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Symptoms of shell shock shared

Every Soldier required to learn about post-traumatic stress

By SKIP VAUGHN

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It's no longer taboo in the Army to seek help for the emotional scars of war.

Today's Army is requiring every Soldier, and encouraging civilian workers in military organizations, to know the symptoms of traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder. The Army chief of staff has directed that this chain teaching program be completed by Oct. 15.

"This training is a culture buster," Col. Mark Smith, commander of Fox Army Health Center and a veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom, said. "The culture before was, 'tough guy, tough gal, suck it up.'"

But now the Army leadership and its medical department realize traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder are "the significant wounds of not only this war but of previous wars," Smith said.

"Almost everybody's touched by one or the other. But this is the first time in history that we have taken on identifying PTSD and traumatic brain injury, recognizing them as illnesses, and developing teaching protocols that will create a new culture."



Photo by Skip Vaughn

INSTRUCTOR— "I think this is the single best training I've seen in my 26 years in the Army," says Maj. Bruce Lanum, chief of the Warrior Medicine Clinic and brigade surgeon for the 59th Ordnance Brigade.



Photo by Skip Vaughn

SCHOOL SESSION— Soldiers attend an Army chain teaching program, on the symptoms of traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder, Aug. 28 at the Ordnance Munitions and Electronics Maintenance School.

As Fox commander, Smith required every member of his health center staff – all 25 Soldiers and 160 civilians – to take the training. That occurred in mid-July; and the Army is in the second month of a three-month plan targeted at Soldiers and their families. Although the Army doesn't require that a medical person provide the training, Fox is conducting it for others. Leaders at the Ordnance Munitions and Electronics Maintenance School received the hour-long session Aug. 28 at building 3301.

"There's an Armywide deadline of Oct. 15 for every commander in the Army to have every one of his Soldiers trained," Smith said. "Redstone Arsenal is way ahead of the power curve."

Among the Soldiers attending the session last week at OMEMS was 1st Sgt. Jacob Endres of Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 59th Ordnance Brigade.

"It's good training," Endres said, "providing the signs and symptoms of what possible PTSD can be."

Maj. Bruce Lanum, chief of the Warrior Medicine Clinic and brigade surgeon for the 59th Ordnance Brigade, was the instructor. He estimates he has seen 50 cases of traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder within the past four years, including

Quick facts about post-traumatic stress disorder

If the head is hit or violently shaken (such as from a blast or explosion), a "concussion" or "closed head injury" can result. This is known as traumatic brain injury.

Another condition found in combat veterans is called post-traumatic stress disorder, which develops after someone has experienced a life-threatening situation. In PTSD, the event must have involved actual or threatened death or serious injury and caused an emotional reaction involving intense fear, hopelessness or horror.

Common symptoms of brain injury include the following:

- Difficulty organizing daily tasks;
- Blurred vision or eyes tire easily;
- Headaches or ringing in the ears;
- Feeling sad, anxious or listless;
- Easily irritated or angered;
- Feeling tired all the time;
- Feeling light-headed or dizzy;

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How did 9/11 affect you?

By SKIP VAUGHN

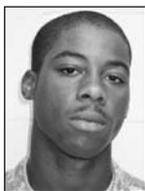
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Eze Abuwali
59th Ordnance Brigade S-3
(Operations and Planning)
"I couldn't believe that the United States was being hit. What I liked about it, it brought us together. It put us on the same accord. It brought Americans together."

Pvt. Dwayne Gaines
Charlie Company

"It really showed me how cold the world can be sometimes. It's really a dose of reality. You don't really see things like that every day. I truly didn't understand it until I got in the military. And now I'm willing to fight for my country, because it really affected me like that."



Pvt. Helen Rosario
Charlie Company
"I'm from New York. My godfather worked in the (World Trade Center) building. Fortunately he was unable to go to work that week (because his father was ill), and the plane struck

about three floors below his. The next thing we know, the whole world changed. It can destroy families and bring a nation closer together. That's the reason I joined the Army, because I finally realized things can hit close to home."

Sandra Butler
Directorate of Emergency Services

"I used to live in New York (from 1967-70). I was sitting in the doctor's office when it happened. I saw it on the news. And it was just quietness. I couldn't believe it. As a whole, it was just really sad."



Getting to know you

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Name: Capt. Roger Triplett

Job: Operations officer, Directorate of Emergency Services (Police Department), Garrison

Where do you call home?
El Centro, Calif.

What do you like about your job?

I enjoy working with the public, the many aspects of the public. And the many challenges that come with that – working with operations in the police department.



What do you like to do in your spare time?

We have 22 acres (in northern Madison County, out toward Gurley). I like working out there. Fish and play golf. We have a pond.

What are your goals?

To be honest with you: to make chief one day. I always look up and up.

What's your favorite type of music?

'70s style pop

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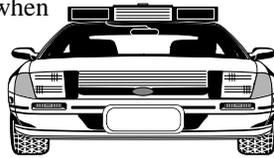
Crimes, accidents and other occurrences

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

Aug. 23: An individual was found to be operating his motor vehicle with a revoked driver's license when he was stopped at Gate 10. He was issued a violation notice and released.

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

Violation notices issued: 11 speeding, 1 failure to obey traffic control device, 1 driving with a suspended/canceled/revoked driver's license, 1 following too close, 1 failure to yield right of way, 3 expired tags.



Retirement counseling available at request

The following question and answer originally appeared in the NARFE Magazine and is reprinted with permission from the National Active and Retired Federal Employee Association. The Civilian Personnel Advisory Center provided additional information for the answer.

Question: I and several other active duty feds attended a free pre-retirement seminar recently. One of the speakers stated that agencies are required to provide pre-retirement training to current employees. Can you cite the regulation for me, so I can pass it on to my training coordinator?

Answer: Retirement counseling is covered in Section 8350 of Title 5, United States Code. Each agency must appoint a retirement counselor designated by the head of the agency to provide informa-

tion on benefits under the Civil Service Retirement System and the Federal Employees Retirement System and counseling service related to such benefits to the employees of the agency. The retirement counselors are to be trained to promote fully informed retirement decisions for CSRS and FERS employees.

Army retirement counselors are located at the Army Benefits Center-Civilian, Fort Riley, Kan., and they can be reached by dialing 1-877-276-9287 or going to the ABC-C web site at www.abc.army.mil. Retirement training classes are also offered periodically by the Southeast Area HRD Office and specific dates/locations can be found on its web site located at: http://cpol-rhp.belvoir.army.mil/scr/FunctionalAreas/CHRA/hrd/Schedule/training_schedule.htm.

Quote of the week

'Time is passing. Yet, for the United States of America, there will be no forgetting September the 11th. We will remember every rescuer who died in honor. We will remember every family that lives in grief. We will remember the fire and ash, the last phone calls, the funerals of the children.'

— President George W. Bush

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Huntsville Center contractor worker killed in Iraq

An Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville contractor employee killed in Iraq has been identified.

Frans Robert Brand, 34, from South Africa, was killed Aug. 28 when the vehicle he was riding in was struck by an Improvised Explosive Device. Brand worked as a security specialist for Armor Group Iraq, which is headquartered in London.

Thirty-nine contractor employees have been killed since September 2003 while working for the Coalition Munitions Clearance Program.

"Our condolences go out to the family," said Bill Sargent, program manager, Coalition Munitions Clearance Program. "Our personnel are highly trained and

experienced and are doing a superb job, but it remains a very dangerous mission."

The incident is under investigation.

Huntsville Center is the Army Corps of Engineers' Center of Expertise for Military Munitions. 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. To date, more than 400,000 tons of ammunition have been destroyed by the Huntsville Center program, significantly reducing risks to Iraqi citizens and U.S. personnel serving in Iraq. *(Huntsville Center release)*

■ Combat veterans urged to report postwar stress

Symptoms

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two years at Fort Carson, Colo. About 20 of these were since he arrived at Redstone in May 2005, although he has only been here six months in practice. Not all were assigned to him, but he did ask others to see if the patients had improved. "I got a resounding yes, so I'm quite pleased of that," he said.

Treatment varies, depending on the severity of each case. "For some, six months down the road they'll be fine,"

Lanum said. "For others it may last a lifetime."

Post-traumatic stress disorder isn't unique to the Army – emergency room workers, police officers and children of divorce are also among potential victims – but other agencies might not recognize PTSD as well as the Army does now.

"I think this is the single best training I've seen in my 26 years in the Army," Lanum said, "because it's very, very common. And a lot of Soldiers need the support to say that they're not 100 percent, and it's OK, that there's some treatment out there."

■ Checklist for signs of brain injury

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- Trouble with memory, attention or concentration;
- More sensitive to sounds, lights or distractions;
- Impaired decision making or problem solving;
- Difficulty inhibiting behavior – impulsive;
- Slowed thinking, moving, speaking or reading;
- Easily confused, feeling easily overwhelmed;
- Change in sexual interest or behavior.

Symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder include: re-experiencing the event over and over again; avoiding people, places or feelings that remind you of the event; and feeling "keyed up" or on-edge all the time.

If you or a loved one experience distress associated with combat trauma, you should make an appointment with your primary care manager or Fox Army Health Center at 955-8888. If you need counseling or help locating services, call Military One Source at 1-800-342-9647.

Hail and farewell

Printing plant worker wraps up 40-year career

Huntsville native plans to relax 'a few days'

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Willie Watkins has roots in this land that precede the Army's arrival before World War II. His family lived in a rural community on what would become Redstone Arsenal.

Watkins worked for the Army for 40 years, the first 25 with the Corps of Engineers and the last 15 at the Document Automation & Production Service, better known as DAPS or the printing plant.

The automated publishing technician and Huntsville native retired last week.

"I can't complain, it's been good to me," Watkins said of his years here. "I've had a good career with the government."

Watkins, 56, and his wife, Janice, were treated to cake and awards in an informal ceremony Aug. 29 at the plant's building 5688.

"There's no better person than Willie Watkins," Teresa Chaney, the lead automated publishing technician, said while making the



Photo by Skip Vaughn

GOOD CAREER— Willie Watkins receives an award from his supervisor, Teresa Chaney, as he retires from the Document Automation & Production Service.

presentations. "We just love you and are going to miss you."

Watkins said he plans "on relaxing a few days."

"I have a home-based business I'm going to be running," he said. Referring to Janice, he quipped, "She's going to make me quit my part-time job."

Couple returning home to green grass of Kentucky

Conlees end their careers at Logistics Support Activity

They met in Kentucky, they both joined the civil service, they were both Army interns and now they leave federal service together.

Malcolm and Javena Conlee head back to the Bluegrass state after having a long career with the Army and Logistics Support Activity.

"We will be losing these two after many years of service not only with LOGSA, but also with MRSA in Lexington, Ky., one of the activities merged to create LOGSA some 12 years ago," a Logistics Support Activity release said.

"Interestingly enough, the Conlees started out here in Huntsville before being transferred up to Lexington where the couple both worked in the supply division of MRSA.

"As the BRAC (base realignment and closure) took hold back in the mid-1990s, employees of MRSA were to be transferred and merged into the new LOGSA here at Redstone," the release said.

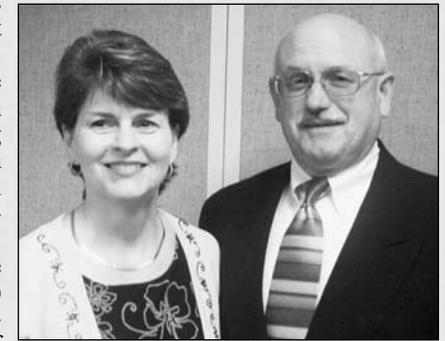


Photo by Jon Pierce/PS Magazine

BLUEGRASS BOUND— Javena and Malcolm Conlee are retiring from the Logistics Support Activity.

Malcolm ends his career after 28 years of service including some active duty time in the Army; and he retires from his position as the team leader for the BOIPFD/MARC/MISM area in the Acquisition Logistics Division.

Javena retires with more than 22 years service; and she leaves her position working with the Army's Status of Resources and Training System and the Structure and Manpower Allocation System in the LOGSA Soldier Support Center.

The couple, married more than 23 years, plan to relocate to their cattle farm in Richmond, Ky., but not before taking an extended RV trip to Yellowstone. The Conlees are also in the process of restoring a Greek revival home they own in Richmond.

Garrison prepares Arsenal for jobs influx

Four major building projects under way for BRAC moves

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When it comes to all things BRAC at Redstone Arsenal, the buck stops at the Garrison.

Although individual agencies and organizations are making internal plans to welcome thousands of Army military, civil servant and contractor employees between now and 2011, it's up to the Garrison to ensure that each of those employees has a workplace and the infrastructure to support work requirements.

So, it's not surprising that Garrison officials – such as commander Col. John Olshefski and Todd Hutto, the Garrison's chief of Plans, Analysis and Integration and leader of the BRAC Implementation Team, along with other Garrison officials – are often inundated with requests for Base Realignment and Closure Commission impact presentations from local governments, and community, industry and business organizations. Hutto said there have

been nearly 600 such presentations in the last eight months alone.

And, when they are not presenting, Garrison officials – including the 10 employees who work on Hutto's BRAC team — are reviewing blueprints, discussing organization plans, overseeing expanded Garrison services, building budgets, capturing requirements and working support agreements that will reshape Redstone Arsenal as it takes on about 4,700 new employees.

"It's a lot of growth. It's the biggest thing to happen to Redstone Arsenal since World War II," Hutto said. "When we learned about it we said 'Bring it on.' Redstone Arsenal is ready for this."

On any installation where there are BRAC actions under way, there is a BRAC Implementation Team "that understands the big picture and communicates information to everyone who needs to know about it," Hutto said.

"We've prepared briefings, we've done a lot of statistical analysis, and we've captured requirements of each of the agencies coming and going. We've had meetings with all the organizations involved. It's an exciting time for us."

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Photo by Kari Hawkins

PLANNING AHEAD— Todd Hutto, the Garrison's chief of Plans, Analysis and Integration, and leader of the BRAC Implementation Team, goes over plans that will bring 4,700 new jobs to Redstone Arsenal and involve \$403 million in new building construction. The BRAC moves to Redstone Arsenal must be completed by Sept. 15, 2011.

Operations division shows support for troops

The Missile Defense Agency Combined Test Force Test Operations Division hosted a Support the Troops celebration Aug. 24 as part of its Theme Fridays event series.

The MDA CTF is the central organization within MDA responsible for planning, executing and analyzing tests of the Ballistic Missile Defense System. Led by division chief Air Force Lt. Col. Richard Schoonmaker, employees celebrated by dressing in red, wearing patriotic pins, and displaying miniature flags in their offices.

Employees were encouraged to send a message to servicemembers using the America Supports You web site, which pays tribute to military men and women at home and abroad.

Donations for local troops were collected and will be sent to Army Emergency Relief.

Topping off the theme day, members of the Test Operations Division invited all CTF active military, National Guard and Reserves to indulge themselves in a cake prepared in appreciation of their service. *(Missile Defense Agency release)*

Logistics Support Activity shows its appreciation

LOGSA workers have fun day

By **KELLEY LANE-SIVLEY**
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Organizations at Redstone have serious missions. Their employees do serious jobs. Logistics Support Activity said thank you to its employees Thursday by letting them blow

off a little steam at the LOGSA Employee Appreciation Day.

This is the 14th year LOGSA has hosted a day of food and fun for its employees, former employees, retirees and families. The entire event is funded through employee efforts and entrance fees for the day's events.

"We do fund-raisers throughout the year," Tina Tipton, one of the event organizers, said.

It's important for people to feel appreciated in their job, LOGSA

commander Col. James Rentz said. He added that a day like this is a more personal way to express that gratitude.

"You have to stop and say thanks every once and awhile," Rentz said. "You can get a cash award or a certificate to hang on your wall and all that is good. But sometimes people just want to hear you say thanks. Being able to take time and do something like this is important to morale."

It is also a way for people to connect with co-workers they may not see during the work week.

"People interact and get to know each other, which is good for any organization," Rentz said.

It's a great way to catch up on what people have been up to for the past year outside the office, event emcee and logistics specialist Robert Salinas said.

"You don't always get to see everybody, especially in a big office. Here, you get to see all the kids and see how much bigger they've gotten and how much older we've all gotten," Salinas said laughing. "It's a lot of fun."

The event began with a fishing tournament. It continued at Redstone Links for a 4-man scramble golf tournament. Eleven teams competed for bragging rights and a share of the entrance fee purse. The winning team was comprised of contractors from LESCO, who collectively managed to stay 11 under par for a team score of 61. Jeff Smith was team captain while Huey Edmondson, Todd Blass and Jeff Payne rounded out the team.

There was a tie for second place between two LOGSA teams. Both finished the day with a score of 63. Bob Gilliland captained a mixed team of Jan Berry, Tom Ress and Rhonda

Morton. The other team, with captain Chris Wallace, was made up of Gary Wallace, Scott Anderson and Mark Gray.

On the par-3 holes, awards were also given for closest to the pin. Chris Wallace, Phil Preston, Bill Edwards and Bob Gilliland took home the honors. Jeff Smith and Kevin Paulson were recognized for longest drives. Smith hit an approximately 315 yard shot and Paulson knocked one 326 yards.

At lunch time, employees converged on the NASA picnic area just off Martin Road. There they found a steaming barbecue buffet, snacks and plenty of cold drinks. Once everyone was full, the games began.

Organizers ran bingo games and a Texas Hold 'Em Tournament. The buy-in price for participants was minimal, 50 cents each. In fact, the only reason for an entrance fee was to supply prize money for those same games.

"We don't make any money, it just all goes back into the game," Tipton said.

Throughout the day names were drawn for door prizes such as barbecue grills, DVD players and two televisions sets. As the day came to a close everyone went home with a smile on their face and sauce under their fingernails, ready to head back to work.



Photo by Kelley Lane-Sivley

GOOD EATING— Brittany Ranere helps herself to a plate from the barbecue buffet.



Photo by Kelley Lane-Sivley

KNOW WHEN TO HOLD 'EM— Dave Lampkin rakes in the chips at the Texas Hold 'Em Tournament.

Family man back home in Alabama

Logistics director grew up in Marion

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If you're lucky, coming to a place you've never been before somehow feels like home. Chris Pegues will be the first to tell you how lucky he is.

Pegues, the new director of logistics at the Garrison, feels right at home in Alabama. He grew up here.

Pegues is a Marion native who went to college at the University of Alabama before joining the Army and setting off to see the world. He finished his 20-year career at the Pentagon, working for the Army G-4. When he took off the green suit in 2003, he and his wife knew there was only one place for them — sweet home Alabama.

"I grew up in Marion. We both went to University of Alabama. We knew that we wanted to move to Alabama and raise our family," he said. "It's a great place to live."

He spent the last several years working as a contractor in both AMCOM and LOGSA before returning to the Army, this time as a civilian. He took over his current position Aug. 6.

While much of logistics is the same everywhere, Pegues is happy with the differences between his new job at Redstone and his previous positions.

"My favorite part of getting into the logistics business here is all of the activities the Garrison has. It's been a while since I've been able to get down to the grassroots of logistics," he said. "Logistics here is nuts and bolts. That's the fun part of the business, to provide a service or a supply, actually see it and deal with your customers."

He also looks forward to the challenges that difference holds in the future as Redstone grows and changes.



Chris Pegues

"The biggest challenge will be BRAC (base realignment and closure), all the services and additional services that we'll be providing," he said. "We'll be modernizing our logistics information systems so that we can handle those needs. It's a level of support we're not used to providing."

Pegues isn't all business. He said the bulk of his time is dedicated to the women in his life — all five of them. He and his wife, JoAnn, have four daughters. The oldest, Lauren, is a freshman at the University of Alabama-Huntsville. Kristen, 16, attends Huntsville High. The younger two, Elisa, 13, and Halee, 9, are home schooled.

"We did home schooling while we were in the Army," he said. "My wife is great at it. She also enjoys having them home."

He also finds time to squeeze in a little golf. Since arriving on post, Pegues has joined a golfing group that meets to play on the Links at Redstone each week.

"I'm a low handicapper, about a 5 or 6 handicap," he said. "There are about 10 or 12 of us in the group. Not everyone can play every time, but at least eight always can."

Army's new chief chaplain reports for duty



Photo by Don Wagner

SPIRITUAL MESSENGER— Chaplain (Maj. Gen.) Douglas L. Carver became the 22nd chief of Army chaplains July 12.

By ELIZABETH M. LORGE
Army News Service

WASHINGTON – According to Chaplain (Maj. Gen.) Douglas L. Carver, the Army's new chief of chaplains, chaplains in today's Army are more important than any time since World War II. Their very mission – nurturing the living, caring for the wounded and honoring the dead – is essential to an Army at war.

Both a man of God and a Soldier's Soldier, Carver knows what it is to minister to Soldiers who are looking for comfort and reassurance, and he remembers how it feels to huddle in a bunker during a missile attack, praying for strength and courage. He is passionate about bringing "God to Soldiers and Soldiers to God," whatever their faith or creed.

"One of my priorities is to ensure that every deploying unit has a chaplain to provide for the spiritual needs of Soldiers," he said. "They need that chaplain. In combat, you will hear Soldiers cry out for their mother, the medic and their chaplain. In these kinds of situations, the chaplain is there to bring comfort and peace, not only to the wounded and the dying, but to the living."

Faith and belief in a higher power become more important in danger and uncertainty, Carver said, recounting a story another chaplain told him. A wounded Soldier was being carried onto a helicopter, singing a hymn. As he lost blood, he could only hum the tune, and was finally too weak to sing anything. The four Soldiers carrying his stretcher finished singing the hymn for him.

"That's the kind of fellowship, this sacred bond we have as Soldiers. I won't leave a fallen comrade behind, and I will even sing him into eternity," he said. "You talk about Army strong, and I really believe that if we are spiritually strong, if our Soldiers are exercising their spiritual faith, that is what gives them the strength and resilience to face whatever the Army calls them to do. They do it without complaining, with great character and integrity. Our Soldiers are great ambassadors for the United States and it's a humble honor to serve them."

Carver is a former field artillery officer who wears the Air Assault Badge and Ranger Tab. He also received a Bronze Star for his service as the V Corps chaplain during the early Iraq war in 2003.

Suicide prevention focus of week

If you have been watching the news lately, you probably know about the importance of suicide prevention. Recent studies have raised awareness of this major, preventable public health issue.

Suicide is the third leading cause of death among Americans between the ages of 15-24 and the second leading cause of death among those 25-34. It is often the result of untreated depression and other mental health disorders. Did you know that 90 percent of suicides in the U.S. are associated with depression or another treatable mental illness or substance abuse disorder?

Suicide is preventable and recognizing a problem is the first step to getting help. As part of Suicide Prevention Week, Sept. 9-15, as well as throughout the entire year, the Department of Defense is offering servicemembers and their families the opportunity to take anonymous online and telephone mental health self-assessments for depression and other related disorders. After you complete the self-assessment, you are provided with information on where to turn for a full evaluation, including services provided by the Department of Defense and Veterans Affairs.

Facts about suicide include the following:

- Seventy percent of people who die by suicide tell someone about it in advance, and most are not in treatment.
- Those who have made serious attempts are at much higher risk for actually taking their lives. Between 20 and 40 percent of people who die by suicide have previously attempted suicide.
- Nearly 50 percent of suicide victims have a positive blood alcohol level.
- Although most depressed people are not suicidal, most suicidal people are depressed.

Failure to recognize depression can have devastating consequences so it is important to identify depression early. The program, available 24/7, includes self-assessments for depression, alcohol problems, bipolar disorder, generalized anxiety disorder, and posttraumatic stress disorder. To access the anonymous self-assessments, call 877-877-3647 or visit www.Military-MentalHealth.org. (*Screening for Mental Health Inc. release*)

Industry invited to hear Team Redstone plans

Annual conference forum an inside opportunity

The 2007 Advance Planning Briefings for Industry offers businesses a sneak peek of anticipated needs and future requirements for Team Redstone.

This year's conference includes local defense leaders as featured speakers on Sept. 20. But the conference is not just about briefings, according to AMCOM G-3 APBI organizer Rebecca White, who said it's an opportunity for businesses to ask questions and interface with conference participants.

This year's theme is "Concept to Combat – A Partnership for Progress."

Conference participants include the Aviation and Missile Command, Aviation and Missile Research Development and Engineering Center, the Program Executive Office for Aviation, PEO for Missiles and Space, AMCOM maintenance depots, the Garrison, and Redstone Technical Test Center.

Information will be provided on potential contract opportunities as well as scientific and technological advances to meet future Army needs.

"The conference forum will assist our team members in the private sector in planning and preparing for these requirements," White said.

"This conference is truly convenient for local businesses to attend. APBI

also attracts many attendees from outside the area, so there are always a large number of organizations to network with," she added. Preparations are being made to accommodate up to 600 attendees.

This event is restricted to U.S. citizens with no foreign nationals or foreign owned company representatives allowed due to security restraints. There will be a refreshments fee of \$20. Online registration will be required and can be accomplished at the APBI web site <https://www.apbi.redstone.army.mil>. No walk-ins will be allowed this year.

For more information, call the APBI help desk at 842-9967 or e-mail to redstone-apbi@conus.army.mil.

Damage to your car at work can be taken personally

Possible government liability depends on circumstances

By ERIKA McPHERSON
Claims chief

Soldiers and civilians often use their privately owned vehicle to travel to different locations around the installation, on and off post, or to another installation for a permanent change of station. A loss of or damage to a vehicle used incident to service may be compensable depending upon the facts.

Compensable vehicle losses include automobiles, motorcycles, mopeds, trailers, trucks with mounted camper bodies, mobile homes, boats, boat trailers, aircraft and bicycles that meet certain conditions.

Generally, loss or damage to a claimant's vehicle may be considered compensable if the vehicle is used pursuant to orders for the convenience of the government. Travel is not considered to be for the convenience of the government unless it was pursuant to written orders authorizing use for which the claimant is entitled to reimbursement — for example, travel from quarters to a TDY site pursuant to orders.

On the other hand, certain types of travel such as commuting to or from a permanent place of duty, or permissive TDY, are not considered travel for the convenience of the government but rather a personal expense.

Written orders are normally required to establish that a claimant was using his or her vehicle for the convenience of the government. Many claimants choose or are encouraged to use their own vehicles to accomplish routine tasks on the installation. Travel to other buildings on the claimant's installation is not considered to be under orders for the convenience of the government and will not be compensable unless the vehicle sustains damage due to fire, flood, hurricane or other

unusual occurrence or theft or vandalism.

In addition, travel off of the installation without written orders may be deemed to be for the convenience of the government only if the claimant's superior directed the use of a POV to accomplish the mission; however, issuance of written orders after the fact raises the presumption that travel was not for the convenience of the government. For example, if a training course is going to be conducted in downtown Huntsville at the Von Braun Center and a supervisor requires attendance, that supervisor should write a memo directing that use of a POV to attend this training will be for the convenience of the government, prior to the event. If damage occurs to vehicles while they are parked at the Von Braun Center and claimants want to file a claim with the Claims Office for damages, the claim will be payable only if the POV use was authorized, in writing, prior to the event.

Losses that occur while the claimant is in a leave status in conjunction with authorized TDY are not compensable, nor are losses that occur while the claimant is engaged in a significant deviation en route. To be significant, a deviation must take the claimant well away from the most direct route. For example, if a claimant who is authorized to use a POV to travel from Fort Drum, N.Y., to Fort Meade, Md., deviates 20 miles from the most direct route to find a motel and incurs loss or damage to the POV, that would be compensable. But if the claimant travels by way of Maine to visit relatives and the vehicle is rear-ended in Maine, the claim would not be compensable since the deviation was significant.

Claimants suffering loss or damage to their vehicle incident to service should file a claim with the Claims Division at the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate. The maximum compensable amount for loss or damage to a vehicle and its contents is \$3,000. For more information, call claims examiner James Friday at 876-9911.

Parents urged to complete paper on school funding

Federal impact aid form due in today's homework

Parents: please listen. Hear the story of a school fund-raiser that will cost you no out-of-pocket money! It's simply a case of existing federal dollars for the taking.

All you need to do is fill out a simple, one-page form that's coming to your home today in your child's backpack or homework folder. And if it doesn't make it home, call your school and ask for it or go to the website located at <http://www.theschoolsfoundation.org>.

The Federal Impact Aid Form, if filled-out and returned to your child's school, puts millions of dollars into local public school systems. The funds stay right here. Over the past seven years, it's meant another \$6 million for Huntsville City, Madison City, and Madison County schools.

And how do the school systems utilize these funds? Huntsville City prorates the funds to each school, depending on forms returned from that school. These funds go for locally paid teachers in those schools. More teachers are hired to reduce the number of students per teacher and that enables the teacher to give more individual help to students. The students directly benefit from the funding.

Madison City too uses funds for teachers and supplies.

Madison County buys computers/technology equipment for students.

Please return to system

"The community doesn't need to lose these federal dollars just because the forms aren't returned," Garrison commander Col. John Olshefski said. He was to be at Monrovia Elementary School this morning as teachers distributed the forms to students. Superintendents and other staffers, who work to make this happen every year, were also at Monrovia School.

"Team Redstone is thrilled all three Madison County school systems, and now the Arab City Schools, for the second year in a row, are sending out the forms on the same day, today," Olshefski said. "We thank The Schools Foundation for working with these school systems and helping to make this happen. The bottom line is these funds are for our kids."

"New money for Arab City Schools," superintendent John Mullins said. "Colonel Olshefski convinced me to apply for federal impact aid. Arab City school staff, parents and students went to work on the application process. 312 students qualified which equates to 12.5 percent of total enrollment. We do not yet know the monetary value, but we are pleased to be receiving these extra federal dollars to better serve our students."

At least 10 percent of student population must qualify to receive these funds. The dollars do fluctuate year-to-year, depending on congressional appropriation.

More families expected

As Base Realignment and Closure approaches, every federal dollar is criti-

cal. BRAC is expected over the next five years to possibly bring an additional 4,000 families with another 9,000 children into local public schools.

"We already know more than 50 percent of our work force is federally connected," Dave Hargrove, president of The Schools Foundation, said.

Hargrove was also to be at Monrovia School to watch children place the forms in their book bags. "Many of these families, particularly civilian contractors working on government properties, have children attending our public schools. These forms are vital to bring existing federal dollars into our classrooms," he said. "It's a 'no brainer' to fill out the form and return. It's like signing a check and someone else depositing the funds to cover it. The Schools Foundation, a non-profit organization of community and business leaders who support the three public school systems in Madison County, will continue to be involved in efforts to identify and maximize funding sources."

The process for obtaining these dollars came to light as a committee of The Schools Foundation began to explore existing funds for education.

"We want to be sure every dollar is collected and that means every parent who can qualify needs to know about these forms," Missy Ming Smith, education chairman of The Schools Foundation, said. "So all three of our school systems met and agreed to send the forms home the same day. And Arab City Schools joined in as well. A media blitz of newspaper, TV, radio and e-mail distribution is planned (today). It's simple to fill out and easy to return by your child

at school. Our 10-year-old son, Charles, will be taking his form back to school because his father works on federal property, the U.S. Courthouse on Holmes Avenue. The federal property isn't necessarily located on Redstone Arsenal."

Federal Impact Aid money is provided for children of parents who serve in the military/reservist on active duty or even civilian/contractors working sometimes on federal properties, like Redstone Arsenal, NASA, TVA, etc. Parents need to be sure to use their government property workplace address. Funds are also available for those living on federal property including public housing and children with special needs to include the gifted. This is the government's way of compensating schools for loss of tax base since government is exempt from property tax payments. Please don't glance at the Federal Impact Aid Form and simply throw it aside.

Forms will be sent home today. You can also contact your school or go to your school system's web site to print the form.

The sites include: Huntsville City <http://www.hsv.k12.al.us>, Madison City <http://www.madisoncity.k12.al.us>, Madison County <http://www.madison.k12.al.us> and Arab City Schools <http://www.arabcityschools.org>.

Also a link to all forms can be found at <http://www.theschoolsfoundation.org>. *(The Schools Foundation release)*

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At Redstone Arsenal, the “big picture” of BRAC through 2011 includes the arrival of the headquarters of the Army Materiel Command, Missile Defense Agency, Space and Missile Defense Command and the U.S. Army Security Assistance Command. In addition, the Arsenal will be home to the 2nd Recruiting Brigade, Rotary Wing Center and Aviation Technical Test Center. Redstone will lose the Ordnance Munitions and Electronics Maintenance School, Tactical Operations Centers, Joint Robotics and Defense Logistics Agency.

“When we do the numbers, we grow in all employment categories,” Hutto said. “We gain the most in contractors and then in civil servants. And, we gain an additional 40 senior level military officers.”

The new employees represent a 15 percent increase over current employment at Redstone Arsenal, which includes 1,800 active military, 15,059 civil servants and 14,199 contractors. Some of those employees – mainly with MDA and SMDC – are already at Redstone Arsenal.

To house those new employees, the Arsenal has in place a construction plan that includes an additional 1.645 million square feet of space at a cost of \$403 million. The plan involved Garrison engineers and contractors working with Army customers to detail customer facility needs. Building construction is managed and executed through the Mobile District Corps of Engineers and, once complete, the buildings are maintained by the Garrison.

“We are moving faster on these projects because we are doing the design and build at the same time,” Hutto said. “This gives you greater flexibility and tends to make construction go faster.”

The first new building will be the 2nd Recruiting Brigade’s 25,000 square foot facility on Vincent Road and adjacent to the OMEMS dining facility. The \$9.4 million facility, now in initial stages of construction, will be completed in mid-2008.

The MDA/SMDC headquarters facility, which will be the third building at the Von Braun Complex, will be built in two

phases, with the first under construction in late 2007 and completed in mid-2010, and the second under construction in late 2009 and completed in early 2011. When complete, the \$221.8 million building will include 847,000 square feet.

“We believe it is likely to be the largest single building in North Alabama,” Hutto said.

The AMC/USASAC headquarters, which will be located near Martin Road just east of the Garrison headquarters, will get under way in early 2008 with completion in late 2010. The \$127 million facility will include 602,755 square feet.

The Rotary Wing Center, which will represent a merger of the Redstone Technical Test Center and the Aviation Technical Test Center, will include its headquarters, hangar and several other minor facilities, representing a cost of \$45 million and 170,451 square feet. The headquarters, which will be located on Martin Road just southeast of the Garrison headquarters, and the hangar at the Redstone Airfield are both set to be under way in early 2009. The headquarters will be completed in mid-2010 and the hangar in early 2011.

“All these projects are contingent on how Congress funds the programs,” Hutto said. “All of them are contingent on congressional funding. But, we are very sure they will happen because BRAC is law. Congress passed it. The president signed it. And, that makes it a law. Everything has to be done, by law, by Sept. 15, 2011.”

Besides planning office facilities for the BRAC moves, Hutto also sees future growth for Redstone Arsenal that is not connected to BRAC, such as the recent announcement of a possible 350 additional SMDC jobs being transferred to the Arsenal. There are also plans for future expansion of Garrison services, such as a second Child Development Center in the Martin Road area, and a new PX and Commissary. Recently, a new tag and license office opened on the Arsenal.

Garrison officials hope that with those new buildings will come existing government employees transferring to Redstone Arsenal. The Garrison works closely with the organizations moving to Redstone Arsenal as well as local officials and community leaders to recruit existing govern-

ment employees to North Alabama.

“We try to sell the area because it is easier to move people than it is to recruit for jobs,” Hutto said.

For Huntsville and North Alabama, BRAC is great economic news. Today, the Arsenal’s employment represents a \$2.3 billion economic impact on the communities that are within 80 miles of Redstone Arsenal. A study done by the University of Alabama-Huntsville indicates that number will grow by \$800 million with BRAC.

“There’s an indirect economic effect when someone moves into the area,” Hutto said. “When 4,700 people come here, they will bring their families. Some spouses will work. They’ll create a demand for things like groceries, fast food, restaurants, retail shopping. With everything people need, the demand is going to grow.”

For that reason, elected leaders as well as business and community leaders in Huntsville and Madison County and throughout North Alabama have hosted meetings with potential transferees to recruit them to Redstone Arsenal. The State of Alabama has also assisted with these events.

“It has been a real team effort,” Hutto said. “The community has been very supportive.”

The BRAC projects didn’t just happen to fall in the lap of Redstone Arsenal. Rather, they are a result of intense scrutiny and examination by Department of Defense officials.

“Even though this last BRAC law passed in 2005, the Garrison team has been working BRAC for years,” Hutto said. “We first worked on a team to pull together an assessment of the military value of Redstone Arsenal for the Ordnance Data Base. We answered thousands of questions about Redstone and its capabilities. Every installation had to complete the assessment.”

The Army took that information, analyzed it and created scenarios involving merges and base closures.

“It was about saving money, consolidating and getting out of leased space,” Hutto said. “It was also based on the idea that it is easier to protect something if it is inside a secure enclave. The scenarios were driven by saving money, creating efficiencies, providing security and assessing military value. At Red-

stone, we have 38,000 acres behind a fence and a lot of that is developable land.”

Over the years, there have been other BRAC actions that brought new employees to Redstone Arsenal. In all of those, Redstone Arsenal has won a high profile and received visits from officials of the Department of Defense and BRAC. In this latest round of BRAC, there was a regional hearing where local community leaders spoke out in support of growth at Redstone Arsenal. And, then the 2005 law passed and Redstone Arsenal was a big winner.

“We were very pleased with what they chose for us,” Hutto said. “It was very exciting. But, it wasn’t intimidating. We had done enough work on it to know it was manageable. And, the agencies coming here want this to be successful.”

Hutto doesn’t deny that the local community – reaching out 100 miles from Redstone Arsenal – will face some challenges because of BRAC, mostly in the way of traffic, education and housing.

“But, the good news is the community is well aware of this,” he said. “They are excited about the challenges. There are now lots of new housing developments going up and lots of talk about plans for schools for an estimated 9,000 more kids. I don’t think the influx will make us a mini-Washington, D.C. But, we will have some unique challenges that will have to be addressed. I am confident the local community and the state will respond to these challenges.”

Although a lot of effort is being focused on BRAC changes, it is not the end-all of growth at Redstone Arsenal. Rather, Hutto sees even more growth potential once BRAC is completed. That potential will be realized in the Enhanced Use Leasing project that will involve up to 3 million square feet of office space near Gate 9 on Rideout Road.

“We’re out of space on Redstone Arsenal,” Hutto said. “We had to build for the BRAC transferees to come here.”

“We have lots of customers who would love to be on Redstone Arsenal. We get hundreds of requests. There’s 400,000 to 600,000 square feet of pent up demand for space that we cannot fulfill right now.”

Patriot Day event calls to all for support

Never forget
9/11 tragedy

By KARI HAWKINS

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Among his last official acts as commander of Redstone Arsenal, Maj. Gen. Jim Pillsbury made it a command requirement to hold an annual Patriot Day Ceremony on Sept. 11.

In a commander's letter dated April 9, Pillsbury directed Redstone Arsenal employees to "set aside time to commemorate with a Patriot Day Ceremony those who lost their lives as a result of the terrorist attacks" of Sept. 11, 2001. The letter also stated the ceremony would be a Team Redstone event and be coordinated by a designated committee.

Now, as the Patriot Day Ceremony Committee makes final preparations for this year's 9/11 event in Bob Jones Auditorium, committee chairman Sam Wright is thankful that the event is an official Redstone Arsenal ceremony, continuing a tradition that began on the first anniversary of the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. and an unsuccessful attempt on the White House.

"We have to continue this commitment," Wright said.

"I wanted to make sure it became an official ceremony because I don't want to be the link to whether we do the ceremony or don't do the ceremony every year. With a command letter, it is official and will happen whether I'm involved or not."

Sept. 11 is designed as the nation's Patriot Day. The national designation encourages state and local governments and U.S. citizens to observe Patriot Day with programs and activities. In addition, the designation encourages that the U.S. flag be displayed at half-staff on Sept. 11, and that the day be observed with a moment of silence for those who lost their lives in the terrorist attacks.

Wright has been involved with the Patriot Day Ceremony at Redstone Arsenal since its inception in 2002, although he was not its first chairman. The ceremony

was first chaired by World War II Naval veteran and former Redstone Arsenal employee Winslow Hill, who died on Aug. 17 at age 81. Wright met him after Hill wrote a letter to the editor that appeared in the *Redstone Rocket* stating that the Arsenal needed an event that would bring all its ethnic groups together.

"His letter was about how everyone is participating in different ethnic celebrations on the Arsenal and how it would be good if people from all different ethnic groups could come together," Wright said.

"I went to Winslow to talk to him about what we could do to make that happen. We thought about paying tribute to those who suffered from the tragedy of 9/11 and using that day as our opportunity to bring people together."

The first Patriot Day Ceremony in 2002 packed the 650-seat Bob Jones Auditorium, with people overflowing in the aisles and standing in the hall outside the auditorium. The first few annual events were well attended, but in 2005, in its fourth year, the Patriot Day Ceremony drew very low attendance.

Pillsbury spoke on that day to a sparsely filled auditorium, expressing his disappointment in the resolve of Redstone Arsenal employees to remember those who had lost their lives on Sept. 11 and since that tragic day, and vowing to give command emphasis to the event and work with AMCOM leadership to make sure future Patriot Day ceremonies are well attended.

"When people get used to something — an event or an activity — attendance tends to go down," Wright said.

"But, we have to stay vigilant. We have to remember those who have died and suffered from an attack on our country during a peaceful time. What happened on Sept. 11 in New York, Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C., was evidence it could happen anywhere. It comes as a big surprise when you are off guard and you are not aware that while you are at peace with others they may not be a peace with you."

This year's Patriot Day Ceremony will begin at 9 a.m. in Bob Jones Auditorium. Today's AMCOM and Redstone Arsenal commander Maj. Gen. Jim Myles will be the guest speaker.

The event, which is the only one

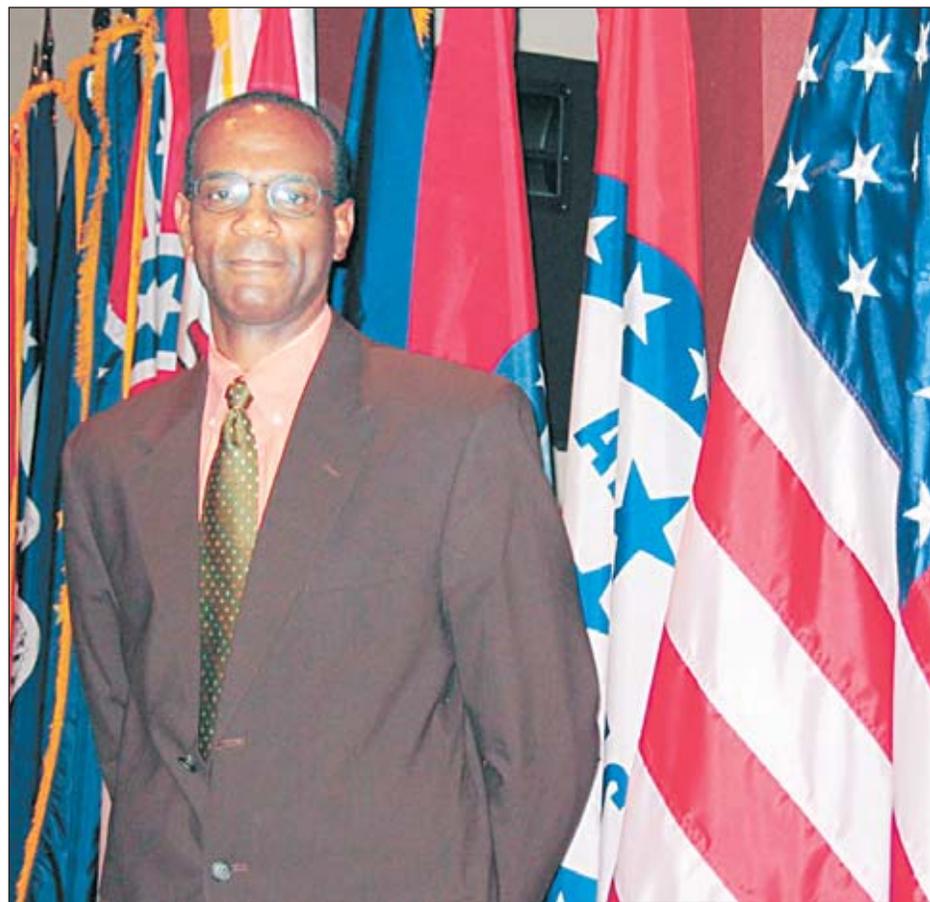


Photo by Kari Hawkins

REMEMBERING ON PATRIOT DAY— Sam Wright, chairman of the Patriot Day Ceremony for Team Redstone, stands among the flags in Bob Jones Auditorium. The U.S. flag and those who died for it on Sept. 11, 2001, take center stage during the Patriot Day Ceremony. This year's event, held on the anniversary of 9/11, will begin at 9 a.m. in Bob Jones Auditorium and will include comments from AMCOM and Redstone Arsenal commander Maj. Gen. Jim Myles.

planned for the Huntsville area, will include a tolling of the bell, a presentation of the wreath, lighting of the candle, scroll of honor and a bugle performance of "Taps." The Rocketeers will sing patriotic music and there will be a video presentation of Redstone Arsenal support of deployed troops.

Wright has been assisted in planning the event by committee members Sgt. 1st Class Paul Grosch, Patricia Kurth, Barbie Baugh, Lira Frye and Dan O'Boyle.

"We're all very busy," Wright said,

referring to his job with Jacobs Technologies in support of the AMCOM Information Assurance Office.

"But, it's important to us to take the time out to recognize what happened on 9/11 and what has happened in our country because of that day. It's also important to show our support of our Soldiers through this event. The words 'I will always remember ...' are words that we should all say and make a commitment to so that we never forget what happened on 9/11."

Program can help garrisons lower energy costs

Installation Management Command provides engineering analysis

By DEBRA VALINE
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Just like civilians can call their local power company for an energy use assessment, Army garrisons can call on the energy experts of the Installation Management Command's Energy Engineering Analysis Program.

"HQ IMCOM implemented EEAP to assist garrisons in achieving energy reduction goals mandated in EPACT 2005 and Executive Order 13423," said Paul Volkman, IMCOM's Energy and Utilities Program manager.

The EEAP team includes the Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville, the Construction Engineering Research Lab, the Department of Energy's Pacific Northwest National Lab, contractors and the garrison staff.

"The team performs building surveys to observe operations and identify energy savings opportunities," Volkman said. "Region and garrison support and participation is essential for a successful assessment and follow-up action. The team works with the garrison to identify energy saving opportunities and funding strategies; then provides garrison DPWs with technical assistance in developing projects."

Goals of assessments

The objectives of the energy assessments are to identify potential energy and water saving opportunities, promote energy awareness, and assist the garrisons in reducing their energy costs; while maintaining the quality of life for Army personnel.

Recent energy assessments at Fort Polk, La., and Rock Island Arsenal, Ill., could mean big savings in energy cost and consumption, if the garrisons decide to implement the suggestions.

At Fort Polk, the study identified 247 energy conservation measures that were presented in four packages: low-cost improvements (including building envelope insulation improvements); lighting improvements; heating, ventilation and air conditioning improvements; and central energy plant improvements.

According to study results, these packages have simple paybacks between .8 and 4.2 years, without consideration of avoided costs. If these ideas are implemented, they can save Fort Polk about \$3.6 million per year in energy cost and an additional \$547,000 in maintenance costs, while reducing annual energy consumption by as much as 26.2 percent. These projects have an estimated total capital cost of \$13.6 million with a simple payback of 3.3 years.

At Rock Island Arsenal, the study identified 259 different energy conservation measures that were presented in eight packages that include building envelope insulation improvements, lighting, mechanical, steam distribution and central energy plant measures. The measures have a different impact on the size of the new power plant and differ in implementation costs and payback periods. Four of the packages have simple paybacks between 4.7 and 6.1 years, without consideration of the central energy plant costs. When the avoided cost of the larger-capacity replacement central energy plant is considered, the simple payback of eight packages is between 0 and 6.1 years. If the packages are implemented, savings could reach \$21.8 million and reduce the arsenal's annual energy use by up to 26 percent.

Heating, cooling and lighting

According to Mark Allen, an electrical engineer functioning as the EEAP technical manager for the Huntsville Center, the primary energy uses on an installation are heating, cooling and lighting.

Allen said the way EEAP improves savings is by developing strategies that decrease energy transfers to/from conditioned (building) spaces, and optimize the delivery and use of energy during the times the buildings are in use.

"There are more energy efficient lighting fixtures than those the Army currently uses in many cases, and improvements can be made in heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC), and renewable resources,"

Energy engineering efforts detailed

Energy Engineering Analysis Program efforts include the following:

- Energy consumption assessments for selected facilities and installations;
- Evaluation, identification and recommendations of implementation options for energy conservation projects;
- Overseeing implementation of selected options;
- Assistance in sustaining local energy programs;
- Providing energy-related training; and
- Water conservation and waste water treatment.

Allen said. Examples include lighting piped into buildings, solar generation of electricity for small uses, solar water heating, and geothermal (ground) heating and cooling.

Ground temperature averages 55 degrees year round. When ambient atmospheric temperature is higher than 55, we can use pipes in the ground to transfer heat from buildings to the ground, Allen explained. When the temperature is below 55 degrees, the ground is a better heat source so we transfer the heat from the ground back into the building.

"We can optimize size of windows in the building and use double pane windows, improve on doors and improve gaskets around windows and doors, and put in better insulation," Allen said. "Additionally we need to be installing roof systems that have higher reflectivity because higher reflectivity means less heat transferred to the interior of the building. It has to do with the coating material more than it does the color."

Three steps in process

The goal of the Installation Management Command is that Huntsville Center be a resource for garrisons to implement energy conservation opportunities, Allen said.

There are basically three steps in the process:

- Identify the process;
- Write the scope of work;
- Find funding. (Funding is the hardest part.)

"If a lot of these measures are implemented, there will be real cost savings in consumption and that would provide funds for paying back the capital investment in doing these things," Allen said. "There is a pay back period associated with each project (typically less than 10 years). After that, the measures continue to produce savings that result in a reduction in the costs for energy and water."

Once measures are identified, and funds are available through garrisons or IMCOM, we can go directly to contractors under our Facilities and Medical Repair and Renewal or Utility Monitoring and Controls programs to get these things implemented, Allen said.

"If the garrisons don't have the money in their budgets, they can apply for funds through the Energy Conservation Improvement Program through the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management," Allen said. "Alternatively, we can use the Energy Savings Performance Contract where we get a third party to fund the projects. We pay more for doing it that way and it is not as cost effective, but it is a way to get the work done where garrisons don't have capital to invest in energy conservation measures."

Real hero shares experience through America's Army



Photo by Kari Hawkins

GAME SPOKESMAN— Iraqi war veteran Sgt. Tommy Rieman, who received a Silver Star and Purple Heart for his service, is now a subject matter expert and spokesman for the America's Army family of game systems for personal computers, video consoles and virtual reality experiences, which are developed at Software Engineering Directorate.

Popular gaming system promotes service values

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Sgt. Tommy Rieman is eager to tell his story. And, it's some story to tell. "The Army has given me so many opportunities," the 27-year-old Rieman said. "I've gotten to do things in the Army that I never thought I would do."

As a young boy, Rieman played with G.I. Joes and played military video games. He learned about the Army from three uncles, one who served in the Special Forces and the other two who served as recruiters.

Rieman grew up to be a star high school football player, but he left behind options to play the game in college to join the Army. He excelled at the challenges presented by the Army. He went on to become an infantryman and "light fighter," and graduate from Airborne School and became a member of the 82nd Airborne Division.

He served in Operation Noble Freedom in Kosovo. He then went to Germany to join Echo Company, 51st Long Range Surveillance. That assignment led him to service in Iraq during the first days and months of Operation Iraqi Freedom, where he earned a Silver Star, Purple Heart and the admiration of President Bush.

Today, Rieman is a symbol of the American Soldier, one of four Soldiers chosen to participate in the development and promotion of the popular line of video and computer games, a virtual experience program and military trainers known as America's Army. He is a frequent visitor to the Software Engineering Directorate, which has led the development of America's Army.

"I'm here to help support this program, and put a face on America's Army and interact with today's gaming generation," said Rieman, a subject matter expert on the America's Army games.

"The Real Heroes program puts a face on some of the deployed Soldiers who are facing the enemy in combat. This program focuses on the heroes of today's war. The program is all about rendering what I have done and what other Soldiers have done so it inspires other people. America's Army highlights Army technology, values, communications and training. It's very educational."

It is also an exceptional recruiting tool for the Army. Since 2002, the America's Army PC game, which is free to download at www.americasarmy.com, has attracted 8.6 million regular users and is one of the top 10 online video games. Each day, about 2 million missions are played on the online game, providing players with the most authentic military experience

available, from Soldier training to deployments on simulated missions in the Global War on Terrorism.

In 2005, the first America's Army XBOX game — Rise of a Soldier — was released, reaching the top 20 in total XBOX games distributed during that year's holiday season. This October, the XBOX 360 America's Army game — True Soldiers — will be released.

In addition, America's Army provides a variety of combat trainers for today's Soldiers, and a Virtual Army Experience, a 10,000-square-foot portable system that immerses players in combat environments. The VAE is demonstrated by the Army at air shows, NASCAR events and other major events to introduce people to the Army experience.

As part of the America's Army product line, Rieman is featured in its Real Heroes program. Profiles of Rieman and three other Soldiers — Sgt. 1st Class Gerald Wolford, Staff Sgt. Matthew Zedwick and Maj. Jason Amerine — are featured online and in the new XBOX 360 game. In addition, a line of action figures featuring the four Soldiers will be released this month and an America's Army arcade game will be distributed this fall.

Rieman thinks the video and PC games are a great way to share the values and experiences of the Army with young people who may eventually join the military.

"The XBOX 360 game is all about stepping up and trying to be a leader," Rieman said. "It is based on Army values. If you act honorably you gain points. It's a good way to show the public how the Army really is."

Rieman's heroism in combat drew attention before his involvement with America's Army. In President Bush's 2007 State of the Union address, Rieman, who was seated in the gallery next to Laura Bush and Lynne Cheney, was recognized with the following remarks:

"Tommy Rieman was a teenager pumping gas in Independence, Ky., when he enlisted in the United States Army. In December 2003, he was on a reconnaissance mission in Iraq when his team came under heavy enemy fire. From his Humvee, Sergeant Rieman returned fire. He used his body as a shield to protect his gunner. He was shot in the chest and arm and received shrapnel wounds to his legs, yet he refused medical attention and stayed in the fight. He helped to repel a second attack, firing grenades at the enemy's position. For his exceptional courage, Sergeant Rieman was awarded the Silver Star. And like so many other Americans who have volunteered to defend us, he has earned the respect and the gratitude of our entire country."

His evening at the White House and in the gallery was a surprise for Rieman, who learned he was invited to the event only 24 hours earlier.

"When we got there (in the gallery of the House chamber), I looked for my name in the two back rows," Rieman said.



U.S. Army photo

SIMULATED MISSION— This photo shows a scene from the video game "America's Army." A new version of the game includes the digital likeness of eight actual Soldiers who have served in Iraq and Afghanistan. Players can go through a simulated boot camp or team up with other real players to engage in online 3D multiplayer battles.

"I couldn't find my seat. So, I asked a Secret Service guy to help me. He told me 'Look down in front' and he pointed to the front row and said 'Dude, that's you.' ... I sat there thinking 'This is the most powerful place in the world. How'd I get here? What am I doing?' I was so proud and so excited. When President Bush told my story, everyone stood up for me. I was the only one mentioned that night who got a standing ovation. It was probably one of the greatest moments I've ever had."

The applause Rieman received that night was well earned. In early 2003, Rieman was in a very different place — behind enemy lines in Iraq with six other Soldiers from Echo Company, 51st Long Range Surveillance. They were charged with scouting the way for ground operations to liberate Iraq.

"We went into Iraq three days before the war started," Rieman said. "We each carried 150 pounds and were inserted into Iraq by a Chinook helicopter. We were 412 kilometers behind Army lines. That was pretty intense for me."

The Soldiers established a surveillance position to provide combat intelligence used by Army commanders in the advance to Baghdad. When the LRS unit identified hostile forces moving in the direction of U.S. Army units advancing from Kuwait, it called down U.S. air strikes.

Once Army units arrived in Iraq, Rieman and his fellow Soldiers provided U.S. forces early warning and intelligence on enemy forces rushing south to counter the U.S. advance. Though

enemy troops moved throughout their zone of operation and within meters of their positions, members of Echo, 51st LRS remained concealed — providing a steady stream of vital intelligence. For his efforts, Rieman received the Army Commendation Medal for valor.

But, it was later in his deployment that Rieman earned his Silver Star and Purple Heart. After the Saddam Hussein regime fell, cells of regime loyalists continued to be an ongoing threat to democracy. Following liberation, Rieman and fellow surveillance experts operated throughout Baghdad, keeping an eye on suspected Saddam loyalists and their activities.

"We would man observation posts and participate in active surveillance," Rieman said. "We bounced around from base camp to base camp. We were involved in patrol after patrol. Whenever surveillance was needed we'd get a call. I lived out of a suitcase. The good thing was I got to see almost all of Iraq. It was actually rewarding."

On Dec. 3, 2003, Rieman and eight Soldiers in three vehicles were on a surveillance mission south of Baghdad when they were hit by three rocket propelled grenades and three roadside bombs.

Fragments from one exploding IED struck Rieman and another Soldier. After the blast, Rieman positioned himself in the Humvee to shield the Soldier operating the .50-caliber machine gun in the roof turret ring.

"I knew if we were going to get out of there we had to protect our gunner," Rieman said. "I threw my body in front of him to ensure that we got out of the kill zone."

As they returned fire, Rieman sustained a severe bullet wound to the chest and arm. Rieman continued to fend off the enemy attack until his unit was safely out of the enemy kill zone. A mile away and off the main road, the convoy stopped at a casualty collection point for the wounded.

The Soldiers set up a defense perimeter so that Army helicopters could evacuate the wounded. Rieman, positioned between enemy forces and his fellow Soldiers, again came under heavy enemy fire. He returned a high volume of small arms and 40mm grenade launcher fire while directing supporting machine gun fire, eventually silencing the enemy weapons. Despite his injuries, Rieman coordinated support from his higher headquarters and assisted in moving injured Soldiers to safety until an extraction force arrived, secured the area and his team leader ordered him to "stand down."

"I knew something had happened to me back there," Rieman said. "But, I didn't really know. The adrenaline was flowing and I didn't know how messed up I was."

Rieman and his fellow Soldiers all made it out of the kill zone. Rieman took a Medevac helicopter to a hospital in Baghdad, and then went on to Landstuhl and back to the states for treatment.

"When the attack happened, I was 10 days away from leaving Iraq," Rieman said. "I had orders to go to Special Forces."

Now assigned to the Pentagon, Rieman was at work one day when he happened upon a demonstration of an America's Army virtual experience.

"I wandered in and what they were demonstrating intrigued me. I thought 'This is cool,'" he said. "They saw me and said 'We've been looking for you.'"

That same day, Rieman did an interview about America's Army with Barbara Starr of CNN. He has been an America's Army spokesman ever since.

He's also a subject matter expert and, as such, Rieman offers critiques and advice on Soldier actions related to weapon firing, explosions and combat situations.

"You want the Soldier movements, the hand signals and all other aspects of the game to be as realistic as possible," he said.

Rieman, who will soon be transferring full time to the Virginia Army National Guard, and the other three featured Soldiers are assigned periodically to travel with the virtual Army experience.

"You get great feedback on those trips," he said. "You get to tell your personal story, and see people get inspired and excited about the Army."

"When I talk to people, I want them to know what the Army has done for me. When I joined, I didn't have much going for me. I didn't have the best test scores. I wasn't the best person. The Army has been a vehicle to my success and I'm very proud of that."

Win
or lose

Postseason volleyball serves up championship

Headquarters & Alpha meets Marines in final

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Headquarters & Alpha and the Marines will play for the volleyball championship tonight at 6 at Pagano Gym.

This isn't a surprise because they were the top two seeds entering the postseason tournament last week. Headquarters & Alpha, seeded No. 1, and the Marines had earned a bye in the first round.

Headquarters & Alpha advanced from the winners bracket by beating the Marines 25-20, 25-20 on Aug. 29.

"We got it done through hard work and team effort," Gators player/coach Felix Knight said. "We came out relaxed. We knew we were

going to be faced with a good challenge because they beat us last time we played (on Aug. 14 during the season).

"We had a few good practices. All our people were in the right places. And we just made it happen."

The Gators (10-2) were led by spikers Joseph Sherman and Miguel Cotto-Baez and setter/spiker Edgar Ayala.

"For the most part since we've been playing, the Marines have probably been the best challenge we've had so far," Knight said.

The Marines reached tonight's final from the losers bracket by beating HHC 59th, the defending champion, 25-22, 25-12 Thursday night.

"We just played calmly," Marines player/coach Trong Nguyen said. "The first loss we took (against Headquarters & Alpha), which we're going to face again in the finals, was because

we were a little overzealous."

Key players for the Marines (9-4) include Dustin Kershaw, Chris McNally, Andrew Bainbridge, Jeff Smeriglio, Thomas Stone and Abbott Smith. McNally will miss tonight's game for personal reasons.

Here are the postseason tournament results from last week:

• **Aug. 27** – HHC 59th def. Charlie 25-17, 25-12. NCO Academy def. Bravo 18-25, 25-6, 15-12.

• **Aug. 28** – Marines def. NCO Academy 25-21, 25-7. Headquarters & Alpha def. HHC 59th 25-18, 20-25, 15-4.

• **Aug. 29** – Headquarters & Alpha def. Marines 25-20, 25-20. NCO Academy def. Charlie 25-17, 25-7. HHC 59th def. Bravo 21-25, 25-23, 15-11.

• **Aug. 30** – HHC 59th def. NCO Academy 25-22, 16-25, 15-11. Marines def. HHC 59th 25-22, 25-12.

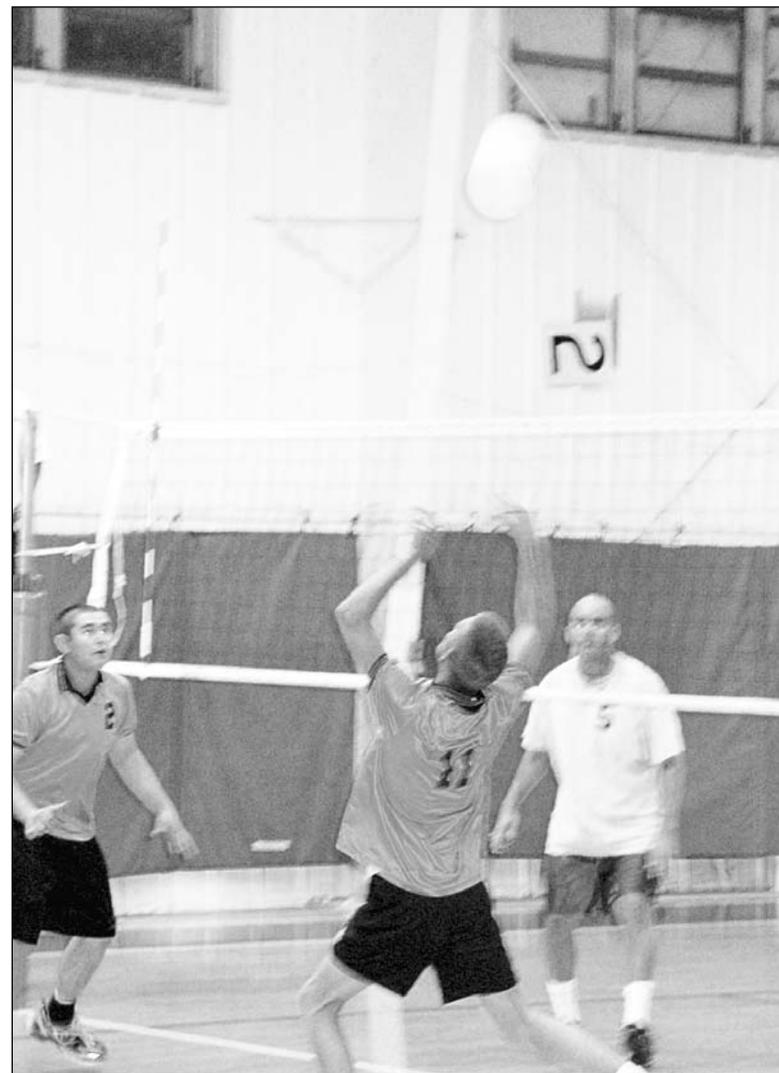


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GATOR BAIT— Headquarters & Alpha's Timothy Drabick (11) makes a set assist for the Gators against HHC 59th on Aug. 28.

Tide should sink Vanderbilt Commodores

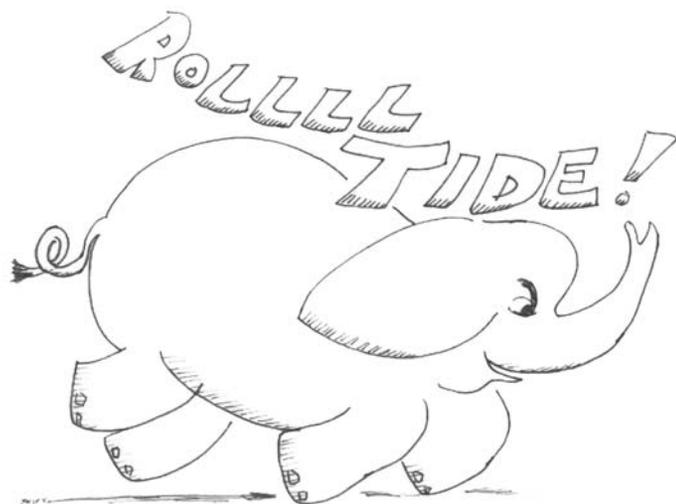
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Here are Skip's Picks for selected games this week in college football:

- Alabama at Vanderbilt – **Alabama**
- Clark Atlanta at Alabama A&M – **A&M**
- South Florida at Auburn – **Auburn**
- Southern Mississippi at Tennessee – **Tenn.**
- South Carolina at Georgia – **S.C.**
- Kent State at Kentucky – **Ky.**
- Troy at Florida – **Florida**
- Virginia Tech at LSU – **LSU**
- Mississippi State at Tulane – **Miss. State**
- Middle Tennessee at Louisville – **Louisville**
- Navy at Rutgers – **Rutgers**
- West Virginia at Marshall – **W.Va.**

- Duke at Virginia – **Virginia**
- Miami (Fla.) at Oklahoma – **Okla.**
- Nebraska at Wake Forest – **Wake Forest**
- Rhode Island at Army – **Army**
- California at Colorado State – **Calif.**
- North Carolina State at Boston College – **BC**
- Boise State at Washington – **Boise**
- Fresno State at Texas A&M – **Texas A&M**
- Oregon at Michigan – **Mich.**
- Air Force at Utah – **Utah**
- Missouri at Mississippi – **Missouri**
- North Carolina at East Carolina – **UNC**
- Notre Dame at Penn State – **Penn State**
- Brigham Young at UCLA – **UCLA**
- Rice at Baylor – **Baylor**
- TCU at Texas – **Texas**
- Texas-El Paso at Texas Tech – **Tech**
- Syracuse at Iowa – **Iowa**
- Colorado at Arizona State – **ASU**



Launch system dropping in with success

NLOS-LS completes first air drop testing

The Non-Line-of-Sight Launch System consists of 15 precision attack missiles that are vertically launched from a platform independent Container Launch Unit.

The purpose of the NLOS-LS is to provide the Brigade Combat Team a networked, extended-range targeting and precision attack capability against armored, lightly armored, and other stationary and moving targets during day, night and degraded weather conditions.

The Container Launcher Unit was certified in 2006 by the Soldier Systems Center for sling load operations on all Army single hook helicopters and center hook air lifts for all multiple hook helicopters.

In order to increase the operational flexibility of NLOS-LS, the project office is working to obtain formal certification for

Low Velocity Air Drops. Initial air drop testing requires a successful 12.7-foot static air drop test to register impact velocities and three successful extractions from an aircraft. Finally the CLU must demonstrate full functionality after landing. Successful completion of this test will award the NLOS-LS an Aircraft Exit Certification. In conjunction with the air drop testing, the full rigging procedures for the CLU have been developed and documented.

NLOS-LS has successfully completed the static air drop test and completed the first air drop from a C-130 in May. The remaining air drops will take place in November and December. The project office is working with the Airborne and Special Operations Test Directorate at Fort Bragg, N.C., to ensure all test and certification requirements are achieved.

Follow-on air drop certification testing will culminate in air



Courtesy photo

AIRBORNE— The Non-Line-of-Sight Launch System completes a key test toward air drop certification.

drops and missile firings immediately following landing resulting in operational air drop certi-

fication.

The NLOS-LS CLU will be showcased at the Joint Fires and

Effects Exercise in 2008, a major Future Combat Systems demonstration.

Air Force anniversary celebrated with flyover

Intelligence center sets event Sept. 18

At 60 years old, the Air Force is younger than some members of the Redstone community.

The Missile and Space Intelligence Center will celebrate the Air Force's 60th anniversary with a ceremony Sept. 18 at 10:30 a.m. MSIC, part of the Defense Intelligence Agency, has about 10 Air Force officer and enlisted members. And a number of its civilian workers served in the Air Force.

Weather permitting, the celebration will be held outdoors around the flagpole at building 4545 on Fowler

Road. If there's inclement weather, it will be held inside the glass-covered atrium.

A flyover is planned by the 14th Flight Training Wing, Columbus Air Force Base, Miss. The rest of the 30-minute program includes recognition of heroes, particularly from Alabama; a cake cutting by the most senior and junior person; and recognition of the center's civilians who served in the Air Force.

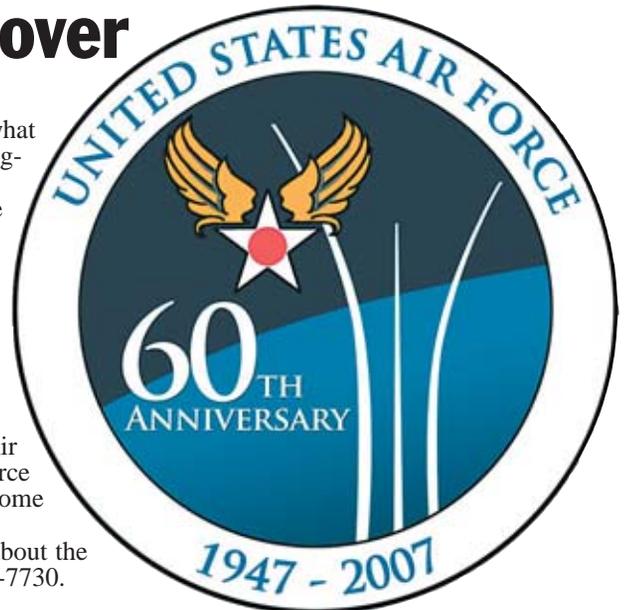
"We're definitely the junior service (age-wise), but we've come a long way in 60 years," Air Force Lt. Col. Sam Domino, deputy chief of the analytical systems office at MSIC, said, "from canvas-covered planes to Space Shuttle kinds of

things. So, while young, what we bring to the fight is significant."

The celebration theme is, "Heritage to Horizons: Commemorating 60 Years of Air and Space Power." Air Force Maj. Scott Bellamy is the event organizer. MSIC's deputy director is Air Force Col. Gordon Lee.

"Any current active Air Force or previous Air Force members are welcome to come over," Domino said.

For more information about the event, call Bellamy at 313-7730.



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Sports & Recreation

Pineapple open

The 13th annual Pineapple Open charity golf tournament, sponsored by the Officer and Civilian Women's Club, will be held Friday at the Links at Redstone. This will be a four-person scramble (no handicap) with a shotgun start at 8 a.m. Entry fees include lunch, green fees and a cart. Proceeds go to the OCWC Welfare Fund which provides financial support to local organizations. "Last year, the OCWC Welfare Fund gave just over \$30,000 in scholarships and donations back to the community – over \$7,000 of which was from our 2006 golf tournament proceeds," a prepared release said. "Your support of the Pineapple Open is vital to ensuring the OCWC can continue to assist those in need in our local area." For more information, call 497-5662 or e-mail ocwc-pineappleopen@yahoo.com.

Punt, pass and kick

The Huntsville/Madison County Chapter of Alabama A&M University Alumni Association will host the NFL Pepsi Punt, Pass and Kick competition, sponsored by the Tennessee Titans, on Saturday at noon at Louis Crews Stadium on the A&M campus. This is open to all male and female youth ages 8-15 in the Tennessee

Valley. Birth certificate is required to verify age. Registration is free starting at 11 a.m. with the competition beginning at noon, on the visitors' side of the stadium. Parents or guardians signature is required on the Entry and Release of Liability Form. Only sneakers are allowed to be worn by participants – no cleats allowed. For more information, call C. Lamar Sterns 722-8093 or 679-8961 and Tourischeva Stubbs 372-4059.

School House 5K

The School House Run 5K and 1-mile fun run is Sept. 22 at the old Councill High School, 620 St. Clair (by the Huntsville Public Library). The 5K begins at 8 a.m. and the fun run at 9. Registration for the 5K is \$15 in advance or \$20 on race day starting at 7 a.m. Proceeds are to go toward renovating the Councill building and to support Christmas Charities Year Round. For more information, call 837-2373.

Women's football tryouts

The Alabama Renegades will hold tryouts for the 2008 season in several locations across the Valley. The Renegades team is a member of the National Women's Football Association, a full-tackle league started in 2001. In 2007, the NWFA consisted of 32 teams from all across the country. No previous football experience is required. In order to participate in tryouts,

all who must be 18 years old, have proof of insurance, and pay a one-time tryout fee of \$35. It is recommended to wear cleats, shorts and a light colored top. Don't forget your water. Participants will be assessed in the following areas: 40 yard dash, blocking, receiving and agility. Registration will be at 7:30 a.m. in order to have tryouts start on time. You do not need to know anything about football; they will teach you. Tryouts will be held from 8-10 a.m. on the following dates and locations: this Saturday at Crestwood Park in Birmingham, Sept. 15 at Richard Showers Community Center in Huntsville, Sept. 16 in Florence (site to be determined) and Sept. 23 at Ninth Grade Academy in Fayetteville, Tenn. For more information, call 830-4537 or visit the web site www.alabamarenegades.net.

Benefit tournament

The Executive Women's Golf Association and Redstone Arsenal Ladies Golf Association are taking part in the "Rally for the Cure" presented by Golf for Women magazine, a breast cancer awareness campaign. The "Rally for the Cure" tournament will be held Sept. 22 at the Links at Redstone with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. Check-in will begin at noon. The four-person scramble costs \$60 per player and \$240 per team. For more information and registration forms, call Christina Semmens 603-0225 or Kay Theodoss 684-5161.

Garrison golf

Join the Links for the All Garrison 4-man Scramble Golf tournament Sept. 29. Cost is \$30 per person. For more information, call 883-7977.

Football fans

For the entire college and NFL football seasons, you can catch your favorite game at Brooklyns Sports Bar. Brooklyns will be televising all your favorite college games every Saturday and NFL games every Sunday. Brooklyns is located inside the Redstone Lanes bowling center. Call 876-6634 for more information.

Hunter orientation

Join Outdoor Recreation Sept. 18, Oct. 2, 16, Nov. 6 and 20 at 4:30 p.m. at the Diane Campbell Recreation Center for its annual Redstone Arsenal Hunter Safety Orientation. This class is mandatory for

all who want to hunt on Redstone Arsenal. For information call 876-4868.

Youth bowling

Join Redstone Lanes on Saturday for its Youth Appreciation Celebration from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. There will be free bowling for children 5-18 (limit two games per child) and free hot dogs and soft drinks. Call 876-6634.

Lions club tournament

Huntsville Pacesetters' Lions Club will hold the "Flight fore Sight" golf tournament Sept. 15 at Colonial Golf Course, 400 Colonial Drive in Meridianville. Check in is at 7 a.m. and the shotgun start at 7:30. Player entry fee is \$55. For more information, call tournament chairman Mike Crane home 881-7554 or work 881-1346, Regis Percey 883-3132 or Bill Harrell 881-2248.

Golf fund-raiser

The family readiness group for 1/167th Infantry, Cullman, is holding a four-man scramble golf tournament at 1 p.m. Oct. 27 at the Cullman Golf Course. Cost for this fund-raiser is \$60 for individuals and \$240 for foursomes. For more information call Ronda Rusk, family readiness group chairman, 737-0836



Conferences & Meetings

Bible studies

The Protestant Women of the Chapel invites you to study God's word each Thursday at 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. at Bicentennial Chapel. Free child watch is available. For more information, call Erica Hobbs 325-3152 or Sharon Olshefski 489-0404.

Industry briefing

The 2007 Advance Planning Briefing for Industry will be held Sept. 20 at Bob Jones Auditorium. This briefing is a continuing effort to keep industry informed of AMCOM's long-range technology development objectives and contractual opportunities. These briefings will be of interest to representatives from industry, academia and research. The theme of this year's conference is "Concept to Combat – A

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Partnership with Progress.” This event is restricted to U.S. citizens with no foreign nationals or foreign owned company representatives allowed due to security restraints. You may register online at <https://www.apbi.redstone.army.mil>. For additional information, call the APBI help desk 842-9967 or e-mail redstone-apbi@conus.army.mil.

Parliamentarians

The American Institute of Parliamentarians meets on the second Monday of each month, beginning Sept. 10, from 6-8 p.m. at the Eleanor E. Murphy Branch Library in Huntsville. For information call Arthur Henderson 541-4395.

Resource managers

The American Society of Military Comptrollers, Redstone/Huntsville Chapter’s monthly luncheon meeting is Sept. 13 at 11:30 a.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church, Personal Growth Center, on Airport Road. This month’s speaker is Michelle McDaniel of the Better Business Bureau. For ticket information, call Marlene Clemons 313-2378 or Lisa Lowry 876-7086. Ticket cost is \$11 for members and \$12 for non-members.

Aeronautics and astronautics

American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers will have a joint September luncheon meeting Sept. 12 at the NASA Education Training Facility (new building near the Marriott), U.S. Space & Rocket Center. Social begins at

11 a.m. and lunch at 11:30. Scheduled speaker is Robert Lightfoot, deputy director of Marshall Space Flight Center. Cost is \$10. RSVP today with Allison Cash 964-1440 or allison.cash@itt.com.

Engineering society

IEEE Huntsville Section, Engineering Management Society, will meet Thursday from 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. at UAH Engineering Building, conference room 258. Jerald Kerby of Marshall Space Flight Center is to speak on Earned Value Management. For reservations call Sonya Hutchinson 544-3312.

Fleet Reserve

Fleet Reserve Association Branch 278 will hold its monthly meeting Sept. 22 at noon at Greenbrier Barbecue on I-565, Exit 3. For information call Bill Marriott 974-3763 or Jim Sutton 650-5748.

Historical group

Huntsville Historical will hear Dr. Leah Adkins speak about the Alabama Power Company and its first 100 years in this community. The public is invited Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Huntsville Public Library.

Space society

HAL5 (National Space Society) presents a free public lecture Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Huntsville-Madison County Main Public Library, 915 Monroe St. Marshall Space Flight Center historian Mike Wright is to speak on “Historical Trends in Technology.” A social will follow. For more information, call Ronnie 509-3833.

Computer users

The Huntsville PC User Group’s Windows/Internet Special Interest Group will meet at 9:15 a.m. Saturday at the Huntsville-Madison County Senior Center, 2200 Drake Ave. The special interest group leader will be Kevin Wangbickler. At 10:45, Andy Karabinos will give a presentation on Internet research. Visitors are welcome. For more information, call 830-2232.

Civil War round table

The Tennessee Valley Civil War Round Table will meet Sept. 13 at 6:30 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 725 Franklin St. Visitors are welcome. Brian Hogan will speak on “The Grand Army of the Republic, a fraternal organization founded in 1866 for the Union veterans of the Civil War. Chicken dinner buffet is available at 5:30 p.m. for \$6.95. Call 858-6191 for more information.

Admin professionals

The Redstone Arsenal Chapter, International Association of Administrative Professionals monthly meeting is Sept. 18 from 11 a.m. to noon at the Officers and Civilians Club. Arthur Henderson will speak on “Robert’s Rules of Order.” For more information call president Amanda Medley 313-4970 or membership chairman Elise McWilliams 876-4515.

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Federal employees

The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association will meet Saturday at the Senior Center on Drake Avenue. Madison County Circuit Court Judge Laura Jo Hamilton is scheduled speaker. Refreshments begin at 9:30 a.m. and the program at 10. For more information, call 881-4944 or 882-2406.

Special Forces group

The Northern Alabama Chapter of the Special Forces Association will hold its quarterly meeting Saturday at 11:30 a.m. at the Outlaw Steakhouse in Guntersville. Past and present members of Special Forces, both Army and Army National Guard, are eligible to join and are welcome at the meeting. For more information, call Les Fuller 922-3579.

Geospatial conference

Directions Media, organizer of the inaugural Rocket City Geospatial Conference, Oct. 15-17 at the Huntsville Marriott, has announced the final program for the event. More than 50 presentations will be offered representing a diverse mix of topics that address government and private industry applications of geospatial technology. Featured keynote speakers include the director of the Alabama Department of Homeland Security, James Walker,

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and the director of the Earth System Science Center at the National Space Science and Technology Center at the University of Alabama-Huntsville, Dr. John Christy. For more information, e-mail Joe Francica at joe.francica@DirectionsMag.com.

Terrain summit

Terrain Summit '07 is Sept. 24-25 in Huntsville. For information visit www.terrainsummit.org.

Weapon system forum

The fifth AIAA Biennial National Forum on Weapon System Effectiveness is Oct. 16-18 at Samples Auditorium in Huntsville. This event, hosted by Miltec, a Ducommun Company, will address the themes of major weapons, test and evaluation, performance analysis, and future systems. Registration is now open. For more information or to register, visit the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics web site www.aiaa.org/events/wse.



Miscellaneous

Reserve unit openings

A local Army Reserve detachment doing weekend drills on Redstone Arsenal has openings for computer specialists. The unit seeks prior active duty Soldiers or

transfers from other Reserve/National Guard units with a specialty of 25B information systems operators and 42A human resources specialists. For 25B, the unit will consider reclassification action to 25B if you can document with resume your Civilian Acquired Skills to include your education/experience in the following computer skills: data base management, programming, networking and telecommunications. Minimum of a secret clearance is required. And you must possess the personal qualifications to pass a SBI background investigation process to obtain a top secret clearance soon. Specialties 74C and 74F have merged into the 25B career group and convert to 25B as well. To schedule an interview, call Master Sgt. Harold Cook 319-8456 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 inter-

ested in applying should notify their supervisor and call Eddie Allen 876-4106 or Carl Washington 876-2082. Contractors and other interested people can access www.cpol.army.mil for openings and opportunities for overseas employment.

Surplus sales

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

Thrift shop

The Thrift Shop, building 3209 on Hercules Road, is open for shopping 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays and 9-5 Thursdays. Walk-in consignment hours are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9-12:30. Volunteers are needed for Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. The shop will be open this Saturday from 10-2. Donations are accepted and tax slips are available. For more information, call 881-6992.

Computer classes

Self-paced computer classes are offered at Army Community Service to assist military spouses in learning or enhancing their computer skills. Classes are available in Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, Access, Publisher and Windows XP.

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Photo by Chris Gardner/Huntsville Center

Community harvest

Jenella Lymon, right, of Test Measurement and Diagnostic Equipment Activity, hands eggplants to Marie O'Boyle of the Security Assistance Management Directorate. They were among several Combined Federal Campaign loaned executives who picked vegetables at the Care Assurance System for the Aging and Homebound community garden Aug. 29. The harvest will be distributed to homebound elderly people in Madison County. This year's Combined Federal Campaign will be Oct. 8 through Dec. 7.

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.

Motorcycle safety

To permanently register a motorcycle on any DoD installation, the Defense Department requires all motorcyclists to complete a Motorcycle Safety Foundation training course. The one-day course is offered free to anyone authorized access to Redstone. For information call Keith Coates of Garrison Safety Office 876-3383. The instructor is Ralph Harris at 93hdstc@bellsouth.net.

Green to gold

The Alabama A&M Army ROTC program, which includes University of Alabama-Huntsville and Athens State University, is seeking proficient enlisted Soldiers interested in completing an undergraduate or graduate degree and commissioning as Army officers upon receiving the appropriate degree. If you are an enlisted Soldier who has served at

least two years on active duty, this is an opportunity for you to advance. Enroll in Army ROTC on campus by using opportunities provided through the Green to Gold Program. For more information or to schedule an interview, call Maj. Annette Woods 372-4023 or e-mail annette.woods@aamu.edu. You may also visit online at <http://www.aamu.edu/rotc>.

Lateral entry

Opportunities to excel under a competitive learning environment are available to qualified prior service individuals who wish to train and commission as second lieutenants in the Army. These opportunities are also available to you if you are an enlisted member of the National Guard or Reserve and wish to become an officer. The Lateral Entry Program will allow you to enroll — as a junior, senior or graduate student with four semesters of coursework remaining before graduation — as a cadet in the ROTC Program at Alabama A&M University. For more information or to schedule an interview, call Maj. Annette Woods 372-4023.

Catholic women

Military Council of Catholic Women (MCCW) will open its 2007-08 year with a welcome social Friday at 9:30 a.m. in the Bicentennial Chapel conference room. Optional holy hour is at 11 and Mass at noon. All Catholic women with military or civilian IDs are invited to attend and bring a friend. For information call Phyllis at the chapel office 842-2175 or Chris 701-6490.

Military collectibles

A “Military Show,” sponsored by the Alabama Military Collectors Association, will be held Friday and Saturday in the Jaycees Community Building, 2180 Airport Road. The show is open to the public from 1-7 p.m. Friday and from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Saturday. The general admission price is \$5 per person; and children under 12 are admitted free. Uniformed military, police and fire personnel are also admitted free. Two special guests will be on hand to talk with the public and to sign autographs. They are Lt. Col. Ed Yeilding, an Air Force pilot who flew the final flight of the secret spy plane SR-71 from Los Angeles to Washington, D.C. He set four world speed records on the last flight, including a coast-to-coast record of 67 minutes and 54 seconds. A photo can be purchased that he will autograph highlighting this historic flight. The second guest is Col. Harry E. Ford Jr., an original member of the famous Tuskegee Airmen, who distinguished themselves during World War II. Ford will talk about his experiences as a pilot and sign autographs. Yeilding and Ford will appear Saturday only, from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. The military collectibles at the show will include uniforms, medals, helmets, flags, edged weapons, firearms, badges, patches, field equipment, books, military autographs and more. There will be more than 100 dealer and display tables. For more

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information, visit www.almilitarycollectors.org or e-mail amcahq@knology.net.

Spouse employment

You may not always control where you live, but you can control your career. Manpower will accept resumes from military spouses for a variety of positions today from 10 a.m. until noon at Army Community Service, building 3338 on Redeye Road. These jobs include administrative assistants, executive assistants, human resources, accounting clerks, customer service representatives, and general office clerks. Manpower, a corporate partner with the Army Spouse Employment Program, understands the challenges military spouses face when searching for employment. “When you become a Manpower employee, transfers to another city are easy,” a prepared release said. “Manpower’s network of choices can help you out in just about every corner of the country. Plus, as a Manpower employee, you retain your earned hours. They offer temporary employment, permanent placement, training and benefits. They place associates in short term, long term, temp-to-hire, and permanent positions; the choice is yours. Let Manpower serve your employment needs while your spouse is serving our country.” For more information, call ACS’s Debra Jefferson 876-5397.

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Wellness day program

Greater Huntsville Chapter, 100 Black Men of America Inc., will hold its eighth annual Health and Wellness Day program Saturday at Alabama A&M University's Elmore Gym. The event is from noon until 4 p.m., before A&M's football game against Clark Atlanta. Its focus is on screening, education and prevention. There will be free food, entertainment, door prizes and gifts. For more information, call Earnest Starks 430-1987 or cell 658-4545.

Oktoberfest

Redstone Arsenal's 12th annual Oktoberfest is Sept. 13-16 at the Redstone Activity Field off Patton Road. For more information, call 876-4531.

Ride wanted

Worker, who resides at Renaissance Apartments on South Memorial Parkway, wants rides to and from the Sparkman Center. Hours are 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 881-3160.

Beauty pageant

The Alabama Hispanic Association will hold the inaugural Senorita Hispana Beauty Pageant Oct. 6 from 7-11 p.m. at the Von Braun Center. The pageant, to raise funds for scholarships, is open to everyone with an admission charge of \$8 a ticket. "Hispanic señoritas wanting to participate in the contest can get more information by calling 325-4242," a prepared release said. Contestant divisions range from ages 5 to 8, 9 to 12, 13 to 16, and 17 to 20.

Big Spring Jam tickets

The Civilian Welfare Fund Council is selling Big Spring Jam three-day passes for the corporate rate of \$45. Children 10 and under are free with a paid adult. Payment is by check or money order only, payable to BSJ. Absolute last day for CWFC advanced three-day pass sales is Sept. 26. Three-day passes will not be sold at the BSJ gates. The individual ticket price at the gate this year is \$25 per day. You can purchase your three-day passes from any of these CWFC members: building 5303, Charles Urban 955-7662; building 5400,

Bob Olson 876-4993; building 5220, Yancy Mitchell 955-5476; DAU, Don Clark 722-1035; building 5302, Jan Pickard 842-6625; building 5301, Jack Padley (Garrison rep) 876-1747; building 7804, Sue Urban 842-1276; building 5301, Bud Allen 876-5285; building 4545, Loretta Brooks 313-7406; building 5435, Dave Landrum 842-8534. For more information on the Big Spring Jam, go to www.bigspringjam.org.

Organizational day

All associated with security assistance/foreign military sales are invited to SAMD LCMC Organizational Day on Oct. 4 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Rustic Lodge. Activities will include bingo, a cake walk, horseshoes, volleyball, door prizes, sunrise golf and more. To schedule golf, call Steve Dirigo 842-1106. A barbecue beef or pork lunch will be catered by Rolo's. Lunch begins at noon and cost is \$14 a ticket. Please get your tickets by Sept. 28 from a Security Assistance Management Directorate contact or call Stephanie McWhorter 842-1078.

Poker run

A poker run, a benefit ride for Operation Smile, "changing lives one smile at a time," is scheduled Oct. 13 at 10 a.m. at Weatherly Road and Bailey Cove in southeast Huntsville. Everyone is invited – all bike clubs and non-club riders. This event is sponsored by Chips & Salsa Cantina, 10300 Bailey Cove (phone 880-1202). Entry fee is \$10 rider, \$5 passenger. The grand prize is \$240. Plaques will be awarded for largest club, traveled farthest, oldest rider, best poker hand and worst poker hand.

Exceptional family members

EP LiveOnline – a joint venture of Exceptional Parent Magazine and Vemics Inc. – announces a new series of interactive online seminars specifically for military medical personnel, civilian health care professionals, families and care givers. This free four-part series, titled "Behavioral Disorders Commonly Encountered in Children and Adults with Developmental



Photo by Skip Vaughn

Catching break

Will Fitch, left, and Rick Bishop play catch with a baseball at lunchtime Aug. 27 near the running track off Patton Road. Both are NASA contractors and former military.

Disabilities: ADD/ADHD and Autism,” begins Sept. 12 at 7 p.m. For more information call Natalie Taylor, Exceptional Family Member Program manager at Army Community Service, 876-5397. The web site for registration is located at <http://www.epliveonline.org/military-prglist.html>.

Aeronautical university

The Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Huntsville Campus is now registering for the winter term, Oct. 16 to Dec. 17. Classes offered include Aviation/Aerospace Industrial Safety Management; Global Logistics and Supply Chain Management; Aviation Safety; Marketing; and Management of Production and Operations. Instruction is available both in the classroom and through Internet courses. Deadline to register is Oct. 15. Call 876-9763, visit ERAU Huntsville in the Army Education Center, building 3222, or e-mail the center at huntsville.center@erau.edu.

Master's in management

The Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Huntsville Center is now offering a Master of Science in Management program on Redstone Arsenal. Students applying for admission to the Master of Science in Management may choose from specializations in Management of Integrated Logistics; Aviation/Aerospace

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Industrial Management; and a General Management Option, among others. Courses are offered in nine-week terms and are available online as well. For more information visit ERAU Huntsville in the Army Education Center, building 3222, or the web site at <http://www.erau.edu/huntsville>.

Retiree appreciation day

The Commissary will celebrate Retiree Appreciation Day on Nov. 2 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Open to all ID cardholders, this event will include games, giveaways, door prizes and sale items. You must be present to win.

Job opening

The Army Logistics Management College has a job opening for an educational technician, GS-1702-6, in Huntsville. Annual salary is \$32,446 to \$42,180. Today is the closing date for vacancy announcement SCAQ07203091. If interested call Joe East, director of ALMC's Huntsville campus and chairman of the department of systems acquisition, 864-1825.

Bridge construction

The Toftoy Thruway bridge over Martin Road is closed in order to replace the bridge deck. Construction is expected to take four to five months. Motorists can

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detour around the bridge by exiting onto Martin Road via the Toftoy Thruway ramps. Detour routes should be clearly marked. Martin Road will remain open during the project; however, an occasional detour may be necessary during certain construction procedures.

Blood drives

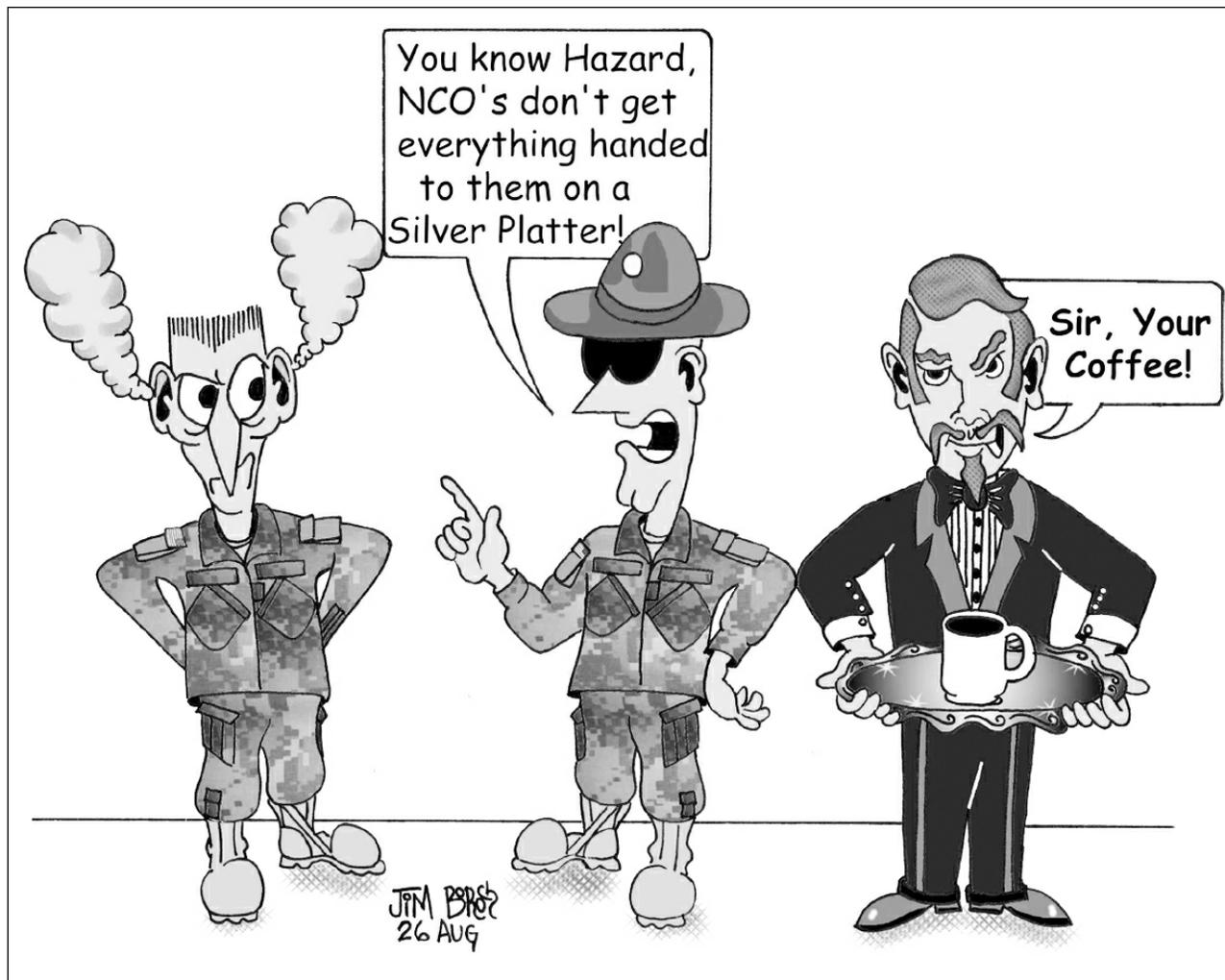
Red Cross blood drives this month include the following: Sept. 13 from 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at SMDC building 5220, and from 7-12:30 at building 4488. Sept. 14 from 7-noon at Corps of Engineers, 4820 University Square. Sept. 20 from 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at building 5308/5309. Sept. 21 from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at NASA building 4316. Sept. 28 from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Missile Defense Agency, 106 Wynn Drive, and from 9-2:30 at the Post Exchange.

Latin dance

Sabor Latino invites everyone to a Latin dance Saturday from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. at the American Legion, 2900 Drake Ave. There is a \$10 cover charge. For reservations call Yvonne 783-5756 or DJ Ed 651-9626.

Veterinary clinic

The Veterinary Clinic will be closed Sept. 10-12 in order to move to its new facility just west of its current location. "We hope to reopen in the new building on the 13th," a prepared release said. "We will not be able to make appointments or take any calls during our move days. We apologize for any inconvenience but we can assure all of our patrons that this move will provide better service to you and your pets."



ARMY POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS REDSTONE ARSENAL AND HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA AREA

ANNOUNCEMENTS	POSITION TITLE	CLOSING	ORGANIZATION	PAY PLAN	GRADE	POT	PAY RANGE	WHO CAN APPLY?															
		DATE	LOCATION	& SERIES	LEVEL	GRD	(FROM - TO)	A	B	C	D	E	F	H	I	R	T	V	U				
THE FOLLOWING ARMY ANNOUNCEMENTS CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEB AT WWW.CPOL.ARMY.MIL																							
SCBK07116244	Equipment Spec (General)	5-Sep-07	IMMC	GS-1670	12	12	63,958 - 83,148	X															
SCNAFBK0756	Recreation Aid	5-Sep-07	Rec Serv Div	NF-0189	2	2	7.61 - 13.97	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCNAFBK0757	Recreation Assistant	5-Sep-07	Rec Serv Div	NF-0189	2	2	7.61 - 13.97	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07147320	Supv Logistics Mgmt Spec	6-Sep-07	IMMC	YA-0346	3	3	75,879 - 127,031	X															
SCBK07147320D	Supv Logistics Mgmt Spec	6-Sep-07	IMMC	YA-0346	3	3	75,879 - 127,031	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07097367	Contract Spec	6-Sep-07	Corp of Engrs, Huntsville, AL	YA-1102	2	2	63,958 - 98,876							X									
SCBK07097367D	Contract Spec	6-Sep-07	Corp of Engrs, Huntsville, AL	YA-1102	2	2	63,958 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07167963	Logistics Mgmt Spec	6-Sep-07	IMMC	GS-0346	12	12	63,958 - 83,148	X								X							
SCBK07149320	Equip Spec (General)	6-Sep-07	IMMC	GS-1670	11	11	53,362 - 69,373	X									X						
SCBK07209377	Administrative Supp Assistant	6-Sep-07	AMRDEC	DK-0303	2	2	29,108 - 42,180	X									X						
SCBK07210769	Opers Research Analyst	6-Sep-07	SMDC	GS-1515	12	13	63,958 - 98,876			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07210769D	Opers Research Analyst	6-Sep-07	SMDC	GS-1515	12	13	63,958 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07196988	Supply Sys Analyst	6-Sep-07	IMMC	GS-2003	11	11	46,974 - 69,373	X															
SCBK070159870	Supv Staff Action Control Chief	7-Sep-07	AMCOM, Bus Mgmt Dir	YC-0301	2	2	63,958 - 122,678	X	X														
SCBK07146178	Computer Engr	7-Sep-07	AMRDEC	DB-0854	3	3	63,958 - 98,876	X								X	X						
SCBK07146178D	Computer Engr	7-Sep-07	AMRDEC	DB-0854	3	3	63,958 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07120870	Contract Spec	7-Sep-07	AMRDEC	DE-1102	3	3	48,570 - 83,148	X															
SCBK07224416	Logistics Mgmt Spec	7-Sep-07	AMCOM, G3 (Oper)	GS-0346	12	12	63,958 - 83,148			X				X		X	X						
SCBK07177204	Quality Assurance Spec	8-Sep-07	AMRDEC	DE-1910	3	3	48,570 - 83,148	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						
SCBK07177204D	Quality Assurance Spec	8-Sep-07	AMRDEC	DE-1910	3	3	48,570 - 83,148	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07189602	Logistics Mgmt Spec	10-Sep-07	IMMC	GS-0346	12	12	63,958 - 83,148	X															
SCBK07189014	Logistics Mgmt Spec	10-Sep-07	IMMC	GS-0346	13	13	76,056 - 98,876	X															
SCBK07203653	Logistics Mgmt Spec	10-Sep-07	IMMC	GS-0346	13	13	76,056 - 98,876	X															
SCBK07224363	Program Analyst	10-Sep-07	AMCOM, G3 (Oper)	GS-0343	13	13	76,056 - 98,876	X															
SCBK07205531OC	Procurement Analyst	11-Sep-07	SMDC	GS-1102	12	12	63,958 - 83,148	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07108963	Equipment Spec (Aircraft&Electronics)	12-Sep-04	IMMC	GS-1670	12	12	56,301 - 83,148			X						X	X						
SCBK07205528OC	Procurement Analyst	12-Sep-04	SMDC	GS-1102	13	13	76,056 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07121517	Computer Engr	13-Sep-04	AMRDEC	DB-0854	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07121517D	Computer Engr	13-Sep-04	AMRDEC	DB-0854	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07205464OC	Contract Spec	13-Sep-04	SMDC	GS-1102	13	13	76,056 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07210932	Electronics Engr	13-Sep-04	USADTC	GS-0855	13	13	76,056 - 98,876	X	X														
SCBK07120240	General Engr	13-Sep-04	SMDC	GS-0801	13	13	76,056 - 98,876			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07120240D	General Engr	13-Sep-04	SMDC	GS-0801	13	13	76,056 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07221429	Military Analyst (Space Sys)	13-Sep-04	SMDC	GS-0301	13	13	76,056 - 98,876			X				X		X	X						
SCBK070183214	Financial Sys Spec	13-Sep-04	AMCOM, G8(Resource Mgmt)	GS-0501	11	11	53,362 - 69,373	X															
SCBK07122465	Lead General Engr	14-Sep-04	AMRDEC	DB-0801	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07122465D	Lead General Engr	14-Sep-04	AMRDEC	DB-0801	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07191532	Aerospace Engr	14-Sep-04	AMRDEC	DB-0861	3	3	63,958 - 98,876	X						X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07191532D	Aerospace Engr	14-Sep-04	AMRDEC	DB-0861	3	3	63,958 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07197171	Equip Spec	14-Sep-04	AMCOM, TMDE Actvy	GS-1670	11	11	53,362 - 69,373	X	X														
SCBK07212354	Logistics Mgmt Spec	14-Sep-04	AMCOM, TMDE Actvy	GS-0346	12	12	63,958 - 83,148	X	X														
SCBK07181665	Logistics Mgmt Spec	14-Sep-04	IMMC	GS-0346	12	12	63,958 - 83,148	X															
SCBK07022364	Geophysicist	17-Sep-07	Corp of Engrs, Huntsville, AL	YD-1313	2	2	44,104 - 98,876							X		X	X						
SCBK07022364D	Geophysicist	17-Sep-07	Corp of Engrs, Huntsville, AL	YD-1313	2	2	44,104 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07120366	General Engr	18-Sep-07	PEO AVN	NH-0801	4	4	89,875 - 137,434							X		X	X						
SCBK07120366D	General Engr	18-Sep-07	PEO AVN	NH-0801	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07157659	IT Spec (INFOSEC)	19-Sep-07	SMDC	GS-2210	12	12	63,958 - 83,148							X		X	X						
SCBK07157659D	IT Spec (INFOSEC)	19-Sep-07	SMDC	GS-2210	12	12	63,958 - 83,148	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07201717	Lead Aerospace Engr	21-Sep-07	AMRDEC	DB-0861	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X						X		X	X						
SCBK07201717D	Lead Aerospace Engr	21-Sep-07	AMRDEC	DB-0861	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07176146	Supv Civil Engr;Supv Elect Engr;Supv Mech Engr	24-Sep-07	Corp of Engrs, Huntsville, AL	YF-0810;0850;0830	2	2	89,875 - 122,678	X															
SCBK07196671	Lead General Engr	29-Sep-07	AMRDEC	DB-0801	4	4	89,875 - 134,434	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07176486	Computer Engr	1-Oct-07	AMRDEC	DB-0854	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07176486D	Computer Engr	1-Oct-07	AMRDEC	DB-0854	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
THE FOLLOWING OPM/DEU ANNOUNCEMENTS CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEB AT WWW.USAJOBS.OPM.GOV																							
SCBK07147320D	Supv Logistics Mgmt Spec	6-Sep-07	IMMC	YA-0346	3	3	75,879 - 127,031	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07097367D	Contract Spec	6-Sep-07	Corp of Engrs, Huntsville, AL	YA-1102	2	2	63,958 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07146178D	Computer Engr	7-Sep-07	AMRDEC	DB-0854	3	3	63,958 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07177204D	Quality Assurance Spec	8-Sep-07	AMRDEC	DE-1910	3	3	48,570 - 83,148	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07121517D	Computer Engr	13-Sep-04	AMRDEC	DB-0854	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07120240	General Engr	13-Sep-04	SMDC	GS-0801	13	13	76,056 - 98,876			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07120240D	General Engr	13-Sep-04	SMDC	GS-0801	13	13	76,056 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07122465D	Lead General Engr	14-Sep-04	AMRDEC	DB-0801	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07191532D	Aerospace Engr	14-Sep-04	AMRDEC	DB-0861	3	3	63,958 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07022364D	Geophysicist	17-Sep-07	Corp of Engrs, Huntsville, AL	YD-1313	2	2	44,104 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07201717D	Lead Aerospace Engr	21-Sep-07	AMRDEC	DB-0861	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
SCBK07176486D	Computer Engr	1-Oct-07	AMRDEC	DB-0854	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
WHO CAN APPLY CODE DEFINITIONS (Note: Only U.S. citizens are eligible to apply for Army positions)																							
A - Army permanent competitive service employees and certain Army excepted service employees serviced by Redstone CPAC.																							
B - All Army permanent competitive service employees and certain Army excepted service employees (SF-50 documenting service required).																							
C - Compensable Disabled Veterans receiving 30% or more compensation from a military service or the VA (SF-15 and other documentation required).																							
D - All Department of Defense competitive service employees and certain DOD excepted service employees (SF-50 documenting service required)																							
E - Executive Order 12721 eligibles. (Former overseas family member employees who meet eligibility requirements)																							
F - All Federal Employees serving on a career or career-conditional appointment (SF-50 documenting 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 documenting service required)																							
V - Certain veterans and prior military members who meet the eligibility criteria under VRA or VEOA programs (DD-214s or proof of service required).																							
U - All U.S. citizens																							
NOTE: If you are interested, carefully read the announcement for the official area of consideration, qualification requirements, and application procedures.																							
NOTE: The Nonappropriated Fund (NAF) Personnel Office accepts applications for various types of positions, i.e. Cashier, Food Service, Custodial, Bartender, etc. A complete listing of all available positions can be viewed on the web at www.redstonemwr.com or you may telephone 876-7772.																							
Resumes are now being accepted for AMC Fellows and Business Enterprise Solutions Trainee. Visit www.amccareers.com or www.cpol.army.mil , search for Vacancy Announcement Numbers: NEAEJ04710482 & NEAE04756647 , for more information.																							