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General gives numbers update

Pillsbury thanks workers for support to Soldiers

By SKIP VAUGHN

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The commanding general used humor and personal observations to deliver his message during the AMCOM Town Hall meeting May 31 at Bob Jones Auditorium.

Maj. Gen. Jim Pillsbury, commander of the Aviation and Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal, thanked the work force for its continued support of Soldiers fighting the Global War on Terrorism.

"We're still at war," he told the filled 650-seat auditorium and those watching via video-teleconference. "And the enemy is a mean, vicious, evil, loathsome enemy."



Photo by Skip Vaughn

QUESTION FROM AUDIENCE— Logistics management specialist Dorothy Downing asks about work force diversity during the Town Hall meeting.

Pillsbury gave an update on the AMCOM budget situation which, like other defense agencies, faces uncertainties pending congressional approval of a fiscal 2006 supplemental. The command plans to reduce travel, conferences and take other measures while awaiting the supplemental funds.

"We're anticipating (the supplemental) being signed by the middle of June," Pillsbury said.

He expressed his support of continuous process improvements through Lean Six Sigma and stressed the importance of safe-

ty. "It's my No. 1 operational priority — safety," he said.

The general gave an update on the base realignment and closure 2005 construction and move-in time lines. This includes the move of headquarters Army Materiel Command from Fort Belvoir, Va., to Redstone.

"(Col.) John Olshefski and the Garrison staff have just done superb work in getting Redstone Arsenal ready for BRAC," Pillsbury said.

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Photo by Skip Vaughn

LISTEN UP— Maj. Gen. Jim Pillsbury, commander of AMCOM and Redstone, addresses attendees during the Town Hall meeting May 31 at Bob Jones Auditorium.

Installation services take cut

Garrison suspends support contracts

By LIRA FRYE

For the Rocket

Arsenal officials announced Thursday that a budget shortfall has resulted in suspension of contracts providing services such as facility maintenance and repair, equipment and vehicle maintenance, information technology support, custodial services, and grass cutting.

"We're continuing to look at ways to fund these contracts and the companies themselves are working with us to try and minimize the impact," Garrison commander

Col. John Olshefski said. "We're facing extraordinary times in the military services and especially in the Army right now. The high cost of the Global War on Terrorism and a host of other events are impacting installations like Redstone Arsenal. We're going to continue to perform life, safety and health functions that keep our Soldiers, their families and our civilian and contractor work force safe, but we have to temporarily stop some services to be able to do that."

Services affected for June include:

- Computer Help Desk support — limited to password resets and remote support.
- Application and Database support — limited to maintenance only, no new technology starts or enhancements, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. No after

hours or weekend support.

- Computer network support — limited to 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. No after hours or weekend support.

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An open lane random survey

What is your favorite sport?

By **KELLEY LANE-SIVLEY**
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Lt. Col. Jay Johnson
"My favorite sport is hockey because I think you have to have more agility and greater ability to ride on a piece of metal that thin."

Melanie Blade
Fox Army Health Center
"I like gymnastics. It's what I do, what I grew up with."



Capt. Latonya Walker
Fox Army Health Center
"It's a tie between football and basketball. I watch them both. Even though it's 2006, it still throws men off that a woman knows more about sports than they do."



Charles Demers
contractor
"NASCAR - I like the competition and driving skill."



Quote of the week

'If you see a bomb technician running, follow him.'
— Air Force ammo troop

Letters to the Editor

Army answers call in 231st year

The United States Army was born out of the desire to defend liberty and proudly celebrates its 231st birthday on June 14, 2006.

Since 1775, millions have worn the uniform and lived the "Warrior Ethos." Soldiers have always understood that the freedoms our nation guarantees are worth fighting for and America's decision to put "boots on the ground" illustrates like no other action its continued commitment to these ideals.

Today, America's Army is engaged in a Global War on Terrorism and has a presence in 120 countries. Soldiers have long sacrificed their personal comfort and safety to answer a higher calling. Despite hardships and dangers to life and limb, Soldiers have always answered the call — and our nation has long

our thoughts are with you and your families on this 231st Army Birthday. We are proud to serve with you, as you embody the Warrior Ethos.

You have made our Army the most respected institution in the United States and the pre-eminent land power on Earth. We are humbled by your sacrifice and awed by your achievements.

God bless each and every one of you and your families, and God bless America.

Kenneth O. Preston
Sgt. Maj. of the Army;

Gen. Peter Schoomaker
Army Chief of Staff; and

Francis J. Harvey
Secretary of the Army



AUSA to celebrate Army's birthday

The Huntsville Chapter of the Association of the U.S. Army will hold a dinner June 14 to celebrate the Army's 231st birthday.

The dinner will be at the Officers and Civilians Club, with a social at 6 p.m. The dinner and program will start at 7. Maj. Gen. Jim Pillsbury, commander of the Aviation and Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal,

is the scheduled speaker.

The dinner will also recognize the 229th Flag Day, which is June 14, and will serve as a general membership meeting for AUSA.

Deadline for purchasing tickets for the dinner is Friday. Tickets are \$25 per person or \$200 per table and can be purchased from Kris McBride at 876-1676 or kristen.c.mcbride@saic.com.

You know who you are

You know the building, 3207 on Hercules Road, the one that houses Military Finance and the Housing Division. Roger Hare stooped in the hot sun, digging little holes and planting flowers. He planted 18 impatiens (bought with his own money) around the Housing Division entrance. The very next day, they were gone! Some individual (too cheap to buy his/her own), like a thief in the night, dug up and stole every single one of them. We are quick to blame little incidents on kids and classify them as pranks. This wasn't a kid and it wasn't a prank. It was downright evil.

I don't expect you (whoever you are) to get a guilty conscience over this. I just hope your neighbors look at your yard, comment on the beautiful impatiens, and shake their heads in disbelief that you would stoop to stealing to make that yard look good.

Cynthia Ziegler
chief, Housing Management Division

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Correction

Gaylene Wilson, director of sports and fitness for Morale Welfare and Recreation, clarified the policy for access to Redstone's gyms after an article in last week's *Rocket*.

"(The article) states that retired contractors and family members can use the gyms. That is not correct. Only active contractors who are MWR members have access. It also states that everyone must be an MWR member first then they can use the gyms. Only contractors are required to be MWR members," Wilson said.

Active duty, retired military, Reserve/National Guard, Defense Department workers and family members just need their military or Common Access Card/ID.

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Getting to know you

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Where do you call home?
Guntersville

What do you like about your job?
Great people, wonderful people.
And different challenges every day.

What do you like to do in your spare time?
Spend time with friends and family.
And video-editing.



What are your goals?
Have kids. Work up to management.

What's your favorite type of music?
Hip hop

Crimes, accidents and other occurrences

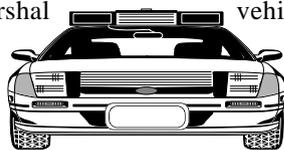
The Provost Marshal Office provided the following list of reported incidents:

May 25: An individual was found to have wrongfully distributed a controlled substance. Investigation continues by Criminal Investigation Division.

May 26: An individual was found to be operating a motor vehicle with a revoked driver's license and no proof of insurance at Gate 10. The individual was issued two violation notices and released.

May 26: An individual approached Gate 9 and could not produce a driver's license. A check revealed that a warrant existed for the person issued by Decatur Police. The person was issued violation notices and released to Decatur Police.

May 27: An individual was found to be operating a motor



vehicle with a revoked driver's license at Gate 9. The person was issued a violation notice and released.

May 29: An individual was observed in the Post Exchange selecting several items and exiting the store without rendering proper payment. Investigation continues by the Provost Marshal Office.

May 29: An individual in the Post Exchange concealed several items and then exited the store without rendering proper payment. Investigation continues by the Provost Marshal Office.

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

Violation notices issued: 11 speeding, 3 failure to wear seatbelts, 1 revoked driver's license, 1 expired driver's license.



Showing thanks

Courtesy photo

The Tennessee Valley Combined Federal Campaign is presented a Certificate of Appreciation from CASA (Care Assurance System for the Aging) on May 30. CASA received \$25,760 in contributions from the 2005 campaign. From left are Riley Henderson III, CASA board president; Scottie Moody, CFC board member; Donna Johnson, chairperson of Local Federal Coordinating Committee board; and Arnecia Bradley, LFCC board member.

Military retirees hear from Garrison commander

Redstone Arsenal growth brings many challenges

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The Pledge of Allegiance and the war in Iraq, Redstone Arsenal road construction and housing, the leasing of Redstone Arsenal property, and base realignment and closure – these and many other topics were touched on during a presentation made by Garrison commander Col. John Olshefski at a luncheon meeting May 31 with members of the Military Officers Association of America at the Officers and Civilians Club.

After the meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, Olshefski told MOAA members that the words “so help me God” are a constant reminder to

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Photo by Kari Hawkins

VETERANS MEETING— Garrison commander Col. John Olshefski takes time to mingle with World War II veteran Nathaniel Riley, a retired Air Force colonel who served as a fighter pilot and squadron commander in Italy during World War II. He also was a prisoner of war in Germany.

General advocates diversity in work force

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He also showed statistics on AMCOM ethnicity and gender and declared his goal to maintain organizational diversity. “The more diversity the better,” he said.

During the question and answer portion, logistics management specialist Dorothy Downing expressed her concern about the declining numbers of black employees. After leaving the auditorium, she gave her impressions of the Town Hall and repeated her concern.

“I think (the meeting) was good,” said

Downing, who works in the Integrated Materiel Management Center. “I think he’s very proactive and demonstrates strength and focus and the fact that it was made clear the bottom line is we’re here to support the Soldier. I applaud all of that. But, I’m sorry, I want to know if there’s any concern, anything being talked about to improve those numbers.”

Mike Sumerall, a management analyst in the Security Assistance Management Directorate, also gave his view of the Town Hall.

“I think it was positive,” Sumerall said. “I think that he was appreciative of our efforts, work efforts, that we do every day in supporting the Soldier as we should.”

Budget shortfall causes reduction in post services

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- Pest control – to continue in Army Family Housing.

- Refuse pick up – dumpsters will be emptied, but bulk pick-up and special call-in service are eliminated. No cleanup in the recreation areas.

- Facility maintenance/repair – performing only emergency work order repairs.

- Vehicle maintenance/repair – limited service, emergency vehicles have priority.

- Grass cutting – mowing will occur at the child care facilities, Bicentennial Chapel, Fox Army Health Center, training areas/ranges, cemeteries, and igloos containing explosives/hazardous materials. All grass cutting around other buildings and roads will stop.

- Central receiving – will still accept incoming shipments, but customers will need to pick up their own items.

- Shipping – freight and household good shipments and requests still accepted, but serv-

ice time may increase.

- Custodial services – approximately 327 facilities will have no custodial services.

“I realize when employees hear their restroom may not have a daily cleaning and their trash won’t be removed, it seems like a crisis,” Olshefski said. “But there’s no need for panic.”

Olshefski asked everyone who has concerns or questions about custodial issues to first work through their building managers.

“We’ll work with occupants to get through this,” he said. “And we won’t allow anything to impact life, safety or health, but we do need your help.”

Faced with this current situation the Garrison has also invoked a hiring freeze; reduced its vehicle leases; eliminated the contract for all cell phones funded by the Garrison; stopped travel and training; eliminated overtime except in emergency response areas; and stopped supply purchases except in emergency situations.

“Right now we have to wait and see what funding will actually make it to Redstone Arsenal and when,” Olshefski said. “Until then, we’ll lock arms and make this work.”

Change of direction for reconnaissance helicopter

Higgs becomes manager of developing product

By KIM HENRY

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It can't be done. That was a phrase that was often said about the new Armed Reconnaissance Helicopter Program. It is a phrase that Lt. Col. Neil Thurgood, with the help of his product office, overcame.

"What's made this so astonishing is at every opportunity we ran into people who said we couldn't do this," program executive officer for aviation Paul Bogosian said. "Through shared perseverance, through an amazing amount of talent, through leadership and through the commitment of his product office — some very dedicated and committed personnel — Neil was able to move the program forward."

Bogosian and others recognized Thurgood for his achievements with ARH as the outgoing product manager in a change of charter ceremony Thursday in Bob Jones Auditorium. Thurgood passed the torch to Lt. Col. Barry Higgs as the new product manager.

During the ceremony, Thur-



Joe Ramirez/Photo Lab

PASSING THE COLORS— Paul Bogosian, program executive officer for aviation, passes the Armed Reconnaissance Helicopter flag to Lt. Col. Barry Higgs. Lt. Col. Neil Thurgood served as the previous ARH product manager.

good received the Legion of Merit and the Silver Order of St. Michael. His wife, Shauna, received the Order of Our Lady of Loreto.

"It has been a tremendous

performance and what you brought forth; what you are presenting now to Barry to take on, Neil, is going to set the condition to bring this capability to the war fighter," Bogosian said. "That is

the expectation for success in this program. And that is the expectation that Barry will carry forward as well." The first unit equipped is set for the end of fiscal 2008.

In one year ARH went from a requirement, to a competition, to an awarded contract. "It is really an astonishing accomplishment and one that had simply never been done in the past," Bogosian said.

Thurgood acknowledged the ARH team for the success and likened them to his experiences in the 160th Special Operations Regiment. "They have the same dedication and effort that I experienced in the 160th. They're an inspiration to me and to everybody who is around them," he said. "There is no doubt that the Army value system that we espouse to and hold close to our hearts, they also understand and hold close to their hearts."

Thurgood also acknowledged his family including his parents who traveled from Utah and his brother who is serving in Iraq. "To my wonderful family, my wife Shauna and my two daughters I thank you for the sacrifice, for the missed games and important events and the missed Dad," he said through tears. "Your patience has allowed me to exe-

cute as a part of the team on the ARH program."

For Higgs, the task is specific: to take the ARH from a program in development to an aircraft in the field. "Maj. Gen. (Jim) Pillsbury and I were in theater a few weeks ago and I will tell you the aviation commanders are talking about this aircraft already and they're not saying 'if' the ARH comes, they're saying 'when' the ARH comes," Bogosian said. "Those commanders know as they plan for successive rotations, and those rotations will come, that this aircraft will be in theater, it will be taking the place of Kiowa Warriors and it will be executing the mission that the Army expects it to execute. That is the one measure of our success."

Higgs previously served as the assistant product manager for the Tactical Airspace Integration System and as the product director for Aviation Automated Logistics systems so he is no stranger to the aviation community.

"I am humbled by the responsibility that comes as a product manager, but I'm excited about the challenges or as most people would say, opportunities to exceed, that are just around the corner," Higgs said.

Unmanned aircraft systems under new leadership

Product director looks toward future fielding

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The season of transition is here. The Program Executive Office for Aviation held its first change of charter ceremony May 30 at Bob Jones Auditorium.

"It begins today," program executive officer Paul Bogosian said. "This is the start of that time honored summer sequence of changing out of product and project managers."

Lt. Col. Shawn Gresham was honored as the incoming product manager for Medium Altitude Endurance Unmanned Aircraft Systems and Lt. Col. Jeff Gabbert as the outgoing. Gabbert also received the Legion of Merit and Bronze Order of St. Michael in the ceremony.

"When you manage a product in this community you are managing a product that has an effect on the war fighter; whether it is something you are fielding now, as Jeff did or something that is in anticipation of being fielded as

will be the case with Shawn," Bogosian said.

During his leadership, Gabbert managed both the Hunter system and IGNAT, a 'predator version' UAS's in theater as well as getting the Extended Range/Multi-Purpose, or Warrior, UAS under way in the formal acquisition cycle. "Now with those UAVs that Jeff fielded in theater, they've accumulated over 150,000 hours of time in combat operations with 99 percent operational readiness rate, which is just astonishing for a new capability fielded into combat since we have been engaged in this present war," Bogosian said.

Due to new mission requirements, Gabbert will become the product manager for Tactical Concepts in the UAS PM and will continue to manage with Hunter and IGNAT UAS's in addition to rapidly fielding new technologies.

As the MAE UAS product director, Gresham will manage the Warrior UAS. Specifically, Bogosian said that Gresham would need to take the program through critical design review, testing, low rate initial production and have the production aircraft prepared and in place to

field the Warrior to the first unit in summer '09.

Gresham's background in intelligence, weaponry and experience in the field will serve him well in his new position, Bogosian said. He was previously assigned as the deputy project manager for acquisition and sustainment for the Close Combat Weapon Systems Project Office, PEO Missiles and Space.

"I am proud to be a part of the new team and as a team we will be successful," Gresham said. "This is simply an incredible privilege and I promise to lead this dedicated team of professionals with a sense of honor and pride beyond words."

In his final farewell, Gabbert showed a video of Soldiers from the field commenting on the support provided to them by the MAE UAS PD. "Just in case you don't get it - how special you are - I thought I'd ask a few more people to tell you what a difference you all make," Gabbert said. "The words spoken and the testimonials that you are about to hear say it all for they are about you. They are from those in which we serve, the Soldier in the theater."



Photo by Kim Henry

FAMILIAR FACE — Well-wishers meet Lt. Col. Shawn Gresham, the new Medium Altitude Endurance Unmanned Aircraft Systems product director. Gresham is no stranger to Redstone, having previously served in the Close Combat Weapon Systems Project Office.

Redstone military units add to rolls during month

The Garrison provided the following in-processing list for May. Many of the Soldiers were already at Redstone but were transferred to Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 59th Ordnance Brigade from other units:

- 1st Sgt. Debra Buie, NCO Academy; 1st Sgt. Tracy Lee Oliver, HHC 59th, Col. David John Bender, Space and Missile Defense Command; Capt. Linzie Allen Brim, Aviation and Missile Command; Capt. Randall Klingensmith, HHC 59th; Capt. Paul Laracy, AMCOM; Capt. Deliah Woods, Alpha Company; Chief

Warrant Officer Devin Rich, Aviation Support Activity; Chief Warrant Officer Curtis Blanchard, HHC 59th; Chief Warrant Officer Jonathon Refer, HHC 59th; Chief Warrant Officer Gregory Riggins, HHC 59th; Chief Warrant Officer Roslyn Barbee, HHC 59th; Chief Warrant Officer William Bradshaw, HHC 59th; Chief Warrant Officer Anthony Caudle, HHC 59th; Chief Warrant Officer Eduardo Hope, HHC 59th; Chief Warrant Officer Alfred Kelly, HHC 59th; Chief Warrant Officer Anthony Lynch, Aviation Support Activity; Chief Warrant Officer Hakan

Sayar, HHC 59th; Chief Warrant Officer Orville Lee Wilson Jr., HHC 59th; Chief Warrant Officer Charles Woodcock, HHC 59th; Chief Warrant Officer Gary Walsh, HHC 59th; Lt. Col. Antoine Cheatham, HHC 59th; Lt. Col. Thomas Coburn, HHC 59th; Lt. Col. David Kemmerer, Missile Defense Agency; Lt. Col. Michael Mason, Garrison; Lt. Col. Kelly Sirota, HHC 59th; Maj. William Brodhead, AMCOM; Maj. Michael Fernandez, AMCOM; Maj. John Wilhelm Jones, Huntsville liaison office; Maj. Phillip McGough, Garrison; Maj. Jonathon Shep-

ard, PEO C3T, Maj. Dennis Wheeler, HHC 59th; Master Sgt. Michael Causey, NCO Academy; Master Sgt. Yvonne Fagan, HHC 59th; Master Sgt. Oscar Hernandez, HHC 59th; Master Sgt. Curtis Hollis, NCO Academy; Master Sgt. Dennis Hubbard, HHC 59th; Master Sgt. Douglas Jackson, HHC 59th; Master Sgt. Juan Rocha, HHC 59th; Master Sgt. Daniel Teats, Alpha Company; Master Sgt. Clark Ware, HHC 59th; Sgt. 1st Class Paul Appel, HHC 59th; Sgt. 1st Class Raymond Bean,

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him of why the U.S. is at war in Iraq.

"We're an army at war right now and we are fighting a guy who doesn't believe in what we do, who would like to kill us for what we believe in. They don't believe in a god like ours," he said.

"Our country is at war. Our Soldiers are doing a wonderful job. I know because I was there. When I was in Kuwait, 800 trucks a day would leave from Kuwait to go into Iraq. IEDS would blow up one or two. Now, they are blowing up whole convoys."

While World War II veterans are often viewed as being part of the nation's "greatest generation," Olshefski said the 20-year-old Soldiers of today may also be thought of as the greatest generation in future history books. He told the elderly veterans at the luncheon of a young sergeant on the Arsenal who works at the Missile Defense Agency. Olshefski met the Soldier, who was wearing a Sapper tab on the left shoulder of his uniform above his unit patch, when he awarded him a Yard of the Month sign.

Sappers are combat engineers who complete the Sapper Leaders Course at the Army's Engineer School at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. Sappers advance with the front-line infantry during wartime. The Soldier's Sapper tab led Olshefski to ask the sergeant why he was stationed at Redstone Arsenal instead of serving in combat.

"He pointed to the bottom of his leg and told me 'Sir, I don't have a leg from here down,'" Olshefski recalled. "I almost broke down right there. I said 'I'm honored to be in your presence.' And, he said 'Sir, I was just doing my job.'"

But while the welfare of young Soldiers are of concern to Olshefski, so, too, is the welfare of military retirees living in the Huntsville area. There are 72,000 military retirees living within driving distance of Redstone Arsenal. That number jumps to 180,000 when their family members are included.

"Your voice is important," he said.

Olshefski said he shares concerns of retirees and military personnel when it comes to the customer service provided by Tricare. While he does try to help with medical problems related to Tricare, Olshefski is more effective when it comes to offering retirees, Soldiers and DoD civilians and contractors and their families quality-of-life benefits, such as the Garrison's MWR golf course, bowling center, library, and commissary/PX.

"This post is not about this uniform anymore," Olshefski said. "We have less than 1,000 of these uniforms on post. But, what we do have are 35,000 folks coming through the gates every day. And, we want them to use what MWR has to offer."

He also spends a lot of time working with community, local and state leaders, and the federal legislative delegation when it comes to Garrison issues, such as housing, BRAC and road construction.

Olshefski is overseeing the privatization of Redstone housing, a move mandated by the Army. The privatization, which will officially take place Oct. 1, will bring better housing to Redstone Arsenal, he said.

"The enlisted quarters on Redstone Arsenal are the best in the Army inventory today. We have 118 brick homes with garages for enlisted Soldiers," he said. "But, the worst officers' quarters in the Army inventory are here, too."

Under the privatization agreement, Hunt/IBI will upgrade and enlarge 85 officers' homes, spending \$117,000 on each home. It is just one of many housing improvements Hunt/IBI will make as a 51 percent owner of Arsenal housing.

Once the housing improvements are complete, the homes will first be listed to active military. But homes that aren't rented will be made available to military retirees.

"I say that's goodness," Olshefski said. "A retired E7 living next door to a current E7 - there's a lot of goodness out of that."

Olshefski also spoke about BRAC and why Redstone Arsenal is situated for growth. Besides the size of the Arsenal (38,000 acres with 1,800 acres owned by NASA), he said it is the community's "phenomenal" support that is bringing more jobs and more Army commands to Redstone Arsenal.

"I've been all over the world ... I never have seen a relationship from a community perspective with an arsenal like I have in this place," Olshefski said.

Olshefski is concerned that traffic issues will become more serious on Redstone Arsenal if city and state governments don't earmark funding for road construction on Zierdt Road, for the southern bypass across the Arsenal and other road projects related to the Arsenal. Recently, \$2.5 million was set aside for engineering and environmental studies related to the bypass. But, Olshefski doesn't think the bypass will be completed until 2010.

He is also involved in a project to lease 422 acres near Gate 9 and to move the Arsenal fence so that the golf course and Officers and Civilians Club are outside the Arsenal gates. Yet, he also understands the need to keep the properties somewhat exclusive to the military community.

"There will be a certain part of the club that will be for members of the military community only," he said, mentioning a \$750,000 improvement plan for the officers club that was recently approved.

"The golf course will be open to anyone Monday through Friday. But, on weekends it will be 'members only.'"

The lease space will include offices for military contractors and academia, and a hotel.

One MOAA member asked Olshefski about the possibility of a national cemetery located on Redstone Arsenal. Olshefski made a note of the request and said he would look into the possibility. "That's a good idea," he said.

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Rumsfeld sees progress in Iraq, but process takes time

Defense secretary travels to Singapore

By KATHLEEN RHEM
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SINGAPORE – The world should not be surprised at the pace in which democracy is progressing in Iraq, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said here Friday.

Rumsfeld is in Singapore to attend a conference of Asian and Pacific defense ministers.

The new Iraqi government has come under pressure to appoint ministers of defense and interior. But Rumsfeld said he is optimistic that Iraqi leaders will do the right thing. He compared the process to

that of electing a president in the United States. U.S. presidential elections take place in November, but a president isn't sworn in until late January. Then it often takes months to nominate and confirm Cabinet officials.

"The length of time is long in our system, and we've been doing this for hundreds of years," Rumsfeld said. "(Iraqis have) never done this, and the period is long."

Still, he added, ongoing violence in Iraq brings a sense of urgency to the political process there. He said the Iraqi government needs to appoint these Cabinet leaders and "get about the task of governing the country."

The secretary said he believes Iraqi leaders understand the importance of putting the right people in these positions, because the Interior Ministry oversees the national police force and other law enforcement agencies, and the Defense Ministry oversees traditional military forces.

Iraqi leaders recognize that the ministries "need to be led by people who will either have or earn the confidence of all the elements in that country," Rumsfeld said.

"And they're going to have to be people who work together, because those two ministries and their forces have got to stay linked."

The secretary disputed the notion that violence in Iraq is a result of U.S. military intervention. "The thing that held that country together before was repression and putting hundreds of thousands of people in jail and in mass graves," he said.

"The implication that this was a peaceful environment previously is nonsense," Rumsfeld added. "This is a dangerous, violent, vicious part of the world, and you didn't get hundreds of thousands of people in mass graves by accident — they didn't die from natural causes."

Now, with the repressive regime out of power, a piece of paper — the new Iraqi constitution — is holding the factions together. Rumsfeld called this "an enormous step."

The secretary also spoke briefly about allegations that U.S. Marines killed inno-



Photo by Petty Officer 1st Class Chad McNeeley

MEET THE PRESS— Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld takes questions from reporters at the Shangri-La Hotel in Singapore on Friday. Rumsfeld is in Singapore for the 5th International Institute for Security Studies Asia Security Summit.

cent civilians in Haditha, Iraq. "We know that 99.9 percent of our force conduct themselves in an exemplary manner," Rumsfeld said. "We also know that in conflicts, (there are) things that shouldn't happen."

The secretary said two investigations

into the incident are under way and that results of those investigations will be made public at their conclusion on the subject, saying public comment from him could be conceived as undue command influence into the investigative process.



Photo by Sgt. Eliamar Trapp

Ordnance future

Maj. Gen. Vincent Boles, chief of Ordnance, conducts a town hall meeting for the Soldiers, Marines and civilians of the 59th Ordnance Brigade on May 31 at Heiser Hall to answer questions about base realignment and closure and how it will affect the unit's personnel.

Software program gets thumbs-up

Army Materiel Command commander Gen. Benjamin Griffin requested and received a MEARS briefing and demonstration on a recent trip to Redstone Arsenal. He was so impressed with the program, he invited the MEARS team to demonstrate the government-owned and AMCOM-managed configuration management tool at the AMC Commander's Conference at Fort McPherson, Ga.

Griffin asked that all commanding generals find out why all their programs were not using MEARS. The Multi-user ECP Automated Review System could save your DoD program or agency time,

money and effort. Just imagine the possibility of beginning and completing a Configuration Control Board in 14 days, or as little as one day if required.

MEARS is a collaborative government-developed and owned, web-based software program that automates the engineering change process.

For more information about MEARS, go to web site <http://mears.army.mil> and view an online demonstration, or call the MEARS support desk at 842-0864. You can also reach the MEARS program manager at 876-8834. (MEARS release)

Traveling long road to work from San Antonio



Photo by Lois Contreras

BG EXPRESS— Making the 300-mile round trip commute from San Antonio every day are, from left, Raul Belton, Eddie Virella, Edward Granado, Estella Pena, Sandra Diaz and Gilbert Morin. They are some of the employees affected by the closure of Kelly Air Force Base who now work at Corpus Christi Army Depot. Also part of the group but not pictured was Adam Diaz.

Some Corpus Christi workers make daily 300-mile commute

By JAMEY GIDDENS
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CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas — Corpus Christi Army Depot employees who complain about their daily commute from their nearby homes just might get an eye roll from 45-50 of their co-workers who travel each day to and from San Antonio. Since a base realignment and closure initiative resulted in the closing of Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio in 1995, dozens of former Kelly employees have continued their civil service careers at Corpus Christi depot. Many of those civil servants have opted to remain in San Antonio and commute the 300 or so miles round trip to Corpus Christi every day.

Luckily for them a handful of relocated workers took the initiative to start their own carpool services, driving six-passenger vans from San Antonio to the Coastal Bend and back to the Alamo City daily. One such innovator is Edward Granado, a PSA examiner in the Avionics Shop.

Granado, who had been at Kelly since January 1981, took a lateral move to Corpus Christi depot in May 1996 and at first commuted back and forth only on the weekends.

"I didn't start driving back and forth every day until we went from 4-10s (four workdays at 10 hours a day) to eight-hour days," Granado said. "That was back in February of 1999."

Since then Granado has driven a van shuttle of six people who meet at a destination outside Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio every morning around 3 a.m. and travel to Corpus Christi where they arrive well in time for their 6 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. shift.

"We get back on the road headed home about 3 p.m. and make it back to San Antonio around 5:20 p.m. or so," said Granado, whose commuter business BG Shuttle Service is named for his wife Blanca Granado, a registered nurse at Methodist Hospital in San Antonio.

"She's one of the main reasons I do this," Granado said of Blanca. "She's been at Methodist about 20 years now and has a large family in San Antonio, 13 brothers and sisters, and her sisters have always helped take care of our kids while we worked."

Veterans urged to monitor their credit activity

Stolen information puts vets at risk for identity theft

By Capt. JASON WILLIAMS
Legal Assistance

In May 2006, the Department of Veterans Affairs reported the theft of millions of records. The electronic records were on the hard drive of a computer stolen from a VA employee's home.

The employee was not authorized to take the records home; nevertheless, the identity of millions of veterans was compromised. All veterans should take immediate measure to protect their identities and credit.

The VA has stated that it will send individual notification to the veterans affected by this theft. The stolen data is primarily limited to an individual's name, date of birth, and Social Security number, and in some cases their spouse's information, as well as some disability ratings. Currently, the VA has not received any reports that the stolen information has been used illegally.

Although it is unlikely that the thieves targeted the computer due to its contents, the Department of Veterans Affairs strongly encouraged all veterans to be extra vigilant and monitor their credit for suspicious activity. Being extra vigilant about credit is neither expensive nor time consuming.

You are entitled to one free credit report from each of

the three major credit bureaus every year. The best utilization of the three free credit reports would be to request one report every four months. In addition to monitoring your credit reports, you should carefully review all statements you receive that concern financial transactions.

Due to the sensitive nature of the data contained on the stolen computer, you should take the following four steps if you detect any suspicious activity. First, you should place an initial fraud alert on your credit report. You only need to contact the fraud department of one of the three major credit bureaus to initiate a fraud alert. You can contact the credit bureaus using the following information:

- Equifax: 1-800-525-6285; www.equifax.com; P.O. Box 740241, Atlanta, GA 30374-0241;
- Experian: 1-888-EXPERIAN (397-3742); www.experian.com; P.O. Box 9532, Allen, TX 75013;
- TransUnion: 1-800-680-7289; www.transunion.com; Fraud Victim Assistance Division, P.O. Box 6790, Fullerton, CA 92834-6790.

Once a fraud alert is placed on your credit file, you are entitled to free copies of your credit reports. You should review these reports carefully.

Unfortunately, the initial fraud alert only lasts 90 days. You can place an extended fraud alert — that lasts for seven years — on your credit report by providing a major credit bureau with an "identity theft report." An extended fraud alert lasts seven years, but an extended alert should not be your immediate concern. Second, you should close

any accounts you believe have been tampered with or opened fraudulently.

If a fraudulent account has been opened with your stolen identity, you should use an ID Theft Affidavit to dispute the unauthorized account. You can obtain the affidavit at <http://www.consumer.gov/idtheft/pdf/affidavit.pdf>. The third step in the process is to report the identity theft to your local police department.

You should obtain a copy of this police report to provide proof of the crime. The final step in the process is to file your complaint with the Federal Trade Commission. You can electronically file your complaint with the FTC at [https://rn.ftc.gov/pls/dod/widtpub1\\$.startup?Z_ORG_CODE=PU03](https://rn.ftc.gov/pls/dod/widtpub1$.startup?Z_ORG_CODE=PU03).

Identity theft is a crime that impacts millions of Americans every year.

The theft of the VA computer may momentarily heighten your awareness of identity theft, but you should always remain vigilant to ensure you are not victimized. The credit bureaus offer credit monitoring for a fee; however, no substitute exists for a vigilant consumer. It is your identity, your credit, your life and ultimately your responsibility.

Editor's note: This article was adapted from information contained on Federal Trade Commission, Deter Detect Defend Avoid ID Theft at <http://www.consumer.gov/idtheft/> and FirstGov.gov, Latest Information on Veterans Affairs Data Security at <http://www.firstgov.gov/veteransinfo.shtml>. You should visit the aforementioned web sites if you are concerned about identity theft.

Tournament turns up aces for emergency relief

Texas Hold 'Em Poker raises \$1,267 for drive

By JEANNA REITMEIER
For the Rocket

Fried chicken, car washes, bake sales, and fun runs — all of us have seen the e-mails. I'm sure we all have groaned more than once when receiving them, while we hit the shift and delete keys.

But we also know the importance of Army Emergency Relief, which supports active duty and retired military with emergencies requiring financial assistance. We all give in our own way, what we can, and support the activities which seem fun and different.

The Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament, sponsored by the System Simulation and Development Directorate of the Research Development and Engineering Center, was not just another bake sale — it was fun and exciting. On a sunny Saturday, May 13, more than 50 people showed up to participate in what proved to be a very competitive tournament. Many came sporting their sunglasses, lucky hats, or lucky shirts, and had their poker faces in place.

The tournament began at 10 a.m., with snack and lunch breaks throughout the day. Concessions of homemade baked



Photo by Jeanna Reitmeier

KNOW WHEN TO FOLD THEM— Texas Hold 'Em Poker players in the early stages of the game include, from left, Tim Brockwell, Jeff Maddox and Kenneth Bethune.

goods, popcorn and hotdogs — donated by Target, Wal-Mart, Papa John's, and Zeigler — were available for purchase along with water and soft drinks. After a short lunch break, the numbers were down to half. The final few were being decided.

Sam Curtis, Dale Mungroo, Tim Brockwell, John Terry, George Ehlers, Jay Kissell and LaWanna Brockwell were among the final table, fighting it out for over two hours as they held steady in the chip race. LaWanna Brockwell put up a

good fight for the women, and ended up in seventh place.

As the field narrowed, Sam Curtis sat in his seat quietly. He folded over 10 hands in a row, not placing the first bet. Others went out around him, as he watched. Then he began playing, and it seemed Lady Luck was on his side. Not once, but twice, he won a hand on the River.

"He's got to be the luckiest kid," opponent LaWanna Brockwell said as she watched the final hands being played.

"Sam, how old are you anyway?" joked Greg Tackett, director of System Simulation and Development Directorate. Curtis responded with a smile, "I'm legal, but barely. I'm 21."

"Yeah, when he first started working, we invited him to our games," Patrick White said. "Then he took all of our chips the first night. We didn't invite him back."

Curtis took all the joking well; after all, he went home with the trophy.

The SSDD AER Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament ended with a success. Nearly \$1,267 was raised to benefit Army Emergency Relief, and everyone had a great time. We look forward to the second annual tournament next year.



Photo by Skip Vaughn

Northrop contribution

Northrop Grumman Corporation presents a \$5,000 donation to Army Emergency Relief on Friday. From left are Jim Henderson, senior field representative for Northrop Grumman Electronic Systems; Maj. Gen. Jim Pillsbury, commander of the Aviation and Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal; Harry Quandt, site director for land forces, Northrop Grumman; and Capt. Robert Hawley, AER campaign chairman.



Photo by Skip Vaughn

Utility support

Members of the Utility Helicopter Project Office present a \$401 check to Army Emergency Relief from their annual golf tournament held May 18 at Becky Peirce Municipal Golf Course. From left are deputy project manager Keith Roberson, Randy Gravier of the business management division, AER campaign chairman Capt. Robert Hawley and Maj. Tom Huff, the project office's key person for AER. Not pictured is Bart Harper, co-organizer for the tournament with Gravier.



Photo by Spc. Jose Arroyo

Chapel offering

From left, Army Emergency Relief campaign chairman Capt. Robert Hawley and Army Community Service director Sue Paddock accept a \$4,257 AER donation from Bicentennial Chapel. The check, presented by Garrison chaplain Lt. Col. Larry Lawrence, represents proceeds from a designated offering by the Protestant congregation. "I was very pleased," Hawley said.

Football officials recruit team players

Some Redstone workers call games on the side

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Every football fan is an armchair quarterback to some extent. It's easy to sit at home or in the stands and say whether or not the officials made the right calls, but do these "experts" have what it takes to get in the action and make the split second decisions that change the game? Some do and they're looking for company.

The North Alabama Football Officials Association is a way for many fans to stay connected to the game long after the days of pads and jerseys have passed.

"I played football in high school and a little bit in college," David Bell, NAFOA president and official for 27 years, said. "I just love the game and wanted to be close to it. That's how I got involved (in officiating)."

Gordon Alexander, Utility Directorate employee and official for eight years, agrees.

"It's the greatest sport," Alexander said. "We want these kids to play fair and be safe. We're there to make sure that happens."

It is a way to give back to the game that has given pleasure to so many. Bell also sees it as a way to play a part in the development of players as young people.

"It's a great opportunity to be a part of the community," Bell said. "Football probably kept me in high school at one time. I feel like we're really giving back. It helps our young kids to develop and I'm proud to be a part of that."

It isn't all fun and games, however. Energy and tempers can run hot during a game. If things aren't going the way a team or fans want, those tempers can be directed at the officials.

"We're looking at the game applying rules. Fans look at it with their heart so it's a lot different," Bell said. "Some watch college and pro games and they think the same rules apply. The rules are different for high school."

Officials often have their eyesight called into question. It's a stereotype that gets a few laughs from the seasoned veterans.

"I have my eyes checked every two years like everyone else," William Hogue, NASA employee and official for 14 years, quipped. "For some reason you can't see as good on the field as you can in the stands. I have to see if my eye doctor can set me up there."

NAFOA members officiate local middle school and high school games. They also officiate in the annual Super Six Alabama High School Athletic Association state football championship. In the interest of impartiality and integrity, members exclude themselves from games where there is a conflict of interest, whether real or even implied.

"You block yourself out of games that might be a conflict. My wife works at Meridianville Middle School. For me to do their's or Hazel Green's games wouldn't be right," Hogue explained. "If a play went bad, I don't want anyone to say I made a call because I live in that commu-



Photo by Gary McGriff

FULL SPEED— Herb Larnerd keeps an eye on the action during last year's Super Six in Birmingham.

nity or where my wife works."

Members are paid for their services, though Hogue said it shouldn't be on anyone's list of ways to get rich quickly. Newcomers have an initial expense of \$200 to \$250 for their uniform and equipment. He said that it does pay enough to cover expenses related to the job with some left over.

"The first year is the hardest year because you have to buy equipment," Hogue said. "But we make sure the rookies get enough games so that first year they don't go in the hole."

Training and testing are an integral part of the association. Members attend weekly meetings and class sessions. They constantly review rules and calls during the season to keep their skills sharp and their information up to date. Before taking the field at the beginning of the season, a written exam is administered to ensure those who make the calls make the grade. It is also a means for advancement within the association.

Newcomers start at level one. After three years they are eligible to take the test for a level two ranking. Three years after that they can try for level three, Hogue said. These rankings come into play as the season progresses and playoffs come into the picture.

"The first round is for any official," Hogue explained. "As they get deeper in the playoffs then the level ones and twos get knocked out. The last two rounds are just for level threes."

Those who are interested shouldn't let a lack of experience stop them. It's not even necessary to be a football expert to join the ranks and don a striped shirt. In addition to the training program, newcomers are paired in a mentor-style relationship with a more experienced official to build their confidence in their calls. They are also eased in at the middle school level where the action is a little slower and less intense. Even so, learning is a continuous on-the-job kind of thing.

"You think about what you could have done different or better during halftime and we talk about it," Alexander said. "But you have to just let it go, put it behind you and go back out for that second half. It makes you better because you're more aware of it and you probably won't make that mistake again."

People from all kinds of backgrounds and jobs are welcome. Bell said that in the past they have even had women officials. He added it is a great way to make some new friends in addition to getting some



Photo by Skip Vaughn

FIELD PRESENCE— Redstone workers Don Becton and Gordon Alexander served on the officiating crew for the Alabama high school football championships in December 2004.

exercise.

"It's a real relationship builder," Bell said. "Great friendships develop."

For more information or to become a NAFOA member, call Al Martin at 313-6820 or 722-0606, Marty Martin at 603-

0613 or 882-2471, or visit their web site at www.nafoa.net.

"If you like the game and want to be close to the action, being an official is as close as you can get without being the one playing," Alexander said.

Office deals in vacation packages

Leisure travel, discount tickets available at recreation center

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By his estimates, Jerome Brainerd's trip to MWR's Information, Ticketing and Registration saved him \$400 to \$500 on DisneyWorld and Universal Studios tickets.

That's quite a savings for a NASA contractor who had learned only minutes before his purchase that he could take advantage of the discounts offered by Morale Welfare and Recreation's ITR.

"I was in the NASA gift shop and they told me to come over here to see about tickets," Brainerd said as he waited for ITR employee Larry Keel to process his order.

"I didn't realize before that we could use this service."

The discounts will make it more affordable for Brainerd's family to enjoy several days enjoying DisneyWorld, Islands of Adventure, Universal Studios and Adventure Island. Brainerd said his family was leaving the very same day he made his ticket purchase.

"We've been looking online for tickets," he said. "But, we hadn't committed to anything because we kept thinking we could get a better deal than what we found."

As soon as the doors opened on a recent Wednesday afternoon at ITR, located in the Diane Campbell Recreation Center (building 3711) at the corner of Aerobee and Patton, the office was busy processing tickets for several patrons.

National Guard Staff Sgt. Michael Dangelo made a trip from Arab with his 14-year-old daughter Muriah, to purchase five tickets for Six Flags.

"This the first time we've bought tickets here," Dangelo said. "The savings are so good that we will have to come back. We are thinking about planning a trip to DisneyWorld next summer, so we need to pick up a price list."

While at ITR, Muriah was able to con-



Photo by Kari Hawkins

PLAN YOUR TRIP— Grace Bennett of Leisure Travel holds brochures on popular vacation destinations. She enjoys planning vacation packages for her customers – at a discount.

vince her dad to also purchase tickets for her, her mom and two friends to attend the upcoming Carrie Underwood concert on Redstone Arsenal.

"I love her," Muriah said. "I've got a lot of her songs downloaded on my computer."

Many of the customers who come to ITR for tickets don't realize at first how much they can save.

"We're going to Universal and SeaWorld on vacation," John Bauer of Program Executive Office for Missiles said. "So, I thought I'd check the prices here. I'm convinced this is where I need to buy them."

The pace at ITR stays pretty hectic this time of year. Vacation season is the time to spend money on family fun. But it's also a time to save money with MWR's ITR and Leisure Travel, said MWR employee Brian Maybrey.

"We have three separate entities working together at the Diane Campbell Recreation Center," he said. "We've got ITR for attraction tickets and information, Leisure Travel for vacation planning, and one of four recreation centers left in the Army

that has free use of pool tables, televisions, video games and movies. We're pretty unique in terms of the services we offer."

One of the reasons ITR and Leisure Travel have been so busy recently is that more Redstone Arsenal employees are discovering the savings they can enjoy by using their services, Maybrey said. MWR is promoting the use of ITR by all who have access to the Arsenal, including all active duty, National Guard and Reserve; Redstone/NASA civilians and contractor employees; military, civilian and contractor retirees; and their families.

"Our primary mission is to support the military and their families," Maybrey said. "But, it's not just the Army Soldier we serve. We serve the installation community as a whole and military families as a whole. A large percentage of our business comes from DoD personnel, retirees and their families."

ITR offers discounted tickets to many local and regional attractions, including theme parks, historic and cultural sites, special events, celebrity theaters, dinner theaters, museums and other attractions. Tickets are always on-hand for purchase to popular destinations in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Tennessee, Virginia, South Carolina and California. ITR also has discounted city passes to attractions in Boston, Chicago, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Seattle and Toronto. Or, ITR can obtain tickets to special one-time events.

"We can get tickets to a Broadway play in New York," Stephanie Hill of ITR said. "We can get the prices and make the reservations. Tickets are either mailed here to us or they are picked up at the box office."

No matter where a customer wants to go in the U.S. or overseas, chances are ITR can help them with tickets.

"You should always check with us first before you buy tickets elsewhere. If we don't have the tickets here, we can call other military installations in the area of

Six Flags salutes Team Redstone

Six Flags Over Georgia will offer a day of family fun, rides and free food at a discounted package price to all Redstone Arsenal Soldiers, employees and families during the Salute to Team Redstone Day on Saturday, July 15.

For \$35 a ticket, patrons from Redstone Arsenal will receive free parking, access to the park from open to close, an all-you-can-eat dinner in a private pavilion with Six Flags characters and a chance to win door prizes.

The first 50 people who sign up for Salute to Team Redstone Day will receive a free Six Flags T-shirt.

In addition, White Water tickets may be purchased as part of this special offer for an additional \$10 each. They must be used within 30 days from July 15.

MWR's ITR is now working on plans to provide bus transportation for this event. For more information or to sign up, call 876-4531 or stop by the Diane Campbell Recreation Center in building 3711 at the corner of Aerobee and Patton roads.

the desired destination to see if they have the discounted tickets," Hill said. "If they have the tickets, our customer has to go by their installation to pick them up once they arrive in the area."

ITR also has discounted tickets for local attractions and events, such as Southern Adventures, Point Mallard, and the U.S. Space and Rocket Center. They also make available tickets to Military Appreciation Nights at local sporting events. In addition to tickets, ITR has informational brochures about many attractions and visitor guides for various vacation destinations.

"It's an adventure every day at the office," Hill said. "You meet people from all walks of life, and you never know what kinds of tickets they may request."

ITR is continuing to expand their services. Employees are working to get participation in bus tours to destinations such as Tunica, Chattanooga and Atlanta.

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Comparing prices offered by ITR

The following is a listing of a few of the discounted ticket prices offered by Information, Ticketing and Registration. Prices at the gate are listed in parenthesis for comparison. Prices do change periodically.

- DisneyWorld 5-Day Hopper – adult: \$237 (\$254.54); child: \$200 (\$215.13).
- Universal Studios 2 Day/2 Park – adult: \$94.50 (\$114.97); child: \$79 (\$104.32).
- SeaWorld – adult: \$54.25 (\$65.76); child: \$43.75 (\$52.98).
- Six Flags Over Georgia – \$28 (\$53).
- Whitewater-Marietta – \$24 (\$45).
- Dollywood-Pigeon Forge – adult: \$39.75 (\$45.70); child: \$28.75 (\$34.55).
- City Passes (includes tickets to various tourist attractions):
 Boston – adult: \$34.50 (\$73.95); child: \$17.25 (\$38.95).
 Chicago – adult: \$43.50 (\$98.89); child: \$34.50 (\$72.70).
 New York – adult: \$46.50 (\$105.50); child: \$36 (\$82.50).
 Philadelphia – adult: \$34.50 (\$78.70); child: \$21 (\$48.95).
 San Francisco – adult: \$37 (\$84); Child: \$30 (\$69).
 Seattle – adult: \$37 (\$83.25); child: \$22 (\$49.50).
 Toronto – adult: \$41.50 (\$93.81); child: \$26 (\$59.39).

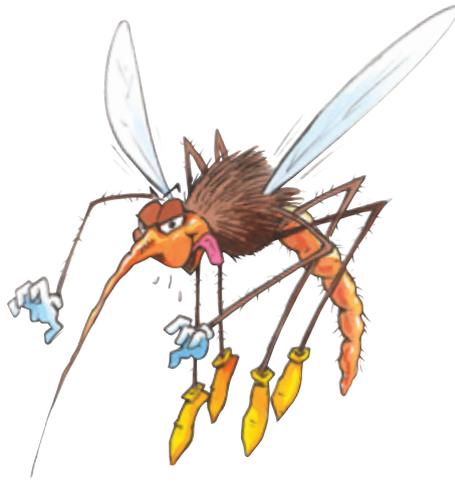


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DISCOVERING SAVINGS— Larry Keel of MWR ITR explains the discounts on DisneyWorld and Universal Studios tickets to Jerome Brainerd, a NASA contractor who works in the Propulsion Research Lab. It was Brainerd's first time to buy tickets through ITR. He saved an estimated \$400 to \$500 on his ticket purchase.

Don't let bugs bug you

Ticks and mosquitoes can transmit serious, even deadly, diseases to humans. Wearing light-colored clothing, long pants and avoiding thick woods and stagnant water can help prevent bites. However, there are countless bugs out there just waiting for an opportunity to sting. It helps to be aware of the dangers as well as know some common preventive and first-aid measures.



Many insects are capable of injecting venom or other substances into human skin. Typically, reactions are relatively minor and may include itching, a stinging sensation or perhaps a small amount of swelling. However, for some people in some situations, much more severe reactions are possible. Sudden difficulty breathing and swelling around the face may indicate an emergency situation. Typically, this kind of reaction comes from insects such as bees, wasps, hornets or fire ants.

According to the American College of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology (www.acaai.org), more than 500,000 people enter hospital emergency rooms every year for treatment for insect stings or

bites. A severe allergic reaction called anaphylaxis claims at least 40 lives each year.

For more information, go to the Mayo Clinic web site at www.mayoclinic.com or try the Nemours Foundations site at www.kidshealth.org/parent/firstaid_safe/emergencies/insect_bite.html. (*Garrison Safety release*)



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Federal workers reminded of ethics rules

Editor's note: The Legal Office provided the following open letter from Secretary of the Army Francis Harvey and accompanying documents regarding ethics rules.

"This memorandum reaffirms and continues the requirement for annual ethics training. During calendar year 2006, every Soldier and Army civilian employee will attend one hour of ethics training. Furthermore, every Soldier and civilian employee involved in the acquisition process will also be required to receive an additional hour of ethics training to address recurring and emergent acquisition and contracting issues. Only appointed ethics counselors will conduct training. The ethics training requirement is inapplicable to personnel serving in a combat zone. The ethical rules are applicable, however, in combat zones and the required training should be scheduled either before deployment or as soon as practicable after returning to home station.

"In the recent Global War on Terror, the Army has, more than ever, become an advocate for American values — fair play, equal treatment, and respect for the rule of law. In conducting Army missions, we must be mindful of the ethical values which are the foundation for our role as America's representative to the world. Accordingly, I have attached (1) the Federal Oath of Office (5 U.S.C. § 3331); (2) the U.S. Army Statutory Requirement of Exemplary Service (10 U.S.C. § 3583);

and (3) the Principles of Ethical Conduct for Government Officers and Employees (E.O. 12731, 55 F.R. 42547), and I direct that all Army personnel review these documents by June 30, 2006.

"These documents and the annual face-to-face ethics and acquisition ethics training form a firm foundation for the Army Ethics Program, which I fully endorse and expect all personnel to follow. I have asked the Office of the Army General Counsel to inform me on a quarterly basis of the progress that your offices and commands are achieving in this training. My goal is to ensure that the Army never experiences an ethical misadventure that other federal agencies have had the misfortune to encounter and to avoid even the appearance of an ethical impropriety," Secretary of the Army Francis Harvey concluded in his letter.

Federal oath of office

An individual, except the president, elected or appointed to an office of honor or profit in the civil service or uniformed services, shall take the following oath: "I, AB, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God." This

section does not affect other oaths required by law.

Requirement of exemplary conduct

All commanding officers and others in authority in the Army are required — (1) to show in themselves a good example of virtue, honor, patriotism, and subordination; (2) to be vigilant in inspecting the conduct of all persons who are placed under their command; (3) to guard against and suppress all dissolute and immoral practices, and to correct, according to the laws and regulations of the Army, all persons who are guilty of them; and, (4) to take all necessary and proper measures, under the laws, regulations, and customs of the Army, to promote and safeguard the morale, the physical wellbeing, and the general welfare of the officers and enlisted persons under their command or charge.

Principles of ethical conduct

By virtue of the authority vested in the president by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, and in order to establish fair and exacting standards of ethical conduct for all executive branch employees, it is hereby ordered as follows:

To ensure that every citizen can have complete confidence in the integrity of the federal government, each federal employee shall respect and adhere to the fundamental principles of ethical service as implemented in regulations promulgated under sections 20 and 301 of this order:

- Public service is a public trust, requiring employees to place loyalty to the Constitution, the laws, and ethical principles above private gain.
- Employees shall not hold financial interests that conflict with the conscientious performance of duty.
- Employees shall not engage in financial transactions using non-public Government information or allow the

improper use of such information to further any private interest.

- An employee shall not, except pursuant to such reasonable exceptions as are provided by regulation, solicit or accept any gift or other item of monetary value from any person or entity seeking official action from, doing business with, or conducting activities regulated by the employee's agency, or whose interests may be substantially affected by the performance or non-performance of the employee's duties.

- Employees shall put forth honest effort in the performance of their duties.

- Employees shall make no unauthorized commitments or promises of any kind purporting to bind the government.

- Employees shall not use public office for private gain.

- Employees shall act impartially and not give preferential treatment to any private organization or individual.

- Employees shall protect and conserve Federal property and shall not use it for other than authorized activities.

- Employees shall not engage in outside employment or activities, including seeking or negotiating for employment that conflict with official government duties and responsibilities.

- Employees shall disclose waste, fraud, abuse and corruption to appropriate authorities.

- Employees shall satisfy in good faith their obligations as citizens, including all just financial obligations, especially those such as federal, state, or local taxes that are imposed by law.

- Employees shall adhere to all laws and regulations that provide equal opportunity for all Americans regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or handicap.

- Employees shall endeavor to avoid any actions creating the appearance that they are violating the law or the ethical standards promulgated pursuant to this order.

Modern day explorer visits relatives on Earth

Worker's brother onboard international space station

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Thousands of miles from Earth, flying through space with a Russian cosmonaut, is a U.S. astronaut with ties to the Army, Redstone Arsenal's DoD civilian community and Marshall Space Flight Center.

Col. Jeffrey Williams, a West Point graduate and now the flight engineer and science officer of Expedition 13 on the International Space Station, is the older brother of Patrick Williams, a logistics management specialist with AMCOM's National Maintenance Program, Maintenance Directorate, who works in building 5302 at the Sparkman Center.

Pat Williams, 41, provides biweekly updates of his 48-year-old brother's space mission to his co-workers at Redstone

Arsenal. Admitting he is a "behind the scenes guy," Pat Williams knows he "can't really top" the challenges his brother is now facing as he conducts various space experiments to support future voyages back to the moon and on to Mars.

But, Pat Williams is taking a lead role in keeping his brother connected to his roots down on Earth. With the help of NASA, he was able to surprise his mom and dad with a two-way video teleconference with Jeff Williams during their visit to Huntsville for their grandson's high school graduation.

Pat Williams, his wife Janet, his son Adam, and his mother and father, Jake and Eunice Williams of Winter, Wis., talked to Jeff Williams via video teleconference at Marshall Space Flight Center's Payload Operation Center on May 24. It was the first two-way video conference between the POC and the space station conducted at MSFC.

"NASA helped me set this up as a surprise for my mom and dad," Pat Williams

said. "We talked to Jeff for 35 minutes from the Payload Operation Center. It was a joyous, emotional time, especially for my mother."

They talked about everyday sorts of things and special family events, such as Adam's graduation from Bob Jones High School. Williams' mother asked often about where Jeff was in space.

"Her favorite question is 'Where are you?'" Pat Williams said. "Jeff is traveling at five miles per second over Earth. The space station does one orbit every 90 minutes. When we started talking he was somewhere over Australia and traveled from there in a northeasterly direction."

NASA gave Pat Williams and his family members a bottle of non-alcoholic champagne so they could toast to Jeff and the success of his mission. In turn, Jeff Williams told them all about what he is doing in space, including operating and maintaining the U.S. segment of the space station, preparing for several planned spacewalks and visits from the space shuttle and Russian Progress supply ships, and conducting several science and research projects and payloads.

"He updated us on a lot of things going on with the mission," Pat Williams said. "They were preparing for a space walk at the time. The camera zoomed on each of us individually so Jeff could get still pictures of us on his laptop. He will probably put them in his sleeping quarters."

Pat Williams made the request for the video conference about a month and a half ago.

"My son and I went over to test the system about a month ago," he said. "NASA is really an awesome organization to do things like this in support of their astronauts and their families."

But the video conference isn't the first contact Jeff Williams has had with his family since he launched for the space station in the Russian Soyuz on March 29. He does have a cell phone onboard and calls his wife often. He also communicates with family and friends via e-mail.

Throughout Jeff Williams' career in Army aviation his goal was to fly in space as a NASA astronaut. He realized that dream on his first space mission as the flight engineer of STS-101 Atlantis in May 2000. That mission lasted 10 days and included a spacewalk that lasted six hours and 44 minutes.

His second space mission as a flight engineer and science officer for Expedition began when he launched for the journey to the space station with Russian Commander Pavel Vinogradov of the

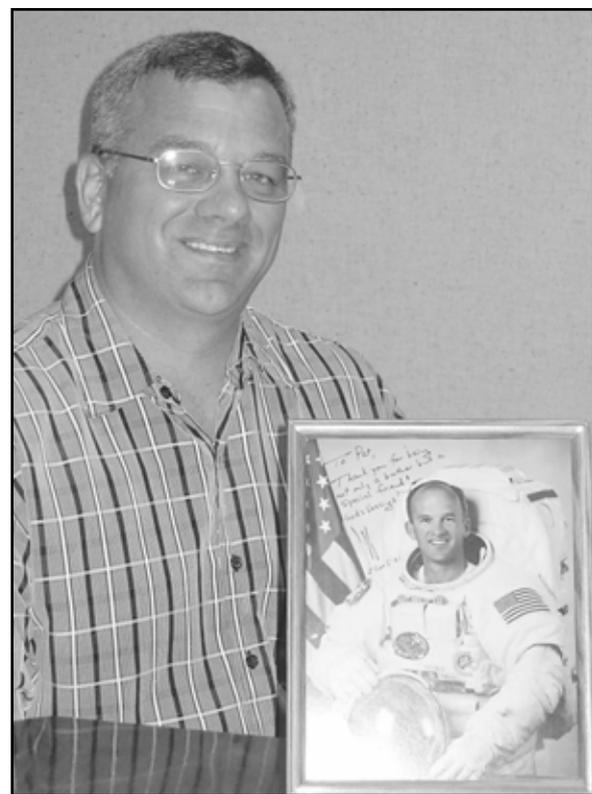


Photo by Kari Hawkins

BROTHERS' BOND— AMCOM's Pat Williams holds a picture of his brother, Col. Jeff Williams, who is a NASA astronaut now living on the International Space Station with Russian Commander Pavel Vinogradov of the Russian Federal Space Agency. On the picture, Jeff wrote: "To Pat, Thank you for being not only a brother but also a special friend! God's blessings!" Under his signature, he wrote "2 Cor. 5:21."

Russian Federal Space Agency, Roscosmos; and Brazilian astronaut Marco Pontes, who remained onboard a week and then returned to Earth with members of Expedition 12.

Jeff Williams came into his dream of space exploration later in life. It wasn't a goal of his as a young boy growing up in northern Wisconsin.

"He never really dreamed of being an astronaut until after graduation from West Point," Pat Williams recalled. "It is so unique. There are not a lot of Army astronauts."

In an interview on the Expedition 13 web site, Jeff Williams credits his interest in space exploration to his experiences at West Point.

"I never considered the possibility (as a boy)," he said. "It wasn't until later on, after high school when I went to the military academy at West Point, and I got introduced to Army aviation and read Tom Wolfe's book 'The Right Stuff' that I realized it could be possible and set it as a goal."

As a cadet, Jeff Williams competed on the West Point sport parachute team and also held ratings of sport parachute jumpmaster and instructor. He graduated with a degree in applied science and engineering from the U.S. Military Academy in 1980. He accepted a commission as second lieutenant in the Army and was designated an Army aviator in 1981.

He completed a three-year assignment in Germany where he served in the 3rd Armored Division's aviation battalion. Following his return to the U.S., Jeff Williams completed a graduate program in aeronautical engineering, and was subsequently selected for an Army assignment at the Johnson Space Center, where

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he served for more than four years. In 1992, Jeff Williams was selected for the Naval Test Pilot School, where he graduated in June 1993 as first among a class of 103.

"I've been in Army aviation ever since," he said on the Expedition 13 web site.

He served as an experimental test pilot and Flight Test Division chief in the Army's Airworthiness Qualification Test Directorate at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. In 1995, he was selected for attendance at the Naval War College, where he obtained a master's degree in national security and strategic studies. He has logged more than 2,500 hours in more than 50 different aircraft.

Jeff Williams interviewed three times before he was accepted into the NASA astronaut program, just like many others who apply and are eventually accepted. In 1985, Jeff Williams put together his first application for acceptance in the NASA astronaut program. He was inter-

viewed in 1987, but not selected. He kept applying and was interviewed again in 1992. Again he wasn't selected. He continued to apply and he was accepted after an interview in 1996.

"One of the pieces of advice that I give folks that aspire for the job is to be persistent," he said. "In fact, any major goal that somebody has in life – I encourage them to be persistent. Don't give up; take the disappointments, learn from them, drive one, and continue working toward that goal."

While on Earth, Jeff Williams lives in Houston with his wife and two sons. During the two years prior to his March flight, he spent a lot of time in Russia training for the mission. The most difficult part of training was learning to speak Russian.

Jeff Williams is definitely the risk taker in his family. Neither his brother or two sisters or anyone else in the family have faced risks like the ones Jeff Williams faces daily in space. But, Jeff Williams believes his military career has prepared his family to endure while he works in space.

"Being in the military for going on 26 years, my family, I think, has always been exposed

to the reality that there's some risk associated with the job," Jeff Williams said on the web site. "My wife, in particular, has done a wonderful job of supporting me and enduring that. She's the real hero in our household."

But, Jeff Williams doesn't believe he is taking any more risk than other explorers in the history of Earth.

"I don't think flying in space is a whole lot different than any example of human exploration that you consider in history," he said.

"Exploration on the planet over the past several centuries had a lot of risk. There was loss of life and loss of mission, if you will, in the endeavor, to explore new worlds and to look over the horizon and to see beyond what we know. The same thing is true with space, and everybody recognizes that. But history shows, and I think that our current program shows, that some risk is worth it for the return. If you look at the history of mankind on Earth, we have benefited from all exploration, and will continue to benefit from human exploration of space. We can go through the myriad of examples of spin-offs and whatnot of technology and

capability and operational expertise that has been applied to life on Earth."

Pat Williams worries the most about his brother during launches and returns to Earth.

"He went up in the Soyuz and he's coming back in the Soyuz," Pat Williams said. "During something like this, you have to have full confidence in the system. Obviously, this is something he wants to do. If there is a risk, then he is willing to take it and his family is willing to take it."

Pat Williams doesn't know if there will be future space missions for his brother. He said Jeff Williams is looking forward to non-risk time on Earth once his current mission is completed.

"Right now, he is focused on the mission and obviously wants to have mission success," Pat Williams said. "But, he is ready for a home-cooked meal. And, when he gets back, he plans to spend time sitting on the back porch and drinking some tea."

To find out more about Jeff Williams' flight, visit the Expedition 13 web site at http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/station/expeditions/expedition13/index.htm.

Editor's note: Wearing Russ-

ian Orlan spacesuits, Jeff Williams and Vinogradov did successfully conduct a space walk June 1 to repair a vent in the station's oxygen-producing Elektron unit, to retrieve experimental results and to replace a camera on the orbiting laboratory's rail car system, among other tasks. The space walk lasted six hours and 31 minutes. Williams and Vinogradov are now preparing for the arrival of the Discovery space shuttle, scheduled to launch July 1. During the arrival, Jeff Williams and Vinogradov will take high-resolution photographs of the space station to be analyzed by NASA engineers for any potential damage that could cause problems for the space station upon re-entry to Earth. As part of its mission, the flight will bring to the space station a third member to the Russian-American team – German astronaut Thomas Reiter of the European Space Agency. The three will work together to continue the assembly of the space station so that it is at full capacity in preparation for the resuming of regular space shuttle flights, which are important to meet the vision of future space exploration. Jeff Williams is scheduled to return to Earth in the Soyuz on Sept. 24.

■ Cut cost of vacation with Morale Welfare and Recreation

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"We're hiring more staff to accommodate our bus tours," Maybrey said.

MWR's Leisure Travel Office offers more one-on-one customer service through the booking of discounted cruises, vacation packages and hotel reservations.

"DisneyWorld is by far our most popular destination," Grace Bennett of Leisure Travel said.

"Besides helping with tickets, we can also make reservations at DisneyWorld's Shades of Green, which is a military hotel on DisneyWorld property that is available to military, government employees and contractors. Or, we can get discounts to any of the 22 on-site DisneyWorld hotels. Customers just need to tell us what they want to spend and we can set them up."

That goes for any vacation package that Bennett puts together for her customers.

"Sometimes, it's hard to say exactly what the discount will be because they can change daily," Bennett said. "But, we always offer discounts that are better or

equivalent to any other discount available. At certain times, we even have special military discounts that we advertise."

Besides DisneyWorld, Bennett said she also gets a lot of requests for vacation packages to Hawaii and for cruises in the Caribbean, and to Alaska and the Hawaiian islands.



"It's fun to help customers with their vacations," Bennett said. "And, it's so cool to talk to them when they get back and hear about all the fun they had."

Office hours are changing at ITR and Leisure Travel to better accommodate customers.

Currently, ITR is open Tuesday through Friday from 1:30 to 8 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Beginning July 1, ITR will be open Mondays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., with the office closed on Sundays.

Leisure Travel is now open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Wednesdays by appointment. Beginning July 1, hours will be Monday,

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. with Wednesday by appointment. For appointments, call 313-0090 or e-mail grace.bennett@redstone.army.mil.

But visitors to the Diane Campbell Recreation Center aren't always looking for a faraway place to vacation. Many use the recreation center for parties and casual get togethers, and to unwind with friends.

The center's auditorium, kitchen and patio are often rented by various groups on the Arsenal. And both Soldiers and civilians use the center's pool tables, televisions, video games and other services on a daily basis.

The Rec Center is open Tuesday through Thursday from noon to 8:30 p.m. with civilians welcome from noon to 6 p.m., Fridays from 1:30 to 10 p.m. with civilians welcome from 1:30 to 5 p.m., Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., and

Sundays from 1 to 9 p.m.

Maybrey and other staff members, who all work under the management of Gail Glass, enjoy the challenges of providing the best ticketing, leisure travel and recreational services possible. In 2005, the Diane Campbell Recreation Center was the best center in the Southeast region and number one in customer service in the Army's Southeast region.

"This is the most gratifying job I've had," Maybrey said of the recreation center and the ticketing and leisure travel aspects of his job.

"We're serving the military. I wanted to work closely with military people because that's who I like to be around. They are so appreciative and what they do for us is priceless. This is one small way to give back to them."

For more information, visit the Diane Campbell Recreation Center, call 313-0090, 876-5492 or 876-4531 or visit the web site at mwr-itr@redstone.army.mil.

Bravo Bulldogs get spirited victory

Drill sergeants bark out cheers

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They cheered. They did push-ups and other exercises. They used just as much energy behind the dugout as their fellow Bravo Company Soldiers expended on the softball field.

Led by their drill sergeants, these students in Bravo's enhancement physical training showed their support for the Bulldogs.

And the Bravo softball team responded with an 11-7 win over the NCO Academy on May 31 at Linton Field. The Bulldogs won their seventh straight game and improved to 7-1 on the season.

"We did it by attrition," Bravo coach/pitcher Henry Herrera said of the win. "We didn't play that great and we just happened to last a little bit longer than they did."

Herrera and right fielder Mathew Denbow each had three hits with a double and scored three runs.

Bravo continued its winning streak which began after a season-opening loss May 4 to the Marines. Meanwhile, the NCO Academy ended the night still in search of its first win.

"We didn't execute running the bases," NCO Academy coach/first baseman Daniel Irizarry said. "We killed two innings. We didn't run the bases like we were supposed to and we killed the whole inning like that."

But he sees the NCO Academy (0-7) benefiting



Photo by Skip Vaughn

WHO LET THE DOGS OUT?— Bravo Company Soldiers in enhancement physical training cheer their Bulldogs to an 11-7 win over the NCO Academy.

from the nightly competition.

"It's good we play over here because during the day we talk about it," said Irizarry, who scored two runs in the game. "It brings cohesion in the unit. I think it's good."

Last week's results included:

May 31 – Bravo def. NCO Academy 11-7, Headquarters & Alpha def. MEDDAC 13-11 and Marines def. HHC 59th 15-5.

June 1 – Marines def. NCO Academy 22-2 and MEDDAC def. HHC 59th 7-4.

League standings entering this week were: **Eastern Conference** — Bravo (7-1), HHC 59th (4-3), 326th Chemical (3-4) and MEDDAC (3-6). **Western Conference** — Marines (7-1), Headquarters & Alpha (3-3), PEO (3-5) and NCO Academy (0-7).

Redstone runners ready for Army Ten-Miler

Members of Redstone Arsenal's team for the Army Ten-Miler were selected after tryouts held May 6 and 13.

The team will compete in the annual Army Ten-Miler on Oct. 8 in Washington, D.C.

The head coach is Chief Warrant Officer Harry Hobbs. His assistants include Skip Vaughn, Sgt. Maj. Greg Knight and Alexander Steel.

Redstone Rockets Team 1 will compete in the all-comers category with Hobbs, Steel, Brett Addington, Maj. Tim Vinson, Randy McFarland, Dale Cox, William Alvarez and Maj. Morris Bodrick.

Redstone Flyers Team 2 will compete in the government agency category with Vaughn, Knight, Nathan Graham, retired Lt. Col. Steve Rice, 1st Lt. Wade Preston, Staff Sgt. Rob Jones, Staff Sgt. Rich Mantooth and Maj. Christine Hackett.

Redstone Rockets Team 1

Brett Addington (civilian) 62:23
Tim Vinson (military) 62:46
Randy McFarland (civilian) 63:05
Dale Cox (civilian) 64:55
William Alvarez (civilian) 65:53
Morris Bodrick (military) 66:26
Coaches: Harry Hobbs and Alexander Steel

Redstone Flyers Team 2

Nathan Graham (civilian) 66:00
Steve Rice (military retiree) 66:29
Wade Preston (military) 70:44
Rob Jones (military) 71:53
Rich Mantooth (military) 78:21
Christine Hackett (female military) 87:23
Coaches: Skip Vaughn and Greg Knight



Courtesy photo

DRINK UP— Retired Lt. Col. Steve Rice competes in the 10-miler tryout May 6 on Patton Road.

Marines win post golf championship

Playoff decides 3-way deadlock

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The Marines found themselves in a three-way tie to determine the post golf championship Friday at the Links at Redstone.

They were up to the challenge.

In the playoff, the Marines shot an 18 to beat PEO which had a 22 for the first hole on Meadowview. Headquarters & Alpha was the third team in the playoff. All three were tied at 5-under-par 67 after 18 holes.

Thirteen teams competed in the annual Felix Milar Active Duty Post Championship which was named this year after Felix Milar, a devoted sports volunteer who died in March.

"We were hitting the ball really well, we just couldn't get any putts to sink," the Marines' Rick Nyman said before the playoff. "We were just barely missing putts all daylong."

His teammates on the champion Marines team included Jeff Neumann, Orlanda Grimsley and Sean Newsom.

"The Marines are always good opponents," PEO's Derrick Davis said. "They bring out the best in everybody. And we'd like to say congratulations to them."

His teammates on the tournament runner-up included Thomas Todd, Billy Jackson and Mike Rutkowski.

"I'm glad they changed the name of the tournament because Fel was a great person," Davis said. "He always had a smile on his face. The rain came down right after the tournament because Fel was looking down on us."

Davis expressed his appreciation to the event organizers. "The tournament was a great one," he said.

Members of the third-place Headquarters & Alpha team included Aaron Spencer, Richard Scrivner, Darren Thomson and Bryce Saxton.

Here are the final results: 1. Marines (67, first in playoff), 2. PEO (67, runner-up), 3. Headquarters & Alpha (67), 4. HHC 59th (69), 5. (four-way tie) Marines-2 (71), HHC 59th-2 (71), Bravo Company (71), MSIC (71), 9. (tie) 326th Chemical Company (72), Headquarters & Alpha-2 (72), 11. Marines-3 (77), 12. MEDDAC-2 (83) and 13. MEDDAC-1 (86).



Photo by Skip Vaughn

FORE— MEDDAC's Joecelyn Crittenden prepares to tee off on the eighth hole at Meadowview during the post championship Friday.

Sports & Recreation

Sergeants Major golf

The Sergeants Major Association will hold its annual golf outing June 23 at the Links at Redstone. There will be a breakfast meeting that morning from 6:30-7:30 in the Regimental Room at the Officers and Civilians Club. Teams will be organized at that time with a tee time between 8:30 and 9. For more information, call Sgt. Maj. Robert Johnson 842-9767 or retired Command Sgt. Maj. Michael McSwain 842-6778.

Fall soccer signup

AYSO Soccer at John Hunt Park is taking registrations for the fall 2006/spring 2007 season for ages 4-18 boys and girls. Cost is \$70 per player and includes the uniform. Fall season practice begins Aug. 7 and the fall season will end Oct. 29. Registration can be made online at www.aysol60.org or call 650-0739 to have forms sent to you. Forms are also available at John Hunt Park at the Information board at the corner of Airport Road and JC Way. (Registration fee covers both the fall and spring seasons.) For more information, call 539-6852.

Player camp

AYSO Soccer at John Hunt Park is hosting a summer player camp conducted by MLS Camps on June 12-16 at Field 3 at John Hunt Park (corner of Airport Road and JC Way). For players ages 4-6, two sessions will be offered in the mornings from 8-10 a.m. or 10 a.m. to noon each day at a cost of \$75 per player. For players ages 7-18, two sessions of four hours each day will be offered at either 8 a.m. or 4 p.m. for \$125 per player. Registration can be made online at www.aysol60.org or call 883-6342 to have forms sent to you.

Hiking trails

Burritt on the Mountain, "A Living Museum," has a series of mountain nature trails that connect the Huntsville Land Trust and the State Park, affording miles of hik-

ing. But the most important trail may be the handicapped accessible trail that is paved for easy access. If visitors are using a wheelchair, stroller, or just need a smooth surface for walking, this paved trail has been used as a model across the nation. During the week of July 10, Armed Forces Week, Burritt is free to all military with identification. The rest of the year, Burritt offers military discounts. The Burritt Mansion and Historic Park are also handicapped accessible. For more information, call 536-2882.

Mud bog competition

On June 24, the Rocket City Rock Crawlers in association with the Huntsville Speedway will host a mud bog competition for 4x4 vehicles (no ATVs). The price of admission is \$10 for adults; kids 12 and under are admitted free as well as active duty military with ID card. Gates open at 9 a.m. and the fun starts at noon. For more information, logon to www.rocketcityrockcrawlers.com or call 883-1131.

Conferences & Meetings

Toastmasters

Tennessee Valley Toastmasters meets the first and third Saturday of each month at 9 a.m. at the Radisson Inn, 8721 Highway 20 West, Madison. For information call 876-8706 or e-mail amy.donlin@us.army.mil.

Enlisted spouses

Enlisted Spouses Club meets on the second Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Challenger Activity Center. New members are always welcome. Child care reimbursement is available to members. For more information, call Jean Mulcahy 881-7024.

Helicopter technology

The Southeast Region and the Hampton Roads Chapter of the American Helicopter Society and the Colonial Virginia

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Photo by Skip Vaughn

International visitors

Huntsville Mayor Loretta Spencer shows mementos to international military students visiting her office Thursday. They include, from left, Maj. Metodi Metodiev of Bulgaria, Maj. Sangpil Yu of Korea, Staff Sgt. Peichen Wu of Taiwan, Scott Huther of the International Military Student Office and Maj. Jonggun Seok of Korea.

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Chapter of Army Aviation Association of America will sponsor a national conference on Helicopter Military Operations Technology, Oct. 24-26 at Fort Eustis, Va. "Global Operations: Challenges and Opportunities Facing the Military Aviation/Industry Team" is the theme. For information call Jerry Irvine, public affairs officer for the Aviation Applied Technology Directorate, (757) 878-3272.

Computer users

The Huntsville Personal Computer Users Group will feature Elwyn Dobbs, a long-time member of HPCUG, presenting a program on "Internet Annoyances — How to Fix the Most Annoying Things About Going Online," at 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the Senior Center, 2200 Drake Ave. At 9:15, Kevin Wangbickler, co-leader of the HPCUG's Internet/Windows Special Interest Group, will provide web sites for solving computer problems and host a question-and-answer session. For more information, call 883-9601.

Civil War round table

Tennessee Valley Civil War Round Table will meet Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the Elks Club, 725 Franklin St., north entrance. The meeting is free. Chicken dinner buffet is available at 5:30 p.m. for \$6.95. Author Robert Hicks is to speak on "The Widow of the South" which is his historical novel about the Battle of Franklin and Carrie McGavock, mistress of Carnton Plantation. For information call 858-6191.

Resource managers

The American Society of Military Comp-trollers will hold its monthly luncheon Thursday at Trinity United Methodist Church. Installation of new officers for 2006-07 is planned. Ask an ASMC representative how you can receive CLPs (Continuous Learning Points) for attending. Advance payment to your organizational representative is required prior to distribution of luncheon tickets. If you don't have an organizational representative, call Kim Jean 876-3033 or Lisa Lowry 876-7086.

Active and retired

The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE) will meet Saturday at the Senior Center on Drake Avenue. Refreshments begin at 9:30 a.m. and the program at 10. Michele McDaniel of the Better Business Bureau of North Alabama is scheduled speaker. For more information, call 881-4944 or 882-2406.

Women accountants

American Society of Women Accountants will meet June 13 at the Holiday Inn Select on Williams Avenue, Sun Room of Lofton's. Social begins at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6 and the program at 6:30. This will be a planning meeting with installation of officers and a fashion show by Week-enders. Cost is \$16.50 members, \$17.50 non-members and \$10 full-time undergraduate students. Reservations are due by noon Friday. Call 830-0377.

Industry briefing postponed

The annual Advance Planning Briefing to Industry has been postponed until later this year, or when the funding situation improves. Armed Forces Week and asso-

ciated events have not been postponed; however, Redstone officials say funding issues may bring a need to scale things back a bit.



Miscellaneous

Reserve unit openings

A local Army Reserve detachment doing weekend drills on Redstone Arsenal has openings for computer specialists. The unit seeks prior active duty Soldiers or transfers from other Reserve/National Guard units with a specialty of 25B information systems operators and 42A human resources specialists. For 25B, 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 have merged into the 25B career group and convert to 25B as well. To schedule an interview, call Sgt. 1st Class Harold Cook 876-8710 or Chief Warrant Officer Robert Smith 955-9722.

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 has appointments from 1:30-2:30 Tuesdays and Thursdays. The shop is accepting summer clothing/items. For more information, call 881-6992.

Computer classes

Self-paced computer classes are offered at Army Community Service to assist military spouses in learning or enhancing

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their computer skills. Classes are available in Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, Access, Publisher and Windows XP. All classes are free and are offered Monday through Friday anytime between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Certificates will be given after successful completion. Call 876-5397 to pre-register.

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.

Johnson High reunion

Johnson High School's Class of 1986 20-year reunion is Aug. 4-5 at the Holiday Inn-Research (Madison Square Mall). Those interested can send their address and phone number to joj1986@earthlink.net or call Jenise Showers 457-4633.

Volunteer opportunities

There are many benefits to volunteering. One is to make a difference, and at Army Community Service you can do that by giving your time to help Soldiers, family members and retirees. But you can also help yourself by gaining skills and teamwork experience, boosting your self-confidence in the workplace, and gathering job experience to put in that otherwise blank spot on your resume. ACS has different programs that need volunteers as

assistants. The hours and days are flexible and child care is free while you are volunteering. No experience necessary. Be a part of the ACS team. Call Phyllis Cox 876-5397.

TOW system reunion

The TOW missile system has been in existence since the 1960s. The TOW Reunion is planned Sept. 8-9 for everyone who has contributed to the system through the years. A registration web site has been established at <http://towreunion.com/> or call Jack Conway 562-2132. The chairman of the reunion committee is George Williams, former program executive officer for tactical missiles and former TOW deputy project manager. Chuck Ruddy, of Raytheon marketing and business development, is co-chairman.

American Idol singer

Carrie Underwood, the 2005 American Idol winner, along with special guest Josh Turner, are coming to Redstone Arsenal July 21. Tickets can be purchased at the Post Exchange, ITR, Officers and Civilians Club, Sparkman Cafeteria, Outdoor Recreation, Hotel Redstone, www.ticketmaster.com and all Ticketmaster locations. Cost is \$18 for general admission tickets and \$60 for premium tickets. For more information, call 876-4531 or 876-5232.

Reutilization office

As the final phase of the A-76 transition grows near, Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service-Huntsville, would like to remind all DRMO customers of some

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key transition milestones. On June 30, DRMO Huntsville will transition to full performance by the Most Efficient Organization. Because of accountability issues, approximately 10 days before the transition, or on June 20, DRMO Huntsville will discontinue receiving and storage operations in order to conduct a 100 percent inventory. During the week of the inventory, the MEO will schedule a "Town Hall Meeting" to introduce key MEO members and address concerns. If you have any questions about this transition, call Russell Manuel 842-2532.

Ordnance ball

The 59th Ordnance Brigade would like to invite all Ordnance Soldiers of the present, past and future to commemorate the gallantry of the Ordnance Corps and to promote "esprit de corps" during the Ordnance Ball (South), July 14 at the Officers and Civilians Club. Scheduled speaker is chief of Ordnance Maj. Gen. Vincent Boles, commander, Army Ordnance Center and Schools, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. For more information or to purchase tickets, call Lt. Col. Thomas Coburn 876-3508.

Car show benefit

The Tennessee Valley Mopar Club will have a free Mopar show and drag event June 17 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Huntsville Dragway. Donations are requested for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. For information visit www.tvmoparclub.com.

Jazz concert

The Tennessee Valley Jazz Society-Huntsville will present Hammond B3 jazz master Vince Seneri as the headliner for this year's Jazz-N-June Concert on Friday at 8 p.m. at the Early Works Museum, 404 Madison St. Tickets are available at The Arts Council, James Records and Tapes, and Shavers Books. For more information, call 851-7402 or 513-0263.

AER awards

The Army Emergency Relief awards ceremony is June 15 at 1 p.m. in Heiser Hall. The annual fund-raising campaign has surpassed its \$150,000 goal.

Stamp show

The Huntsville Philatelic Club will hold its 39th annual stamp show Saturday and Sunday at the Tom Bevill Center on the University of Alabama-Huntsville campus. Show times are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free.

Acquisition support center

The Acquisition Support Center-Southern Region Customer Support Office has moved from 106 Wynn Drive to building 5206 on Redstone Arsenal. Building 5206 is located off Linder Road behind building 5201. The easiest way to find the office is to use the parking lot on the north side of McMorrow Labs. As you enter the parking lot, turn left in one of the first three rows and the building is at the bottom of the hill. As the location has changed, so have many of the phone numbers. Here are the new numbers: regional director Shirley Hornaday 955-2764; acquisition career managers Bonnie Stewart 313-5039, Laverne Kidd 313-5038, Lorie Johnson 313-5035, Alexis Holden 313-5036 and Roger Yocom 313-

5040; administrative assistants Branigan Carter 876-8067 and Paige Gooch 313-5031; and fax 955-2758.

Latin parties

Latin parties will be held at 10 p.m. June 10 and June 24 at Home Port International Bar & Deli, 2007-L North Memorial Parkway, with music by disc jockey "Azucar" (Signey Hernandez). There is a \$6 cover charge; and attendees must be over 21. For information call 852-8800, 797-4734 or 536-9861.

Technical professionals

The Huntsville Association of Technical Societies will hold its annual Profession-

als of the Year awards dinner Thursday at 6 p.m. at the Von Braun Center North Hall. This year, 17 local professionals will be honored. For information about attending the event, visit the web site www.hats.org or contact the association through e-mail at HATS@hats.org.

Father's Day buffet

The Officers and Civilians Club will hold a Father's Day Buffet on June 18 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tickets are \$14.95 for adults, \$9.95 for children ages 4-11; and kids 3 and under eat free. This event is open to the entire Redstone community. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 830-2582.

Space museum volunteers

Volunteer opportunities for ages 16 and older are available at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center. A Volunteer Opportunity Fair will be held June 17 from 9 a.m. to noon in the front lobby of the center. If you cannot attend the fair, call Jermie Howell 721-7109 for more information and details of the opportunities available.

Jaguar show

The Music City Jaguar Club is having its annual ConcoursD' Elegance Car Show at the Belle Mead Plantation in Nashville on Saturday at 8 a.m. For more information, e-mail Robert Barnes at rbarnes@hiwaay.net.

ARMY POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS REDSTONE ARSENAL AND HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA AREA

ANNOUNCEMENTS	POSITION TITLE	CLOSING	ORGANIZATION	PAY PLAN	GRADE	POT	PAY RANGE	WHO CAN APPLY?											
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THE FOLLOWING ARMY ANNOUNCEMENTS CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEB AT WWW.CPOL.ARMY.MIL																			
SCBK06195664	Telecommunications Spec	7-Jun-06	SMDC	GS-0391	14	14	88,178 - 114,631	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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SCBK06253546	Mechanical Engr	9-Jun-06	AMRDEC	DB-0830	4	4	88,178 - 134,838	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK06253546D	Mechanical Engr	9-Jun-06	AMRDEC	DB-0830	4	4	88,178 - 134,838	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK06299609	Secretary (OA)	9-Jun-06	Corps of Engrs Huntsville	GS-0318	5	5	28,559 - 37,128	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK06342055	Secretary (OA)	13-Jun-06	IIMMC	GS-0318	7	7	35,375 - 45,985	X											
SCBK06330159	Business Mgmt Ofcr	14-Jun-06	Acq Supp Ctr	NH-0301	4	4	88,178 - 134,838	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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SCBK06231280	Management Assistant	14-Jun-06	Corps of Engrs Huntsville	GS-0344	6	7	31,834 - 45,985	X											
SCBK06231280	Civil Engr	14-Jun-06	Corps of Engrs Huntsville	GS-0810	11	12	52,355 - 81,572	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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SCBK06330156	Logistics Mgmt Spec	14-Jun-06	Acq Supp Ctr	NH-0346	3	3	62,751 - 97,003	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK06247690	Supervisory General Engr	17-Jun-06	USADTC- Redstone Tech Test Ctr	GS-0801	14	14	88,178 - 114,631	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK06247690D	Supervisory General Engr	17-Jun-06	USADTC- Redstone Tech Test Ctr	GS-0801	14	14	88,178 - 114,631	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK06275484	Civil Engr	22-Jun-06	Corps of Engrs Huntsville	GS-0810	13	13	74,621 - 97,003	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK06303493	Landscape Architect, Architect, Civil Engr, Environmental Engr, Mechanical Engr, Electrical Engr, Chemical Engr	29-Jun-06	Corps of Engrs Huntsville	GS-0807,0808,0810,0819,0830,0850,0893	12	13	62,751 - 97,003	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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SCBK06266183D	Electronics Engr	18-Jul-06	AMRDEC	DB-0855	3	3	62,751 - 97,003	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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SCBK06303493	Mechanical Engr	29-Jun-06	Corps of Engrs Huntsville	GS-0830	12	13	62,751 - 97,003	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK06303493	Landscape Architect	29-Jun-06	Corps of Engrs Huntsville	GS-0807	12	13	62,751 - 97,003	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK06303493	Environmental Engr	29-Jun-06	Corps of Engrs Huntsville	GS-0819	12	13	62,751 - 97,003	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK06303493	Electrical Engr	29-Jun-06	Corps of Engrs Huntsville	GS-0850	12	13	62,751 - 97,003	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK06303493	Civil Engr	29-Jun-06	Corps of Engrs Huntsville	GS-0810	12	13	62,751 - 97,003	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK06303493	Chemical Engr	29-Jun-06	Corps of Engrs Huntsville	GS-0893	12	13	62,751 - 97,003	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK06303493	Architect	29-Jun-06	Corps of Engrs Huntsville	GS-0808	12	13	62,751 - 97,003	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK06266183D	Electronics Engr	18-Jul-06	AMRDEC	DB-0855	3	3	62,751 - 97,003	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 documentation 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 documentation service required)
- E - Executive Order 12721 eligibles. (Former overseas family member employees who meet eligibility requirements)
- F - All Federal Employees serving on a career or career-conditional appointment (SF-50 documentation service required)
- 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 documentation 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.