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Pittman supported first launch for Redstone rocket in 1953

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There's something about Redstone Arsenal and its engineer work force that keeps Bill Pittman coming to work each day.

Each day, that is, for 57 years.

This 87-year-old, World War II Marine veteran began his civilian career with the Army's rocket development team at Redstone Arsenal in 1951. He supported the 1953 history-making launch of the first Redstone rocket, which will celebrate the 55th anniversary of its first launch on Aug. 20.

Besides launching the nation's race to space, the Redstone rocket also launched the careers of American scientists and engineers at Redstone Arsenal, including Pittman, whose work has involved many of the rockets and missiles developed for the Army since the 1950s.

Yet, Pittman is the only engineer from those early rocket days still working for the Army or NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center. In 1999, Pittman retired from his work at the Aviation and Missile Research Development and Engineering Center. But he still works daily at AMRDEC through the federal government's volunteer emeritus program.

When asked why he feels compelled to continue his work at AMRDEC, Pittman shrugged and said he still has "unfinished business."

"I feel a personal commitment to the work I've yet to finish here," said Pittman, looking around an office filled with mementoes from his fulfilling career. "I still want to strengthen the patent portfolio at AMRDEC and I am still working to support workshops by helping to seek out people who are willing to serve as chairmen and vice chairmen.

"I also enjoy being a mentor for younger engineers. We are fortunate to have some really sharp young people here dedicated to being engineers and scientists."

Pittman's career at Redstone Arsenal began in 1951, when, as a graduate of Mississippi State, he was recruited by the Army to work on rocket development at the Ordnance Missile Laboratories.

"It was the first time I had heard of the famous German rocket team," he said. "Mr. Hans Heuter was the senior mechanical engineer on the von Braun team. Personnel sent me to his office. He told me to sit down and then he called Personnel and said 'I need a mechanical engineer and you sent me this electroniker' (German reference for an



Photo by Kari Hawkins

ORIGINAL ROCKET MAN— Bill Pittman, who has been an engineer involved in rocket and missile development since coming to Redstone Arsenal in 1951, sits under a portrait of one of his commanding generals, Maj. Gen. Francis McMorro, commander of the Missile Command from 1962-63. Pittman is the last working engineer from the Army's original rocket team at the Ordnance Missile Laboratories.

electronics engineer)."

"I think he felt sorry for saying that in front of me because then he pulled out two big, thick documents that were declassified V-2 documents, and he told me to read them and report back to him."

It wasn't long before Pittman had proven his scientific and technical abilities to his German boss. He was put to work in the radio and telemetry group, which was housed in buildings located on what was

then called Squirrel Hill (buildings 111 and 112 on Goss Road).

He was the group supervisor for the telemetry system of the Redstone rocket, which was a direct descendent of the German's V-2 rocket.

"It was an exciting time," Pittman said of his work on the Redstone rocket. "At the time, we were in an international competition

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An open lane random survey

If you could be anyone in the world other than yourself, who would that be?

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Kim Henry
AMCOM/Garrison Public and Congressional Affairs Office
"Mother Teresa. To me she's just the perfect example of love. And just to be able to experience how she helps so many people, I just think that would be really, really rewarding."

Maj. Darryl Gilliam
Program Executive Office for Missiles and Space
"I would say Gen. Colin Powell. I think (because of) his accomplishments, what he's gained in life. He's a leader that's not scared to take the unbeaten path, which has paid off in big dividends for him."



Shelby Vaughn
Heritage Elementary fourth-grader
"Tyra Banks because she has her own show and she gets to see a lot of celebrities on her show, and I watch it every day."

Maj. Anela Arcari
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Europe District
"That would be Audrey Hepburn. For her beauty, her style, her class. She was just a phenomenal person."



Quote of the week

'A lot of room in left-center. If he hits one there we can dance in the streets... Swung. Line-drive left field. One run is in, here comes Bream. Here's the throw to the plate, he is... safe. Braves win! Braves win! Braves win!
— late Atlanta Braves announcer Skip Caray calling the game-winning play in the 1992 National League Championship series clincher

50 years service and going home

Who would think that a young boy from North Philadelphia would enter the federal government and complete 50 years of honorable service?

I enlisted in the U.S Air Force two days after my graduation from Thomas A. Edison High School on June 20, 1958. I was called to active duty and sent to Lackland Air Force Base, Texas on Aug. 6, 1958, and was assigned to the Air Police career field. After completing 10 weeks of basic training, and 10 weeks at the Air Police Tech School, I was assigned in December 1958 to the Strategic Air Command at Plattsburgh AFB, in the extreme corner of New York, 20 miles from the Canadian border. I was assigned to the 801st Air Police Squadron of the 380th Bombardment Wing, a B-47 Stratojet and KC-97 Stratotanker aircraft wing. The 556th Strategic Missile Squadron became operational in October 1961 and had the first Atlas Intercontinental Ballistic Missile ever deployed east of the Mississippi River. Nuclear laden B-47 and KC-97 aircraft were deployed to various bases within the United Kingdom and also at Sondstrom Air Base in Greenland. I deployed to both countries. ...

On Feb. 20, 1962 Col. John Glenn became the third American in space and the first to orbit the Earth, aboard "Friendship 7" on the Mercury Atlas 6 mission, circling the Earth three times. When his heat shield failed on re-entry, he was still able to make his splash down safely, was deemed a hero and received a



Courtesy photo

SKY'S LIMIT— Will Dennis' 50-year career includes the 30 years he spent in the Air Force.

ticker-tape parade, reminiscent of Lindbergh. I was selected to provide security and walk alongside his vehicle in the motorcade. ...

Upon attaining the rank of chief master sergeant (April 1, 1985), I was offered a position as a member of the Headquarters Air Force Systems Command's Inspector General Team based at Eglin AFB, in Fort Walton Beach, Fla. I served on the IG Team until my retirement on Aug. 31, 1988.

On Sept. 1, 1988 I was selected as a contract security officer for the VITRO Corporation performing physical and information security within the 96th Air Base Group's Mathematical Laboratory at the Air Armament Center, Air Force Systems Command at Eglin AFB, Fla., for the CRAY Supercomputer System.

I was hired in May 1991 by the Office of Personnel Management, within the Acquisition Security Directorate, at Eglin as a security specialist and throughout the years

held varied positions.

On March 3, 2003, I was assigned to the Space and Missile Defense Command as the alternate foreign disclosure officer for the command.

My federal career has spanned six decades serving eight SAC commanders-in-chief (including favorites Gen. Thomas S. Power and Gen. Bennie L. Davis) and 10 presidents (Dwight D. Eisenhower to George W. Bush), and saw Fidel Castro's rise to power in January 1959 and his retirement in February 2008. I've managed accounting for airmen sent to Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. With the rest of the world, I witnessed shuttle failures, and successes. But above all, being able to celebrate the 50th anniversary of SMDC/ARSTRAT has culminated a successful federal career.

I wouldn't trade a day of this 50-year career, both military and civilian. I'll always remember the myriad of American and foreign friends I've met along the way and the great times we had together. But as the singer Chris Daughtry says in his recent hit song, "These places and these faces are getting old... So I'm going home."

Will Dennis
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Getting to know you

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Where do you call home?

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What do you like about your job?

Interacting with both military and civilian acquisition work force. It gives me an opportunity to share what I've learned, and learn from others.

What do you like to do in your spare time?

Spend time with grandkids.

What are your goals?

Looking forward to retirement.

What's your favorite type of music?

Oldies and gospel



Photo by Skip Vaughn

Operations update

Maj. Gen. Jim Myles, commander of the Aviation and Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal, speaks to members of the Integrated Materiel Management Center and G-3 (Operations) on Aug. 8 at Bob Jones Auditorium. "The conditions on the battlefield have changed," he said. "And we need to adapt to the way we need to be in order to best support our Soldiers."

Crimes, accidents and other occurrences

The Directorate of Emergency Services provided the following list of reported incidents:



Aug. 1: A wallet was found and brought to the police station, where marijuana was found in it. The owner of the wallet was found, processed for possession of marijuana and released. Investigation continues by Redstone Investigations section.

Aug. 5: An individual was found to be operating his motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license after stopping at Gate 10. He was issued a violation notice and released.

Traffic accidents reported: eight without injury, none with injury.

Violation notices issued: 10 speeding, 1 failure to obey traffic control device, 1 driving with a suspended/canceled/revoked driver's license, 2 following too close, 2 failure to yield right of way, 3 expired tags.

Law enforcement agency knocks on Redstone's door

ATF training site under construction

By **KELLEY LANE-SIVLEY**
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The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives was looking for a place to put its explosives training.

Redstone Arsenal met its needs.

"We can't expand where we are," Jeff Groh, chief of ATF's explosives training branch, said. "So we have been looking for a new location. This location with these attributes best fits our mission."

The first phase of the training center construction began last November. It will be a convertible facility in that it will initially house classroom areas and offices until the main building is completed in mid-2010. Once those have moved into the larger



Courtesy graphic

ARTIST'S RENDERING— The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives training facility, currently under construction, will be located near Patton Road.

building, the temporary location can be transformed for vehicle storage and other training.

"There are garage doors behind the dry wall," John Green, Garrison master planner

for the project, said. "The raised computer floor comes out. The ceiling can be raised."

The first building is nearing completion. All 9,000 square feet of it are scheduled to be ready by

the end of August. Construction of the second, 83,000 square foot building is scheduled to follow. Both buildings will be located between Patton and Hansen roads.

The other portion of the construction project involves a new 300-acre test range on the south side of the Arsenal along the Tennessee River. It includes observation areas and explosive storage magazines. Crews are preparing the site for the special needs of ATF, including some major league dirt.

"Because of explosives being used, they had to have dirt without rocks and debris in it," Green said. "We found a place where we could get dirt that had already been sifted and the debris removed. They also sell it to ballparks. This is the same dirt as on Turner Field (in Atlanta)."

Plans are also in the works to make use of additional space that base realignment and closure will leave vacant. McKinley and

Corkern ranges are being planned for ATF use once the Ordnance Munitions and Electronic Maintenance School moves to Fort Lee, Va.

"We will be converting them as they (OMEMS) vacate," Green said.

The facilities and ranges already in use at Redstone are part of what drew the bureau here, Groh said. The organizations on post doing similar work provided the rest of the incentive.

"The biggest reason for coming here is the capabilities that Redstone already has," Groh said. "It fits with what we're trying to do. There are other entities here doing similar things. We can work together to make everyone better."

Besides working with existing Redstone organizations, ATF works with other federal agencies. They provide training in

Chiarelli gets his fourth star and new job

Vice chief of staff assumes command

By HEIKE HASENAUER
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — In a Pentagon ceremony Aug. 4, Secretary of Defense Robert Gates promoted Lt. Gen. Peter W. Chiarelli to four-star general and Army Secretary Pete Geren administered Chiarelli's oath of office as the Army's 32nd vice chief of staff.

Gates, who was Chiarelli's boss in his most recent position as senior military assistant to the secretary of defense since March 2007, called the ceremony "bittersweet," saying, "I'll miss him. But I can think of no one better to take the job (as vice)."

From moving into a position as the Army's director of operations a month before the tragic events of Sept. 11, 2001 to commanding the 1st Cavalry Division based at Fort Hood, Texas, in August 2003 and deploying to Iraq as the commander of Task Force Baghdad — from February 2004 to March 2005 — Chiarelli hasn't soldiered from the sidelines.

Soon after he arrived in Iraq, eight 1st Cav. Div. Soldiers were killed. "He'll never forget their names," Gates said in his introduction to a man he clearly reveres.

"Pete will tell you that our men and women (in uniform) are our greatest asset," Gates said. The Soldiers, in turn, have referred to Chiarelli as everything from "a father figure to a health adviser and marriage counselor," because he cares about Soldiers.

"His beliefs (about our purpose in Iraq) only solidified during his second tour in Iraq," Gates said about Chiarelli's role as commander, Multi-National Corps-Iraq from January 2006 to December 2006.

"As long as there's a single Soldier in harm's way" or a family missing their Soldier who's far from home, "Pete will never rest," Gates continued.

Today, with 36 years in service to his country under his belt, Chiarelli said, "I thank you for your confidence, trust and this opportunity. I look forward to serving as part of your team," he told Geren. "Your compassionate leadership has been (an inspiration)."

"This is an important day in the life of the Army and in the Chiarelli family," Geren said. "We all know service (in the



Photo by Heike Hasenauer

FAMILY EVENT— Lt. Gen. Peter W. Chiarelli gets his fourth star from his mother, left, and wife during a Pentagon ceremony Aug. 4 that also marked his assumption of command as the Army's 32nd vice chief of staff.

armed forces) is a family affair," Geren added, as he introduced Chiarelli's wife Beth and children, Peter, Erin and Patrick. Chiarelli's mother Theresa, a daughter-in-law and a granddaughter also attended the event.

On the lighter side, Chiarelli joked that his family has always been willing to "forgive my Type-A-ness," and "Beth, you've always been quick to remind me that I'm just Pete Chiarelli" (a regular guy).

The new vice chief reflected on his time in service — which began in 1973 at Fort Lewis, Wash., as a lieutenant and platoon leader and then executive officer of the 9th Infantry Division's Headquarters and Hqs. Troop, 3rd Squadron, 5th Cavalry — and the lessons he's learned along the way from comrades.

"They taught me that leadership, competence and accountability count," Chiarelli said.

In his role as the Army's vice chief of staff, Chiarelli will serve as the principal adviser and assistant to the chief of staff of the Army, advising and assisting the CSA on issues related to personnel, logistics, operations and plans.

Redstone welcomes ATF explosives training

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areas such as advanced explosives, investigations, pre-blast and post-blast forensics. They also provide that same training to international, federal and agency partners.

Because they are a Department of Justice bureau, the ultimate focus of their training operations is on investigation,

identification of suspects and then prosecution of their case, according to Theresa Stoop, deputy assistant director for training.

"We train our team to hit the ground running. The more prepared they are then the better chance we have at solving crimes," Stoop said. "We take our proven methods that have worked for us for 30 years. We catch the criminals and go home safe. That's our goal — to make the public safe and solve every crime."

Fifty-two Soldiers arrive in July

The Garrison provided the following in-processing list for July. In some cases, the Soldiers were already at Redstone but changed units:

- 1st Lt. Nestor Irizarrycruz, TN ARNG RTI; Col. Michael Cavalier, Program Executive Office for Missiles and Space; Col. Richard Hatch, Aviation and Missile Command; Col. Kevin Michaels, MEDDAC; Col. Shane Openshaw, PEO Aviation; Col. Michael Postma, Space and Missile Defense Command; Col. Jacquelyn Russell, AMCOM; Col. Jeffrey Souder, Missile Defense Agency; Chief Warrant Officer 3 Everett Stevens, HHC 59th; Chief Warrant Officer 3 David Ware, AMCOM;

- Chief Warrant Officer 4 James Wright, Huntsville Liaison Office; Lt. Col. David Edward Bailey, Engineer Division Huntsville; Lt. Col. Iuminada Chinneth, MEDDAC; Lt. Col. Willie Greene, PEO C3T Panama City; Lt. Col. Kevin Hathaway, SMDC; Lt. Col. Gwendolyn Lee, SMDC; Lt. Col. Jong Lee, PEO Aviation; Lt. Col. Gregory Paul, PEO Missiles and Space; Maj. Steven Braddom, Office Adv Sys Tsch; Maj. Kerry Clements, PEO Missiles and Space; Maj. Scott Gardiner, SMDC; Maj. Rajmund Kopec, HHC 59th; Maj. Michael Madkins, WT Co A Cadre Redstone; Maj. Timothy McGrew, PEO Stri Orlando; Maj. Karen

Ryan, ARARNG Ele JFHQ FWD19; Maj. Susan Shapiro, AMCOM; Maj. Travis Trainer, Headquarters & Alpha Company; Maj. Christopher Whitmark, MDA THAAD; Master Sgt. Charlotte Elmore, HHC 59th; Master Sgt. James Spears, HHC 59th; Master Sgt. Alexander Taylor, Ordnance Munitions and Electronic Maintenance School;

- Sgt. 1st Class Alexander Bryant, HHC 59th; Sgt. 1st Class Bernard Gaines, NCO Academy; Sgt. 1st Class Dimitrius Garcia, Logistics Support Activity; Sgt. 1st Class Coulter Green, NCO Academy; Sgt. 1st Class Dawood Muhammad, LOGSA; Sgt. Maj. John Mattie, SMDC; Sgt. Stephanie Maxwell, HHC 59th; Sgt. Nicholas Shepherd, HHC 59th; Sgt. Timothy Stehle, MEDDAC; Spc. Joel Cronan, Garrison; Spc. Matthew Farris, WT Co A Warriors Redstone; Spc. Danyell Langhammer, MEDDAC; Spc. Christopher Sansom, TN ARNG RTI; Staff Sgt. Michael Alexander, WT Co A Warriors Redstone; Staff Sgt. Paula Black, NCO Academy; Staff Sgt. Nanette Clarkson, MEDDAC; Staff Sgt. Roger Gigandet, WT Co A Warriors Redstone; Staff Sgt. Tommy Haygood, HHC 59th; Staff Sgt. Andrew Hildreth, HHC 59th; Staff Sgt. Nicholas Race, SMDC; Staff Sgt. Ryan Torres, HHC 59th.

MWR expo in the house Aug. 20

Morale Welfare and Recreation wants to show you what it's got. The Redstone community is invited to the MWR Expo on Aug. 20 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Officers and Civilians Club.

There will be door prizes, giveaways, refreshments, and information about Redstone Arsenal and the surrounding community.

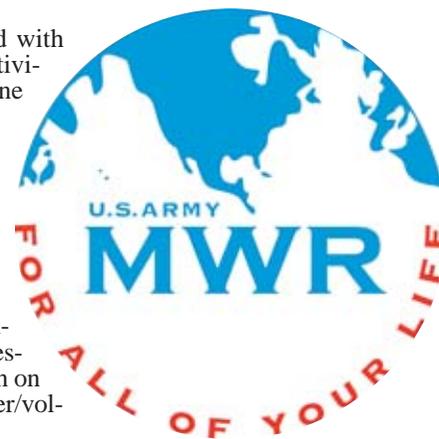
MWR will be on hand with information on all its activities and events on Redstone Arsenal.

The Officer and Civilian Women's Club will be there with information about its activities and to sign up new members.

Organizers will also have many other philanthropic organizations present to give you information on how to become a member/volunteer of their groups.

This event is open to members of the entire Redstone community. You won't want to miss out on this fun and informative event.

This event is brought to you by the OCWC. *(Garrison release)*



'Less is more' for 2X concentrated products at grocery store

By LYNDA VALENTINE
Defense Commissary Agency

FORT LEE, Va. – The Defense Commissary Agency is stocking more than 20 2X concentrated products at commissaries worldwide, and has six 3X products on its shelves.

These “double” and “triple” concentrated products are more powerful than their unconcentrated counterparts and are user- and environment-friendly. They help save millions of gallons of water that would have otherwise been added to the

product and come in smaller packages, which makes them less expensive to transport because more product fits into a single truck.

2X and 3X products also use less plastic per product than unconcentrated formulas, so they reduce the amount of trash produced annually by consumers.

The only downside to these concentrated products is “self-restraint,” said Bill Wood, DeCA's category manager for non-perishable grocery items.

Wood said 2X and 3X items are formulated to give users the same cleaning

results using less product; however, according to many web sites and blogs, consumers are finding it difficult to pour half as much product as they normally use.

Why? Because often, product caps on 2X and 3X products are much larger than the amount of liquid required, which leads consumers to use more than is necessary for optimum results, Wood said. “In addition, many say they can't get used to pouring out half as much because it just doesn't feel ‘right.’”

To break the habit and get the most out of a concentrated product, consider using

a household measuring device, such as a measuring spoon or cup instead of the caps that come with the products. By figuring out the “recommended” amount and then using a measuring device equal in size to the amount needed, Wood says consumers will use only what they need and not overfill.

Customers can find these and more environment-friendly products at their local commissary, where savings of 30 percent or more always makes shopping at the commissary worth the trip. *(Defense Commissary Agency release)*

Showcase for technical jobs arrives

Hi-tech career fair invites community

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Are you interested in a technical career with a leading defense contractor? Would you like to investigate careers offered in

the intelligence field? Are you transitioning from the military to a civilian career? Would you be interested in working in the aerospace industry for the government?

If you said "yes" to any of these questions, then plan on attending the Redstone Arsenal Defense Technology and Intelligence Career Fair on Aug. 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Diane Campbell Recreation Center, building 3711.

More than 20 government agencies

and defense contractors will participate in the career fair.

"We have a significant number of companies already signed up for this career fair and we are still two weeks away from the event," said Jason Semerakis of Transition Careers, which is presenting the career fair on behalf of Army Community Service's Employment Readiness Program, and Morale Welfare and Recreation.

"We wanted to bring this career fair to Redstone Arsenal because we have had several requests from employers and recruiters to facilitate one of these career fairs in Huntsville."

Redstone Arsenal and North Alabama are attractive to employers and recruiters because of the large number of engineers in the area who work in military fields and

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87-year-old engineer doing unfinished business

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with the Russians. Von Braun had created such a vision. It was pretty revolutionary for our time."

Pittman rode down to Cape Canaveral in August 1950 with his then German boss, Otto Hoberg.

"We loaded our instruments in the back seat of his car and drove down together for the launch," he said. "When the systems were turned on for the temperature readings, you had to tune them up and wait for them to stabilize. I was the last one to come down from the missile when we closed the instrument hatch. We didn't know much about the effect temperatures had on components back then.

"As I was coming down from the missile, I passed von Braun who was getting his photograph taken. He asked me to explain to him about the temperature readings. I did my best and he said 'It's too complicated for me.' We all knew at that launch that we were going to be part of an historic event."

That first launch was considered a partial success by the team, with the rocket flying 8,000 yards from the missile range.

"We watched the missile go through a hole in the clouds," Pittman recalled. "Then, we heard a low rumble like it had burned out. We were standing near our trailer in the sand, and everyone jumped and ran to get a hiding place under the trailer. There was a burnout of carbon, but the launching proved our concept. It was successful because it proved our concept could launch a rocket. We knew it would lead to the next step."

Pittman attended two more launches of the Redstone rocket, one of which his wife Eloise also attended. From 1953 through 1958, 37 Redstones were fired to test structure, engine performance, guidance and control, track-

ing and telemetry. His work in support of the Redstone and other rockets involved studying the effects of the atmosphere on tracking systems.

"If you're going to track things in deep space then you had to know what was in space that could affect your tracking systems," he said. "It was all about understanding the ionosphere and rocket plasma effects."

The Redstone rocket engine went on to power the Jupiter C rocket that launched America's first orbiting satellite, Explorer I, in 1958. A Redstone rocket engine — known as "Old Reliable" — also launched America's first astronaut in space — Alan Shepard — in 1961.

The Redstone rocket also had a significant role in the development of military missiles. As an Army field artillery theater ballistic missile, Redstone was known as the "Army's workhorse."

Pittman was among several American scientists and engineers who joined with the German rocket team to form the Army Ballistic Missile Agency in 1955. Pittman worked in the agency's Development Operations Division under the direction of Dr. Wernher von Braun.

Then, in 1958, NASA was created. In 1960, the German rocket team along with Pittman and many other American scientists and engineers became part of NASA's new Marshall Space Flight Center.

"It was a period of time filled with a sort of anxiety because we didn't know what the future was for our work. But we were too busy working to ponder it much," said Pittman, whose job title went from supervisor of electronics engineering to supervisor of aerospace engineering in the transition.

A year later, Pittman left MSFC to rejoin the civilian engineers at the Army's missile laboratories.

"There was never a dull moment," he said. "All these years, the work has not only been



Photo courtesy of AMCOM Historical Office

BACK IN THE DAY— In this 1973 photograph, a younger Bill Pittman, at far right, joins other Redstone rocket team members in front of the rocket's historic test stand. With Pittman at the 20th anniversary of the first Redstone rocket launching are, from left, Russ Gambill, Bill Stripling and John Osborne. The four were among several American engineers and scientists who joined the German rocket team in the 1950s, a collaboration that led to the development of the Redstone rocket and launched the nation's race to space. The engineers first worked for the Ordnance Missile Laboratories and later became employees of the Army Ballistic Missile Agency.

important for the defense of the country, but I think we have provided and are providing an important research foundation in advance technologies. Because of missile work here there has been a revolution in electronics and material sciences."

Pittman has been involved in the scientific research of many of the missiles developed and designed at Redstone Arsenal, including Hercules, Pershing and Hellfire. His name can be found on hundreds of research papers on missile technologies, and connected to many patents taking those technologies into the commercial realm.

He has received many accolades during his career. In 1994, he received the Meritorious Civilian Service Award (1986-93), the second highest award given to a Department of the Army civilian, for his work as a program manager in the Advanced Sensors Directorate, Research Development and Engineering Center. He has also received 12 performance awards, at least 40 commendation

letters, a certificate of recognition from Maj. Gen. James Link and 14 U.S. patents.

Community organizations have also recognized Pittman. He is the recipient of the Daughters of the American Revolution Medal of Honor and the Sons of the American Revolution Patriot Medal and Good Citizenship Medal and the Martin Schilling Award from the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics. He has been active in several organizations and professional societies, including the Disabled American Veterans, First Marine Division Association, 9th Marine Defense Battalion Association, Association of the U.S. Army, Sons of the American Revolution, Institute of Radio Engineers, Institute of Electrical & Electronics Engineers and American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

As a volunteer at AMRDEC, Pittman is further developing a patent portfolio, and is working with engineers both at AMRDEC and with other local companies and organizations to promote

research and development in missile fields.

"I think AMRDEC is in a very strong position as a hub of research and development," he said. "It has a long history of leading missile R&D and it's located in a city that has the second largest research park in the U.S. There's an enormous array of engineer and science talent at AMRDEC and in local industry and at the universities. And all of this wouldn't have happened without Redstone Arsenal and Marshall Space Flight Center."

Back in the 1950s, Pittman was a young engineer "thrown into a responsible position" in a new organization that has had a long-lasting impact on the nation's technologies. Today, young engineers are still being given responsibilities for research and development programs that have the potential of affecting the further advancement of science and technology.

"The Germans were good mentors back then. They told us to learn about all things, but to do one thing extremely well," he said. "I hope I have passed that along as a mentor to young engineers."

"I think a good engineer has to have a good foundation in physics and mathematics. And they should also have a good foundation in American and world history because it broadens their vision of the world. They should also have a respect for ethical standards. Those things provide for a foundation in the real advances in engineering."

Pittman hopes to stay on at AMRDEC "as long as I feel I'm being productive and the organization feels I am being productive."

He spends his free time with his wife, who is undergoing cancer treatment. He also enjoys time with his three children and five grandchildren, and he enjoys genealogy and history hobbies. He often writes book reviews of technical and history books.

"You got to stay active and productive," he said. "As long as I feel I'm being productive, I'll be here. I'm very fortunate to have made it this far."

Army stands up EOD training battalion

Unit's activation addresses demand

By Spc. RYAN STROUD
 59th Ordnance Brigade Public Affairs

EGLIN AFB, Fla. — Wet weather and soggy grass couldn't contain the excitement of Soldiers stationed at Eglin Air Force Base during the Aug. 1 activation ceremony of the Army Explosive Ordnance Disposal Training Battalion (Provisional).

Dark skies cleared as Sgt. Maj. Randy Hefner, Lt. Col. William Fiske and Col. Tom Keegan made their way to the EOD Memorial in front of the Kaufmann EOD Training Complex to unveil the new battalion flag and stand up the new unit.

With Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines and family members looking on, Army history was being made.

The EOD Training Battalion (Provisional) is a first for the Army. Though provisional, members of the command team say the activation is a large step toward improving the training of future EOD Soldiers.

"The Army is increasing the number of EOD Soldiers going to this Navy-run course," Hefner said. "We are increasing from



Photo by Spc. Ryan Stroud

OFFICIAL PARTY— From front to back, Sgt. Maj. Randy Hefner, sergeant major for the Army EOD Training Battalion (Provisional), Lt. Col. William Fiske, commander of EOD Training Battalion, and Col. Tom Keegan, 59th Ordnance Brigade commander, make their way to the EOD Memorial in front of the Kaufmann EOD Training Complex, Eglin AFB, to unveil the new battalion flag and stand up the new unit.

495 currently going through the course to 1,075 next year.

"In 2002, about 150 Soldiers went through the course," the battalion sergeant major continued. "With 1,075 for next year, this increases our on-hand population. Because of (this), a more formal Army structure was needed. While the battalion is provi-

sional, we are authorized certain things to help us get going, but not everything like a normal Army battalion."

Hefner said he feels the new battalion will drop the provisional status in the next few years, but for the time being he accepts the challenges ahead for him and his Soldiers.

"There is a demand for well-trained EOD Soldiers," he said. "All you have to do is read the newspaper to see the enemy's weapon of choice is the improvised explosive device. EOD Soldiers are the only ones trained and equipped to respond to IEDs."

Since early days in Iraq, EOD has gone through many changes. The number of robots and bomb suits has increased, as well as the number of EOD Soldiers in the fight, Hefner said. These Soldiers make a difference on the battlefield. The new training battalion will better prepare these Soldiers.

"This is a significant event, not only for the Army, but for the Navy EOD School," Fiske, the battalion commander, said. "With the Army wanting a battalion here, we will have the command presence that we've always wanted to help EOD students succeed through this challenging school."

Hefner and Fiske agree the "command presence" will focus extra individual attention and training for each Soldier entering the school.

"We need to establish a battle rhythm, send and receive reports and focus on the best EOD training we can provide," Fiske said. "With everything that's going

on, I'm excited and looking forward to great accomplishments in our future as a battalion."

Pfc. Brandon Septor, an EOD Soldier in training, saw the occasion in a different light.

"I feel good to be here and to see this new battalion stood up," he said. "I'm getting to be a part of Army history and learning how to help people and possibly save some lives. That's why I joined the Army — I wanted to save people's lives and be a part of something bigger than me."

"I wanted to be a part of EOD, and now it will be nice to say I was there when history took place during the standing up of the battalion. This is something to be proud of," Septor added.

After the activation ceremony, battalion Soldiers headed back into everyday life, training and shaping Soldiers. Hefner said the motivation of the new battalion is to have better-trained Soldiers ready to take on the fight.

"The tramline of the IED is down now, which is attributable to many things. But in my opinion, you cannot overlook the effect EOD has had stopping IEDs," he said. "With this new battalion, even more efficiently trained Soldiers will help save lives and make a difference in today's Army."

Engineers master distance education program

Two earn advanced degrees from Army War College

Two engineers have earned master's degrees from the Army War College through the distance education program.

Jean Grotophorst of the Aviation and Missile Research Development and Engineering Center and Marvin Nichols of the Unmanned Aircraft Systems Project Office completed the two-year program and received the master of strategic studies degree.

"It was to continue our professional development and to better prepare ourselves for the challenges facing today's Army leaders," said Grotophorst, senior systems engineer with the Engineering Directorate.

"During the two-year program we examined the conceptual, technical and interpersonal competencies required to lead and manage large complex organiza-



Photo by Skip Vaughn

DIPLOMAS— Marvin Nichols of UAS Project Office and Jean Grotophorst of AMRDEC earned their master's of strategic studies from the Army War College.

tions in the volatile, uncertain, complex and ambiguous world of a strategic leader," she said.

Her individual Program Research Project — titled "United States Rotorcraft Technology Investment: Is There a Lack of Vision?" — was awarded "The Commandant's Award for Distinction in Research."

Nichols, project engineer with Unmanned Aircraft Systems, is working on bringing a UAS Technology Center to Redstone Arsenal.

"The War College affords students the opportunity to learn about the strategic aspects of the Army," Nichols said. "Students are challenged to understand the use of political power arising from the Department of Defense, State Department, Treasury Department and the media."

They were among 276 students from May 1, 2006 to July 25, 2008. Most work was completed from their home duty stations with two 2-week resident courses at Carlisle Barracks, Pa. One resident course was after the first year of studies and the second one was at the end of the second

year of studies.

The distance education program consists of a series of 10 courses and two resident courses, taken over a two-year period.

The graduation speaker was Lt. Gen. William G. Webster Jr., deputy commander, U.S. Northern Command and vice commander, U.S. Element, North American Aerospace Defense Command. The capstone address was given by Maj. Gen. David Fastabend, director of strategy, plans and policy in the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff.

Some of the other speakers during the two resident courses included Adm. Mike Mullen, chairman of Joint Chiefs of Staff; retired Gen. Eric Shinseki; author and retired Col. Thomas Hammes; author Otto Kroeger; and renowned Irregular Warfare experts and authors Dr. Steven Metz, Dr. Michael Scheuer and Dr. Brian Linn.

A staff ride to Gettysburg was also conducted during the second resident course.

Missile Defense Agency building relationships

*Developing system
to protect U.S.*

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Missile systems are an integral part of this country's defense strategy. Missile Defense Agency is at work to ensure the U.S. is protected against a ballistic missile attack.

"We're responsible for developing a Ballistic Missile Defense System that will protect the United States, our forward deployed forces, allies and friends against ballistic missiles of all ranges and phases of flight," Harvey Player, assistant deputy of agency operations in Huntsville, said.

Tenants of Redstone *11th in a series*

MDA began in 1984. While it began during the Cold War, the organization has been quick to adapt to the changing world and its threats. The focus has changed again in the face of 9/11 and the Global War on Terrorism. Homeland security has become more of a concern.

The agency does just what its name implies, missile defense. Player said while they are working on their primary mission, they also step up to answer specific calls. In



Photo by Kelley Lane-Sivley

WHERE THE SKY'S ALWAYS BLUE— Building 5222 of the Von Braun Complex is the current home of the Missile Defense Agency.

2002, a presidential directive asked for fielding of ballistic missile defense capabilities. MDA fielded a system to counter strikes from North Korea and Iran in 2004. Designing hit-to-kill capabilities to intercept and

destroy an enemy missile isn't simple, but is important, Player said. MDA has continued its primary mission while reaching those goals.

"The president ordered a system

deployed. We accomplished that in 2004," Player said. "At the same time we have continued our primary mission of research and development."

The organization has seen a few name changes as well, like many other agencies. Along the way, it has been known as the Strategic Defense Initiative Organization, and Ballistic Missile Defense Organization. In 2002, it received its current moniker.

MDA occupies four buildings on post and the outside community. They have also broken ground on a new building, phase 3 of the Wernher von Braun complex, located just behind SMDC headquarters.

MDA began the process of moving to Redstone in 2005. Currently, 1,400 of its civilian and contractor employees are here. By 2011, MDA will have moved 2,500 jobs here as part of base realignment and closure.

The relationships with existing Redstone tenants and agencies are an important part of being here, Player said. The agency is also looking forward to developing new relationships as Redstone changes.

"We have a great working relationship with our Garrison commander," Player said.

With so many jobs moving to the area from different organizations as part of BRAC, Player is excited about the opportunity for partnership.

"We're standing ready with our sleeves rolled up to help with BRAC impact," he said.

Lawyer reaches pinnacle of professional group



Courtesy photo

RAISING BAR— Juanita Sales Lee of the Space and Missile Defense Command will become national president of the Federal Bar Association.

Becoming national president of Federal Bar Association

By MEGAN COTTON

For the Rocket

Juanita Sales Lee will achieve a milestone in September. And the longtime Army lawyer wants the community to share it with her.

Lee, a senior lawyer at the Space and Missile Defense Command, will be inducted as national president of the Federal Bar Association in a ceremony at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 20 at the Von Braun Center downtown.

"I want people to come and celebrate with me, because I didn't get here by myself. It was with the help of others," she said.

Lee acknowledged that without the continuous support of the community, she would not have gotten active in the FBA or been able to achieve as much as she has.

She has been an Army lawyer for more than 20 years. Nearly 17 years ago, Lee got her first taste of the FBA, with the help of Francis Buckley, who served as chief counsel for the then Missile Command. Buckley always encouraged Lee and others to get involved and to do professional

work outside of the office.

Later with the encouragement of John Cady, Lee became a full member of the FBA and began working her way up the ladder. Lee has held such leadership positions as national treasurer (2005-06), national secretary (2004-05), deputy secretary (2003-04), vice president of the 11th Circuit (1999-2003), vice presidents for the circuits, secretary (2001-03), and vice presidents for the circuits, chairman, Chapter Activity Fund (1999-2001).

During these roles, Lee said, she looked for opportunities to give back to Huntsville. In 2003 she piloted the first Northern Alabama Personal and Labor Law Symposium on General and Administration Law, to help educate and bring experts to the community.

As president, Lee said she hopes to work with the board to get pay equity for federal judges, support the general well-being of federal lawyers and uphold justice.

The induction will include a reception, banquet and live entertainment. To register go to www.fedbar.org.

Editor's note: Megan Cotton is a summer hire at the Program Executive Office for Aviation in the business office for Utility Helicopters.

Liquidators save the day by balancing books

*Multifunctional team
fixes financial files*

Last November, a multifunctional team comprised of representatives from AMCOM, AMC, DLA, DFAS and DCMA met at Redstone Arsenal for a weeklong Value Stream Mapping event to determine root causes and solutions for erroneous Army Working Capital Fund unliquidated obligations (delivered but still showing open disbursements).

The team was led by Lisa Terrell, of the Integrated Materiel Management Center, with facilitation assistance by OCI personnel Sondra Bramlett and Diane Teslik (CTR ASI) and contractor David Sparks. The team developed an action plan for process changes to prevent future erroneous unliquidated obligations from new procurement and contract maintenance.

The team also developed a plan for 100 percent cleanup of existing erroneous ULOs before Logistics Modernization Program deployment. A five-person, full-time team known as the "Liquidators" — made up of Samantha Smith, Dan Gadomski, Gary Paseur, Kathryn Van Scoy, and Kathryn Dulaney — was launched in January to begin this cleanup effort.

As of Oct. 1, 2007, the financial files showed approximately \$4.6 billion in



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AWARD CEREMONY— From left are team members Gary Paseur, Samantha Smith, Sondra Bramlett, Kathryn Van Scoy, Lisa Terrell, Diane Teslik, Kathlyn Dulaney, Daniel Gadomski and IMMC executive director William Ingram. Not pictured is David Sparks.

ULO. Of that balance it was estimated that \$1.8 billion needed to be investigated. Through the diligence and expertise of the team, \$1 billion of that has been researched and either de-obligated for re-use by the Army, or the data was corrected or found to be accurate.

The financial files now show \$3.6 bil-

lion in ULOs. Approximately \$50 million has been made available for re-use. The ULO team continues to work the issues, although it is now a three-person team. Corrective action plans have been developed to prevent this type of a data error from occurring in the future.

Additional Lean events have been con-

ducted which are derivatives of the original VSM in November to further identify automated system problems and policy and training issues. On July 22, the team members were recognized for their success with award letters and Director's Coins by Tom Ingram, IMMC executive director. *(IMMC release)*

Comedy Night has return engagement at O' Club

Dinner and chuckle tickets go on sale

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At Redstone, even the comedy is rapid fire. Three joke-slingers known for cramming the most laughs possible into every minute will perform as part of Morale Welfare and Recreation's Comedy Night on Aug. 22 at the Officers and Civilians Club.

The evening will begin with a Cajun buffet dinner from ROCC chef Ben Howard. The menu includes gumbo, shrimp creole, andouille sausage, and red beans and rice. Mark Germonprez, MWR business operations officer, said the food is a reason to come out all by itself.

"A couple of comedy nights ago we decided to sell the buffet with the comedy club," he said. "We've done Mexican food,



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GET YOUR LAUGH ON— Tom Foss will be the headlining act for Comedy Night.

we've done barbecue. Our chef has placed in Whistlestop (barbecue competition). It's good stuff."

After dinner, the first of three comedians will take the stage at 7:30. Ken Lewis, a Florence res-

ident, is known for his observational humor on subjects like relationships, parenting and children. He bills himself as "Dr. Phil's alter ego." Second, Spark Mann, "the funniest man you've never heard of," will tickle the audience's funny bone. He has made appearances on BET's Comic View and the A&E network's Night at the Improv. Ending the show will be the headliner, Tom Foss.

Foss's style has been compared to comedic legends Robin Williams and George Carlin. Living in West Virginia, Foss is an avid outdoorsman who loves to talk about the funnier side of sportsman life. Foss is also a member of the Comics on Duty military tour. He has spent the last three years performing for servicemembers all over the world, including four trips to Iraq, three to Afghanistan and five shows in Kuwait. He has performed on The Tonight Show with Jay Leno, is a regular on

both satellite radio networks, and The Bob and Tom Show on syndicated morning radio.

"You have to be pretty good to do The Tonight Show," Germonprez said. "If you watch the Comedy Channel, those are the level of the acts. You're not seeing someone just starting out. These guys are professionals and they are very good at what they do."

While the comedy isn't exactly kid friendly, Germonprez said great care is taken to make sure that it's a fun evening for adults with no unexpected shocks.

"We don't want anything real dirty," he said. "We're looking for guys that are funny, but we don't want someone who's going to stand up there and drop F-bombs every four or five words."

Germonprez said this is the fifth comedy night MWR has hosted at the ROCC. It is always a popular event.

"It's been successful. We fill

up the house," he said. "We're looking for another big turnout this time."

Seating is on a first come, first serve basis. With club doors opening at 5 p.m., he expects many early arrivals will be looking for good seats.

"There are a lot of people who have been there before that like to be up front," Germonprez said. "They get there early."

He expects the show to last close to two hours. He said CDs and merchandise from each comedian should be available afterward. A cash bar will be open throughout the evening.

Tickets for Comedy Night are \$8 without the buffet and \$16 with dinner in advance. Some tickets will be available at the door. They will be priced at \$12 and \$20 respectively. For more information, call 830-2582.

"Most people like to laugh. It's a good time," Germonprez said. "Bring your friends and come on out."

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who have security clearances and because of the large number of servicemembers with technical skills transitioning into the local civilian work force. In addition, the area is attractive because of the growth in military and intelligence fields due to the transfer of government agencies to Redstone Arsenal as part of the Base Realignment and Closure Commission's recommendations, said Semerakis, whose company organizes career fairs at military installations throughout the nation.

The Redstone Arsenal career fair will bring together employers and recruiters on both a local and national level with job seekers interested in careers in defense technology, missile defense, aerospace, intelligence, project management, homeland security, satellite communications, information technology, information systems security, and other science and technology fields.

It is the first technical career fair ever hosted on the Arsenal. The event is open to anyone who has Arsenal access.

"This is an excellent opportunity to come out and talk to employers from technical fields," said Debra Jefferson, the Employment Readiness program manager for Army Community Service.

"Usually, you can't get into an employer's facility to talk to them about job opportunities. But at the career fair, you do get that opportunity to talk face-to-face, and they will be able to tell job seekers what kinds of skills they require and what type of training and education they are looking for, and answer questions about their company."

Companies scheduled to participate in the career fair include: Advanced Systems Development, Applied Data Trends Inc., ARES Corp., ARINC, Army Community Service, BAE Systems, Booz Allen Hamilton, Concurrent Technology Corp., DCS Corp., Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, Dynetics Inc., KIHOMAC Inc., L-3 Communications Global Security & Engineering Solutions, Lockheed Martin Corp., Mantech SRS Technologies, Raytheon

Co., SAIC, Scientific Research Corp., University of Alabama-Huntsville, Westar Aerospace & Defense Group Inc., Whitney, Bradley & Brown, Advanced Concept Inc., Dynamics Research Corp., Kelly Federal Services and Northrop Grumman. Other companies are expected to be added in the next two weeks.

"This will be a very successful event as far as the number of employers participating and the number of job seekers attending. Job seekers should expect to see leading defense and intelligence employers from government and industry at this career fair," Semerakis said.

Organizers are also expecting job seekers from Redstone Arsenal with all different circumstances, including military personnel who are preparing to transition to a civilian career, DoD civil servants or contractor employees looking for better opportunities and spouses of BRAC transferees who want to continue their own careers in a technical field.

"The team at ACS and MWR understand that when a military or government employee transfers their spouse is forced to leave their job and move with them. We want to make sure these people have opportunities to find new jobs here," said Stephanie Stone, who is in charge of commercial sponsorship and advertising for MWR.

Career fairs on the Arsenal in the past have focused on both technical and non-technical jobs in the local market, Jefferson said. While a general job fair is slated for early 2009, the technical career fair on Aug. 28 will provide opportunities for job seekers looking for a variety of professional technical jobs both in Huntsville and elsewhere.

"This job fair is geared toward military professionals and working professionals," Jefferson said. "There's a large population of military here transitioning out. The companies at this career fair may have jobs in Huntsville they are interested in or they could possibly be looking for people who would be willing to relocate."

Job seekers should treat the career fair like a job interview.

"Bring plenty of resumes. Be professionally dressed," Stone said. "And be



Photo by Kari Hawkins

GETTING READY— Stephanie Stone, left, of Morale Welfare and Recreation and Debra Jefferson of Army Community Service are working with Transition Careers to bring the first-ever Defense Technology and Intelligence Career Fair to Redstone Arsenal on Aug. 28. Anyone with access to Redstone Arsenal can attend the career fair.

ready for on-the-spot interviews. I'm sure some of the vendors will talk to interested candidates."

Besides preparing and updating their resumes, job seekers should also research companies they will be interested in visiting at the career fair.

"They should know about the companies so they can be sure to market their skills that are relevant to the company and to the positions they have available," Jefferson said. "They need to be able to translate what they did in the military to a civilian position."

Transition Careers makes this easier for job seekers by providing information about its career fair companies and their job openings on their web site at www.transitioncareers.com.

Transitioning military personnel are encouraged to not wear their duty uniform to the career fair. They should also be ready to sell themselves to potential employers.

"You want to show potential

employers that you have the ability to transition from the military to the civilian world," Jefferson said. "In the military, the next job is always lined up. The servicemember didn't have to seek it out, they didn't have to interview. So, all this is new to them."

For that reason, Jefferson encourages military personnel who are still five years or so away from transitioning to also attend the career fair and try their skills at talking to employers.

Semerakis also suggested that job seekers attending the career fair visit the Transition Careers web site to preregister and post their resume for potential employers. There will also be an opportunity to register at the career fair.

"We like to register our job seekers so employers know who attended the career fair," he said. "When they register, job seekers will get tips on how to prepare for and work a career fair."

Army Materiel Command recognized for safety

Two top-level awards given from Army headquarters

By MELISSA BOHAN
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FORT BELVOIR, Va. — Thanks to a renewed command emphasis and commitment to safety and occupational health at every level, the Army Materiel Command has won two significant Army safety awards designed to recognize, promote and motivate success in accident prevention.

Brig. Gen. William H. Forrester, director of Army safety and commander of the Army Combat Readiness/Safety Center, presented the Army Headquarters Safety Award for 2007 for Superior Contributions to Army Combat Readiness to Gen. Benjamin Griffin, AMC's commander, in a ceremony at AMC headquarters July 29.

"You have distinguished yourself in safety excellence and have brought intrinsic value for safety to the rest of the Army. Each person at AMC knows they are a part of an organization bigger than themselves — you have infused the culture as a band of brothers," Forrester said.

"AMC continued to improve its safety and occupational health program by using Safety Rapid Review Teams to provide direct, multidisciplinary assistance to com-



Photo by Wayne Scanlon

EPITOME OF LEADERSHIP— From left, Gen. Benjamin Griffin, commander of the Army Materiel Command; Brig. Gen. William H. Forrester, director of Army Safety and commander of the U.S. Army Combat Readiness/Safety Center; and Col. Cherry Gaffney, AMC's command surgeon; congratulate Douglas Day of AMC's Radford Army Ammunition Plant for winning the 2007 Department of the Army Individual Award of Excellence in Safety. AMC also won the 2007 Army Headquarters Safety Award for its superior contributions to Army Combat Readiness.

manders in the field; by sharing best practices across the command; and by using weekly production updates with AMC sites as safety council meetings between the commanding general and the commanders

of those facilities," said John Manfre, AMC's director of safety, who also helped attend the award on behalf of AMC.

"AMC also reduced lost work days by 11 percent from fiscal year 2006 to 2007

and reduced its Total Case Incident Rates/Days Away-Restricted-Transfers rates in spite of increased mission and higher OPTEMPO at our facilities," he said.

Said Griffin, "This award is for the entire AMC enterprise — from the worker at the ammo plant, the arsenal, the field support brigade — there is a total focus on safety and I'm extremely proud of everyone in AMC for winning this significant award."

Griffin then presented the Individual Award of Excellence in Safety to Douglas Day, a 36-year employee of AMC's Radford Army Ammunition Plant, Va. The individual award is given to the civilian, contractor, officer and non-commissioned officer who have each made the most significant contributions to their organization's accident prevention effort.

"What you do at Radford is a critical asset for the war fighter and you do it safely. You set the example for the rest of AMC and are the epitome of the leadership and work force here at AMC," Griffin said.

Under Day's direct involvement, the plant reached 1 million hours of work without a recordable injury; implemented a foreign object damage control program that reduced those incidents by 50 percent from fiscal year 2006 to 2007; and conducted plant-wide safety stand-down days to increase safety awareness, Manfre said.

'See Victory' helps protect kids' eyes when playing sports

By MARY KATHERINE MURPHY

Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. — "Operation See Victory" is a health promotion campaign that helps protect children's eyes when they participate in recreational activities.

Lt. Cmdr. Brian Hatch, Navy optometrist and staff member at the Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine's Tri-Service Vision Conservation Program, brought See Victory to DoD. The program was originally intended to work through DoD optometrists; however, DOD recreational facilities, health promotion/community health staff, and individuals who think they have use for it may also participate.

Operation See Victory provides a kit with a range of tools that can be used to spread the word on how important it is for children and adults to wear eye protection when participating in sports. The kit includes posters, brochures, trading cards, mini prizes, a DVD, a sports-related eye injury article that can be adapted for local publication, and an eyeball for display. Operation See Victory kits can be set up at a table or booth at a health fair, sports signup, sports physicals or

any location where eye protection would be relevant.

Easily adapted

The program was made to be simple and easy to implement.

"We had to develop some kind of program that could be taken by a local optometrist and be individualized to the needs of a local installation," Hatch said. The program designers did ground work and creation of the kit; those who receive the kit are responsible for getting the information out to their community.

Hatch got the idea for the program while attending the annual Armed Forces Optometric Society meeting. There, he learned about the American Optometric Association's Keep Injury Down in Sports program. According to the AOA, about 40,000 eye injuries occur in the United States during sports or recreational activities each year. This works out to an eye-related emergency room visit every 13 minutes, AOA says. By far, the majority of these occur in people under age 25.

Sadly, some lead to irreversible vision loss.

The good news is that 90 percent of these injuries are preventable through use of the proper protective equipment.

By the numbers

When Hatch looked at the numbers, he found the rea-

son for Operation See Victory. The program ultimately targets more than 7 million DoD youth up to age 17. They were deemed the best target audience because Hatch found that 43 percent of sports-related eye injuries occur in children under the age of 15. DoD children also are extremely active and have access to Morale Welfare and Recreation facilities.

Through the program, Hatch and his colleagues at CHPPM hope to bring greater sports-related eye injury awareness to parents, guardians, coaches and sports program directors who work with young athletes, and offer tips for obtaining the right sports eye protection.

Operation See Victory also advises on the different types of sports eye protection and provides tips on purchasing the right eyewear. Protective eyewear for use in sports should meet the following criteria:

- Meet or exceed ASTM standards for the specific sport.
- Accommodate prescription lenses if needed.
- For outdoor sports, have 100 percent UVA & UVB protection.
- Add comfort by decreasing light transmission through tinted lenses, and by reducing glare through an anti-reflective coating.
- For water and snow sports, reduce surface glare through polarized lenses.
- Stay in place through use of sports bands or retention straps.

For additional information on eyewear standards, visit the American Optometric Association at <http://www.aoa.org/x7679.xml>.

Those interested in implementing Operation See Victory should visit the website located at http://www.afos2020.org/TEMP/OSV%20index_files/Page552.htm. Materials are available through October.

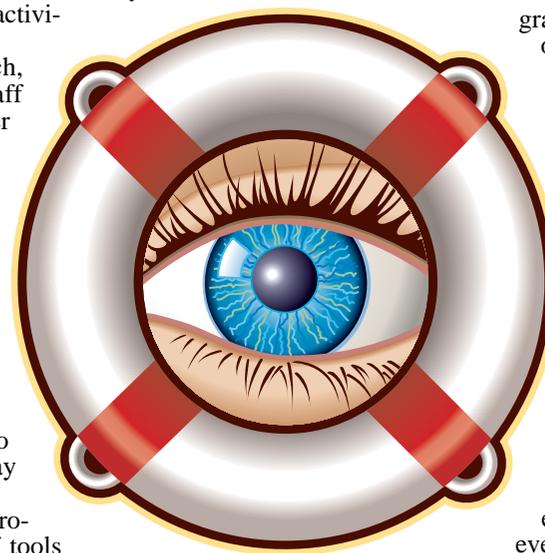


Photo Lab makes move to troop area

Open for business at its new location

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By Redstone Arsenal standards, the Multimedia Visual Information Office — popularly known simply as the Photo Lab — had a long tenure in its location in building 4489 on Martin Road.

But progress has sent the office on to a new residence.

After more than 15 years, the MVI office has packed its boxes and moved hundreds of pieces of audiovisual and electronics equipment to its new quarters at building 3321, located at the corner of Mauler and Redeye roads across from Army Community Service.

“We moved because the Army Materiel Command took our patch of land for their new building,” said Steve Johnson, the project manager for Multimedia Visual Information. “We moved July 23 through 25, and now we are open for business at our new location.”

Customers who need photography or audiovisual services can contact



Photo by Kari Hawkins

ON THE AIR— Mike Malone operates the Arsenal’s television Channel 42, which is available throughout the Arsenal. Currently, Channel 42 airs special Arsenal announcements and the Pentagon channel. The MVI office plans to provide additional Arsenal programming in 2009.

the new office at 876-2133 or make a visit to the office. The MVI office is still waiting for new signage outside the building to direct customers to park in the front of the building for

short-term photo or video pick-ups or to the side of the building for more long-term services.

“Ninety-percent or more of our visitors are customers who need their picture taken or who are here to pick up pictures or videos,” Johnson said. “We want those customers who are only going to be here a few minutes to be able to park right in front of the building’s door.”

MVI customers should also be aware that several troop units march back and forth along Mauler Road. For this reason, they should use caution along Mauler Road.

Johnson and the 25 Alutiiq contract employees who work in the MVI office will admit the move to building 3321 was tough because of all the audiovisual equipment that had to be specially packed and transported. But now that the office is in its new home, the staff members are looking forward to continuing their goal to provide the best audiovisual and photography services and facilities to their Arsenal customers.

The Multimedia Visual Information Office includes five departments – Photo Lab, Video Services, Audio Visual Support, Maintenance Support

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Photo by Kari Hawkins

SERVICE WITH SMILE— Jennifer West and Annette Dunn spend most of their work time managing the photo and audiovisual needs of Garrison tenants. They are at the heart of operations at the Multimedia Visual Information Office, now located in building 3321 at Mauler and Redeye roads.

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and Multimedia. Its sixth department – Graphics – is still located in the basement of the Sparkman Center’s 5302 for customer convenience.

Together, the departments can provide any kind of audio or visual service needed by Garrison tenants.

“Pretty much any tenant on post can use our services as long as they have a mutual agreement with the Garrison,” said Mike Malone, who’s in charge of MVI’s Multimedia Department.

“I can’t think of anywhere on the Arsenal that we haven’t touched with our services. We’ve provided services from auditoriums and conference rooms down to the pavilions in the park that cover picnic tables.”

The Photo Lab has two renovated studios at the new facility where they can take official civilian photographs, and Department of Army, Marine and Navy photographs.

“The Department of the Army is very strict as far as how the studios have to be set up. And the Marines and Navy have completely different regulations that we had to figure out how to include in the renovations,” Johnson said. “The studios were the biggest hold-up in our move because they required fairly significant reconstruction. The rest of the building will be renovated in the future.”

It’s not unusual for servicemembers, including Reserves and National Guard Soldiers, from throughout Alabama as well as Mississippi and Tennessee to travel to Redstone Arsenal to use the Photo Lab services.

“We have a very strong reputation for the photographs we take,” Johnson said. “We take as many as five departmental photographs each day. The vast majority of those are Army.”

The Photo Lab’s photographers also document events and activities located any-



Photo by Kari Hawkins

AIMING TO PLEASE— Chris Gaines prepares to take 3-D photographs of a rocket in a studio at the Multimedia Visual Information Office.

where on the Arsenal, and provide photographs to customers upon request.

Video Services, Audio Visual and Multimedia responsibilities include recording videos of events, setting up and operating sound systems and video systems and supporting a variety of presentation requests.

“Our purpose is to document an event and present that event as it happened,” Malone said.

For that reason, the MVI office provides a wide range of equipment needed for a variety of multimedia requests. The MVI office also includes a video library, a Channel 42 operations room and a television studio for onsite video recording.

“We prefer, as a general rule, to shoot video out in the field,” Malone said. “But we have this studio where we can also shoot video for production.”

Besides recording events, the MVI office also provides audiovisual equipment needed to put on events.

“We have portable equipment that we can take to off-site events. We will set it up and operate sound systems and audiovisual equipment,” Malone said. “We have screens and projectors that we can take to events.

“We also support seven conference rooms and two auditoriums with audiovisual equipment. We will run the systems for Garrison tenants during presentations, workshops and other events. We are the guys who are always listening for ‘Next slide, please!’”

Maintenance Support designs, installs and repairs audio and visual equipment. The office also builds displays and models, and provides presentation materials.

“We can fix anything concerning audio and visual equipment. We also design and install audiovisual equipment for conference rooms and auditoriums,” Johnson said.

The heart of the operations at MVI is the two employees who welcome customers at its front office. Jennifer West is in charge of customer relations and Annette Dunn is in charge of scheduling presentation and video support.

“They are here to help our customers. They are usually the first contact a customer has with us. We couldn’t run this office without them,” Johnson said.



Photo by Kari Hawkins

PICTURE THIS— Joe Ramirez, shown separating groups of pictures for Photo Lab customers, is among Photo Lab photographers who are available to take official civilian and military photographs, and to photograph events on Redstone Arsenal.

Pentagon to keep Marine unit in Afghanistan an extra month

By JOHN J. KRUZEL

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — The Defense Department has extended by one month the deployments of about 1,250 Marines working as trainers to Afghan security forces, a U.S. Marine Corps official said Aug. 5.

The extension will keep the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment in Afghanistan through late November, according to an Associated Press report that was confirmed by a Marine official.

Ongoing discussions in the Pentagon center on providing additional troops to Afghanistan, where commanders have expressed a desire for three more



Geoff Morrell

brigade combat teams, Pentagon press secretary Geoff Morrell said.

“We are working to provide them with the additional forces they would like. There is a concerted effort by this building to figure out what more can be done. And as the secretary said, he would like it done sooner rather than later,” Morrell said, referring to public comments by defense secretary Robert Gates.

Morrell declined to comment as to whether brigades slated to deploy to Iraq would deploy instead to Afghanistan, noting that Army Gen. David Petraeus, the top U.S. commander in Iraq, is in the process of a post-surge assessment of troop levels. Petraeus is slated to take over U.S. Central Command after the assessment.

“At some point soon, he’s going to make a recommendation to the secretary and to the president on the possibility of further troop drawdowns,” Morrell said of Petraeus’ expected progress report to Gates and Bush, both of whom have made commitments to provide additional resources to Afghanistan in 2009. But, Morrell said, movement of more forces to Afghanistan is not necessarily tied to further troop withdrawals in Iraq.

“I know much has been made of sort of the correlation between forces coming down in Iraq and going up in Afghanistan,” he said. “And while that certainly would seem to be the most natu-

ral transaction to take place, the truth is we’re (nearly) 2.5 million strong around the world. We have the means to draw forces elsewhere, whether it be through reserves or (National) Guard or drawing down from other places around the world where we have commitments.”

Morrell said the distribution of military forces is based on the needs of U.S. commanders across the globe and on risks the United States is willing to assume.

“We have first commitments across the globe and threats and contingencies we need to be situated for beyond just the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan,” he said.

Violence drop-off in Iraq inspires ‘cautious optimism’

By JOHN J. KRUZEL

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — For the 11th straight week, violence in Iraq continues at the lowest levels in four years, despite ongoing threats from al-Qaida in Iraq and Iranian-backed militants, a coalition general said Aug. 6.

Brig. Gen. David Perkins, a Multinational Force Iraq spokesman, attributed the nearly three-month lull in attacks to the Iraqi and coalition forces working toward establishing security, enforcing the rule of law and rebuilding Iraq.

“We have entered a phase where the progress in security is building upon itself and is allowing for Iraqi government institutions, economic development, and civil society to mature at a quicker pace,” he said during a news conference in Baghdad.

Few security incidents have occurred in recent weeks in Basra, an oil-rich port city in southern Iraq with the country’s second-largest population. The success of Iraqi forces there has allowed for new public works projects to proceed, along with repairs to the electrical grid, Perkins said.

In the far-reaching Anbar province, which stretches westward from Baghdad, the security situation is stable, as troops continue to uncover illegal weapons caches and capture al-Qaida Iraq operatives in the province’s more rural parts.

The general also highlighted an operation north of Baghdad, where coalition and Iraqi forces caught two influential operatives of al-Qaida in Iraq. The men had been involved in recruiting Iraqi boys and manipulating them to conduct suicide bombing attacks, including one that killed more than 15 local sheiks and three U.S. Marines in June.

“Operating side by side and coordinating intelligence, Iraqi and coalition forces are increasingly denying terrorists the ability to operate or hide in Iraq,” Perkins said.

But the general tempered his positive assessment, saying that members of al-Qaida in Iraq, as well as Iranian-backed “special groups” and other criminal elements, still are capable of launching attacks against the combined force.

“Our optimism is real, but cautious,” he said.

Uniform modifications free for wounded warriors

By **DEVON HYLANDER**
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — The Army has begun a new program that offers uniform modifications — at no cost to wounded Soldiers — through the Army & Air Force Exchange Service.

The Wounded Warrior Clothing Support Program officially began in May at Walter Reed Army Medical Center for Soldiers who have been injured in combat.

Wounded Soldiers can have their uniforms uniquely modified according to their injuries. This program not only makes the

lives of injured Soldiers easier, officials said, but serves to restore a sense of pride and dignity they rightfully deserve when wearing their uniform.

“This program is great because it takes care of our Soldiers,” said Maj. Gen. Vincent Boles, assistant deputy chief of staff, Army G-4. “The team of

individuals responsible for bringing this program to life saw a need and made it happen. Now our wounded warriors can wear their uniforms with pride, dignity and comfort.”

Walter Reed and Brooke Army Medical Centers were chosen to be the first facilities to implement this program because

they care for a large percentage of Soldiers injured in combat, officials said. Soldiers who receive treatment at other medical facilities can take advantage of the program through their local AAFES stores.

Editor's note: Devon Hylander writes for the Army G-4.

New travel charge cards dealt to workers

Program in transition from BoA to CiTi

The current DoD Government Travel Charge Card program will transition from Bank of America to CiTi on Nov. 30. After Nov. 29, BoA credit card accounts will not be valid for charges. The following are frequently asked questions relevant to the transition.

Question: What is going to change with the new vendor? How about the credit limits?

Answer: Very little, if anything, will change for the cardholders regarding use of the card. Since the new card will also be VISA branded, you'll have the same worldwide charging privileges that you now have. Credit limits will remain the same and the AMCOM agency program coordinators will have the authority to

raise limits (as they do today) to meet mission requirements.

Question: What do cardholders have to do to get ready?

Answer: Pay all outstanding undisputed charges prior to Nov. 29. Also, ensure that your mailing address on file with Bank of America is a current address. That is where your new card from CiTi will be sent.

Question: What accounts will transfer to CiTi? Will current BoA cards that are closed due to inactivity be transferred? Will I have to fill out a new application?

Answer: Only open and deactivated accounts will transfer to CiTi. No new application will be required for these accounts. However, closed accounts will not transfer and will require a new application to CiTi.

Question: How and when are the new cards going to be distributed and when

will they be sent out? What will I have to do when I get my new card?

Answer: New CiTi cards were sent to OCONUS employees July 17. Continental U.S. employee cards will begin shipping Aug. 22 with Alabama and Tennessee employees receiving theirs around Aug. 29. Cards will be shipped in a deactivated state, which means they will not be available for charging. Cardholders will be required to call CiTi to confirm receipt of the card. The card will be activated, by CiTi, for use on Nov. 30.

Question: What happens if I try to use my CiTi card prior to Nov. 30?

Answer: The charge will decline and a report of the attempt will be sent to your agency program coordinator here at AMCOM.

Question: What about training?

Answer: Training for cardholders will be conducted through a web-based training

module.

For a smooth transition between accounts, please pay all outstanding undisputed charges prior to Nov. 29. CiTi will handle all official travel related expenses effective Nov. 30. If you are on travel during the crossover period (Nov. 29-30), you will be using both your BoA card and CiTi card for your travel charges. You will use your BoA card for charges on Nov. 29 and earlier and then use your CiTi charge card on Nov. 30 and later. Cardholders will need to cancel all recurring charges at transition for the Bank of America charge card account and have those charges to go to their new CiTi charge card account.

If you have any questions, you can call the AMCOM agency program coordinator, Sandy Balog, at 842-8012 or e-mail sandy.balog@us.army.mil. (AMCOM G-8 Resource Management release)

Win
or lose

Bravo Bulldogs make opening statement

Beat defending champion Headquarters & Alpha

By SKIP VAUGHN
Rocket editor
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Bravo Company volleyball coach Edwin Villamil wasn't worried about opening the season Aug. 5 against the defending post champion.

The Bulldogs fulfilled his expectations by beating Headquarters & Alpha 25-16, 26-24 at Pagano Gym.

"I saw them practicing," Villamil said. "I knew our team was better so I had no worries. I just wanted to be sure our team would not be overconfident.

"We had that problem during the second game — that we got overconfident. But we overcame that problem. We were able to pull it together and win."

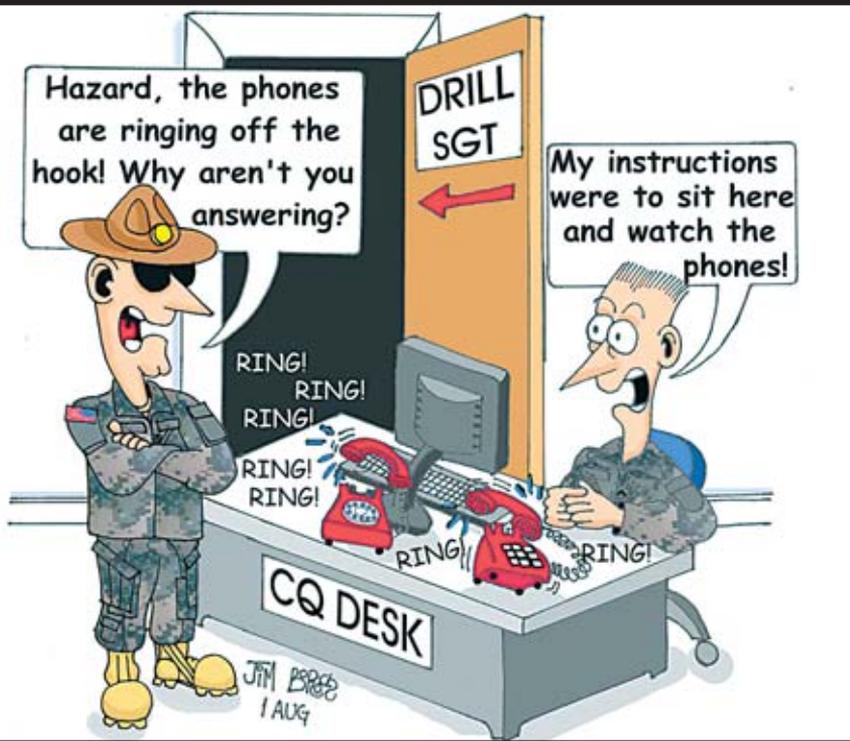
Dylan Posey and Adam Harris played well against the Gators. Other opening night winners included the NCO Academy and the Marines.

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Photo by Skip Vaughn

CIVILIANS DEBUT— CWF player Emily McGee returns the ball against the Marines on opening night. Teammates Rachel Kruse and Bryant Allen look on.



■ Bravo, NCO Academy and Marines win season openers

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The NCO Academy stopped HHC 59th 25-17, 25-14 in the season's first match with strong play from Michael Waller, Shaun Jones and Samson Riddle.

Waller referred to himself and tallish teammate Ervin Washington as "aka twin towers."

NCO Academy coach Benjamin Morse credited his team's preparation.

"We did it by coming out here and practicing when we had the off time," Morse said. "On the weekend we'd come in and practice, because I believe practice is the key to success. That and dedication and giving your all. Everybody played well and I think the key was make sure you practice."

Marines outlast civilians

The Marines beat the Civilian Welfare Fund 25-19, 19-25, 15-9 to spoil the debut of the league's first civilian team.

This was also a new experience for the Marines, last year's post runner-up.

"Actually to be honest with you, this is the first time we've ever played together," Marines player/coach Dustin Ker-shaw said. "We just had a little practice. So tonight was really just a feeling out to how the rest of the season hopefully is going to go. But I thought we looked pretty good."

The Marines were led by Billy Hung, Waylon Fleming and Akers Oglesby.

CWF player/coach Ro Ottey was optimistic about his team of civilians from various organizations.

"It's a new team," Ottey said. "I think it was a learning experience for us because everybody on the team is vets to the game. This is actually our first time playing together. We've played the game



Photo by Skip Vaughn

TWIN TOWERS— NCO Academy's Michael Waller goes up for a spike in the win over HHC 59th. Looking on is teammate Ervin Washington (7).

before and we're just going to get better."

CWF team members include Bryant Allen, Emily McGee, Rachel Kruse, Alfreda Greene, Edwin Lopez, Carl Collins and Gary Clark.

In games Aug. 7, Bravo def. CWF 26-24, 25-16; Marines def. HHC 59th 25-25, 25-19, 15-9; and Headquarters & Alpha def. NCO Academy 25-14, 25-17.

Bravo and the Marines were 2-0 after week one; Headquarters & Alpha and NCO Academy were 1-1; and CWF and HHC 59th were 0-2.

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Sports & Recreation

Babe Ruth baseball

The Huntsville Babe Ruth League will hold registration for the 2008 Fall Season on Aug. 23 and 30 from 9 a.m. to noon. Players ages 13 to 18 as of May 1, 2009 are invited; and 12-year-old players are eligible to sign up as well under the Local Swing Player Option. Registration forms will be accepted after Aug. 30 on an individual basis upon park approval and team availability. A copy of the players' birth certificate is required for all new players. Persons interested in coaching a team are encouraged to apply as well. Contact one of the following park representatives for registration locations and the park where the player is zoned to play: Northern Division, Mastin Lake Park, Emile Jones 990-5902; Southern Division, Sandhurst Park, Tim Harrison 544-3180; and Eastern Division, Optimist Park, T. Poe 527-8763.

Ten-Miler lottery

Army Ten-Miler officials announced that 400 race entries will be offered to servicemembers through a special, online lottery Aug. 11-15. "This is the Army's race and many military personnel didn't know where they would be in October when the race sold out on April 21," race director

Jim Vandak said. "We realize that the 400 military entries will not cover everyone. However, we wanted to do something special for the military and recognize their service to our country." The military lottery will be conducted online at www.armytenmiler.com. To register for the lottery, participants will need to have or use an e-mail address with a .mil extension. The Army Ten-Miler lottery is open to all branches of the armed forces and winners will be randomly selected Aug. 16. The Army Ten-Miler is America's largest 10-mile running event. The Army's annual 10-mile race will take place Sunday, Oct. 5 in Washington, D.C.

Bowling benefit

Junior Achievement of Northern Alabama will hold its annual Bowl-A-Thon on Aug. 23 and 24 at Madison Bowling Center, AMF Parkway Lanes, Plamor Lanes and Redstone Lanes. Sixty companies and 1,100 bowlers participated last year. The goal is to sign up 75 companies and 1,500 bowlers this year. To register your team, call the JANA office 533-4661.

Boating safety

Redstone Flotilla 2406 of the Coast Guard Auxiliary will conduct a boating safety class on Thursday nights from Aug. 14 through Sept. 25 at Stilwell Hall, building 3305, room 215 on Zeus Drive, Redstone Arsenal. Classes are held 6:30-8:30 p.m.

A \$55 fee covers the cost of materials. Successful completion exempts students from taking the state boat operator's examination and may save you up to 15 percent on boat insurance. For more information, call Tom Kunhart 830-6621 or cell 527-4475.

Golf tournament

The Delta Theta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. will hold the 10th annual George H. Hobson Memorial Golf Tournament on Aug. 30 with a shotgun start at 7:30 a.m. at Colonial Golf Course, 400 Colonial Drive, Meridianville. Early registration will continue until Aug. 23. The format is individual stroke play with a cost of \$60 per player for early registration. Flights and prizes will depend on the number of registrants. Hole sponsorships may be purchased for \$60. A reception and late registration (\$75) will take place at the House of Alpha Social Room, 4301 Oakwood Avenue, 6-9 p.m. Aug. 28. For more information, call LeRoy Daniels 651-8518 or Charlie Barnes 653-5797.

Pineapple open

The OCWC Pineapple Open Charity Golf Tournament is Oct. 17 at the Links at Redstone. Sponsored by the Officer and Civilian Women's Club, this four-person scramble (no handicap) will have a shotgun start at 8 a.m. The entry deadline is Oct. 1. For more information, call 539-5996 or e-mail pineappleopen@primelogicllc.com.

Run for the fallen

The North Alabama Run for the Fallen, a Huntsville Track Club event supporting the Wounded Warrior Project, is a one mile run/walk Aug. 24 at 8 a.m. at the Huntsville Cross Country Park. Post-race refreshments will be provided. For more information, call Maj. Marty Eaton 882-3706 or visit www.HuntsvilleTrackClub.org.



Conferences & Meetings

Sergeants major

The Sergeants Major Association conducts a monthly meeting every third Thursday of the month at 6:30 a.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club. Members are offered breakfast for \$6 plus tip. The Sergeants Major Association meetings are

open to all E-9 ranks, from all services — Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and the Coast Guard. Membership into the association is a one-time lifetime fee of \$30. "We encourage all active, retired, reserve and National Guard senior Soldiers to come out and join us," a prepared release said. "Let's try and make a difference in the lives of the Soldiers, families and retirees in the Tennessee Valley area." For more information, call retired Command Sgt. Maj. Mike McSwain 842-6778.

Veterans group

VFW Post 5162 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the American Legion building on Triana between Bob Wallace Avenue and Governors Drive. For more information, call Robert Davenport 679-3180.

APBI conference

The 2008 Advance Planning Briefings for Industry will be held Sept. 17-18 at the Von Braun Center East Hall 1. The theme for this year's conference is "Team of Teams — Supporting the Warfighter." The conference will provide information on the Army's aviation and missile technology efforts and requirements and information on potential contract opportunities. The conference will begin with a networking session the evening of Sept. 17. To register and for more information, visit <https://www.apbi.redstone.army.mil>. On-site registration will not be offered. For more information, call 842-9967 or e-mail redstone-apbi@conus.army.mil.

Women's connection

Huntsville Christian Women's Connection will meet Aug. 26 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Huntsville Country Club, 2601 Oakwood Ave. Cost is \$15. The theme is "Back to School," featuring Hobby Lobby. Music will be provided by local soloist Alison Hoskins. Charity Brooker will speak on "What do women really want?" Free child care will be provided off site for ages 6 and under. Reservations, essential for the luncheon and for child care, are due by Aug. 21. Call Betty 837-8286 or Nancy 883-1339.

Admin professionals

The International Association of Administrative Professionals will hold its monthly

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meeting Aug. 19 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club. The program will consist of short briefings on business etiquette, tips and tricks of planning a meeting and more. All civilians and contractors in any administrative type field are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Hillary Marshall 313-1349.

Project institute

The Project Management Institute, North Alabama Chapter will hold its monthly luncheon meeting from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 21 at the Marriott, 5 Tranquility Base. Col. Larry McCallister, commander of the Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville, will speak on "Full Spectrum Project Management in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers." The cost is \$20 for PMI members and \$25 for non-members. RSVP by 5 p.m. Aug. 18 at <http://www.northalabamapmi.org/ChapterMeetings.htm>.

Toastmasters

Anyone interested in improving their speaking ability is invited to attend the Lunar Nooners Toastmasters Club 9783, which meets Tuesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the building 4610 cafeteria. For more information, call Paul Pickett 544-6078.



Photo by Skip Vaughn

Pump it up

Paul Britton changes the flat tire on his bicycle Aug. 4 at the Sparkman Center while on his way to work at Marshall Space Flight Center. The 35-year-old Milwaukee native works for Bastion Technologies Inc., contracted by NASA for safety and mission assurance. He also had a flat tire Aug. 1 while on his way home from work. "So I'm having bad luck," he said.

Airborne association

The Vulcan Chapter of the 82nd

Airborne Division Association will celebrate National Airborne

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Day on Saturday at 11:30 a.m. Membership in the association is open to all Airborne and Glider qualified individuals. For more information, call Barry Simpson 533-3000 or e-mail Vulcan@82ndAssociation.org.

Civil War discussion

Tennessee Valley Civil War Round Table will meet Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 725 Franklin St. "The History of the 6th U.S. Cavalry – Stoneman's Raid to Brandy Station, 1863," a video documentary, will be presented by Jeffrey Ewing, a Civil War enthusiast and local documentary filmmaker. Visitors are welcome. Chicken dinner buffet is available at 5:30 p.m. for \$6.95. Call 890-0890 for more information.

Officers association

The Huntsville Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America will hold its monthly luncheon meeting at 11 a.m. Aug. 27 at the Officers and Civilians Club. Guest speaker is Col. Mark Smith, commander of Fox Army Health Center. The informal monthly breakfast is

Aug. 23 at 8 a.m. at Victoria's Cafe, 7540 Memorial Parkway southwest. For more information, call retired Col. Danny Burttram 325-1938.

Engineer society

Huntsville Post, Society of American Military Engineers meets Aug. 21 at 11:30 a.m. for a buffet lunch at the Officers and Civilians Club. New officers will be installed. The cost of the meal is \$10. For reservations call 895-1834 or e-mail amber.d.martin@usace.army.mil.

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. The speaker is Robert Lott, Garrison BRAC Team leader. For ticket information, call Kim Wright 876-6163 or Lisa Lowery 876-7086.

Geospatial conference

The 2008 Rocket City Geospatial Conference, Nov. 18-20 at the

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Huntsville Marriott, will focus on geographic information system and location-based services applications developed by organizations, local and state governments from Alabama and surrounding regions. The conference should see its attendance expand this year, as the fifth annual Alabama GIS Symposium will be co-located with the event. For more information, visit www.DirectionsMedia.net.

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Catholic women

The Military Council of Catholic Women

invites all ladies with a military or civilian ID to join it for our Welcome Social on Sept. 5 at 9 a.m. in the meeting room of Bicentennial Chapel. "Refreshments will be served; you can meet everyone and find out about our great programs for the coming year," a prepared release said. "As always, we hope you'll stay for Holy Hour at 11 a.m. and Mass at noon, but they are optional and not officially part of the MCCW program." For more information, call Phyllis Gibat 842-2175 or Chris Johnson 701-6490.

Officers association

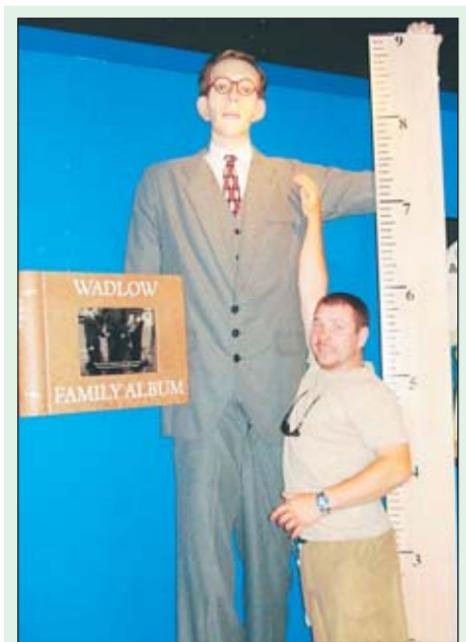
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Space society

HAL-5, local chapter of the National Space Society, presents a free public lecture on Global Warming "Let the Numbers Tell the Story" by Dr. Roy Spenser, principal research scientist at UAH and expert on satellite based temperature monitoring, on Sept. 4 at 7 p.m. at the Huntsville-Madison County Public Library, 915 Monroe St. A social will follow. For more information, call Ronnie Lajoie 509-3833.

Contract managers

The Huntsville Chapter of the National Contract Management Association will hold a luncheon Aug. 21 at the Marriott, 5 Tranquility Base. Mike Durant, president of Pinnacle Solutions and Army veteran of "Black Hawk Down" fame, is the scheduled speaker. Make reservations at www.ncmahsv.org.



Courtesy photo

Measuring up

Cpl. Vladimirs Ozolins from Latvia sees how he measures up to the world's largest man at the Ripley's Believe it or Not Museum in Gatlinburg, Tenn. The International Military Student Office took 10 international students to visit Pigeon Forge and Gatlinburg on Aug. 1-3. Students were from Morocco, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Greece, Taiwan, Latvia and Jordan.

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

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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.gsauctions.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.

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.



Courtesy photo

Making transition

Master Sgt. Marshall Brown, left, first sergeant of the Warrior Transition Unit at Redstone Arsenal, was promoted Aug. 1 at Fox Army Health Center. His brother, Command Sgt. Maj. Thomas L. Brown, of TRADOC Finance at Fort Jackson, S.C., participated in the ceremony.

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.

Motorcycle safety

To permanently register a motorcycle on Redstone Arsenal, the DoD requires all motorcyclists to complete a Motorcycle Safety Foundation training course. There are two programs offered free of charge to Army personnel and on a space available basis to others authorized access to Redstone Arsenal. For information call Keith Coates at the Garrison Safety Office 876-3383, e-mail keith.coates@us.army.mil or e-mail MSF instructor Ralph Harris at 93hdstc@bellsouth.net.

Thrift shop

The Thrift Shop, building 3209 on Her-

cules Road, is open for shopping Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Thursdays from 9-5. Walk-in consignment hours are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9-noon. Donations are accepted and tax slips are available. Volunteers are needed for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. For more information, call 881-6992.

Reserve unit

If you have several years invested in your military career, you do not want conflicts between Reserve duty and civilian life to keep you from earning 20 qualifying years. The 184th Individual Mobilization Augmentee Detachment affords you the opportunity to drill for retirement points on Tuesday evenings. You still earn pay for and retirement points for IMA or IRR annual training and other tours, as well as your 15 automatic retirement points for being in the active Reserve. The unit meets at 5:30 p.m. most Tuesdays on Redstone Arsenal. For more information, e-mail Staff Sgt. King jwk108@yahoo.com or visit the web site <http://imad.redstone.army.mil/>.

Butler High reunion

The Butler High School Class of 1973 is having a reunion, with a special invitation to the classes of 1972 and 1974, on Sept. 13 at the Bevill Conference Center and Hotel on the University of Alabama-Huntsville campus. The cost is \$35 per person. Checks should be made out to "BHS 1973 Class Reunion" and mailed to Paula Neely Yerby, 2888 Bob Wade Lane, Huntsville, AL 35749-9160, or Margie Keever Jefferson, 25904 Jay Bee Way, Elkmont, AL 35620. For more information, call 852-4662. The web site is as follows: <http://www.srbutlerhighreunions.com/>.

BOSS returns

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS) is returning to Redstone Arsenal with its first organizational meeting Thursday at noon in the meeting room at the Dining Facility. This MWR program

offers social opportunities, recreational activities and community service projects for Soldiers who are single or unaccompanied, regardless of rank. Soldiers are encouraged to attend Thursday's meeting to provide their input on activities they would like to see offered by Redstone Arsenal's BOSS program. The meeting will be conducted by BOSS president Sgt. 1st Class Winston McElrea with assistance from MWR adviser Brian Marbrey and Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. Rickey Cooper.

Book discussion

The MWR Post Library will have a book discussion open to the Redstone community on Aug. 22 from noon to 1 p.m. Join other book enthusiasts for a discussion of "Pillars of the Earth" by Ken Follett. People may come and go as needed and are welcome to bring a bag lunch. The library is located at building 3323 on Redeye Road. Call 876-4741 for more information.

Acquisition careerists

Quality applicants are being sought to apply for fiscal 2010 project/product manager and acquisition director positions at the GS-14/15 (or pay band equivalent) level. The announcement opened June 25 and will remain open until Sept. 12 and is located on the USAJobs and Human Resources Command web pages. For more information call LaVerne Kidd 313-5039 or your acquisition career manager. You must be an Acquisition Corps member to apply.

Good night's sleep

Learn the latest information from health professionals at the Crestwood Center for Sleep Disorders in a class Aug. 21 from noon to 1 p.m. in the Fox Army Health Center Wellness Classroom. The class is open to all active military and their family members, retired military and their family members and DoD civilians. Class size is limited to 24. To sign up call 955-8888, ext. 1430.

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Comedy night

Join the Officers and Civilians Club for "Comedy Night" on Aug. 22. The headliner is Tom Foss, special guest Spark Mann and the opener Ken Lewis. Advance tickets are \$8 without dinner and \$16 with dinner. Tickets at the door will be \$12 without dinner and \$20 with dinner. For more information, call 830-2582.

Career fair

The Redstone Arsenal "Defense Technology and Intelligence Career Fair" is Aug. 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Diane Campbell Recreation Center, building 3711 off Patton Road. For more information and to pre-register, visit www.transitioncareers.com.

College fair

The second annual College Recruitment Fair is Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Dr. Richard Showers Center, 4600 Blue Springs Road. This free event for high school seniors and juniors is presented by the Sports Ball, WDJL Love 1000 and Alabama A&M University Office of Admissions. For more information call Juan Alexander, director of the admissions office, 372-5245 or Connie Jones 852-9941.

Newcomer coffee

The Officer and Civilian Women's Club will kick off its new club year with a Newcomer's Welcome Coffee on Aug. 19 from 10 a.m.-noon at the home of Alice Myles, 1 Cribbins Court, Redstone Arsenal. "Whether you are new to Redstone Arsenal and the surrounding community or have lived in the area for a while, we cordially invite you to join us as we gather to meet and welcome you," a prepared release said. Membership in the OCWC is offered to spouses, adult family members

and former spouses who hold a valid ID card of active duty officers, retired or deceased officers and federal employees grade 9 and above; and active duty and retired officers and federal employees grade 9 and above. For more information, call 533-6242.

Logistics award

Nominations for the Ernest A. Young Logistics Achievement Award are now being accepted for deserving individuals (civilian or military) assigned to Team Redstone who have made significant contributions to the logistics community and whose leadership and expertise have made a major, positive impact on the Army's logistics program. The 2008 "Ernie" format will include two awards – the Management/Executive Award for GS/GM-13s and above (NSPS and/or military equivalents) and the Professional/Technical Award for GS/GM-13s and below (NSPS and/or military equivalents). Nominations should be submitted by Aug. 29 to Thomas Murphy 313-6186. The award luncheon is Nov. 6 at the Officers and Civilians Club.

Candidate forums

Madison City Local Candidates Forum, organized by the American Association of University Women, will be held Thursday from 6:30-8:30 p.m. (doors open at 6) at Discovery Middle School gymnasium, 1304 Hughes Road in Madison. Candidates for mayor and city officers are expected. Huntsville City Local Candidates Forum is Aug. 18 from 6:30-9 p.m. (doors open at 6) at Chan Auditorium, Administrative Science Building on the UAH campus. Candidates for mayor, City Council districts 1 and 5, school board are expected. For more information, call Ellie 665-9452.

Military retirement

The next Quarterly Retirement Ceremony is scheduled Sept. 25 at 4 p.m. at Heiser Hall. All military personnel who are scheduled to retire within the next 3-6 months are required to participate in one of the quarterly retirement ceremonies. Call Sgt. 1st Class Steven Walker 876-7969 to make arrangements for participation. Deadline for signing up to participate is Sept. 8. A retirement ceremony is also scheduled Dec. 11.

Health center news

Fox Army Health Center will be closed Monday, Sept. 1 for the Labor Day holiday. On Sept. 2, the center will be open from 7:30-11:30 a.m. for scheduled appointments. The Pharmacy will be open 7:30-11:30 and the Tricare Service Center will be open until noon. The Appointments Center telephone line will be answered until 4:30 p.m. All other clinics and services will be closed the entire day for a training holiday. The center is closed on Saturday, Sunday, Thursday afternoons and all federal holidays. Advice Nurses are available during non-duty hours at 955-8888 or 1-800-223-9531 to provide care advice. Fox does not have an emergency room or emergency medical services. In an emergency, dial 911.

Car show

The Ardmore Quarterback Club will have its eighth annual Car and Truck Show on Aug. 23 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at John Barnes Park in Ardmore, Tenn. All active duty military and their family members

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will be admitted free. For others, general admission is \$3; children 6 and under are admitted free. Proceeds benefit the Ardmore High School sports department. For those who would like to enter a car or truck, visit the web site and download a pre-entry form. Organizers will accept pre-entries received up to three days before the show. Those who would like to enter the day of show may do so at an additional cost. For more information, visit the web site at www.aqbc.net and click on links to Car Show.

Health fair

The 100 Black Men of America, Greater Huntsville Chapter will hold its ninth annual Health and Wellness Day on Aug. 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. – just before the Alabama A&M vs. Tennessee State football game – at Elmore Gym. Everyone is invited to this free event, which includes health screenings, with the theme "Solutions for a Healthy Living." For more information, call Earnest Starks 430-1987.

Red Cross blood drives

Blood drives will be held Thursday from 7 a.m. to noon at building 6263 and SMDC building 5220; Friday from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at NASA building 4316; and Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Missile Defense Agency at 106 Wynn Drive.

Trade day

The 20th annual "Old Fashioned Trade Day" is Sept. 6 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in

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downtown Huntsville around the Courthouse square. Admission is free. Sponsored by the Von Braun Lions Club and Historic Huntsville Foundation, there will be antiques, woodwork, crafts, art, collectibles, books, food and drink, and more. Free train rides for children. For vendor applications, call 852-5378.

Church anniversary

First Missionary Baptist Church, 3509 Blue Spring Road, with its pastor Rev. Dr. Julius R. Scruggs, will celebrate its 128th church anniversary Aug. 24. The guest preacher is Rev. Dr. Walter Malone, pastor of Canann Christian Church, Louisville, Ky. Malone will bring the message at the 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. worship services.

Dinner theatre

A Dinner Theatre and Fund-Raiser, sponsored by the Huntsville-Madison County Chapter of Alabama A&M Alumni Association Inc., is 7 p.m. Aug. 22 at the Holiday Inn Research Park, Grand Ballroom. The play will be "Waiting on the Man I'm With," a "dramedy of love and faith," written and directed by Marc Raby. The honored guest will be Ike Rooks. Attire is semi-formal. Tickets are \$40 per guest. For reservations and tickets, call

851-9572 or 859-1244.

Transportation help

A veteran in Elkmont, Ala., needs transportation assistance to get to doctor's appointments, the grocery store and other locations. She is disabled due to a leg injury that caused her to be in a cast all the way up to her hip. She does not have a car and all of her family lives in North Carolina. If you can help, or know of anyone who can help provide transportation in the Elkmont area, please contact Still Serving Veterans at 883-7054 or Daniel@stillservingveterans.org.

Intern class of 1983

Intern Training Center Class of 1983 will have a reunion Saturday from 5 p.m. until midnight at the Marriott, 5 Tranquility Base. This casual social will be held in a reception room, with hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Cost is \$37 per person. For more information, call Roy Longino 503-9075 or Cheryl Jobe (703) 801-9718. "Twenty-five years ago, 134 engineers graduated from the DARCOM Intern Training Center in Texarkana, Texas," a prepared release said. "Where are you all now? If you were from the Quality and Reliability, Maintainability, Production, or Safety Engineering classes, please come join us."



Photo by Skip Vaughn

Newly promoted

Lt. Col. Chris Hackett, director of the Army Acquisition Basic Course at the Army Logistics Management College-Huntsville Campus, receives a hug Aug. 4 from Gabriele Wiley after getting promoted from major. In the background is Hackett's husband, Talbot. "I sure am proud of her," said Wiley, an executive assistant at Missile Defense Agency. "I've known her for about eight years."

Women's equality

Team Redstone Cultural Awareness Committee will conduct a Women's Equality Day Program on Aug. 20 at 10 a.m. at Bob Jones Auditorium. This year's theme is "Celebrating Women's Rights to Vote."

Photo Lab moves

Multimedia Visual Information has moved from building 4489 to building 3321, located on Mauler Road. It is on the corner of Redeye and Mauler roads. Its

departments include the Photo Lab, Video Services, A/V Support, Maintenance Support, and Multimedia. Hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Photos are by appointment only. For more information call Jennifer West 876-2133, Kim Cole 876-1764 and Steve Johnson 876-1760.

MWR expo

The Redstone community is invited to the MWR Expo on Aug. 20 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Officers and Civilians Club.

Tuskegee Airmen

Tuskegee Airmen members Rev. Dr. Henry Baldwin (first generation) and Aaron Watkins (second generation) of Philadelphia, Pa., will speak at 9 a.m. Aug. 26 at Bob Jones Auditorium. They will visit Soldiers of the 832nd Ordnance Battalion. This event is open to the Redstone community. For more information, call Chaplain (Capt.) Marcie Barnett 876-0993.

Military discount

"Disney On Ice" is coming to the Von Braun Center on Oct. 16-19. Military active duty, retired, Reserve personnel, National Guard members, and Department of Defense employees, and their family members are eligible for a \$12 ticket in three price levels at five performances. For more information, call Group Tickets USA at 888-770-1876.

Veterinary clinic

Redstone Arsenal Veterinary Services will have walk in evening clinics this Thursday. Animals owned by personnel authorized DoD medical care will be seen from 3:30-6 p.m. at building 3583 on Shillelagh Circle. Vaccinations, Heartworm test, Feline Leukemia test and microchip implants will be available. For more information, call 876-2441.

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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	U	
THE FOLLOWING ARMY ANNOUNCEMENTS CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEB AT WWW.CPOL.ARMY.MIL																				
SCBK08805607	Public Affairs Spec	13-Aug-08	Installation Mgmt Cmd	GS-1035	11	11	54,999 - 71,500													
SCBK08893494	Integration Sys Analyst	13-Aug-08	Lead AMC Intgrtn Supp Ofc	GS-0301	9	9	39,795 - 51,738													
SCBK0882707	Inventory Mgmt Spec	13-Aug-08	IMMC	GS-2010	12	12	65,921 - 85,701	X	X											
SCBK08908712	Secretary (OA)	13-Aug-08	Ofc of the Prog Exec Ofcr	NK-0318	2	2	34,270 - 55,182	X												
SCBK08908733	Secretary (OA)	13-Aug-08	Ofc of the Prog Exec Ofcr	NK-0318	2	2	34,270 - 55,182	X												
SCBK08916250	Contract Spec	13-Aug-08	SMDC	GS-1102	12	12	65,921 - 85,701	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08916250D	Contract Spec	13-Aug-08	SMDC	GS-1102	12	12	65,921 - 85,701	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08907026	Medical Records Tech	13-Aug-08	MEDDAC	GS-0675	4	4	26,815 - 34,865													
SCBK08907026D	Medical Records Tech	13-Aug-08	MEDDAC	GS-0675	4	4	26,815 - 34,865	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08976601	Supv Human Resources Spec (HR Development)	13-Aug-08	CHRA	YC-0201	2	2	68,541 - 107,008													
SCBK08867084R	Supv General Engr	14-Aug-08	SMDC	YF-0801	3	3	87,978 - 148,740													
SCBK08895850	Financial Mgmt Analyst	14-Aug-08	SMDC	GS-0501	13	13	78,390 - 101,913													
SCBK08787192	Human Resources Spec (Military)	14-Aug-08	Accessions Cmd, USA 2nd Recruiting Brigade Headquarters	GS-0201	9	9	45,458 - 59,100													
SCBK08787192D	Human Resources Spec (Military)	14-Aug-08	Accessions Cmd, USA 2nd Recruiting Brigade Headquarters	GS-0201	9	9	45,458 - 59,100	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08847699	Config Mgmt Spec	14-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DE-0301	3	3	50,060 - 85,701	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK0847699D	Config Mgmt Spec	14-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DE-0301	3	3	50,060 - 85,701	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08901118	adMin Supp Asst (O/A)	14-Aug-08	Installation Mgmt Cmd	GS-0303	3	7	3,164 - 48,308	X	X											
SCBK08573574R	Supv Contract Spec	14-Aug-08	Corp of Engrs, Huntsville, AL	YC-1102	3	3	90,373 - 145,107													
SCBK08836039	Supv Logistics Mgmt Spec	14-Aug-08	IMMC	YC-0346	2	2	65,277 - 126,442													
SCBK08745654	Safety Engr, Architect, Civil Engr, Env Engr, Mech Engr, Elect Engr	15-Aug-08	Corp of Engrs, Huntsville, AL	YF-0803, 0808, 0810, 0819, 0830, 0850	3	3	100,000 - 141,657													
SCBK08745654D	Safety Engr, Architect, Civil Engr, Env Engr, Mech Engr, Elect Engr	15-Aug-08	Corp of Engrs, Huntsville, AL	YF-0803, 0808, 0810, 0819, 0830, 0850	3	3	100,000 - 141,657	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08745654	Security Spec (Physical)	15-Aug-08	Corp of Engrs, Huntsville, AL	YA-0080	2	2	45,014 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08745654D	Security Spec (Physical)	15-Aug-08	Corp of Engrs, Huntsville, AL	YA-0080	2	2	45,014 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08910390R	Procurement Analyst	15-Aug-08	PEO AVN, Utility Helicopter PM	NH-1102	3	3	65,921 - 101,913													
SCBK08902645	General Supp Spec (Ammunition)	15-Aug-08	Installation Mgmt Cmd	GS-2001	9	9	45,458 - 59,100													
SCBK08676637R	General Engr	15-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0801	3	3	65,921 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08676637DR	General Engr	15-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0801	3	3	65,921 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08706011	Supv Civil Engr	16-Aug-08	Corp of Engrs, Huntsville, AL	YF-0810	2	2	65,278 - 126,442													
SCBK08706011D	Supv Civil Engr	16-Aug-08	Corp of Engrs, Huntsville, AL	YF-0810	2	2	65,278 - 126,442	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08817487	Instructional Sys Spec	16-Aug-08	USAOEMES	GS-1750	12	12	65,921 - 85,701	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK0805349D	Supv Env Engr	17-Aug-08	Corp of Engrs, Huntsville, AL	YF-0819	2	2	65,278 - 126,442	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08781811OC	General Supp Spec	18-Aug-08	Installation Mgmt Cmd	GS-2001	11	11	54,999 - 71,500													
SCBK08781811OCC1	General Supp Spec	18-Aug-08	Installation Mgmt Cmd	GS-2001	9	9	45,458 - 59,100													
SCBK089051361OC	Aerospace Engr	18-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0861	3	3	65,921 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK089051361OCC	Aerospace Engr	18-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0861	3	3	65,921 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08899581	General Engr	18-Aug-08	SMDC	GS-0801	13	13	78,390 - 101,913													
SCBK08874188	Mgmt Asst (OA)	18-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DK-0344	3	3	37,164 - 53,504	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08874188D	Mgmt Asst (OA)	18-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DK-0344	3	3	37,164 - 53,504	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08923731	Aerospace Engr	18-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0861	3	3	65,921 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08923731D	Aerospace Engr	18-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0861	3	3	65,921 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08847875	General Engr	18-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0801	2	3	30,001 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08847875D	General Engr	18-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0801	2	3	30,001 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08922198	Mech Engr	18-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0830	3	3	65,921 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08922198D	Mech Engr	18-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0830	3	3	65,921 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08923962	General Engr	18-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0801	3	3	65,921 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08923962D	General Engr	18-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0801	3	3	65,921 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08923532	Electronics Engr	18-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0855	3	3	65,921 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08923532D	Electronics Engr	18-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0855	3	3	65,921 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08805933	General Engr	18-Aug-08	AMRDEC	GS-0801	13	13	78,390 - 101,913													
WTST08885598	Security Spec (Disclosure)	18-Aug-08	SMDC	GG-0080	13	13	78,390 - 101,913													
SCBK08805933D	General Engr	19-Aug-08	AMRDEC	GS-0801	13	13	78,390 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08844811	Staff Action Spec	19-Aug-08	AMCOM, CIO/G6 (Info Mgmt)	GS-0301	13	13	78,390 - 101,913													
SCBK08923411	Logistics Mgmt Spec	20-Aug-08	IMMC	GS-0346	13	13	78,390 - 101,913													
SCBK08913544	Safety & Occup Health Mngr	21-Aug-08	USAOEMES	GS-0018	12	12	65,921 - 85,701	X	X											
SCBK08912200D	General Engr	21-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0801	3	3	65,921 - 101,913	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08908667	Logistics Automation Spec	21-Aug-08	IMMC	GS-0301	11	12	65,921 - 85,701	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK089035412D	Contract Spec	22-Aug-08	Corp of Engrs, Huntsville, AL	YA-1102	2	2	54,999 - 85,701	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08902101	Integration Sys Analyst	22-Aug-08	Lead AMC Intgrtn Supp Ofc	YA-0301	2	2	45,040 - 88,028													
SCBK08829565	Supv General Engr	24-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0801	4	4	92,633 - 141,657	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08811623	Lead General Engr	24-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0801	4	4	92,633 - 141,657	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08811620	Lead General Engr	24-Aug-08	AMRDEC	DB-0801	4	4	92,633 - 141,657	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCBK08893560	Resource Mgmt Spec	25-Aug-08	Accessions Cmd, USA 2nd Recruiting Brigade Headquarters	YA-0501	12	12	45,015 - 61,368													
SCBK08862935	General Engr	26-Aug-08	PEO AVN, Ofc of Prod Mgr	NH-0801	4	4	92,633 - 141,657													
SCBK08908791	Supv General Engr	26-Aug-08	PEO AVN, Tech Mgmt Div	YD-0801	3	3	87,978 - 148,740													
SCNAFBK0813	Tractor Oper	29-Aug-08	Bus Oper Div	NA-5705	6	6	9,88 - 9,88	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCNAFBK0821	Lifeguard	29-Aug-08	Rec Serv Div	NF-0189	1	1	5,85 - 10,93	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCNAFBK0822	Lead Lifeguard	29-Aug-08	Outdoor Recreation	NF-0189	2	2	7,61 - 13,97	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
SCNAFBK0825	Sales Clerk	29-Aug-08	Bus Oper Div	NF-2091																