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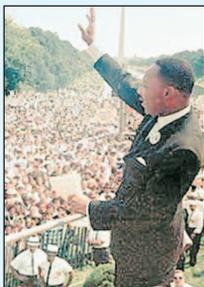
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# 'People person' devoted to service

David Carney takes helm of veterans coalition

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He's a behind-the-scenes organizer. A cheerleader for Soldiers, veterans and their families. An emcee and speaker at local patriotic events.

Now, David Carney is also the incoming president of the North Alabama Veterans and Fraternal Organizations Coalition.

And, if you ask him about it, he has only one thing to say: "Hooah!"

This Soldier's Soldier has long been a part of Huntsville's and Alabama's military scene. He has developed a reputation as a "go-to man" who will support any good Soldier cause with plenty of energy and determination.

"It's very exciting to be the president of the North Alabama Veterans and Fraternal Organizations Coalition," Carney said. "It gives me the ability to work with so many different groups of people to make things happen for veterans, Soldiers and their families."

The coalition is an umbrella group of more than 40 military and community organizations that work behind the scenes to

organize and volunteer staff several events for Soldiers, veterans and their families, including Blue Star Service Banner programs, Huntsville's Veterans Day Parade and dinner, 9/11 ceremony, Flag Day ceremony, Operation Christmas Bear, and various deployment and Welcome Home ceremonies. Carney has been involved with these events for several years.

Carney particularly appreciates the efforts of the coalition because they include all branches of the military.

"I am very inclusive about everything," said the former National Guard sergeant. "I work with Marines, Army Reserve and all the active military branches. We all have U.S. in front of our name branch of service tags. That U.S. means 'us.'"

Carney's community involvement includes being on the board of the Spirit of America Foundation in Decatur, serving as commander of the Cahaba Shrine Temple Legion of Honor, serving as treasurer of the Madison County Military Heritage Commission and serving as vice president of the Huntsville chapter of the Association of the U.S. Army. He will take over as president of the coalition at its annual awards and recognition program to be held tonight at 6:30 at the Cahaba Shrine Temple.

Carney follows in the footsteps of several coalition presidents who have been commit-

ted to Soldier and veteran causes. The organization was started by Ed Banville and Hal Meeker in 2003. Bill Meyers later served as a president, giving the organization a sharp focus on events directly related to Soldiers,

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## Coalition support group roll call

The following military and community organizations read like a Who's Who List of groups that support North Alabama's military. They are all members of the North Alabama Veterans and Fraternal Organizations Coalition:

- Air Force Association
- Armed Forces Communications Electronics Association
- Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs
- Alabama Military Moms
- American Legion Post 237
- American Legion Post 229
- Army Reserve
- Association of the U.S. Army-Huntsville, Redstone Arsenal Chapter
- BPO Elks 1648
- Cahaba Shrine
- COPS (Christian Officers Preaching Salvation)
- Disabled American Veterans
- 8th Air Force Historical Society, North Alabama Wing of Alabama Chapter
- 1st Brigade Alabama SDF
- 40/8
- Huntsville Police Department
- Jewish War Veterans Post 111
- Knights of Columbus
- Korean War Veterans Association, Tennessee Valley Chapter
- Madison County Military Heritage Commission
- Madison County Sheriff's Department
- Marine Corps League, Brandon-Wilbourn Detachment 820
- Military Officers Association of America, Huntsville Chapter
- Military Order of the Purple Heart
- Military Order of World Wars
- Moms of Marines
- National Defense Industrial Association, Tennessee Valley Chapter
- 19th Alabama Volunteer Infantry Regiment Inc.
- Redstone Command Staff
- Redstone Garrison
- Sergeants Major Association, Redstone Arsenal
- Sons of the American Revolution, Tennessee Valley Chapter
- Still Serving Veterans
- Space and Missile Defense Working Group
- Tennessee Valley Republican Club
- Veterans Memorial Museum
- Veterans of Foreign Wars 5162
- Vietnam Veterans of America
- Warrant Officers Association
- War Veterans of Madison County
- West Point Society of the Tennessee Valley



Photo by Kari Hawkins

**AND A 'HOOAH!' TO YOU—** David Carney, incoming president of the North Alabama Veterans and Fraternal Organizations Coalition, drives around with his favorite word on his truck's vanity plate. The 2006 version was "Hooa1." He is waiting for his new 2007 tag that will say "Hooah" to arrive from the state. Carney will be inducted as the coalition's new president at its annual awards and recognition program tonight at the Cahaba Shrine Temple.

# An open lane random survey

*What's your favorite sport and why?*

By SKIP VAUGHN  
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Gaylene Wilson  
sports and fitness director

**"My favorite sport is football. And since I was a kid, my family has all been really into football – through high school, just going to all the games and I've been following it ever since. I'm a big New Orleans Saints fan. To me football is exciting in person and on TV; whereas, to me some sports are kind of boring on TV. And I attended my first pro game this year (and saw the Saints beat the Falcons in Atlanta in November)."**

Mike Potter  
recreation assistant  
**"Football. I play it and I also officiate it."**



Pvt. Lakingya Johnson  
Charlie Company

**"My favorite sport is soccer, because you have contact a little bit but you get to run a lot. I just like the contact."**

Pvt. Jared Taylor  
Charlie Company  
**"Boxing. I boxed for six years and I love boxing."**



## Quote of the week

**'K**ee your face to the sunshine and you cannot see the shadow."  
— Helen Keller

# Letters to the Editor

## Christmas Charities appreciation

**C**hristmas Charities Year Round would like to thank the workers on the Arsenal for all the help they gave CCYR in 2006.

Your support made Christmas

a little brighter for 1,032 families. Thanks again for all you do in the community.

**Gerri Mills**  
CCYR director

## Successful holiday operation

**O**peration Stocking Stuffer held by the Unmanned Aircraft Systems Project Office was a huge success. UAS stuffed more than 100 stockings and sent 110 caramel popcorn tins and 300 cards from children, as well as other great gifts.

The Tennessee Valley community really came through for the troops by donating shirts, socks, batteries, razors, caramel popcorn tins, phone cards, and numerous other great items. The stockings were sent to the 128th Military

Police Company from Huntsville.

Capt Jeff Owen, company commander, stated that the Soldiers were humbled and grateful that their hometown was thinking of them. A special thanks to the Arrowhead District Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts, St. Ann's Catholic School, and Cargo Helicopter for their generous donations.

**Tarah Hollingsworth**  
Operations Center, Army  
Unmanned Aircraft Systems

## Impact on annual leave

**W**ith the last-minute granting of an additional holiday, people who were using their "use-or-lose" suddenly found themselves "over the limit" by nine hours. Do we get to keep those hours or have them restored, or do we, in effect, NOT get the holiday given to every other government employee? (It's not a holiday if I effectively took annual leave for it.)

**J.D. Crowover**  
Integrated Materiel  
Management Center

*Editor's note: The Civilian Personnel Advisory Center issued the following message to the Redstone Community Jan. 3 regarding the impact of the National Day of Mourning on annual leave. "By Executive Order dated Dec. 28, 2006, President Bush directed closure of federal offices on Jan. 2, 2007, as a mark of respect for Former President R.*

*Gerald Ford. For pay and leave purposes, this period of time is to be treated as a holiday.*

*"The CPAC has received a number of questions on how time should be recorded for those employees who were scheduled to be on annual leave for Jan. 2, 2007, particularly those on use or lose annual leave. Based on the guidance in the Executive Order, employees will not be charged leave for Jan. 2, 2007. Timekeepers should change the code denoting Leave Annual to Leave Holiday. Employees who had scheduled use or lose annual leave for Jan. 2, 2007 and who are unable to reschedule that leave for use before the end of the leave year (Jan. 6, 2007) will, for the most part, forfeit those hours. When use or lose leave is forfeited under these conditions, there is no authority that permits restoration of the leave.*

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## Head start for success

**D**uring the recent Combined Federal Campaign, I set up several events where Redstone employees went to Head Start locations and read to the 3-5-year-old children in their classrooms. Head Start deals with many lower income families and provides them with daycare, free healthcare and educational opportunities. Many of these children are the ones for adoption on the "Angel Trees." At each event, donated books, toys and games were delivered to the classrooms and then the employees would stay to read and talk to the children.

The employees who volunteered to read to the children told me that it was an extremely rewarding experience. All of the children were very affectionate and appreciated all that we did. They seemed to especially enjoy meeting real "Army men" (Soldiers)! Just before the holidays, many IMMC employees also donated school supplies and equipment to Head Start to use in their classrooms. We ended up with several trunk-fulls of school supplies (crayons, glue, pencils, paper, paints, poster boards, whiteboards, various art supplies, educational games, puzzles, etc.), a computer and a laptop, among other things.

The children from one of the local Head Start classrooms made a large thank you card for Redstone Arsenal. They put their handprints on it and included several photos of some of the people who read to them. They wanted to thank everyone who donated time (to read to them), money (through CFC), and school supplies/equipment (through the special IMMC Christmas project). Many people also donated books, games and toys for these children. With school funds in such short supply, your generous donations have made a huge difference.

Thank you for donating in such abundance and for blessing these children with your time and talents.

**Lynn Moore**  
IMMC CFC loaned executive

## New Year's Eve disappointment

**W**e bought tickets for \$90 to attend what we believed would be a great evening of good food and entertainment (at the Officers and Civilians Club on New Year's Eve). "Wrong"... The food was mediocre, service non-existent unless you specifically caught a waitress. And where did they dig up that "wannabe" band? Several middle-aged so-called rockers. Did club management realize what audience they were playing to?

The noise was atrocious and music if that was what it was... well, enough said. We and our guests had to

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# Getting to know you

By SKIP VAUGHN  
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**Name:** Staff Sgt. Bernard Gaines

**Job:** Small group leader, NCO Academy

**Where do you call home?**  
Fort Wayne, Ind.

**What do you like about your job?**

The best thing about my job is having the opportunity to mentor as well as learn from my peers.

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

The biggest thing is spend time with my family – family and friends. (He and his wife, Coretta, have a 16-year-old son, Tyron, 4-year-



old daughter, Tatyanna, and 8-month-old daughter, Kiera.)

**What are your goals?**

I'd just like to finish up my military career and teach high school.

**What's your favorite type of music?**

Jazz and R&B

## ■ Worker loses annual leave hours

### Leave

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*"Many employees have asked about the possibility of donating the annual leave rather than forfeiting it. In accordance with 5 CFR 630-908(b)(2), employees cannot donate leave which is certain to be forfeited because there are not sufficient work hours left in the leave year to permit the leave to be used. Redstone Regulation 690-2, Appendix I, Paragraph 2e(3) also states that leave donors cannot donate leave which is certain to be forfeited because there are not sufficient work hours left in the leave year to permit the leave to be used (i.e., use or lose leave). The date that determines whether or not sufficient work hours are left would be the date the leave transfer form is signed.*

*"If you have additional leave questions, please contact your servicing MER specialist."*

## ■ Party doesn't please club patron

### Disappointment

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leave at 10:20 p.m. due to the racket. Even in the lobby trying to make a phone call, the noise was terrible.

Of all the years I have attended the ROCC functions, this was absolutely the worst we have ever been exposed to.

Enough to make me not renew my membership.

**Bob Davenport**  
retired Air Force

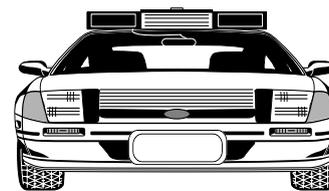
*Editor's note: The Garrison provided the following response from Derrick Gould, director of Morale Welfare and Recreation. "The management and staff of the Redstone Officers and Civilians Club regrets your negative experience on New Year's Eve. In Morale Welfare and Recreation, we pride ourselves on delivering outstanding service to all of our members and guests. Our goal is for every customer's experience to be an exceptional one. As for the New Year's Eve at the ROCC, we were unable to contract with the band we have used in the previous years for our New Year's Eve Gala and were unable to find a similar replacement band. With this in mind, we know that there is never an acceptable excuse for a bad experience, however, be assured that we are already in the process of looking for a band that will be a much better fit for next year's event. We will also continue to challenge our Chef and Banquet Staff to perfect what we believe to be a great customer service oriented staff. I would welcome the opportunity to talk to you in person or by phone to discuss your concerns in detail. I can be reached by e-mail at derrick.gould@us.army.mil or by phone, 876-2073."*

# Crimes, accidents and other occurrences

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

**Jan. 6:** An individual was found to be operating his motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license during a vehicle inspection at Gate 8. He was issued a violation notice and released.

**Jan. 7:** An individual was found to be operating his motor vehicle with a revoked driver's license during a vehicle inspection at Gate 8. He was issued three violation notices — revoked driver's license, no insurance and illegal



transfer of a license plate — and released.

**Jan. 8:** An individual returned to their quarters after being on vacation and discovered someone had broken into their house and took several items. Investigation

continues by the Redstone Investigation Section.

**Jan. 8:** An individual was found to be operating his motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license when he was involved in a traffic accident. He was issued a violation notice and released.

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

**Violation notices issued:** 8 speeding, 1 expired tag, 2 driving with a suspended driver's license, 2 inattentive driving, 1 expired driver's license.

## Tax assistance center to open in late January

*Free preparation service by Soldiers, volunteers*

By Capt. PAUL LARACY  
Tax assistance officer

The Redstone Arsenal Tax Assistance Center will be open from Jan. 22 to April 16. The Tax Center will provide free tax preparation and filing assistance to eligible clients, which include active duty and retired servicemembers and their dependents.

This service is free and, based on the IRS's schedule for refunds, will have your refund to you within a week of electronic filing. Last year's Tax Center saved clients more than \$400,000 in tax preparation and filing fees and helped obtain almost \$2.5 million in refunds.

Soldiers and volunteer tax assisters will provide both computer-assisted tax preparation and direct electronic filing of federal returns. Preparation and electronic filing of state tax returns will be available as well. Once again, all active duty and retired servicemembers and their dependents are eligible for tax assistance. Reservists or National Guard members who are on active duty orders for more than 29 days (and their dependents) can also take advantage of this free service.

The center will be located in building 3489, at the corner of Ajax and Zeus Roads. IRS-trained Soldiers and civilian volunteers will serve as income tax assisters under the supervision of the Staff Judge Advocate. The officer-in-charge will assist with more complex tax returns on a case-by-case basis and reserves the right to refer clients to a private tax preparation service. Specifically, the center will not handle tax preparation involving complicated and advanced investment or rental property issues or matters concerning private businesses other than on-post family child care providers who are certified by Child and Youth Services. All tax assistance is strictly limited to personal tax returns.

The services offered by the center provide eligible clients several distinct advantages over commercial tax preparers. First and foremost, center services are absolutely free. In contrast, the national average for commercial tax preparation and filing fees is well over \$100 per return. Second, the cen-

ter is conveniently located on Redstone Arsenal. Finally, clients will not be confronted with the temptation of refund anticipation loans. These costly loans are traditionally offered by commercial tax preparers and involve extremely high interest rates. Although clients can get money immediately with a refund anticipation loan, it will generally cost them a large portion of their refund — sometimes clients will forfeit up to 10 percent of their refund for a seven day loan. By using the center, most clients will get the entire refund in approximately seven days.

The center will be open from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, with tax return preparation offered by appointment only. Services will also be offered on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5-7 by appointment. Walk-ins will be welcomed for E-4s and below during the extended evening hours only. All others must make an appointment. To make an appointment or for more information, call the center at 842-1040. Appointments will not be made until Jan. 19.

Now is the time to compile your tax documents. Please be prepared to bring the following items to your appointment: all W2s, 1099s, 1098s and brokerage statements; Social Security cards for spouse and dependents; spouse (or a power of attorney that authorizes filing on his or her behalf) when filing a married filing jointly return; any receipts for deductible expenses; check showing bank account number and routing number; last year's tax return or other applicable years; dependent care provider's EIN, name, address, phone number and Social Security number; and advance child tax credit notice if you received one.

Servicemembers should confirm as soon as possible that they have access to the myPay web site for access to W2s when they are released in January. Be sure to contact your past employers from 2006 to ensure your corresponding W2s will be mailed to the correct address. The center has a dedicated computer to print W2s in the waiting room.

Stay tuned to the *Rocket* for more information about this tax season. The center looks forward to serving the tax preparation needs of Redstone Arsenal. For more information, visit the web site at <http://www.redstone.army.mil/legal/taxcenter.html>.

## Contractor employee killed in Iraq

A contractor working for the U.S. Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville died Jan. 4 in Iraq during a small arms fire incident.

The name of the deceased was being withheld pending notification of next of kin. The incident is under investigation.

Huntsville Center's Coalition Munitions Clearance Program is responsible for receiving, transporting, segregating and destroying captured or any other munitions posing a danger in Iraq. Storage and disposal of the ammunition is performed at several locations throughout Iraq. (*Huntsville Center release*)

# Team Redstone celebrates Dr. King's legacy

*Challenges remain,  
says federal judge*

By SKIP VAUGHN  
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U.S. District Judge U.W. Clemon saw some unfinished business on the 21st anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

"We have not yet reached the promised land," he said during Team Redstone's celebration program Thursday at Bob Jones Auditorium. He pointed out that "racial divides still abound" and King's dream of freedom and justice for all has not become reality.

"And so the challenge to us today is pretty much the same as it was for Dr. Martin Luther King – to make 'America' America again," he said.

Clemon, who was appointed by

President Jimmy Carter in 1980 as the first black federal judge in the history of Alabama, was the program's keynote speaker. He recalled highlights from King's life as a civil rights pioneer. "On this day and on this occasion we remember Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.," he said.

After each accomplishment – from the ending of segregated seating on Montgomery buses, to national anti-discrimination laws – King kept fighting, Clemon told the estimated 500 attendees. "He did not take a day off to bask in the bright sunlight of the victory itself."

The program's theme was, "Remember! Celebrate! Act! A Day On – Not a Day Off!"

Brig. Gen. Mike Cannon, program executive officer for missiles and space, gave the welcoming remarks. "We all have a great deal to thank Dr. Martin Luther King for," he said. "This nation is stronger because of him and (because of) people like him."

Team Redstone sponsored an essay writing contest and a static display contest in support of this year's observance. The essay winners included first place (tie), Jeffery Cox of the Program Executive Office for Aviation and Richard Browning of the Criminal Investigation Division; second, Chief Warrant Officer Harry Hobbs of HHC 59th Ordnance Brigade; and third, Chief Warrant Officer Patrick Jones of Criminal Investigation Division. The display winners included first place (tie), Missile System Training Depart-



Associated Press/World Wide Photos

**MARCH ON WASHINGTON— Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. prepares to speak to a crowd of 200,000 marchers in Washington, D.C., in August 1963.**

ment and the Criminal Investigation Division; second, Bravo Company; and third, Renata Walker of Logistics Support Activity.

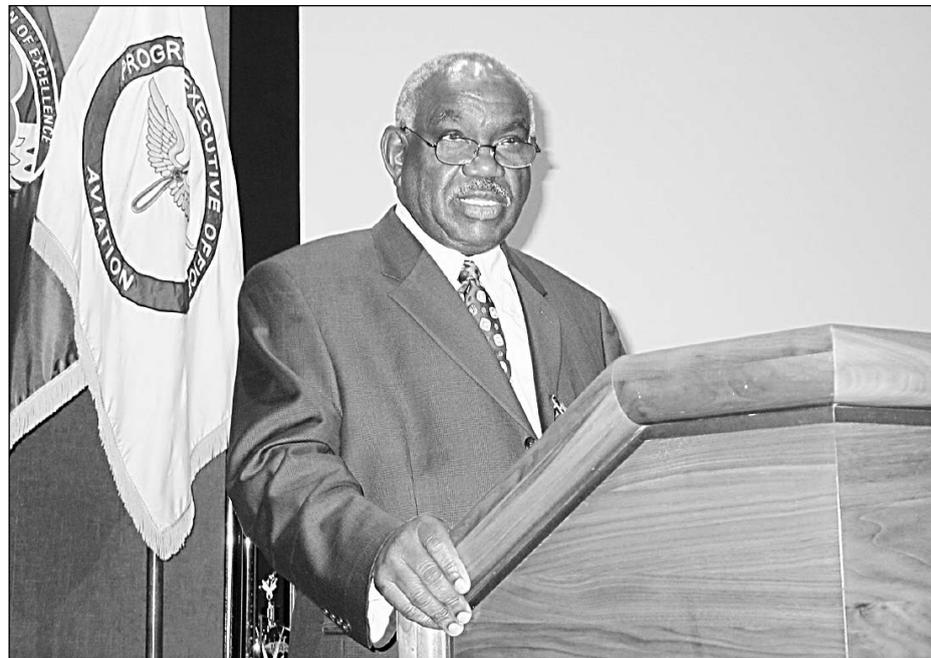


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**KEYNOTE ADDRESS— U.S. District Judge U.W. Clemon delivers his remarks during Team Redstone's celebration for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day.**

# Coalition

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veterans and their families. Then, Joe Fitzgerald, the 2006 president, built on that focus and made sure the organization was recognized for its efforts.

Carney will be at the helm of a 2007 coalition board of directors that will include Army Reserve Command Sgt. Maj. John Perry, executive vice president; retired Col. Joe Paddock, treasurer; Army Reserve Lt. Col. Valerie Coffey, secretary; retired Col. Bob Wilkie, vice president for military affairs; retired Sgt. 1st Class Russell Kimball, vice president for finance; and Joe Fitzgerald, vice president for membership. The coalition's advisory board will include retired Lt. Col. Bill Meyers, retired Capt. Bill Hogan, retired Col. Tom Brown and AMCOM Command Sgt. Maj. Ricky Yates.

"I want to continue what they've begun," Carney said of his predecessors. "You can see from the quality of people we have on the board that this is going to be a great year. It's just a matter of planning what we can do and what we should do. Teamwork is a big thing with me. The coalition and its 40-plus members will work together and make things happen."

Carney, 61, describes himself as a "people person" who likes to organize patriotic events. The military has been his whole life. He dropped out of high school to join the Army. His career has included eight years in the active Army and 16 years with the National Guard, the last two as a full-time family support coordinator and public affairs officer for the 142nd Signal Brigade in Decatur. Along the way, he obtained bachelor and master degrees in administrative science, worked as a bank loan officer at Regions Bank, published books and magazines, and worked in computer programming.

He was deployed to Hungary, Croatia and Bosnia in 1996-97 as part of Operation Joint Endeavor, and to Kuwait in late 1997. While in Hungary, he coordinated media tours, including one with a *Huntsville Times* reporter and photographer. He's also done minor deployments to Japan, Thailand, and tours in Germany and Italy.

"I enjoyed it," Carney said of his military career. "I came to realize what service means. To me, service is everything — service to others, to the nation, to the military. That's everything, right there. I'm privileged to be in a position where I can do that."

It was while he was working for the 142nd Signal Brigade that Carney's reputation as an organizer of military events statewide began to be noticed. He organized deployment ceremonies in 18 cities throughout the state when parts of the 142nd were deployed during a six-week period in late 2003.

"I wanted to do something for these Soldiers and their families," Carney said. "How can I help them? The only thing I

can do is give them the right attitude. Attitude is everything during a deployment."

So, Carney took his brand of "Hooah!" all over the state in support of the 142nd.

"You can't say 'Hooah!' without feeling good about yourself," he said. "When you get people doing that, it helps them in ways you can't imagine."

Carney has organized more than 100 military and patriotic programs in Alabama. He organized the first Welcome Home ceremonies in Alabama for deployed Soldiers. One event — with two plane loads of returning military — involved 2,000 family members on a rainy Sunday morning in January 2005.

"It was at that event when everybody started getting on board and wanting to help," Carney recalled.

"When it was time for Signal Soldiers to start returning (in late '04), I visited with mayors, media and military support groups in 18 cities and explained to them how a Welcome Home should be conducted — a few minutes at the arrival point with a big event later. I wasn't about to allow anybody to have a massive three-hour event the moment they arrived, as some cities had started talking about. The mayor of Foley gave me the key to the city for what I did for the Soldiers there."

Carney also spoke to community organizations and at churches. He organized media trips to Fort Campbell (Ky.), Fort Bragg (N.C.), Fort Polk (La.) and to Hurricane Katrina sites. He coordinated weekly radio programs for Soldier phone calls in Albertville, Birmingham and Mobile. He worked with media throughout the state and taught deploying Soldiers how to write, which resulted in weekly articles in several newspapers.

"I know how important it is for servicemembers and families to see their names in print," Carney said. "It publicly validates their service."

Everywhere he went, Carney gave out his business card. He wanted to make himself accessible to any group needing help organizing military or patriotic events. As he helped various organizations with their ceremonies, Carney became part of those organizations — including the coalition.

"You do things and it does change you," said Carney, who works in communications and community relations with Lockheed Martin Corp., managing his volunteer duties in his off time.

"I traveled to over 30 countries, most for military reasons. I saw how things were in other countries. It made me realize our country is the greatest nation on Earth. I am proud to be a part of it and to be able to wear the uniform. I've served most of my life and I want to continue serving. I have been very privileged to be in a position where I could help so many people who are so deserving."

To attend the coalition's awards and recognition program, contact Carney at 652-2460 or david.r.carney@us.army.mil. For more information on the coalition, visit its web site at [www.vetcoalition.org](http://www.vetcoalition.org).

## Native Alabamian takes reins of Fox health center



Photo by Skip Vaughn

**WELLNESS ADVOCATE—** Col. Mark Smith talks with well-wishers after becoming commander of Fox Army Health Center.

*Focuses on fostering wellness in community*

By **SKIP VAUGHN**

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The new commander of Fox Army Health Center is a Tuscaloosa native who served eight months at the busiest combat support hospital in Iraq.

Col. Mark Smith was the deputy commander for clinical services, the chief of the medical staff, for the 10th Combat Support Hospital in Baghdad. He succeeded Lt. Col. Jessie Tucker as commander of Fox Army Health Center in a change of command ceremony Friday at Bob Jones Auditorium.

As the commander of Fox, he wants the health center to help teach people how to take care of themselves.

“Our goal right now is to move in the direction of taking our current resources and focusing on creating wellness in the community,” he said.

Smith, 49, graduated from the University of Alabama in 1979 with a bachelor’s in chemistry and mathematics. He is a board certified family practitioner and a practicing flight sur-

geon. He and his wife, Lori, have two sons serving in the Army, two daughters and two grandchildren.

Tucker, who served as interim commander for the past six months, is to leave this summer to become chief of staff of Womack Army Medical Center at Fort Bragg, N.C.

“I feel that I am leaving the clinic in excellent hands,” Tucker said. He called Fox’s more than 200 member staff “the most dedicated professionals that I’ve worked with in my entire career.”

Tucker has won the American College of Healthcare Executives 2007 Robert S. Hudgens Memorial Award for young healthcare executive of the year. He will receive the award March 19 at the Parker B. Francis Distinguished Lecture during ACHE’s 50th Congress on Healthcare Leadership in New Orleans.

Brig. Gen. Donald Bradshaw, commander of Army Southeast Regional



Photo by Skip Vaughn

**ARMY SONG—** Singing the Army Song at the end of Friday’s ceremony are, from left, Brig. Gen. Donald Bradshaw, commander of Army Southeast Regional Medical Command and Dwight Eisenhower Army Medical Center at Fort Gordon, Ga.; Col. Mark Smith, commander of Fox Army Health Center; and Lt. Col. Jessie Tucker, former Fox commander.

Medical Command and Dwight Eisenhower Army Medical Center at Fort Gordon, Ga., conducted the change of command.

“Jessie provided superb leadership, advice, support and care to this community and the command,” Bradshaw said.

# 'Raise up' unit welcomes its incoming commander

*Quinn takes leadership for HHC 59th Soldiers*

By Sgt. ELIAMAR TRAPP

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The Soldiers of the Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 59th Ordnance Brigade gathered to welcome their new company commander, 1st Lt. Jacob Quinn, and to say farewell to Capt. Jonathan McDougal, former HHC commander, during a change of command ceremony Jan. 8 at the Redstone Fitness Center.

"We have passed the guidon from one outgoing commander to (the new commander)," said Col. Jose Enriquez, commander of the 59th Ordnance Brigade. "The outgoing commander has relinquished authority saying he has completed his mission and is done with his duties. Now he passes the job to the next company commander. With that said, I charge the new commander with the responsibility of taking care of the unit, its Soldiers, its equipment and its readiness."

Enriquez thanked McDougal and his family for their dedication to the unit and its Soldiers while in command and talked about the various tasks and challenges the former company commander faced during his command, including an Army Accessions Command Inspection, the first ever Ordnance Munitions and Electronics Maintenance School Training and Doctrine Command Accreditation and a huge change in the unit structure.

"I went from having 55 Soldiers and 16 civilians to 221 Soldiers and 164 civilians," McDougal said. The OMEMS instructors previously fell under the 832nd Ordnance Battalion but were reassigned to HHC in May 2006. Although McDougal admits the transition was a bit of a challenge, and at first there were some issues, he said he managed to work it all out. "I think I left Quinn a viable working relationship with the Directorate

of Instruction."

For his Soldiers, McDougal has nothing but appreciation for all the hard work, dedication and professionalism they demonstrated while he was their commander. "I (will always) appreciate their willingness to support me," he said. His next assignment will be with a Military Transition Team overseas. He will be embedded with an Iraqi unit training Iraqi soldiers for a year.

For Quinn, assuming command of HHC is especially important as he's receiving a rare chance to command a company as a lieutenant, something that most officers don't have the opportunity of doing until they become captains.

"This is an opportunity to show my training," Quinn said. "I've always had great mentors and great NCOs to help build me up. I still do. Also this is an opportunity for me to get started a little bit earlier as a commander. (It) also means that there's a little bit of growing room. (Since) I don't have the experience most commanders do, it gives me a chance to learn and try new things while I'm still open to new ideas."

Quinn said he won't be making many changes because McDougal left the company in a fantastic condition. But there are a few goals he hopes to accomplish while in command.

"Number one is to bring everybody home," he said. "I have never lost a Soldier and I hope I never will. Number two is to accomplish the training mission by making sure the Soldiers that leave here are technically and tactically proficient in their warrior tasks and drills. If we can do that, that's 90 percent of the battle."

Quinn's awards and decorations include the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal with three oak leaf clusters, the National Defense Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Korean Defense Service Medal and the Army Service Ribbon.

He is accompanied at Redstone by his wife, Amy, and their son, Andrew James.



Photo by Sgt. Eliamar Trapp

**CEREMONY—** 1st Lt. Jacob Quinn, left, Headquarters & Headquarters Company commander, accepts the company guidon from Col. Jose Enriquez, 59th Ordnance Brigade commander, on Jan. 8 at the Redstone Fitness Center.

# Help available for setting a goal for year

## Health center offers classes, forums

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Every year at the onset of the New Year it seems we have this mindset of tabula rasa, a need or opportunity to start from the beginning. As 2006 has passed and 2007 has taken its place, most of the resolutions we set last year and the year before have fizzled. An explanation for this is that resolutions are usually an impulsive thought tied to emotion without a solid base to propel and motivate a person to success. Success has been defined as the, "progressive realization of your worthwhile goals." Success therefore is based upon rock solid goal setting not flimsy resolution setting.

At the MWR gyms, the regulars prepare themselves for the phenomenon of resolution setting yearly at this time of year. The gyms are more crowded with new faces who have often set unrealistic resolutions to work out seven days a week for 90 minutes. As soon as the unrealistic expectations are not met,

the person may retreat to their "comfort zone" and leave the exercise process on the back burner until next year. It is estimated that 95 percent of New Year's resolutions are broken by the end of January with 50 percent supposedly broken by the second week in January.

Research reflects that it takes 21-30 days to change an old habit depending on how deeply entrenched it is in our lives. The same pattern is related to developing a new habit. The key ingredient of eliminating an old habit and developing a new habit is the process of spaced repetition. The person must be abstinent from all nicotine if quitting cigarettes is the goal or attend the gym 2-3 times per week for 30 minutes for the 21-30 day habit changing process to take place. Most people, however, never get past the first or second week in making significant change in their lives.

Probably 90 percent or more of our daily behavior is based upon old habit patterns. Changing routine for most of us is difficult and stressful. You have been following your routines (comfort zones — good or bad) for years and to begin the change

process is difficult.

Behavioral change is rarely a discrete, single event as a person moves gradually from being uninterested (pre-contemplation) to considering a change (contemplation) to deciding and preparing to make a change (prepara-

tion). Many failed New Year's resolutions occur when a person jumps into the (action) stage which is often in itself not enough and gloss over the three prior stages.

The Internet lists the top five most popular resolutions as: (1)

lose weight, (2) stop smoking, (3) improve relationships, (4) make more money, and (5) take up a new hobby. As you can see resolutions lack the clarity of goals. Resolutions lack attainable goal setting specifics, i.e. (1) objective/vision, "how much weight?"; (2) process, how many pounds per week?; (3) time line/deadline, by what dates will I lose 25 percent, 100 percent of my desired goal?; (4) obstacles to be overcome?; (5) what benefits will be gained?; (6) rewards for incremental success steps?; (7) tie 1-6 together with a written action plan and your on your way to successful goal setting and lifestyle change and will soon be in the maintenance stage of the Stages of Change.

Preventive Medicine at Fox Army Health Center provides classes and forums to assist you in your change process whether it's smoking cessation, lowering cholesterol, weight management, increasing bone density, lowering stress levels, preventing and/or living with diabetes.

For more information call Rick Stock, health promotion educator, at 955-8888 ext. 1443 or Tami Centeno, public health nurse, at 955-8888 ext. 1444.

## Smoking cessation program starts soon

**Fox Army Health Center Preventive Medicine and Health Promotion will conduct a Smoking Cessation Program beginning Feb. 20 starting at 9 a.m. with an orientation. The sessions are open to all GS and NAF employees.**

**The sessions start Feb. 27 and run for five Tuesdays from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. The sessions are geared to help people inoculate themselves against smoking.**

**Research shows that your chances of success more than double if you talk to a trained smoking cessation facilitator/coach.**

**You will learn the following via interactive participation: the average length of a crave episode; the average number of crave episodes daily; six reasons that people gain weight and how to prevent it; HALT — Don't let yourself get too Hungry, Angry, Lonely, Tired; the stages of change; how you will grieve the loss of nicotine; important preparation steps before setting the quit date; the importance of juices and vitamins; stress reduction, relaxation techniques; Urge Surfing; and Abstinence Violation Effect.**

**You will be gently guided into the Stay Quit Mode knowing that you are the prime mover in your quitting but knowing that you have the support of staff and your group.**

**Class size limited to 10. RSVP by calling 955-8888 ext. 1026 for reservations. For more information contact Rick Stock, health promotion educator, at 955-8888 ext. 1443.**

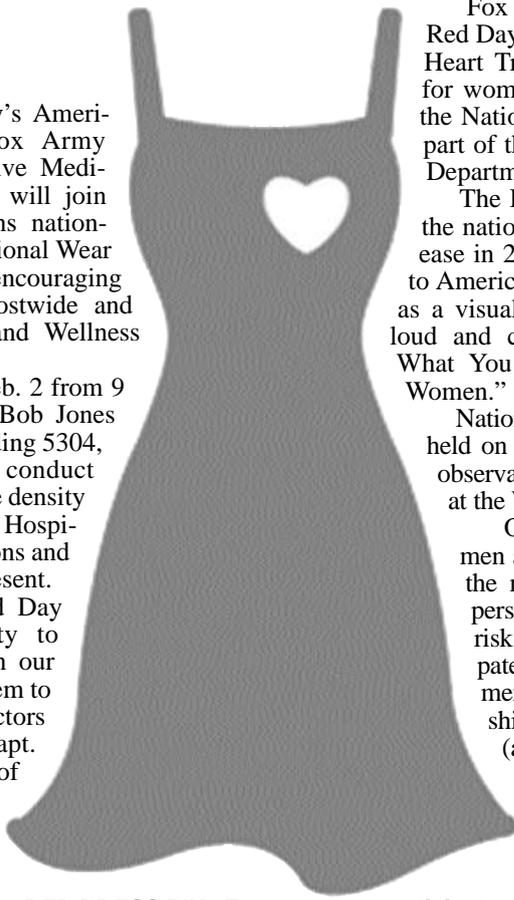
## Wear red for heart disease awareness

### Annual observance scheduled Feb. 2

As part of February's American Heart Month, Fox Army Health Center Preventive Medicine has announced it will join thousands of Americans nationwide in celebrating National Wear Red Day on Feb. 2 by encouraging the wearing of red postwide and sponsoring a Health and Wellness Fair.

The event will be Feb. 2 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Bob Jones Auditorium lobby, building 5304, first floor. Fox will conduct blood pressure and bone density screenings. Huntsville Hospital and other organizations and vendors will also be present.

"National Wear Red Day is a great opportunity to reach out to women in our community and alert them to their personal risk factors for heart disease," Capt. Carly Skarphol, chief of Fox Preventive Medicine, said. "By wearing red and attending the Health and Wellness Fair on Feb. 2, we can all show our support for women and heart disease awareness."



**RED DRESS PIN— Everyone can participate in this life-saving awareness movement by showing off a favorite red dress, shirt or tie, or by wearing the red dress pin, available at <http://www.hearttruth.gov>.**

Fox Army Health Center National Wear Red Day activities are in partnership with The Heart Truth, a national awareness campaign for women about heart disease sponsored by the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, part of the National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

The Heart Truth launched the red dress as the national symbol for women and heart disease in 2002 to deliver an urgent wakeup call to American women. A simple red dress works as a visual red alert to get the message heard loud and clear: "Heart Disease Doesn't Care What You Wear — It's the No. 1 Killer of Women."

National Wear Red Day is an annual event held on the first Friday in February. The first observance, in February 2004, was announced at the White House.

On National Wear Red Day, women and men across the country wear red to unite in the national movement to give women a personal and urgent wakeup call about their risk of heart disease. Everyone can participate in this life-saving awareness movement by showing off a favorite red dress, shirt or tie, or by wearing the red dress pin (available at [www.hearttruth.gov](http://www.hearttruth.gov)).

For more information about National Wear Red Day activities and The Heart Truth, including downloadable materials on women and heart disease and ordering information for the red dress pin, visit [www.hearttruth.gov](http://www.hearttruth.gov) or call the NHLBI Health Information Center at (301) 592-8573. (Fox Army Health Center release)

## Be alert to carbon monoxide danger

There is still plenty of winter left to claim a few more lives from carbon monoxide poisoning, according to the Garrison Safety office.

Carbon monoxide is an odorless and colorless poisonous gas. An estimated 140 people die each year from unintentional exposure to carbon monoxide associated with consumer products.

Consumers die when they improperly use gas generators, charcoal grills, and fuel-burning camping heaters and stoves inside their homes or in other enclosed or partially-enclosed spaces during power outages. They also die when furnaces that have not been professionally and annually inspected leak CO. Police, medical examiner and news reports show at least 32 CO deaths related to portable generators from Oct. 1 through Dec. 31, 2006.

People really need to take these steps to protect themselves against CO poisoning this winter:

- Install battery-operated CO alarms or CO alarms with battery backup in your home outside separate sleeping areas.
- Have home heating systems (including chimneys and vents) inspected and serviced annually by a trained service technician.
- Open the fireplace damper before lighting a fire and keep it open until the ashes are cool. An open damper may help prevent buildup of poisonous gases inside the home.
- Never use portable generators inside homes or garages, even if doors and windows are open. Use generators outside only, far away from the home.
- Never use a gas range or oven for heating, even during a power outage or for that matter anytime.
- Never bring a charcoal grill into the house for heating or cooking. Do not barbecue in the garage.
- Know the symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning: headache, dizziness, weakness, nausea, vomiting, sleepiness and confusion. If you suspect CO poisoning, get outside to fresh air immediately, and then call 911. (Garrison Safety release)

# Huntsville Center names deputy

John Matthews has been selected as the deputy for programs and technical management for the Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville.

Matthews's career with the Army Corps of Engineers began in 1970 with the New Orleans District. In February 1977, he came to the Huntsville Center as a project manager. Matthews, a registered professional engineer, has worked



**John Matthews**

on many programs and projects over the last 30 years at Huntsville Center.

Matthews graduated from Mississippi State in 1970 with a bachelor's in civil engineering. He received a master's in civil engineering from Oklahoma State in 1975.

Prior to his new position, he was the director for Huntsville Center's Ballistic Missile Defense Directorate. (*Huntsville*

*Center release*)



Photo by Becky Proaps

## *Engineer leadership*

Col. Larry McCallister, left, commander of the Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville, introduces Corps of Engineers commander Lt. Gen. Carl Strock, chief of engineers, at a town hall meeting Jan. 10 in the University of Alabama-Huntsville's Chan Auditorium. Strock addressed personnel from various local Corps offices including the Mobile District, Huntsville Center, the Learning Center and the Financial Management System Development Office.

## Drill sergeant's persistence pays off with honor

Goal achieved despite hurdles

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In March 2005, Sgt. 1st Class LaShay White was selected to attend Drill Sergeant School — a goal she had set for herself since she joined the Army as a 19-year-old from Mobile. Her excitement however, was short lived as administrative setbacks hindered her from attending the course for nearly two years.

Last Dec. 19, White's dream to become a drill sergeant finally came true as she earned the highly coveted drill sergeant campaign hat from the DSS at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. White was also awarded the title of honor graduate, making her the first drill sergeant in three years to bring the title back to the 59th Ordnance Brigade. Now back at Redstone, she has picked up her first cycle of Soldiers at Bravo Company and is wearing her campaign hat with pride.

"Graduating as an honor graduate from Drill Sergeant School is an honor for her, the 59th Ordnance Brigade and the Ordnance Corps, but the biggest winners are going to be the Soldiers she trains," said Command Sgt. Maj. Reginald Battle, 59th Ordnance Brigade command sergeant major. "Now it's time to get started in the business of training Soldiers."

"I have a passion for Soldiers," White said as she sat in the dining facility keeping an eye on her troops. "I've always wanted to become a drill sergeant. The foundation (of good NCOs) starts with the privates. You can mold privates into who you want them to be. I want my Soldiers to be disciplined and motivated regardless of the situation they are in because ultimately there is a light at the end of the tunnel."

### The journey

White, then a staff sergeant, was the Primary Leadership Development Course senior small group leader at Camp Jackson, Korea when she was selected by the



**IN STEP—** Sgt. 1st Class LaShay White, right, marches Soldiers from Bravo Company to the company area after they've completed their classes for the day. This is the first rotation of Soldiers White trains since graduating from Drill Sergeant School on Dec. 19 at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Photo by Sgt. Eliamar Trapp

Army to attend DSS. She moved to Redstone Arsenal to prepare for a July school date. July came and went and White was still not able to attend the school. In October 2005, she was promoted to sergeant first class, helping her get one step closer to her ultimate career goal of becoming a command sergeant major.

"Everyone kept asking me why I continued to wait for a school date when I was already an E-7," White said. "They didn't understand that for me it wasn't about making the next rank, it was about training Soldiers."

Staying productive was the goal upon arrival to Redstone while news of a class date came. Before PCSing to Korea, White was a Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course small group leader at the NCO Academy. Upon her return she went back to the academy and became an Advanced Noncommissioned Officer Course SGL. She then moved on to work at the 832nd Ordnance Battalion in both

the company areas and later she became the battalion operations NCO-in-charge. On her off time she continued to study for DSS.

"I don't know if I would be passionate about something after more than a year of waiting for the system to do the right thing," said Command Sgt. Maj. Jose Garcia-Aponte, 832nd command sergeant major, as he recalled White's determination. "I'm not sure I'd still study on my own time to learn the modules either."

Garcia-Aponte watched White's determination and motivation while she worked as his operations' NCOIC. "Aside from being a (great) Soldier, she is also a wife (to Sgt. 1st Class Gregory White), a mother (to sons Lorenzo, 11, and Keith, 9), and a member of the battalion fitness team," he said.

The fitness team meets three times a week. Mondays they take a physical fitness test, Wednesdays they run with the training companies and Fridays they run anywhere from 8 to 12 miles. "She did all that not knowing if she was going to get cleared to go to school," Garcia-Aponte said.

### Training demands

Most of the NCOs who attend DSS are within the ranks of sergeant and staff sergeant with approximately five to seven years of military experience. With 14 years under her belt, White was in for a change of pace. She admits the experience gap made a difference and adapting was a challenge because of it, but she had waited too long to let that get in her way.

"I wasn't worried about the PT or the training because I had been an (NCO Academy small group leader)," White said. "The most challenging part was adapting to the (experience gap) but I found a focus point and continued on." Her focus point was Dec. 19.

Before graduation, White knew she had made the Commandants List and that she would get an award for scoring 299 out of 300 points on her PT. The only thing that caught her off guard was being named the honor graduate.

"Before I left for the course I told my (mentor) 'I can't go and do just the standard because I've been waiting too long for this. I have to exceed the standard,'" White said.

But the reality didn't hit her until graduation day. "It didn't hit me until they handed me (the award)," she said. "All I could think was 'I really did it.'"

### Goal met

The news of White becoming the honor graduate wasn't a surprise to anyone in the brigade, but it definitely brought plenty of excitement to all who knew how hard and for how long she worked to meet her goal.

"Am I surprised that she graduated as the honor graduate? No, because she believes in excellence," Garcia-Aponte said. "Every single step in her journey she has been excellent. She had a setback and from that setback she had a comeback into the importance of what is a true Soldier. Today I'm proud and happy to have my Soldier back. She isn't any better than my other Soldiers, but just to see her fulfilling her dream to mentor, train and lead Soldiers to their true potential in order for them to fulfill their destiny, is priceless."

Battle said that although White does not yet meet the requirements to compete in the 2007 Drill Sergeant of the Year competition next month, she will still be recognized for her accomplishment during the DSOY luncheon Feb. 2, at the Officers and Civilians Club by Command Sgt. Maj. Daniel Eubanks, the Ordnance Corps Regimental command sergeant major, and Command Sgt. Maj. Dennis King, Army Accession Command's command sergeant major.



Photo by Bill Richardson

## Giving resource

American Society of Military Comptrollers members volunteered to gather presents to give to four children participating in the Christmas Angel Tree Program during December. From left are Sherry Pool, Lisa White, Polly Knox and Megan Hollingsworth. The next ASMC luncheon is Feb. 8 at the Trinity Methodist Church, Airport Road.

# Looking back at BRAC after a decade

*Former St. Louis resident happy he made move*

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When faced with a cross-country move, Base Realignment and Closure can be stressful to employees. John Zuber, now a safety specialist in the Installation Safety office, was apprehensive about leaving friends, family and the area where he had spent most of his life. Ten years after the move from St. Louis, he's happy to be at Redstone.

Zuber was given notice as an Integrated Materiel Management Center employee that his organization was being moved to Redstone before packing up and heading south in 1997. It was a daunting idea. He was a Missouri native, having grown up in the rural portion of the state before his family moved into the St. Louis area in his early teenage years. He had grown children in the area in addition to siblings and in-laws that he and his wife, Melissa, would be leaving behind.

"I was 46 years old and had lived there most of my life," he said. "Of course I was anxious."

Adding to those anxieties was the vague notion of what Alabama would be like. Zuber said he thought about the state's backwoods reputation quite a bit. Hollywood didn't help.

"Alabama has a connotation," he said. "Don't forget that was also about the same time that the movie Forrest Gump was released. It was all 'Run, Forrest, run.' All the St. Louis people teased us."

Not only did Zuber find that the stereotype was just that, he found opportunities to pursue an interest not as readily available in Missouri's colder climate.

"I had heard of Huntsville through my hobby, which is racing model boats," Zuber said. "We really start racing here in March. We ran boats there, too. Although in St. Louis we'd throw rocks out to break up the ice."

He said that the newest batch of "BRAC-ees" facing the southward trek will be pleasantly surprised by the community that awaits them. He lists the diversity of the population as a big plus for the Redstone community.

"Here you can call your neighbor a rocket scientist and it's literally true. There are all kinds of people from your rocket scientist on down to any kind of job you can think of," Zuber said. He names the smaller size of the community as the biggest perk of the move.

"It's a lot smaller than the St. Louis or Washington, D.C. area. The commute is a lot easier."

He has been happy to watch Huntsville develop and grow, but admits there are still some things that he wished were better, or at least his stomach does.

"I miss good Italian food — though it is getting better," he said. "It's nice to see



Photo by Kelley Lane-Sivley

**SETTLED IN— Ten years after moving from St. Louis, safety specialist John Zuber is glad to call Huntsville home.**

the changes in restaurants and things. It's becoming more cosmopolitan."

He also joked that the difference in pay for private sector jobs has cost him dearly over the years, mainly in guilt.

"My wife still reminds me of how she had to give up her good paying job to

move down here and work for little or nothing," he said laughing. "I'll probably still be paying for it for a while."

Zuber said the hardest part of the move has stayed with them over the years, namely the distance from their children and family. However, moves of their own have taken his children out of Missouri and into opposite ends of the country. He said not having everyone, or even a majority, in one location has made holidays difficult to manage.

"That's the main thing with the move, our family kind of dissipated for a while," he said.

Upon his most recent visit to St. Louis over Christmas, he made a trip to his former worksite, now under demolition. Remembering his days there didn't evoke the kind of misty-eyed sentimentality that could be expected. In fact, Zuber said it reminded him of why he's happier working on Redstone.

"When you go work there (St. Louis) you park the car and hope it's still there when you come back. As you're walking along the sidewalk you look at all the broken glass from liquor and beer bottles glistening in the morning sunlight. You hear gunshots somewhere in the background," he said. "When you go to work here, you drive past pastures with cows in them. If you hear booms or gunshots you know it's at the range, not aimed at you. Your car is undamaged from someone hitting it in the parking lot and not telling you. It's nice."

# Teaching the love of horses is life's journey

*Top instructor makes home in Alabama*

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In the arena or on the ranch, Mitzi Summers is a “horse whisperer” with a sense of purpose.

With a long list of certifications and accomplishments to her name, Summers is a clinician, instructor and trainer who is very much in demand for her riding experience and reputation in teaching people how to train their horses. She has traveled internationally to work with horse owners and their horses, and is a nationally known judge. Her resume includes riding with the Royal Lipizzan Stallions Show, writing columns for national horse magazines and working with Chuck Grant, a former Army Cavalry officer and the father of American dressage.

But, more than anything else, Summers is known as an advocate for the horse.

As a young girl hopelessly in love with horses, Summers knew she wanted to someday make the lives of horses better. As an adult, she has trained with the best to develop her own philosophy that comes strikingly close to the main theme of the popular 1995 bestselling book and 1998 movie “The Horse Whisperer.”

“By definition, you could call me a horse whisperer,” she said. “But, you also have to let the horse whisper back. I listen to the horse.”

In the tale of the Horse Whisperer – which, generally, promotes caring and concern for the horse, and the development of a horse/rider relationship – there is one scene that represents to Summers what angers her the most about the way people treat horses. It is a scene where the Horse Whisperer throws the horse to the ground and forces it to stay there, slowly and patiently wearing the horse down and breaking its spirit.

“He took a shortcut by using brutality. You can train a horse to do anything after something like that,” she said.



Photo by Kari Hawkins

**TRUE FRIEND— Mitzi Summers works closely with horses and their trainers to help them develop a partnership that can reap lots of enjoyable riding time and success in the competitive riding circuit. She is only one of about 20 top Centered Riding instructors in the world.**

Summers doesn't believe in wearing a horse down. Rather, she strongly advocates working with a horse, learning a horse's personality and developing a partnership with the horse based on mutual trust and respect.

“In showing and training, there can be a lot of abuse done to the horse,” Summers said. “So, my big goal is to help people find ways to train their horses and show their horses and be with the horses in a kind, humane way. In training and showing, there should be a partnership where everybody is happy, even the horse.”

Summers, who has long been based out of her ranch in New York, has moved

South in recent years. She first came to Alabama to teach certified riding classes at the Pine Hill Equestrian Center in Somerville. In 2000, she became the center's director, and gave private lessons. Later, she met her husband, Glen Adams, who works for “PS Magazine” at Logistics Support Activity. They were married last November.

Summers now works out of Little Creek Ranch in Lacey's Spring. She still has students in New York, but eventually she will be headquartered in Alabama. Her travel schedule continues to be busy, with plans for her to teach at clinics and workshops this summer in Oregon and Montana as well as in Holland, Switzerland and Germany. She is now making plans for a general horse clinic that will be held at Little Creek Ranch in Lacey's Spring on Feb. 24 and 25.

Summers is only one of about 20 top Centered Riding instructors in the world. She is master instructor, examiner and clinician with the Certified Horseman's Association, a member of the British Horse Society and a licensed judge in English jumping, western and racking with the American Judging Association.

“I have enjoyed judging because it allows me to give positive critiques to the rider,” she said.

Making a difference in the lives of horses and their riders is the goal for Summers, whether teaching or judging. Summers strongly believes riders never have to be cruel or abusive to their horse.

“Each horse is an individual,” she said. “There is a reason for everything

they do, and the bad things they do are 100 percent caused by people. My specialty is teaching people to train their horses, and teaching them about the beauty of horses because we all got into horses for one reason — we love them.”

Summers emphasizes two aspects of horse training philosophy through her instruction and judging – dressage and centered riding. Dressage (a French term meaning “training”) develops a horse's natural athletic ability and willingness to perform through standardized progressive training methods that teach the horse to respond to a skilled rider's minimal aids in relaxed and graceful movements. Centered riding teaches a rider to discover their inner balance, serenity and control, and to use communication to become one with their horse in English and western riding disciplines.

Both dressage and centered riding take into consideration the physical and mental properties of the horse. But, dressage is focused on the horse's performance while centered riding is focused on the rider's performance.

“When you understand centered riding, you can look at a person riding and see things in their body – tightness or being unbalanced – that's preventing the horse from doing what they want the horse to do,” Summers said.

“The rider wants to ride in line with their horse. When the horse and the rider are trained properly, the horse will be able to do what the rider wants with freedom and willingly. The horse will be able to do just about anything under the weight of the rider that it can do when it's riderless in a field.”

Summers teaches clinics and lessons in all aspects of horsemanship – training the young horse, getting ready for a show, western, trail rides, jumping and others. But, she enjoys her dressage clinics the most.

“Dressage is really thinking about the horse all the time. It's an art and a science,” she said.

Summers is also well known for retraining “difficult” horses, an area where her natural understanding of horses is an advantage.

“You have to be able to think like a horse, you have to get in their head,” she said. “To figure out the best way to help a horse or a rider might take a lot of different approaches. Horses are very kind, placid, spiritual creatures with a tremendous memory that's better than an elephant's. So, training is easy if you do the correct things.”

Summers encourages riders to do a lot of ground work with their horse. She works with them to understand and communicate with their horse.

“A lot of my teaching is putting people in the horse's perspective,” she said. “I want them to be empathetic with their horse. I think there is too much emphasis on winning blue ribbons. Instead, the emphasis should be on training with kindness and developing trust.”

# Shopping center receiving safety additions

## Traffic barricades set for PX area

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By the first of February, traffic barricades will be in several positions in front of the Post Exchange and Commissary.

Shoppers can expect to see the bright orange barriers at key points along Acton

Road, which runs parallel to the building. It has been the main route through the parking lots for sometime now for both car and foot traffic. While it has yet to happen, Carl Carpenter, PX general manager, believes that the risk of a bad accident is simply too high.

"We haven't had any accidents out here that I know of," Carpenter said. "However, it's like an accident just waiting to happen out there."

Garrison commander Col. John Olshefski initiated the project at the end

of last year, Mike Moore, chief of the Garrison Safety Office, said. After consulting with his office and others, Olshefski decided to wait until the new year to put it into action.

"Col. Olshefski knew it would be better to implement the plan after the holiday season was over," Moore explained. "There is enough stress already during the holidays and interjecting a new traffic flow plan was not needed at that point."

The barricade plan is simple enough. Barricades will be placed across Acton in strategic locations and intervals. This will block traffic from going straight down the roadway, forcing it to instead wind through the parking lots. This will shift the bulk of automotive traffic from the building side of the parking lot to the rear, where pedestrians are not as prevalent. Moore said that the blame for any close calls has been shouldered equally by drivers and pedestrians, so the decision was made to simply keep them as separate as possible.

"Speed limits were being ignored by drivers and the crosswalks were not used by pedestrians. Pedestrians were walking every which way and sharing their space with moving vehicles," Moore said.

The project has been kept small by using barricades already in stock, with the physical labor to be done by Directorate of Public Works and the Chugach Management Services. Once they are in place, the orange plastic barriers are relatively maintenance free. Moore added that the Directorate of Emergency Services will be checking them during their routine patrols of the area.

Shoppers will be happy to find that while the traffic patterns will see a significant shift, no parking spaces will be lost. All of the spaces at or near the barricades will still be open and functional, Moore said. Since it takes two or three barriers

placed end to end to span the roadway, spaces will be left between them to allow shopping carts and people to move between them, according to Directorate of Public Works diagrams.

"We're happy to have these barricades coming in," Carpenter said. "We want our patrons to be safe."



Photo by Kelley Lane-Sivley

**SEPARATE SPACE—** Barricades will separate pedestrian and auto traffic at the PX and Commissary entrances.



Photo by Mark Wolfson

## Inventory sale

The June M. Hughes Military and Civilian Arts and Crafts Center is conducting an inventory reduction sale for all craft items in its craft sale store. Items such as construction paper, artist paints (acrylic and oils), brushes, canvas, shirt iron-on's, and basket weaving material are only a few of the many items that are available. All items will be sold at or below wholesale. Items can be purchased at the crafts center, building 3615 (corner of Vincent and Gray Road) on Mondays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. or during normal business hours. Sale will continue until all items are gone.



Photo by Skip Vaughn

## Young artists

Maria Cunningham, 12, and Allan Troendle, 13, are among the award winners in the annual Boys and Girls Club Fine Arts Exhibit competition at the Youth Center. Cunningham got second place in multicolored drawing for ages 10-12 while Troendle took first in that category for ages 13-15. First place winners will advance to the regional competition, according to administrative assistant Terre Corley.

## Shining moment arrives for preseason basketball

Marines among teams  
at tournament tipoff

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The Marines hope to continue their trend when the troop sports scene moves

indoors tonight.

After capturing the flag football championship, the Marines seek the same success as the preseason basketball tournament opens at 6 p.m. at Pagano Gym. The Marines won the softball and golf titles and scored points in every other event in taking the Commander's Cup sports trophy for fiscal 2006.

"We should have a pretty good, solid-

based team," Marvin Fletcher, a 5-foot-11 small forward, said.

Besides Fletcher the Marines' other returnees include center Damien Cason, their leading scorer; forward Brian Walker, guard Christopher McNally and forward Matthew Fitch. The newcomers include forward Dustin Kershaw and center Sean Newsom. The new coach is Orlanda Grimsley.

A rules update meeting at 5:30 p.m. precedes the first game. The double-elimination tournament will end Jan. 29, and the season should start around Jan. 31. Game times are 6, 7 and 8 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

"We should end (the season) at the end of February and start the postseason tournament around the 5th of March," sports and fitness director Gaylene Wilson said. "It depends on how many teams and how many games they want to play. We should have six or seven (teams)."

Expected participants include defending champion 326th Chemical, Bravo, Marines, Charlie, HHC 59th, Headquarters & Alpha and the NCO Academy.

NCO Academy coach Bernard Gaines was asked about his team's outlook. "It's always hard to tell with us, due to the fact we have a high personnel tempo (turnover)," he said. "But we will field a team and we will compete."

In last year's final, 326th Chemical

## Federal recreation passes available

WASHINGTON – The Army Corps of Engineers will honor three of the four America The Beautiful – the National Parks and Federal Recreation Lands passes to give a 50 percent reduction in day use and camping fees to pass holders at its recreation areas beginning in January.

The Corps will accept the Senior Pass for citizens and permanent residents age 62 and over, the Access Pass for citizens or permanent residents with an established permanent medical disability and the Volunteer Pass. The fourth pass covers entrance fees at national parks and forests. The Corps does not charge entrance fees.

The new passes are available as a result of the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act of 2004. The legisla-

tion established the new discount pass program to replace the Golden Passport Program for all agencies. The Corps will continue to accept Golden Access and Golden Age Passports according to the provisions of the pass. In addition, paper Golden Age and Golden Access Passports may be exchanged free of charge for new plastic passes.

The new passes may be obtained in person at USDA Forest Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Reclamation, Bureau of Land Management and Fish and Wildlife Service facilities. The Corps will not issue the passes.

More information about the recreation pass program is available at <http://www.recreation.gov/recpass.jsp>. (Corps of Engineers release)



Photo by Skip Vaughn

**COUNT IT—** Derrick Davis makes a layup for 326th Chemical as the Dragons beat Bravo for the post championship last year.

beat Bravo 47-40 for the championship. Derrick Davis scored a game-high 25, including three 3-pointers, for the winning Dragons (14-2).

# Family readiness groups given priority review

*Army Community Service assisting unit commanders*

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Army Community Service is taking an active role in ensuring that all military families have access to one of the armed services' most vital links of support – family readiness groups.

Whether they are family members of active or National Guard/Reserve Soldiers, Marines, Airmen or Sailors, it is essential that spouses, parents, children and other relatives have the access they want or need to Family Readiness Groups within their servicemember's unit, said Kathleen Riester, the ACS mobilization/deployment/financial readiness program manager.

FRGs, most often formed during a deployment, are a command-sponsored organization of family members, volunteers, Soldiers and civilian employees belonging to a unit, that together provide an avenue of mutual support and assistance, and a network of communications among family members, the chain of command, chain of concern and community resources.

"In the ideal situation, FRGs are not just activated for deployments," Riester said.

"FRGs are a support system, and the support system should really be in place at all times so if a unit is deployed the FRG is already in place. But, sometimes it takes a deployment to get a FRG established."

## Training seminar Saturday

FRG policies and responsibilities have been documented in the Army Commander's Guide to Family Readiness Group Operations. Recently, a revised version of the document addressing legal and ethical concerns has been released by the Army.

A Family Readiness Training Seminar based on these revisions



Photo by Kari Hawkins

**PLANNING SEMINAR— Kathleen Riester, the mobilization/deployment/financial readiness program manager at Army Community Service, looks over the Commander's Guide to Family Readiness Group Operations as she prepares for a training seminar for active duty and National Guard/Reserve commanders, liaisons and family readiness group leaders. The seminar will be held Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon at the ACS office on Redeye Road.**

will be sponsored this Saturday by ACS for unit commanders, liaison officers and FRG leaders. The seminar will take place from 10 a.m. to noon at the ACS office on Redeye Road.

During the seminar, a JAG officer from Redstone Arsenal will address a FRG's financial and legal responsibilities in relation to funding sources, such as appropriated funds, informal funds, fund caps, external fundraising, and solicitations and donations.

The seminar will also provide information on the Army Family Action Plan and will include open discussion of FRG issues as they relate to the commander's guide. Topics that might be discussed include: useful web sites, roles and responsibilities of FRG leaders, communication between FRG leaders and family mem-

bers, how to handle tragedy within the unit, and homecomings and reintegration.

The seminar will be the first of quarterly meetings to address concerns and issues related to FRGs.

"My responsibility is to ensure that commanders are trained on family readiness groups," Riester said. "They need to know their roles and responsibilities as they relate to FRGs. We want to be proactive in training and reach out to all components of the military in this area. These guidelines can touch not only active Army, but also National Guard and Reserves, Marines, Navy, Air Force and their Reserve units."

The last FRG meeting sponsored by ACS was in 2005, when it worked with FRG representatives in the area to provide sup-

port for homecomings.

## FRG leaders set agenda

"All the FRG meetings we've had have been in response to FRG leaders," Riester said. "We work with the FRG leaders to identify needs of the unit and then we help them meet those needs. They dictate to us the need for meetings and what needs to be discussed at meetings. This Saturday's meeting was planned because the unit asked for a review of the new commander's guide for FRGs."

The three key players in a FRG, she said, are the unit's commander, liaison and FRG leader. How a FRG is organized and how it operates is based on the commander's vision.

"The commander sets the tone, he sets the environment, he endorses the group," Riester said. "It's important that family members understand the commander's vision for his unit and his FRG."

While the commander determines his expectations of the FRG, the liaison is an enlisted member or officer in the unit who acts as a bridge between the commander and the unit's families. The FRG leader is a volunteer (often a spouse) who coordinates FRG activities, provides information on resources, and gathers feedback for the commander.

"The FRG leader is not expected to have all the answers," Riester said. "But, they should be able to provide families with the information and resources they need. They are there to empower families to be self sufficient. The commander's guide offers a framework on how to operate a FRG."

## Active during deployments

Although family readiness groups should be active in boosting the morale of Soldiers and the families within a unit at all times, they are most active during deployments. FRG goals include gaining necessary family

support during deployments, preparing for deployments and redeployments, helping families adjust to military life and cope with deployments, developing open and honest channels of communication between the command and family members, and promoting confidence, cohesion, commitment, and a sense of well being among the unit's Soldiers.

Some activities coordinated by FRGs may include a family telephone tree for quick, reliable information on the unit; newsletters; family activity days; deployment briefings and welcome home ceremonies; newcomer orientation; fitness activities; trips; community projects; volunteer recognition; visits to training sites, bases and armories to get a closer look at the servicemember's job and surroundings; employer programs to help employers understand and support the requirements of military life; and family workshops.

The need for a commander's guide on FRGs has become more prevalent in recent years, Riester said, because of the deployment of National Guard and Reserve units whose families are not living near each other on a military base. FRGs help to unify families, especially when those families are scattered.

"FRGs evolved naturally 20 or 30 years ago," she said. "They sprung out a natural caring among families in a unit. Now, it is far more formalized. The commander's guide came out of a need to define exactly what a FRG is. With the uptempo that we are experiencing in the military, it has been absolutely critical and essential for families to have a place to turn and to know they are supported."

At the training, participants will receive a copy of the Army Commander's Guide to Family Readiness Group Operations and an Army Family Readiness Leadership Handbook.

For more information, contact Riester at 876-5397 or kathleen.riester@redstone.army.mil.

# Competition office meets annual goal again

*Fairness in contracting the main objective*

By JULIE FREDERICK  
For the Rocket

When it comes to contracting with the government, fair and impartial are two key terms that industry hopes to experience. That is where the Aviation and Missile Command Competition Management Office comes in.

The office's main objective is to oversee government contracting and make sure that contracts are competed fairly and impartially.

Since the formation of AMCOM in 1997, the Competition Management Office has exceeded its competitive goal every year.

Fiscal 2006 met the high expectations of the Wade Griffin, the AMCOM competition advocate.

"Our fiscal 2006 competitive goal was 19.4 percent," Griffin said. "We finished the year with an actual competition rate of 24.4 percent. This is the second year in a row that we have achieved over 24 percent in competitive dollars obligated."

Team Redstone logged \$10.7 billion in total obligations and \$2.6 billion in competitive obli-



Courtesy photo

**CHECKING REQUIREMENTS—** The Reading Room initiative has been a benefit to both the Competition Management Office and contractors.

gations.

Last year's success was a combination of contractors pursuing the opportunities, requirements seeking a reduced lead time, contracts producing a savings to the Army and the AMCOM mission to get the best product to support the Soldier in the field.

"We look for people that can help us reduce lead time and offer a good, quality product.

Those things normally mean that there will be a savings to the Army," Griffin said. "Lots of people made promises last year and part of our success is that the right contractors were chosen who followed through."

In an effort to streamline the competitive process, the Competition Management Office has created a "Reading Room" for contractors interested in bidding on government contracts. Its pur-

pose is to provide industry with the necessary government owned technical data and drawings to improve their business decisions when considering bidding on a government contract.

"One of our newest initiatives is the reading rooms that we have set up for people interested in government contracting," Griffin said. "It is a much more efficient process for all of us involved. Now contractors can come in, see requirements and pictures of the product we need; then make sure they can fulfill that requirement without going through all the request paperwork only to later find out that they cannot support our requirements."

Continuing the effort to make contract competition more user friendly the CMO have also updated the Competition Advocate's Shopping List by adding the ability to search for certain requirements.

"The main purpose of the CASL is to be the single point of entry for the contracting community to view our upcoming needs requirements," Sharon Blackwell, procurement analyst, said.

It is also how the CMO members set their metrics from year to year to measure their successes and their main source of infor-

mation when preparing their annual report to Congress. Each fiscal year's goal is dependent on trends the CASL predicts for that year. Dec. 15 was the due date for submission to the Department of Army to set the 2007 fiscal year goal. Currently AMCOM is the only command in the Army to establish metrics for commercial contracts; and according to Blackwell, the office fully expects to exceed their goals this year.

The CMO works with large and small businesses that want to contract with the government.

"We visit contractors and let them know we are here to help them and what options they have available in the world of government contracting," Griffin said. "If we can get the right price, time frame, and quality product to the Soldier in the field, then we have reached our goal."

The office also supports the Defense Logistics Agency, Tank and Automotive Life Cycle Management Command and Communications-Electronics Life Cycle Management Command.

For more information on contracting with any of the commands supported by the Competition Management Office, visit <http://www.redstone.army.mil/cmo>.

# Corpus Christi workers give to Toys for Tots

*Newcomer leads effort for charity campaign*

By JAMEY GIDDENS  
CCAD publicist

CORPUS CHRISTI ARMY DEPOT, Texas — When he noticed only a few gifts in his area's Toys for Tots donation box, Jesse Bustamante, a sheet metal mechanic who had been with the

depot for less than a year, knew something needed to be done.

"I went to my (then) supervisor Gary McCain and told him that I was going to buy a bike and donate it to the cause," Bustamante said. "And if I could do it on a WG05 salary, what could our supervisors do?"

What started as a small challenge to supervisors in his area traveled by word of mouth across a depot and before long

Corpus Christi was presenting the local Marine Corps Toys for Tots program with 251 bikes.

"I'd never seen anything like it," Larry Simone, director of aircraft production at Corpus Christi, said. "We filled one 18 wheeler with bikes and trikes (tricycles)."

Corpus Christi also collected 480 other types of toys, bringing its total donation to 731 presents for area children this past Christmas season.

"The other toys filled up two hummers," Simone said. "As an added safety note, almost all the bikes had helmets."

Simone credits Bustamante with leading the charge for the depot's participation in this year's Toys for Tots.

"Here was this guy, a newcomer to CCAD and a WG05 and he wanted to do something," Simone said.

When asked why participating in the program was so important to him, Bustamante pointed out how blessed Corpus Christi employees are to have such good paying jobs, not just during the holidays, but year-round.

"I just figured we could do more," Bustamante said. "We get paid pretty good here at CCAD and a lot of kids don't have a lot,

not just for Christmas, but all the time. I just wanted to do my part to give back."

Corpus Christi's donation helped the Marine Corps provide toys for more than 15,000 area kids at Christmas.

"We collected toys throughout the Coastal Bend," Staff Sgt. Bernardo Renteria of the Marine Corps said. "Families went to application sites and filled out forms telling us the age and gen-

der of their kids and providing proof of residency. From there we took up our donations and whatever we were short, we purchased with military funds."

After the donation phase was complete, the Marine Corps handed out the toys to the application sites.

"It's a very big morale booster," Renteria said. "It's nice to bring a happy face to so many kids at Christmas time."



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**OUTPOURING—** More than 250 bicycles and tricycles were donated by the men and women of Corpus Christi Army Depot during the 2006 USMC Toys for Tots campaign. Larry Simone, center, director of aircraft production, served as master of ceremonies during the presentation of the donation, which also included 480 additional toys to the Marine Corps.



Courtesy photo

## Intern grads

The Integrated Materiel Management Center recognized its winter 2006 graduating Army interns Jan. 11. From left are maintenance intern Marvin Hobson and supply interns Leah Trusley and Cedric Pollard.

# Rocket Announcements



## Sports & Recreation

### Leisure travel

After the hectic holiday season, why not reward yourself with the vacation that's worlds away from ordinary? Planning a trip "Down Under" is much easier and less expensive than ever thanks to Redstone's partnership with MWR Australia. All you need to do to get started is log onto [www.ittaustralia.com](http://www.ittaustralia.com) to begin creating your own itinerary or choose from many unique vacation packages. Once you have found the perfect itinerary for you and your family, just choose Redstone Arsenal's ITR office from the web site's listing, and it will contact you right away. For more information, call Redstone Leisure Travel 313-0090 or the ITR Office 876-4531.

### Bowl-a-thon

The 22nd annual Bowl-A-Thon, Junior Achievement's largest fund-raiser, will be held Jan. 27-28 and Feb. 3-4 at three local bowling centers — AMF Parkway Lanes, Plamor Lanes and Redstone Lanes. If interested please sign up as soon as possible. For more information, call the JA office 533-4661.

### Globetrotters

The Harlem Globetrotters will perform March 14 at 7 p.m. at the Von Braun Center. Tickets are on sale at the VBC box office. Discount tickets are available for military and civilian personnel and their families. The discount ticket price is

\$13.50 (\$26.50 and \$17.50 full price).



## Conferences & Meetings

### Bible studies

The Protestant Women of the Chapel have Bible studies each Thursday at Bicentennial Chapel. The morning Bible studies are at 9:30 a.m., the lunch Bible study at 11:30 a.m., and the evening Bible study at 6:30 p.m. Nursery care is provided for all Bible studies. For more information, call Erica Hobbs 489-3018 or Sharon Olshefski 489-0404.

### Officers association

The Huntsville Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America will hold a dinner meeting to install new officers Jan. 31 at the Officers and Civilian Club. Retired Vice Adm. Norbert Ryan Jr., president of Military Officers Association of America, will be the featured speaker. Social hour starts at 6 p.m. with a pay-at-the-door \$11 buffet and free wine at 7. Dress is business attire. Notification to attend is requested by Jan. 27. The informal monthly breakfast is Jan. 27 at 8 a.m. at Victoria's Cafe, 7540 Memorial Parkway southwest. All active, retired and former officers, their spouses and widows, are invited. For more information or attendance notification, call retired Maj. Steve Crawley 883-2323.

### Kansas club

The Kansas Club — for those with a Kansas connection or those who like to associate with mid-westerners — will

meet at the West End Grill on Jan. 27 at 6:30 p.m. for dinner, socializing and to hear Chuck Frew talk about "Writing a Book with the Family." Frew, author of "52 Weekends in the Tennessee Valley," will discuss putting the book together with family members and several week-end travel highlights. Reservations are necessary. Call 828-4627.

### Management institute

The North Alabama Chapter of the Project Management Institute will hold a luncheon Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Marriott, 5 Tranquility Base. Cost is \$20. Mary Margaret Pugh and Rick A. Morris are to speak on "A Day in the Life of a Project Manager Using Clarity." For more information, e-mail [communications@northalabamapmi.org](mailto:communications@northalabamapmi.org).

### Parents committee

The Child and Youth Services Parent Advisory Committee will meet Jan. 30 at 11 a.m. in the Redstone Room of the Challenger Activity Center, building 1500 (phone 876-7952). All parents are encouraged to attend the PAC meetings. Parent Participation Points are awarded for attendance — 5 points equals a 10 percent discount on childcare fees. "Please join us to learn what is happening at the Redstone Child and Youth Services facilities and to provide your ideas, opinions or concerns," a prepared release said.

### Fleet reserve

Fleet Reserve Association Branch 278 will hold its monthly meeting Jan. 27 at noon at Greenbrier Barbecue on I-565

Exit 3. For information call Gene Aittala 773-6283 or Jim Sutton 650-5748.

### Airborne chapter

The Vulcan Chapter of the 82nd Airborne Division Association will hold its monthly meeting Saturday at 11:30 a.m. at Crossroads on Clinton Avenue directly across from the Municipal Parking deck. All Airborne qualified individuals, parachute and glider, are eligible to join the association and are invited to the meeting. From 1-4 p.m. the club will be opened for a book signing by Phil Nordyke, author of "All American All the Way and Four Stars of Valor" about the 82nd Airborne Division in World War II. Everyone is invited to come to the book signing and meet the author and all World War II veterans of the Division present. For more information, call Barry Simpson 533-3000.

### Engineer group

Huntsville Post American Military Engineers will meet Thursday at 11:30 a.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club. The lunch meeting is a buffet, cost \$9. Dr. John Gilbert of the University of Alabama-Huntsville is to speak on "Advancement of Strategically Tuned Absolutely Resilient Structures." For reservations call Amber Martin 896-1834.

### Old crows

The Association of Old Crows, a professional association for members of the Electronic Warfare/Information Operations fields, will meet 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Jan. 31 at the new Dynetics

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headquarters facility, 1002 Explorer Boulevard in Cummings Research Park. Scheduled speaker is Col. William Stevenson, program director for aircraft survivability equipment. For information call William Clemons 659-0810. Sandwich lunch will cost \$7.50. RSVP before Jan. 30 via e-mail to [clemons@crow.org](mailto:clemons@crow.org).

## Transformation conference

The Defense Acquisition University South Region will hold its fourth annual conference "Transforming Acquisition in Support of the Warfighter" Feb. 21-22 at the Huntsville Marriott. This event supports transformation through a series of speakers, panels and workshops designed to provide all members of the acquisition work force with increased awareness of and insight into Department of Defense transformation in action. The event is open to all members of the AT&L work force, other federal employees and industry regardless of career field. For more information regarding the agenda and registration, visit the conference web site at <http://dauaa.south.home.mchsi.com> or e-mail [DAUSouth.Conference@dau.mil](mailto:DAUSouth.Conference@dau.mil).

## Defense summit

The second annual Joint Integrated Air & Missile Defense Summit will be held March 5-8 in Huntsville. This event is being planned by the Tennessee Valley Chapters of the National Defense Industrial Association, Women In Defense, and the Huntsville Chapters of the Armed Forces Communications Electronics Association and the International Council

On Systems Engineering. For information on the summit, call Ralph Powell (256) 259-6500 or visit the web site [www.JIAMDSummit.org](http://www.JIAMDSummit.org).

## 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](mailto:amy.donlin@us.army.mil).

## Strategic speakers

Strategic Speakers Toastmasters Club 6054 meets each Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. in room 3018 of building 5225 (Von Braun Complex). Toastmasters is a non-profit organization that assists with the development of communication and leadership skills. For more information, call C. Purifoy 651-3621 or 313-4696 or e-mail [cpurifoy@bellsouth.net](mailto:cpurifoy@bellsouth.net).



## 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 Warrant Officer David Ricketts 955-4026.

## Civilian deployment

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

## Thrift shop

The Thrift Shop, building 3209 on Hercules Road, is open for shopping 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays and 9-5 Thursdays. Walk-in consignment hours are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9-12:45. The shop is accepting winter items through Feb. 1. Donations are accepted and tax slips are available. For more information, call 881-6992.

## Surplus sales

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

## Water cooler refills

The Thrift Shop has begun to stock water cooler refills as part of its goal to raise more money to give back to the community. Water cooler replacement bottles, 5-gallon jugs, are available at good prices at the shop. For more information, call Christi Graves 881-6992.

## Computer classes

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

## Weather closings

If inclement weather causes Redstone Arsenal to close or delay its opening, tune in to any of the following stations for the most current information: radio — WDRM 102FM, WEKR 1240AM, WEUP 1600 AM, WGSV 1270AM, WJAB 90.9FM, WLRH 89.3FM, WRAB 1380AM, WTKI 1450AM, WVNN 770AM, WWIC 1050AM and WZYP 104.3FM; television — WAAY (Channel 31), WAFF (Channel 48) and WHNT (Channel 19). Two additional methods have been implemented to provide current information about delays or closures: you can call 955-8445 to hear a recorded announcement, or you can find adverse weather announcements on the Team Redstone Internet site (<http://www.redstone.army.mil>) by clicking on "Links" and then Adverse Weather; on the AMCOM Portal Intranet site (<https://intranet2.redstone.army.mil/>) by clicking on Adverse Weather under Key Sites; or the AMCOM Internet site (<http://www.amcom.redstone.army.mil>) by clicking on Adverse Weather.

## Merit awards

The Officer and Civilian Women's Club is accepting applications for Merit Awards. Eligibility is as follows: dependents, or members in good standing as of Oct. 17, 2006; high school senior/GED (must be a graduating high school senior or have obtained GED); undergraduate student, pursuing an undergraduate degree; graduate student, pursuing a graduate degree; member or spouse, pursuing an undergraduate degree. Forms are available at the OCWC monthly luncheons, Education Center and Army Community Service. For more information, call K.C. Bertling 541-0450 or e-mail [samnkc@knology.net](mailto:samnkc@knology.net).

## Science apprentices

The Science and Engineering Apprentice Program announces applications for 2007. The Defense Department initiated the SEAP in 1980, under the direction of the Executive Office of the President, to involve academically talented high school and college students in hands-on research activities and student-mentor relationships during the summer. The high school and college programs are designed for students who are U.S. citizens and 15 years old by the beginning of the program June 4, 2007. The apprentice program is divided into 8, 10 and 12 weeks. Applications should be available from senior counselors at all public, private and parochial high school and college placement services. Possible career placement areas at the Army Garrison-Redstone Arsenal include physics, chemistry, computer science, engineering and mathematics. The deadline for applications is Jan. 31. If the student is unsuccessful in getting an application from the high school senior counselor or college placement service, call Julie Lumpkins of the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center 313-4834.

## Green to gold

The Army ROTC at the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana seeks talented

young enlisted Soldiers who want to earn baccalaureate degrees. If you are a quality enlisted Soldier with officer potential and have served at least two years on active duty, then you are allowed to voluntarily participate and enroll in Army ROTC through these Green to Gold Programs. For more information call toll-free (877) 863-4768, e-mail [arotc@uiuc.edu](mailto:arotc@uiuc.edu), or visit the web site <http://www2.uiuc.edu/unit/army-rotc/>.

### Lateral entry

If you are qualified prior service or a member of the National Guard or Reserve and wish to become an officer, the University of Illinois Army ROTC Lateral Entry Program may be for you. The Lateral Entry Program allows eligible students to contract into the Reserve Officer Training Corps as cadets when they are academic juniors, seniors or graduate students with four semesters of coursework remaining before graduation. For more information call toll-free (877) 863-4768, e-mail [arotc@uiuc.edu](mailto:arotc@uiuc.edu), or visit the web site <http://www2.uiuc.edu/unit/armyrotc/>.

### Admin professionals

The Redstone Arsenal Chapter of International Association of Administrative Professionals will hold its 12th annual seminar, "Pathways to Professional Excellence," on Feb. 12 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club. Judy Kehr, educator for Hoover High School, will speak on communicating across cultures and generations. For the afternoon sessions, attendees can select two of the six developing topics by local presenters. The course is in TIPS by the course number PPE ; and the vendor name is International Association of Administrative Professionals. Tuition costs \$125; and student rates are \$50. You do not have to be in the administrative career field to attend. For more information, call Susan Douglas 842-6795 or Ellen Mahathey 842-9888.

### Tax assistance volunteers

The Redstone Arsenal Tax Assistance Center is a free service helping service-members on active duty, military retirees, and their dependents prepare and file federal, state and local tax returns each year. Last year's center had more than 3,000 returns prepared, resulting in over \$2 million in refunds. It is now accepting volunteers for the upcoming 2007 tax season. Scheduling will be flexible and volunteers are needed in both the tax preparation and

front desk operations areas. No prior experience is necessary because comprehensive training will be provided. To volunteer or for more information, call Capt. Paul Laracy 313-6782 or Randy Duff 420-3223.

### Scholarship program

The American Society of Military Comptrollers announces its annual scholarship program for ASMC members and their immediate families. This scholarship is open to high school seniors, undergraduates and those working on graduate programs. The application can be found at <http://www.asmcconline.org/national/nationalawards.shtml> or you may call Judy Smith 313-2379 or Debbie O'Neal 876-2671. Application deadline is Feb 28. Packages may be mailed to AMCOM, Attn: AMSAM-RM-FD, Judy Smith, Redstone Arsenal, AL 35898 or taken to Smith in building 5300, third floor, work station 53B062.

### Call for papers

A call for papers has been issued for the "Workshop on Algorithms for Autonomous & Aided Target Recognition" June 6-7 at Bob Jones Auditorium. For more information, e-mail Angie Cornelius at [angie.cornelius@us.army.mil](mailto:angie.cornelius@us.army.mil).

### AER scholarships

Army Emergency Relief is now accepting applications for the 2007-08 school year. Scholarships are available for children and spouses of active duty and retired Soldiers. Applications are available online at [www.aerhq.org](http://www.aerhq.org). For more information call Kristi Foster, AER officer, 876-5397, or e-mail [kristi.foster@redstone.army.mil](mailto:kristi.foster@redstone.army.mil).

### Engineer week

National Engineers Week, Feb. 19-25, will include competition for special awards. The week is co-sponsored by the National Society of Professional Engineers and IBM. For more information, call Morton Archibald 658-5189 (cell) or 880-1693 (home).

### Welfare requests

The Officer and Civilian Women's Club distributes money to nonprofit groups each year and is now accepting applications for grants. If you would like an application, they are available by mail (RSAOCWC, Attention: Welfare Chairman, P.O. Box 8113, Redstone Arsenal, AL 35808), and via the Internet by

requesting a form by sending an e-mail to: [ocwcwelfare@mchsi.com](mailto:ocwcwelfare@mchsi.com). Forms are also available in the OCWC newsletter Southern Exposure (January and February issues) and at Army Community Service. All requests must conform to the OCWC Welfare Request Form. The request deadline is Feb. 28. Requests will be accepted by mail (postmarked no later than the deadline) and e-mailed or hand delivered no later than the deadline. The 2006-07 Welfare Committee will not consider requests by any delivery method after the deadline. For more information, call Pam Powell 864-2900.

### PCFO solicitation

Any federation, charitable organization or combination thereof, wishing to be selected for the PCFO must submit a timely application to the Local Federal Coordinating Committee for the Tennessee Valley Combined Federal Campaign in accordance with the Office of Personnel Management's regulations. The primary responsibility of the PCFO is to support the federal government's CFC Board of Directors in managing a comprehensive local workplace fund-raising campaign while ensuring the fiscal integrity, accountability and transparency of the process in accordance with 5CFR, Part 950. The selected federation and/or charitable organization selected to serve as PCFO will be required to sign a memorandum of understanding with the LFCC. More information may be downloaded from <http://cfc.redstone.army.mil> and also the Office of Personnel's web site: [www.opm.gov/cfc](http://www.opm.gov/cfc). Deadline for receipt of applications is Feb. 15. All interested parties may contact Donna Johnson, LFCC chairperson, AMSAM-CFC, building 3708, by phone at 876-9143 or e-mail to [donna.johnson@redstone.army.mil](mailto:donna.johnson@redstone.army.mil).

### Wine club

Join the Officers and Civilians Club in 2007 for its Wine of the Month Club. Members of the wine club will receive one bottle of red and one bottle of white wine each month. Members will also receive recipes from the ROCC chef that pair with that month's wine selection. The wine will come packaged in a gift bag. The cost will vary monthly, but will never exceed \$40. For more information, call 830-2582.

### International night

The Officers and Civilians Club will hold

International Night on Jan. 26 at 6 p.m. Sample foods from Germany, Italy, Mexico, Thailand and the United States. Tickets are \$10 for ROCC members and \$12 for non-members. For more information, call 830-2582.

### Home alone class

Child and Youth Services will hold a Home Alone Class on Jan. 31 from 4-5 p.m. at the ChildWise building, 1413 Nike St. This free class is open to Redstone community youth ages 10-13. It discusses important issues like Internet safety, taking telephone calls, preparing snacks and meals, and more. For more information, call 313-3609 or 313-3735.

### Advertising awards

Thursday is the deadline for entries in the ADDY Awards competition, hosted locally by the Tennessee Valley Advertising Federation. Each year the ADDY Awards recognize creative excellence in all forms of advertising. The competition is open to any company or organization, both TVAF members and non-members. There are more than 80 categories this year so avoid the last minute rush and start entering your advertising pieces today. Drop off your entries at Redstone Federal Credit Union on Wynn Drive. To read the rules go to [www.tvaf.org](http://www.tvaf.org). The ADDY Awards will be held 7 p.m. March 3 at the Marriott by the U.S. Space and Rocket Center. Tickets are \$50, which includes social hour, dinner, program, entertainment and a free Winners Book to each attendee.

### Community volunteers

Do you have a few hours to volunteer with Soldiers and family members? Volunteers are needed at Army Community Service. Training and orientation are provided. If interested call volunteer coordinator Kim Anton 876-5397 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

### Drill sergeant of year

The Ordnance Munitions and Electronics Maintenance School, 59th Ordnance Brigade, will host the 2007 Drill Sergeant of the Year competition from Jan. 29 through Feb. 2. The winner will be selected to represent Redstone Arsenal and OMEMS at the Training and Doctrine Command 2007 Drill Sergeant of the Year competition. The TRADOC competition

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will take place at Fort Monroe, Va., from June 17-22. There will be a DSOY luncheon to announce the OMEMS winner at the Officers and Civilians Club from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Feb. 2. Everyone is invited. For more information, call Sgt. 1st Class Warnie Stokes 842-9794.

## Jazz concert

The Nashville jazz quintet Karen Johns & Company will perform Jan. 26 from 7 p.m. until midnight at the Jazz Factory, 109 Northside Square. Admission is free. For more information about Karen Johns & Company, call (615) 227-3100 or (615) 337-4984.

## Losing weight

Redstone workers who want to lose weight can join the Sparkman Center Weight Watcher group which meets each Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at building 5308, room 8124. A new Weight Watcher session begins Jan. 18 and will last 17 weeks. The cost will be \$176, which is a special rate – if 20 members sign up. For more information, call Ferne Wlodarski at 876-5640 or e-mail m.ferne.wlodarski@us.army.mil.

## Art auction

Officer and Civilian Women's Club will hold its annual Art Exhibition/Crafts and Services Auction "Fiesta" on Feb. 24 at the Officers and Civilians Club. The preview, hors d'oeuvres and Crafts and Services Silent Auction begins at 5:30 p.m., the art auction at 7 and dessert at 9. The Perry Berns Gallery of Dallas, Texas, will conduct this year's event. Tickets are \$10 per person. Proceeds benefit the OCWC Welfare Fund in support of community activities for military and civilian families. For information call Teri Holly 772-4245 and Lynn Carden 533-6368.

## Cookies for troops

It's Girl Scout cookie time. The Unmanned Aircraft Systems Project Office will be collecting money again this year to send cookies to the troops in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. Once all of the money is collected, UAS PO will order from several Girl Scout Troops. Please make cash or check donations to Tarah Hollingsworth by Friday. She works in building 5300, second floor in the Operations Center. For more information, call her at 313-5404 or e-mail tarah.hollingsworth2@us.army.mil.

## Grissom High reunion

Grissom High School Class of 1977 is planning a reunion in July. Organizers are looking for all graduates from that year. If you are a grad or know one, please e-mail GHS77@comcast.net.

## Employment briefing

A representative from the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center will conduct a Federal Employment Briefing on Feb. 1 from 9-11 a.m. at Army Community Service, building 3338 on Redeye Road. This session will help participants to under-

stand the federal application process. Topics will include recruitment sources, Resumix procedures, candidate evaluation, and the referral process. Call ACS at 876-5397 to reserve a seat.

## Buffalo Soldier exhibit

The Huntsville Museum of Art is offering free admission Feb. 3 from 1-5 p.m. for a Buffalo Soldiers historical event. The focus will be on exhibits featuring the Buffalo Soldiers and their contributions to America's history. There will be a movie about the Buffalo Soldiers,

exhibits and other activities. The event is being sponsored by the Ad Hoc Buffalo Soldier Committee to raise awareness and funding for the Buffalo Soldier Memorial to be built on the front grounds of the Academy for Academics and Arts. The committee is seeking donations for the memorial's construction as well as family stories and memorabilia from the time of the Buffalo Soldiers encampment in Huntsville on the site of the Academy from 1898-99. For more information, call Sheree Humphries at the Academy 428-7600.

## 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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SCBK06702138	Architect	17-Jan-07	Corp of Engrs Huntsville	GS-0808	12	12	62,751 - 81,572		X		X		X		X	X											
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SCBK07740087	Tech Info Spec	25-Jan-07	AMC	GS-1412	11	11	53,362 - 69,373	X																			
SCBK07744013	Logistics Mgmt Spec	25-Jan-07	IMMC	GS-0346	13	13	76,056 - 98,876	X																			
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SCBK07750034	Tech Data Spec	1-Feb-07	AMC	GS-0301	12	12	63,958 - 83,148	X																			
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### 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.redstone.mwr.com](http://www.redstone.mwr.com) or you may telephone 876-7772.

Resumes are now being accepted for AMC Fellows and Business Enterprise Solutions Trainees. Visit [www.amccareers.com](http://www.amccareers.com) or [www.cpol.army.mil](http://www.cpol.army.mil), search for Vacancy Announcement Numbers: NEAEJ04710482 & NEAE04756647, for more information.