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Office sends holiday boxes to deployed soldiers

By Kathy Harkleroad

The upcoming holiday season will be a little more pleasant for two soldiers stationed in Japan and Haiti thanks to employees of the Corporate Information Center (CIC) budget office.

"We were trying to think of something to do for Christmas and Janice Dotson

came up with the idea of sending care boxes to soldiers stationed overseas," said Theresa McBride.

Nominated to receive the care boxes were Jason Caissie, 988th MP Company, 519th MP Battalion, who is stationed in Haiti and is the nephew of fellow CIC budget office employee Mary Ann Fagan, and SSgt. Roger

Moss, NBC Company, 2nd Battalion, 8th Marines, Unit 82502, Okinawa, Japan who is a friend of Brandy Roxby, also an employee in the office.

"Everyone was really excited about the idea and items just started pouring in," McBride said. The employees have already sent a box to Moss that included toilet paper, magazines,



Moss

books, a variety of non-perishable food items, T-shirts, bubble gum, notes from home and "everything for a holiday cheer."

"We tried to think of items the soldiers might not be able to get where they are stationed and tried to send as much junk food as possible," McBride said. "Pringles was a popular item because of the crush-proof can and Little Debbie cakes was another common item." Caissie, who is stationed in Haiti, has already received a care package from his aunt and is sharing his presents with fellow soldiers. "I talked to my broth-

er last night in Monroe, La., and learned Jason has already received the box I sent," Fagan said.

Fagan also mentioned the thing Caissie misses the most is "a shower." "He told his dad that was the first thing he was going to do when he got home, was to

will mail the box the middle of November. "We mailed the box to Japan early because we knew it would take longer to get there," McBride said. According to McBride the box to Caissie will contain some of the same items but will also include "some toys for the guys to play with during their off-time."

Contributing to the effort were CIC Budget Office employees Evelyn Allen, Sally Bain, Nancy Bales, Nelta Bowman, Carol Crowe, Dotson, Fagan, McBride, Roxby, Willie Haney, Linda Johnson, Chris McCutcheon, Dora Moore, Ken Lawing, Gale Toelle and Sharon Webster.

Several employees in the Technical Services office heard about the project and also contributed items to the boxes. Helping out were Joanne Glover, Liz Kuykendall, Ruth Ann Hammond, Melanie Raymond and Kathy Yocom.



Caissie

take a shower. Normally his dad complains when he takes 10 minutes in the shower, but my brother told Jason he could have as long as he wanted in there."

The CIC budget office employees are currently collecting items for Caissie and



Patriotism abounds..

Veterans Day will be celebrated Nov. 11 and soldiers and civilians around the Arsenal will honor veterans around the

world in various ways. SSgt. Mike Payne shows his patriotism by displaying the American flag every morning in front

THAAD team dedicates software testing van



RIBBON CUTTING—Dedicating the THAAD Verification & Validation System van are, from left, Jim Scoggins of Tec-Masters Inc., Clarence Tidwell of Colsa, Fan King of Ground Based Radar, Col. Kilgore, Col. Bill Malkemes of SSDC, and Shipman.

By Skip Vaughn

The Theater High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) weapon system

took a step Thursday toward ensuring its software meets requirements.

A dedication ceremony

was held for the THAAD Verification & Validation System van which will be used to test software before
See THAAD on page 16.

Positive attitude

I would suggest that the individual who wrote the letter in the Nov. 2 Rocket about the "Sparkman Move" (name withheld by request) disregard all the rumors you have heard and take a few minutes of your time and attend one of the Red Team II meetings which take place each day in building 5300 conducted by Mr. Roger Schwerman. You will learn a quick lesson in humility when you see the monumental task and responsibility Mr. Schwerman has undertaken to follow new guidance concerning Sparkman occupancy. He along with Mr. David Sparks deserve a medal for the many long, hard, unselfish hours worked to put a new move plan in place at the "11th hour." Unless you are in the room to see the wheels in motion, you will never know the energy exerted by these two individuals to make the total move happen.

I have been attending meetings as a primary POC for my organization for the last 14 months and also attending meetings as a Red Team member under the new move guidance. I will tell you that not once have I ever heard Mr. Schwerman or Mr. Sparks exhibit anything but a "can do" attitude in adjusting to an ever-changing situation. No one I know of is envious of the job these two have. Mr. Schwerman and Mr. Sparks, along with many unseen workers, laid out the first move plan which was moving along the tracks as smoothly as any plan of this enormity could move. Offices were moving on time and in many cases ahead of time. Then all of a sudden the train stopped on its tracks through no fault of their own. Roger and Dave didn't sit on the train and wait for it to start moving again hoping someone would do something to move it along. Instead, they got off the stopped train and started pushing trying to get it moving. They never complained. They laid out more move options with input from many individuals and now the train is moving again. We can all learn from Mr. Schwerman and Mr. Sparks in showing a positive attitude in getting a job done and doing it well. I hope to never see another negative letter in the Rocket about the Sparkman move. I suggest we all develop a positive attitude as Roger and David have shown those of us who have worked with them over the last few months. I personally salute both of them. They have taught me a few lessons in patience and persistence. I am proud to have served as part of their team.

Perhaps the individual who was complaining should take their laptop not to their car to work but to the Red Team II war room and put it to use to help Mr. Schwerman and Mr. Sparks accomplish a difficult mission.

Shirley Duffie

AMC Smart Weapons Management Office

Less fortunate

Mr. Harris, thanks for sharing your exciting career experiences with us less fortunate here at Redstone. You are quite fortunate to have enjoyed a position where you "...had fun and got paid for it," a position that you could take over from your Dad when he re-

tired. Those of us who are less fortunate here at Redstone Arsenal hope that when you are eligible to retire that you too will look to other horizons outside the Government. Then, maybe those of us who have children and families to support will enjoy the same opportunities that you so eloquently shared.

I believe that if everyone had the same opportunities that your father handed to you, a first-rate office (both location and function) and the numerous extra monetary awards, we too would be happy and have such fond memories.

As one of those individuals who lost an exciting and great job during MICOM's last reduction, I will not get the opportunity to move into the Sparkman complex. Maybe someday though if more like yourself decide to look for new adventures, the opportunities will be available to others, that is unless your son or grandson are handed the job.

Name withheld by request

(Editor's note: Dave Harris wrote the following. "A couple of points in response:

"I said my father ran this store before I did. He did not hand me my job when he left. I am sure he would have if that had been his call. Fathers are like that. As it turned out, he took another job and was in Washington before I went to work in the Public Affairs Office. That was in June 1960. Maj. Fred Babes hired me. I also worked for Lt. Col. Jim Klein before I became MICOM PAO in September 1962. The Harris Dynasty ends with me. My son makes a whole lot more money with IBM doing things like this than I ever did with the Army. My grandsons (three) are all going to be President of the United States. Ask their Nana.")

Thanks for memories

What a delightful article by Dave Harris in the Nov. 2 Rocket! He spoke for many of us in describing the trauma and archeological implications of moving to the Sparkman Center. Most of us have made other moves (how many offices, much less their people, have stayed in one spot for 33 years?), but even when it's "progress," being uprooted is unsettling.

Mementos get moved or thrown away, notes and files get condensed or trashed, but the memories linger. Thank goodness the fond (and not-so-fond) remembrances don't have to be boxed for the move—there's not that much cardboard in north Alabama!

Thank you, Dave Harris, for the years you've given the Missile Command in 5250, and for the wonderful description you've given us—with warmth and humor—of this move to 5300 et al. Mass relocation is a battle fought one desk at a time; hope your office wins and your next 33 years are great, too!

Pat Blackman
IMMC

Our rights

Mr. Priven, by reading your letter (Rocket Nov. 2) I don't know exactly what it is your missing about your rights. I do believe this, the people who wrote our amendment rights would most definitely want them "amended"! I believe that some of the change would state that: no one has the right to blow cigarette smoke in anyone's face! No one has the right to come on someone else's property and treat it as if it was their own! People shouldn't try to bend their government to meet their self-serving needs on the grounds that it is their "civil rights." To my knowledge this government still attempts to help her own! It may be weak but her love is strong!

I believe that one day people in this country will defend our government against individuals who claim their rights are being violated and all they really want is to get away with anything they choose in the name of "rights."

George D. Burk

Secretary of Defense writes: Honoring military families

(Editor's note: The following open letter is from the secretary of defense.)

Traditionally, Congress has designated one day during the week of Thanksgiving as "National Military Families Recognition Day." As in previous years, members of the House and Senate have again passed joint resolutions to this effect. These joint resolutions designate Nov. 21 as "National Military Families Recognition Day" to recognize military families for their important contributions and sacrifices for the good of the nation.

Military families, including families of our National Guard and Reserve Components, are the silent partners and heroes in all missions—whether humanitarian assistance, disaster relief or military combat operations. Families face frequent moves, separations, natural disasters, and the constant possibility of deployment of their loved ones. In addition, families face a changed environment in the continued wake of base closures and force realignments. Through it all, military families faithfully support their military member and the military, not for money, recognition or other tangible rewards, but out of love for one another and belief in our nation. Families have earned, many times over, partnership in the success of the total force mission.

I ask that you join the president, the Congress and me in recognizing America's military families. Our families deserve recognition and our appreciation for their strength, unity and patriotism.

William Perry
Secretary of Defense

Former Thiokol worker dies Wednesday

Evelyn Lipscomb Cobb, a retired Thiokol worker at Redstone, died Nov. 2 at her home in Lacey's Spring. She was 75.

Cobb retired from Thiokol Corp. after 33 years. She had worked for the company at Redstone as a

writer/editor.

The funeral was Friday afternoon at Twickenham Funeral Home South Chapel with Smith E. Ledbetter officiating. Burial was in Lipscomb Cemetery.

Cobb was a member of Bethle-

hem Baptist Church, and the American Association of Retired Persons.

Survivors include two daughters, Bridget Beane of Huntsville, and Anne Cook of Toronto, Canada; a sister, Estelle Lipscomb King of Huntsville; and two grandchildren.

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Redstone people recognized for ACOE work

A luncheon Nov. 1 honored people responsible for completing projects funded by Redstone's ACOE winnings.

The fiscal 1994 Army Communities of Excellence project managers were recognized at the event held in the Twickenham Lounge of the Officers Club. These people were responsible for the completion of the many projects paid for by the FY 94 ACOE winnings of \$1 million.

"These tasks were over and above their job descriptions and took numerous hours to accomplish," said Carolyn Collier, the ACOE program manager. "I think we would be remiss in showing our appreciation if



ACOE TEAM— Attending the Nov. 1 luncheon are, from left, standing: Diamant, Chemsak, Shero, Moeller, Poteat, Rone and Mullen; and seated, Baxley, Coleman-McGuire, Link, Collier, Hodges and Dempsey.

we did not include the folks behind the scenes that in most cases did the physical work to make these projects

become a reality. I don't have their names but most are BAMSI employees."

Col. Stephen Moeller,

the deputy post commander, expressed his appreciation to the group for their part in seeing the projects from

conception to completion. He also spoke of the many projects he has seen completed here that "other installations have never thought of doing."

Most of the projects were completed within and sometimes for much less than the dollars allocated. "This is attributal for the most part to these project managers," Collier said. The projects range from the jogging trail to playground equipment and in dollars from \$186,000 to \$500.

Project managers in attendance included Jim Mullen, Maj. Alan Shero, Michael

Chemsak, William Diamant, Sandy Hodges, Ron Poteat, Virginia Dempsey accepting for Dr. William Resha, and Hank Rone. Those not present included Shelby Williams, Bill Best, Russell Pearsall, Fred Randall, Sgt. Maj. Jack Ferguson, Margaret Patton, Ellie Golemo, Gary Skaggs, John Green and John Howard.

Others in attendance included Judy Link, Moeller, Collier, Faye Yates, ACOE program assistant; and Yvonne Coleman-McGuire and Ivagene Baxley representing the Team of Excellence.

Smokers urged to kick habit during Smokeout Day

By Susan Goodman

As the Great American Smokeout approaches, let's review some facts about cigarette smoking.

One in six American deaths can be linked to cigarette smoking. Estimated costs range from \$17 to \$42 billion annually. Every day, about 1,200 people die from smoking. Individuals who smoke less than 10 cigarettes a day have a death rate 30 percent higher than non-smokers, one to two packs a day smokers have 100 percent higher, and two packs a day smokers have 140 percent higher death rate. Cigarette smoke contains about 4,000 chemicals and

more than 40 of them cause cancer. Cigarette smoking is strongly linked with emphysema and chronic bronchitis. Seventy-five percent of all teen-age smokers come from homes where parents smoke.

Seventy percent of smokers say they would like to quit smoking. When people quit smoking cigarettes, the health benefits begin immediately. Regardless of your age, quitting smoking will improve your overall health and increase your life expectancy. More than 3 million Americans quit each year, 3,500 each day.

When changing any behavior, such as quitting smoking, one is most likely

to succeed when family, friends and fellow workers give their help and support. The American Cancer Society's annual Great American Smokeout serves as a national "quit day." During 1992, 10.8 million smokers participated in the Smokeout Day. Five days later, 1.5 million were still not smoking.

Nov. 17, the Smokeout Day, is an opportunity to quit with others for the day and perhaps for good. Perhaps it may be an opportunity for a nonsmoker to lend a hand to someone trying to quit.

Fox Army Community Hospital wants to help each smoker quit. Nonsmokers could "adopt" a smoker on

the Great American Smokeout and help the individual stay off cigarettes for the day. Literature, tips to quit smoking, and "adoption papers" are available at Preventive Medicine Service, building 116.

Perhaps after participating in the Smokeout, you will be ready to make the decision to quit for good. To benefit from group support while quitting smoking, enroll in a smoking cessation class. Classes start in January. For more information, call Preventive Medicine at 876-8831.

(Editor's note: Goodman is a nurse educator at Preventive Medicine Service, Fox Army Community Hospital.)



New rank...

Just promoted, CWO 4 Ronald Miller Jr. of MICOM's Technical Support Field Office in Orlando, Fla., (collocated at Martin Marietta Electronics & Missiles) is pinned with new rank insignia by his daughter, Elizabeth, and by retired Maj. Gen. James DeMoss, Patriot business development manager, Martin Marietta Electronics & Missiles.



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Retired general impressed with Army family conference

By Kathy Harkleroad

Redstone Arsenal was represented at the 12th annual Army Family Action Plan Planning Conference held recently in McClean, Va., by retired Brig. Gen. George Walker who volunteered to represent the retiree community.



Walker

The conference is held each year and consists of delegates who review certain issues that will be presented to the Department of the Army for consideration. The issues originated at the post level and passed through two other steps before being presented at the conference.

"We had 10 working groups who considered 97

issues that were forwarded to the Department of the Army by the Army Major Commands and selected 27 of the issues for presentation to General Tilelli, Army vice-chief of staff," Walker said.

According to Walker the 27 issues will be added to the issues reviewed every six months by the Army Family Action Plan,

General Office Steering Committee. "The issues fell into one of six categories and those were force support, family support, youth, employment, entitlements and medical," he said.

The top five issues that were included in the 27 that were forward to the Department of the Army included 1) Military pay being diminished by inflation, 2) Survivor benefits for service connected deaths 3) Child care costs 4) Erosion of Retiree/Survivor health benefits and 5) access to military and civilian health services.

"The delegates voted on each of the 27 issues and those were the five issues we felt were the most

important," Walker said.

"I was thoroughly impressed with the work that was done at the conference and felt all of the delegates were knowledgeable in their fields," said Walker. He also mentioned that before the conference began, delegates were able to hear remarks made by high-ranking officials who briefed them on the "state of the Army."

"Once the officials were through speaking we were up to date as to what was happening with today's Army," Walker said. "Each of the speakers spoke at great length about the changing roles and missions of the Army and the impact of those changes on soldiers and their families.

"The bottom line of all

the presentations was that reductions in resources coupled with increasing numbers of deployments for active forces, the Army must change the phrase, 'The Army takes care of it's own' to 'The Army takes care of it's own by teaching its own to take care of themselves,'" he said.

Walker also stressed the importance of the new Army Family Team Building program which is designed to teach soldiers, civilians and family members about the military so they are better able to sustain their families as the Army's changing mission requires more frequent deployments.

"Self-reliance is the wave of the future," Walker said. "Families need to

become aware of what is available to them and in turn teach them how to be more self-reliant."

The delegates not only reviewed the issues but submitted recommendations as well to DA.

"I have never attended a conference where delegates worked harder than they did at this conference," Walker said.

"The hours were long, but when we understood the issues we were briefed on and understood the positive impact the recommended actions could have on the active, reserve and retired military and their families, it made the long hours worth the effort," he added.

Delegates attending the conference included active duty, reservists, spouses, retirees and youth.

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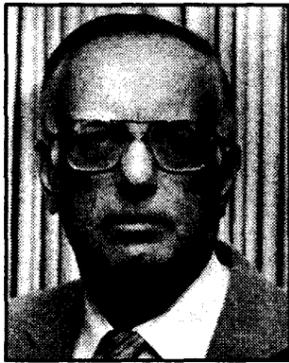
SSDC's former top civilian manager dies October 27th

By Gerda Sherrill

On Oct. 27, Dr. William O. Davies, the Space and Strategic Defense Command's former technical director and top civilian manager since 1986, passed away in his hometown of Akron, Ohio. He had just retired from federal service on May 3, 1994. Date and time of local memorial services had not been determined at presstime.

Davies held key executive positions with SSDC for more than 25 years and was instrumental in establishing system concepts and technology to enhance the nation's strategic defense posture.

Davies was the driving force for technology advances that offer revolutionary improvements in surveillance, strategic defense, and industry-university-government cooperative efforts. He led the preparation for the Defense Acquisition Board reviews that resulted in decisions to pursue many key Army Ballistic Missile Defense (BMD) programs, such as the Ground Based Interceptor, Ground Based Radar, Ground Based Surveillance and Tracking System, and the



Davies

High Endoatmospheric Defense Interceptor.

As SSDC's technical director, Davies directed studies that led to the Army being assigned the lead in the development of a land-based, kinetic energy Anti-Satellite (ASAT) system for the nation. Due to a declining DoD budget, the effort was later terminated. He also oversaw the command's transition to Ada software and established a commandwide total quality management program.

As director of the Systems Development Directorate (and its successor, the System Analysis and Battle Management Directorate) from 1985 through 1989, Davies was responsible for formulation and assessment of BMD system concepts. In this role, he led

development of the first computerized battle management simulation for national missile defense as well as directed global sensor network experiments for early identification of system integration issue.

From 1969 through 1984, Davies headed the Army BMD Advanced Technology Center's Optics Directorate. He established the optics program that established a military capability for cold-back-ground sensors which operate in a space and hostile environment, which became the technological basis for current optical sensor surveillance concepts. He also directed the Army's earlier free electron laser efforts.

Prior to entering government service, Davies was employed as a physicist by IIT Research Institute and Firestone Tire and Rubber Company in a series of increasingly responsible positions.

A native of Akron, Ohio, he held a bachelor's degree in physics from Oberlin College, a master's degree in physics from the University of Akron, and doctorate in technology management from Southeastern Institute of Technology. He also au-

thored more than 50 publications in the fields of chemical physics, reentry physics, space flight, and strategic technology.

Davies was a member of the Senior Executive Service.

He received the rank of Meritorious Executive in 1989 and was selected for the Presidential Rank Award of Distinguished Executive in 1992. He was repeatedly recognized for outstanding performance and contributions

to aeronautical technology during a distinguished career spanning more than 40 years. Other awards include Ballistic Missile Defense Senior Executive of the Year and AIAA Aerospace Engineer of the Year.



NCO Academy...

CSM Ivory Whitaker Jr., commandant of the Redstone Arsenal Non-commissioned Officers Academy, decorated and promoted some of his soldiers in a ceremony held Oct. 21. From left are Whitaker; SFC Raymond Banks, who was

awarded a Meritorious Service Medal and is on orders to Kuwait; SFC Charles Bauerle, awarded an Army Commendation Medal and is on orders to the Missile Command; and Pvt. 2 Mary Park, who was promoted from Pvt. 1.

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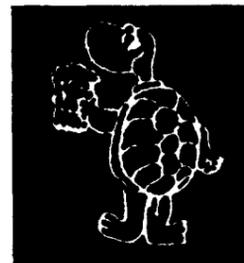
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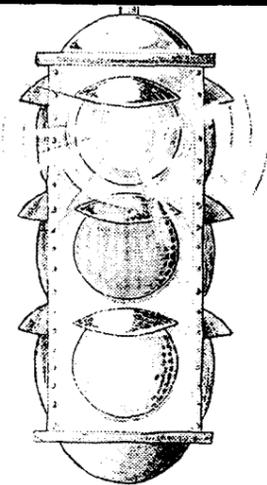


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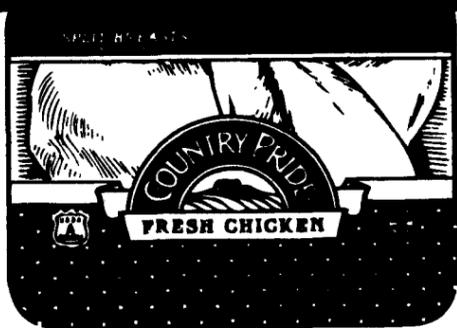
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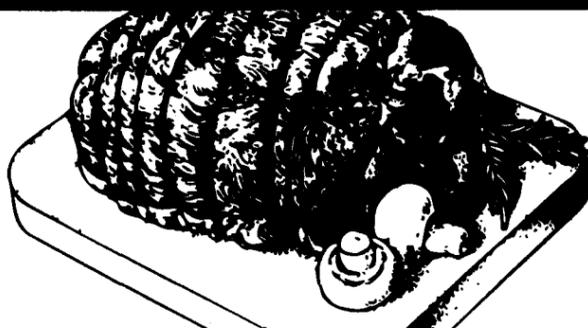
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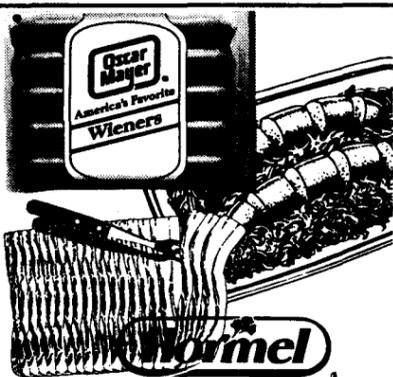
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Gift of time essential during Military Family Week

By Sandra Cartee

With the holidays approaching us, families will be gathering and celebrating together. With all the hustle and bustle of the holidays, the Army Community Service wants to remind people that Thanksgiving week is the week of the military family.

This is not only a week when people reflect on what they are thankful for but also a week to recognize the importance of the family.

1994 is the year of the family as declared by the United Nations, and Thanksgiving week has been cited as the national family week by President Clinton. The week of the military family also coincides with this philosophy of celebrating on Thanksgiving week.

Jennifer Clark of ACS said Thanksgiving is the best time to reflect on the family. "Because, in Amer-



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ican culture, Thanksgiving week is to look back and be thankful for the things we are grateful for. Thanksgiv-

ing is also more of a family holiday than Christmas is," she said. Thanksgiving is more of a time for families to just be together and share conversation over a meal.

"The family is the basic building block of the society," said Clark. Even though we see less of the traditional family, Clark explained that families are changing but they still provide the necessary needs. "They are sharing love and mutual support, and beliefs and values are taught to the children," she said.

Clark believes that it is important to support the military families. "We realize that the stronger and more resilient the family, the more the soldier is ready to do the job," she said. So, with a strong family, the soldier can be stronger as well.

It's sometimes difficult for the constantly moving Army families. "Our lifestyle can be frustrating,

leaving friends and making the move. At least (with a family) you're taking a support system with you," Clark said. The family provides support, caring, and everything one needs to be a better soldier.

What can a family do to recognize this week? Clark said to plan on spending time doing things together. "Share the tasks of Thanksgiving by everyone working together," she said. Even the smallest of children can help out with making the Thanksgiving meal. That way everyone is involved and spends time together as a family.

Thanksgiving is the week that everyone reflects on what they are thankful for, but Clark wants everyone to remember the military family all the time.

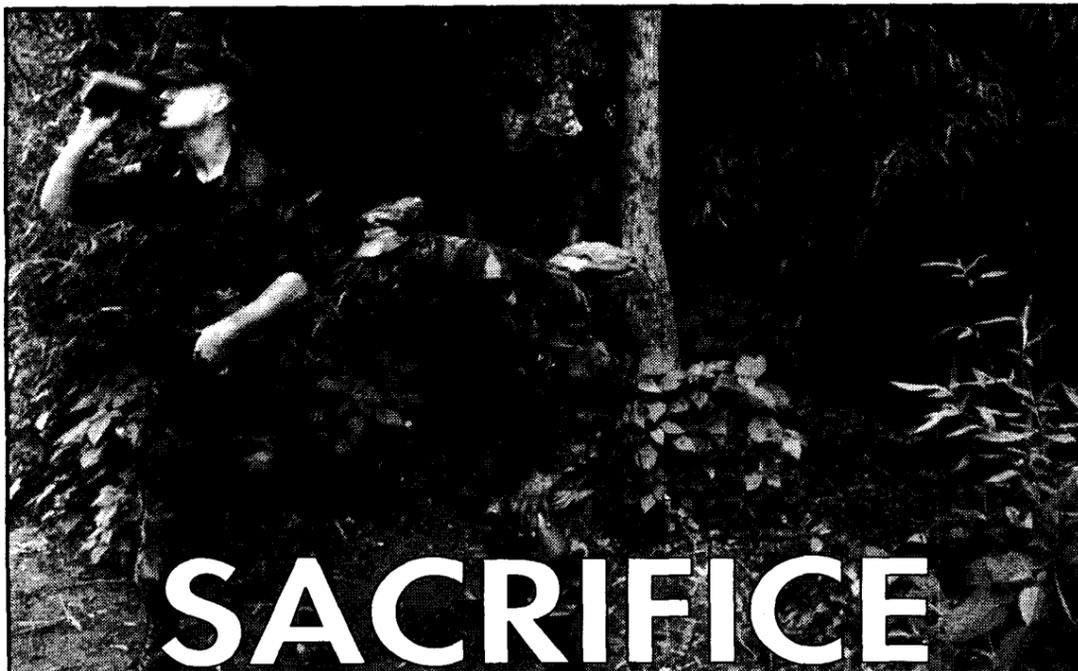
"Families need to plan on spending time together every night and just spend 15-30 minutes talking, play-

ing games or just interact together," she said.

One example of planning to spend more time together might be a coupon book. "This book can give a person a token to redeem for a lunch meeting, or a game of monopoly, or even washing the car together," Clark explained. That way family members could redeem these anytime of the year and not just during family week.

Clark said that the most precious gift in this holiday season is the gift of time. If families in the community can keep this in mind, this week of the military family should prove effective.

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Wanted: caring people willing to serve as foster parents

By Sandra Cartee

Foster care is often hard to find for children who have been subject to abuse, neglect, or who need temporary or long term care. The Department of Human Resources is always looking for loving families who are willing to open their arms and their homes to these foster children. Through the Army Community Service, families can learn more about being foster parents and receive valuable help in the path to being a foster parent.

There are many reasons why one might want to take a foster child in their home. Maybe a person was a foster child at one time, or maybe a couple is looking to adopt a child. In most cases, the parent just likes having small children around the house.

"It takes a special kind of person" to be a foster parent, said Jennifer Clark, of the Army Community Services. It requires lots of patience and good parenting skills, as well as wanting to provide a place for children. The parent also must be able to provide a stable atmosphere for the child.

The foster children aren't of a particular age. They may range from babies to teen-agers. But, the parent may request a certain age group or a certain gender of the children that they prefer to host.

The time in which a child stays can't be determined. Sometimes, emergency residence is needed and a child may only stay a couple of days. Other times, a child may stay years with the family.

"They go on a case by case basis," Clark said. She explained that some children are waiting to be adopted and others are waiting to go back to their natural families.

Foster families have to realize that they may not have the child as long as they would like, but in some cases the family does adopt the child. No matter how long the child is in the care of a foster family, the child does benefit from having this care.

"For a short time, I had an impact on a person's life," is what Clark said people feel after being involved with this program.

The goal of the program is to reunite the child with

the natural parents which can sometimes be difficult. The typical stereotype that people hear about is the drug addicts who go through detoxification, reformed, and get their children back. "But, some of these families may have income or marital problems," said Clark.

In some cases the child may have behavioral problems that are attributed to the removal of the natural home.

Army families are looked highly upon when applying in the foster care program. They are visible in the community and provide adequate schooling and housing.

"There is a big need for minority families," Clark said. In fact, the Department of Human Resources is making a plea for more black families to host foster children. They also desperately need minority families to adopt children.

The Department of Human Resources also has a hard time finding homes for children with special needs.

There are currently seven families located on the installation that are in-

involved in the foster care program. "It just goes to show that military people do want to be involved in the community and want to help out," Clark said.

On or off post, Clark can

assist in applying for the program. "I can help with the background checks, applications, and letters," that Human Resources requires, said Clark. She can also inform people of the support

groups and screening that Human Resources will involve. Anyone who is not only willing to open their homes but their hearts to children in times of need can call Clark at 876-5397.



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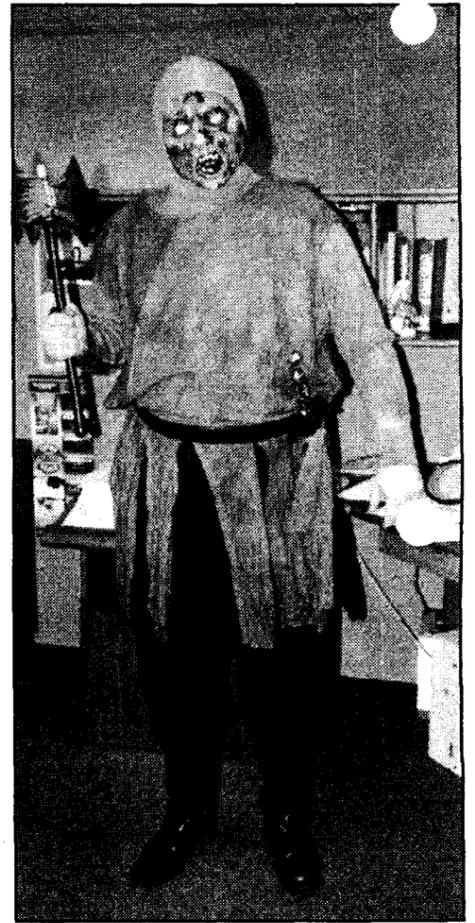
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PARTY ANIMALS—Members of the Joint Project Office for Unmanned Ground Vehicle Systems dressed up for the Halloween celebration. From left are Mary Lou Cole (Navy officer), Virginia Branam (Lady-in-waiting), Gaylon Branam (Sheik), and Bonnie Hankins (witch).



WARRIOR— Mike Thompson, IMMC Distribution and Transportation, caught the spirit of Halloween and came to work dressed as a dead warrior from the movie "Army of Darkness" Oct. 31.

MOTLEY CREW—Members of the Space and Strategic Defense Command dug into their closets and caught the Halloween spirit. From left are Maggie Dilworth (witch), Rhonda Clemmons (Raggedy Ann), Carolyn Harris (Whoopi Goldberg), and Amy Bradley (cowgirl).



FUN TIME— Software Engineering Directorate workers took Halloween to heart and dressed for the occasion. Kneeling are Melody Meadows-Reagh (hippie) and Kathey Brooks (farm girl). Standing, from left, are Ed Naylor (clown), Pam Stinson, (hooker), Eric Devlin (sheik), Mary Jane Lutz (pumpkin), Nancy Rostollan (Red Riding Hood), Patsy Richardson (granny) and Jay West (alien salesperson).



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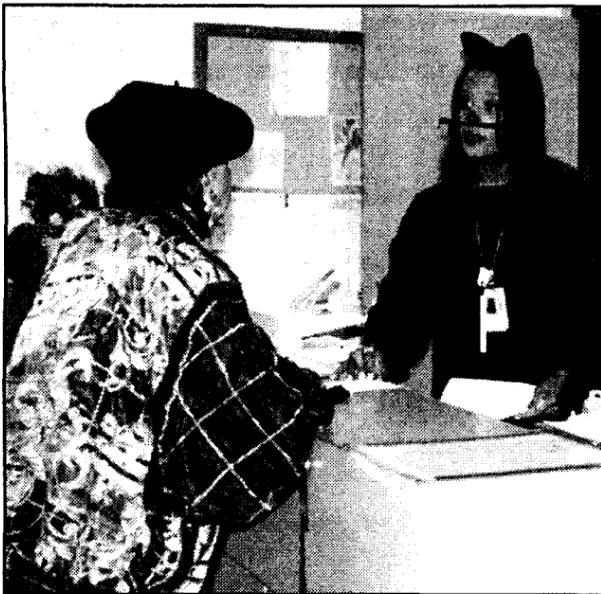
PILLS ANYONE?— Spec. Bob Panitzke, dressed as a gorilla, waits on retired Sgt. Maj. Ron Poteat at the pharmacy at Fox Army Community Hospital.



BLOOD THIRSTY CREW— Laboratory technicians at Fox Army Community Hospital perform their daily duties. Kneeling, from left, are Jacuie Rose (cowgirl) and Monica Harris (baby). Standing, from left, are Donna Ragucci (Robin Hood), SSgt. James Coffey (clown), Kimberly Simpson (puppy dog), Debbie Jones (witch) and Judy Russell (pregnant woman).



SCENE STEALERS— RASA employees enjoyed a break from their normal workday and partied at the JOC Club during lunch. Kneeling are J.R. Smith (Jason), Bob Sexton (werewolf), Betty Whitman (witch) and Kim Woodberry (ghost). Standing, from left, are Mitzi McFerrin (witch), Col. Stephen Moeller (Frankenstein), Sue Paddock (bebopper), Sue Floyd (clown), Michelle Reed (cave woman), Debbie Niven (tarnished angel), Kay Now (biker lady), Karen Bender (Marilyn Monroe), Wendy Mitchell (Cleopatra) and Barbara Ranson (high-class housewife).



FELINE FRIEND— Blake Eavey, dressed as a cat, helps patients in the Family Practice Clinic at Fox Army Community Hospital.



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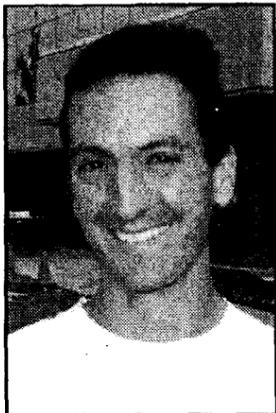
Keene outduels wind to take Rocket City Half Marathon

By Skip Vaughn

Kevin Keene won the sixth annual Rocket City Half Marathon held Saturday at McDonnell Douglas in Huntsville.

Keene, 33, of Madison, was first across the finish line in 1:14:40. Meshelle Pate, 34, was the first female finisher in 1:33:52.

"I've run 1:11:43 on this course but it was windy, tough. And it's kind of hard when you don't have anybody to push you on this course. And the wind. I feel like I ran as well as I could today," said Keene, an engineer at Boeing.



Keene

Danny Stubblefield, 25, of McMinnville, Tenn., led the race until Keene passed him at about seven and a half miles. Stubblefield settled

for second place in 1:15:50. "It seemed to me the wind was a little bit tougher this year than it was last year," Stubblefield said.

There were 335 finishers in the race presented by McDonnell Douglas and the Huntsville Track Club, according to Ray Moses, the race director.

Male: Overall— Kevin Keene (1:14:40).

Master— Richard Weeks, age 47, (1:17:28).

19-under— Mac McClure (1:36:23), Kevin Fortner (1:39:50), Brian Weil (1:40:16). 20-24— Wayne Sachleben (1:34:58), Steven

Sowell (1:41:35), John Pound (1:42:16). 25-29— Danny Stubblefield (1:15:50), David Purinton (1:17:04), Wayne Wallace (1:19:40). 30-34— Mike Yarnell (1:16:11), Pete Pritchard (1:22:34), Tim Lee (1:22:56). 35-39— Joe Francica (1:19:53), Phil Gates (1:22:07), David Zajic (1:23:22). 40-44— Andy Nathan (1:21:30), Tom Palguta (1:22:16), Forrest Callicut (1:23:21). 45-49— Steve Rice (1:20:27), Carl Nicholson (1:25:41), Gary Grace (1:26:04). 50-54— Don Wallace (1:27:25), Ellis Whitt (1:31:01), Dwight McPherson (1:31:31). 55-

59— Philip Parker (1:36:01), Joe Beams (1:36:02), Cecil Hester (1:36:39). 60-64— Gresh Downs (1:38:40), Charles Terrell (1:43:57), Lyman Jackson (1:46:04). 65-over— Grady Edwards (1:52:16), Mike Dooley (2:04:58), E.R. Ritch (2:30:00).

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Rachel Smith (1:56:21). 30-34— Sylvia Martin (1:40:57), Sharon McFall (1:41:37), Yen Smith (1:44:56). 35-39— Geri Mashburn (1:43:58), Brenda Robbins (1:49:41), Julie Zingarelli (1:53:11). 40-44— Lyndell Weeks (1:37:49), Nancy Nail (1:43:23), Mary Jackle (1:45:03). 45-49— Linda Sledge (1:44:15), Pam Duke (1:49:06), Barbara Gammill (2:15:45). 50-54— Cele Coyle (2:05:52), Alice Hoffman (2:13:16), Bonnie Hall (2:44:00). 55-59— Barbara Meyer (2:00:00), Barbara Sosebee (2:00:59). 65-over— Betty Dooley (2:29:52).

Auburn Tigers picked to cook Georgia Bulldogs

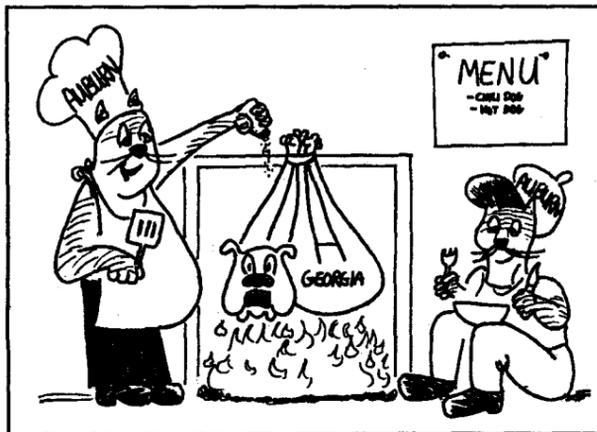
By Skip Vaughn

Auburn will try to extend the nation's longest winning streak to 21 games Saturday against the dangerous Georgia Bulldogs.

The Tigers, 9-0 this season and ranked third in the nation, whipped East Carolina 38-21 last weekend. Georgia has a 5-4 record after an off week.

Auburn's defensive secondary is one of the strengths of its team, so the Tigers should give Georgia quarterback Eric Zeier trouble. Look for Auburn to stay unbeaten before its showdown Nov. 19 against Alabama.

Last week Skip's Picks went 26-4, bringing the season totals to 244-74-4 for 77 percent. Here are my predic-



tions for selected games this week in major college football:

- Georgia at Auburn— Auburn by 7.
- Alabama at Miss St.— Bama by 4.
- Ala. A&M at Tuskegee—

- Tuskegee by 7.
- Boston U. at Army— Army by 3.
- Syracuse at Boston College— BC by 7.
- San Diego St. at BYU— BYU by 4.
- W. Va. at Temple— W. Va.

- by 14.
- Ga. Tech at Clemson— Clemson by 11.
- S. Carolina at Florida— Fla. by 21.
- Notre Dame vs. Fla. St.— FSU by 7.
- Southern Miss at LSU— SM by 3.
- Texas A&M at Louisville— A&M by 10.
- Pittsburgh at Miami— Miami by 17.
- Duke at NC St.— Duke by 6.
- Memphis at Tenn.— Tenn. by 10.
- Ole Miss at Tulane— Miss by 7.
- Maryland at Virginia— Va. by 14.

- Rutgers at Va. Tech— VPI by 7.
- N. Carolina at Wake Forest— NC by 4.
- Penn St. at Illinois— PS by 13.
- Ohio St. at Indiana— OS by 6.
- Northwestern at Iowa— Iowa by 7.
- Nebraska at Iowa St.— Nebraska by 24.
- Colorado at Kansas— Colo. by 21.
- Minn. at Mich.— Mich. by 17.
- Purdue at Mich. St.— MS by 7.
- Kansas St. at Missouri— KS by 7.
- Cincinnati at Wisconsin—

- Wis. by 14.
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- Baylor at Rice— Baylor by 7.
- Houston at Texas— Texas by 11.
- Utah at Air Force— Utah by 4.
- UCLA at Ariz. St.— UCLA by 3.
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Sports

Hang gliding a high-flying hobby for flight enthusiast



SOARING WITH THE BIRDS— Kirksey takes to the sky whenever the winds are right and soars with his hang glider.

By Kathy Harkleroad

A fascination with flight turned to reality for Keith Kirksey, Directorate of Public Works associate director, and for the last five months has been soaring with the birds on his new hang glider.

"I have been fascinated

with flight for as long as I can remember and have tried sports that gave me a taste of what it was actually like to fly," Kirksey said. The sports Kirksey is speaking about is a one-time shot at bungee jumping and a parachute jump from an airplane. "Hang gliding is as close man can come to nat-

ural flight," he said.

According to Kirksey it all started with seeing an advertisement in the Redstone Rocket the first of the year. "I decided to give it a try and after one lesson I knew I was hooked," Kirksey said.

In order to learn the art of hang gliding Kirksey

took lessons for 10 weeks at a mountain in Gurley and now spends every moment he can gliding. "The lessons are hard and one out of five make it through the complete course," he said. The training involves starting out on a small slope and learning how to run and jump with the glider on the person's back.

"At first I was a scared, especially when I looked over the side of the mountain and saw the distance to the bottom. But once I took off, the feelings I experienced are indescribable.

There is no way to describe how it feels to fly like a bird and soar with the hawks and buzzards," Kirksey said.

"One of the most memorable moments I've had hang gliding is when I looked down during my first flight and saw my shadow on the ground. It took my breath away," he said.

The sport of hang gliding isn't for everyone and the startup costs can be a little expensive. According to Kirksey, lessons are approximately \$500 and gliders and equipment runs between \$2 and \$6,000. "Gliders are also available for rent, but when all that is between you and the earth is your glider, you want to

know who has taken care of it and what shape it is in," Kirksey said.

Kirksey also said that although hang gliding may sound like a dangerous sport the statistics are relatively low as far as deaths go.

"Last year there were approximately seven deaths related to hang gliding. Everyone who does participate in the sport is well trained and as long as they keep within their limits, everything will be OK,"

Kirksey said.

Hang gliding has also proven to be addicting as gliders are always on the lookout for the perfect flying day.

"We watch the local pilots (the other birds) and if the conditions are right, everyone is on the phone to other members and off we go," Kirksey said.

"It has gotten so it is really hard to look out the window and not think of an excuse to go flying. I love it up there."

Bowling standings

Here are the standings for the Redstone Arsenal Intramural Bowling League after last week's games:

	Won	Lost
MI Detachment	134	91
Sandbaggers	133.5	91.5
Missile Maniacs	133	92
Readiness Grp-2	130.5	94.5
F Company MLRS	126.5	98.5
SHORAD-2	122	103
Master Blasters	121	104
TMDE-2	119.5	105.5
Marines	119.5	105.5
TMDE-1	118	107
Dilligaf	106.5	118.5
D Company-1	94	131
SHORAD-1	93	132
Hooters	78.5	146.5
Readiness Grp-1	73.5	151.5
D Company-2	72	153

200 games bowled Nov. 1:

Tracy Grindrod (TMDE-2)	203
John Jarboe (Dilligaf)	203
Don Harris (MI Detachment)	203
Paul Brideau (TMDE-2)	205
Victor Ferreira (TMDE-1)	206
Tim McPherson (Marines)	208
Jim Maddison (Dilligaf)	214
Louis Flores (Sandbaggers)	221
Lawrence Ashton (SHORAD-2)	227
Bill Hollifield (Missile Maniacs)	237
William Beardsly (Missile Maniacs)	253 & 201

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Patriot to serve as testbed for defense diagnostic program

Editor's note: This article was provided by CAS Weapon System Analyses.

At the Weapon System Improvement Group within the DoD's Office of Production and Logistics, there is a vision that handling tough diagnostic jobs in the future will entail the use of experts who may be on the other side of the world from the weapon system being diagnosed. The Integrated Diagnostics Support Demonstration (IDSD) is being conducted to lay the groundwork. The results should enhance the soldier's ability to do his job.

In 1993, a Memorandum of Agreement was signed between the MD PEO and OSD to use Patriot as a testbed for the effort. Drawing on high-technology experiences of Patriot, other systems, and the commercial world, IDSD will integrate satellite communications, expert systems, remotely-controlled diagnostics, electronic publications, digital video, and computerized data acquisition. Pieces of such an integrated system are already in use from remote areas for medical consultation, Space Shuttle data collection, and diagnosing problems with family automobiles. According to the IDSD project manager, Vernon Chance of the Patriot



TEAM MEETING— Participating in the Patriot IDSD weekly management team meeting are, from left, Don Klitzke, Log Lab; Kelvin Nunn, Log Lab; Emory Steedley, PPO; Ed Naylor, SED; Lawrence Peterson, MICOM; Beeler, CAS; Lt. Col. Blake Copple, PPO; Jack Cunningham, Raytheon; Richard Gramly, IMMC; and John Beasley, PPO.

Project Office Product Assurance Division, "We believe that this is a concept whose time has come. It's already in use for cars, copiers, and medical needs. Now, it's time to put it to use for the soldier in the field. Patriot's been using display-aided maintenance for years and this will enhance that capability in the field."

The IDSD is truly a team effort. It is being managed by Col. Frank Powell, project manager of the Patriot Project Office. Patriot's System Engineering and Technical Assistance contractor, Raytheon Company, is developing the expert system

applications, remote diagnostics software and the training package. At the MICOM Integrated Materiel Management Center, the Electronics Publications Division is managing the specialized publication needs, and the Logistics Laboratory is responsible for the use of video systems. The military users have played an active role in the definition of the system itself and how it should be used. Representatives of the allied nations using Patriot have been an integral part of joint efforts to guide the IDSD development. All in all, this program represents an integration not

of just technologies, but many organizations in both the government and contractor, and a whole range of support responsibilities.

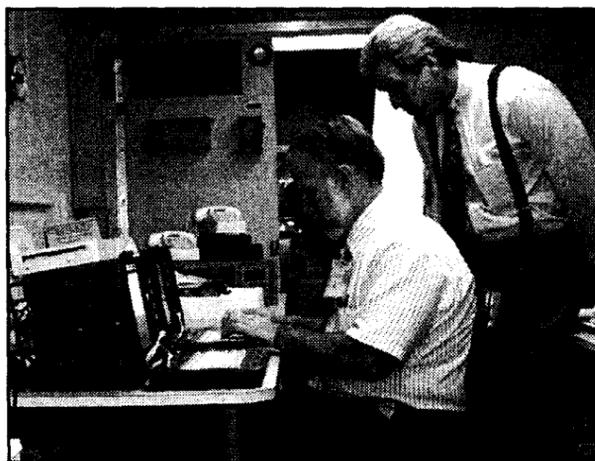
According to CAS Inc. IDSD program manager, Dr. Dennis Beeler, an efficient integration of such technologies should help take away the need for highly specialized technical support in the field, and speed the process of getting systems back on line. In addition, these technologies will enhance the tools the soldier has at his side. Computerized collection of maintenance data will greatly enhance the analysts back home to get to the bottom of problems, to develop solutions, and to send back

up-to-date diagnostics to the soldier. Coupled with interactive links to electronic publications, and computer controlled test equipment, the IDSD system will bring the capabilities of experts quickly to the problems, either by real-time communications or through automated equipment.

After the current development, integration, and testing efforts are completed in early 1995, the IDSD system will be put in the hands of the soldiers in a Patriot Firing Battery within the U.S. The system will be evaluated on a tactical unit. A support center will provide on-line assistance from the Patriot Project Office, and it in turn will be linked to Raytheon facilities in Massachusetts. The final proof will be to perform a three-month demonstration at a site outside the continental U.S.

Concept Demonstration 3 will be conducted at multiple sites to show operation and connectivity between major IDSD system elements.

Using satellite and land-line communication links, IDSD hardware and software at the Software Engineering Directorate on Redstone Arsenal will be linked to a Support Center at the Patriot Project Office, which in turn will be linked to system experts at Raytheon in Massachusetts.



SYSTEM INTEGRATED TESTS— With IDSD equipment hooked up to an operating Patriot system, CAS employees Dan Malcolm (seated) and Dennis Beeler perform network checks.

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New law boosts political participation by federal workers

Nov. 8 was a big election day, and federal workers were among the many Americans who exercised their right to vote. The revised Hatch Act governs political participation of federal civilian workers.

The president on Oct. 6, 1993 signed the Federal Employees Political Activities Act of 1993 reforming the Hatch Act and thus allowing greater federal employee political participation. "It somewhat liberalizes the process and that was the whole theory

initially," said David Points, an attorney in the Missile Command's Legal Services Division.

When President Bush was in office, Congress put in some liberalized rules. Bush slowed down this process, however, because he felt it would add to the Democratic vote, Points said. President Clinton supported the liberalized rules when he entered office.

"It gave the federal workers a greater avenue in the po-

litical process. But this was a compromise between the Republicans and the Democrats," Points said.

Under the new law, all Senior Executive Service employees, and employees of most intelligence, investigative, and law related agencies continue to be barred from most political activity. The Act permits most off-duty political activity as described below, while continuing to bar political activity during the duty day. During off-duty

time federal employees may:

- Take an active part in political management or in political campaigns, such as distributing campaign literature or participating in phone banks.
- Run for office within party organizations and affiliated groups, such as convention delegate.
- Solicit contributions to political action committees of the organization to which both the employee and the donor belong.

Federal employees are still barred from:

- Running for elective public office, with a few very restricted exceptions in communities specifically designated by Office of Personnel Management as having federal workers comprise the majority of the voter population and then only as an independent candidate.
- Soliciting campaign contributions from the public.
- Using their official position to influence colleagues and

election outcomes.

- Wearing political campaign buttons while in government buildings or on duty.
- Wearing a uniform or insignia that identifies them as a government or poster worker while engaged in political activity.
- Using political recommendations in hiring or promotion decisions for career civil service employees.

Asbestos lawsuit settlement pending in federal courts

Editor's note: The Legal Assistance Office at Redstone provided the following article.

A global settlement agreement is pending in two class action suits involving Fibreboard Corporation (Ahearn vs. Fibreboard Corp., C.A. No. 6: 93CVJ26 (E.D. Tex.) and Continental Casualty Co. vs. Rudd, C.A. No.: 6: 9VCV458 (E.D. Tex.). The agreement will resolve all future asbestos-related personal injury claims against Fibreboard as well as all third-party claims arising therefrom. If individuals exposed to asbestos or asbestos-containing products do not join in this class action, they will be forever

barred from recovering against Fibreboard or its insurers. There are potentially thousands of active duty, Reserve, retired and discharged soldiers, family members, and DoD civilian employees with an interest in this litigation.

The classes are mandatory non-opt-out classes. People are automatically members of the class if they were exposed to asbestos (for which Fibreboard may bear legal responsibility) and they have not filed a lawsuit or settled a claim with Fibreboard before Aug. 27, 1993.

The U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas will hold a hearing Dec. 12 to determine the fairness of

the settlement.

This could be the only opportunity for class members to provide input to the agreement. Written objections or comments must be filed with the court by Nov. 15.

Any class member who wants to appear at the hearing must submit a notice of intent to appear by Dec. 1. Failure to object, comment, or appear will not affect one's right to recover under the settlement agreement.

If you, a member of your family, or someone for whom you have legal responsibility was exposed, directly or indirectly, to asbestos or asbestos-containing products, call 1-800-792-2000 for more informa-

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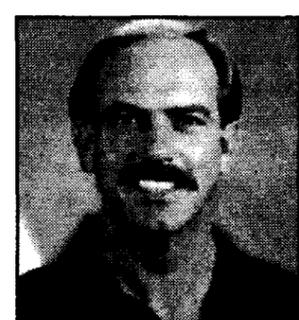
even if you were only exposed to asbestos and are

not suffering from any symptoms of injury.

Army astronaut to speak at TMDE conference here

An Army astronaut, who became the first warrant officer in space when he flew aboard the Space Shuttle in 1991, is scheduled speaker for the TMDE Activity worldwide conference here next week.

CWO 4 Thomas Hennen is to speak at 1 p.m. Nov. 17 at the Sparkman Center auditorium. The Test Measurement and Diagnostic Equipment Activity



Hennen

worldwide conference will be held Nov. 15-18.

The conference is conducted by Robert DuBois, director of TMDE Activity, and hosted by Dr. Frank Westmoreland, director of logistics for the Activity.

Hennen, 42, from Columbus, Ohio, was the Terra Scout payload specialist aboard the Space Shuttle Atlantis during the STS-44 mission Nov. 24 to Dec. 1, 1991.

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THADD

Continued from page 1. and after flight tests. The testing system was developed by Tec-Masters Inc. under contract to THAAD Project Office.

"It's a key component of the THAAD program that we've developed to ensure another step toward success," said Col. Fred Kilgore, the THAAD project manager. The weapon system is scheduled for its first flight test in early fiscal 1995.

The THAAD Verification & Validation System will be used in its mobile configuration at the Space and Strategic Defense Command's Advanced Research Center, the Lockheed Missiles and Space Company's System Integration Labora-

tory, and the Missile Command's Software Engineering Directorate. The first of the mobile configurations is located at the advanced research center; it will interface with the Ground Based Radar Test Facility located within the center and will validate software prior to the flight tests.

The interfaces have already started, according to Ken Shipman, chief of the software branch at THAAD Project Office. "In February 1995 we're going to be getting a big delivery of software and that'll be loaded on the van," Shipman said. This software will be delivered from Litton Data Systems of California.

"The van is a testbed that tests the tactical software

that's going to be put on the THAAD system," Shipman explained.

Thursday's dedication ceremony included a briefing, ribbon cutting, tour, and questions-and-answers. Attendees included representatives from the project office, Tec-Masters, Colsa, Ground Based Radar, and Space and Strategic Defense Command.

A long range, high altitude, air defense system, THAAD is designed to counter tactical ballistic missiles similar to the Iraqi Scud. It is a hit-to-kill type system which uses kinetic energy rather than a high explosive warhead.

After the first flight in early fiscal '95, flights will continue through September 1996 every month to month-and-a-half. Twenty missiles are being built for flight test. "On 8 July, we had the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Courtland (Ala.) missile assembly facility. That's ultimately where the missiles will be assembled starting in mid-to late-fiscal '95," Kilgore said in a recent interview.

LOGSA workers approve union representation

An election was conducted Nov. 1 by the Federal Labor Relations Authority on the question of union representation for the non-supervisory professional and non-professional employees of the Logistics Support Activity.

A total of 211 eligible votes were cast. The election results were 180 for union representation and 31 against. Thus, the American Federation of Government Employees (AFGE) Local 1858 now represents both the non-supervisory professional and non-professional employees of LOGSA. The professional employees voted to be in the same bargaining unit as the non-professional employees.

Vicki Fuller, chief of labor relations for AFGE



CASTING BALLOT— Cindy Brown of the Logistics Support Activity drops her vote into the box. LOGSA voted through the Federal Labor Relations Authority to join the union. They will be part of the American Federation of Government Employees chapter 1858.

Local 1858, said the union is very pleased with the outcome and would soon proceed with requests to management to start contract negotiations.

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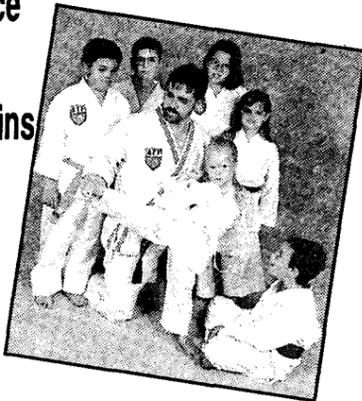
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Raytheon wins major Army Patriot contract

The Ballistic Missile Defense Organization and the Army last week announced award of a \$120,787,000 contract to the Raytheon Company to integrate the new PAC-3 missile into the Army's Patriot air defense guided missile system.

The award covers 47 months of work and went to Raytheon's Missile Systems Division at Bedford, Mass.

The work will be done there and at other Raytheon facilities in the state.

Raytheon is the prime contractor on Patriot, the Army's primary defense against missiles and aircraft on the battlefield. On Oct. 27 the Army awarded a contract to Loral-Vought, Dallas, Texas, to do engineering and manufacturing development (EMD) of the new PAC-3 missile which

will be used in the Patriot system.

Army Patriot air defense units are deployed throughout the world. When ready for operational use in about four years, the PAC-3 missile will be an integral part of the Patriot system, the interceptor of choice to defend against attack by tactical ballistic missiles.

The contract awarded Oct. 31 to Raytheon funds an extensive hardware and software integration effort to ensure that Patriot equipment, i.e. launchers, radars, computers, etc., is fully compatible with the new missile at the completion of PAC-3 EMD.

The Patriot project manager and his staff based in Huntsville manage the Patriot program.

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Announcements

Turkey shoot— A Turkey shoot will be held Nov. 15 from 1-3 p.m. at the Post Outdoor Recreation Range. A donation of \$3 per round includes the target and a shell. For more information, call Rich Lonardo or Tim Tripp at 876-2307.

PX news— During this busy upcoming holiday season, the Redstone Main Exchange can be reached through the following phone numbers: 876-1064, 883-1437, 883-6100 or 883-6101. "Wishing all our customers a safe and wonderful holiday season— from your PX sales associates and managers". The PX will operate with the following holiday hours on Veterans Day, Nov. 11: Main Store, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Shoppette, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Troop & Tackle, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; MCSS, closed; Service Station, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Class Six, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Anthony's Pizza, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Burger King, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and concessions, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Configuration/data managers— The Association for Configuration and Data Management will meet 6-8 p.m. Nov. 17 at The Meeting Place in Parkway City Mall (next to Montgomery Ward's). Linda Feres, a quality assurance manager from Amtech Corporation and a certified quality auditor, is to give an overview of ISO 9000 and

HATS. All members and the general public is welcome to attend. For more information, call John Emerson 461-2371.

Golf Course specials— Join us Nov. 21-27, during regular business hours for a gobble of Thanksgiving savings. Discounts include: 10 percent off Etonic gloves, 25 percent off Top Flite Irons, 30 percent off Spalding Advantage Irons, 20 percent off Ping Wood Woods and Nicklaus Irons and Woods. More great buys are available on balls, jackets, and ladies and mens Spring/Summer wear. For more information call 876-6888.

Holiday closing for clubs— The Challenger Lounge will be closed Nov. 11-14 and 24-28 for the holidays. The Officers Club will be closed the 11th and 24th for the holidays.

Turkey/ham shoot— The Central Volunteer Fire Department's annual Turkey and Ham Shoot and Shotgun Raffle begins at 8 a.m. Nov. 19 at the corner of Highway 72 and Brownsboro Road. Bring your shotgun; CVFD will provide the shells. Proceeds from the shoot and the raffle will support the CVFD. For more information call 776-9569.

Surplus sale— The General Services Administration will conduct an auction sale of surplus NASA prop-

erty beginning at 9 a.m. Nov. 16 at building 8025. Prospective buyers may inspect items to be sold and register to bid on Nov. 15 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. and on the day of the sale from 8-9 a.m. Items to be sold include ADP equipment, office machines, electronic items, pumps, valves, pickup trucks, televisions, forklift, vans, seam welding machine, carpet, optical lapping machine, crane, and scrap cable/metal.

Contract managers— The Huntsville Chapter of the National Contract Management Association (NCMA) will hold a luncheon meeting Nov. 17 at the Sheraton Inn at the Huntsville Airport. The meeting will be held jointly with the North Alabama Chapter of the Federal Bar Association. Registration will begin at 11:15 a.m. with lunch at 11:25 a.m. Cost of the luncheon is \$8.50 for members and \$9.50 for non-members. For reservations call 464-0652 by Tuesday, Nov. 15. Lester W. Schiefelbein Jr. will be luncheon speaker. His topic will be Recent developments in Government Contracting, Defense Consolidations and Mergers. Schiefelbein is the vice president, chief counsel and secretary for the Lockheed Missiles and Space Company Inc.

Self-defense class— The Huntsville Police Department, in cooperation with Hope Place Inc., will sponsor a self-defense class for

women only on Monday, Nov. 14 from 6-9 p.m. at the National Guard Armory (Lee-man Ferry at Airport Road). A donation of \$10 is requested with all proceeds going to Hope Place. Reservations are recommended and can be made by calling the Hope Place office 534-4052.

Fall cleanup— All housing occupants and organizations are encouraged to participate in the postwide fall cleanup, Nov. 17-18. Necessary supplies are available at the Self-Help Store; and sufficient quantities of pine bark and mulch will also be available. For information call Anita Harrison 955-6600.

Stress Management class— Survive the holidays by joining a free, five-week stress management class being offered by Army Community Service (ACS) on Wednesday, Nov. 9 from 5-6:30 p.m. The class is open to civilians and military. For more information, call Virginia Dempsey 876-5397.

Elder care issues— Army Community Service will present another class in its series addressing elder care issues Thursday, Nov. 17 from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The scheduled speaker is Connie Glass from TARCOG, an expert on legal issues of senior citizens and the legal services available to them. Topics will include estate planning, dual power of attorney, guardianship, living

wills, and nursing home entitlements. To register call Jennifer Clark 876-5397.

Outdoor Recreation— The Redstone community is invited to join the Outdoor Recreation, between the trap and sheet ranges, Nov. 12 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., for a turkey shoot. Cost is \$3 per shot and prizes will be awarded. Outdoor Recreation will provide weapons or you can use your own 12-gauge shotgun. For your safety, the trap and sheet ranges will be closed during this event. "No skill is required to win!" For more information, call 876-4868.

NCO spouses— The Active and Retired NCO Spouses Club will have its monthly meeting 7 p.m. Thursday in the Challenger. Call 859-0340 if you have any question or need a ride.

IMMC Christmas party— The IMMC Christmas Party will be held Dec. 16 in the Sheraton Inn at the Airport. Social, complete with "heavy" hors d'oeuvres, is set for 7-8 p.m.; and music and dancing are slated from 8 p.m. until midnight. Music will be provided by the Natchez Trace Band. Cost is \$12 per person. "The food will be tremendous, and plentiful. There will be door prizes and the entire evening promises to be a memorable occasion." Parking is free; parking ticket will be vali-

dated at the Sheraton. For more information, call Linda Wolfe 876-1531.

Comptrollers society— The Redstone/Huntsville Chapter of the America Society of Military Comptrollers monthly luncheon will be held Nov. 10 at the Holiday Inn-Madison, 11:30 a.m. Scheduled speaker is Doug Farbrother, who worked on the National Performance Review with Vice President Al Gore.

Union meeting— AFGE Local 1858 will hold its next monthly meeting Nov. 14 at 5:30 p.m. in building 7132 (union office). For more information, call 881-7430 or 876-1880.

Post Theater movies— Thursday, "The Next Karate Kid," rated PG, 108 minutes. Friday, "The Next Karate Kid," rated PG, 108 minutes. Saturday, "Time Cop," rated R, 98 minutes. Sunday, "Time Cop," rated R, 98 minutes. Tuesday, "Princess Caraboo," rated PG, 97 minutes. All shows begin at 7 p.m. Admission for Tuesday is adults \$1.50, children \$1. Admission for all other shows is adults \$2.50, children \$1.25.

Sergeants major— There will be a meeting of the Sergeants Major Association at the Challenger Club Nov. 10 at 1 p.m. For more information, call MSgt. Covert 842-7898.

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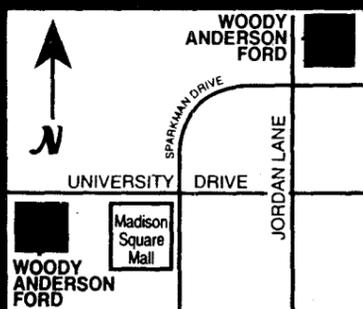
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