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Post team finally finishes first

Redstone wins division in Army Ten-Miler

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Team Redstone has won a category in the Army Ten-Miler for the first time in the 23-year history of the road race in Washington, D.C.

A team of 15 runners from the Redstone Arsenal military and civilian community finished first in the government agency division Oct. 7.

The race limits each team to eight members, so Redstone had two entries among the government agencies. Redstone's entries finished first and fourth out of 29 teams. The top four finish times from each team are added to determine the outcome.

Redstone's top four runners in the winning team entry included David Riddle in 52 minutes, 31 seconds; Brett Addington (59:42), Lt. Col. Morris Bodrick (59:48) and Tim Vinson (1 hour, 4 minutes and 53 seconds). The other members of team one were Jason Gilliam (1:07:56), Randy McFarland (1:08:06), assistant coach Alexander Steel (1:22:41) and coach Harry Hobbs (1:26:34).

Redstone team two included Nathan Graham (1:08:08), 1st Sgt. Jacob Endres (1:11:34), Steve Solomon (1:12:35), Capt. Paul Laracy (1:12:49), Col. Tom Newman (1:18:55), assistant coach Gregory Knight (1:27:47) and assistant coach Skip Vaughn (1:35:54).

Conditions were warm and sunny for the race which began and ended near the Pentagon. Each year the race kicks off the Association of the U.S. Army convention.

"It was hot," said Addington, 30, an AMC fellow in the Joint Attack Munition Systems Project Office. "I feel I did as good as I could in the conditions."

Bodrick, 40, ran his last race for Redstone since leaving to



Photo by Skip Vaughn

TRAILBLAZERS— From left are Harry Hobbs, coach of Redstone's team for the Army Ten-Miler, and top runners Brett Addington and David Riddle.

become the Futures Integration Division chief for the Future Combat System at the Combined Arms Support Command at Fort Lee, Va. He ran with the Redstone team eight years, beginning in 1997.

"It's been a great run," Bodrick said. "And I wish the Redstone team good luck in the future."

Bodrick said he felt good in the race. "It was a good run, a little warm. But I had a strong start. I was able to maintain that," he added.

Riddle, 26, an aerospace engineer in the Aviation and Missile Research Development and Engineering Center, recorded the fastest time ever for a Redstone runner and was 14th of 17,600 finishers.

"I'm very pleased with how I performed today," Riddle said.

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Photo by Danielle Vinson

TEAM PORTRAIT— Kneeling from left are Steve Solomon, assistant coach Alexander Steel, Brett Addington and coach Harry Hobbs. Standing are assistant coach Skip Vaughn, Tim Vinson, Lt. Col. Morris Bodrick, David Riddle and Col. Tom Newman.

An open lane random survey

What country would you like to visit and why?

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Capt. Andrew Thompson
Charlie Company
"I'd like to say probably Afghanistan. I've experienced Iraq and seen what it's like. I'd like to experience Afghanistan and see what it's like as well."

Pfc. Nicole Croy
Marine Corps Detachment
"Japan, because it's so varied; there are so many different cultures. It'll be like a culture shock. It's different than what you're used to in the U.S., different customs and cultures."



Pvt. Jonathan Plahs
Marine Corps Detachment
"I'd like to go to Germany. A lot of my family history is there. I can speak German."

Jean Brewer
Phoenix Services
"I'd like to go to Germany. I would just like to see the different things that go on there and how they live, and see what their country is like."



Quote of the week

‘What women want: to be loved, to be listened to, to be desired, to be respected, to be needed, to be trusted, and sometimes, just to be held. What men want: tickets for the World Series.’

— Dave Barry
writer

Wondering about retirement figure

I am under FERS (Federal Employees Retirement System) and was wondering what Block 19 of the LES (Leave and Earnings Statement) means? Block 19 of my current LES reads: "Block 19 Cumulative Retirement, FERS: 5,995.28."

I have no idea what the 5,995.28 figure is or means. Is that all I have after 20-something years or is that some amount for the current year or pay period?

David Bennett
Scout Attack PMO

Editor's note: AMCOM Resource Management provided the following response. "The G-8 (Resource Management) has researched and is providing the following response to your question. Thank you for your question about Block 19 'Cumulative Retirement' on your Leave and Earnings Statement. Block 19 shows the cumulative amount the employee has contributed toward his or her FERS or CSRS retirement fund. This amount, in many cases, may not be from the time the employee started work for the government. For example, if an employee changes agencies or payroll offices (as a MICOM employee did in October 1996 and an ATCOM employee did in October 1997), his or her cumulative retirement contribution (Block 19) is transferred to the Office of Personnel Management, and Block 19 will start over at \$0.00.

"Accordingly, it is highly recommended that each

employee keeps for personal records his or her last LES received each time he or she has a change in agency or payroll office. An employee may call the Office of Personnel Management at 1-888-767-6738 and ask for his or her total cumulative retirement. Be advised that OPM records will not include the current cumulative retirement contribution on an employee's current LES, because it has not been transferred to OPM. Therefore, for an employee to obtain his or her total cumulative retirement (Block 19) contribution, he or she must add the amount OPM gives plus the amount on the employee's current LES. Also, the 'Benefits Paid by Government for You' block on the LES shows the year-to-date government contribution toward the employee's retirement.

"Neither Block 19 nor the "Benefits Paid by Government for You' reflects how much an employee will receive for retirement. They only tell the employee the amount he or she has contributed and the amount the government has contributed. It is recommended that each employee clicks on the ABC web site at <https://www.abc.army.mil/> or the OPM web site at <http://www.opm.gov/retire/> for more information on FERS and CSRS retirements. The OPM has recently released a video, available online, that can help employees plan for retirement in a meaningful way. It provides an overview of both FERS and CSRS and can serve as a stepping stone for employees during the retirement planning process. The web site for the video is http://www.opm.gov/Video_Library/Retirement/index.asp."

Getting to know you

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protecting Soldiers. It's installed on helicopters. So, we're saving lives.

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Job: Systems/software engineer, Program Director for Aircraft Survivability Equipment, Program Executive Office for Aviation



What do you like to do in your spare time?

I like to do scrapbooking and spend time with my children. I have three daughters – Britnee, 16, Bethnee, 12 and Brooklyn, 5.

What are your goals?

My goals are to finish my master's degree (in project management). I'm on my last semester (at Florida Institute of Technology, Redstone). My long-term goal is to grow old with my husband, Dominic.

What's your favorite type of music?
Country

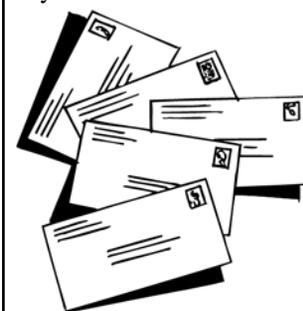
Where do you call home?
Joliet, Ill.

What do you like about your job?

That we help the Soldier — I like it because it's a very important system. The system that we work on is Common Missile Warning System, and that is actually out in the field right now. And it's

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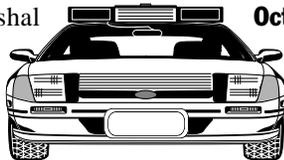
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Crimes, accidents and other occurrences

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



Oct. 4: An individual was found to be operating his motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license after stopping at Gate 9. He was issued a violation notice and released.

Oct. 6: A call was received by the Police Desk about some drunk and disorderly individual in the parking lot by the barracks. Patrols responded and two individuals were being loud and boisterous. The patrolman told them to quiet down, at which time one subject became violent and was sprayed with pepper spray, and then had to be physically restrained. The subject also dropped a bag of marijuana on the ground, which was recovered by the patrolman. The subject was processed for resisting arrest, possession of marijuana and disorderly conduct. Investigation continues by the investigation section.

Oct. 6: An individual was found to be operating his motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license after stopping at Gate 9. He was issued a citation and released.

Oct. 6: An individual was found to be operating his motor vehicle with a revoked driver's license at Gate 10. He was issued a violation notice and released.

Oct. 8: An individual was found to be operating his motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license after being stopped for speeding on Patton Road. He was issued two citations and released.

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

Violation notices issued: 16 speeding, 1 failure to obey traffic control device, 4 driving with a suspended/canceled/revoked driver's license, 2 expired driver's license, 1 failure to yield right of way, 3 expired tags.

Souder named product manager of year

Lt. Col. Jeff Souder, director of Air & Missile Defense Battle Lab at Fort Bliss, Texas and former product manager for Joint Land Attack Cruise Missile Defense Elevated Netted Sensor System project manager, has been named the Secretary of the Army Product Manager of the Year for JLENS.



Lt. Col.
Jeff Souder

"I was honored this evening to accept the award on behalf of the JLENS Product Office and CMDS," Souder, who served as product manager from November 2005 through July 2007, wrote in an e-mail. "If only the entire team could have been at the ceremony to share this recognition!

"Your organization, sir, is a special one — the finest with which I have served. But without a doubt, the one characteristic that defines CMDS above all others is their unwavering 'can do'

spirit. Never once in over three years did I hear 'we can't do that.' Instead, I always heard words much like, 'That will be a challenge, but I think we could try this.'

"That spirit motivates and makes an organization strong and capable. It is spirit like that which backs our Soldiers and ensures they have the safest and most effective systems possible.

"Congratulations, and keep up the good work!"

Col. Ed Mullin is the Cruise Missile Defense project manager.

"This was a well deserved award and is the result of the hard work and dedication of everyone who has contributed to the program," Mullin said. "This is particularly noteworthy considering that there are more than 150 product managers. Congratulations!"



Courtesy photo

Courtland facility

Lockheed Martin underscored its growth in Northern Alabama in support of the Missile Defense Agency with two events Oct. 15. The company inaugurated a new capability in Courtland and raised the flag on a new building in Huntsville. The Missile Defense Agency and Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company inaugurated the new Targets and Countermeasures Single Integration Capability in Courtland.

■ Redstone team takes first place at Army Ten-Miler

Runners

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"It was a little warmer I think than everyone was hoping for. But all things considered, I think I did really well."

Hobbs, 47, a retired chief warrant officer 5, served as coach again for a team that surpassed Redstone's two second-place finishes last year. Last year's team took second place in both the government agency and all-comers divisions. That was Redstone's best showing ever — until this year's team.

"They ran a great race considering how hot it was," said Hobbs, the Army senior instructor at Columbia High School and an adjunct professor at Florida Institute of Technology. "I think our eight-week program really showed out here in the heat with all the one-mile repeats.

"And I really just appreciate all the support from AUSA, best chapter in the Army, the command group, Maj. Gen. (Jim) Myles, Command Sgt. Maj. (Ricky) Yates,

Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. (Bill) Cole, Garrison commander Col. (John) Olshefski, one of our biggest supporters, and of course MWR with the Hoo-ah tent, and (Morale Welfare and Recreation director) Derrick Gould. It was just an honor to coach and run with such a diverse and dedicated team," he said. "People sacrificed getting up early and running those one-mile repeats and it paid off. You can't win the race if you don't run the miles."

The team dedicated this year's race to the memory of Darin Kruse, a member in 2002-03 who died Sept. 23 from Lou Gehrig's disease.

Jose Ferreira of Brazil won the race in 49:21. Firaya Zhdanova of Atlanta, Ga., was the top female finisher in 58:31. She was also the masters female champion and set a masters record. Mike Scannell won the masters men's competition in 54:31. Race organizers expressed their condolences to the family and friends of runner Michael Banner, who collapsed near the finish and died.

Blind worker sets example for overcoming odds

Curtis Tucker speaks out for hiring the disabled

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In his work as a Human Resources specialist in the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center, Curtis Tucker rates employment applications, issues referral lists, reviews promotion forms, advertises job openings and manages a host of other responsibilities for the DoD employees at Fort Monroe, Va.

And, he does his work without the ability to see with his eyes.

Tucker is blind. But, today's technology – along with a few low tech advantages such as a guide dog and a Braille stylist and slate writer – gives Tucker the ability to see with his ears and hands.

October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month. The Department of Defense encourages the recognition of disabled employees and their accomplishments during October. At AMCOM, the HBO documentary "Without Pity: A Film About Abilities" will be shown on Oct. 23 at 11 a.m. in Bob Jones Auditorium. The 55-minute documentary celebrates the efforts of the disabled to live full and productive lives, including a woman with cerebral palsy as she cares for her baby, a man with cerebral palsy who lives successfully on his own after 40 years in an institution, a 6-year-old boy without arms or legs, a blind computer expert, a professor with polio and a paraplegic who battles depression daily.

But, regardless of the month's recognition of the disabled, Tucker is always willing to talk to others about the technology that has brought more freedom into his life, and allows him do a job that requires reading and completing paperwork.

"Because of this technology, I can do everything a sighted person can do," Tucker said. "Technology has changed so much that people with disabilities can do things that they couldn't do even five years ago.

I try to encourage others and share information so that they can get the equipment they need."

Thanks to funding provided by the Department of Defense Computer/Electronics Accommodations Program (CAP), Tucker has a screen reader that verbally dictates what is on his computer screen; a note taker that allows him to type in notes with Braille letters and then verbally dictates the notes back to him or allows him to read them with Braille; and a scanner that will scan documents in Braille text so he can read them.

"I can't say enough about CAP and how they do provide accommodations for government employees. I think all employees and all supervisors should know about CAP," Tucker said. "CAP will purchase accommodations for persons with disabilities to help them do their job. The note taker costs \$5,600 and the screen reader for the computer is \$1,200. These are items that if not working I couldn't have."

Because he is fully employed, Tucker has also been able to purchase a GPS Trekker, which gives verbal directions to his movements around the Sparkman Center, his neighborhood or wherever he wants to go; a cell phone screen reader, which verbally directs him through his cell phone features and provides him with a verbal calendar; and a talking bar code scanner that can read a bar code on a product or prescription and verbally tell him what it is. Tucker obtained some assistance for the purchase of the GPS Trekker from the Alabama Vocational Rehabilitation for the Blind.

"To get adaptive equipment, everything is expensive," Tucker said. "I am fortunate because I have a good job. Because there is not a large market for these kinds of items, there isn't mass production to bring the price down. Everything is more expensive. If you can afford it, that's nice."

While regular GPS systems and cell phones have a visual screen that guides people through their features, systems adapted for the blind guide them with verbal instructions.

"Since I can't see the screen, my system talks to me," Tucker said. "In the GPS Trekker, I've put in routes that I want to walk using points of interest. I can walk from my house through the neighborhood to my daughter's house, which is a little less than a mile away. The Trekker will guide me along the walk. It can also be used on a bus to tell a blind person where to get off, or in the car to tell a blind person where they are. It lets you travel in town or anywhere where you don't have the streets memorized. It can tell you the name of streets you pass. It's just a really nice tool that's become available to the blind in recent years."

Of course, the Trekker doesn't take the place of Tucker's guide dog, a black Labrador retriever named Montana, who is essential to guiding Tucker safely around obstacles, up and down stairs, and through traffic. Montana is Tucker's fourth guide dog.

"I've had dogs for 19 years," Tucker said. "The first one I had for 10 years and has now passed away. The second one got tired of working after nine years. The third one worked for three years. But, it had behavior issues with my grandson, so then I got Montana."

"Guide dogs vary in how long they will work. They can get traumatized by noises or accidents, like getting their tail slammed in a car door. Or, they can just get tired of working. I give Montana time off so he can just be a dog. There'll be times when I will depend on my wife or daughter to get me somewhere, and I'll leave Montana at home to play in the backyard."

Tucker wasn't born blind. He was born with toxoplasmosis of the eye, a condition caused when a pregnant woman comes in contact with the germ through the feces of animals, such as cats, or through uncooked meats, unpasteurized milk or raw vegetables that have been contaminated by feces. Toxoplasmosis causes scarred retinas and can lead to blindness.

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Photo by Kari Hawkins

THE HIGH AND LOW OF TECHNOLOGY— Curtis Tucker, who is blind, uses a combination of high and low technology systems at both work and home. The GPS Trekker provides Tucker with verbal directions so that he can move freely from one point of interest to another and his guide dog, Montana, makes sure he is safe while moving around obstacles, going up and down stairs, and crossing streets. New technology is making it easier for disabled people to lead full and productive lives. October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month.

Computer accommodations open access to disabled

The Computer/Electronic Accommodations Program provides assistive technology and services to people with disabilities, federal managers, supervisors and information technology professionals. CAP increases access to information and works to remove barriers to employment opportunities by eliminating the costs of assistive technology and accommodation solutions.

The Undersecretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness established CAP in 1990 as the centrally funded reasonable accommodations program for employees with disabilities in the DoD. Following the National Defense Authorization Act of October 2000, Congress granted CAP the authority to provide assistive technology, devices and services free of charge to federal agencies that have a partnership agreement with CAP.

The Tricare Management Activity, a field activity in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs), serves as the executive agent for CAP. The CAP mission is to ensure that people with disabilities have equal access to the information environment and opportunities in the Department of Defense and throughout the federal government. By fulfilling this mission of providing real solutions for real needs, CAP is helping to make the federal government the model employer for people with disabilities.

Much of CAP's success lies in its ability to provide reasonable accommodations to employees quickly and easily, increasing employment and retention of employees with disabilities. To learn more about CAP, visit its web site at <http://www.tricare.mil/cap>.

Technology enables disabled to accomplish much in workplace

Tucker

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"As a child, I was legally blind, but I had enough vision for independent mobility," Tucker said. "In my sophomore year in high school, I had a retina detachment. I was able to graduate high school with the help of sight saving classes. As I got older, I suffered from cataracts and glaucoma."

After high school, Tucker worked in a department store for 13 years. But his eyesight worsened and cataract surgery was unsuccessful. He was able to graduate from the University of Louisville in 1992. But, without his eyesight, he was jobless.

"When you have a disability, you do whatever you can to fit in," Tucker said. "Oftentimes society identifies you by your job. When you don't have a job, you just don't feel like you fit in."

"When I lost my sight, I turned unemployed. I had Social Security disability, but I was uninsurable. My wife was working, but her insurance wouldn't cover me. I couldn't get long-term health care. It's demoralizing. It's depressing."

Despite his physical problems, Tucker kept a positive attitude and had a good support network of family and friends. In 1993, Tucker was hired by the government to work in Human Resources for the Corps of Engineers in Louisville.

"I was hired through the disabled employee program," he said. "The Department of Defense has a goal to have 2 percent of its employees be persons with targeted disabilities."

"The unemployment rate for the blind is over 70 percent. When a blind person gets a job, you celebrate. And, when you get employed, everything changes. I had insurance. I went from being a nobody to being somebody. It's that big of a difference."

The chief of HR hired Tucker in 1993 "to be an example," he said. "He had hired disabled people before, but he hadn't hired a blind person because the job required too much reading. They didn't feel a blind person could do the work. But, then he visited the Kentucky Department of Rehabilitation and saw the technology that blind people could use to do the job."

Tucker's job moved to Redstone Arsenal in 1997. Because his job requires heavy use of the Internet, computer and phone systems, Tucker can do his job easily from any site.

Just as he was an example when he was first hired by the federal government, Tucker wants to continue to be an example of the possibilities for disabled people in the workplace. He speaks out for disabled people and is the president of the Alabama Guide Dog Users Group.

"I try to help educate and inform the public," he said. "It's illegal to discriminate against people with disabilities and it's illegal to deny access to the disabled. But, the goal is to educate, not to file lawsuits."

Tucker is grateful for the technology that is available to assist disabled people in leading lives of opportunities and possibilities. Technology is a part of Tucker's everyday life, both at work and at home, where it allows him to enjoy interacting with his wife Marsha, his three adult children and seven grandchildren.

"Technology even allows me to play with my grandkids," he said. "Instead of baseball, we play beep ball. I play with my grandkids with things that make noise. I can enjoy life more and more because of technology. It's fantastic."

Editor's note: For more information about hiring people with disabilities, call Clarenza Clark, Individuals with Disabilities program manager, at 313-2825, or Natalie Taylor, Individuals with Disabilities committee member, at 876-5397.

Hail *and farewell*

Friends, family deliver retirement sendoff to Roz



Photo by Skip Vaughn

BEST WISHES— Chief Warrant Officer 4 Roslyn “Roz” Barbee is embraced by Jackie Cole of Huntsville after her retirement luncheon.

Chief warrant officer 4 concludes 22-year career

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Roz was smiling, as usual. But this time she had to wipe tears from her eyes.

Chief Warrant Officer 4 Roslyn “Roz” Barbee received recognition from family and friends during her retirement luncheon Friday at the Officers and Civilians Club. About 110 people filled the Big Spring Lounge.

“It has been completely fulfilling, inspiring and wonderful,” Barbee, 43, said of her 22 years in the Army.

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Photo by Roderic Johnson/IMMC

Rolling down river

Ike and Tina Turner make a guest appearance – sort of anyway – during the Integrated Materiel Management Center’s Fall River Fest on Oct. 4 at the Col. Carroll Hudson recreation area. Ike (Aubrey Fencher) and Tina (Mary Dailey) are backed by their Ikettes – from left, Gleria Edwards, Moneatha Drain and Cathy Granville-Scott.

■ Roz receives rousing retirement reception

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The Los Angeles native plans to start a new career in contracting and life-cycle logistics in Huntsville. She served as the deputy chief of the warrant officer training division at the Ordnance Munitions and Electronics Maintenance School.

Opening remarks were delivered by Chief Warrant Officer 5 Ricky Scott of Fort Campbell, Ky., who has known Barbee for 14 years. He is the senior logistics adviser for the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault).

“She is a well-educated leader, mother, dear friend to many, and most importantly a survivor,” Scott said.

Harry Hobbs, a retired chief warrant officer 5, met Barbee in 1993 when she was a warrant officer candidate student and he was her instructor. He recalled the anguish of telling her she would have to repeat the course after she broke her foot in physical training. She returned in May 1994 and finished as an honor graduate.

“I know you will continue to be a winner in whatever organization you decide to join,” said Hobbs, the Army senior instructor at Columbia High School and an adjunct professor at



Photo by Skip Vaughn

FROM THE HEART— During the luncheon, Chief Warrant Officer 4 Roslyn “Roz” Barbee delivers her farewell remarks.

Florida Institute of Technology.

Gregory Knight, a retired sergeant major, sang the national anthem and later “Through the Years.”

“Chief Barbee,” said Knight, “On behalf of a grateful nation we love you and we appreciate you.”

Barbee resides in Madison with her three daughters, Royale, 21, Marina, 13, and Milan, 11.

National Guard's 1169th leaves mark of freedom

Alabama Soldiers help rebuild Iraq

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The Soldiers of the Alabama Army National Guard's 1169th Engineer Group left their mark of freedom in Iraq.

From the construction of 27 combat outposts, 26 joint security stations, five safe neighborhoods and three safe markets to the coordination of more than 1,200 route clearance missions that resulted in the finding or detonating of more than 230 improvised explosive devices, the Alabama Army National Guard Soldiers of the 1169th know their presence made a difference in the lives of Iraqis and the U.S. Soldiers charged with bringing peace and stability to the war-weary nation.

"Things were better when we left than when we got there last October," said Col. Randal Martin, commander of the 1169th Engineer Group.

"The last week before we left we reported our lowest number of IEDs found or exploded in the city. It was the lowest number of the previous year or two. The number of sectarian murders is



Courtesy photo

LIVING THROUGH AN EXPLOSION— Lt. Col. Greg Estes (standing on top of the Humvee) and Lt. Col. Tom Murray inspect the damage done to a vehicle that carried Alabama Army National Guard Col. Randal Martin, commander of the 1169th Engineer Group Headquarters and other Soldiers as part of a convoy through Baghdad. The Humvee was destroyed by an explosive formed projectile from an improvised explosive device.

down. The number of coalition casualties is down. And the number of IEDs is down."

As commander of the 1169th Engineer Group's Headquarters and Headquarters Co. in Iraq, the 53-year-old colonel, who was

raised on a family farm just west of Huntsville, is proud to have led extensive rebuilding efforts for the Multinational Division-Baghdad. The 1169th Engineer Group worked in support of the 1st Cavalry Division and as part

of Operation Fardh al-Qanoon (also known as Operation Law and Order or Baghdad Security Plan), a joint coalition-Iraqi security plan conducted throughout Baghdad. Under the Surge plan developed in late 2006, Baghdad is divided into nine zones, with Iraqi and U.S. Soldiers working side-by-side to clear each sector of Shiite militias and Sunni insurgents, and establish Joint Security Stations so that reconstructive programs can begin in safety.

In late September, the military reported that Operation Law and Order had reduced violence in Baghdad by 50 percent, and that car bombs and suicide attacks reached their lowest number in the past year. It was also reported by the Army that U.S. troop deaths dropped dramatically in September to reach their lowest point since July 2006.

Martin, who returns to his job in late November as an AMRDEC employee working in support of the Unmanned Aerial Systems Project Office, is a two-time Iraqi war veteran. He brought the 86 Soldiers of his unit home to Alabama recently after a one-year deployment.

In late 2006, as the engineer group was arriving at Baghdad's Camp Liberty, the U.S. troop

surge was just getting under way, with U.S. Soldiers moving into neighborhoods and establishing safe neighborhoods that could then be transitioned to the Iraqi army and Iraqi police. As part of that surge effort, the 1169th was involved in building barriers around neighborhoods that would limit access and protect the residents inside.

"The safe neighborhoods and markets we built are a template for Iraqis to start building their own," Martin said. "We built the safe areas with what we call Alaska barriers, which are concrete barriers that are 12 feet high, 6 to 8 feet wide and weigh 12,000 to 16,000 pounds. We used these barriers to enclose neighborhoods and markets. They stop small arms fire and minimize the effects of car bombs or mortar. And, they limit who can enter and leave by providing only a few entry and exit areas."

In addition, the 1169th conducted more than 1,200 route clearance missions that resulted in the safe detonation of more than 230 IEDs and UXOs (unexploded ordnance) along roadways, planned and coordinated more than 55 specialized search dog missions and eight sensitive

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Photo by Sgt. Kevin Stabinsky

Basic vehicle maintenance

Staff Sgt. Gary Minnich, 26th BSB, 2nd BCT, 3rd Inf. Div., battalion motor sergeant, shows Emhad Abdeohasam, an Iraqi Army mechanic, components of a Humvee engine at FOB Kalsu Oct. 8. Iraqi soldiers began learning basic vehicle maintenance for their Humvees in a new step toward self-sufficiency last week. "We'll be doing preventive maintenance, basic operations - changing filters and fluids, tires, troubleshooting," said Minnich, about the training which began Oct. 8 at Forward Operating Base Kalsu, about 25 miles south of Baghdad. The training was conducted by Company B, 26th BSB, 2nd BCT, 3rd Infantry Division for Iraqis of the 3rd Battalion, 3rd Brigade, 8th Iraqi Army Division. The training not only included maintenance for the Humvees, but also troubleshooting to repair basic problems that might be experienced. "It is important that they learn these skills so that they can continue to progress in becoming an army," Minnich said. As the Iraqi Army evolves, it is incorporating new technologies and vehicles such as the American up-armored Humvee.

Retiree appreciation grows to two days

Annual daylong event gaining in popularity

By **ANDY ROAKE**
For the Rocket

For the first time in its 36-year history, the Redstone Arsenal Retiree Appreciation Day is expanding to a two-day event.

"The increased interest and the increase in the number of speakers drove us to expand to two days," said retired Col. Michael Gray, co-chairman of the Redstone Arsenal Retiree Advisory Council. "We had representatives from retiree-focused organizations calling us earlier this year wanting to be part of our event because we reach so many retirees."

Nearly 200,000 military retirees and their family members reside in the Redstone Arsenal region. More than 3,000 people attended the retiree appreciation day in 2006 and many more are expected this year.

"It's a great way for the retirees and their families to get updates of what's going on, to get help with personal issues or just to get educated on benefits and entitlements," Gray said.

This year for the first time, a guest speaker from the U.S. Army Human Resources Command office in St. Louis will be here to discuss retirement issues for members of the Reserves and National Guard.

Additional speakers include a representative from the Defense Finance and Accounting Service, who will discuss issues and concerns regarding retirement and annuitant pay. Com-

bat-Related Special Compensation will also be discussed.

Garrison commander Col. John Olshefski will discuss changes occurring at Redstone over the next few years. Representatives from legal services and the Fox Army Health Center will talk about services they provide to military retirees. And representatives from the Department of Veteran Affairs in Montgomery (benefits) and Birmingham (health services) will explain their programs and answer questions.

The event will held Nov. 2-3, which breaks with the traditional September time frame of the event in previous years.

"We moved the event away from the summer travel period to give more veterans the opportunity to attend," Gray said.

On Nov. 2, the event will be held at the Officers and Civilians Club from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. A health fair will be held at the club until 1 p.m. Throughout the day special MWR activities will be held at various locations across Redstone Arsenal.

On Nov. 3, the event begins with a free breakfast at 7 a.m. in the Sparkman Cafeteria. Formal opening remarks start at 8 and speakers are scheduled throughout the day.

The entire agenda can be found on the AMCOM and Garrison internal web sites.

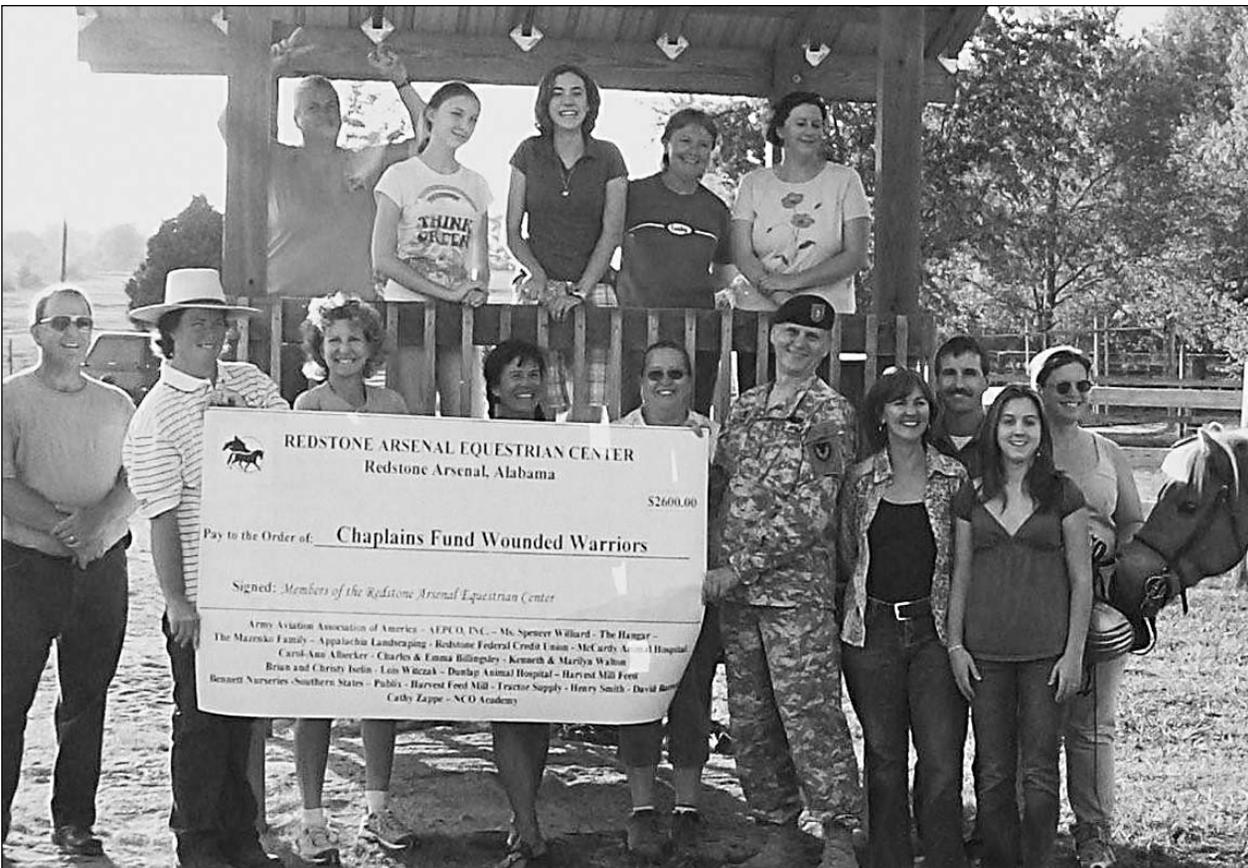
Attendees on Nov. 3 must make lunch reservations and pay in advance for their meal by Oct. 29. To make lunch reservations, stop by the Retirement Services Office at building 3493 to complete the reservation form and pay.



THOUSANDS ATTEND— Retirees discuss issues at the county fair during the 2006 Retiree Appreciation Day.

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Photo by Andy Roake



Courtesy photo

Show of support

Saddle Activity volunteers present a \$2,600 check to Chaplain (Maj.) Ray Kopec to benefit the wounded warriors. This represents proceeds from their dressage show Sept. 29.

■ Expanded agenda on tap for Retiree Appreciation Day

Retirees

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A “county fair” of exhibits, information booths and services for retirees will be set up in the lobby of Bob Jones Auditorium on Nov. 3. The exhibits will showcase services and features for retirees. Veterans’ service organizations and service providers who would like to request a display table should call 876-2022 for details on how to participate.

The Provost Marshal Office will offer vehicle registration service for post decals. Redstone’s Military Identification branch will also be present to make and update identification cards.

Fox Army Health Center will provide medical screenings, such as cholesterol, bone density, blood pressure, and eye screening. Retirees can order eyeglasses if they bring in a current prescription.

Legal Assistance Office attorneys will provide notary services, prepare simple wills, and draft powers-of-attorney. Those wishing to meet with an attorney must bring copies of all documents pertaining to their needs. Retirees needing a will should call the Legal Assistance Office at 876-9005 to be included on a sign-up list and get information on additional required documents.

Retirees or family members without a vehicle sticker must enter Redstone Arsenal through Gate 9 and bring their military identification card, photo identification for all passengers, vehicle registration and proof of insurance.

For more information on Retiree Appreciation Day, call the Retirement Services Office at 876-2022.

Six teams vying for flag football supremacy



Photo by Skip Vaughn

RETURN ENGAGEMENT— 326th Chemical cornerback Jeremy Hamilton returns an interception for the Dragons last year against MEDDAC.

Unit-level competition kicks off this week

By **SKIP VAUGHN**

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Are you ready for some football? Make that, flag football.

The troop season kicked off Oct. 15 and continues through Nov. 6 at the field off Patton Road. The postseason tournament is tentatively scheduled Nov. 8-15.

The Marines are the defending champion after beating Charlie Company in last year's final 26-6 and 22-16.

"I think that last year we set the bar high," Marines slot receiver Chris McNally said. "We might be a little bit nervous because of the turnover of so much of our personnel. We know everybody's gunning for us. We just hope we maintain the same level of competition that we had last year."

Charlie entered last year's final from the winner's bracket but lost two straight to the Marines to finish 12-3 as the runner-up. The Marines finished 14-2.

"Nothing beats experience," Charlie lineman Andrew Thompson said. "We have a great cadre presence this time – cadre involvement. It's not just AIT (advanced individual training) Soldiers. We can maintain that continuity which

will also assist us in winning the title."

The Eastern Conference teams include NCO Academy, 326th Chemical Company and Charlie. The Western Conference has the Marines, Bravo Company and Headquarters & Alpha Company.

Games are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights at 6, 7 and 8.

Here's the remainder of the schedule:

- **Oct. 18** – Bravo vs. Charlie at 6 p.m.; NCO Academy vs. Marines at 7; and Headquarters & Alpha vs. 326th Chemical at 8.

- **Oct. 22** – Marines vs. 326th Chemical at 6; Bravo vs. Headquarters & Alpha at 7; and Charlie vs. NCO Academy at 8.

- **Oct. 23** – Marines vs. Bravo at 6; NCO Academy vs. 326th Chemical at 7; and Charlie vs. Headquarters & Alpha at 8.

- **Oct. 25** – Marines vs. Charlie at 6; Bravo vs. 326th Chemical at 7; and Headquarters & Alpha vs. NCO Academy at 8.

- **Oct. 29** – 326th Chemical vs. Headquarters & Alpha at 6; Marines vs. NCO Academy at 7; and Charlie vs. Bravo at 8.

- **Nov. 1** – NCO Academy vs. Charlie at 6; Headquarters & Alpha vs. Bravo at 7; and 326th Chemical vs. Marines at 8.

- **Nov. 5** – Headquarters & Alpha vs. Charlie at 6; 326th Chemical vs. NCO Academy at 7; and Bravo vs. Marines at 8.

- **Nov. 6** – NCO Academy vs. Bravo at 6; Charlie vs. 326th at 7; and Marines vs. Headquarters & Alpha at 8.

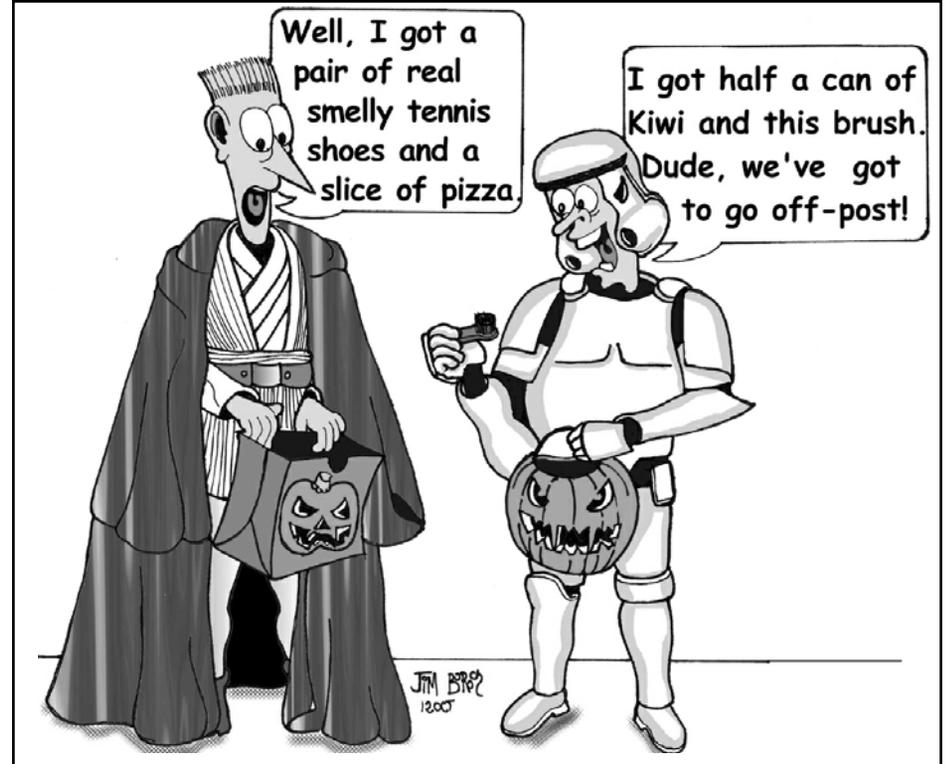
Tennessee gets shaky nod over Alabama

Florida, LSU also favored

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Skip's Picks were 190-75 for 72 percent after six weeks. Here are my predictions for selected games this week in college football:

Tennessee at Alabama — **Tennessee**
Florida at Kentucky — **Florida**
Auburn at LSU — **LSU**
Ark.-Pine Bluff at Ala. A&M — **A&M**
Army at Georgia Tech — **Tech**
South Florida at Rutgers — **South Fla.**
Utah at TCU — **Utah**
Louisville at Connecticut — **Louisville**
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh — **Cincinnati**
Central Michigan at Clemson — **Clemson**
Iowa at Purdue — **Purdue**
Penn State at Indiana — **PS**
Vanderbilt at South Carolina — **SC**
Wake Forest at Navy — **Wake**
Arkansas at Mississippi — **Ark.**
Wyoming at Air Force — **Wyo.**
Memphis at Rice — **Rice**
Tulane at Southern Methodist — **SMU**
California at UCLA — **Calif.**
Michigan State at Ohio State — **OS**
Mississippi State at West Virginia — **W.Va.**
North Texas at Troy — **Troy**
Southern California at Notre Dame — **USC**
Buffalo at Syracuse — **Syracuse**
North Carolina State at East Carolina — **EC**
San Jose State at Fresno State — **Fresno**
Eastern Wash. at Brigham Young — **BYU**
Boise State at Louisiana Tech — **Boise**
Houston at UAB — **Houston**
Stanford at Arizona — **Stanford**
Oregon at Washington — **Oregon**
Michigan at Illinois — **Michigan**
Colorado State at UNLV — **Colo. State**
Kansas at Colorado — **Colo.**
Kan. State at Okla. State — **Kan. State**
Miami at Florida State — **FSU**
Oklahoma at Iowa State — **Okla.**
Texas at Baylor — **Texas**
Texas A&M at Nebraska — **Neb.**
Texas Tech at Missouri — **Mo.**
Virginia at Maryland — **Md.**
Southern Mississippi at Marshall — **SM**



Alabama A&M University adds course materiel



Photo by Kelley Lane-Sivley

CLASS PROJECT— Students at Alabama A&M's College of Engineering and Technology will do a hands-on project instead of a thesis for a master's degree in materiel engineering.

Graduate engineering program geared toward Redstone

By **KELLEY LANE-SIVLEY**

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Being a good partner means anticipating the needs of your counterparts and attempting to satisfy those requirements. In the spirit of community and working together for the future, Alabama A&M University has created a one-of-a-kind program tailored to the needs of the Redstone community.

A little over a year ago, A&M decided to add a graduate program to its college of engineering. To get the ball rolling, the university put together an advisory board to best determine what that program should be. In addition to the dean of engineering and technology and selected faculty members, they asked representatives of Redstone's two major entities, NASA and the Army, to add their expertise. After much discussion, the board recommended a master's degree program in materiel engineering, Eugene Edwards, AMRDEC University Affairs and Outreach officer, said.

"We collaboratively came up with the idea of what the program should be," he said. "They wanted a program that

would be of benefit to the local community – Redstone, NASA and local industry – but at the same time not be a duplicate of any other university. "

The program is the first of its kind in the country and possibly the world. It consists of a 30-hour course requirement, some of which will be new courses to the university. It should take the usual 18 to 24 months to complete. Unlike other graduate programs it does not require a thesis. Instead, the program takes a more hands-on approach, Dr. Trent Montgomery, dean of engineering and technology at A&M, said.

"They have to do an on-the-job type project in lieu of a thesis," Montgomery said.

Creating a unique program at the university level is a lengthy process. In addition to developing the proposed curriculum and requirements for the program, it had to receive the approval of the Alabama Commission on Higher Education. Their OK was given at the end of September. If everything continues to progress as expected, the program will be available in the spring catalog of classes available to students in January.

"That's the target," Montgomery said. "The implementation committee is still meeting to see if we can get all the problems cleared away. We do expect to start in January though."

Even though it is still in the developmental stages, interest in the program is high, Montgomery said.

"We surveyed our students, 90 percent said they were interested in this program," he said. "We also surveyed local industry. They were excited about it as well."

Although the word 'materiel' is almost exclusive to the Army, the idea behind it is not. The use and design of equipment and supplies is universal in industry, even if they don't use the same terminology, Edwards said.

"Materiel can be any type of apparatus or device, even clothing," Edwards said.

The creation of a degree specific to materiel is representative of a shift in thinking for both the Army and industry, according to Edwards.

"Until now we have focused more on specific missile or aviation systems. Although we know we work for Army Materiel Command here, we don't think of what we're doing as 'materiel.' This program looks at the bigger picture," he said.

For A&M, this program not only expands their graduate catalog, it also expands their ties to the community.

"We think it is perfectly in tune with the activities going on here in the Huntsville area," Montgomery said.

Summers joins program executive office as chief engineer

By DAN O'BOYLE

For the Rocket

"To the optimist, the glass is half full. To the pessimist, the glass is half empty. To the engineer, the glass is twice as big as it needs to be." — Anonymous

In terms of technical skills, when a person needs an engineer, planning and directing operations, coupled with skillful and clever management in guiding, measuring and executing are the attributes that leaders look for.

Thus it was when Brig. Gen. Genaro Dellarocco, program executive officer for missiles and space, announced the following:

"I am assigning Rod Summers the duties and responsibilities to serve as the PEO MS chief engineer. The objective is to re-establish a systems engineering focus within the PEO. Rod has a wealth of system engineering and acquisition experience in both the Tactical Missile and Air and Missile Defense systems, products and programs as a task force director, deputy project manager, and in other key engineering and leadership positions."

Coordination of project management



Rod Summers

technical and integration efforts, providing information to the PEO, transition planning are the chief engineer's metrics and goals.

"We will be partnering with the AMRDEC on several initiatives," Summers said. "For example, we want to re-establish operational analysis capabilities so that we can better understand the

roles that missiles will play in future battlefields."

Industrial base revitalization is also important on Summers' agenda.

"Key to that will be how we maintain and grow our personnel-skill base," Summers said. "Personnel capital losses in the missile business is a national issue."

Summers comes to building 5250 from the Aviation and Missile Research Development and Engineering Center.

"I did missile strategic planning, technological-transition planning to better align efforts, advising where to make technological investments about future war fighter needs," he said. "Following on that, and in my new role, we will also be working with the Space and Missile Defense Command and the Missile Defense Agency on integrated air and missile defense actions."

All that work ultimately affects the PEO's acquisition planning.

"I think that my background of having worked in both the PEO and the AMRDEC is a help to understanding both viewpoints for future planning," Summers said. "Former deputy PEO Don Barker once said to me: 'You've

made a career out of criss-crossing Martin Road.' I've always tried to build that bridge between 5250 and 5400, trying to assure and facilitate that both organizations are working toward the same end."

Before his 5400 assignment, Summers was the Non-Line-of-Sight Launch System deputy project manager.

"We will be looking at future growth possibilities and missiles that will come out of that launcher," he said. "Here in the PEO, we've got to do the right kind of planning and have the funding in place to receive those future technologies."

"What you are seeing General Dellarocco trying to do is really build our future and create the right relationship between this PEO and the science and technology community. While we are at war and have to support the current force, we need to smartly plan our future, and not sacrifice our future in the missile business."

A 27-year veteran, Summers holds a master's from the University of Alabama-Huntsville and a bachelor's from Auburn University.

Team members fighting for more efficiency

Lean Six Sigma advocates start swipe card project

By DAN O'BOYLE
For the Rocket

Black belt. The very term conjures up the image of a rugged martial arts expert clad in the traditional, white-bleached Gi. In fact, the karate uniform is designed to reflect a student's state of mind: strong, tough and difficult to defeat.

When it comes to that term in the Lean Six Sigma world, that state of mind also applies.

"With a standard process, we expect to be able to save precious funding and achieve efficiencies," Frank De Luca, of the Program Executive Office for Missiles and Space, said. "Although we are not in a manufacturing environment, we can still effectively use Lean Six Sigma in our PEO transactional/information environment. Consequently, we think that we can eliminate some non-value added actions, achieve process efficiencies and make a more informed business decision in implementing a Lean Six Sigma swipe card project."

That in mind, an innovative and initiative teaming partnership is

under way to standardize building-entry swipe cards among the eight members of the Redstone Lean Six Sigma:

- Space and Missile Command, Candace Holcomb
- PEO Aviation, Rusty Weiger
- AMRDEC, Dave Allton
- AMCOM, Brian Wood
- PEO Missiles and Space, Frank De Luca
- Missile Defense Agency, Dave Sallo
- Defense Acquisition University, Tom McMannes
- Garrison, Todd Hutto
- Army Test and Evaluation, Austin Omlie.

Each month, the Steering Committee meets as an informal association to dialog issues, cross-flow ideas and discuss the path ahead for mutually beneficial Lean Six Sigma projects.

"We have six Black Belt projects we are considering working under this concept in a cooperative effort devoted to contributing toward achieving mutual benefits," De Luca said. "Together, we have the opportunity to come up with economies of scale and identify cost avoidances. Our goal is to come up with an amenable solution for everybody that

is soundly based on best business practices. The swipe card Black Belt project is a perfect candidate project for our joint group to undertake together."

De Luca also said the steering committee also wants to use this initial project as an 'organization-binding project' that will lay the groundwork for broader applications that will benefit the entire Team Redstone community.

"Lean Six Sigma, of course, enables us to stop and look at what we are doing in a process, analyzing what is being done and then eliminate the non-value added steps from our process," De Luca said. "The Six Sigma aspect provides us with tools to qualify and quantify our actions to see what we can then do to improve the quality of the process."

Moreover, maximum service benefits are focused on producing results that will — ultimately — benefit support to war fighters and Soldiers in the field.

"The proof will be in the pudding," De Luca said. "That is, as Army organizations, we need to work together on the macro level, taking advantage of important opportunities to address actions in all areas. Put simply, we are all in this together."

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Program Executive Office
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site exploitation missions, planned and coordinated more than 70 kilometers of route sanitization and repair of more than 100 blast craters, planned and coordinated the construction or repair of more than 33 blocking positions on the Baghdad Security Belt, and conducted more than 90 reconnaissance and engineering evaluation missions. They also provided emergency response to assess structural damage, designed improvements for Soldier living conditions and produced more than 220 designs on construction projects in excess of \$74 million.

The 1169th Engineer Group Headquarters and Headquarters Group oversaw the work of two battalions – the 130th Engineer Battalion of the Puerto Rico Army National Guard and the 20th Engineer Battalion from Fort Hood, Texas.

“We were in charge of all the engineering support for the 1st Cavalry Division,” Martin said. “The headquarters provided planning and coordination of projects with the battalions providing route clear-



Photo by Kari Hawkins

BACK FROM IRAQI COMMAND— Alabama Army National Guard Col. Randal Martin holds a miniature version of the Alaska barriers that were placed around Iraqi neighborhoods and markets to keep them safe. The full-size Alaska barrier is made of concrete and is 12 feet high, 6 to 8 feet wide and weighs 12,000 to 16,000 pounds. Enclosing areas with barriers was among the 1,800 engineer missions completed by the 1169th Engineer Group during its one-year deployment to Iraq.

ances and construction support.”

The engineering group consisted of 1,150 Soldiers. Of those, five Soldiers – Sgt. 1st Class Julian Ingles-Rios, Staff Sgt. Alicia Birchett, Cpl. Jason Beadles, Spc. James Riekema and Spc. Joshua Sheppard were killed during the mission. A sixth Soldier – Sgt. 1st Class Larry Wilbanks of the Alabama Army National Guard — was killed in a car accident while on leave to Alabama for the funeral of a family member.

Soldiers of the 1169th Engineer Group earned one Soldier’s Medal, more than 120 Bronze Star Medals (four with “V” device), more than 55 Purple Hearts, two Meritorious Service Medals, more than 685 Army Commendation Medals (eight with “V” device), more than 30 Army Achievement Medals, more than 530 Combat Action Badges and 19 Combat Medic Badges.

For Martin, the accomplishments of the Soldiers of the 1169th go far in telling the story of the group’s sacrifice for the Iraqi people. Of the Soldiers making up the 1169th’s headquarters, about 20 percent were Soldiers who had served with Martin during his first deployment to Iraq in 2003-04. During that deployment, Martin was the commander of the 877th construction battalion from Hamilton.

“That mission was 50/50 in building things for Soldiers that improved their security and quality of life, and renovating things like schools and rebuilding roads for the locals in Mosul,” he said.

Although Martin volunteered for the deployment with the 1169th, he said the conditions were more threatening the second time around.

“The situation has changed a lot,” he said. “It wasn’t nearly the IED threat the first time. The indirect fire and mortars were also worse this time. We had them the first time, but they weren’t as frequent.

“The first six months in Mosul we drove around in a Humvee without armor. Now, Soldiers can’t leave their base without an armored vehicle and body armor.”

Even though the threat was more dangerous, Martin said Soldiers often referred to the “Ground Hog Day” effect of their duty.

“There’s a routine. So much is the same every day that you don’t even know which day of the week it is a lot of times,” Martin said. “The weather is consistently hot and dry. The whole environment doesn’t change much.

“But, then, all of a sudden things change. There is an emergency – like a bridge that’s blown up or buildings that collapse on Soldiers during a car bomb explosion – and things change all of a sudden.”

The Soldiers of the 1169th Engineer Headquarters were charged with making sure the battalions had the supplies and equipment to do their jobs safely and efficiently.

“We wanted to make sure they were able to go out and do their job quickly,” Martin said. “Whenever you went outside one of the large bases, it was dangerous. I gave out 30 some odd combatant badges within group headquarters alone. When

way you think when you see the news,” he said. “They would rather us not be there. But, they don’t want us to leave if it means more terrorists coming into their country from Iran or Syria. While we were there, the division did a polling of the populace to find out what was working and what was not. Repeatedly, in the neighborhoods, the people said if something bad happened they would, first, want U.S. Soldiers to respond, then the Iraqi army and then the Iraqi police.”

Martin himself was riding in a convoy to North Baghdad to check on a sanitization mission – where Soldiers clean the streets of trash or other items that could hide an IED — when his Humvee was destroyed by an IED.

“It was an EFP – an explosively formed projectile— one of the more deadly kinds,” Martin said. “I don’t know how it happened, but no one in our vehicle was hurt.

“When something like that happens, the convoy keeps going and then two or three other vehicles are assigned to make a protective box around the hit vehicle. It took 30 minutes for them to get back to our vehicle and then another two hours dragging us back to base at about five miles an hour.”

When unexploded IEDs are found, there is often proof that they were imported into Iraq.

“Toward the end of our deployment, we found more and more IEDs that contained new things like artillery rounds with 2006 datelines,” Martin said. “Iraqis can’t get that kind of stuff. Things made in 2006 aren’t left over from the Saddam regime. There are many indications that things came from Iran.”

The Iraqis, for the most part, welcome American assistance, although somewhat grudgingly, Martin said.

“Things aren’t probably exactly the

way you think when you see the news,” he said. “They would rather us not be there. But, they don’t want us to leave if it means more terrorists coming into their country from Iran or Syria. While we were there, the division did a polling of the populace to find out what was working and what was not. Repeatedly, in the neighborhoods, the people said if something bad happened they would, first, want U.S. Soldiers to respond, then the Iraqi army and then the Iraqi police.”

Martin said Iraqis want the same things that Americans want.

“They want to be able to have a good life,” he said. “They want to have a job. They want to take care of their family. They want to lead a productive life and be happy.”

The U.S. Army is helping Iraqis reach that goal not only by stopping sectarian violence and the influx of the terrorist threat but also by revitalizing the economy through grants to help small business startups.

“It’s hard to fight this battle when Iraqis are unemployed and worried about their families,” Martin said. “They can easily make \$50 from terrorists by agreeing to put an IED along the road.

“What the U.S. is doing is good for the Iraqis. But, I’m just not sure how the Iraqi army and police and government are going to be able to pick things up and do their part once the U.S. is gone. We can only hope that the growing feeling among the Iraqi people that ‘Enough is enough’ and ‘We’re going to work with the Americans’ will continue to grow.”

Rocket Announcements



Sports & Recreation

Hockey bus trip

The Civilian Welfare Fund Council is sponsoring a hockey bus trip to Nashville to watch the St. Louis Blues take on the Nashville Predators on Nov. 17. The bus will depart the Kroger parking lot, Drake Avenue and South Memorial Parkway, at 3:30 p.m. that Saturday and will return immediately after the game. The game starts at 7 p.m. This year the two pricing options are \$90 and \$45. Each ticket package includes either a premium lower bowl or sideline balcony game ticket, transportation, and snacks and beverages on the bus. This trip is open to all Team Redstone members and their families. However, children must be chaperoned. If you are interested in attending this game, you must put your name on the priority list by e-mailing your contact and ticket request information to Robert Olson at robert.j.olson@us.army.mil. Payment in full must be received by Oct. 26. Space is limited so get on the priority list today.

5K with veterans

The Huntsville Track Club and Semper Fi Community Task Force are sponsoring the Heroes' 5K and Half-Marathon on Nov. 10 at Hillwood Baptist Church in Huntsville. The half-marathon starts at 8

a.m. and the 5K at 8:20 at Hillwood Baptist Church, 300 Kohler Road, located just off South Memorial Parkway. "Come out and support veterans recovering from combat injuries sustained in Iraq and Afghanistan by participating in the 5K run," a prepared release said. "Show Alabama's support for wounded veterans of all the armed services, as we proudly recognize these brave young Americans to whom we owe so much, by running at their side." For more information, e-mail Dick Franklin at dickfranklin@knology.net.

Skate-a-thon

Joyce Hampton's "Rollerskating for the Cure" is Oct. 22 from 5-9 p.m. at the Roller Time Skating Rink, 707 Arcadia Circle. Proceeds from this skate-a-thon will benefit the Liz Hurley Breast Cancer Fund. For more information call Hampton, a breast cancer survivor, 653-7456.

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.

NASA 5K

The NASA MSFC Running Club is spon-

soring the 5K at 8:20 at Hillwood Baptist Church, 300 Kohler Road, located just off South Memorial Parkway. "Come out and support veterans recovering from combat injuries sustained in Iraq and Afghanistan by participating in the 5K run," a prepared release said. "Show Alabama's support for wounded veterans of all the armed services, as we proudly recognize these brave young Americans to whom we owe so much, by running at their side." For more information, e-mail Dick Franklin at dickfranklin@knology.net.

Youth basketball

Registration is under way through Nov. 5 for the CYS Basketball League for ages 5-17. Practices begin in mid-November and games begin in January and run through February. Registration is \$50 per child and includes a uniform. A \$10 late fee applies if registering after Nov. 5. The child's CYS Registration and sports physical must be current. For more information, call 313-3699.



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.

Air defenders

The Redstone-Huntsville Chapter of the Air Defense Artillery Association invites all active and retired ADA officers, members and friends to attend its annual Saint Barbara's Day Awards Dinner and Dance Oct. 27 at the Officers and Civilians Club. The guest speaker is Brig. Gen. John Seward, deputy commander for operations, Space and Missile Defense Command/Army Forces Strategic Command. Cocktails begin at 6 p.m. with a pay-as-you-go bar. Dinner is served at 7:15. Cost is \$30 per person for members and their guests or \$60 per couple, and for non-members \$40 per person or \$70 per couple. Payment must be received by close of business Oct. 15. Call Janett Beasley 837-5282, ext. 1524. For more information, call Mike Howell 830-3912, Rob Jassey 861-6456 or Dick Pendleton 964-5401.

Microsoft users

A new SharePoint users' group for Microsoft Office SharePoint Server, Windows SharePoint Services will meet Oct. 24 from 9-11 a.m. at Huntsville Botanical Garden, Boeing Education Room. Scheduled speaker is Dave Franklin of B2B Technologies. To register, go to www.mossmosis.com/huntsville. You can also call 603-4432 for more information.

Fleet reserve

Fleet Reserve Association Branch 278 will hold its monthly meeting Oct. 27 at noon at Greenbrier Barbecue on I-565 Exit 3. For information call Bill Marriott 974-3763 or Jim Sutton 650-5748.

Resource managers

The American Society of Military Comptrollers, Redstone/Huntsville Chapter's monthly luncheon meeting is Thursday at 11:30 a.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church, Personal Growth Center. Sched-

uled speaker will be Dr. Richard Amos, AMCOM deputy to the commander. For ticket information, call Marlene Clemons 313-2378 or Lisa Lowry 876-7086.

Parent council

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

Officers association

The Huntsville Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America will hold its informal monthly breakfast Oct. 27 at 8 a.m. at Victoria's Cafe, 7540 southwest Memorial Parkway. The chapter will hold its monthly luncheon meeting Oct. 31 at 11 a.m. in the Officers and Civilians Club. Certified financial planner Todd Carden and Carol Wallace, of the Elder Law Firm of Connie Glass and Carol Wallace, will be the guest speakers. For more information, call retired Col. Danny Burttram 325-1938.

Logistics engineers

This month's SOLE program and luncheon is Oct. 23 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 23 at the Officers and Civilians Club. The speaker is Doug McDaniels, an international air-show personality. Cost is \$14 for non-members, \$13 for members. For reservations call Jane Reeves 544-7991 or Dave Welch 837-5282, ext. 1706.

Emergency technology

The Tennessee Valley Emerging Technology Conference will be held March 26-28 at the Richard C. Shelby Center for Missile Intelligence Auditorium. For more information, visit the conference web site <http://smapcenter.uah.edu/ETC08/>.

Security professionals

Can you adequately explain the threat to you, your company and its classified contracts? The next NCMS Mid-south Chapter Security luncheon should help you answer these questions and more. The luncheon is Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Huntsville Airport Sheraton. Eric Wallace from the 902nd Military Intelligence Group will speak on "Protecting your Information." Lunch is \$15. To register, e-mail Jeff.bennett@westwind-corp.com.



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

Surplus sales

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

Thrift shop

The Thrift Shop, building 3209 on Hercules Road, is open for shopping 9 a.m. to 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 Saturday, Nov. 3 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. 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.

Retiree appreciation days

New Combat-Related Special Compensation programs will be discussed during the Redstone Arsenal Retiree Appreciation Days on Nov. 2-3. Col. John Sackett from CRSC will hold briefings at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club on Nov. 2; and at 10:40 a.m. in Bob Jones Auditorium on Nov. 3. Additional briefings and special events for military retirees and their families will be held at various locations across Redstone on Nov. 2-3. For more information, call the Retiree Services Office 876-2022.

Commissary's appreciation

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.

Butler High reunion

Butler High School class of 1983 is planning its 25-year reunion. Tentative dates are next May 23-24 or Aug 29-30. If you are a member of the Class of '83, e-mail bellecambron@yahoo.com or call 509-6014 with your latest information and your preference on the dates.

Pilots wanted

The Huntsville Recruiting Company is seeking qualified applicants to apply for Warrant Officer Flight Training School. Applicants must have a high school diploma and be from age 18-33. Age waivers will be considered. Experience in flight training or related disciplines are encouraged, but not a requirement. Applicants will be required to take the Alternate Flight Aptitude Selection Test and score 90 or higher. For more information, or to schedule an interview, call Capt. Cyrus Russ 539-6511,

Officer candidates

The Huntsville Recruiting Company is seeking proficient individuals interested

in commissioning as Army officers upon completion of Officer Candidate School. If you are a college graduate with a four-year college degree or higher from an accredited institution of postsecondary education (college seniors may apply), this is an opportunity for you to become an officer. Graduates of OCS are commissioned as second lieutenants. Commissions are available in the Active Army and the Army Reserve. For more information, or to schedule an interview, call Capt. Cyrus Russ 539-6511.

Reserve cadets

Join the Army Reserve and enroll in your college ROTC program simultaneously through the Simultaneous Membership Program. Earn anywhere from \$470 to \$1,400 a month as a SMP cadet. As a member of the Army Reserve SMP Cadet Program, you are non-deployable, you have an opportunity to pursue the degree of your choice and you can assure yourself of a future as a commissioned officer in the Active Army or the Army Reserve. For more information, call your local Army Reserve recruiter 922-1422.

Cutest baby contest

The Integrated Materiel Management Center is holding a Cutest Baby Contest for the Combined Federal Campaign. Deadline for entries is Friday. Entries will

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Photo by Tracy Cunningham

Ribbon dancing

The Harvest Boys & Girls Club's Performing Arts group presents ribbon dancing to Security Assistance Management Directorate's organization day attendees at the Rustic Lodge. SAMD workers enjoyed golfing, bingo, volleyball and a tug-of-war, as well as a traditional picnic menu during the annual event. The Harvest Boys & Girls Club is a Combined Federal Campaign recipient, providing after-school and summer services to grades kindergarten through 12. These services include programs such as character and leadership development, education, health, life skills, the arts, sports, fitness and recreation.

be available through Samantha Smith 313-1553 and in front of the Sparkman Cafeteria on Thursday from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The following rules will apply: The photo must be no larger than 5-by-7. The photo may be black and white or color. Nominated baby should be the only person visible in photo, if possible. Close-up shots are recommended. Entry fee is \$10, payable by cash or check (made out to CFC). No charge cards or debit cards. You may have more than one photo per child, but each will require an entry fee. Each vote will cost \$1, payable by cash or check (made out to CFC). You may vote as many times as you wish for as many children as you wish, but each vote will be \$1. Groups may pool their money and vote for their favorite. Deadline for voting is Nov. 1. Voting locations and dates will be in front of the Sparkman Cafeteria on Oct. 23, 25, 30 and Nov. 1 from 10:30-12:30, or through Smith. For more information, contact Smith at 313-1553 or samantha.smith@us.army.mil.

Missouri scholarship

The North Alabama MSM-UMR Alumni Section announces its annual section scholarship to prospective students who intend to enroll at the University of Missouri-Rolla. This annual \$1,000 renewable scholarship is contingent on the student maintaining a 2.75 grade point average. Any prospective UMR student desiring to apply for this scholarship and who meets the UMR qualifications for admission should contact either the UMR Office of Admissions, 106 Parker Hall, 1870 Miner Circle, Rolla, MO 65409, phone 1-800-522-0938 (toll free) or 573-341-4166 (direct), e-mail admissions@umr.edu or Cathy Tipton at crowell@umr.edu. Prospective students can learn more about UMR at www.umr.edu.

AMRDEC day

The Aviation and Missile Research Development and Engineering Center's Organizational Day is Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Col. Carroll Hudson recreation area (rain date Oct. 25). Lunch tickets are \$8 for adults and \$3 per child. For more information, call Steve Smith 842-9192.

Project office dining

Col. Edward Mullin, project manager for Cruise Missile Defense Systems, invites all former CMDS/SHORAD employees to the annual CMDS Dining Out on Nov. 9 at the Officers and Civilians Club. Cost is \$35 per person. For more information, call Bonnie Coleman 876-4927.

Toast of city

Turner Universal and Junior Achievement of Northern Alabama Inc. invite you to "The Toast of Huntsville" on Nov. 8 at 5:30 p.m. at Early Works Museum. This event features wine, martini and beer tastings, gourmet hors d'oeuvres, music, auctions and a networking venue. All proceeds from The Toast of Huntsville will benefit JANA programs which will reach more than 15,000 area students this school



Photo by Skip Vaughn

New home

The Veterinary Treatment Facility moved into its new location, building 3583 on Shillelagh Circle, in mid-September and held an open house Oct. 5. Licensed veterinary technician Melissa Perkins enters the building with the facility's mascot, Hannity.

year. Tickets are \$50 for regular admission and \$100 for the VIP package. Corporate rates are available as well. For more information or to purchase tickets, call Nancy Haragan at the JANA office 533-4661.

Technology day

Barco Federal is having a Technology Day on Oct. 29 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Huntsville Marriott, in the Atlantis and Discovery ballrooms. "This is an educational session for you to learn about their company and their capabilities," a prepared release said. For information call Dee Campobasso 527-6438.

Prayer breakfast

The next LCMC Nondenominational Prayer Breakfast is Thursday at 7:30 a.m. in the Sparkman Center, building 5300, conference room 5140. No food or drink will be served, but you may bring your own. Everyone is welcome. For more information call Richard Doty 313-1537 or Sharon Board 876-0194.

Military service awards

The GEICO Military Service Awards Program has begun its 12th year. The program honors one enlisted member from each of the five military services, and one enlisted member from the Guard/Reserves component, for outstanding service to his or her military or civilian community. Nominations are due by Oct. 31. For more information, call the local GEICO Insurance office 837-0551.

Operation Stand Down

On the weekend of Nov. 2-4, Operation Stand Down-Huntsville will coordinate an event at Joe Davis Stadium to help homeless veterans obtain VA benefits and the community services they need to rebuild their lives. At the event, homeless veterans will be able to get a medical physical, register for VA benefits, enjoy free food, clothing and shelter, and obtain counseling. The VA hospitals in Birmingham and Montgomery are involved with the event and several local organizations and businesses are assisting. But, volunteers and donations of money and supplies are still needed to make Operation Stand Down-Huntsville a reality for homeless veterans. If you would like to assist in either area, contact Sandra Childress at bsjenings@bellsouth.net, Jane Dow 508-0042 Valerie Coffey 885-7387 or Doug Dietz at 509-4579.

Dog show

The annual "Bark in the Park" is Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in downtown Madison by the gazebo. There are 13 categories in which dogs can be judged. Proceeds are contributed to the Ark by the sponsor, Madison Women's Club. For more information, call Sheryl McGrath 325-2300.

Zoo day

The next military-only free day at the Birmingham Zoo is Nov. 11. Everyone with a valid military ID will be admitted free that day. Military personnel and their family members get discounted admission with a valid military ID on any day of the week except Tuesdays, which are known as half price Tuesdays throughout the year.

Stop domestic abuse

October is Domestic Abuse Prevention Month. A Domestic Violence Awareness Seminar will be held Oct. 27 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Clifford Chunn Family Life Center, St. Luke MB Church, 1800 Sparkman Drive. Crisis Services of North Alabama will present this seminar and lunch will be served. The seminar is free to the public. For more information, call 721-1294.

Fox Army health center

Fox Army Health Center will be closed Nov. 12 in observance of Veterans Day. On Nov. 13, the Primary Care Clinic will be open from 7:30-11:30 a.m. for scheduled appointments. All other clinics and the Pharmacy will be closed all day. Advice Nurses are available 24 hours a day, at 955-8888 or 1-800-223-9531 to provide care advice. Fox doesn't have an emergency room. Dial 911 in the event of an emergency.

Logistics awards

The 2007 Ernest A. Young Logistics Achievement Award Luncheon/Ceremony is Nov. 8 at 11 a.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club. The two awards to be pre-

sented are the Management/Executive Award to GS-13s and above (or military equivalents) and the Professional/Technical Award to GS-13s and below (or military equivalents). Tickets cost \$15. For tickets call Kathy White 876-1757, Marveline Readus 313-1588, Faye Yates 876-1824, Jan Huys 313-1504, Vanessa Adair 313-1475, Debbie White 313-4165, Linda Cosgray 313-4004 or Katie Clark 876-1093.

Gate hours change

The Directorate for Emergency Services has announced that Gate 1 will be open 5:30 a.m. to midnight daily. Gate 10, due to manpower changes, will be open 5:30 a.m. to midnight daily. Previously, Gate 10 was open beginning at 4:30 a.m., but now Team Redstone Soldiers and employees will have to make appropriate changes accordingly.

Garden plots

Garden plot owners on Redstone Arsenal should ensure their plots are cleared and clean by Dec. 15 to prepare for winterization procedures. Requests will be sent to Directorate of Public Works to bush hog and plow plots for winter no earlier than Dec.15. For more information, call Stephanie Stone 830-9175.

Stepping stones

The Post Library and the OCWC Garden Club are teaming up to teach you how to make a stepping stone. Class members will make and decorate one to use as a border around the Butterfly Garden at the library and one to take home. The class is open to anyone who can use Morale Welfare and Recreation facilities. This is a class for all ages, but children from 6 to 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult. Classes will be offered on Oct. 20 and 27 and Nov. 3 at 9 a.m. at the Post Library, building 3323 on Redeye Road. The class will last about two hours, depending on the number of students. Cost is \$7. Your pre-payment at the library will be your reservation for the class. For more information, call 876-4741.

Job fair

The U.S. Customs and Border Protection is now hiring. A recruiting team will accept resumes and interview for Border Patrol positions on Thursday from 10 a.m. to noon at Army Community Service, building 3338 on Redeye Road. To pre-register, call 876-5397. For position requirements, visit www.cbp.gov.

Resume writing

To be a successful job hunter, you must draw the employer's attention to you and separate yourself from other job applicants. A well-written resume can do this for you. If you would like to refresh an old resume or create new one, call Army Community Service 876-5397 to reserve a seat for its resume workshop scheduled Oct. 24 from 9-11 a.m. at building 3338 on Redeye Road.

ARMY POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS REDSTONE ARSENAL AND HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA AREA

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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

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SCBK07307082	Supply Tech	17-Oct-07	MEDDAC	GS-2005	6	6	32,446 - 42,180		X											
SCBK07280696	Electronics Engr	19-Oct-07	AMRDEC	DB-0855	4	4	89,875 - 137,434		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07280696D	Electronics Engr	19-Oct-07	AMRDEC	DB-0855	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07288188	Electronics Engr	19-Oct-07	AMRDEC	DB-0855	2	3	29,108 - 98,876		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07288188D	Electronics Engr	19-Oct-07	AMRDEC	DB-0855	2	3	29,108 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07267168	Operations Research Analyst	19-Oct-07	AMCOM, G3 (Oper)	GS-1515	13	13	76,056 - 98,876		X						X					X
SCBK07267168D	Operations Research Analyst	19-Oct-07	AMCOM, G3 (Oper)	GS-1515	13	13	76,056 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
WTST07198544	Supv Security Spec	19-Oct-07	AMCOM, Intelligence & Security Dir	GG-0080	14	14	89,875 - 116,835	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07250493	General Engr	22-Oct-07	GARRISON	GS-0801	13	13	76,056 - 98,876			X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07318011	Electronics Engr	22-Oct-07	AMRDEC	DB-0855	3	3	63,958 - 98,876		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07318011D	Electronics Engr	22-Oct-07	AMRDEC	DB-0855	3	3	63,958 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07323925	General Supp Spec	22-Oct-07	IMMC	GS-2001	9	9	44,104 - 57,334	X	X											
SCBK07339214	Supv Bus Oper Mgr	23-Oct-07	AMCOM, Bus Mgmt Dir	YC-0301	2	2	63,958 - 122,678	X	X											
SCBK07283011	Prgm Integrator	23-Oct-07	AMCOM, G3 (Oper)	GS-0301	14	14	89,875 - 116,835		X											
SCBK070310282	Financial Sys Spec	24-Oct-07	AMCOM, G8 (Res Mgmt)	GS-0501	9	9	44,104 - 57,334		X											
SCBK07306548	ADP Acq Spec	24-Oct-07	GARRISON	GS-0301	12	12	63,958 - 83,148	X												
SCBK07333314	Secretary (OA)	24-Oct-07	AMRDEC	DK-0318	3	3	36,057 - 51,914	X												
SCBK07192780	Gen Engr; Physical Scientist; Oper Research Analyst	25-Oct-07	SMDC	GS-0801; 1301; 1515	14	14	89,875 - 116,835			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07192780D	Gen Engr; Physical Scientist; Oper Research Analyst	25-Oct-07	SMDC	GS-0801; 1301; 1515	14	14	89,875 - 116,835	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07320058	Trng Ammo Mgr	25-Oct-07	GARRISON	GS-0301	11	11	53,362 - 69,373		X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07245244	Materials Engr	26-Oct-07	AMRDEC	DB-0806	3	3	63,958 - 98,876		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07245244D	Materials Engr	26-Oct-07	AMRDEC	DB-0806	3	3	63,958 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07282115	Inspector	26-Oct-07	AMCOM, Ofc of Inspector General	YA-1801	2	2	53,362 - 98,876		X						X					X
SCBK07282070	Inspector	26-Oct-07	AMCOM, Ofc of Inspector General	YA-1801	2	2	53,362 - 98,876		X						X					X
WTST07047558R	Aerospace Engr	29-Oct-07	TSMO	GG-0861	7	9	41,262 - 62,116	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
WTST07304718	IT Spec (INFOSEC)	1-Nov-07	TSMO	GG-2210	13	13	76,056 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07266243	General Engr	2-Nov-07	AMRDEC	DB-0801	4	4	89,875 - 137,434		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07266243D	General Engr	2-Nov-07	AMRDEC	DB-0801	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07171020	Equip Spec (Gen)	13-Nov-07	IMMC	GS-1670	12	12	63,958 - 83,148				X				X					X
SCBK07258783OC	Contract Spec	19-Nov-07	ACQ CTR	GS-1102	13	13	76,056 - 98,876			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07258778OC	Contract Spec	19-Nov-07	ACQ CTR	GS-1102	12	12	62,751 - 81,572			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07266161	Equip Spec (Gen)	21-Nov-07	IMMC	GS-1670	12	12	56,301 - 83,148				X				X					X
SCBK07266185	Logistics Mgmt Spec	21-Nov-07	IMMC	GS-0346	13	13	66,951 - 98,876				X				X					X
SCBK07282335	Equip Spec (Aircraft)	26-Nov-07	IMMC	GS-1670	12	12	56,301 - 83,148				X				X					X

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SCBK07280696D	Electronics Engr	19-Oct-07	AMRDEC	DB-0855	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07288188D	Electronics Engr	19-Oct-07	AMRDEC	DB-0855	2	3	29,108 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07267168D	Operations Research Analyst	19-Oct-07	AMCOM, G3 (Oper)	GS-1515	13	13	76,056 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
WTST07198544	Supv Security Spec	19-Oct-07	AMCOM, Intelligence & Security Dir	GG-0080	14	14	89,875 - 116,835	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07318011D	Electronics Engr	22-Oct-07	AMRDEC	DB-0855	3	3	63,958 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07192780D	Gen Engr	25-Oct-07	SMDC	GS-0801	14	14	89,875 - 116,835	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07192780D	Oper Research Analyst	25-Oct-07	SMDC	GS-1515	14	14	89,875 - 116,835	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07192780D	Physical Scientist	25-Oct-07	SMDC	GS-1301	14	14	89,875 - 116,835	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07245244D	Materials Engr	26-Oct-07	AMRDEC	DB-0806	3	3	63,958 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
WTST07304718	IT Spec (INFOSEC)	1-Nov-07	TSMO	GG-2210	13	13	76,056 - 98,876	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
WTST07047558R	Aerospace Engr	29-Oct-07	TSMO	GG-0861	7	9	41,262 - 62,116	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK07266243D	General Engr	2-Nov-07	AMRDEC	DB-0801	4	4	89,875 - 137,434	X	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 served 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.

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