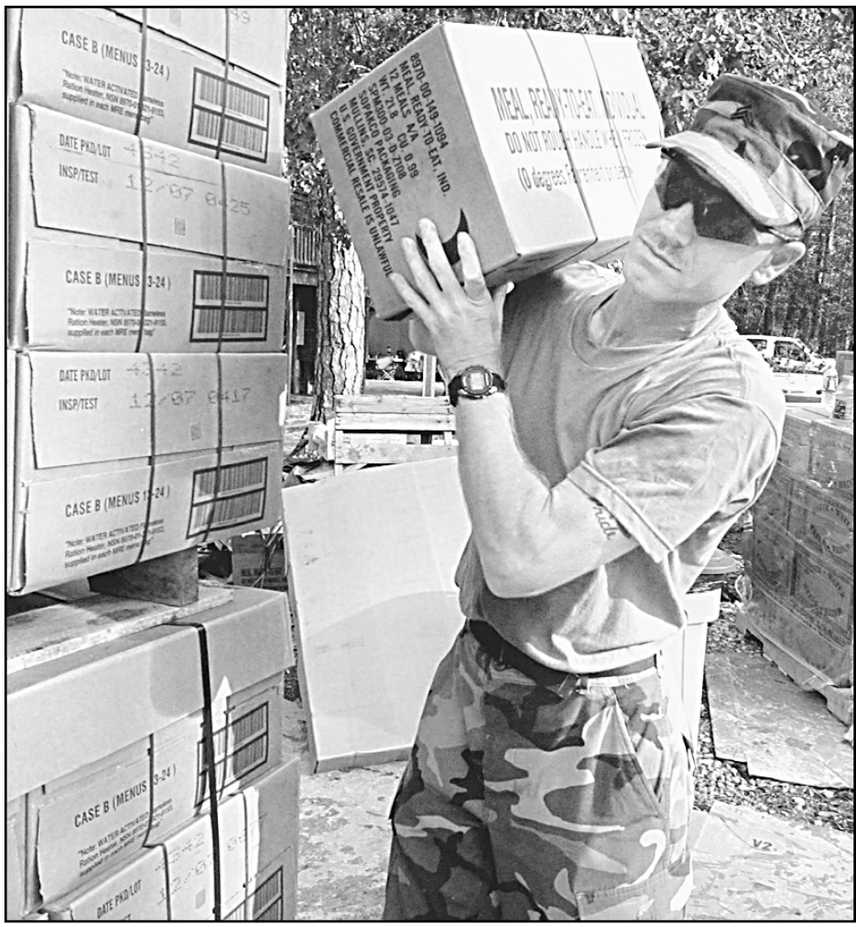
EMAC was used last year when 800 personnel from 38 states deployed to support operations in the aftermath of Hurricanes Ivan, Frances, Charley and Jeanne.

Two battalions were sent to Hattiesburg, Miss., and are currently being used mostly in the distribution of humanitarian aid. Currently the Alabama National Guard is involved in security, communications, distribution, search and rescue, engineering, and airlift missions.

More than 3,900 soldiers and airmen from Alabama are currently supporting disaster relief operations in Mississippi, Louisiana and Alabama. In addition, more than 1,200 Alabama National Guard Soldiers are deployed to Afghanistan or Iraq.

"It really hasn't affected us," Bowen said about the mission demands of the war on terror. And National Guard units from throughout the country are responding with personnel and equipment, not because of personnel shortages in the Guard ranks attributable to overseas deployments, but because of the complexity and magnitude of Katrina's aftermath, officials said.

According to Guard reports, at least 77 percent of Alabama's force was available to respond to the disaster. This number is well above the National Guard's nationwide objective, which stipulates governors have at least 50 percent of their force available to respond to state emergencies. Louisiana, which has forces deployed to Iraq, has at least 65 percent of its forces available to respond to disasters. Mississippi has the least, with 60 percent of its force available.



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FOOD SUPPLY— Sgt. Donald McVay, from the 900th Maintenance Company, Alabama Army National Guard, loads Meals, Ready-to-Eat for victims of Hurricane Katrina.

"The story of the Guard is being written now," Alabama National Guard spokesman Lt. Col. Bob Horton said.

"At least 90 percent of our troops supporting state missions have served in Afghanistan and Iraq," Horton said. Employers and families are impacted by the operational tempo and the soldiers face many challenges, Horton said. But, "They're still willing to do their state mission, even though they just got back."

A signal battalion just returned from Iraq is headed to New Orleans to provide security, Bowen said.

"They're a battle-hardened group that'll do a good job there," Bowen said. "They're on the road right now."

But the Guard faces the same challenges that civilians are presented with. Fuel is scarce here, communications infrastructure is wiped out and shipping relief aid without passable supply routes causes delays.

"We find fuel wherever we can," Bowen said. "The fuel issue is the biggest one I've seen in all of these hurricanes."

However, Louisiana is addressing the challenges and applying solutions. Alabama has sent teams to manage the distribution of fuel near the Gulf Coast, a communications team has restored first responder communications in some areas, and units are now providing humanitarian aid behind the path cleared by Alabama's engineers.

Aid is physically moving on the ground and in the air. Spiritually, things are moving too; Alabama Guard chaplain teams were deployed to Louisiana and medical teams have also been dispatched.

Bowen said that state military leaders are in constant communication and work with the National Guard Bureau to coordinate operations. But Guard officials note that the National Guard remains under the command and control of state civil authority and support chief law enforcement officers.

National Guard Soldiers on state active duty are designated as peace officers under state laws. While on state active duty the Guard's mission is to serve the state or territory as directed by the governor during times of crisis, disaster, civil disturbance and other threats of life and property unless federalized by the president.

The National Guard has a unique dual mission providing forces at both the state and federal levels and is the only service that abides by two oaths of office, one to the state constitution and one to the U.S. constitution.

Guardsmen are paid by state funds when mobilized by their governors unless the president federalized them, in which case the soldiers receive federal benefits and compensation.

Bowen plans to keep his initial force on duty for two weeks and then replace them with fresh Soldiers so "troops can get back to their lives." He added that many on duty right now for disaster operations have also suffered losses in the storm, although he couldn't estimate how many.

Hotlines up for Soldiers, families hit by hurricane

WASHINGTON— Families of Deployed Army National Guard Soldiers affected by Hurricane Katrina are asked to call 1-888-777-7731 so that Guard members can be informed of their family's situation.

Army Reserve family members and Soldiers affected by Hurricane Katrina also have a newly created call center. The toll free number for the center is 1-877-464-9330, or from a military phone DSN 367-9330.

Any military members or families in need of counseling services may call the Military One SOURCE number, 1-800-342-9647.

Any military members or family affected by Hurricane Katrina who are in need of financial assistance can call the Army Emergency Relief. The toll free number is 1-866-878-6378.

"There are four ways (for families) to connect with their servicemember," said Col. Anthony Baker, chief of the National Guard Bureau Family Programs. "Either through the Family Assistance Center, sate Family Program director, wing Family Program coordinator, or through the rear detachment of their unit."

"We will bridge that gap for them by making sure they have all of the information necessary," he said. "In cases where they can't make that contact, we will make it for them."

Hotline works both ways

Deployed service members can also call the hotline to contact their families.

"If a servicemember calls in and asks us to find their family, we'll call one or all of the services in that state and say, 'please connect, find the family and get back to us,' so we can let that service member know that they are all right," Baker said.

If deployed servicemembers cannot call one of the toll free numbers, they may be able to make contact through www.army.mil/ako or www.guardfamily.org web sites.

Baker and his team of coordinators have already been successful in contacting deployed servicemembers with family information.

Many services available via hotline

In addition to helping Guard families and service members make contact, operators at the hotline can assist families in getting help and services from federal, state and local agencies.

"Once they call the hotline, the person can expect a live person the answer the phone, listen to their issue or concern, provide information, or provide a referral or outreach to another agency," Baker said. "Before we hang up the phone, we'll contact the Family Program director or other assisting agency while they are still on line and let them know, what their issues are and what type of assistance they need. The two are then connected."

The assistance provided through the hotline is very extensive and all encompassing, Baker said. He added that National Guard Family Program personnel are deeply connected with numerous federal, state and local agencies. This partnership allows them to assist families with those operating in the immediate geographic location.

No matter what the problem or issue, Family Programs has the ability to find, contact and connect the family with the proper service, officials said, such as the American Red Cross, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, American Legion, Department of Veterans Affairs and other services operating in the area.

Aside from the hotline, Guard family members can contact their nearest Family Program Office by calling 1-800-342-9647.

Army Reserve hotline also 24/7

The Army Reserve call center phones will be manned 24 hours a day as of noon, Sept. 2, officials said. Operators will take down information to aid deployed Army Reserve Soldiers in determining the status and whereabouts of their families affected by Hurricane Katrina.

Additionally, callers will be screened to determine what other assistance they may need. The call center will have information and will help guide callers to specific resources.

In addition to the 1-877 phone number, there is a web site established where families of deployed/mobilized Army Reserve Soldiers and Army Reserve Civilians may provide their current contact information. The address of the Web page is http://www.arfp.org. The Web site also provides information and links to the many agencies providing specific relief to those in need.

AER to help hurricane victims

By LADONNA S. DAVIS
Army News Service

WASHINGTON— For those Soldiers, active and retired, and their family members who have been affected by Hurricane Katrina, Army Emergency Relief will assist with short-term needs such as food, lodging, clothing, gas, and other financial needs such as rent deposits and bill payment.

"As long as the emergency exists, we will assist," said retired Col. Dennis Spiegel, deputy director of administration of Army Emergency Relief.

AER is a private nonprofit organization whose sole mission is to help Soldiers and their dependents in times of financial hardships.

AER provides interest-free loans with delay-start repayment, as well as grants on an as-needed basis.

AER obtains most of its funds through donations from both the general public and the Army Family.

Donations can be sent to the Army Emergency Relief Headquarters at 200 Stovall Street, Alexandria, Va. 22332.

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■ Military retirees express appreciation for event

Retirees

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"We had more booths than ever before," Anderson said. "People were falling over themselves to have a booth. I didn't talk to a booth person who didn't have a good day."

On the third floor, Fox Army Health Center provided a variety of medical screenings like eye exams, blood pressure monitoring and cholesterol checks. The Legal Assistance Office prepared simple wills, provided notary service and drafted powers of attorney. The lines of waiting people testified to the popularity of the services.

Kudos came from many sources. Judy Rinkel, whose husband retired from the Air Force, waited in line to get her eyes examined.

"It's great," she said. "This is a good thing to have for the retirees."

Sandra DePhillips from Pennsylvania was visiting friends who live in Huntsville. They all decided to attend Retiree Appreciation Day.

"I think this is great," she said. "We live too far away from a military base to go to activities like this. It's great to get all this done."

At the end of the day, more than 100 ID cards had been issued. Vehicle registration did more than 145 transactions and DFAS more than 200.

Anderson said one of her favorite parts of the day was when the Huntsville Concert Band played during lunch.

"I heard that some of the participants were dancing," she said. "But I didn't see it. If you weren't there (at the event), you missed a great time."

To notify area retirees about the day, Anderson's office mailed 73,000 newsletters. Although the office focuses mainly on the north Alabama region south to Anniston, they also send information to southern Tennessee from Memphis to Chattanooga. The numbers total nearly 200,000 military retirees and their family members. Anderson said the Army is the only service branch that funds a formal, retiree services office and people need to take advantage of what is offered.

"You need to let the higher ups know you appreciate this service or it might go away," she said.

For those interested in participating in retiree activities or helping to plan the next RAD, Anderson recommends joining the Military Retiree Advisory Council. The council is made up of retirees and their spouses, active and reserve, from all branches of service. The group meets every other month. They address retiree issues and bring the issues to the attention of Redstone officials. For more information, call Anderson at 876-2022.

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FRIENDLY WELCOME— Harold and Pat Hovenden register at the Retiree Appreciation Day welcome table. The Hovendens traveled from Eastabogo, Ala., about an hour and a half from Redstone Arsenal.

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SHARING INFORMATION— Col. John Sackett, combat-related special compensation division chief, talks with an auditorium full of military retirees about applying for the benefits available through his office.

82nd Airborne joins hurricane relief

More than 30K troops providing hurricane relief to southern states

WASHINGTON— The 82nd Airborne Division has begun deploying about 2,700 paratroopers from Fort Bragg, N.C., to help with Hurricane Katrina disaster relief.

The 82nd headquarters, the 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, the 319th Field Artillery Regiment, as well as elements from the Division Support Command, 82nd Aviation Brigade, 307th Engineer Battalion and other units are deploying to Louisiana to support disaster-relief operations.

More than 4,600 active-duty service members are now supporting the hurricane-relief efforts, in addition to almost 27,000 National Guard troops there and thousands more deploying, officials reported.

Elements of the 4th Infantry Division and 1st Cavalry Division from Fort Hood, Texas, are also assisting with the hurricane recovery. Helicopters and crews from Hood's 1st Air Cavalry Brigade are the lead Army aviation element of the military task force

So far, the federal government has moved millions of commodities of water, ice and Meals Ready to Eat, or MREs, into the affected areas, totaling more than 125 tons of relief supplies, according to the Department of Homeland Security. As of Sept. 2, more than 4,500 lives had been saved, officials reported, more than 30,000 people had been assisted, and more than 222,000 refugees had been evacuated.

The military forces will provide support as requested by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and directed by the Department of Defense, officials said. They explained that typically that support includes humanitarian relief and activities including medical, logistical, and communications support, as well as clean-up assistance.

The United States Northern Command established Joint Task Force Katrina to act as the military's on-scene command in support of the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Lt. Gen. Russell Honore, commander of the First Army out of Fort Gillem, Ga., is the JTF commander. JTF Katrina is currently based out of Camp Shelby, Miss.

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JOINING THE EFFORT— Army Maj. Todd Berry of the 82nd Airborne from Fort Bragg, N.C., points out key locations on a map of the city of New Orleans, La., on Sept. 3, 2005. The Army is here to help bring order and security in support of Hurricane Katrina relief effort.

USNORTHCOM provided the following updates on the disaster-relief operatns:

- Schoolbuses are being used to take residents to staging areas for transportation out of New Orleans.
- Engineering teams are working to reopen the airfield at Naval Air Station Belle Chase to provide a second runway for passenger and cargo operations.
- In addition to Coast Guard aviation, the total number of helicopters participating in humanitarian operations along the Gulf Coast rose to 139 (78 DoD, 61 National Guard) with 17 additional aircraft en route.
- The Dept. of Health and Human Services is coordinating to locate 10 mobile Federal Medical Shelter facilities on military installations along the Gulf Coast. Each facility can accommodate 250 patients. Four facilities will be positioned at Ft. Polk, Louisiana; two at Naval Air Station Meridian, Miss.; two at Air National Guard Station Meridian, Miss.; and two at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla.
- Joint Forces Command is providing Department of Defense leased property at the former England AFB in Louisiana as an intermediate staging base to support hurricane response in the state of Louisiana. This will serve as a staging point for National Guard personnel arriving from other states to support the Louisiana relief efforts.
- JTF-Civil Support is providing a joint planning augmentation cell to provide domestic chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, or high-yield explosive, known as CBRNE, consequence management planning capabilities to JTF-Katrina.
- Defense Coordinating Officers, known as DCOs, and Defense Coordinating Elements in Baton Rouge, La. and Jackson, Miss., are serving as liaison between U.S. Northern Command, FEMA and the Department of Defense.
- Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.; Naval Air Station Meridian, Miss.; Barksdale Air Force Base, La.; Alexandria, La.; and Ft. Polk, La.; are federal operational staging areas to expedite the movement of relief supplies and emergency personnel to affected areas.
- USNORTHCOM's 24-hour Joint Operations Center in Colorado Springs, Colo., has been augmented with additional personnel to facilitate any additional requests for assistance that may come from FEMA representatives.

Editor's note: Information taken from news releases by the 82nd Airborne Division, Department of Homeland Security, National Guard Bureau and U.S. Northern Command, compiled by ARNEWS editor Gary Sheftick.

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Search and rescue

Coast Guard Petty Officer 2nd Class Shawn Beaty looks for survivors in the wake of Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans, La., on Aug. 30. Beaty, 29, of Long Island, N.Y., is a member of a Coast Guard HH-60 Jayhawk helicopter rescue crew sent from Clearwater, Fla., to assist in search and rescue efforts.

Sports & Recreation

Bass tournament
The Buddy Bass Tournament is Sept. 17, beginning at safe light (about 5:30 a.m.) until 3 p.m., at Wheeler Reservoir, Decatur Boat Harbor. First prize is $1,000, based on 30 boats. Sponsors include American Bass Anglers, The Boat House, and Tomahawk Tackle. Register early, by Sept. 15, at Tomahawk Tackle in Huntsville or The Boat House in Athens. Race day registration is 4-5 a.m. For more information, call tournament director Patrick Anderson 842-2471.

Atlanta baseball trip
The Diane Campbell Recreation Center is hosting a tour to the Atlanta Braves vs. Florida Marlins baseball game Sept. 24 at Turner Field in Atlanta. Tour will include chartered bus transportation, and reserve seats at "field level" down the first base line. There will be an early dinner stop on the way to the game. The bus will depart the recreation center, building 3711 at noon. Game time is 6:05 p.m. CST. Sign up is under way and the cost is $68.50. Seating is limited. For more information and to register for the tour, visit building 3711 between 1:30 and 8 p.m. Tuesday through Friday (weekends 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.) or call Gail 876-4531.

Discount tickets
The MWR Information, Ticketing and Registration Office, building 3711, has Visionland combo tickets available at Redstone community discounted prices. Visionland in Birmingham offers adult tickets at $26.50, a savings of $6.14 off the gate price and $18.75 for junior/senior tickets (ages 3 through 9 and 62 and over), a savings of $3 off the gate price. Visit the ITR office – open 1:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday – or call 876-4531 for more information.

Street hockey
If you like team sports, like to have fun and need some exercise, then Madison street hockey is looking for you. This adult-non-contact-tennis-shoe league plays on Sundays starting in October. For information call Al Bryan 679-2506 or e-mail bamabryans@knology.net.

Golf tournament
A golf tournament benefiting the scholarship fund of the Huntsville Post Society of American Military Engineers is Sept. 14 at Sunset Landing Golf Course. The organization's monthly luncheon will be held at the Sunset Landing Clubhouse at 11 a.m. prior to the shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. The entry fee of $55 per person includes green fees, cart, a goodie bag, range balls and lunch. An awards ceremony with munchies follows the tournament. For entry forms and other information, call Phil Loftis (256) 217-2532 or e-mail philip.loftis@parsons.com.

Hunter orientation
Redstone Hunter Orientation Course for the 2005-06 season will be held at 4:30 p.m. on Sept. 8 and 22, Oct. 6 and 20 and Nov. 3 and 17 at the Diane Campbell Recreation Center, building 3711, Aerobee Road at Patton Road. Items required to hunt on Redstone Arsenal include: 1. Alabama state hunting license; 2. any state's hunter education certificate (more information can be found regarding local classes at www.outdoorAlabama.com); 3. Redstone Arsenal hunting orientation; and 4.Redstone Arsenal hunting permit. Hunters must have items 1-3 before they can purchase the Redstone permit.

Conferences & Meetings

Project management
The North Alabama Chapter of the Project Management Institute and the Defense Acquisition University South Region will hold the third annual Professional Development Symposium on Sept. 15 at the Von Braun Center North Hall. This year's theme is "Achieving Superior Results Through Project Management Excellence." Exhibitor and sponsorship opportunities are available. Information can be requested via e-mail from pds@northalabamapmi.org.

Federally employed women
An upcoming luncheon offers an opportunity to learn more about Army Materiel Command — what it is and what it could bring to this community. Also learn about issues and challenges leaders face in a transforming Army that encompass base realignment and closure and DoD's new personnel system. The North Alabama Chapter, Federally Employed Women, September program meeting is Sept. 14 at 11 a.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club. Scheduled speaker is Kathryn Szymanski, acting executive deputy to the commanding general, headquarters AMC. Tickets are $11 and can be purchased from the following: Juanita Sales Lee, SMDC, 955-4521; Rona Brownridge, building 5400, 842-8718; Judy Darwin, MSFC, 544-4222; Shirley Gomez, building 5681, 313-4213; Renee Smith, Sparkman Center, 955-9096; Louise Pickett, MSIC, 313-7641; and Donna Rigsby, Wynn Drive complex, 313-3021. For more information, call Kathy Whisenant 876-2626. All are invited.

Hispanic heritage panel
Individuals interested in participating in the planning, coordination and execution of this year's Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration are invited to attend the weekly planning committee meeting held every Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the Garrison Equal Employment Office, room 124, building 111.

Resource managers
The American Society of Military Comptrollers will hold its monthly meeting Thursday at 11:30 a.m. at the Trinity Personal Growth Center on Airport Road. Ted Godzwa, from Defense Finance and Accounting Service-Indianapolis, is to speak on "General Fund Enterprise Business System," considered the accounting system for the future. For tickets — $10 members, $11 non-members — see your organization representative or call Kim Jean 876-7208 or Lisa Lowry 876-7086.

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Product director

As part of the overall reorganization within the Program Executive Office, Missiles and Space, the Joint Tactical Ground Station Product Office officially merged under the Lower Tier Project Office on Aug. 1. The JTAGS Product Office, led by product director Cliff Brandt, is responsible for managing sustainment for the fielded JTAGS system as well as managing a pre-planned product improvement program in which the Multi-Mission Mobile Processor will replace JTAGS.

Chapel women
The September program for the Protestant Women of the Chapel is "Korean Soul Sisters" and will be held Sept. 10 from 10 a.m. until noon at 10000 Meredith Lane (off Weatherly Road in south Huntsville). "Our Korean sisters will be sharing their faith and a cooking lesson followed by lunch," a prepared release said. RSVP to Judy Haynes 882-7857.

Women accountants
American Society of Women Accountants will meet Sept. 13 at the Holiday Inn Select (formerly Huntsville Hilton). Social begins at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6 and the program at 6:30. Jack Wright, assistant vice president for business lending at Redstone Federal Credit Union, is to speak on "how SBA can assist your small business." Cost is $16.50 members, $17.50 non-members and $10 full-time undergraduate students. For reservations call 830-0377 or e-mail royerfe@juno.com.

Marine Corps league
The Marine Corps League's Brandon-Wilbourn Detachment will hold its monthly meeting Sept. 13 at 6:30 p.m. at American Legion Post 237 on Drake Avenue. All former, retired, active or inactive Marines are invited. For more information, visit the web site bwmarines820@aol.com. Huntsville Chapter of the Marine Corps League will host a commander's breakfast, open to the public, Saturday from 9-10 a.m. at Post 237; and the cost is $3.

Sergeants major
The Sergeants Major Association will hold its monthly meeting Sept. 15 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.

Miscellaneous

Oktoberfest
It's once again time for "the best 'Fest west of Germany." Redstone Arsenal's 10th annual Oktoberfest – Sept. 15-18 on the post activity field off Patton Road — is a delight for adults and children of all ages, and it's open to the public. Terry Cavanagh and the Alpine Express will be in the 'Fest tent each night with all the games, music and traditional Bavarian dance you can handle. 5 O'Clock Charlie will be there as well for your entertainment. There will be games, carnival rides, a kids' area, an arts and crafts fair, a National Hunting and Fishing Day Expo, complete with booths and displays from S & L Marine, Wiley's, a boat show, archery demo and more. Parking is included with the gate admission. Come see the Antique Tool Show and buy, sell or trade good tools for the traditional woodworker. More than 30 tables of quality tools — only $1 with Oktoberfest admission, $2 without. Bring your tools in for free market appraisals, sell or trade your traditional hand tools, watch demonstrations and enter daily to win door prizes. Special viewing for the Redstone community will be Sept. 15-16 from 1-4 p.m., and Sept. 17 from 12–3 p.m. For more information, call 876-7974.Oktoberfest 2005 will be held on the activity field near the intersection of Patton and Aerobee Roads. 'Fest times are that Thursday from 5-11 p.m.; Friday 5 p.m.-1 a.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 a.m.; and Sunday 1-8 p.m. Price is Sept. 15, $8; and Sept. 16-18, $10. No advance ticket sales —- all tickets for purchase at the gate. For more information, call 876-5232. To become an arts and crafts vendor, call 876-5492 or 876-4531.

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 Sgt. 1st Class Harold Cook 876-5390.

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 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, 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.

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. The shop will begin taking winter clothing Sept. 20. Donations are accepted and tax slips are available. Volunteers are needed. The shop will be open Sept. 10 from 10-2 for a "Hat Trick" special – pull out a chip and save. For more information, call 881-6992.

Motorcycle safety course
Motorcycle safety training – for experienced riders — is conducted behind the Rocket Harley-Davidson Dealership building off I-565 and Greenbrier Road, exit 3. The contact is Keith Coates of the Garrison Safety Office 876-3383 (e-mail keith.coates@redstone.army.mil). Students in this Experienced Rider Course should have ridden for at least a year, and have ridden more than 1,000 miles. Bring your own motorcycle – fully serviceable, good tires, charged battery and topped off with fuel. You can rent a bike at the dealership for $25. To participate you must have a DOT approved helmet, eye protection, long sleeve shirt or jacket, boots or shoes that cover the ankles, full fingered gloves, and long pants. The course will start promptly at 8 a.m. and should be completed between 5-6 hours. If it rains, rain gear is required. Cost is covered for active duty and retired military and Defense Department civilians. All others pay their own fee. The instructor is Ralph Harris 341-9424, ext. 424.

Photo by Keith Ryan

Intelligence specialist

Intelligence specialist Kevin McClure was selected the second "Employee of the Quarter" in the G-2 (Intelligence and Security).

9/11 remembrance
A one-hour 9/11 commemorative tribute is today at 9 a.m. in Bob Jones Auditorium. The theme for the ceremony is "Americans, United We Stand, A Tribute to the Soldier, Civilian and Contractor Support." This tribute is a way for Team Redstone members to show their support for those who risk their lives fighting the War on Terrorism. For more information call Sam Wright, chairman of the Sept. 11 Committee, at 955-3154 or e-mail september11@redstone.army.mil.

Quarterly retirement event
The Quarterly Retirement Ceremony is Sept. 22 at 4 p.m. at Heiser Hall. All military personnel scheduled to retire within the next 3-6 months are encouraged to participate. If you would like to participate, call Sgt. 1st Class Russell Kimball 876-2819 by Thursday. Retirement ceremonies are scheduled Dec. 15, March 23 and June 22.

Team building kickoff
The Army Family Team Building kickoff for 2005-06 is 5-6 p.m. Thursday at Army Community Service, building 3338 on Redeye Road. For more information, call 842-8375 or e-mail larry.leggett@redstone.army.mil.

Chapel services
Weekly services at Bicentennial Chapel, on Goss Road, include: Weekdays (except Friday) – noon Catholic Mass. Saturday – 5 p.m. Catholic Mass. Sunday — 9:30 a.m. Catholic Mass, 10:45 a.m. CCD, 9:30 a.m. Protestant Sunday School, 11 a.m. Protestant Worship Service. Many Bible studies are throughout the week. For information call 876-2409.

Book signing
Huntsville author Jennifer Devlin is a collaborating editor and contributor to "God Answers Prayers: Military Edition" with her own story titled "Beautiful," as well as stories from those she interviewed. Her personal story is about a friend who taught her the power of prayer and the peace she found while being terminally ill. The interviews she conducted brought forth stories of prayer in battle and deployment, as well as other faith building moments. Devlin will conduct a book signing at the Post Exchange on Sept. 17 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. during the annual AAFES Still Serving event. Stop by and visit her during the introduction of "God Answers Prayers: Military Edition."

Native American drum
"Little Turtle" will hold a Native American Drum Class every Wednesday at 6 p.m. at the Max Luther Learning Center, 301-A Max Luther Drive. This free class is intended for all ages who want to learn the art of Native American drumming. Children are encouraged to attend. For information call 655-2125.

Technology expo
The Redstone Arsenal Technology Exposition 2005 is Sept. 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club in the main ballroom. All personnel and contractors are invited to this free event. Leading manufacturers, developers and system integrators will demonstrate the latest computer hardware, software and services. For more information, e-mail Carrie Meadows at meadows@ncsi.com or call toll free (888) 603-8899, ext. 214.

Soldier readiness event
The Military Personnel Division in conjunction with Fox Army Health Center will hold a Soldier Readiness Processing event Sept. 20-21 from 7:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. at Fox. This SRP will be for Soldiers in the Redstone, Madison area, who do not have an up-to-date deployment packet on file at their unit personnel action center. PACs should also take this opportunity to update Department of Army forms 7425 in unit deployment folders. Any unit interested in participating in this SRP should go online on the Garrison web page and make appointments in the uReserve system for each Soldier. For more information, call Larry Marvin of Military Personnel Division 876-1671.

Craft show
The North Eastern Crafters Association will hold its fall craft show Sept. 16-18 at the Von Braun Center South Hall. Hours for this free event are 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. that Friday and Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Bible study
Protestant Women of the Chapel members invite all the women of the community to join them at their weekly Bible study Thursday at Bicentennial Chapel. Four studies take place from 9:30 until 11:30 a.m. A lunch study begins at 11:30 until 12:15. Child care is provided at the chapel. For more information, call Toni Welch 489-5646 or Erica Hobbs 489-3018.

Women's health
Heart disease is the No. 1 killer of women, and all women are at risk. The good news is that heart disease can be prevented. You can learn how. On Sept. 24, call the Go Red HeartLine toll-free at 1-877-GO-RED-05 anytime between 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to speak to a knowledgeable

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registered nurse who will answer your questions about heart disease.You can discuss your personal risks for women's No. 1 killer and what you and your doctor can do to prevent this disease at no cost to you. The Go Red HeartLine is offered by the American Heart Association's Go Red For Women movement, nationally sponsored by Macy's and Pfizer. The 2005 Go Red HeartLine is made possible by SHPS' CareWise Nurse Line with support from PacifiCare Health Systems.

Parents and schools

National PTA is coming to Huntsville to train presenters for their Building Successful Partnerships program. BSP is a comprehensive implementation guide on the National Standards that is designed to provide the foundation for developing a quality parent involvement program. Training is scheduled Sept. 24 at Morris Elementary, 4801 Bob Wallace Ave. southwest. Deadline for registering is Thursday. If you are interested in attending call Laurie McCaulley, Alabama PTA president-elect, (256) 858-9595 or e-mail lamccaulley@aol.com.

Organizational day

AMRDEC Organizational Day is Oct. 6 (with rain date Oct. 13) at the Carroll D. Hudson Recreation Area for all AMRDEC personnel. Entertainment, games, softball, volleyball, prizes and food will be available. Chicken or pork meal tickets are $8 adult; hot dog meals are $3.50 for children 12 and under. For tickets and more information, call Dr. Steve Smith 876-8331.

Trade on square

The 17th annual Old-Fashioned Trade Day on the Square, sponsored by the Von Braun Lions Club and Harrison Brothers Hardware, will be held on Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. downtown around the courthouse square in Huntsville.

Aeronautical university

The Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Huntsville Center is now registering for the winter term, Oct. 18 to Dec.19. Deadline to register is Oct. 14. For more information, call 876-9763, visit ERAU Huntsville in the Army Education Center, building 3222; the web site at http://www.erau.edu/huntsville; or e-mail huntsville.center@erau.edu. Embry-Riddle is now offering a master of science in management program on Redstone Arsenal.

ARMY POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS
REDSTONE ARSENAL AND HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA AREA

ANNOUNCEMENTS AS OF 1 Sep 05	POSITION TITLE	CLOSING DATE	ORGANIZATION LOCATION	PAY PLAN & SERIES	GRADE LEVEL	POT GRD	PAY RANGE (FROM - TO)	WHO CAN APPLY? A	B	C	D	E	F	H	I	R	T	V	U
THE FOLLOWING ARMY ANNOUNCEMENTS CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEB AT WWW.CPOL.ARMY.MIL																			
SCBK05747777	Supply Systems Analyst	7-Sep-05	IMMC	GS-2003	12	12	60,955 - 79,238	X		X					X	X		X	
SCBK05784578	General Engineer	7-Sep-05	ARDEC	DB-0801	3	3	60,955 - 94,229		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
SCBK05784578D	General Engineer	7-Sep-05	ARDEC	DB-0801	3	3	60,955 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05762729	Supv. Qual. Assur. Spec.	8-Sep-05	IMMC	NH-1910	3	3	72,486 - 94,229			X		X	X		X	X		X	
SCBK05793454	Physical Therapy Asst.	8-Sep-05	MEDAC	GS-0636	5	5	27,742 - 36,069		X		X		X		X	X		X	
SCBK05793454D	Physical Therapy Asst.	8-Sep-05	MEDAC	GS-0636	5	5	27,742 - 36,069	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05725374D	Supv. Gen. Engineer	8-Sep-05	SMDC	GS-0801	15	15	100,756-130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05725375D	Supv. Gen. Engineer	8-Sep-05	SMDC	GS-0801	15	15	100,756-130,988								X				X
SCBK005774601	Supv. Supply Syst. Any.	9-Sep-05	IMMC	NH-2003	4	4	85,656-111,355		X										
SCBK05748651	Logistics Mgmt. Spec.	9-Sep-05	IMMC	GS-0346	11	11	50,858 - 66,115				X				X			X	
SCBK05799045	Mail Clerk (OA)	9-Sep-05	MDAC	GS-0305	4	4	24,795 - 32,232		X		X	X			X	X	X	X	
SCBK05757379	Contract Specialist	9-Sep-05	PEO, MSAM/Prd Div	GS-1102	13	13	72,486 - 94,229	X	X										
SCBK05757331	Contract Specialist	9-Sep-05	PEO, MSAM/Prd Div	GS-1102	13	13	72,486 - 94,229	X	X										
SCBK05746249D	Materials Engineer	9-Sep-05	ARDEC	DB-0806	2	2	27,742 - 66,115	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05797607	Electronics Engineer	9-Sep-05	ARDEC	DB-0855	3	3	60,955 - 94,229		X										
SCBK05460338	Fielding Liaison Ofcr.	9-Sep-05	Space, Close Cmbt.	GS-0301	12	12	60,955 - 79,238		X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	
SCBK05757797	Lead General Engineer	11-Sep-05	ARDEC	DB-0801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X		X		X	X		X	X		X	
SCBK05763031	Training Instructor	12-Sep-05	USAOMEMS	GS-1712	9	9	42,034 - 54,641		X		X		X			X		X	
SCBK05738726	Program Analyst	12-Sep-05	PMO AMDCSS	GS-0343	13	13	72,486 - 94229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
SCBK05738726D	Program Analyst	12-Sep-05	PMO AMDCSS	GS-0343	13	13	72,486 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05661224	Supv. General Engineer	12-Sep-05	USADTC Tech Ctr	GS-0801	15	15	100,756-130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
SCBK05661224D	Supv. General Engineer	12-Sep-05	USADTC Tech Ctr	GS-0801	15	15	100,756-130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05795969	Supv. Logistics Mgmt Spe	12-Sep-05	IMMC	NH-0346	3	3	60,955 - 94,229		X										
SCBK05745524	Contract Specialist	12-Sep-05	AMC -Acq. Ctr.	GS-1102	13	13	72,486 - 94,229		X										
SCBK05727066	Supv. Fire Protection Insp.	13-Sep-05	Garrison-Redstone	GS-0081	10	11	46,289 - 66,115		X	X					X	X		X	
SCBK05789389	Equip. Spec.	13-Sep-05	IMMC	GS-1670	11	11	50,858 - 66,115						X		X			X	
SCBK05791530	Logistics Mgmt. Spec.	13-Sep-05	IMMC	GS-0346	13	13	72,486 - 94,229	X											
SCBK05801069	Executive Assistant	14-Sep-05	USAOMEMS	GS-0303	7	PL 08	34,363 - 49,469	X	X							X		X	
SCBK05805347	Engineering Technician	14-Sep-05	ARDEC	DE-0802	3	3	46,289 - 79,238		X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X	
WTST0581987	Security Specialist	15-Sep-05	AMCOM ISD	GG-0080	12	12	60,955 - 79,238	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05801098	Training Instructor	15-Sep-05	OMEMS	GS-1712	9	11	42,034 - 66,115		X						X	X		X	
SCBK05742890	Logistics Mgmt. Spec.	15-Sep-05	IMMC	GS-0346	12	12	60,955 - 79,238						X		X			X	
SCBK05748650	Logistics Mgmt. Spec.	15-Sep-05	IMMC	GS-0346	11	11	50,858 - 66,115						X		X			X	
SCBK05805347D	Engineering Technician	15-Sep-05	ARDEC	DE-0802	3	3	46,289 - 79.238	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05729819	Contract Specialist	15-Sep-05	AMC - Acq. Ctr.	GS-1102	13	13	72,486 - 94,229	X											
SCBK05804482	Supv Police Ofcr	15-Sep-05	Garrison-Redstone	GS-0083	8	8	38,056 - 49,469	X	X										
SCBK05788575	Lead Police Ofcr	16-Sep-05	Garrison-Redstone	GS-0083	8	8	38,056 - 49,469		X										
SCBK05733422	Supervisory Safety Eng	16-Sep-05	AMC Cmd Safety Ofc	NH-0803	4	4	85,656 - 130,988			X	X		X		X	X		X	
SCBK05733422D	Supervisory Safety Eng	16-Sep-05	AMC Cmd Safety	NH-0803	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05621863	Aerospace Engineer	16-Sep-05	RDECOM	DB-0861	3	3	60,955 - 94,229		X	X	X		X		X	X		X	
SCBK05621863D	Aerospace Engineer	16-Sep-05	RDECOM	DB-0861	3	3	60,955 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05778991D	Deputy Prgm Mgr	19-Sep-05	Fut. Opr/Joint Int.	NH-0340	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05778991	Deputy Prgm Mgr	19-Sep-05	Fut. Opr/Joint Int.	NH-0340	4	4	85,656 - 130,988						X		X	X		X	
SCBK05737422	Electroincs Pub. Spec.	21-Sep-05	LOGSA	GS-0301	12	12	60,955 - 79,238		X	X					X	X		X	
SCBK05784701	General Engineer	25-Sep-05	ARDEC	DB-0801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988			X		X	X		X	X		X	
SCBK05784701D	General Engineer	25-Sep-05	ARDEC	DB-0801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05761742	Lead General Engineer	26-Sep-05	ARDEC	DB-0801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988		X				X		X	X		X	
SCBK05761742D	Lead General Engineer	26-Sep-05	ARDEC	DB-0801	4	4	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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SCBK05784578D	General Engineer	7-Sep-05	ARDEC	DB-0801	12	13	60,955 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05793454D	Physical Therapy Asst.	8-Sep-05	MDAC	GS-0636	5	5	27,742 - 36,069	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05762729	Sup Quality Assur. Spec.	8-Sep-05	AMC, Integ. Mat.	NH-1910	3	3	72,486 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05725374D	Supervisory General Eng.	8-Sep-05	SMDC	GS-0801	15	15	100,756-130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05746249D	Materials Engineer	9-Sep-05	ARDEC	DB-0806	5	11	27,742 - 66,115	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05757797D	Lead General Engineer	11-Sep-05	ARDEC	DB-0801	14	15	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05661224D	Supv. Gen. Engineer	12-Sep-05	TTC, Test Tech Div	GS-0801	15	15	100,756-130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05738726D	Program Analyst	12-Sep-05	PEO C3T	GS-0343	13	13	72,486 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05811111D	Computer Engineer	14-Sep-05	ARDEC	DB-0854	12	13	60,955 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
WTST05819897	Security Specialist	15-Sep-05	AMCOM - ISDS	GG-0080	12	12	60,955 - 79,238	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05805347D	Engineering Technician	15-Sep-05	ARDEC	DE-0802	10	12	46,289 - 79,238	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05733422D	Supv Safety Eng	16-Sep-05	AMC - Safety Ofc	NH-0803	14	15	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05621863D	Aerospace Engineer	16-Sep-05	RDECOM	DB-0861	3	3	60,955 - 94,229	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05778991D	Deputy Prgm Mgr	10-Sep-05	GS 3 Fut. Opr/Joint	NH-0340	4	4	85,656 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05733422D	Electronic Publication Spe	21-Sep-05	LOGSA	GS-0301	12	12	60,955 - 79,238	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05784701D	General Engineer	25-Sep-05	ARDEC	DB-0801	14	15	85,656 - 130,988	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK05761742D	Lead General Engineer	26-Sep-05	ARDEC	DB-0801	14	15	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 U.S. citizens

NOTE: If you are interested, carefully read the announcement for the official area of consideration, qualification requirements, and application procedures.

NOTE: The Nonappropriated Fund (NAF) Personnel Office accepts applications for various types of positions, i.e. Cashier, Food Service, Custodial, Bartender, etc. A complete listing of all available positions can be viewed on the web at **www.redstonemwr.com** or you may telephone **876-7772**.

Resumes are now being accepted for AMC Fellows and Business Enterprise Solutions Trainee,. Visit **www.amccareers.com** or **www.cpol.army.mil**, search for **Vacancy Announcement Numbers: NEAEJ04710482 & NEAE04756647**, for more information.