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Military children focus of annual observance in April

BY SKIP VAUGHN

Military children face more changes than other youngsters: with their frequent relocations, and the chance that their soldier mommy or daddy will be assigned to often-risky unaccompanied tours. The Month of the Military Child puts the spotlight on these young family members.

Also, the annual observance in April helps focus on children's issues such as the need for appropriate educational programs and appropriate developmental programs. Locally, organizers want to promote prevention of family violence. But folks shouldn't lose sight of another purpose, adds Helen Roadarmel, coordinator for Child Development Services.

"We also want to just make sure we take time just to celebrate the joy of young children's lives. Youth is supposed to be a happy time, a time to have fun and just be yourself; and that's what we hope to accomplish this month," she said.

Month of the Military Child is a national observance sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. "And the Army, in conjunction with them, sponsors this promotional month," Roadarmel said.

Asked about a theme for this year's observance, she said: "Locally, we don't really have a theme but our special purpose this month is to try to point out means we can help prevent the violence that plagues young children these days. Violence is a national issue these days. And it's something that also happens on this installation."

A parenting workshop and child abuse training are among the many activities scheduled here in April for this observance. Offering non-physical ways to confront problems and ways to build self-esteem are "very important issues in the prevention of violence," Roadarmel said.

Child Development Services and Youth Services are co-sponsoring activities along with several other agencies including the Community Recreation Division, Community Operations Division, Community



MILITARY KIDS ARE SPECIAL — Roadarmel enjoys a sunny afternoon with three youngsters at the Child Development Center. From left are Justin, 2, son of SSgt. Marvin and Valerie Hankins; Gezelle, 3, daughter of retired Marine SSgt. David and Anna Glasgow; and James, 4, son of Spec. James and Daphne Handley.

Counseling Center, Post Exchange, and the Commissary.

This is Roadarmel's first time to celebrate the month at Redstone. She arrived Jan. 18 after serving the past two years as family support division chief for the now-deactivated 99th Area Support Group in Nuerenberg, Germany. She has been with child development services since 1984.

"I find the (Redstone child development) program to be responsive to the needs of soldiers and their

families. I find the program to be appropriate for children. Wonderfully devoted professional staff. And lots of room for improvement; and certainly, we'll do our best to make sure we improve the quality and improve our customer service," Roadarmel said. "And good command support; it was one thing that I was really impressed with when I came."

The following are scheduled activities for Month of the Military Child in April which includes the Week of the Young Child, April 24-30:

- Kickoff parade, at Child Development Center, 9:30 a.m. April 1.
- Marbleized Easter Eggs, at Arts & Crafts, 2 p.m. April 2.
- Parent Workshop, at Child Development Center, 4:30 p.m. April 7.
- Olympic Day, at Babe Ruth Field, 9:30 a.m. April 8.
- Community Block Party, at Youth Center, 1 p.m. April 9. (Rain date is 1 p.m. April 30.)
- Child Abuse Training, at Recreation Center, 6:30 p.m. April 12.
- Family Child Care picnic, at Vincent Park, 11 a.m. April 14.
- School-Age Latch Key parent breakfast, at Child Development Center, 8 a.m. April 15.
- Take-a-Kid-Fishing, at recreation area 1, at 7:30 a.m. April 16.
- Spin Art Shirts, at Arts & Crafts, 2 p.m. April 16.
- Sweatshirt fun walk, at Child Development Center, 9:30 a.m. April 19.
- Family Child Care fun day, at FCC (building 257), 11 a.m. April 19.
- Story Time, at Post Library, 1 p.m. April 20.
- Reading Day, at Post Exchange, 10:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. April 21.
- Earth Day Parade, at Child Development Center, 9:30 a.m. April 22.
- FCC Parade of Homes, meet at Child Development Center, 9 a.m. April 26.
- Child Development Center open house, at CDC, 2 p.m. April 26.
- School-Age Latch Key open house, at building 3140, at 3 p.m. April 26.
- Western Barbecue, at Child Development Center, 11 a.m. April 27.
- Free small fry and drink (for ages 12 and under/Redstone Arsenal community) at Burger King, April 29.
- \$1 off Kid's Club Meal, at Burger King, throughout April.
- Kindercize, at Youth Center, 9:30 a.m. April 29.
- Tie dye shirts, at Arts & Crafts, 2 p.m. April 30.
- Babysitting class (for Redstone individuals ages 13 and older), at Bicentennial Chapel, from 3:30-5:30 p.m. April 11 through 15.
- Youth bowling — adult pay, child free — at Bowling Center, April 25-29.
- Developmental appropriate activities, at the Commissary, April 11-15 and April 25-29.

Renovations should score points with Pagano Gym users

BY SKIP VAUGHN

Renovation projects at Pagano Gym this summer will replace the main gym floor and improve the walls in the racquetball courts.

Eventually, this gym for the military community will be augmented by an additional Redstone gym which is programmed for fiscal 1996. The volume of usage supports having two gyms rather than just one, according to Ted Compoc, director of sports and athletic training.

In the first of two major renovation projects, the current gym floor will be replaced beginning June 1 or sometime after that date. Construction should take from six to eight weeks; so, the new wooden floor with oak base should be completed by mid-July.

"There is no doubt about the need for it. The current gym floor — because of normal wear and tear, the age factor — it borders a safety kind of concern," Compoc said. The floor, where volleyball and basketball are played, was installed in 1980 or '81. Compoc

describes it as termite-ridden, and damaged by moisture.

"Col. Sanders and Gen. Rigby have personally inspected the floor on more than one occasion; and both have concurred and recognize the need that it be replaced," he said. Compoc added that Col. Ross Sanders, the deputy post commander, and Maj. Gen. Joe Rigby, the post commander, deserve the credit for getting this project through. Cost will exceed \$125,000 in appropriated funds.

After completion of the gym floor project, the racquetball court walls will be redone. The current walls, which have deteriorated, will be sanded, repainted; and then a plexiglas composite material, approximately five-eighths of an inch thick, will be placed over these walls. This will happen in all four racquetball courts. Redoing the walls will "enhance play, maintenance and obviously appearance," Compoc said.

The floors in the racquetball courts were resurfaced

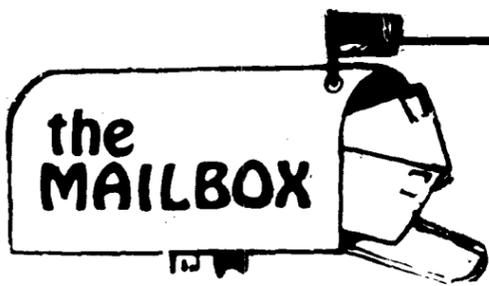
— sanded and varnished — about a year ago. "So, essentially the racquetball users will be utilizing what could be construed as, not new courts, but significantly upgraded courts. And they deserve it; they definitely deserve it," Compoc said.

Estimated cost for redoing the walls is \$80-90,000 in appropriated funds. Anticipated start date is mid-July with completion by mid-August.

Both projects — the gym floor and the racquetball court walls — are scheduled to avoid interfering with unit-level sports. The volleyball season ends in May. And the unit-level racquetball tournament should finish by the end of June.

Under consideration is a project for fiscal 1995 that would repaint the walls surrounding the main gym floor. The drab green metal would be repainted with an oil-based white which should improve the lighting and appearance. "Because, certain times of the day right now it's dark even with the lights on," Compoc

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Dental clinic

Editor:

I would like to say thank you to Lt. Col. Hollman, Ms. Peterson and the staff at Fox Dental Clinic.

During the last two years, prior to my retirement, I had technical dental treatment completed at Fox Dental Clinic. The professionalism, dedication and friendliness exhibited by Lt. Col. Hollman and his staff is unmatched during my 21-year Army career.

Again, thank you!

Larry Collins
Retired MSGt.

Future logisticians

Editor:

Logisticians, the people responsible for getting things where they need to be when they need to be there, will face a different challenge in the future. To become informed about the future of logistics, one must understand the present. That entails an understanding of logistics from the perspective of management, and that varies between organizations. Individuals seem to have their own opinions toward logistics — what it is and what it can do for them.

Our organization has set up continuing education opportunities for the MICOM work force. Log U is raising the work force's education level to meet future needs. The key to the future lies in change, knowing it will come and being able to adapt to it when it happens. Individuals must be prepared to meet the demands that will be placed upon them in the future.

The workplace is made great by the dedicated service of people who week after week and year after year persist in doing small things well. They refuse to be sidetracked but rather press on. In the power of persistence the fable of the rabbit and the turtle reminds us that it is not necessarily the fastest (or richest, most gifted, or most brilliant) who wins the race, but who plods on. In the power of persistence resides greatness.

Individual strategic planning is done to meet the goals and objectives of an organization. The strategies provide the detailed plan of action for the employees of the organization to manage their future requirements for future growth. These strategies lead automatically to organizational policies that are specific blueprints or principles that guide the work force and are designed to corporate goals and objectives. These objectives are designed to influence and

determine decisions, actions, and other matters deemed appropriate by an organization.

At Log U the following integrated logistics support elements that are so critical to the success of an organization: maintenance concepts; procurement; supply support; support equipment; manpower and personnel; training and training support; facilities; packaging, handling, storage and transportation; technical data; computer resources and design interface. These items must be integrated and unified in the work force in an effort to provide the maximum opportunity for an organization to succeed.

Therefore, I highly recommend the Log U courses offered to the MICOM work force. Apply at your training facility.

Jimmy Harbin
Integ Matl Mgmt Ctr

Higher authority

Editor:

In the March 16 issue of the *Rocket*, there was a letter titled "Vulgar talk" in which an unnamed individual, apparently a MICOM employee, offers some questions and comments regarding the proliferation of profane and vulgar language in our society at large and at MICOM in particular.

I expect that this individual's letter may generate a number of responses, as did a letter on this topic a few years ago ("Foul language," *Rocket*, July 23, 1986). While I disagree with some of the comments in the March 16 letter (such as the statement, "These people no doubt use this kind of talk around their children," and the simplistic conclusion, "This being the case, it's no wonder children are so messed up in some in-

stances"), I do agree with the writer that vulgar talk in the workplace is unnecessary, and I think most people would agree that it is also unwanted. And, while some would raise the issue of what specifically constitutes "vulgar" or "profane" language, I think most people in the workplace have a pretty good idea of what language is likely to offend.

But what interests me about this individual's letter is his closing statement: "And no, I am not a religious person but I do have some personal principles I live by." The person who wrote the aforementioned 1986 letter made it clear that his basis for objecting to such language was "morality and Christian living." The writer of the March 16 letter, though, appears to base his opposition to vulgar language in the workplace not on unchanging direction from a Creator but on his own "personal principles."

I don't always agree with talk radio commentator Rush Limbaugh, but I think he hits the nail right on the head when he insists that "morality is never defined by personal preference." If, as it appears, the writer of the March 16 letter has, ultimately, no more authoritative basis than his own personal principles for urging the rest of us to avoid vulgar talk, then the question, "Why are you asking me to live by your personal principles?" is a valid one. On the other hand, if a higher authority — higher than any human authority — has told us to avoid vulgar talk (as in Colossians 3:8), then we will all have to answer to someone else about our speech.

Jon E. Schoenfield

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Commander's letter: Military children

Editor's note: Maj. Gen. Joe Rigby, commander of the Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal, signed the following letter.

The Army, in conjunction with the National Association for the Education of Young Children, has designated April as "The Month of the Military Child." During this month, Army Child Development Services and Youth Services programs throughout the world will celebrate the lives of our young military children.

Army children are special! Not only do they deal with the normal pressures of growing up, but they also endure frequent moves, living in new cultures, prolonged absences of one or both parents, and the hardships of making new friends. Yet it is these very challenges that make our children adaptable,

resourceful, inquisitive, patient and creative, all ingredients for a successful adult life.

As an Army we need to take care of our children. Many of them are soldiers of tomorrow. We need to take a special interest in their safety. As violence in our schools, streets, and in our homes is the major concern of not only our administration but of children themselves, this month is a wonderful opportunity to make a special effort to help stop the violence in our young children's lives.

Our military children are the hope of our future and the joy of today. On behalf of the entire Redstone Arsenal community, I am proud to recognize the military child as a vital reason for the defense of the United States of America.

Maj. Gen. Joe Rigby
MICOM commander



ACOE CLEANUP WEEK — Last week was designated as Army Communities of Excellence Cleanup Week and this was a familiar sight around post. At the 832nd Ordnance Battalion, C Company, soldiers were painting, picking up trash and in general beautifying their area. From left Pvt. Edgar Garcia, Pvt. John Moreno, PFC Oliver Olano and Pvt. Damien Hetherington repaint the parking markings while Spec. David Austin and Cpl. John Cebak look on.

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Community beautification project to help Redstone

The Huntsville-Madison County Clean Community is sponsoring a cleanup of portions of Huntsville Spring Branch on Redstone Arsenal as part of April's Keep America Beautiful program.

Portions of the creek to be cleaned by the Clean Community include banks upstream and downstream from the Martin, Patton and Dodd Road bridges.

Huntsville Spring Branch drains storm water from a major portion of Huntsville. Debris washed into the creek at times builds trash jams around Arsenal bridges and is deposited on the banks and in overhanging trees during periods of high water.

A sponsorship sign was unveiled Monday at the creek bridge on Patton Road (between Mills Road and Redstone Road). This cleanup project grew out of a community effort to prepare Redstone Arsenal for an Army Communities of Excellence (ACOE) team visit at the end of March. The ACOE evaluation could lead to the Arsenal winning a \$1 million award as the Army's best medium-sized installation in the continental U.S. If Redstone wins that award, it could compete for the ACOE Commanders-in-Chief award which would bring the prize total to \$1.5 million.

In the sponsorship program, organizations agree to keep a designated area clean from debris. The Clean Community decided to help with this program in the true spirit of "neighbor helping neighbor," according to Sue Paddock of Redstone's quality of life office.

Huntsville Mayor Steve Hettinger said, "We are always pleased to assist the Army in enhancing the quality of life in our community and this is a fine example of neighbor helping neighbor."

Maj. Gen. Joe Rigby, commander of the Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal, unveiled the sign Monday along with Chuck Saunders, the City Council president, who represented the mayor at the ceremony.



SIGN UNVEILED — From left are Rigby, Armor and Saunders.

Huntsville-Madison County Clean Community is under the city's Landscape Management division of Public Services. Attendees at the ceremony included Layne Vaughan, manager of Landscape Management division, and Jack Armor, chairman of the Clean Community board.

"One of the things that's made Redstone Arsenal unique with any other Army post is the teamwork that we've had with our civilian community," Rigby said. "... With the Huntsville-Madison County community sponsoring this project, I know it's going to work out great for all of us."

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Earned income credit can increase tax refund

Editor's note: Capt. Steven Hester, chief of legal assistance in the Office of Staff Judge Advocate, provided the following article on tax assistance.

While tax time is a source of pain and anguish for many, to some it is more like Christmas. The source of this good cheer: the earned income credit.

Under this delightful provision of the tax code, the IRS may actually have to pay you, even if you would not otherwise be getting a refund. In some cases this credit can amount to more than \$2,000, though it is usually considerably less.

The credit is not for everyone. You probably qualify for a credit on your 1993 taxes if (1) you had a job, (2) you earned less than \$23,050 in wages and salaries (including your spouse's earnings, if any), and (3) you had a child, stepchild, or foster child living with you in the United States.

Enlisted eligibles

Many military personnel in the lower enlisted grades do qualify for the credit. In figuring whether you earned less than \$23,050, you have to include your housing allowance (BAQ) and your subsistence allowance (BAS) if you are in the military. The Variable Housing Allowance (VHA) does not have to be included. If the military furnished you housing and meals instead of paying you BAQ and BAS, you should figure in what you would have received if you were getting BAQ and BAS.

Many Civil Service personnel in the lower grades also qualify for the earned income credit. Civil Service personnel have to include amounts they voluntarily have deducted from their pay for the Thrift Savings Plan, even though those amounts do not show up in the wages block on their W-2 statement.

How does the earned income credit (EIC) work? If you qualify, the credit is subtracted from the amount of tax that you would otherwise pay. If the earned income credit amount is greater than the amount of tax you owe, the difference is refunded to you. If you would be getting a refund anyway, the credit is added to your refund.

Extra credit

The EIC is actually made up of three separate credits: the basic credit, the health insurance credit,

and the extra credit for a child born in 1993. The health insurance credit is only available if you qualify for the basic credit and you paid premiums for health insurance in 1993. The extra credit is available only if you qualify for the basic credit and you had a qualifying child, stepchild, or foster child living with you who was born in 1993.

There are some significant changes to the earned income credit for the 1994 tax year (next year's returns). The amount of the credit will increase, and the amount of income you can earn and still be eligible for the credit will also increase. In addition, the credit will expand to include some lower income workers who do not have children. On the down side, the health insurance credit and the extra credit for a newborn child will no longer be available.

Helpful documents

If you expect to be eligible for earned income credit for the 1994 tax year, you may be able to start receiv-

ing the credit now. By filing an IRS Form W-5 ("Earned Income Credit Advance Payment Certificate") with your employer, you can actually have most of the credit added to your paycheck, instead of waiting for a tax refund next year. The advance payment, though, is not available if you do not have a "qualifying child."

If you think you may qualify, you should get a copy of IRS Publication 596. It will explain the details regarding eligibility for the credit, and will tell you how to calculate the amount of the credit if you are eligible. If you are eligible, you will need to submit a Schedule EIC with your tax return.

If you are active duty military, a military family member, or a military retiree, free tax assistance (including electronic filing) is available. Active duty personnel should contact their unit tax adviser. Retirees and eligible family members should call 842-8377, or go by the tax assistance office in the Army Community Service building 3491. Tax forms and IRS publications are also available for eligible personnel in building 3491 and at the Legal Assistance Office, building 111.

Customer service corner: Veterinary facility

BY PAM ROGERS

Some of Kathy Yawn's customers are brought in against their will, in cages or otherwise restrained, and when they arrive they aren't allowed to sit on the furniture. She does her best to make them all feel comfortable, though, whether she's checking their ears for mites or drawing blood for a heartworm test.

Yawn is a certified veterinary assistant at the Veterinary Treatment Facility. For several years the facility has been undergoing changes designed to better serve both animal and human customers.

Only pet animals belonging to active duty and retired military are eligible for treatment, which is by regulation limited to diagnostic testing and preventive measures for diseases that can be transmitted from animals to humans. Even so, the facility has a history of serving the community with tours for school kids, a pet adoption service (civilians are allowed to adopt pets), wildlife rescue, representation at retiree days and other community events, and participation in National Pet Month.

Yawn went over a few of the more recent improvements made with customer service in mind.

"We remodeled our reception area to provide better communication between clients and the receptionist and to make a new, roomier seating area," she said.

Clinic hours have been adjusted to better meet owners' busy schedules.

"We're now open through lunch, and have evening clinic once a month from 4 to 6 p.m." Yawn said. Horse owners who board their horses at the Redstone Saddle Activity can have their animals vaccinated during the twice-yearly vaccination clinic held at the stables.

The Veterinary Facility is concerned with pet owner education, providing new kitten and puppy packs filled with food samples, coupons, fact sheets and vaccination records to new pet owners. There are now pet care videotapes available for checkout as well.

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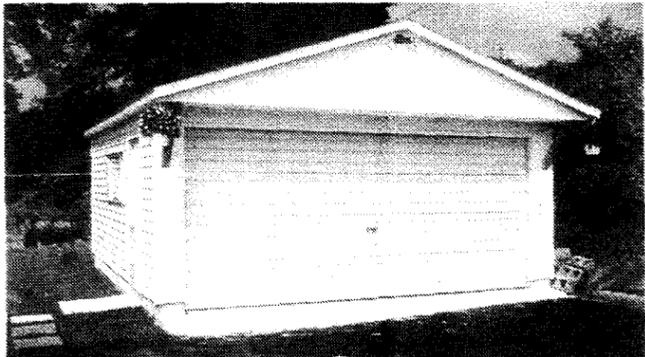
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Senator stresses need for national missile defense

Editor's note: Harrison is vice president for public affairs for the Redstone-Huntsville Chapter of the Association of the U.S. Army.

BY BILL HARRISON

"Why should we defend our allies and not ourselves?" Sen. Richard Shelby asked an audience of the Association of the U.S. Army on March 14 in Huntsville.

North Korea "right now may very well be in possession of at least one nuclear device, maybe two," Shelby continued. "I believe it's only a matter of time before North Korea can deliver a nuclear weapon thousands of miles. Iran and Iraq are not far behind."

Shelby used these examples to enforce the need for a deployable National Ballistic Missile Defense. "We need to convince this administration and Congress that the Theater Missile Defense Program alone is not enough."

"The administration, the Congress, and the American people must continue to focus... on the main threat to our safety and our livelihood," Shelby stressed. That is the "real possibility that Third World nations will build or acquire weapons of mass destruction" and attain a capability to launch them against the United States or its allies.

National Missile Defense, the "core of the Missile Defense program just three years ago, has now been relegated to an advanced technology program with no deployment date in sight," according to Shelby.

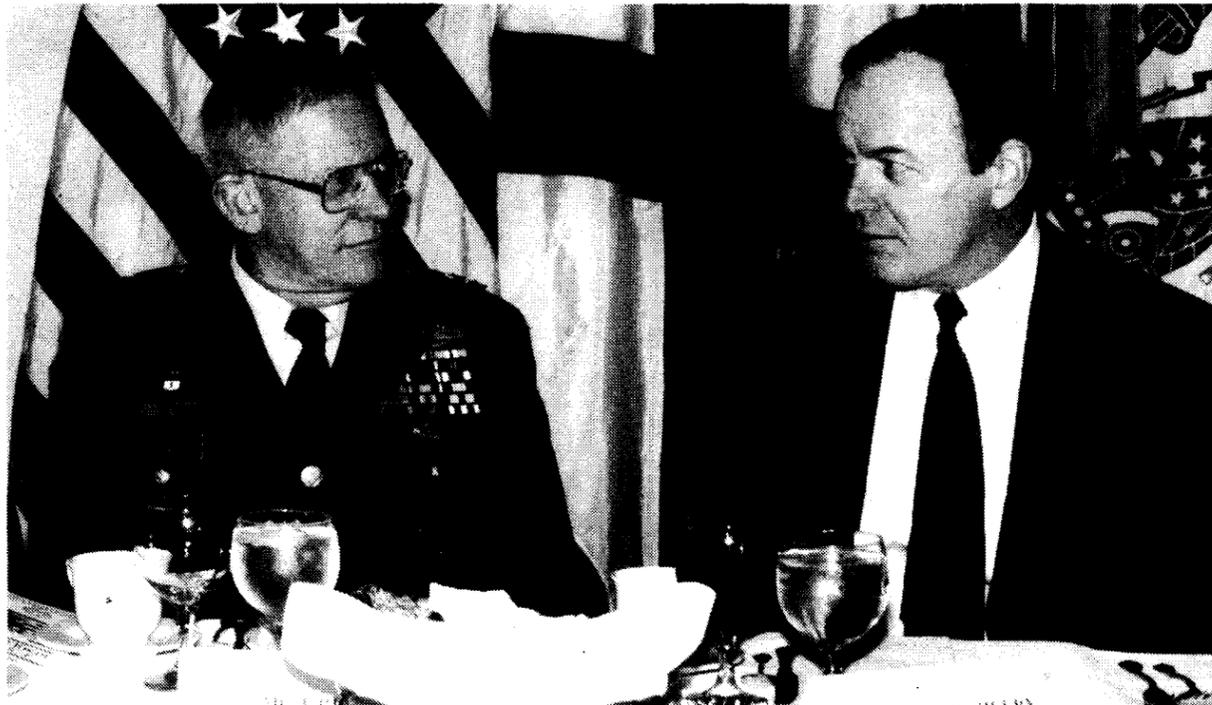
When during his confirmation hearings Secretary of Defense William Perry suggested that we can hurry up and deploy a National Missile Defense once the long range threat from the Third World appears, "that was the wrong answer," Shelby said. "We must work to fund a real, deployable National Missile Defense."

Shelby spoke to about 200 members of the Redstone-Huntsville Chapter of the Association of the U.S. Army at their quarterly general membership meeting.

Citing a number of missile programs that are managed from Redstone Arsenal and the Huntsville area, Shelby made special note of the Avenger program, in which the Army had been buying systems at the rate of 144 each year. The fiscal 1995 budget provides no funding for Avengers for the Army. "I

believe we need to use the National Guard and Reserve units to make up the (production) shortfall," Shelby suggested.

He promised to continue to work in the Senate to "see that Huntsville programs and projects receive the priority that they deserve."



HEAD TABLE — Maj. Gen. Joe Rigby, commander of the Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal, sits next to Shelby during the AUSA luncheon. (Photo courtesy of *The Huntsville Times*)

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Safety engineer helps Erint Project Office celebrate

BY SKIP VAUGHN

Success never tasted so good for the members of Erint Project Office.

Pat Vittitow, a safety engineer at Space and Strategic Defense Command, baked a cake for the project office in celebration of Erint's selection as the PAC-3 missile. She decorated it with the Erint logo.

On Sunday, March 13 she baked the cake and then devoted two hours into making the icing. That Monday night, she took five and a half hours to decorate the cake. The finished product, presented to the project office the following day, was a colorful 18-by-12, half a sheet cake. "Half of it's chocolate; and the other half is white cake with candy sprinkles in it — which is my favorite," Vittitow said.

In making the decorations, she used a logo which

the project office gave her. "I made the stencil and then transferred it to the cake," she explained.

The cake had three different colors of blue, white, three different colors of red, and yellow. "I still have some of that red," Vittitow said, laughing while showing the red that remained on her fingers.

"I like to decorate cakes. And they just were chosen as the PAC-3 missile, and so it was kind of in celebration of that," she said, when asked why she baked the cake. "And they're good people. It's a nice project office; it's good people in the project office. They've worked hard."

Vittitow had taken some cake-decorating classes; and she enjoys baking cakes for special occasions. "It's something I like to do, and I make birthday cakes for my daughter, specialty cakes, (like for) Christmastime," she said.



ERINT CAKE — Vittitow shows the cake she baked for members of Erint Project Office.

74th Maintenance Battalion (TMDE) gets new executive officer

The 74th Maintenance Battalion (TMDE) bid farewell to its departing executive officer on March 4 at the Sports Haven.

Maj. Tommy Lancaster, the battalion executive officer since July 1992, has been selected to attend the Command and General Staff College this July. The incoming executive officer is Maj. Mark Hilborn.

Hilborn comes to the battalion from U.S. Army Europe in Kaiserslautern, Germany, where he served as aide-de-camp to Lt. Gen. William Pagonis, commander of 21st Theater Area Army Command.

Lt. Col. David Osborn, battalion commander, lauded Lancaster for his outstanding efforts and presented him and his wife, Suzan, mementos from the staff.

Osborn said he looks forward to working with Hilborn as the battalion continues its worldwide support mission for Test Measurement and Diagnostic Equipment.



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THRIFTY VOLUNTEER — The post Thrift Shop selected Jo Walsh, left, as its volunteer of the month for February. Walsh has been at the thrift shop since 1984, and works at the jewelry counter there. Nancy Lopez, right, is president of the advisory council for the thrift shop.

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Defense program selects UAH, Alabama A&M presidents

Both nominations submitted by SSDC to the Department of the Army for the 1994 Joint Civilian Orientation Conference, a Secretary of Defense annual program for civic leaders, were selected as primary invitees.

Dr. Frank Franz, president of the University of Alabama in Huntsville, and Dr. David Henson, president of Alabama A&M University, are among the 10 Army candidates (of 30 Army submissions) who were picked by DoD to participate in this year's week-long interchange between influential civilian leaders and the military.

Of the 340 names submitted by the military services, a total of 46 civilian leaders from 21 states and the District of Columbia were chosen for participation in the program which dates back to 1948. Its goal is to increase public understanding of national security issues

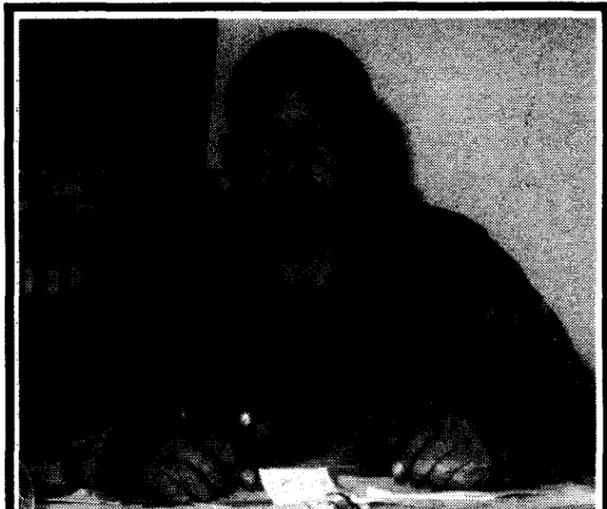
and the U.S. military readiness posture. It offers influential Americans — representing all segments of American society — the chance to examine firsthand the state of the U.S. armed forces.

The program is conducted through meetings with senior defense officials at the Pentagon and hands-on visits to commands of each military service. This year, Fort Bliss, Texas, is the Army host. Other site visits will be conducted at Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho; San Diego and Twentynine Palms, Calif.

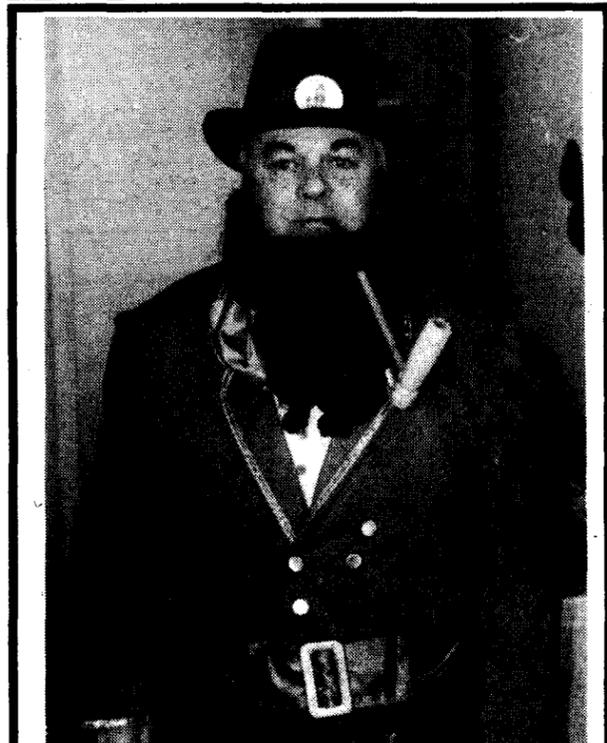
SSDC's invitees will gain unique perspectives on U.S. national security issues, policies, and programs and then share their experiences with a broad variety of groups with which they are associated. Franz presides (since 1991) over a university which is becoming one of the leading research institutions in the country, with centers of excellence in optics, microgravity,

superconductivity, aero-physics, and public administration. Henson presides (since 1992) over a historically black university and co-educational landgrant institution founded in 1875 and serving more than 5,000 students, with research being conducted in optics, biotechnology, energy, remote sensing, nutrition, crystal growth, and missile guidance.

Henson received his doctorate in biochemistry from the University of Iowa, and his studies as a diabetes research fellow for the University of Texas Medical School have also gained him international recognition. Franz received his doctorate in physics from the University of Illinois and is internationally known through his studies of energy and polarization transfer in atomic and molecular collisions.



STANDOUT NCO — Starting out as an instructor at the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School West Patriot Training Detachment, Fort Bliss, Texas, 1st Sgt. Uvaldo Ordonez has worked his way up through the ranks as the detachment's operations NCO and is now the detachment's first sergeant. "He's an outstanding asset to the unit," said Maj. Vernon Knight, the detachment commander.



LOGISTICS LEPRECHAUN — Justin Rial, a logistics data manager for LOGSA cataloguing, is dressed for St. Patrick's Day last Thursday.

Troop basketball

Here are the company-level basketball standings as of March 17:

Conference	Team	W	L
Eastern Conference	HHC 832nd-1	15	1
	HHC MICOM	10	6
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	TMDE	6	7
	B Company 832nd	6	8
	Over 35	1	13
Western Conference	E Company 832nd	16	2
	NCO Academy	11	6
	Marines	11	7
	C Company 832nd	10	5
	F Company 832nd-1	10	7
	HHC 832nd-2	7	6
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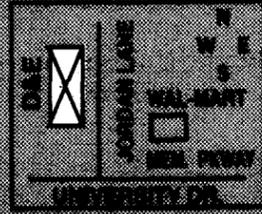
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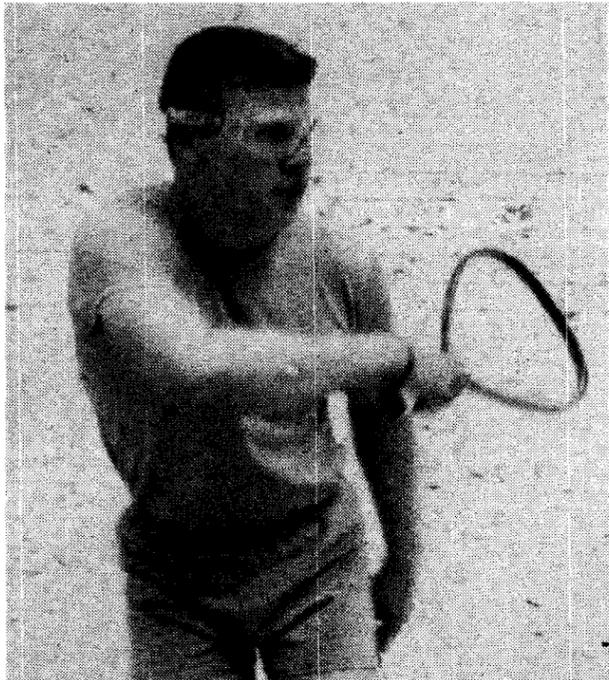


Gym

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said. This repainting project has been introduced as a possibility for fiscal 1995.

An additional gym, programmed for fiscal 1996, is to be about the same size as Pagano Gym. This 21,000-square-foot facility is to cost about \$2.6 million. The selected site is in front of the Recreation



PAGANO RACQUETBALL — Pvt. Pete Gilbert, of B Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion, practices racquetball every day. A renovation project this summer will redo the walls in all four racquetball courts at Pagano Gym.

Center off Patton Road which would be within easy access of the student barracks. Like Pagano Gym it is to offer a main floor, four racquetball courts, and weight rooms.

"The new facility will be an added part of our program, and will not be constructed to replace this facility," Compoc said, referring to Pagano Gym which opened in 1974.

Demographics support the construction of an additional gym, according to Compoc. He pointed out that Pagano Gym had 147,000 customers in 1993 — including active and retired military, their family members and guests. "By my math we're open 365

days a year, our operational hours Monday through Friday are from 5 in the morning to 10 at night, so our average daily usage is in excess of 400 customers daily. I have seen in January (1994) up to 737 customers in one day; that was one of our all-time highs. So, when you have those kind of numbers..." Compoc said.

He understands today's budget realities but believes the new gym is closer to happening than ever before. "Aside from the fact for the last three years it's been moved back another year consecutively, I believe the new gym concept is at the highest level it's ever been since the new gym concept came out which was in '84," he said.



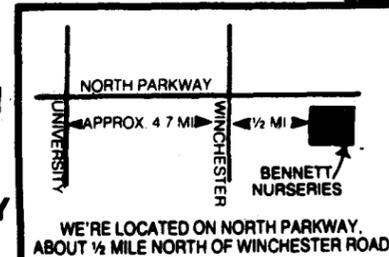
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Playing the game ensures promotions, says consultant

Good performance is how to get noticed, but who you know determines how far you'll go in your organization, according to a management consultant.

Harvey Coleman, president and founder of Coleman Management Consultants Inc. of Atlanta, was among the speakers for the Federal Women's Program annual training held March 15-17 at both the Rocket Auditorium and building 5250. On Tuesday afternoon, March 15, he discussed "Empowering Yourself and Your Organization" to a roomful of Army workers in conference room A-115 of building 5250.

Coleman presented his PIE formula for success: Performance, Image and Exposure. He asserted that only 10 percent of success is based on performance, 30 percent on image and 60 percent on exposure.

"You need to be a great performer to even be considered. Performance is your ticket into the stadium, then you have to play the game once you get in," Coleman said.

On image, he pointed out that first impressions — such as during a job interview — are lasting impressions. On exposure, he said promotions result from being helped by a superior.

"You can only go as high as someone above you is willing to pull you. That's what the game is all about; it's about people," Coleman said.

The Federal Women's Program training is held each March at the Missile Command as part of the observance of Women's History Month.



GUEST SPEAKER — Coleman talks with Bonnie Kilgore, the Federal Women's Program manager for MICOM's Equal Employment Opportunity office.

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Bicyclists must observe same driving rules as motorists

BY SANDA MARTEL

Spring is here bringing with it many outdoor activities such as bike riding. Before you decide to bicycle on Redstone Arsenal, however, you need to know the rules and who may operate a bicycle on post.

Your first step is to register your bike with the Provost Marshal's Office. You will be required to show your military identification card or a civilian employee badge to get authorization to operate a bike on Redstone Arsenal.

With ID in hand, the Vehicle Registration office at building 3423 will have you complete AMSMI-RA Form 2313. The decal you receive should be prominently displayed on the front of the bicycle, where the handlebars join the front fork.

Rules of the road

First, Alabama state law covering bicycle riders on state roads also applies to persons riding bicycles on Redstone Arsenal. The law reads that every person riding a bicycle is granted all the rights and is subject to all the duties of vehicle drivers.

Further,

- The person propelling the bicycle shall not ride other than upon or astride a permanent and regular seat attached to the bicycle.

- The bicycle shall not be used to carry more persons at once than the number for which it is designed and equipped.

- A person riding a bicycle (or coaster, roller skates, sled or toy vehicle) shall not attach the same or himself to any vehicle upon a roadway.

- The cyclist shall ride as near to the right side of the roadway as practicable, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction.

- Riders shall not ride more than two abreast except on paths or parts of roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles.

- When a usable path for bicycles has been provided



DECAL REQUIRED — This is what a bicycle decal looks like. All bikes operated on post must display one. While children are only told to have their parents get the bicycle registered, adults are given a written warning ticket.



TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE — Many soldiers living in the barracks on Redstone use bicycles as their primary mode of getting around.

adjacent to a roadway, bicycle riders shall use such path and shall not use the roadway.

- A person operating a bicycle shall not carry any package, bundle or article which prevents the driver from keeping at least one hand on the handlebars.

- Bicycles used at nighttime must be equipped with a front lamp emitting a white light visible from a distance of at least 500 feet. A red reflector on the rear that's visible from distances of 100-600 feet to the rear when the bicycle is directly in front of lawful lower beams of motor vehicle head lamps is also required.

- Bicycles must be equipped with a brake which will enable the operator to make braked wheels skid on dry, level, clean pavement.

Failure to comply with the above requirements is a misdemeanor, according to the Alabama state law.

Headphones prohibited

Redstone Arsenal regulations prohibits the wearing of headphones while bicycling (as well as while walking, jogging, skating or operating a motor vehicle (MICOMR 210-2, appendix B).

Parents responsible

Parents/guardians are responsible for ensuring their children abide by the aforementioned laws and Arsenal requirement. Bicycles operated by children living on post must also be registered with the Provost Marshal's Office.

Bicyclists in the family housing area may register their bikes at the Military Police Substation, building

1140, any time the substation is open. Additionally, the substation is open one Saturday each month for this purpose. These dates are advertised in advance in the *Rocket*.

A biker's advice

Dr. William McCorkle, director of MICOM's (See Bicyclists, cont'd on page 14)

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LeMaster, Yancura win Patriot 5K in Madison

BY SKIP VAUGHN

A freshman member of the University of Alabama track team returned to his old high school Saturday to win the fourth annual Patriot 5K in Madison.

Mike LeMaster, 19, won in 16:35. Yong Yancura, 40, also of Madison, was the first female finisher in 20:15.

"I just really ran conservatively. I wanted to win; that's about it," said LeMaster, a former track and cross country star at Bob Jones High School. "I took the lead about a half mile into it. Just ran it very consistently from there."

LeMaster specializes in the long-distance events, the 5,000 meters and up. A 1993 Bob Jones graduate, he was all-state his junior and senior year in cross country. He was second in the state in cross country his senior year. And he was also second in the two-mile outdoors on the track that year. LeMaster runs track and cross country at Alabama where he is redshirted during this outdoor track season.

"More or less I was just up here having fun; because I went to high school at Bob Jones, my old stomping grounds. Really I've got three or four track meets I'm just concentrating on hard," LeMaster said. His father, Robert LeMaster, is race director of the Patriot 5K.

Yancura, wife of Madison Mayor Chuck Yancura, liked the course and the sunny weather but wasn't hap-

py with her time. Her personal best 5K time is 19:14. "About one mile and 200 meters, I caught up to Natalie Fahey. She came in second," Yancura said.

Some 147 runners finished the road race which started and ended on the track at Bob Jones High.

Here are the overall and age group winners:

Male: Open — Mike LeMaster (16:35), Michael Scarano (16:44), Barry Fitts (16:51).

Masters — Carl Nicholson (17:39), Dick Franklin (18:29), Gerald Baker (18:47).

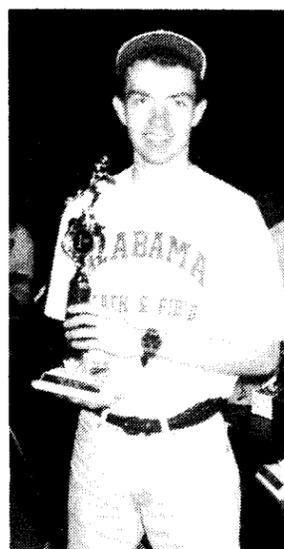
14-under — Eric Warren (18:49), Stephen Baker (21:32), David Riddle (21:54). 15-19 — Jason Stinnett (22:42). 20-24 — Hulet Gregory (17:25), Keith Coan (23:37), Mike Jones (27:13). 25-29 — Wayne Wallace (17:29), Tim Horvath (17:33), Jeff Clark (18:19). 30-34 — James Burnum (17:42), Steven Hester (18:06), Phil Smith (18:42). 35-39 — Jim Puckett (18:25), Keith Hallmark (18:45), Joe McCarthy (19:14). 40-44 — Jim Elibrahim (19:36), George Prude (20:08), Bobby Quinn (21:17). 45-49 — Don Wallace (19:46), Tommie Batts (19:58), George Franklin (21:10). 50-54 — Dwight McPherson (19:07), Ellis Whitt (19:25), Wendell Sandlin (20:15). 55-59 — Joe Beams (20:38), Tim Hopper (21:03), Earl Jacoby (21:27). 60-over — Lyman Jackson (24:08), Bill Chubb (24:27), Gene Simonson (27:43).

Female: Open — Yong Yancura (20:15), Natalie Fahey (20:45), Carrie Tindol (20:59).

Masters — Deborah Krichols (24:14), Gail Hill (24:54), Pat Guillebeau (25:07).

14-under — Rylee Crawford (27:12), Amanda Bonne (27:14), Mandy Sibley (33:31). 20-24 — Sarah Pierce (34:55). 25-29 — Kristin Martin (21:59), Carri Price (23:20), Sharon Williams-Crowe (23:40). 30-34 — Judy Ann Mulkey (23:24), Susan Jeffreys (25:09).

Helen Shepard (26:13). 35-39 — Jennifer Bryant (24:50), Nina Hartless (30:22), Vickie Meader (32:10). 40-44 — Mary Compton (26:10), Clarece Miller (30:22). 45-49 — Galy Marbury (25:30), Mattie Massey (31:15). 50-54 — Jackie Clark (27:06). 60-over — Betty Dooley (28:31).



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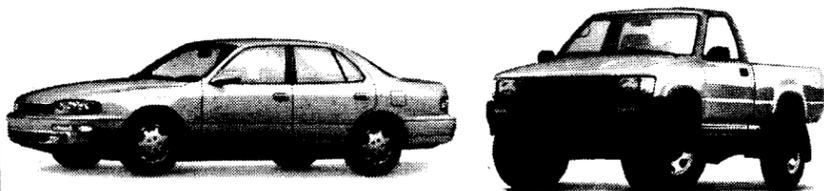
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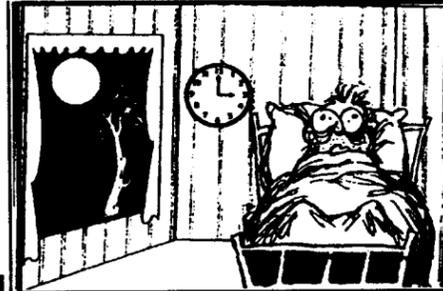
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Airborne Surveillance Testbed collects key data

BY MARSHA TAYLOR

In February, SSDC's Airborne Surveillance Testbed (AST) collected valuable infrared data on both the Erint/Storm intercept at White Sands Missile Range, N.M., and the Navy Lightweight Exo-Atmospheric Projectile (Leap) Target Demonstration test launched from Wallops Island, Va.

"AST met or exceeded all objectives for both missions," said Lou Lipari, AST Operations Division chief, who directed both missions. "The data collected in both of these missions will provide key information required by the Theater Missile Defense community."

Following the successful Navy Leap mission, SSDC commander Lt. Gen. Donald Lionetti held a briefing and tour of the AST at Norfolk Naval Air Station, Va., for U.S. Atlantic Command commander-in-chief Adm. Paul D. Miller, USACOM deputy commander Lt. Gen. William Hartzog, and other USACOM officials.

USACOM officials expressed interest in incorporating existing Theater Missile Defense capabilities in upcoming Joint Task Force exercises. The exploration of these capabilities, such as those demonstrated by AST, will help to refine TMD requirements, as well as provide an assessment of near-term contingency capability. Following his tour, Miller congratulated the AST crew on a successful mission and spoke to his philosophy of breaking down inter- and intra-service barriers in the interest of putting the best available technology on the battlefield.

The briefing and tours were orchestrated by Lt. Col. Jim Culley, acting AST chief, and Lt. Col. Chris Lesniak, SSDC liaison officer at the Boeing Field Office, and conducted by Larry Burger, AST office chief.

The unique AST sensor system features a very sensitive infrared sensor mounted in an 85-foot cupola atop a Boeing 767 aircraft. Sensor data is processed in real time by signal and data processors in the airplane's main cabin. Real-time data displays permit on-the-spot evaluation of mission conduct and facilitate human intervention in sensor control if required. AST's real-time processing, open-system architecture, and additional available resources provide the flexibility to meet a host of user requirements across the BMD spectrum.

Since AST became operational in September 1990, it has observed hundreds of targets and related objects from 23 test launches at a variety of test ranges. Data provided by AST is currently in use by a large number of BMDO-sponsored agencies to help resolve critical issues. The consistently high-quality data provided by AST is archived in the Missile Defense Data Center so that it is widely available in multiple formats.

"Information obtained from these missions is critical to the design of ballistic missile defense sensors, interceptors and battle management systems, as well as for the continuing development of new BMD technologies," Culley said.

The AST office is planning to support an upcoming Stars mission as well as a number of TMD tests, such as Hera and Navy Leap tests in fiscal years '94 and '95. The late '94 Navy Leap test will utilize the Army Leap

kill vehicle developed by Space and Strategic Defense Command. In addition, AST is preparing to support the USACOM's Joint Task Force '95 exercises planned for this summer and beyond.



IN FLIGHT — SSDC's Airborne Surveillance Testbed soars in this file photo.

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MISSION SEQUENCE — AST Mission Test Operator Natalie Tursa replays a mission sequence for Adm. Paul D. Miller, commander-in-chief of U.S. Atlantic Command, on the AST test conductor's console. Other observers are (standing, from left): Navy Capt. John Morgan of BMDO, and Navy Capt. Phil Midland of USACOM External Affairs.

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Thrift Savings Plan returns updated

Here are the latest Thrift Savings Plan monthly returns for the 12-month period ending January 1994 for the three investment funds. This information was provided by the Technical Services Branch, Civilian Personnel Office.

Months	C Fund	Wells Fargo Equity Index Fund	F Fund*	Wells Fargo U.S. Debt Index Fund	G Fund
1989(Jan-Dec)	31.03%	31.61%	13.89%	14.45%	8.81%
1990(Jan-Dec)	(3.15%)	(3.19%)	8.00%	8.89%	8.90%
1991(Jan-Dec)	30.77%	30.42%	15.75%	16.03%	8.15%
1992(Jan-Dec)	7.70%	7.61%	7.20%	7.37%	7.23%
1993(Jan-Dec)	10.13%	10.10%	9.52%	9.74%	6.14%
1993					
February	1.35	1.36	1.73	1.74	.49
March	2.09	2.11	.41	.41	.52
April	(2.39)	(2.40)	.67	.69	.51
May	2.66	2.67	.10	.12	.51
June	.32	.30	1.79	1.81	.51
July	(.38)	(.40)	.55	.57	.49
August	3.78	3.78	1.72	1.75	.49
September	(.76)	(.77)	.26	.27	.45
October	2.04	2.07	.38	.41	.47
November	(.93)	(.94)	(.84)	(.84)	.45
December	1.20	1.21	.52	.53	.49
1994					
January	3.40	3.40	1.33	1.33	.51
Last 12 mths	12.90%	12.90%	8.92%	9.12%	6.07%

Percentages in () are negative. *Through 1990 the F Fund was invested in the Wells Fargo Bond Index Fund. The C Fund is invested in the Wells Fargo Equity Index Fund which tracks the S&P 500 stock index. The F Fund is invested in the Wells Fargo U.S. Debt Index Fund which tracks the Lehman Brothers Aggregate bond index. The G Fund is invested in special issues of U.S. Treasury securities.

The monthly C, F, and G Fund returns represent net earnings for the month, after deduction of accrued administrative expenses. The C and F Fund returns also reflect the deduction of trading costs and accrued investment management fees.

The C, F and G Fund monthly returns are dollar-weighted: They reflect net earnings on the changing balances invested during the month. The C, F, and G Fund returns for the last twelve months assume, except for the crediting of earnings, unchanging balances (time-weighting) from month to month and assume earnings are compounded on a monthly basis.

The C and F Fund returns vary from the Wells Fargo returns because of C and F Fund expenses and changing balances in the C and F Funds. The Wells Fargo returns are time-weighted; they assume constant dollar balances invested during each month and throughout the period.

Future performance of the three funds will vary and may be significantly different from the returns shown above. See the "Summary of the Thrift Savings Plan" for detailed information about the funds and their investment risks.

Bicyclists

(Cont'd from page 10)

Research, Development and Engineering Center, is an avid biker. Weekends find McCorkle biking up Governors Drive, around Monte Sano Mountain or down Hobbs Island Road to New Hope. One of his routes with friends encompasses a 53-mile stretch.

Occasionally, McCorkle bicycles on Redstone Arsenal where the terrain is mostly flat, but Squirrel Hill and Neal Road routes represent a "good climb."

As an experienced biker who's been at it for 30 years, McCorkle thinks motorists are generally nice to bikers.

"It's rare for motorists to be rude," he said. But bikers should carefully observe the law when traveling the roadways, he said, by not riding side-by-side if doing so blocks the road where cars can't pass.

"Be very visible. Wear bright clothes and helmets and stay off to the right as close as you can."

McCorkle doesn't ride at night because he doesn't consider it safe. Most bikes don't have enough light to make them easily seen.

"It's easier to ride with a group of people, and safer too, because it is easier to be seen," McCorkle said.

He recommends a rear view mirror on helmets or handle bars, and thinks Redstone's ban against wearing a headset is an extremely important law.

"One of the most important things when riding is being able to hear the cars behind and beside you," he said.

Occasionally, groups are given permission on weekends to ride bicycles on post, said Sgt. Earl Montgomery, Military Police operations sergeant.

"Normally, these bikers are sponsored by some agency on the Arsenal. Anyone seeking permission for this type activity should contact the Redstone Arsenal Support Activity commander's office at building 112," Montgomery said.



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PX offers extra value in clothing

Editor's note: The Post Exchange provided the following article.

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service offers quality clothing at a substantial savings. Extra value merchandise is offered in all categories of fashion clothing.

Each season we see more name brands appearing in the extra value categories. This allows our customers a better value with greater savings. Merchandise currently arriving in Ladies Clothing include such name brands as Chaus, Sag Harbor, Leslie Faye and Alfred Dunner, just to name a few.

With the improved quality of extra value merchandise and consequently its increased customer appeal, the Redstone PX has made substantial increases in the amount of the extra value ordered for upcoming seasons. For the fall and winter '94 shipments, which start arriving in June, approximately \$900,000 (43 percent) of fashion clothing will be extra value compared to \$260,000 for fall and winter '93.

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Good time to become aware of your cancer risks

Editor's note: Goodman is a nurse educator at Fox Army Community Hospital.

BY SUSAN GOODMAN

Cancer is a group of diseases characterized by uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells. If the spread is not controlled, it can result in death. According to the American Cancer Society, about one in three people alive today will get cancer. The incidence rises with age, so most cancers affect adults in mid-age or older. As April is National Cancer Awareness Month, set a goal to learn more about risk reduction. And Fox Army Community Hospital is presenting three programs during April to promote your health.

Some scientists estimate that as much as 35 percent of all cancers are related to Americans' high-fat, low-fiber diet. Perhaps you want to change your way of eating, but you find the low-fat foods too bland and boring. Well, a low-fat diet is not boring, but you need to learn how to cook meals in ways low in fat, yet still retain the natural flavor and zest of each dish. To help you in cooking exciting low-fat foods, American Heart Association's Culinary Hearts program is being presented during lunchtime. The six sessions cover

basic principles of nutrition, food selection and preparation, ways to modify favorite recipes, menu planning at home, eating out, and entertaining.

The Culinary Hearts class will be held from noon to 1:30 p.m. April 4, and then from noon to 1 p.m. April 5, 11, 12, 26 and 28. The hospital's registered dietitian and a community health nurse will present this program. Comments on this class after their recent presentation include: "I enjoyed every one of these classes and would be interested in taking others"; "You did a great job — I feel I can eat a lot more healthy now."

Every three minutes a woman in the U.S. discovers she has breast cancer, about 500 women a day. One in nine women will develop breast cancer in their life. All women should be considered at risk for breast cancer, according to the American Cancer Society. And early detection is the best defense women have against breast cancer. Most breast abnormalities are discovered by women themselves through self-examination. Therefore, it is important to routinely do self-examinations and to perform them correctly. Yet, in a recent study, only 40 percent of the women

surveyed routinely performed self-examination; and, of those, only 19 to 57 percent met the proficiency criteria.

A breast cancer awareness program will be held 9 to 10 a.m. April 13, and 11 a.m. to noon April 14. You will receive instruction on the life-saving technique of self-examination and hands-on practice with models. Other detection methods, such as mammography, will be included.

One of the most important decisions you can make regarding your health is to quit tobacco usage. Smoking is the chief avoidable cause of death. Smoking eventually kills one out of every three smokers. And smoking is an expensive habit, costing you time, money and above all, your health. Join in a smoking cessation program that begins from 9-10:30 a.m. April 12. Classes continue from 9-10 a.m. April 14, 26, 28, and May 3 and 5; then 11 a.m. to noon May 17, 31 and June 14. This program addresses your complex smoking habit from every angle — physical, psychological and behavioral. You will stop watching your money and your health go up in smoke. Best of all, you will quit for good!

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Starting today, you can reserve the Sports Haven for your private office parties. Sports Haven can accommodate "our Redstone family" office parties every Wednesday from 5-7 p.m. with free snacks for one hour and pay-as-you-go bars. For reservations or more information, call 876-6595 or 955-6114.

YOUTH SERVICES — Redstone youth age 6-12 may register now for Spring Break Day Camp; spring break is March 28 through April 1. Per-child cost is \$2 an hour, \$8 a day or \$40 a week. For information call 876-KIDS.

OUTDOOR RECREATION — The Redstone community is invited to a turkey shoot from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 26, between the Trap and Skeet Ranges. The Outdoor Rec will provide weapons or you can use your own 12-gauge shotgun. "For your safety, the Trap and Skeet Range will be closed during this event." Prizes will be awarded. For more information, call 876-6854.

Scholarship opportunity

The Active and Retired NCO Spouses Club is offering a scholarship to a graduating high school senior who is a dependent family member of an active, retired or deceased NCO. Applicants must have been accepted by an accredited institution, submit a 500-word or less essay on one of three topics listed in the application, and must have at least a "B" average and submit an official transcript of high school grades. Deadline for application is April 15. For information call Judy Fredrich 828-6885, Mary Parrish 882-0590 or Dessie Johnson 852-5141.

Babysitting class

Supplemental Programs and Services (SPS) of Child Development Services is sponsoring a Babysitting Class during April, Month of the Military Child. The class is for individuals 13 and over. It will be taught April 11-15 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Bicentennial Chapel. To register call 876-7888. Class limit is eight.

Family picnic

The entertainment committee for the Redstone Arsenal Family Picnic is seeking volunteers to perform at the June 11 event at the recreation area. For information call Cheryl Daniels 842-7305/876-5077.

Bowling benefit

F Co 832d is sponsoring a moonlight/no tap tournament for AER on April 2 at 6:00 & 8:30 at the RSA lanes. Cost is \$10 with \$3.50 going to AER and the rest to lane fees and the prize fund. There will be two cash awards for every 10 bowlers. Registration starts at 5 p.m. For information call SSgt Cappiello 876-5480 or the RSA Bowling Lanes.

CFC

Applications will be accepted March 30-April 29 for the 1994 Tennessee Valley Combined Federal Campaign. By federal regulation, only human health and welfare agencies recognized by the IRS as eligible for tax-deductible contributions are eligible. The campaign covers Cullman, Limestone, Madison, Morgan and Marshall Counties in Alabama and Lincoln County in Tennessee. For information call Charles Scott 536-0745.

Carport/yard sale

The Family Housing spring carport/yard sale is scheduled for April 16-17 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. "This is a great opportunity for some of us to dispose of those things we no longer need and others to pick up a bargain. Good selling and shopping to all!"

Equal opportunity representatives

An Equal Opportunity Representative training conference is scheduled March 24 in building 3305, room 207. The training will cover significant changes to the equal opportunity regulation, women in the military, and a trip to the WAC museum at Fort McClellan. Commanders are encouraged to release their EORs for this training. For more information or registration, call MSgt. Griffith 876-8648 for MICOM/installation; or call SFC Anton 842-2211 for OMMCS.

Preseparation orientation

The next preseparation orientation (not retiree orientation) for military personnel with ETS or separation dates on or before July 31, 1994 will be held from 8 to noon March 29 in room A-119 Toftoy Hall. Representatives from Veterans Affairs, Employment Services, Military Pay Division, Transition Assistance Office and others will brief attendees and answer questions pertaining to postseparation plans. Spouses are encouraged to attend. It is mandatory for all soldiers separating from the Army during the aforementioned period to attend this briefing. If you have an approved separation date, are anticipating separating (or departing on terminal leave or permissive TDY) under the Voluntary Separation Incentive Program prior to May 31, you should attend this briefing.

Intelligence association

Tennessee Valley Chapter of the National Military Intelligence Association will have its bimonthly meeting March 24 at the Officers Club. Lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m., and presentation at noon. Col. Gary Brewer, assistant chief of staff of intelligence at the Space and Strategic Defense Command, is scheduled speaker. "It is important that all members attend. Plans for '94/95 will be discussed and the membership roster updated and verified. Also, as a reminder, 1994 local Tennessee Valley Chapter dues of \$10 were payable on Jan. 1." For more information call David Engen, treasurer, 955-4118.

Coed softball league

There will be a March 31 cutoff date for teams to enter the Civilian Welfare Coed Softball League. All team representatives and interested individuals are urged to have their rosters completed and ready for turn in by the cutoff date. This league is also open to MICOM, PEO, SSDC, COE, and OMMCS. The requirement for a coed softball team is that you must have a minimum of four women and a minimum of six men. For more information, call Darren Sales 842-7300 or Llane McGee 842-6014.

Youth tennis camp/league

Registration is under way for the 1994 Spring Tennis Training Camp and the Summer Team Tennis League for ages 7-18. The spring training camp will be March 28 through April 1; and the summer tennis league starts June 6. Tennis teams will be located at the Huntsville Tennis Center, Johnson High School, Butler High School, and the Madison Recreation Center. Registration forms can be found at the Huntsville Tennis Center on Drake Avenue, the Madison Recreation Center on Hughes Road in Madison; or call Youth Development Association Inc. at 464-9906. The registration fee for the spring camp and summer league is \$45. "See you on the court."

ACOE fish fry

A fish fry with a country and western theme is planned to welcome the Department of Army ACOE Evaluation Team on Wednesday night, March 30 at the Rustic Lodge. The meal will consist of fish, baked beans, cole slaw, hush puppies, beer/wine/soft drinks at a cost of \$8 per person. Serving will begin at 6 p.m. with entertainment following the meal. Everyone is invited. With the limited space in the lodge, only 300 reservations can be accepted. Tickets are on sale now. For more information, call the Army Communities of Excellence Office 842-2565 or 876-1793.

Fox Army Community Hospital

WOMEN'S CLINIC — The Well Woman Clinic is now offering appointments for those women who work during normal clinic hours. Appointments are being filled for the following dates: March 29, April 5 and April 26 from 4-6:15 p.m. For appointments call 955-8888, extension 23.

PNEUMONIA VACCINE — Pneumococcal pneumonia accounts for 10 to 25 percent of all pneumonias and an estimated 40,000 deaths annually. A vaccine is available to protect against infections caused by the 23 most common types of streptococcal bacteria which are responsible for 90 percent of serious cases of pneumonia in the United States and worldwide. Persons over age 65 are among those at highest risk for the development of pneumococcal pneumonia and for death resulting from complications of the disease. Fox Army Community Hospital has available 400 doses of this vaccine which will be offered to healthy adults over the age of 65, who are eligible for care, on a first come, first served basis. The vaccine will be available in the Immunization Clinic on March 29 and 30 and April 1, from 8-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. Persons who are allergic to mercury compounds such as merthiolate or thimerosal should not take this vaccine, nor should those who are acutely ill with fever. The immunity offered by this vaccine lasts for approximately 10 years. Those who have received the pneumonia shot in the past will *not* be re-immunized.

Job search workshop

Army Community Service is offering a workshop designed to help family members of military and civilian personnel get results from their job search. "Information will be provided on how to begin a job search, tips for job applications, networking and how to sell oneself to an employer." The workshop will be held from 9 a.m. to noon March 28 at ACS, building 3491. To register call Debra Jefferson 876-5397.

Purdue alumni

All Purdue University alumni and friends are invited to attend the Purdue Club of North Alabama's fourth annual dinner April 18. Porter Bridwell, a 1958 Purdue graduate and director of the Marshall Space Flight Center, is the scheduled speaker. For more information call Steve Kestler 461-8942 (home) or 876-8212 (work), or call Ron Hassel 883-6527, no later than April 1.

Powers of attorney

The Legal Assistance Office, building 111, provides powers of attorney and notary service on a walk-in basis Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. For information call 876-9015.

Military training

Active Army, Army National Guard, and Army Reserve should identify military training requirements for all new courses added since the last TACITS survey. Contact your training NCO for procedures for the April 1994 TACITS Follow-on Survey for fiscal 1995-96.

MICOM hail/farewell

The MICOM Hail and Farewell "April Showers Bring May Flowers" is scheduled for Tuesday, April 12 from 4-6 p.m. at the Officers Club. "This promises to be a fun-filled event with good food, spirits (at the cash bar) and fellowship. All MICOM civilian and military personnel, regardless of grade or rank, are invited to attend." Honorees will include all military officers and civilian employees, GM/GS-11 and above, who have joined MICOM within the preceding three months (January through March) and those scheduled to depart before July 8. Dress will be duty uniform for military, and normal duty attire for civilians. All attendees and honorees should complete a reservation form, enclose \$4 per person or charge card information, and send to the Protocol Division by April 8. Payment may be made by cash, check or charged to your Mastercharge, VISA, Diner's Club or RSA Officers Club account.

Aeronautics/astronautics group

The Alabama-Mississippi Section for American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics will have a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. March 31 at the Holiday Inn, Madison Square. Scheduled speaker is Dr. Bruce Fowler, technical director and deputy of the RD&E Center's Advanced Systems Concepts Office. Luncheon cost is \$10. Reservations must be made in advance; the deadline is March 29. Mail any advance payment with name(s) and company represented to AIAA, P.O. Box 7208, Huntsville 35807. Advance payments must be received at that address by March 29. For phone reservations call Roland Woodard 726-1260 with name and company; for groups, provide names or number attending and point of contact/phone number.

AER car wash

A car wash to benefit the Army Emergency Relief campaign, will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday at Burger King on post. Cost is \$3 per car, \$4 per truck or van. This event is sponsored by HHC 832nd Ordnance Battalion.

Ordnance ball

The annual Redstone Arsenal Ordnance Ball, in celebration of the 182nd anniversary of the Ordnance Corps, will be held at 6 p.m. Friday, April 29 at the Officers Club. The event is open to everyone. Special features include formal dinner, dancing, free 5-by-7 portrait, special opening of the Child Development Center, and more. Scheduled speaker is Maj. Gen. John Coburn, the Army's chief of Ordnance. Attire is formal. For more information, call Maj. Walters 876-6608 or Capt. Taylor 955-6552.

Post Exchange news

An "Easter and Old-Time Craft Show" will be held March 28 through April 2 at the PX mall, building 3220. Hours will be 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. that Monday through Saturday. "Crafts, woodworking, ceramics, silk flowers, quilts, wreaths, baskets, and more." There will be a free drawing. Everyone is welcome.

Post Theater movies

Thursday — *Shadowlands*, rated PG, 130 minutes. Friday — *Shadowlands*. Saturday — *Philadelphia*, PG-13, 125 minutes. Sunday — *Philadelphia*. Tuesday — *Ernest Rides Again*, PG, 90 minutes. All shows begin at 7 p.m. Admission for Tuesday is adults \$1.50, children \$1. Admission for all other shows is adults \$2.50, children \$1.25.

AER bass tournament

The Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School will sponsor an AER Bass Buddy III Tournament on April 23 at recreation area 2. Tournament anglers must check in at 5:15 a.m.; and the weigh-in will be at 3 p.m. The entry fee is \$50 per boat with a \$10 optional Big Bass Pot. Of this, \$10 will go to Army Emergency Relief and \$40 will go into a Total Weight Pot, where three places will be paid to the teams. The payback percentages are: first, 60 percent; second, 30 percent; third, 10 percent; and the optional big bass pot will be a 100 percent payback. Anglers can register at building 3471 on Kingfisher Road adjacent to the Military Police Station. For more information, call James Dewees 876-6726/6839.

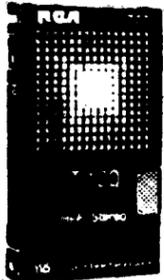
ID Card facility

The ID Card issuing facility will be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 9. "Active duty personnel in uniform will not be given preference on this day." For more information call Betty J. Weaver, chief of the Personnel Processing Center, 842-2410.

Easter sunrise service

This year's Redstone Arsenal Easter Sunrise Service will be held on April 3 at 7 a.m. in the field behind the Post Chapel on Patton Road. Scheduled speaker is Chaplain (Col.) Gaylor T. Gunhus of the Training and Doctrine Command, Fort Monroe, Va. The service will also feature the combined Post Protestant choirs under the direction of Dr. Royce Boyer. The public is invited to attend.

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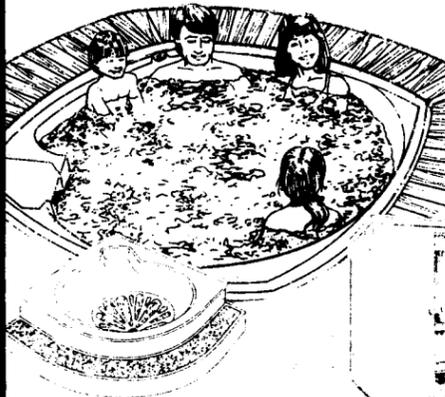
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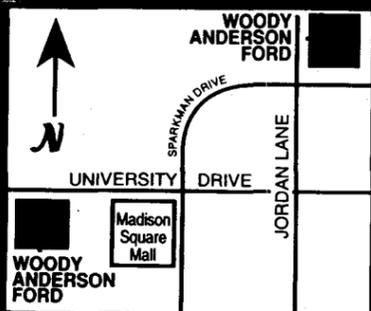
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