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Family housing construction progressing nicely

By Kathryn Harkleroad

One of the most asked questions by military personnel living at Redstone Arsenal is "What is happening with the new housing units being built on Goss Road?" Valerie Shippers, acting chief of Housing Management Division, has the answer.

According to Shippers, the first stage of the project is at 50 percent completion and will house junior NCO personnel (E-6 and below) north of Goss Road. Construction is also under way on the senior NCO personnel (E-7 and above) units south of Goss Road.

"We are still ironing out the details as to how the priority list will function as far

as locating families in the units.

We do know the top priority will be for incoming families and as soon as the policy is set for existing residents, we will inform the public," Shippers said.

"We are very excited about the new quarters and hope everyone will be happy," she said. "There are lots of design highlights that I think everyone will appreciate."

Included in the new quarters are ceiling fans for all bedrooms and family room or living room, private driveways and carports for each unit, generous storage (interior and exterior) and utility rooms. All units will feature eat-in kitchens or a breakfast



NEW HOMES— The new junior enlisted housing area north of Goss Road is nearing completion and will feature a variety of floor plans and exterior finishes. Construction on the new senior enlisted housing area is under way and will be completed by September 1995.

bar, and each three or more bedroom unit will include a family room and living room.

Privacy and chain link fences are also included in the design.

"We have tried to make it

so backyards aren't joined together and each resident will feel like their home is separate from the next," Shippers said.

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Nearly 300 apply for early-out locally

By Sanda Trousdale

Preliminary figures furnished early Monday by the Civilian Personnel Office indicate that 297 Army civilians at Redstone Arsenal and in Huntsville have applied to retire early. The VERA/VSIP application ran Sept. 1-30.

The organizational

breakdown is as follows: Missile Command, 179; Logistics Support Activity, 34; Program Executive Offices, 18; Space and Strategic Defense Command, 34; Test, Measurement and Diagnostic Equipment Activity, 29; Simulation, Training and Instrumentation Com-

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TMDE support team deploys to Haiti

By Skip Vaughn

A 10-member TMDE support team from Fort Drum, N.Y., has been in Haiti since late September in support of the Army's mission there.

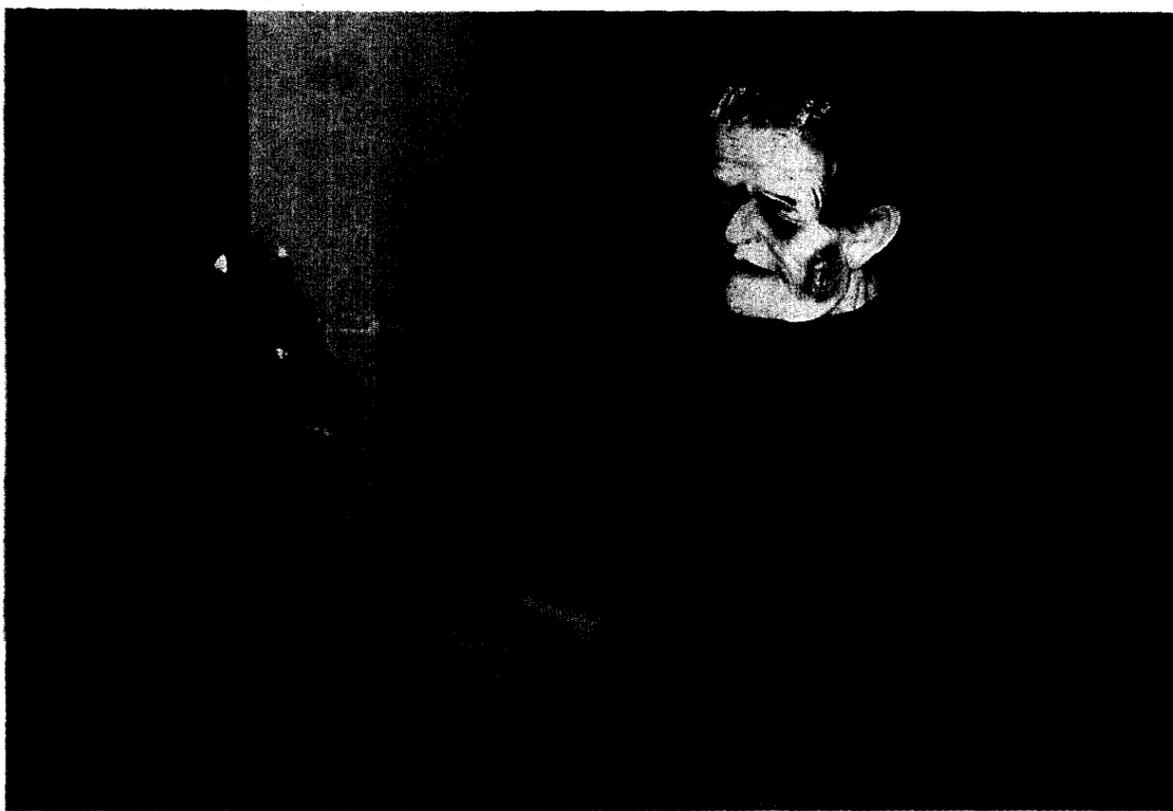
The Fort Drum detachment is under the 95th Maintenance Company of the 74th Maintenance Battalion, both of which are based at Redstone Arsenal. A team from Fort Lewis, Wash., is providing TMDE support at Fort Drum in the absence of the nine deployed soldiers. The 10th deployed soldier is from the Fort Bragg, N.C., detachment.

The Fort Drum detachment is responsible for total divisional support for the 10th Mountain Division, according to Capt. Edwina Anthony, commander of 95th Maintenance Company. Test, Measurement and

Diagnostic Equipment is used in motor pools, communications, aviation and missile maintenance shops, just to name a few. TMDE is critical for accurate navigation, weapons firing, communications, personal defense, and mobility.

"The support team is an Army Materiel Command tenant activity attached to the 710th Support Battalion (Main) for limited administrative and logistics support," Anthony said. "A complementary relationship has historically existed between the two units— 74th Maintenance Battalion and 710th Support Battalion. The soldiers of this detachment are proud to be affiliated with the 10th Mountain Division (Light)."

CWO 3 Charles Sowles, operations officer for the 95th Maintenance Company, has been instrumental in See TMDE team page 21



Devilish Cohorts...

Dressed for the Officers Wives Club's fall fundraiser "Ghoul Rush" are retired Lt. Col. Fred Ledfors, volunteer games chairman, and Karen

Stratton, chairman of the fund raiser. The event will be held 7 p.m. Oct. 28 at the Officers Club. Anyone interested is dared to attend.

Letters to the editor

Traffic management

I would like to understand the reasoning behind the traffic management on the Arsenal! It isn't bad enough to put up with a three-lane road like the ones banned in the 1950s—remember they used to be called suicide highways—but to be surprised each morning to find it either is OK to use the center lane or not evidently at the discretion of some MP is inexcusable! The arrows and X's are made so they can only be seen while in that lane. Gee, what a good idea! Not! Who is responsible? On the south side of the Arsenal, there are passing allowed center lines while approaching an intersection; not a good idea. The new intersection at Patton and the new Sparkman Center has northbound traffic make a jiggy jog to the right to keep from being stuck in the left turn lane. This seems to be a severe safety hazard. How can this be changed? We seem to be so concerned about other issues (like issuing tickets for only exceeding the speed limit by 5 mph); why aren't we concerned about something more dangerous?

L.D. "Moose" Rhoades
Test Area 1

(Editor's note: The following response was provided by the Directorate of Public Works. "The Directorate of Public Works is very sensitive to the needs of the motorists on Redstone Arsenal.

"The lane control signals are automatically set and controlled by computer. They are set to provide maximum traffic flow for both morning and afternoon traffic volumes.

"The three-lane roadways on post were a result of insufficient funding for roadway projects. Funding restraints have always dictated policy on roadway design and construction. When this happens you do the best you can with what you have. This was the case with the Sparkman Center roadway system. Money was not available to redesign the Patton & Martin Overpass and construct adequate traffic lanes on Patton Road to handle the volume of traffic that will be associated with the Sparkman Center. The transition necessary for northbound traffic to either turn left into Sparkman and/or continue north on Patton Road is within acceptable design criteria for the speed limit posted on Patton Road. The speed limit was recently reduced from 50 mph to 45 mph in that area in order to meet required signs and safety distances.

"The Patton Road and Martin Road overpass is included in our MCA long-range plans to be redesigned and Pat-

ton Road widened to five lanes north of Martin Road and four lanes south of Martin.")

Appreciated leave

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you and to express my sincere gratitude for all the concern expressed by you.

For all the cards and letters—you lifted my spirits and I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

For all employees who donated leave to me in any amount, you made it possible for me to survive during this period. I can never fully express my gratitude for your generous donations. I hope, somehow, this letter will express a little of what I truly feel. Thank you.

To my immediate supervisor, Mr. Doyce E. Satterfield, who understood my situation and gave me encouragement when I had none, I will be forever grateful.

To Chris Hodson, who helped me in so many ways—words are inadequate to express my thanks. I hope you know how much your kindness has meant.

To Linda Hagerdon, Simone Philson, Dee Thomas and Sonya Payne—I hope you know how much your help was appreciated. I will always remember you all in a kind way.

To the Engineering and Systems Directorate, and especially to Simone Philson—I can never adequately thank you.

To Millie Balch and her staff, especially Yancy Mitchell and Paula Brumlow, my sincere thanks. You know what a blessing you have been.

To Finance & Accounting at MICOM, especially Barbara Elliot—without your help I could not have managed. Thank you.

To NASA Personnel, thanks for your help—and in particular, to Willie Brantley for all his help and support.

If I have overlooked anyone or any kindness, it was not intentional and please accept my apologies. Thank you all for your help.

Gwendolyn D. Brantley
SSDC (retired)

Enjoyed career

Friday, Sept. 30 brought to a close 19 years and four months of one of the most demanding but enjoyable careers that a person could ever expect to have. As the project manager for the various grounds maintenance contractors on Redstone Arsenal since 1975, I have the opportunity to work with some of the most outstanding people in the world.

There is not enough space to name them all, but special thanks goes to the COR, DPW, Housing Management, Security Personnel—guards as well as administrative personnel, both military and civilian—RASA, Protocol, airfield personnel, personnel with security areas, base support contractors and most of all the cooperation I received from the range managers and range personnel.

Without the cooperation and support of the people in the positions mentioned above, it would have been impossible to perform the required services in a timely and profitable manner.

I would also like to thank the many employees who have been with me through this period. I or the company I was employed by at various times, received the credit for a job well done, but the credit should go to the people who performed the work. Without them nothing would have been accomplished. They are professionals and they did their work in a professional manner. Their work was hard and very demanding, especially during the season of high temperatures, but they performed their work and survived.

I would also like to compliment the supervisors for the way they handled the personnel and the situations they were faced with. A special thanks to the people who furnished the equipment and the maintenance personnel for keeping it in condition for us to perform the mission.

If I have left out anyone, it is not intentional and I do apologize. I will miss seeing all of you on a daily basis and I wish you continued success in all that you do.

Douglas A. Johnson

Heartfelt thanks

I just knew I could beat the system. I was certain I could discover who each person was who so kind and generously donated their leave to me. I knew I could walk right up to them and thank them personally so they could really know how very much that kind of generosity means to someone.

Although I got a few "perhaps" or "I think" or "Maybe it was" remarks, I never got any proof. So, when the system says anonymous, they mean anonymous, and I really tried.

So, I need to say everyone's kindheartedness certainly made someone who was very depressed feel on top of the world just knowing that so many people do care. Although I'll never know your names, someone who does count all our kindness knows.

I truly send my heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you.

Jane H. Roberts
Patriot Project Office

Soldier recalls dream fall day back on childhood farm

Editor's note: SFC Anton is a member of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion.

By Dale Anton

My favorite fall memory is a little bit out of the ordinary. It comes from an annual event and is still one of the strongest memories of my childhood. It is a combination of events and situations that to me define fall. I grew up on a small farm right on the Minnesota and Wisconsin border—in the middle of hundreds of acres of hard maple and sugar maple trees. The hills in that area are not quite as high as those here in north Alabama. The countryside is full of

small lakes, rivers and streams. Our farm house sits on top of a small hill that looks out over the St. Croix River right on the border. From our front porch we are able to look out into a large valley that stretches into Wisconsin. We often step out of the front door and can watch golden eagles and bald eagles soaring up on the thermals that rise off the small bluffs down by the river. In September when those maple trees start to change colors, the whole valley looks like it is burning bright with shades of yellow, red, green, brown and orange. From our vantage point up on that hill we could see the small rivers and lakes glittering down in the kaleidoscope of colors.

Fall harvest time is a very busy time on the farm and our farm was no exception—we had apples, beans, and corn to pick as well as cows to care for. There is plenty of work for everyone, but I always thought that when I turned 13 I would get some of the best chores. Thirteen was sort of a magical age for us on our farm, because as teen-agers we could do so many of the things the adults could do. Two of the chores I always wanted to do were picking apples and helping Grandpa "open" the corn fields.

We had a small orchard of Jonathan and Winesap apples that we would sell, but some of the apples would end up in pies and

desserts made right there in Grandma's kitchen. We sold the apples in a roadside stand and all of the children would share the money. I would have gladly given up the few dollars we made to smell the kitchen when Grandma was baking some of those pies. The smell of cinnamon and cloves is the smell of fall. Picking the apples was quite an adventure because in addition to ladders, we would use the grain elevator to reach into the tops of the trees. We could not climb on the elevator until we were 13 years old; at age 12 we knew that the real fun was not picking up the windfall apples or the apples that we shook out of the tree—the real fun was

climbing in that elevator. I couldn't wait to climb that elevator and pick apples out of the top of the trees. I knew the job was a little harder, but I wanted to do that job more than almost anything else.

Another chore that didn't seem like a chore to me at that time was "opening" the corn fields. Opening the corn fields was nothing more than picking three rows of corn by hand. Once we had three rows of each field picked, we could use the tractor and corn picker to finish the rest of the job. Of course opening the fields was another of the fun chores reserved for teen-agers and adults.

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Continued from page 2. I thought it would be fun because of a tool called a "husking pin" which was a leather glove with a small metal bar on it that made pulling the husk off the ear of corn much easier. Using this tool was not as easy as it looked, but my Grandpa was a master with this tool. Even better than picking the corn was a chance to spend the day with my Grandpa and listening to his stories about how they used to farm in "the old days."

Imagine how excited I was when I finally turned 13. I had to wait for three months until the fall harvest time rolled around and I was able to get my folks to agree that I could stay home

from school and help open the fields. I also planned to convince them to set up the elevator so I could start picking apples. If I was going to get to stay home from school it might as well be a dream day; apple and corn picking would have qualified as a dream day for me when I was 13.

The last week of September is usually the start of our harvesting season and I was waiting for the day when I could stay home. So when it finally came, I was ready. Grandpa sent me to the machine shed to hitch the tractor and wagon together; I put the bushel baskets into the wagon and got the husking pins out of the granary.

When Grandpa came out of the milk house, I was ready to go out to the fields and have a great time. I watched as Grandpa showed me how to use the pin and thought to myself that this would be a breeze. I had no idea how hard picking by hand would be as we went down those rows of corn. Those baskets got heavy and I was always glad when Grandpa would ask me to drive the tractor and wagon up a little bit—because that meant a short rest break. We had opened two fields by lunch time and I was very tired; I remember laying on top of the corn in the wagon as we drove back up to the corn crib. The corn smelled so sweet and

almost like cornflakes if you could imagine it. My Grandpa shelled off a few kernels and told me it tasted just like cornflakes.

When we got back with the corn, we sat out in the yard at the picnic table and ate the lunch that Grandma had prepared for us. It was quite a scene sitting out there with those hills out in the distance, enjoying that delicious meal after working so hard. I knew that we were going to set up the elevator after lunch and so I doubt I paid much attention to the view. I probably wanted a nap, but I was excited about getting to climb that elevator.

My Grandpa is very thorough and so setting the

elevator into place took much longer than I would have thought necessary. It seemed to me that we were wasting a lot of time blocking the wheels and setting out the grown cloth for the apples to fall on. When everything was ready, he said I could climb into the elevator and climb into the top of the first tree. Apple trees are small when grown in well-managed orchards. On our farm we had just let them grow and they had grown quite tall so I was up about 25 feet in the air. The apples that were on the tree smelled so good, I could almost imagine the pies and I thought I could smell cider as I sat way up in the sky. I could see farther than I had

thought I would be able to see—way across the river into Wisconsin. The trees in every direction were as bright as they could be. The wind seems unusually strong when you sit up in a little perch like that elevator, so I was glad we had blocked the wheels so well. Picking the apples was a lot of fun, but I was glad when we were done. It was difficult to pick apples while bent over in that elevator.

Sitting at the picnic table eating some pie after such a fun day was a perfect way to celebrate a dream come true. The perfect fall memory for me reminds me of all these things and how important my family memories are to me.

TMDE detachment gets new commander

1st Lt. Erwin Rivera has succeeded 1st Lt. Curtis Taylor as commander of Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 74th Maintenance Battalion (TMDE).

Rivera assumed command at a ceremony held Sept. 28 at the Recreation Center. Taylor's next assignment will be in Korea.

"I leave for Korea the 11th of November," said Taylor, who will serve as a postal officer at Kimpo Airport in Seoul, South Korea. "I'm going to school now at Fort Ben Harrison (Ind.)."

Rivera is a native of Bantayan, Cebu City, Philippines. He was commissioned in 1990 under the Army's Early Commissioning Program as a second lieutenant and as a distinguished military graduate from Purdue University. He received a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Purdue in 1991.

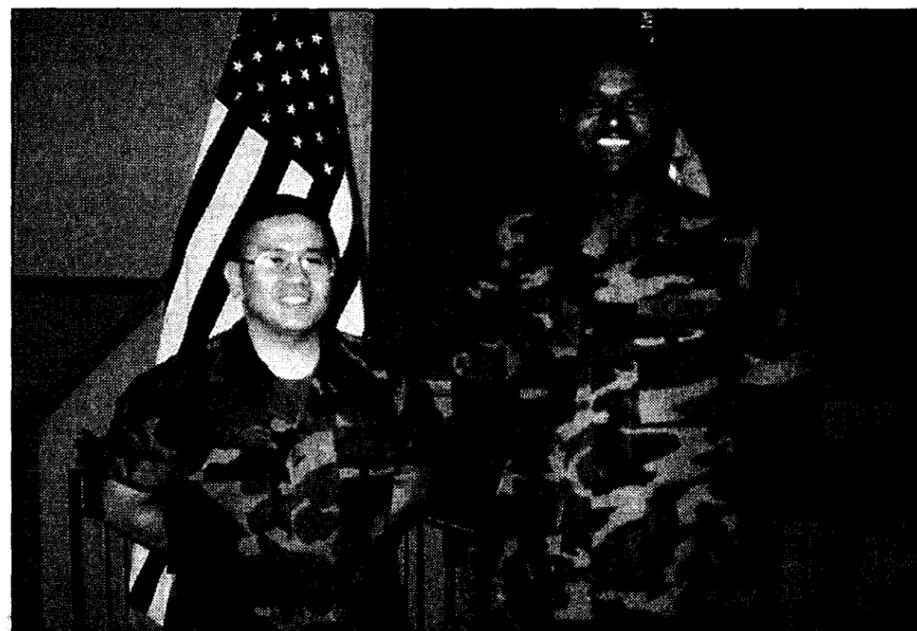
Previous assignments for Rivera include

deputy installation commander and headquarters platoon leader, 6th Battalion, 37th Field Artillery (Multiple Launch Rocket Systems), Camp Essayons, Korea; and as officer-in-charge of the Army Calibration Laboratory, property book officer, operations officer, and as executive officer, 95th Maintenance Company (TMDE) at Redstone.

Rivera has attended the Field Artillery Officer Basic Course, Ordnance Branch Qualification Course, Multiple Launch Rocket System Cadre Course, and Nuclear Biological and Chemical Defense Officers Course.

His awards and decorations include the Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, and Overseas Service Award.

He and his wife, Margarita, reside in the Huntsville area.



COMMAND CHANGE— Rivera, left, talks with Taylor who he succeeded as detachment commander.

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Weeklong observance delivers fire safety message

By Kathryn Harkleroad

The fire stations at Redstone Arsenal will be busy during Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 9-15.

Part of the scheduled events at the stations include an open house and scheduled visits from area schools. Featured in the visits from the school children will be talking robots Sparky and Pluggie who help teach the children about fire safety.

"The robots are the highlight of the visit for the children and really help get the message of fire safety across," said Redstone Fire Chief Bill Cross. "The reactions are varied with some of the children coming up to them and kissing them, while others try to figure out how they work."

The robots talk to the children and teach them how to report a fire and what to do if a fire threatens their safety. "These two robots have been very successful in keeping the kids attention and teaching them about fire safety," Cross said.

Fire prevention is not only for children; and the fire department would like to remind parents and other personnel on the Arsenal about fire safety. This year's theme for the week is "Test your detector for life."

All of the quarters and offices on post are equipped with smoke detectors; and according to fire inspector James Hughes, they need to be tested at least once a month to make sure they are in working order.

"There is an electrical smoke detector located outside of every sleeping area on post



PREPARATIONS— Fire inspectors James Hughes, left, and Robert Clarke take a moment to check the talking robot Pluggie who will make an appearance before area school children during Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 9-15.

and some areas, such as stairwells, may have battery operated detectors. Both types need to be checked on a regular basis to ensure the safety of the occupants," Hughes said.

Smoke detectors do save lives; and a family on the Arsenal was saved by the advance notice of the alarm last week, according to Hughes. "They can be a nuisance at

times, but the purpose of installing the detectors is for the safety of the occupants. They do save lives," he said.

Another important point the personnel at the fire department would like to make is to remind post personnel how to report a fire. Residents who have non-governmental phones need to dial 876-2117 and personnel using governmental phones can dial 117 to

report a fire.

"Dialing 911 on the Arsenal will slow the response time considerably and residents need to be aware of the numbers they need to call in case of a fire," Cross said. "One of the biggest problems we have is reminding people that a different number has to be called in order to report a fire."

According to Cross, all fires that result in over \$1 in damage are reportable which should be done as soon as possible. "That is the Army's regulation and must be adhered to. The general public is not trained in putting out fires and what to look for once the fire is out," Cross said.

Cross and Hughes would also like to remind residents and personnel on the Arsenal that with the cooler weather right around the corner, additional heating devices need to be in proper working order before they are used.

Each device should have a trip switch in case of accidental turnover and each device should be placed away from combustible material.

Persons living on the Arsenal and those who work here are also invited to the fire stations during the week to look at the equipment and talk to the firefighters. Fire extinguishers will also be checked free of charge at the stations.

The fire stations on the Arsenal are located on Rideout Road, Vincent Road, Patton Road and at the Airfield.

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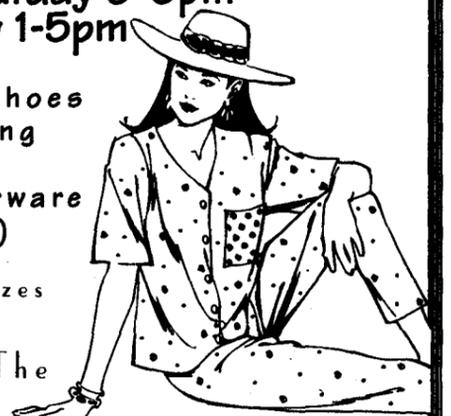
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ALEXANDRIA, Va.— The Association of the United States Army will hold its annual meeting in Washington, D.C., at the Sheraton Washington Hotel and the Omni Shoreham Hotel, Oct. 17-19. More than 20,000 visitors are expected to attend.

The event is touted by conference officials as "the world's largest landpower forum," and includes program sessions, special presentations, seminars, workshops and an array of military and industry exhibits.

The three days of professional education programs will include addresses by the deputy secretary of defense, the secretary of the Army, the Army chief of staff and many of the Army's senior commanders and civilian leaders. More than 500 military and defense industry displays will reflect the latest in military technology and hardware development, officials said.

All sessions, exhibits

and functions are open to AUSA members, servicemembers, defense civilians, representatives of exhibitor and member companies, and anyone with an identifiable relationship with the U.S. Army. Family members are also welcome.

Registration begins at 1 p.m. Oct. 16, and is free.

More information on the AUSA annual meeting can be obtained by calling (703) 841-4300, extension 646. (Arnews)



Best Yard Winner...
C Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion won the Yard of the Month unit competition for September. Capt. Oliver Manuel Jr., company commander, accepts the award certificate from Col. Stephen Moeller, right, the deputy post commander. At far left is 1st Sgt. Lonnie James, company first sergeant, while SSgt. James Pierce holds the unit guidon.

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Redstone logisticians make brief trip to Haiti

By Kathryn Harkleroad

Two logisticians who were part of the Cobra Tiger Team each dreamed of taking the "Cruise of a Lifetime" but thought they would have to wait a few years before that happened. Their dream came true a little sooner than planned when they joined forces on the U.S.S. Dwight Eisenhower bound for Haiti.

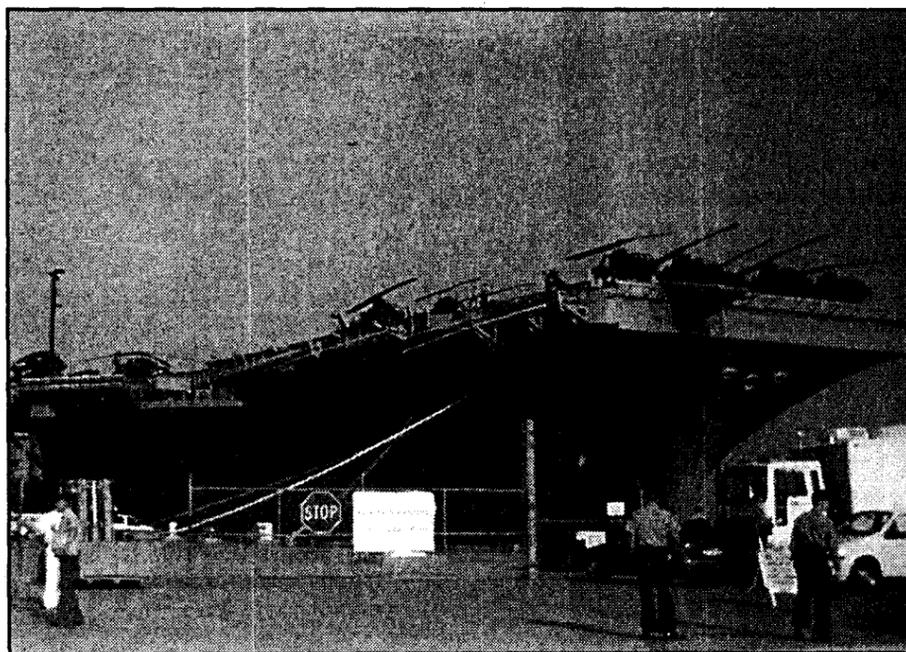
Capt. Ann Mejasich, of Close Combat Anti-Armor Weapon System, and John Vile, of Weapon Systems Management Directorate, were part of the team temporarily assigned to the 10th Mountain Division at Fort Drum, N.Y. Vile is a logistic management specialist with WSMD, and Mejasich is a logistics officer with CCAWS.

The Tiger team's mission was to test the weapon systems on the Cobra helicopters in a pre-deployment phase.

"Unfortunately the timing wasn't where we could test the systems at Fort Drum and (we) joined the soldiers as they deployed to Haiti," Mejasich said.

The team members left Fort Drum Sept. 12 and returned to the states Sept. 21.

The Cobra Tiger Team consisted of 11 team members representing MICOM, ATCOM, Anniston Army Depot, and Corpus Christi Depot. Representatives from Hughes Aircraft were also part of the team.



READY TO DEPART— Cobra helicopters sit on the flight deck of the U.S.S. Eisenhower awaiting their departure for Haiti.

Mejasich and Vile joined approximately 7,200 soldiers on the U.S.S. Eisenhower and performed the needed tasks on the hangar deck of the ship. Although the interior of the ship is somewhat confining, the two team members soon forgot they were at sea.

"There was hardly any movement," Vile said, "and the only problem we had was when we tried to calibrate the equipment." Vile said the TOW missiles are roll sensitive and that had to be taken into consideration when the instruments were set. "It didn't cause too much of a problem, but it was one we really hadn't thought too much about. In the past, we have calibrated the equipment on land which doesn't move," he said.

The team members were

struck by the size of the ship and Mejasich said it was easy to get lost on the ship. "There were quite a few times I wondered where I was. But once you got the directions down it wasn't so bad," she said. Vile said "Once I knew how to get from the hangar, to my bunk and to the chow hall, I was OK."

Work was the priority on the "cruise" and the routine was not an 8-5 job. "We would start at 7 a.m. and most of the time work until midnight or later," Vile said. "We would stop long enough to get something to drink, eat a meal and take short breaks and then it was back to work," Mejasich said.

One of the major problems the team members encountered was the heat on the hangar deck.

All of the team members drank enormous amounts of

water and, according to Mejasich, the 13 nearby soda machines were always empty.

Although the team members spent their days testing and calibrating equipment, they did find time to observe other happenings on the ship. "I was real impressed by the way the Army and Navy personnel worked together and I think everyone gained from this joint mission," Mejasich said.

Humor played an important part on the mission and all of the soldiers, both Army and Navy, played parts in keeping the morale up. The ship was christened "Ike Army Airfield" by some of the Army personnel and the helicopters soon

became the Navy's property.

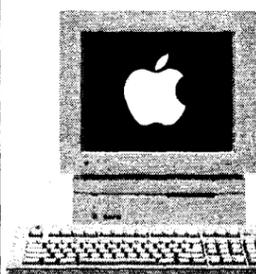
The infantry soldiers on the ship were also busy getting ready for their mission and spent the time rappelling from the ceilings and staged recon missions throughout the ship. "There was a few times that I turned a corner and found an M-16 in my face," Mejasich said.

Once the ship arrived in Haiti, the Cobra Tiger team members were flown by helicopter to the airport in Haiti where they found an abandoned building to stay in. The group stayed within the perimeters of the airfield for 13 hours before they were flown back to the States.



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Oct 7, Oct 14, Oct 31, Nov 2
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Microsoft Word: Lev 1
Oct 12, Nov 9, Nov 23, Dec 6,
Dec 20, Jan 4, Jan 10

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Oct 19, Nov 16, Dec 13,
Jan 11, Jan 17

Microsoft Word: Lev 3
Oct 26, Nov 30, Dec 27,
Jan 30

MacDraw Pro: Lev 1
Sep 27, Oct 20, Nov 18

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Oct 27, Dec 2, Dec 16

Microsoft Excel: Worksheets
Oct 18, Nov 8, Dec 7, Jan 5

Microsoft Excel: Database & Graphics
Oct 25, Nov 15, Dec 14

Microsoft PowerPoint 3.0
Sep 26, Oct 3, Nov 1

Aldus FreeHand:
Sep 27, Oct 5

FileMaker Pro 2.1: Lev 1
Oct 17, Nov 4, Dec 21

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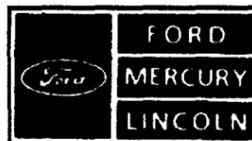


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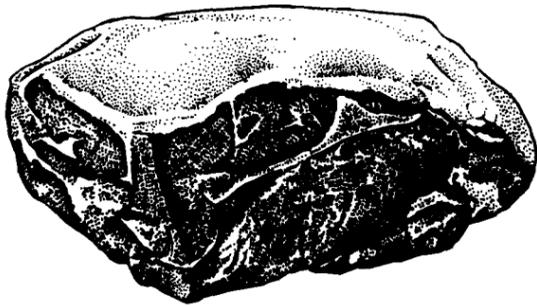
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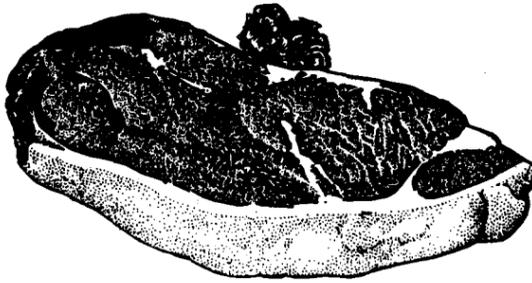
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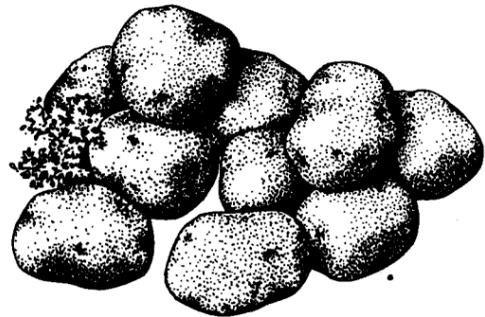
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Sports

Ladies invitational golf winner hails from Scottsboro

Geneva Saint of Scottsboro Country Club won the 35th annual invitational golf tournament held Sept. 7 by the Redstone Arsenal Ladies Golf Association.

Saint won the tournament with a score of 77. Awards were presented by Brig. Gen. (promotable) James Link, commander of the Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal, at a luncheon held at the Officers Club. Chairperson Fran Sullivan and her committee organized a breakfast at the Pro Shop and handled the many details involved in putting together an invitational. The "Back to School" theme was carried out throughout the tournament.

Here are the tournament results:

Flight 1— Geneva Scott, Scottsboro Country Club, first low gross; Tamia Green, Pikeville Country Club, second low gross; and Mary Beth Maddox, Valley Hill Country Club, low net.

Flight 2— Marian Deppensmith, Valley Hill CC, first low gross; Louise Walker, Valley Hill CC, second low gross; and Joyce Chandler, Scottsboro CC, low net.

Flight 3— Margaret Labbe, Redstone Arsenal, first low gross; Pat Thimsen, Valley Hill CC, second low gross; and Barbara Wisenseel, Florence CC, low net.

Flight 4— Peggy Smith, Valley Hill CC, first low gross; Marty Simpson, Valley Hill CC, second low gross; and Shirley Anderson, Cherokee Ridge CC, low net.

Flight 5— Ophelia Mantooh, Franklin County CC, first low gross; Jeannine Cox, Valley Hill CC, second low gross; and Becky McKee, Valley Hill CC, low net.

Flight 6— Judy Hlavacek, Burning Tree



CHAMPION— Saint poses after receiving her award for the ladies invitational golf tournament.

CC, first low gross; Sidney Ellis, Valley Hill CC, second low gross; and Lorena Childers, Florence CC, low net.

Flight 7— Elaine Owens, Redstone Arsenal, first low gross; Melanie Rankin, Decatur CC, second low gross; and Fran Sullivan, Redstone Arsenal, low net.

Flight 8— Joy McGuire, Redstone Arsenal, first low gross; Betty Yamashita, Valley Hill CC, second low gross; and Sue Habblett, Valley Hill CC, low net.

Flight 9— Marie Maskimowski, first low gross; Charlotte Talley, Scottsboro CC, second low gross; and Bonnie King, Valley

Hill CC, low net.

Flight 10— Lorraine Lowery, Valley Hill CC, first low gross; Wanda Thompson, Valley Hill CC, second low gross; and Sissy Sparkman, Burning Tree CC, low net.

Flight 11— Emily Saile, Valley Hill CC, first low gross; Anna Mahar, Redstone Arsenal, second low gross; and Beverly McEuen, Rolling Greens, low net.

Flight 12— Belinda Villareal, Decatur CC, first low gross; Vasant Dharia, Rolling

Greens, second low gross; and Dorothy Cox, Florence CC, low net.

Flight 13— Marty Carter, Redstone Arsenal, first low gross; Florence Teir, Redstone Arsenal, second low gross; and Marge Torzillo, Rolling Greens, low net.

Flight 14— Sue Barnes, Redstone Arsenal, first low gross; Sally Shepard, Redstone Arsenal, second low gross; and Betty Dow, The Lighthouse, Sacramento, Calif., low net.



Bowling League...

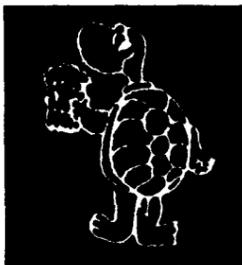
Chris Carter and Donna Cruz were among the DCFA workers who formed organizational corps among workers of the teams on the mixed league at Directorate of Community and Rocket Lanes this summer. The teams were formed to promote camaraderie and esprit de corps among workers of the Directorate of Community and Family Activities.

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Sports

TERRY BOWDEN
OF AUBURN..



Auburn should survive test at Mississippi State

By Skip Vaughn

Auburn will try to extend the nation's longest winning streak to 17 games this weekend at Starkville, Miss.

The Tigers face Mississippi State, the same team that upset Tennessee. The Bulldogs are capable of pulling another surprise Saturday night, if the Tigers aren't wary.

I think Terry Bowden will keep his Tigers from looking ahead to next week's trip to Gainesville, Fla., for the showdown with No. 1 Florida.

Last week Skip's Picks went 29-9, bringing the sea-

son totals to 123-38 for 76 percent. Here are my predictions for selected games this week in major college football:

- Auburn at Mississippi State— **Auburn** by 7.
- Southern Miss at Alabama— **Bama** by 14.
- Ala. A&M at Morehouse— **Morehouse** by 10.
- Florida State at Miami— **FSU** by 4.
- Notre Dame at Boston College— **ND** by 11.
- Army at Rutgers— **Rutgers** by 17.
- Pittsburgh at Syracuse— **Syracuse** by 7.
- LSU at Florida— **Flori-**

- da by 21.
- Clemson at Georgia— **Ga.** by 7.
- NC State at Louisville— **NC St.** by 6.
- Tulane at Memphis— **Memphis** by 4.
- Ga. Tech at North Carolina— **NC** by 10.
- Arkansas at Tennessee— **Tenn.** by 7.
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- Temple at Va. Tech— **VPI** by 21.
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- Vanderbilt at Cincinnati— **Vandy** by 3.
- Indiana at Iowa— **Iowa** by 7.
- Michigan St. at Michigan— **Mich.** by 11.
- Colorado at Missouri— **Colo.** by 17.
- Okla. St. at Nebraska— **Neb.** by 13.
- Wisconsin at Northwestern— **Wis.** by 4.
- Illinois at Ohio St.— **OS** by 10.
- Minnesota at Purdue— **Purdue** by 7.
- SMU at Baylor— **Baylor** by 14.
- Texas A&M at Houston— **A&M** by 17.
- Texas vs. Oklahoma— **Texas** by 3.

- Texas Tech at Rice— **TT** by 6.
- Navy at Air Force— **AF** by 10.
- Colo. St. at Ariz.— **Ariz.** by 7.

- Stanford at Ariz. St.— **AS** by 3.
- UCLA at California— **Calif.** by 4.
- BYU at Fresno St.— **BYU** by 7.

- Southern Cal at Oregon St.— **USC** by 10.
- San Jose St. at Wash.— **Wash.** by 24.
- Oregon at Wash. St.— **WS** by 3.

Golf course has 'name the nines' contest

By Michelle Reed

The Redstone Golf Course is undergoing a few changes; one of which is nearing completion of the new nine holes.

It is customary for 27-hole golf courses to name each nine holes, for player control purposes. Because of this, the Redstone Golf Course invites the Redstone community to enter the "Name the Nines" contest.

Names are needed for each of the three separate nine holes. Three names will be chosen and prizes will be awarded. New names and winners will be announced in November. The last day to enter is Oct. 25. Please drop off your entry slip at the golf course. For more information, call 876-6888.

(Editor's note: Reed is a marketing assistant at Directorate of Community and Family Activities.)

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Job Fair should help Army people in transition

by Sandra Cartee

This year's Army Career and Alumni Program's (ACAP) Job Fair will have more than 40 local and national employers on hand as well as a new Community Support Services area to assist transitioning federal personnel.

"The Transition Assistance Office has planned what we believe will be the biggest and best job fair we have ever executed," said Ramona Roy, transition service manager of the Army Career and Alumni Program.

"We have 43 participants committed (to date) to participate and they all have recruiting needs," Roy said. Some of the employers will be looking to hire immediately. "Some employers have requested the availability of interview areas for pre-screening for employment," Roy said.

This year's job fair will provide a wide range of career fields to choose from. The electronics, sales, manufacturing, retail, state/federal, clerical, law enforce-



FAIR PLANS— Transition Assistance Office staff members working on the job fair include Luis Torres, VA Work Study, and Susan Stokes, Transition Services assistant.

ment, engineering, trucking, computers and education fields will all be represented at the fair. There will be "a greater diversification of employer representation, which will result in a larger variety of types of positions," Roy said.

These employers are not only hiring for local positions, but regional as well. The possibility of relocating is high because larger companies know if there are job

opportunities in other branches in other areas of the region.

One company of interest that will be represented will be the Mercedes Benz Project Inc. "I'm thrilled to have Mercedes Benz. They already received 60,000 applications but they recognize the talent that they could tap into our soldiers who have both technical and managerial skills as well as being acquainted

with German customs and culture," Roy said. She explained that Redstone soldiers have multiple skills which could be transferred over to much of the private sector including the auto-making industry.

The ACAP office wanted to incorporate agencies that can assist in transitional support, too. "For the first time, we're adding a new element to the job fair. We're calling it the Community Support Services area and it will be located in the Big Springs Lounge. This is an extension of services not readily available in the ACAP office to enhance job search, preparedness, networking, and job availability," Roy said.

The services provided will be from Association of the U.S. Army, The Retired Officers Association. Non-commissioned Officers Association, Veterans Service organizations, ACES, Army Community Service, Medical Department Activity, and Veterans Administration.

"Those eligible to attend are ACAP customers plus

any military, DA civilians, and their family members contemplating transition from federal service to the private sector. Military spouses are especially encouraged to attend if they are actively seeking employment," Roy said.

The ACAP office suggests preparing for the event. "We encourage job seekers to be prepared to include appropriate dress, resume, and some knowledge about the companies that they plan to discuss employment with," Roy said.

The job fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 13 at the Officers Club. Anyone eligible and anticipating a career change is invited to attend. For more information, call the ACAP office at 955-6490.

Companies participating in the job fair include the following:

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ma State Employment Services, Autozone,

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Contract specialist overcomes obstacles to attain goal

By Sandra Cartee

Lula Bell, a contract specialist at the Acquisition Center, was awarded the certificate of "Professional Designation in Contract Management" (PDCM) from the School of Systems and Logistics (AFIT/LS) and the National Contract Management Association. This may be common knowledge to some people, but the obstacles she overcame to get her education and receive this award, is not.



BELL

The PDCM is a program offered by the Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT) in conjunction with the National Contract Management Association. The award is only given to individuals who meet stringent contract management education requirements.

"I'm very proud of my award," Bell said. She has good reason to be proud of it, too. "It was a big sacrifice for me and the children to get an education," Bell said. She is a single parent of three children, Jimmy, 16, Stephanie, 14, and Kris, 4. When most people would of given up on an education, Bell just hung in there.

While attending Alabama A&M, Bell took her children to classes with her. "It was a difficult task, the two older children would watch their little sister in the classroom next door," she said. While working part time as a student aide at RASA, Bell not only obtained her bachelor's degree in business administration with a concentration in logistics and pro-

urement from the school, she graduated in the top 10 percent of her class. "I graduated Cum Laude, that's how I got to be in the intern program for Army Materiel Command," she said.

But she didn't stop her education there. Bell co-oped in the Integrated Materiel Management Center as an equipment specialist where she received a certificate for successfully completing the Basic Army Integrated Logistic Support course offered by the Society of Logistics Engineers. She also graduated from the AMC intern program in 1993.

In some cases, she had to take correspondence courses instead of attending the classes. "Correspondence courses to me are harder than classroom. You're on your own and it's up to you to finish the course." Raising three children alone, working, and getting an education was hard work, but she said her moth-

er's encouragement helped her along. "She always said, 'there's no such thing as can't.' She'll always tell us to try and keep trying," Bell said.

Bell said that her determination can be attributed to her children. "I wanted to set an example for them," she said. "I want to see my kids go to the school they want to go to." Her older daughter is in the JROTC unit at Huntsville High School and this makes Bell happy. She said that she has already decided to go to college

and "I'm looking forward to supporting them. They can appreciate an education."

Bell also wanted to send a message to other single parents who may be in a similar situation. "I would like to tell single parents to never give up on your dreams. Set your goals in life and achieve them. You may have to sacrifice something, but you're sacrificing it for a better life," she said.

"My goal now is to work on my master's and get it before my daughter gets there," Bell said.

She plans to attend the Florida Institute of Technology to further enhance her professional abilities. "I would like to maybe work for the Department of Energy or Corps of Engineers in Washington, D.C., area in the long run. I have a lot of goals in life and I'm just taking them one day at a time," she said.

When looking back on her obstacles, she said, "the end result and pay off was worth it. I'm blessed, I thank God, and my family. I've come a long way."

Fort Lee-bound logistics students face housing shortage

WASHINGTON—About 1,400 officers are scheduled to attend the Combined Logistics Officer's Advanced Course at Fort Lee, Va., in fiscal 1995. The course instructs officers on how to sustain, arm, and move soldiers and equipment in support of combat forces on the battlefield.

Officers attending the CLOAC face an initial logistics challenge before arriving at Fort Lee — there's a housing shortage. Advance information will assist Fort Lee is settling housing requirements.

About 25 to 30 government family housing units will be available for accompanied officers on a first-come, first-serve basis. Five to seven officer quarters will be available for personnel entitled to basic allowance for quarters at the "without dependent" rate. However, no quarters are available for officers entitled to BAQ at the "with dependent" rate who travel unaccompanied (geographic bachelors).

Upon receipt of a housing application, Fort Lee

will provide a list of apartments, mobile homes, houses and motels should government housing not be available.

Officers selected to attend CLOAC are encouraged to mail a DD Form 1746 (Application for Assignment to Housing) to: Commander, U.S. Army Combined Arms Support Command and Fort Lee, Attn: ATZM-EH, Fort Lee, Va., 23801.

The Fort Lee Community Homefinding, Relocation and Referral Office is available to assist officers in obtaining off-post housing. The telephone numbers are: DSN 539-1960/1963 or commercial (804) 765-1960/1963. Until permanent accommodations are made, temporary housing arrangements can be made at the Fort Lee Guest House by telephoning the Lodging Office at DSN 687-6698/6694 or commercial (804) 734-6698/6694. (Arnews)

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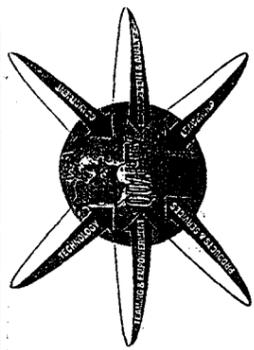
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Unless eligible soldiers desire to be retained on active duty until their expiration term of service, those who ETS between Dec. 1 and Jan. 3 will be released from active duty during the period Nov. 28 - Dec. 12, subject to some provisions.

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For more information on the Holiday Early Release Program soldiers should contact their local personnel service center. (Arnews)



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Hearing-impaired students get help they need at TMDE

By Sandra Cartee

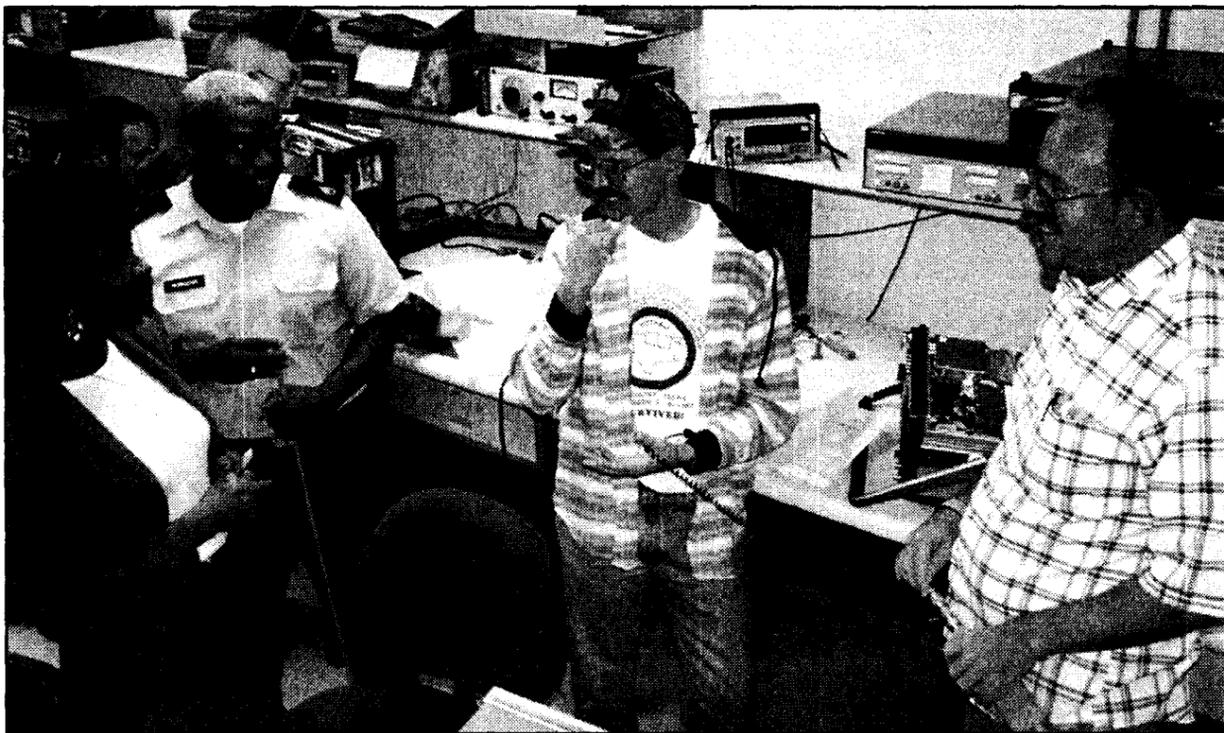
It's a sign of the times. Miss Alabama won the Miss America Pageant this year, and made history being the only hearing impaired woman to ever receive this prestige. Here at Redstone, two Test Measurement and Diagnostic Equipment Activity (TMDE) employees were trained in technology through the use of an interpreter. TMDE is helping to break the barriers and limitations that speech and hearing impaired people face in their job training.

When Al Roberson, chief of New Equipment, Training, and Technology Support Branch, logistics directorate, TMDE, learned of Thomas Becker, a technician who is unable to speak or hear, but needed training, he wanted to help. "At the time I wasn't sure that we could do this," Roberson said. Then he called the Civilian Training Office of the Civilian Personnel Office and found out that an interpreter could be provided. "I requested money from headquarters and it was provided with no questions. It's nice to have support like this," he said.

After finding out about the need, Roberson decided to see if anyone else could take advantage of this opportunity. "I was informed by an NCO about a second technician, Claude Thomas Jr. at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., who needed training and who is also handicapped," he said. The arrangements were made and the two were brought here. Roberson made sure their apartment in BOQ would be facilitated with a closed captioning television set and a flashing strobe light in case of a fire.

These two civilian technicians work with the Army calibration program and this training is essential. Their three-week class was on "Radio Test Set, AN-GRM-114B, a highly complex piece of test equipment which uses seven micro-processors for control and programming," Roberson said. If they were unable to get this education it "would hold them back and put them on unequal ground compared to other technicians. This way, they can have the same training, and developments as their peers."

Roberson also said, "This limitation (being hearing and speech impaired) is by no means a level to their intelligence.



SIGNING ON— Lyons communicates to Becker, left, and Thomas, right, what instructor SSgt. Rodgers is teaching.)

They are two bright, sharp, technicians that are eager to learn." He feels that TMDE benefits as well from their training. "I think that it's a great opportunity to take advantage of their resource and utilize its potential," Roberson said.

The interpreters were provided from the Alabama Institution for the Deaf and Blind. They tell Thomas and Becker what the instructor is saying through the use of sign language. "They are outstanding; if it weren't for their ability, we would have experienced great difficulties," Roberson said of the interpreters.

Brenda Lyons, sign language interpreter, said "It's

a pleasure, because the workers are well educated in their jobs. It comes pretty easy." She explained that the interpreter acts as the communicator.

Becker said that people have misconceptions about the interpreters and they often speak in the third person. He said that he wanted people to understand that the interpreter "is like a machine and will say exactly what I say. It's like a relay service." When talking to a deaf person through an interpreter, you speak directly to the deaf person, and not to the person signing.

"It's an experience for me, and the first time I've ever done anything like

this," said SSgt. James Rodgers who is one of Becker and Thomas' instructors. He explained that having hearing and speech impaired students hasn't changed his class any. "We're right on schedule. I have to slow them down, they go so fast," he said. "I've seen them operate and

they're up there with the best of them. I don't treat them different, I treat them just like everybody else. They mess up and I get on them just like everybody else," he said, laughing. He also said that funny thing he did on the first day "was to ask the interpreter where she wanted to sit." Overall,

Rodgers said that it didn't disrupt his class at all and he wouldn't mind if half his class was deaf.

It's taken Becker six or seven years to get this kind of help. "In the past, I did complain to my supervisor and finally he understood. We did miss out on a lot," he said. Now, he explained, "I wouldn't have to worry." The law makes employers provide interpreters. "It's helping us a lot more to help us to do our jobs. I'm really pleased to have the interpreter."

Thomas seemed to agree with Becker and they said, "the course is pretty hard, but we're progressing along." Thomas was grateful for this training and being able to have an interpreter. He said, "with the training here, I'm going to be able to educate other workers."

Roberson told Becker and Thomas, "this was the first time we have ever done this. We want you to know that you will be given equal opportunity." The two technicians replied, "thank you."

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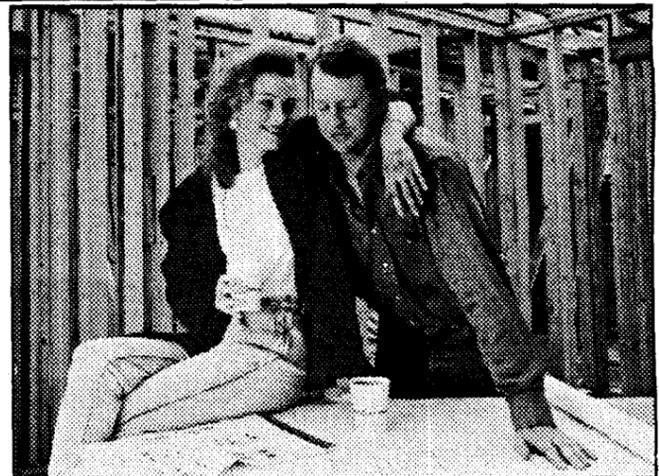
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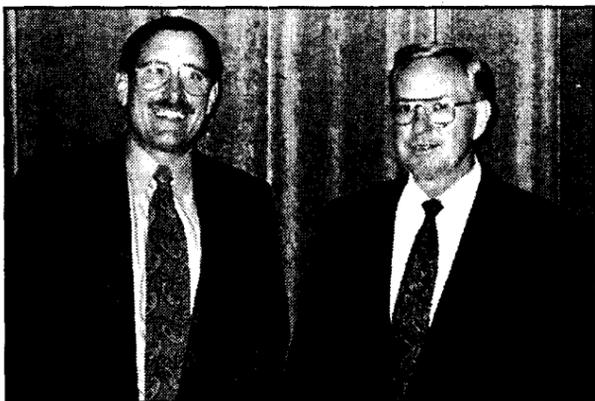
By Skip Vaughn

Rick Turner is this year's recipient of the Ernest A. Young Logistics Achievement Award.

Turner, director of the Logistics Support Directorate, received the award Sept. 26 at an annual luncheon held at the Officers Club. The award is named after Ernest Young, deputy to the commanding general of the Missile Command.

"It's the highlight of my career to be honored by my peers and in the name of Mr. Young— (with) the standards he's set in support of the customer," said Turner, who served as director of the Materiel Management Directorate until assuming his current position Oct. 2. "We have the most important customer in the world: the United States soldier... It's an exciting job and it's an honor."

The annual award, which



ANNUAL RECOGNITION— Turner, left, poses with Young for whom the Logistics Achievement Award is named after.

began in 1991, recognizes an individual who has made outstanding contributions to the Integrated Materiel Management Center and logistics community. The other nominees for this year's honor included Lisha Adams, Charles Hancock, John E. Howard, Sherry McCreary, Lavelle Smalley and John V. Smith. In presenting the award, Young congratulated all the nominees for what he called the

"distinct honor to be nominated by your peers and your bosses."

Past recipients of the award include Young, the first honoree in 1991; Dave Sparks, chief of the Transition Management Office at IMMC, in 1992; and Mary "Frankie" Carter, chief of the systems support division at Army TACMS-Bat Project Office, last year's winner. They were among the 146 attendees at

the award luncheon.

Turner, 42, has 18 years of government service. A native of Rochester, N.Y., who grew up in Florida, he received a bachelor's degree in business management from the University of Central Florida in 1974. He received his master's in systems management from the University of Southern California, European Division, in 1982.

Turner began his government career in October 1976, completed the AMC Intern Program for Supply, and was assigned to MICOM in July 1977. In 1991 he became deputy director of Materiel Management Directorate; and last year he assumed the position of MMD acting director.

He and his wife, Janice, have two children: Bradley, 11, and Angela, 7. They reside in Madison.

Grissom student gets start in Airborne

Chuck Vencill, a senior at Grissom High School, enlisted during his junior year under the Split Option



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Training Program in the Alabama National Guard. Because he had spent three years in Junior ROTC, he attended basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C., as a private first class.

After completing basic training July 28, he had the distinction of being the only high school student in the U.S. to attend the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Ga. There, he was designated "keeper of the wings" for being the youngest in the class which

Deer-vehicle collisions down from previous years

By Sandra Cartee

"Be conscious of what's around you." That's what the Provost Marshal's Office and the Outdoor Recreation Center suggest when driving on the Arsenal. Motorists have collisions with deer every year. Although the number of deer hit is down, educating the drivers is the best form of prevention.

"Redstone has a good, healthy, manageable herd of deer," said Bill Moreland, director of the Outdoor Recreation Center. Unfortunately, some deer run out in front of oncoming cars. Cecil Wynn of the Provost Marshal's Office said, "our primary emphasis is safety." Their concern is not only for the deer's safety, but for the driver as well. Some people sustain injuries when involved in deer/vehicle accidents.

'Education is the biggest thing in reducing deer strikes.'

— Cecil Wynn
Provost Marshal's Office

These deer strikes usually take place in the winter months. "In the winter their food supply diminishes," Wynn said. When the deer start running out of grass, they start grazing out more toward the roads.

"We put out game plots for the deer to feed on in the winter. These green fields act as a supplement to their diet," Moreland said. The plots help to keep the deer from having to search outward for their food.

"Be aware of the early morning and late evening hours," Wynn said. The deer feed at night, so dawn and dusk hours are high traffic times for the deer. Drivers should especially be aware of deer on their way to and from work. "Speed is not a factor, but slow down in high marked areas," Wynn said. Tailgating is also not a good idea. If the motorist in front of you stops suddenly for a deer, there's a chance of a rear-end collision between cars.

This year, as of August, there have only been 16 deer/vehicle strikes. "Some aren't even reported," Moreland said. This number is down from last year's 29 strikes. It's also a drastic decrease since 1989 when there were 64 strikes.

"Education is the biggest thing in reducing deer strikes," Wynn said.

In educating the driver, signs with flashing yellow lights are in operation in areas known as high strike zones. This has been an effective technique in preventing deer/vehicle accidents. "We want to continue that program. It's the most effective thing we've done to educate the drivers," Wynn said.

The Provost Marshal's Office and the Outdoor Recreation Center want all Arsenal motorists to slow down, and be aware of the surroundings. In the cold months ahead, pay attention to more than just the road. With driver education, deer strikes can continue to decrease and make Arsenal roads safer for people and deer.

he completed Aug. 18.

Next summer, after Chuck finishes high school, he will attend Advance Individual Training. He plans to attend college with the funds he has earned and

from the help of the Alabama National Guard.

Chuck is the son of Marylu and retired Maj. Carleton Vencill, the senior Army instructor with Grissom JROTC.

Thrift Savings Plan returns listed

Here are the latest Thrift Savings Plan monthly returns for the 12-month period ending August 1994 for the three investment funds: the Government Securities Investment Fund (G Fund), the Common Stock Index Investment Fund (C Fund), and the Fixed Income Index Investment Fund (F Fund). This information was provided by the Technical Services Branch, Civilian Personnel Office.

	C Fund	Equity Index Fund	Wells Fargo F Fund*	U.S Debt Index Fund	Wells Fargo G Fund
'89	31.03%	31.61%	13.89%	14.45%	8.81%
'90	(3.15%)	(3.19%)	8.00%	8.89%	8.90%
'91	30.77%	30.42%	15.75%	16.03%	8.15%
'92	7.70%	7.61%	7.20%	7.37%	7.23%
'93	10.13%	10.10%	9.52%	9.74%	6.14%
1993					
Aug.	3.78%	3.78%	1.72%	1.75%	.49%
Sept.	(.76)	(.77)	.26	.27	.45
Oct.	2.04	2.07	.38	.41	.47
Nov.	(.93)	(.94)	(.84)	(.84)	.45
Dec.	1.20	.21	.52	.53	.49
1994					
Jan.	3.40	3.40	1.33	1.33	.51
Feb.	(2.70)	(2.71)	(1.72)	(1.72)	.43
Mar.	(4.39)	(4.36)	(2.45)	(2.47)	.52
Apr.	1.28	1.28	(.81)	(.81)	.56
May	1.66	1.65	(.02)	(.02)	.60
June	(2.47)	(2.45)	(.24)	(.22)	.59
July	3.27	3.28	1.97	1.98	.62
Aug.	4.11	4.10	.13	.12	.60
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WWII invasion of Kwajalein Atoll remembered

By Mark Hubbs

Most people in the Redstone community are not aware of the Army's presence at Kwajalein Atoll in the Marshall Islands. The battle to seize the atoll from the Japanese 50 years ago this year is even less well known.

Although the battle was front page news to the American public at the time, it has now been overshadowed by other island battles whose names fill the pages of World War II popular history, such as Tarawa, Iwo Jima and Okinawa. Kwajalein has slipped into obscurity simply because of its overwhelming success and correspondingly low cost in American lives. Lessons learned in amphibious landings made in North Africa, Attu, Guadalcanal, Makin and Tarawa added immeasurably to the planning and successful execution of the invasion of Kwajalein Atoll.

Kwajalein Atoll is part of the Marshall Islands, a chain of coral atolls which lie in the central Pacific. The atoll is composed of almost 100 small islands and islets which surround the largest lagoon on earth. Total land area of all these islands is less than six square miles. The United States currently leases from the Republic of the Marshall Islands all or part of 11 islands of the atoll, including the two largest, Kwajalein and Roi-Namur. The U.S. Army Kwajalein Atoll (USAKA) is now home to the Kwajalein Missile Range and is operated by the Space and Strategic Defense Command (SSDC).

Kwajalein Atoll, along with all of the Marshalls, had been a possession of the Japanese Empire since 1914. The Japanese had invested little in the atoll, until the 1930s when stressful relations between Japan

and western nations created a military need for the islands. An air base was under construction on Kwajalein Island, a submarine base and air base were built on Roi-Namur and a sea plane ramp and support facilities on Ebeye Island. Other communications and logistic support facilities were established on smaller islands around the atoll.

'...there were few who thought that you would go right to the heart of the Marshalls and take Kwajalein.'

— Commander Chikatana Nakajima

Imperial Japanese Navy

Kwajalein Atoll became the nerve center of Japanese activity in the Marshall Islands. The atoll's lagoon offered the largest naval anchorage in the Pacific, and part of the force which attacked Pearl Harbor in December 1941 was staged from there. The Japanese knew that an attack on the Marshalls would eventually come; however, they expected the attack along the periphery of the island chain. As a result Kwajalein, which is deep within the Marshalls, was given a low priority for construction of defenses. Kwajalein Atoll was defended by a mixed force of Japanese Army and Naval personnel of about 9,000 men. The vast majority of these men were split between Kwajalein and Roi-Namur Islands.

The war in the Pacific had been raging for two years when the Combined Chiefs of Staff made the decision to make a drive through the central Pacific to break up Japanese control there and prevent Japanese forces from interrupting American supply routes to the south. The Gilbert Islands, southeast of the Marshalls, were seized first to provide staging points for the primary objective of the

Marshalls.

"Flintlock," the operation to seize Kwajalein Atoll, was designed as a two-pronged attack. The 4th Marine Division, supported by a large naval task force, was charged with assaulting Roi-Namur and other smaller islands in the northern half of the atoll. The Army's 7th Infantry Division and its naval task force was given the responsibility of seizing Kwajalein Island and the southern portion of the atoll. The combined fleets were the largest invasion armada ever assembled to that time.

D-Day for Kwajalein



UNDER FIRE— Infantrymen of the Army's 7th Division root out Japanese defenders with a flame thrower. Most Japanese refuse to surrender. Less than 100 enemy troops surrendered during the fighting; over 8,000 Japanese were killed.

were hurled against Roi-Namur alone. Kwajalein Island received 29,000

500 landing craft, most of which were LVT amphibious tractors (amtracs), began

near Sally Point. A Marine survivor recalled "...a friend of mine got hit and I realized that this was for real and I was there." At 12:45 p.m. an unknown Marine placed a satchel charge on, what he thought was, a Japanese bunker. The bunker was filled not with Japanese defenders but with vast stores of torpedo warheads and other explosives. What followed is described by some as the largest non-nuclear explosion of World War II. The unsuspecting Marine and his comrades nearby were killed instantly. The blast knocked men off their feet on inbound landing craft and showered debris over half of the island. A Marine Corps air observer's plane was lifted 1,000 feet by the explosion as he reported "Great God Almighty, the whole damn island has blown up!" Twenty Marines were killed and scores were wounded by this single violent explosion. The 24th RCT's advance stalled as it shook off the effects of the blast.

When the advance continued, the Japanese took advantage of the scrub brush, debris and broken terrain on Namur to punish the Marines at every step. By night fall, the 24th RCT had advanced about halfway across the island. The veil of darkness that descended was intensified by heavy rain. This discour-

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HEAVY ARTILLERY— An M10 Tank Destroyer of the Army's 7th Infantry Division fires into a Japanese pillbox at point blank range on Kwajalein Island. The effects of the pre-invasion bombardment can clearly be seen.

was Jan. 31, 1944. On that day, Army and Marine units began seizing small islands which guarded channels into the lagoon. Massive air and naval bombardments began to pound Kwajalein and Roi-Namur to soften the Japanese defenses in preparation of the main landings. As smaller islands near the main objective were captured, field artillery units were landed and began to pour their fire upon the already battered Japanese on Kwajalein and Roi-Namur Islands. Six thousand tons of aerial bombs and naval shells

105mm and 155mm projectiles in preparation of the landings there. Destruction of the island was so complete that an Army air observer described in the aftermath: "...the entire island looked as if it had been picked up 20,000 feet and then dropped."

Roi-Namur is actually two islands which are joined by a sand spit and causeway. The Marine's 23rd Regimental Combat Team (RCT) was to secure Roi as the 24th RCT assaulted Namur. H-Hour for landing on Roi and Namur was 11 a.m. Feb. 1, 1944. Almost

shuttling Marines of the 23rd and 24th RCTs to shore. The Japanese defenders on Roi appeared dazed and "punch drunk" due to the pre-invasion bombardment. The 23rd RCT received only half-hearted opposition and reached their first day's objectives in less than 30 minutes.

The 24th RCT was not as fortunate. Anti-tank ditches and other obstacles prevented the amtracs from traveling inland from the beach. As the Marines of the 24th dismounted and moved inland, Japanese resistance stiffened and deadly machine gun fire halted the advance

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aged the Japanese defenders to venture from their hiding places and begin a series of uncoordinated banzai attacks on the 24th RCT. Vicious fighting, often hand to hand, lasted for several hours along the line as two companies of Marines were forced to retreat, regroup and counter attack to regain their original positions.

As the welcomed dawn of Feb. 2 established itself over the eastern shore of Namur, the 24th RCT began its final assault on the few remaining organized groups of Japanese defenders. By 12:15 p.m., just 25 hours after the first American hit the beach, Roi-Namur was declared secure.

At dawn on Feb. 1, the Southern Attack Force began a terrific last minute bombardment of the invasion beaches on Kwajalein Island. Seven thousand rounds of 14, 8 and 5 inch ammunition rained on to that small area for two hours. At 9:28 a.m. the barrage lifted as the first elements of the Army's 7th Infantry Division hit the beaches at precisely 9:30. The 7th executed a flawless amphibious landing that placed four waves of 1,200 men on shore in less than 15 minutes. A sea wall and debris from the intense bombardment prevented the amtracs from moving inland, but resistance was light near the devastated beaches as two RCTs of the 7th Infantry Division began their attack. Kwajalein Island is banana shaped and the landings took place at the southern tip. The 184th RCT advanced up the left or lagoon side of the island while the 32nd RCT paralleled them on the ocean side.

Resistance during the advance along the length of Kwajalein Island stiffened progressively. The hardest fighting occurred the third day, Feb. 3. The Japanese had organized a spirited de-



LANDING CRAFT— An LVT disgorges Marines on Namur Island. The LVT offered mobility and protection, but exposed the troops to enemy fire when they exited over the sides.

fense of the Admiralty Area, about two-thirds of the way up the island. Here massive reinforced bunkers and air raid shelters survived the shelling. This required concentrated effort by Infantry/Tank teams. In some instances the Sherman tanks and M10 Tank Destroyers were required to stick the muzzles of their 75mm cannons into the firing ports of enemy pill boxes in order for their shells to have the desired effect. Nevertheless, the commanding general of the 7th Infantry told his troops to "keep smashing ahead!" The Infantrymen, who were making their way through the jumbled maze of rubble and debris, were required to fight hundreds of individual battles as they rooted out the Japanese defenders. Nights on the island offered little rest for front line or rear echelon troops as the Japanese infiltrated the American lines and launched desperate suicide charges. It required four days and nights of bitter fighting to subdue the Japanese garrison.

The Marines took only one day to declare Roi-



FIRST AID— A Navy corpsman treats a Marine casualty on Namur island. Some 1,954 Americans were killed or wounded during Flintlock.

Namur secure, while the Army required more than three for Kwajalein. At first it may seem that the Marines were more successful in their operation, but a closer examination will reveal that a difference in tactics and conditions on the islands dictated the duration of each battle. Marine doctrine called for the quick seizure of objectives while pockets of resistance were bypassed to be "mopped

up" later. "Mopping up" continued for several days after Roi-Namur was declared secure. The Army, on the other hand, tended to eliminate all resistance as it advanced, which reduced the speed of attack considerably. "Mopping up" was correspondingly short. The 7th Infantry on Kwajalein also were pitted against more enemy troops and were restricted in their method of attack. The nar-

row confines of Kwajalein would not allow the flanking movements that the Marines enjoyed on Roi-Namur. Frontal attack was the only option.

American casualties for operation "Flintlock" were surprisingly small. This was because of the lessons learned in earlier operations, realistic training and the overwhelming pre-invasion bombardments. Some 372 Americans were killed

and 1,582 were wounded in the operation. The Japanese, who generally refused to surrender, lost over 8,000 men killed during the bombardment and invasion.

The bomb craters and tangled debris of war that littered Kwajalein has now given way to a new island. Stately palms and modern buildings now cover the islands of Kwajalein and Roi-Namur. The USAKA is now home to over 3,000 Americans and their families who man and operate the missile test facilities there. If one looks carefully, however, evidence of the struggle years ago can be seen. The remains of concrete air raid shelters, pill boxes and bunkers, which are scattered inconspicuously among the islands infrastructure, give mute testimony to what first brought Americans to this tropical outpost. The islands of Kwajalein and Roi-Namur were designated National Historic Landmarks in 1984 and they are two of only five controlled by the United States (others are Wake Island, Attu Island and Pearl Harbor). As such, the Environmental Office and the Historical Office at SSDC have a special commitment to protect the island battlefields of Kwajalein Atoll and ensure that the mission of USAKA and the historic resources of Kwajalein and Roi-Namur peacefully co-exist. A survey of all World War II structures and remains was recently completed by SSDC to determine exactly what has survived on the islands and how best to preserve them. The results of this investigation, and others, will be the foundation of a Historic Preservation Plan that will guide SSDC in preserving the integrity of this historic landmark, and to honor the memory of the men who gave their lives in "Operation Flintlock."

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Redstone Rocket staff adds two reporters

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Sandra Cartee and Kathryn Harkleroad are employees of the Montgomery Advertiser Company, publishers of the Rocket.

Cartee, an Army brat and Huntsville native, is a former photojournalist for WHNT-TV Channel 19



CARTEE

where she worked from September 1992 until late August of this year.

She has done freelance work with such companies as Marshall Television and the Cable News Network.

Cartee, 25, worked as a movie editor with WZDX-TV Fox 54 during 1991. From 1988-90 she worked at WAAY-TV Channel 31 as a weekend news tape editor,



HARKLEROAD

audio operator, and associate producer.

She has an associates degree from Calhoun Community College. Cartee and her husband, Gary, have three children.

Harkleroad, a Redstone resident, is a former news editor for a weekly newspaper in Junction City, Kan.

She worked for Montgomery Publications in

Junction City from October 1991 until last July.

Harkleroad, 39, was managing editor with Beacon Publications in Tampa, Fla., from 1990-91. She has an associates degree from Cloud County Community College in Concordia, Kan.

She and her husband, Jerry, a staff sergeant, have two teen-agers.

World traveler receives fulfillment from church work-

By Kathryn Harkleroad

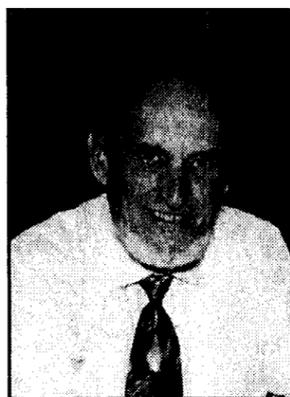
Some folks spend time away from work around the house or maybe venturing to far off places in search of some excitement. Art Paro has chosen to spend his time away from work helping others and his church.

Paro, activity facilities coordinator at TMDE Activity, is very actively involved in the "Work and Witness" program at the First Church of the Nazarene located at Five Points in Huntsville. According to Paro, he has been involved with 13 or 14 different trips that have taken him to places people only dream of.

"I have been to Mexico and Venezuela three times, and have visited Paraguay, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Barbados and Belize," Paro said. His trips haven't been just for pleasure; they have been for the personal inner fulfillment that Paro receives when the project has been completed.

Paro and his teammates travel to the far away countries to help fellow human beings in living a little better. Paro has helped build churches, homes and according to him, "anything that needed doing."

Paro recently returned from a trip to New Mexico



PARO

where he and nine other church members helped renovate a church and improved the pastors living quarters there.

"We were there nine days and I really enjoyed helping those folks out," Paro said. "So many people still think of the Indians as savages, yet they are some of the nicest, loving people I have ever met."

Paro began his involvement in the work and witness program in 1988 and has been active ever since. Each team member pays their own way to the location the church has chosen to help and is responsible for any expenses.

"Some times I don't know where the money comes from for me to go, but I feel once I say I will help, the Lord just finds a way," Paro said.

Money for the building materials is usually donated by patrons or businesses and is used to build churches, homes and schools in the various countries. "I know of one instance where a couple in Mexico lost a child to a deadly disease and they donated money for building material in her memory. I thought that was really touching," Paro said.

Paro has lived a very diverse life and served in the Army for 22 years. He filled the positions of a military policeman, staff judge advocate and chief legal clerk for the Army. After his retirement, he went to work in various other positions in the area and ended up at the TMDE Activity at Redstone.

Paro wears many hats at TMDE, and even as he sits at his desk he is reminded of his work overseas and helping others. Photographs of flowers, waterfalls and other scenes line the walls of his office and in one other building.

"I love to take pictures and having them here with me at work reminds me of what the Lord has chosen for me to do," Paro said. He will have a chance within the next year to visit either Russia, the Holy Land or Peru.

Paro also continues to

spread his volunteer efforts at home as well and is actively involved with the American Red Cross and the Humane Society in Huntsville.

"I love to spend Saturday afternoons working with the animals at the humane society and it makes my heart

very full when I see them go to good homes. They (the animals) have a lot of love to share and really appreciate the affection we give them," he said.

Paro is not only looking forward to his next trip and volunteer work, but he is also looking forward to his

retirement in 13 months. "I will be able to travel a little more and help others here at home as well once I retire from my job," Paro said.

At his departure from TMDE Activity he will be missed, but the rest of the world will welcome him with open arms.



NCO/Soldier of the year...

From left MSgt. John Covert, representing the Noncommissioned Officers Association, presents awards to Sgt. Craig Muerer, NCO of the Year, and Spec. Linda Clow, Soldier of the Year. Muerer is a member of E

Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion; and Clow is a member of TMDE Activity. The luncheon honoring Redstone's NCO/Soldier of the Year was held Sept. 15 at the Challenger Club.

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Hospice nurse inducted into Legion of Honor

By Ken McCooey

Someone might think that a club that has such recognizable personalities as Bob Hope, former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop and Martha Raye as members would be a very prominent organization. But this club's newest member, Brenda Brigadier, had never even heard of the club before.

The new "club" that Brigadier has joined is the Chapel of the Four Chaplains Legion of Honor. She was inducted into the legion in a ceremony Sept. 22 at the Post Chapel. Judy Link, wife of Brig. Gen. (promotable) James Link, post and MICOM commander, presented the award.

Legion of Honor membership is an award given by the Chapel of the Four Chaplains, which is based in Valley Forge, Pa., in recognition of valuable voluntary service on the part of an individual who contributes to the well being of his or her community and promotes a spirit of interfaith and interracial cooperation. Those who receive this honor are nominated by special committees of the chapel, by civic lead-

ers and by other members of the legion.

Dr. William Ward, historian for the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School, nominated Brigadier for her selfless service as a Hospice nurse. As a Hospice nurse, Brigadier volunteers her time to take care of terminally ill patients in their own homes.

"I don't just care for the patients, I take care of the patients and their families too," Brigadier said. "It's a family that is going through the loss and we (Hospice nurses) try to alleviate some of the pain and make them more comfortable.

"Each family has a primary nurse. Some nurses take three patients, I take eight. I visit them up to almost daily, depending on their state of health."

There are no big financial rewards to be found in Hospice nursing. Most Hospice nurses do what they do for the love of their job and Brigadier also does it to make someone's life a little bit better.

"I believe the purpose of life is to give of yourself to others," she said. "There are a lot of outlets for that and



AWARD PRESENTATION— Brigadier, second from right, accepts a certificate from Judy Link which inducts her into the Chapel of the Four Chaplains Legion of Honor. Looking on are Ward, left, who nominated her for the award; and her husband, retired Lt. Col. Bill Brigadier.

the Hospice program in particular allows me to do that."

"My personal opinion is she would go crazy if she couldn't help people," Ward said.

"There is a great difference between going to the hospital and dying in a sterile environment and being able to stay home until you die," Brigadier said. "So to me, if I can make a difference and just make it easier for them to have one better day, it's a lot better than

them having to go to a sterile hospital."

It takes an uncommon sort of dedication to be a Hospice nurse. They deal with death on an almost daily basis. Even those with experience in the program need the help of families, friends and fellow nurses.

"Making a difference in people's lives, I guess that's what keeps me going," she said. "Not just the patients, the families also."

"The burnout rate for

Hospice nurses is about nine months, unless you are well suited and have a lot of support. I've been doing this for over four years now. I have a great team that works with me and we support each other and that's what keeps you going.

"My family is part of my personal team and I have my Hospice team. We have our staff meeting frequently so that we can support each other. When we lose a patient we are allowed to talk

about the loss because obviously we're people and we cry when we lose a patient too."

Even though there are no financial benefits to be gleaned from Hospice nursing, it can give you a wealth of knowledge. Brigadier learns a lot from the patients she cares for and tries to use that knowledge to help others.

"I try to bring away one thing that I learned from every patient and keep them going in my life," she said. "Boy, you can learn a lot from people because by the time they get to this point in their lives, most of the veneer is gone and the real person is there. They're just very realistic and you don't have to deal with a lot of the stuff that you deal with from people normally."

Being in her new "club" will not make Brigadier as rich or famous as some of its more prestigious members, but she has joined a select group of self-sacrificing individuals that have a kind of wealth that money just can't buy.

Soldatenstube opens for business

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By Kathryn Harkleroad

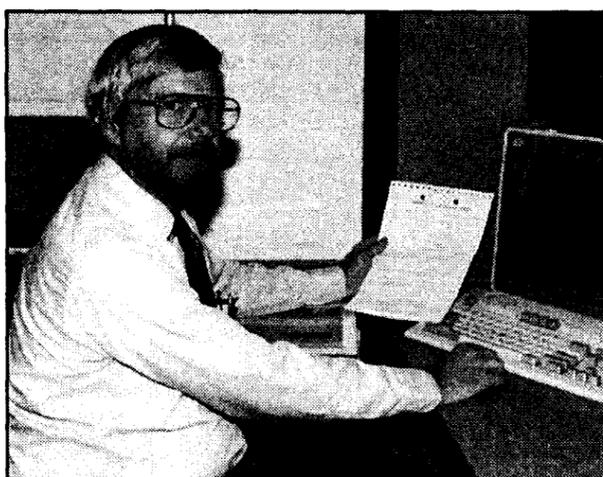
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"By having their payroll checks issued by the EFT method, they will be saving time and the process is more cost effective for all involved," said Jim Gillespie, DFAS systems accountant.

According to Gillespie, the process is advantageous to the employees because they won't have to worry about the check being lost in the mail and it will cut down on travel time to the employees' bank where they deposit their checks.

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like to have every employee utilize the EFT network," said Bill Piggush, DFAS accountant.

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In addition to payroll checks being direct deposited, travelers can also utilize the network and receive their TDY funds faster. "We are also offering the EFT to travelers and they will enjoy several benefits from using the system," Gillespie said.

Travelers interested in receiving their travel pay by direct deposit are required to complete the Deposit Signup Form, (SF)1199A. The

employee must complete sections 1 and 2. In section 1, Block F must be marked and "travel" printed above the line "specify." The completed form must be turned into the travel office for processing.

Once the forms are received by DFAS, the rest is up to them. The traveler's name, the case of travel vouchers, or employees name, in the case of payroll checks, are then entered into the computer and a file is set up. Although the form numbers are the same, separate forms must be filled out for travel pay and payroll deposits.

Once the EFT file is set up, all funds dispersed will be by direct deposit. "The initial paperwork is a one time thing and once the travelers

name is in the computer, we will direct deposit the travel payment each time a request is received," Piggush said.

A hard copy of the voucher will be mailed to the traveler as soon as the direct deposit is completed.

"Using EFT for travel payments will work to the advantage of the traveler," Gillespie said.

"By having the funds direct deposited the long lines at the travel office will be eliminated and the wait time for reimbursement is cut considerably."

The EFT system will also eliminate the chance of a lost payroll check or travel voucher, which could take up to three months to replace.

Commercial vendors will also be offered a chance to

use the EFT system in the near future. "We are currently working with the MICOM acquisition office to ensure the appropriate procedures are complied with," Gillespie said.

The advantages of using EFT to commercial vendors are numerous and heading the list is the time and interest saved on waiting on checks and travel time to banks.

By converting to the EFT system the DFAS will also benefit by eliminating the time needed to write, sign and mail the checks. The process will only entail a file being created and transmitting the information to the federal reserve. The federal reserve will then direct deposit the funds into the respective accounts.

Housing

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Each building will vary in configuration and/or exterior finish so the housing unit will take on a neighborhood appearance. "We feel that each family will feel their quarters are unique and that

will help establish pride," Shippers said.

There is also a total of five different exterior finish color schemes consisting of five colors of aluminum siding, three brick colors, three shingle colors, and 10 door colors. No two adjacent units or buildings will be

identical.

In addition to the "uniqueness" of the exterior, there are 16 different floor plans that are mixed and matched within the 56 different buildings. "We have tried to make (it) so our housing units be unique in every way and everyone

will feel like they are living in separate homes and not their neighbor's house."

The project is under the direction of Steve Arendale and Willie Palmer of the Mobile District Corps of Engineers. Consolidated Construction Company of Huntsville is also responsi-

ble for the work being performed.

An open house is planned at the completion of the project and will

enable the public to take a personal look around the new homes. The project is expected to be completed in September 1995.

TMDE support team

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coordinating the detachment moves involving members of Fort Drum and Fort Lewis. It is undetermined at present how long the 10 soldiers will be deployed in Haiti. They include CWO 2 Max Bennett, the detachment commander; SFC Mark Bleifield, NCO-in-charge; SSgt. Hiram Ching, Sgt. Jeffery Woods, Sgt. Dwayne Bathke, Sgt. Todd French, Spec. Rodney Taylor, Spec. Tremayne Frison, Spec. Jeremy Carlisle; and Spec.

Annette McDaniel, from Fort Bragg, who is serving as a linguist because she speaks the native language of Haiti.

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Announcements

Air defenders— The Redstone Arsenal/Huntsville Chapter of the Air Defense Artillery Association will hold its annual formal dinner dance Saturday, Oct. 8 at 6 p.m. at the Officers Club. Scheduled speaker is Lt. Gen. Jay Garner, commander of the Space and Strategic Defense Command. Spouses are encouraged to attend; and there will be a couples' portrait photographer for the event. For more information, call 895-8919 or 722-4674.

Hispanic Heritage Month— The National Hispanic Heritage Month celebration will be held from noon to 1:30 p.m. Oct. 12 at the Recreation Center, building 3711. The public is invited to enjoy the entertainment, displays and refreshments. For more information call MSgt. Griffith 876-8648, SFC Smith 876-9411 or Becky Miller 876-8946.

Officers Wives Club— The OWC luncheon will be held 10:30 a.m. Oct. 11 at the Officers Club. Jack Burwell, a local antique collector, is to present a program on American antiques. Cost is \$6.25 per person. For reservations call Mary Jane Johnson (for last names beginning with A through L) 882-1856, or Maryellen Myers (M-Z) 464-0583. Reservations are due by noon Friday. For on-site child care, call Sylvia Kitchen 830-0403 by Friday.... OWC will sponsor a mini-lecture from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Oct. 11 at the Officers Club, Twickenham Lounge. A representative from Fox Army Community Hospital is to speak on Tri-Care. No reservations are required; members and guests are invited.

Ghoul Rush— The Officers Wives Club will present its eighth annual casino night, "Ghoul Rush," Oct. 28 at the Officers Club. Everyone is invited. The doors will be open from 7-11 p.m. and all manner of rabble rousing fun is planned. Tickets go on sale

Oct. 4 and may be purchased from the club cashier's cage or OWC board members for \$5 in advance. They will be \$7 at the door. "Be there if you dare!"

ACAP job fair— The Army Career and Alumni Program (ACAP) Office will host a job fair on Oct. 13, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at the Officers' Club. This event is for anyone in the Redstone community including military, DA civilians and their family members, who are planning or anticipating a career change. For more information, call the ACAP office at 955-6490.

Theft investigation— A \$200 reward is offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the recent housebreaking and larceny of two Motorola radios with chargers, from the construction trailer adjacent to the Youth Center, Redstone Arsenal. Anyone with information concerning this offense should call Special Agent Dennis Burdette, CID, at 876-2037. Your identity will be confidential.

Child care— Hourly care is available at the Child Development Center each Tuesday and Thursday from

8 a.m. until 2 p.m. Children must be registered with Child Development Services to qualify. Reservations may be made by calling 876-7952.

Hospital appointments— Starting Oct. 3, patients at Fox Army Community Hospital can make follow-up appointments with the appointment clerks located in the individual clinics. For central appointments the patient still uses 955-8888, ext. 23. Questions can be directed to Capt. Pate or SFC Mitchell 876-4935.

Thrift Shop donations— The Redstone Arsenal Thrift Shop Welfare Committee is meeting in November to distribute funds to the community. If your organization would like to request funds, please have your written requests in by Oct. 31. Send requests to: Redstone Arsenal Thrift Shop, Bldg 3657, Redstone Arsenal, Ala., 35898. If you would like additional information call Sylvia Kitchen, welfare chairperson, 830-0403.

Arts & Crafts— Submissions are needed for the annual holiday Arts & Crafts show to be held Oct. 22-23 from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the Recreation Center. For more information, call 876-7951.

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Youth Services— Youth Services is offering tennis instruction to military family members ages 6-16. Instruction is \$30 per month per child. For more information, call instructor Frank Morales 837-6026.... Basketball registration, for ages 16 and under, began Oct. 1; and the season starts Dec. 1. Register at the Youth Center, building 3148, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Coaches are needed. For information call Gordon Keene 876-BALL.

Minority enterprise week— Minority Enterprise Development Week will be observed locally Oct. 2-6 with the third annual MED Week Conference at numerous locations throughout Huntsville. For more information call 830-5235, 851-5690 or 536-2723.

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Union meeting— Due to the holiday Oct. 10, AFGE Local 1858 will hold its monthly meeting Oct. 11 at 5:30 p.m. in building 7132 (Union Office). For more information, call 881-7430 or 876-4880.

Plants available— Fall plants for family housing residents will be available for issue Oct. 13-15 at the Self-Help Center. Six potted chrysanthemums and two flats of flowers will be allowed for each set of quarters. Issue will be on a first come, first serve basis.

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Contract managers— Huntsville Chapter, National Contract Management Association will hold a luncheon meeting Thursday at the Marriott Hotel, Space & Rocket Center. Registration will begin at 11:15 a.m., with lunch at 11:30. Cost of the luncheon is \$10 for members and \$12 for non-members. Barbara Weaver, national president of NCMA, is to speak on "current NCMA events/issues." For reservations call 464-0652.

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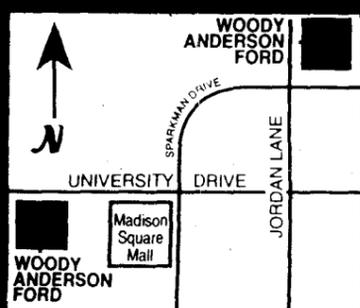
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