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Quarterly Town Meeting updates postwide issues

By Kathy Harkleroad

Members of the Redstone Arsenal community gathered for the quarterly town hall meeting April 18 at the Bicentennial Chapel and discussed issues concerning the community.

Col. Stephen Moeller, deputy post commander, opened the meeting with the announcement of Redstone Arsenal being named the best medium-sized installation in the continental United States for 1995. "This is the fourth year in a row that we have placed in the contest and that is something we can be very proud of," Moeller said.

Moeller also told the attendees about other activities on the installation and mentioned the upcoming competition for the dining hall and new watchable wildlife area. "There are new things happening on the installation every day, and they are happening because the community works together," Moeller said.

Ken Klein, manager of the Post Exchange, spoke to the audience and reported \$1,455,000 had been con-

tributed to the Morale, Welfare and Recreation fund. "The money was generated through purchases at the PX and other facilities and is used to benefit the community. It was through these donations that Youth Services, the Child Development Center, and the golf course have been able to provide additional services," Klein said.

Klein also spoke about the changes that have occurred in Troop Clothing Sales, the barber shop, and the main store. "We recently renovated Troop Clothing Sales and the barber shop and the changes are very noticeable. We have also added a new food vendor in the PX mall with the addition of Robin Hood sandwiches and hot dogs," he said.

"The construction on the main store is coming along nicely and will provide storage area for large items such as refrigerators, lawn equipment and layaways. When the area is completed it will be a welcome addition and will help with our commitment to customer service.

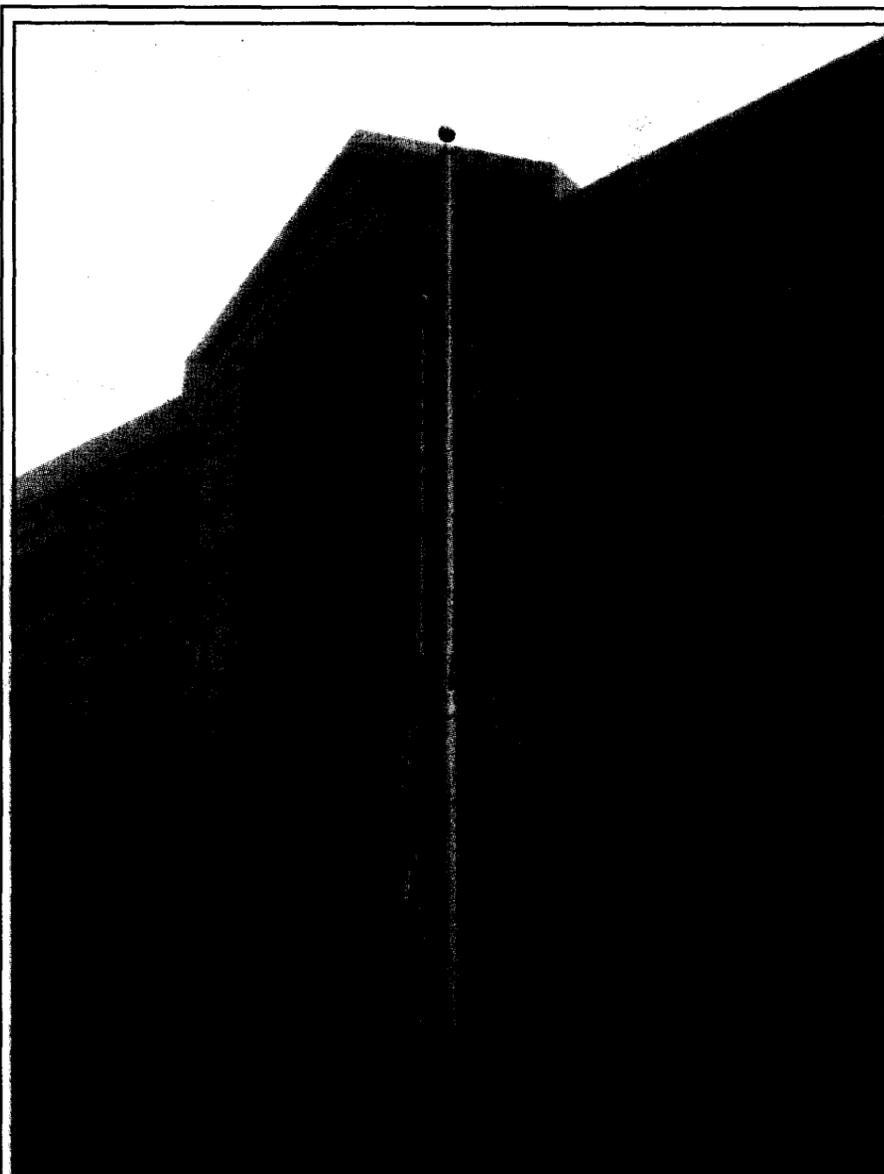
"We are also looking at several locations for a car wash on the Arsenal," Klein added. "Drainage is our biggest problem and we have to take that into consideration when finding a location for the car wash."

Valerie Shippers, acting housing chief, gave an update on the new housing and reported the first loop was fully committed to and families have begun moving in. "We expect the second loop to be ready for occupancy by the end of May," Shippers said.

"Overall the construction has been coming along nicely and the families who have moved into the new homes are very pleased. They have also been very helpful and understanding when it comes to finding the small problems that occur with new homes," she said.

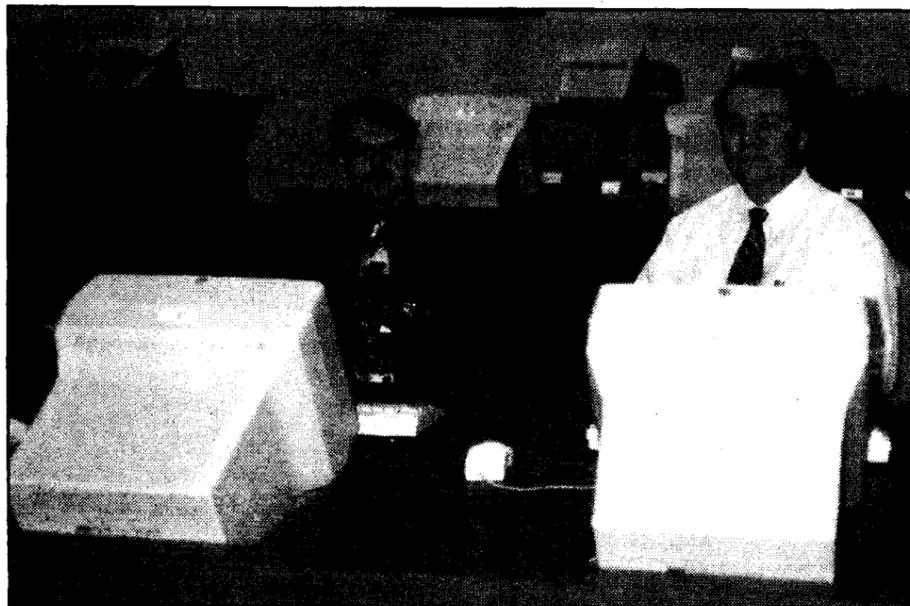
Shippers also gave an update on the improvements that have been completed in other housing sections. "We added new street lamps on Nike Street and have implemented a new line of communication be-

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In memory...

The flag flies half-staff in front of the Sparkman Center April 20 in memory of the many people who died the previous day in a terrorist bombing at a federal building in Oklahoma City, Okla.



PART OF TEAM— Bob Raymond, left, and Brown are two of the members of Team Redstone On-Line.

Team Redstone sets up shop in Internet system

Information about post events available on worldwide web

By Skip Vaughn

Redstone Arsenal is now on-line in the worldwide information highway known as the Internet.

Team Redstone On-Line has been established as a project of the Corporate Information Center. "We have developed a central access point for individuals accessing information from Redstone Arsenal through the worldwide web," said Robert D. Brown, a com-

puter specialist in CIC's Information Systems Directorate. "The worldwide web is the portion of Internet which allows us to use photographs, audio and also video.

"It uses a language called HyperText Markup Language (HTML) and also multimedia; together we call it hypermedia," Brown said.

Information available through the worldwide web

includes Redstone's current events— in text and photos. "The Team Redstone On-Line home page can be accessed by opening a Uniform Resource Locator and typing (the following code): <http://www.redstone.army.mil>," Brown said. "And from the home page of Team Redstone you may access information concerning Redstone Arsenal; we have links

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Letters to the editor

Appreciates leave

I would like to express thanks to my co-workers at Research Development and Engineering Center (RDEC) and Intelligence and Security Directorate (ISD) and all people who donated leave to me during my son's illness. This generous act on your part has relieved a large burden of worry I would have had to face along with his illness. I hope that someday I will have the opportunity to repay my debt for the kindness you have shown. May God bless each of you.

Vickie A. Hill
ISD

Special Olympics

Even though most of the Special Olympics was rained out this morning (April 20), I'd like to thank SFC Jose Lopez of F Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion, and all the other military personnel who acted as escorts for our children today. The Special Olympians were very disappointed about the rain; some did not get to compete at all. This year as every year the military did a superb job as one-on-one escorts for our kids.

Thanks,
Pat Whitworth
(Shane's mom)

Secretaries

This is in response to Bernadine Jackson's letter in the April 19 issue of the Rocket titled "Secretary power." I highly applaud Ms. Jackson's opinion of secretaries; I emphatically agree. I am writing this because for the past seven years, I have worked in the Directorate of Public Works (DPW) and I avoided being a sec-

retary. Last August I was finally awarded the opportunity to serve as the secretary for the Environmental Office (now a Directorate). I want to say that it was the most rewarding, fulfilling, time consuming job I have ever loved. I never expected to enjoy so much hard work as much as I did. I would like to take this opportunity to say Thank You to all the dedicated secretaries in RASA/DPW/EMP that guided, helped, supported and had patience with me. I applaud them all, they are the best. Happy Secretaries Week.

Giannia Brown
RASA/DPW

Fashion fund-raiser

Adorned in spring fashion, members of the Regularettes Auxiliary greeted guests April 15 at the Officers Club to welcome them to the "Elegance en Vogue II" Fashion Review. The tables were covered in white linen, featuring silk arrangements of spring flowers in fushia, burgundy, lavenders and butter-cup yellow. The Private Property Jazz Ensemble from Birmingham played soft jazz-fusion in the background.

The mood was set and models anxiously awaited their turn on the runway to dazzle the audience with an explosion of fashion. Styles featuring the elegance of the '60s were complimented by fashions of the trendy '90s. Models from local sororities, fraternities, and professional models joined club members in presenting an unforgettable splash of fashions from Added Dimensions, Bessie's Boutique, Elite Boutique, Elegant Fashions, Exotic Hats, J. Riggins, McRaes', Vivian Whitaker Designs, Pyramid Enterprises, and the Post Exchange.

This is the second year that the Post Exchange has provided fashions for the "Elegance en Vogue" review. The Regularettes, being spouses of military retirees, relate well to the Post Exchange in many instances having been their one-stop shopping store. It is a delight to note that the Post Exchange continues to offer quality and-trendy mer-

chandise for military families.

Edna Collins, auxiliary president, presented Margurite Lyles a special plaque in appreciation for her tenure as president during 1994. The fund-raiser is in tribute to the educational contributions of Annie Ruth Wilson.

Recipients of the Wilson scholarship are Marva Bryant, Rhonda Byers, Metissa Collins, Inga Conley, Anita Hampton, Loretta Mitchell, Gray Mayfield, Benny Rogers Jr., Wanda Showers, and Akiel Smith. The success of the fund-raiser has made it possible for the organization to issue scholarships again to local graduating high school seniors.

The event was coordinated by Olene McGowen, chairperson, and Sandra Lyles-Jackson with the assistance of committee members Ethel Henderson, Margurite Lyles, Cora Mayfield, Sara King, Jessie Singleterry, and Bonnie Watson. Door prizes were provided by local merchants. Guest commentator for the fashion review was Brenda Beale.

Cora Mayfield

Quality child-care

This letter is written to express my sincere gratitude to the dedicated employees of the Child Development Center (CDC) for their quality services. It is nice to be able to work each day knowing my child is receiving proper care and attention.

I want to give special thanks to the providers in Toddler 2 (T2). They are always pleasant and seem to genuinely care for each child. My toddler enjoys going to the center and has developed an attachment to his providers. The classroom is always conducting activities and it is reassuring to know that the time spent at the CDC is beneficial and educational as well as enjoyable.

It takes special people to make a program as good as the CDC. I think I speak for all parents when I say thank you for taking such good care of our precious little ones.

The Taylors

Redstone wins grant for anti-drug efforts with youth

By Sandra Cartee

A program designed by Ruby Turner, the alcohol and drug control officer on post, recently was recognized in a community outreach pilot program for creating a way for the installation and the surrounding community to band together and help kids fight drugs and alcohol.

In winning this award, the Alcohol and Drug Control Program will receive \$60,000 to put Turner's plan into action. The plan targets kids in middle schools and high schools in grades sixth through 12th. It will provide children who are considered at risk for abusing drugs and alcohol with mentors to give guidance.

"If we get a lot of mentors, than we can help more kids," Turner said. The mentors will consist of 100 volunteers that can come from all walks of the community. "They can be ac-

tive duty, retired military or government workers, or any residents of Redstone, Huntsville or Madison County," Turner said.

The mentors will go into the 28 schools and provide kids with support that they may not get otherwise. "A lot of kids just don't get that positive reinforcement. I hope they get a lot of positive reinforcement from the mentors. A lot of kids don't have parents to go over their homework with them and they need role models," Turner said.

Turner has already started receiving support from soldiers who plan to help and a retired general who will help steer retirees into the effort. "With the help of those good volunteers, it won't be a strain on the center," said Turner. She also plans to hire a program coordinator to train the mentors.

Joe Winston, the chief of military personnel, services



PLANNING TO HELP KIDS— Winston, left, and Turner go over plans for Redstone's community outreach program to assist local youngsters.

and emergency operations project will work. "With all division, believes that the the hands working together

we expect that it will change the lives of many," he said.

The program will also offer a three-day camp in the summer for teens called the Teen Task Force. "There will be activities with trust building, assertiveness, AIDS information, self-esteem building, decision making, refusal skills, and family relationship building," Turner said.

Winston commented, "the effort is to educate, train and provide our kids with the tools to deal with all the problems they are faced with."

Another part of Turner's prevention plan involves smaller children in grades kindergarten through third. "It's a wonderful program called Babes that has puppets and works on self-esteem and builds positive skills with drug and alcohol prevention," Turner said.

To measure how well the program works, the mentors

will monitor school attendance, talk to teachers, collect data, and monitor grades. Turner and Winston feel that the schools really need positive leadership and this program will help.

The community welcomed Turners ideas and fully supports the effort to help. "This provides a shining light on the Army community and shows that this is a community about people working together," Winston said. Turner will be asking for volunteers to be mentors in the upcoming months.

Helping kids say no to drugs and alcohol is an important job, and for the mentors, they will help guide these kids in right directions. Turner feels that any difference is worth it. "If we could help at least one kid, then that's what it's all about!"

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THAAD missile has 'superb' initial test flight

By Dave Harris

THAAD— America's new theater defense interceptor missile — made its first flight at White Sands Missile Range, N.M., Friday.

The Ballistic Missile Defense Organization and the Army said right after the test: "Initial data reviews indicate the missile achieved its intended test objectives."

Three days later, after hearing reports on flight data analysis that went on through the weekend, Col. Fred Kilgore, THAAD project manager, summed the test up in a word: "Superb."

The Friday test was the first in a planned series of 14 demonstration and validation flight tests to verify the THAAD prototype concept, design and perfor-

mance. They will also gather data to support a DoD decision on whether THAAD is ready to enter final design and manufacturing development

On this initial flight, no attempt was made to engage a target. Target engagements begin later this year.

"The purpose of this test was ...to demonstrate the ability of the launcher to launch the missile, and the ability of the missile to perform its functions," Kilgore said.

"...the missile launched, flare deployed and course maintained throughout the boost phase, booster and kill vehicle separated as planned." At the end of the flight— with the missile more than 100 kilometers high — the kill vehicle was intentionally destroyed to



UP AND AWAY— The Theater High Altitude Area Defense missile heads skyward in its first flight test.

demonstrate performance of the safety destruct system.

"This was one of the smoothest countdown efforts with White Sands Missile Range that I have ever observed," Kilgore said. "The missile fired right on time.

"As for the future, the next THAAD is assembled and undergoing testing now. And again, it will fly when ready but I expect it to go much smoother than the first since we worked a lot of the bugs out in preparation for flight one."

Kilgore delayed the first flight to make sure that the missile was ready. "There is no use in rushing a test only to have a failure that will delay one even longer," he explained. "As I said prior to this first flight: This dog was ready to hunt and

our success proves it.

"We have a lot of testing to do yet, but I want the entire THAAD team to know they have my thanks for all the hard work they have done to make the program a success."

THAAD uses technologies developed in earlier BMDO programs. It is the first weapon system developed specifically to defend against theater ballistic missiles. The program is managed by BMDO and executed by the Army Program Executive Officer Missile Defense and the Army THAAD Project Manager. Lockheed Missiles and Space Company, Sunnyvale, Calif., is the prime development contractor.

Hera target has successful test at White Sands Range

WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE, N.M.— On Monday, the Space and Strategic Defense Command for the first time successfully tested a new target system of vital importance for future theater missile defense interceptor tests.

Hera, which delivers a threat-like ballistic missile target, consists of modified second and third stages from the Minuteman II mis-

sile, a modified Pershing II guidance and control section, various interstage hardware, and an instrumented ballistic reentry vehicle.

In Monday's test at White Sands, the Hera propulsion test vehicle flew to a designated altitude of 171 miles above the range and 68 miles down range. The reentry nose cone successfully separated from the two-stage booster and reentered properly.

Successful completion of this flyout test paves the way for the Hera target system to support some upcoming intercept tests for the Theater High Altitude Area Defense missile.

The Hera target system is managed by SSDC's Theater Target Product Office, headed by Lt. Col. Ned Libby. The office is part of the command's Targets, Test and

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from the Team Redstone home page to the official Army home server, the Air Force, the Navy, Coast Guard and Marine Corps. We have up-to-date events happening at Redstone Arsenal; we have information about our leadership at Redstone Arsenal; we're developing a cyberspace center for Redstone technology and that is through the Redstone Arsenal Technology Promotion Office.

"This information is to inform the general public about the past, present and future technology contributions of Redstone Arsenal," he added.

Also in development is a hypermedia historical file which tells the history of Redstone Arsenal. Already available is a link to Soldiers Magazine, the official magazine of the Army. Not only does Redstone provide the link to that magazine, it is also the originator of placing that monthly publication on the worldwide web. All the articles and photographs printed in each issue are available on the computerized highway, thanks to Redstone.

The relationship with Soldiers Magazine

resulted from a partnership between the Corporate Information Center and the Army public affairs office at the Pentagon. Soldiers Magazine—led by Lt. Col. Richard Machamer Jr., editor in chief, and Lou Walker, managing editor—is published each month out of Fort Belvoir, Va. CIC takes the published magazine each month and converts it to a digital format.

In May 1994, Brown was tasked by CIC to find a communications use of the worldwide web which CIC had been researching since November 1993. Brown was introduced to Soldiers Magazine and realized its potential for expansion into a full multimedia publication. He contacted Soldiers by phone and presented the idea; and the magazine leadership in turn invited CIC to present a briefing on the concept for extending this publication to the worldwide web. CIC placed Soldiers Magazine on line in July 1994, and every monthly issue since then is available in words and pictures on Internet.

"Soldiers was the first military magazine on the worldwide web," Brown said. Due to this innovative partnership between CIC and Soldiers Magazine, the other military services are developing their publications on line.

Soldiers Magazine was just the first

application of Redstone's and the Missile Command's involvement in Internet. "The Team Redstone On-Line web project was started Feb. 1, 1995 through the innovative vision of Corporate Information Officer, Max Watson," Brown said.

"Since Soldiers, we developed multimedia training systems; we have developed interactive information programs such as government per diem on-line. Also we are developing a government directory by allowing other government agencies to register the address of their web server through an interactive form that is available through Team Redstone on-line. Through this effort, we will be able to provide more information to effectively use the web to disseminate information on Army agencies," Brown said.

Interest Armywide in the worldwide web has grown significantly in less than a year. In the summer of 1994, the Missile Command was the only Army agency represented at the charter meeting of a federal consortium formed by the National Center for Supercomputing Applications. The only other defense agency represented was the Defense Technical Information Center, now based out of Fort Belvoir. Since then the Army has established an official web server at the Pentagon; and there are more than 75 Army agencies operating web servers.

"If you have a Macintosh or MS Windows equipped with an Internet connection, and some type of TCP/IP (Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol), you can contact the Team Redstone on-line web group and we will provide you with the appropriate browser for your machine," Brown said. Of course this offer doesn't extend to home computer users who have to make their own arrange-

ments through commercial means.

Members of Team Redstone On-Line include Brown, Bob Raymond, Charles Aulds and Margaret Abernathy. Team Redstone On-Line is under the direct guidance of Frankie Doolittle, director of Information Systems Directorate; Brian Taylor, chief of interagency applications division; and Danny Washington, the applications integration team leader. The team can be reached at 876-9808.

"We plan to provide information to secure Redstone Arsenal's reputation as the Silicon Valley of the South through this leading edge technology," Brown said, describing the future for Team Redstone On-Line. "We plan to market Redstone Arsenal as a team environment to attract potential new tenants to Redstone Arsenal. We plan to place MICOM safety regulations on line; we plan to assist Resource Management in placing directives on line; we are going to enhance government training sessions through distance learning for government employees; and we are going to keep MICOM on the leading edge of information management technology by developing the web for global Army communications."

A visit to the worldwide web is impressive. Not only is text available but also photographs and even motion pictures—an F-15 is shown in flight as part of a training manual, for example. The potential appears as vast as outer space, or cyberspace. "We're going to be working on more and more information; it's going to be a virtual library on line," Brown said.

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Donations for Oklahoma City disaster accepted at Redstone

By Sandra Cartee

The bombing of a federal building in Oklahoma City, Okla., on April 19 shocked everyone as numerous innocent children and federal employees lost their lives. Here locally, an effort to help the families and victims of this horrible disaster has been organized. The Automated Maintenance Directorate of the Integrated Materiel Management Center is collecting money on post to forward directly to an agency there helping in relief efforts.

The Automated Maintenance Directorate felt the need to help the victims and families in Oklahoma City. "We feel like since we're a federal agency that they are our brothers and sisters. This is brothers and sisters helping brothers and sisters and we feel like they are our own," explained Brenda B. King. So, they decided to start taking donations around the Arsenal.

"I could imagine if that were my parents or my child (that died)," said King. It's those kind of emotions that are spearheading this drive. Demy Robley commented, "It's sad and it really hits home. We're all susceptible and that could have easily been us."

Both Robley and King are working hard to distribute the donation boxes and will be emptying them every evening to collect the funds. There are a total 15 boxes that have been set out

for people to place donations in. They are located at each major door of the Sparkman Center, Sparkman Cafeteria, and the entrances of the Commissary, Post Exchange, Thrift Shop, building 3777, and building 3629.

The boxes were made by the Logtop business, free of charge and have green signs located on them.

Any type of contribution is welcome, whether it be spare change, dollar bills or even personal checks. Checks can be made out to the Oklahoma City relief fund. "We encourage any type of pay," said Robley.

The group decided that money would be easier to deliver than charitable items such as clothing. "The time is the essence for it right now," explained King. Money can be sent easily whereas clothes and other items would take too long to get there, and the money

will be sent out quickly.

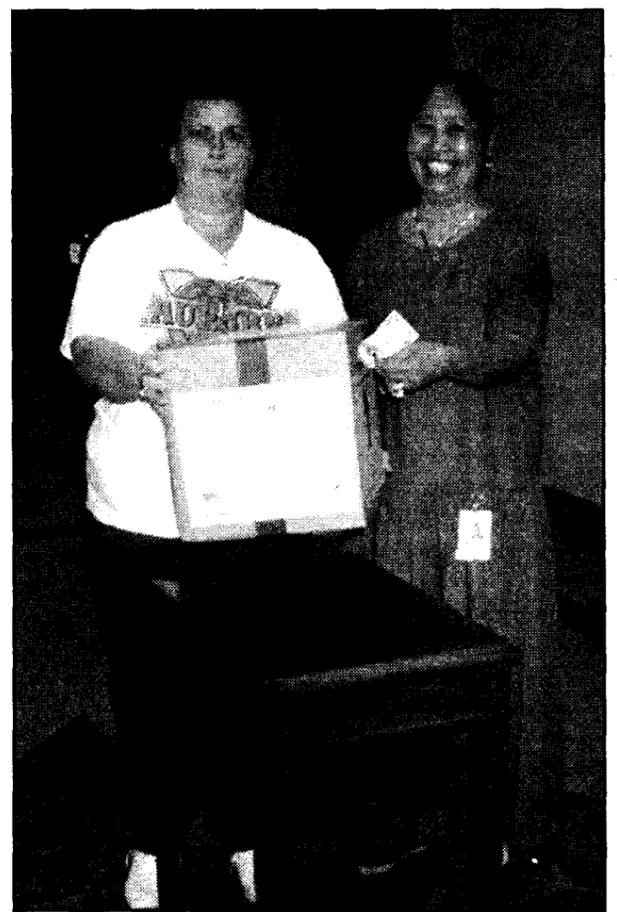
One person that made a donation shortly after the boxes were put out said that he couldn't hardly believe that such a disaster happened here in the U. S. "I felt sorry for the families. It's just unbelievable that anyone could take lives like they did. I just hope they find the people that did it (the bombing)," said Ron Wilson, an employee in the Sparkman Management Office, as he made his donation.

In addition to accepting the donations, the directorate will also have a horseshoe pitch to benefit the efforts. During their organizational day on April 27 at the Civilian Recreation area, the game will cost \$1 per person.

"We're going to encourage people by word of mouth," said King. The directorate believes that if every employee in IMMC

would contribute \$1, than \$1,200 would be raised. "That's not much to give up, like giving up one Coca-Cola," King said.

Anyone can make their donations into the boxes until Thursday, April 27. There are also a number of volunteers who will gladly accept the funds. They include Linda Miller, Air Defense, 876-2813; Elaine Chunn, Readiness, 876-9818; Aileen Jacques, Business Management, 876-8007; Jan Pickard, Logistics Support, 876-5266; Kathy Fowler, Tactical Missiles, 876-3393; Lisa Taylor, Strategic Planning, 876-2679; Linda Weaver, Sustainment Management, 876-2392; King, 876-5227; or the point of contact for the campaign Robley, at 876-6292.



RELIEF EFFORTS— The Automated Maintenance Directorate placed boxes around post to collect money for the families and victims of the Oklahoma City federal building bombing. The money will be collected until Thursday and then be given to an agency who will send it to Oklahoma directly. Pictured are King, left, and Robley distributing donation boxes.

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Army Emergency Relief campaign may be extended

By Kathy Harkleroad

The Army Emergency Relief campaign is winding down to an end and according to Maj. Jim Fowler, AER coordinator, approximately \$22,000 was raised as of April 20. "We still have quite a bit of money out there that has not been turned in, and we expect the total to rise as that money is turned over," Fowler said.

According to Fowler the program started out a little slow, but as the month of April progressed, more events were scheduled and held. "The program began to catch on during the first of April and everyone has been super supportive of the

cause," he said.

Fowler said there has been quite a few imaginative events planned during the campaign. "We have had a lot of neat and imaginative things going on, rather than the standard fund-raising events. So far there has been a golf tournament, walkathon, bowlathon, volleyball tournament, a Greek Step Show, and multitudes of cookouts, car washes, and bake sales. And the numerous events during AER day at RDEC," Fowler said.

Although the campaign is scheduled to end April 30, according to Fowler the campaign might be extend-

ed. "There is a strong possibility the campaign will be extended to sometime in May if the goal of \$50,000 is not met," he said.

"We know there is still quite a bit of money that has not been turned in yet for various reasons. Some of the organizations are using the money as working capital for ongoing events and will turn it in when the event comes to a close," Fowler said.

Organizations who have competed their fund-raising efforts, or who have money to turn in, can do so Monday through Thursday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. "They don't necessarily have to have an appointment, but can call the office for one if they like," Fowler said.

The temporary office is located in building 3497, Tower A, second floor on Aerobee Road. The phone number for the AER office is 842-0915.

"We would also like to



AER FUND-RAISER— Personnel at RDEC participated in their annual AER day and raised approximately \$5,700 in donations. Workers took a break from work during lunch and played

bingo, ate lunch outdoors and participated in several other events. Pictured are several employees participating in the cake walk.



RDEC AER DAY— The annual RDEC AER Day was held April 18 in the north parking lot with several events. Pictured is Ara Miller holding a piglet as Thurman Howard gives it a kiss. Howard raised \$206 in his effort to raise funds for AER and won a kiss with the piglet.

thank everyone for all the support they have given us during the campaign. There has been a tremendous amount of work, including all the behind the scenes planning, that has gone into the events. If it wasn't for the dedication of those peo-

ple we wouldn't be where we are today," Fowler said.

Donations to the campaign can also be made individually. Soldiers can designate any amount to be deducted from their checks and civilian employees can donate in cash. "If a soldier

would like to set up an allotment, all they have to do is contact their AER representative and fill out a simple form. The soldier can indicate how much is to be deducted and for how long," Fowler said.



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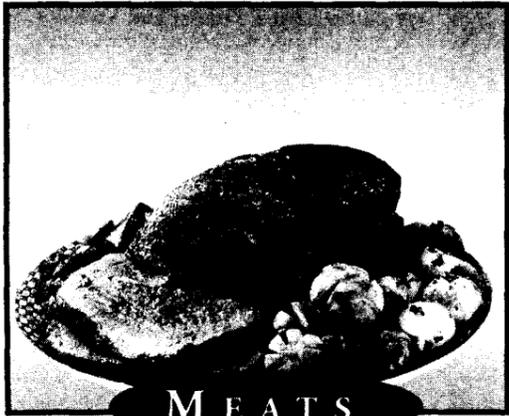


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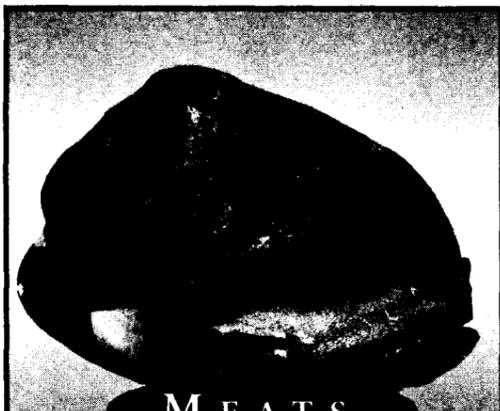
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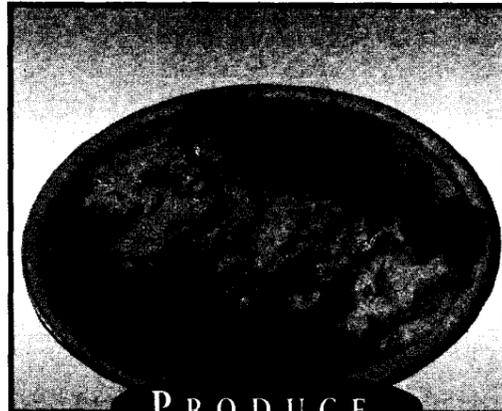
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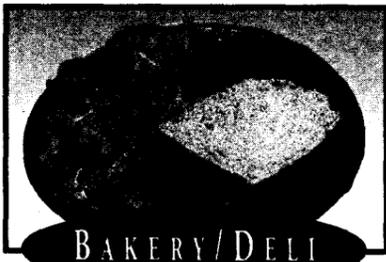
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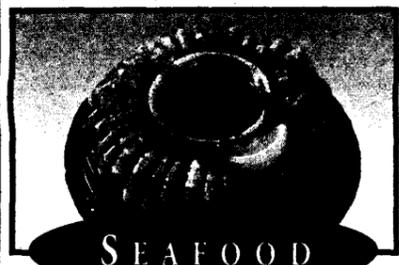
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Customer Service Corner: Video Teleconference Center

By Sandra Cartee

The Corporate Information Center's Video Teleconference Center performs a great service for its customers here at Redstone. It saves employees valuable time and helps avoid great costs in traveling. The VTC also provides a more personal service by letting Department of Defense workers have teleconferences with family members across the country at Christmas time.

The VTC is an executive meeting type room that joins two or more groups at separate locations in on one meeting. All parties are able to see each other and converse back just as if they were all in the same room. A total of 25 locations can be joined in on one meeting without anyone ever having to leave their installation.

"We provide them with video teleconferencing connectivity," said Mike Hinckley, acting chief of the visual information division. These customers include the MICOM community, the Redstone Arsenal community, and mostly DoD customers. Any part of the armed services can also be connected because the VTC is one of 225 participants in the Defense Commercial Telecommunications Network.

"We can connect with anyone in the continental U. S. including Hawaii, and the Kwajalein Islands. We can also connect defense contractors through a Sprint channel," said Leon Burkholder, a VTC technician.

The VTC in the Sparkman Center seats 39 people with all being able to take part in the meetings. The VTC in building 5250 holds 16 and both centers give real time connection links through underground AT&T phone lines. There are four state of the art video cameras and high-tech audio equipment with acoustically equipped walls to absorb sound. The lighting is also color balanced with full spectrum tubes especially designed for the conferences.

The advantages of holding meetings through the VTCs are astounding. "It's smarter and faster," said Hinckley. "The VTC not only supports the command group but provides managers and workers a shirt sleeve environment to sit and resolve issues. It provides a more relaxed atmosphere."



NEXT BEST THING TO BEING THERE?—Hinkley, left, and Burkholder believe that meetings held through the VTC are smarter, faster, and are better than actually being there.

Time saving is a big advantage of the VTCs. "When people come in here to do a two-hour conference, there is a tremendous amount of work done and it helps people focus more on specific issues in the conference," said Hinckley. The work is done in a short amount of time and people are able to get back to their offices quicker.

Travel expenses are also a big factor. "We average

\$120-150,000 in cost avoidance in TDYs (temporary duty travel)," said Hinckley. The customer no longer has to travel (saving on air fare), or needs of a rental car, or has to be paid per diem for work. "Instead of taking a day or two days to attend a meeting, now you can have the meeting and boom, your back in your office," explained Hinckley.

All members of the crew can attend the meetings, as well, and the customers don't have to worry about all the key personnel not being there to answer questions. "You can have many support personnel with them instead of flying everybody out," Hinckley said.

The VTC also handles classified meetings, and security is assured.

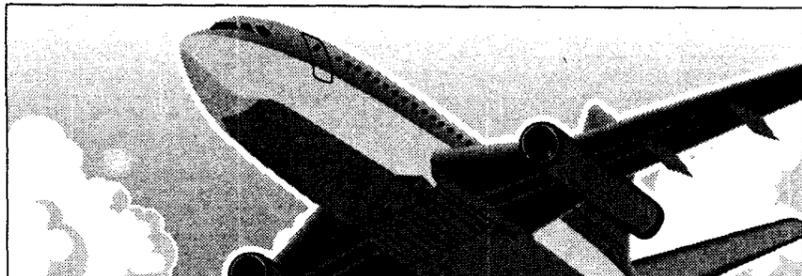
The VTC also provides a public service during the holidays by letting servicemembers or government employees have contact with family members far away. "If they have family members in the continental states and there is a nearby facility that has VTC capabilities, we'll let them have a visit," explained Burkholder. This is a DoD supported effort and Hinckley said "this is a small way to help support the soldiers," about the Christmas time calls.

Other special instances that the VTCs help the community are when soldiers are deployed to protect the country and connections are made for family members to visit during holidays. "During Thanksgiving we had calls to Haiti and two members of the military from Redstone were able to talk to their family here," said Burkholder. He added that the families were very excited to be able to see one another and that it is a great service.

The VTCs save time that employees would have to travel to attend meetings and avoids the cost of travel expenses. The VTCs also allow many different locations to be joined in at one time. Attending meetings across country are no longer a hassle with the VTC capabilities.

The free service given to people who have been separated from family members during the holidays is also beneficial. With this wave of the future, video teleconferencing may be the next best thing to being there. With the cost avoidance and time saved for employees, it is better.

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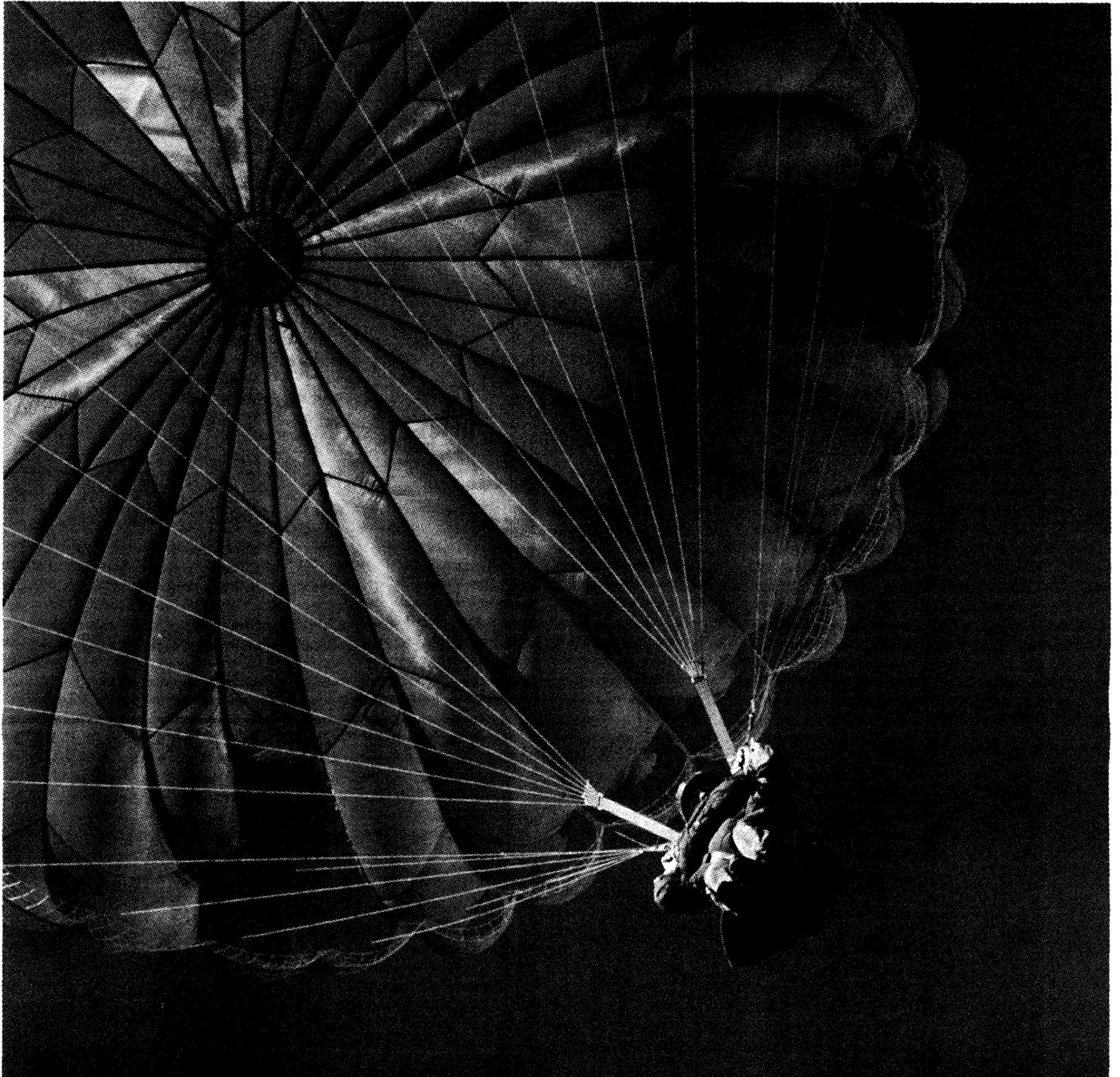
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Missile Command begins reinvention laboratory plan

By Cheryl Wise

The Missile Command's designation as a Reinvention Laboratory contributes to the Defense Department initiatives supporting Vice President Al Gore's National Performance Review. It also awards MICOM the reinvention license to "re-engineer corporate business practices to increase mission and technological capabilities through innovation and entrepreneurship."

What is a Reinvention Laboratory? The testing of innovative ideas to create a government that works better and costs less. This activity operates in the spirit of the four guiding principles of the National Performance Review. The key principles include: cuts through red tape; puts customers first; empowers employee; and reinvent processes.

MICOM's request to be a reinvention laboratory was one of the recommendations from the MICOM "Future" Task Force in March 1994. As you recall, the Task Force was chartered by the commanding general to develop a proposal for MICOM's organizational structure and business practices after 1996; the Task Force used the National Performance Review as a guide. Dr. Pauline Cason, director of Command Analysis, was designated champion of this

initiative with the MICOM Executive Steering Committee providing leadership. The Reinvention Laboratory Advocacy Group and ad hoc team members from throughout the community brainstormed ideas for inclusion into the reinvention laboratory proposal. The collaborative structure established to prepare the proposal will remain in place to oversee and accomplish implementation.

On April 17 the first strategy session of the Advocacy Group members was held to plan implementation since MICOM's designation as a reinvention lab. The advocacy group that originated the idea consists of Cason; Jim Flinn, director of Integrated Materiel Management Center; Max Watson, director of Corporate Information Center; Dr. Bill Leonard, special assistant for laboratory management, RD&E Center; and Wayne Johnson, deputy civilian personnel officer.

The implementation plan consists of three phases beginning with Preparation of the Workforce (Phase I), Design of Implementation Processes for Individual Initiatives (Phase II), and Full-Scale Implementation of Reinvention (Phase III).



REINVENTION PANEL— Members of the MICOM Reinvention Lab Advocacy Group gather April 17 for their first implementation meeting since the Missile Command's designation as a reinvention lab. Seated, from left, are Dr. Pauline Cason, director of Command Analysis Directorate; Max Watson, corporate information officer for MICOM; and Cheryl Wise, team leader for the MICOM reinvention laboratory initiative. Standing, from left, are Brian Taylor, chief of interagency applications division, Corporate Information Center; Dr. Bill Leonard, special assistant for laboratory management, RD&E Center; Jim Flinn, director of Integrated Materiel Management Center; and Wayne Johnson, deputy civilian personnel officer. Wise and Taylor also attended the group's strategy session.

Severe weather drills planned for Sparkman Center

By Tom Norton

Each year it seems the Tennessee Valley has more than its fair share of severe weather and yes, tornadoes. When a tornado is coming, you have only a short amount of time to make life-or-death decisions. Advance planning and quick response are the keys to surviving a tornado.

The Sparkman Center Emergency Action Plans that were distributed to all organizations within the center have diagrams of the complex showing the loca-

tions of shelter areas. Still, many occupants have raised questions concerning severe weather such as "Where Do I Go?", "How Do I Get There?" Typically, these questions come from personnel unfamiliar with the basement areas of the complex or the Emergency Action Plans. With that in mind, a series of severe weather drills are scheduled to be performed at the Sparkman Center May 1-2. The purpose of the drills is to instruct personnel on safety measures taken in the

event of tornado activity threatening the Redstone Arsenal community.

The severe weather drills will take place in two phases. The first phase will take place on the aforementioned dates. During this phase, each building will drill at different times during the two days. The drill will serve as a learning experience for employees, to study personnel movement, determine space requirements, and train the Sparkman Severe Weather Team. The results of the individual

building drills will be studied to determine inefficiencies and fine-tune procedures for the second phase (date to be determined) which will include the entire complex.

In conjunction with the Sparkman Severe Weather Drills, the MICOM Emergency Operations Center will test the Campus Area Network Emergency Warning System (CANews). The CANews system serves as an emergency warning system for the entire installation. Anyone logged into

the Redstone Arsenal computer unix-based network will receive the warning messages.

The drills will be announced using the public address system to all floors of each building at the scheduled time for the drill. At this time, personnel shall secure all classified information and make preparations to continue to the designated shelter areas. The Severe Weather Team members will be stationed at various points to aid and direct personnel to the designated

shelter areas throughout the complex basement level.

Detailed information will be sent by "e-mail" concerning the Sparkman Center Severe Weather Drills and the CANews test.

Those with questions can call me, Tom Norton, facilities specialist/building custodian in the Sparkman Management Office, at 876-6511. Lynn Brothers, of the Missile Command's Emergency Operations Center, can be reached at 876-4106 for information about the CANews test.

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SSDC develops and tests nuclear-hardened telescope

By Ann Ham

Jeff Bond of Missile Defense Space and Technology Center and Paul Simpson of the Missile Defense Battle Integration Center show how two separate directorates of SSDC work together—with one directorate developing technology and the other testing it. Such a technology was recently developed for SiC (silicon carbide) mirrors and telescope assemblies that can be reliably used in high thermal stress applications on strategic and theater missiles in nuclear environments.

The SSG Corporation of Waltham, Mass., developed this SiC technology under a Small Business Innovative Research contract. The Advanced Technology Directorate administers this and other SBIR efforts that focus on the next generation of innovative enabling technologies and advanced con-

cepts, as well as critical material developments such as SiC.

The process for developing the telescope structure is based upon the hot press method of SiC production. The nuclear hard coating on the primary mirror surface was deposited over a SiC substrate. The selection of coating material was based upon data collected from previous nuclear effects testing.

Bond, of the Advanced Technology Directorate, manages the SBIR SiC effort which provided the nuclear-survivable SiC telescope prototype with a radiation hard coating for above-ground testing demonstrations.

Now that the prototype is developed, the telescope is turned over to the BIC. Simpson of BIC's engineering division will demonstrate the viability of SiC and other enabling technologies for application in

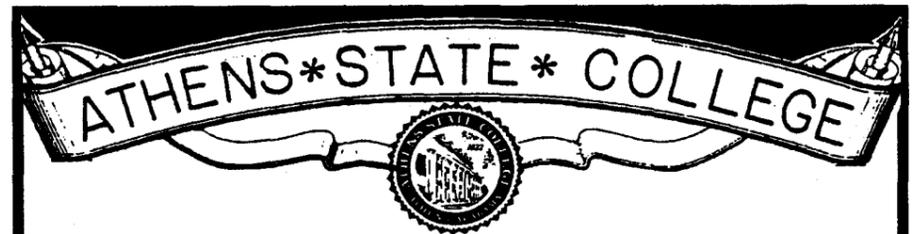
optical sensors capable of sustained operation in severe wartime environments. Simpson will see to it that the technology demonstrated is infused into missile defense acquisition programs.

The SSDC-developed PORTS (Portable Radiation Testbed for Seekers) at Colorado Springs, Colo., will be used to simulate operational environments for the SiC telescope testing. Other appropriate above ground radiation facilities will also be used to verify the telescope subsystem performance in nuclear environments.

This cooperative effort between the BIC and the MDSTC illustrates how the SBIR program and advanced technology developments are successfully transferred to address dynamic missile defense requirements.



PROTOTYPE—Simpson, left, and Bond, both of SSDC, show off a prototype of a nuclear-hardened silicon carbide telescope. On the left is a scale model of the test facility to be used to test the telescope.



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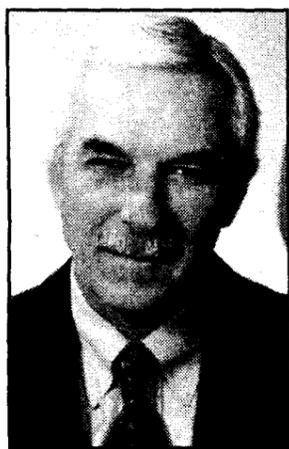
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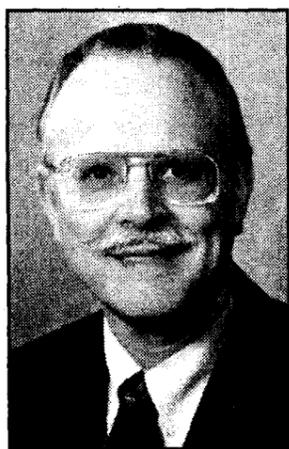
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Former SSDC executives receive top civilian award



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Wilkinson was in charge of the Weapons Directorate which performs research, development, and flight test experiments for strategic and tactical missile interceptors. He worked as a university and Missile Command research physicist for the first 17 years of his career and joined the missile defense program in 1977.

Under his leadership, the directorate developed the Homing Overlay Experiment, which achieved the first hit-to-kill intercept of a strategic missile in space in 1984; the 1987 Flexible Lightweight Agile Guided Experiment which achieved the first ever hit-to-kill intercept of a tactical ballistic missile in the atmosphere and led to the Extended Range Interceptor,

selected to be the interceptor for the Patriot Advanced Capability-3 system; the Lightweight ExoAtmospheric Projectile, now under consideration to become the Navy's upper tier defense system; and the Theater High Altitude Area Defense concept, which is now the premier Army upper tier theater missile defense interceptor.

Capps headed SSDC's Survivability, Lethality, and Key Technologies Directorate, responsible for advanced research and development plans and programs for strategic tactical survivability, lethality, materials/structures, and power technology.

After graduate work in physics and math at Georgia Tech, he served as an officer in the Army from 1963-66 and then began his civilian

career with the ballistic missile defense program.

Capps became a nationally recognized authority on lethality and survivability as they relate to theater and strategic defense. His survivability efforts in support of National Missile Defense created high fidelity simulations of stressing nuclear environments and an understanding of equipment responses to those environments.

He also recognized the uniqueness of Theater Missile Defense survivability and lethality technical challenges and established a separate fast-track lethality and vulnerability program to provide data critical to TMD systems. He managed important lethality tests which provided the technology base required to understand fragment vs. hit-to-kill

lethality. This assisted the Army Systems Acquisition Review Council in making an informed decision concerning deployment of a Theater Missile Defense in the near term.

Capps received a Secretary of the Army Competition in Contracting Award in 1989, which recognized his outstanding contribution in creating and initiating a competitive environment in the acquisition process. In 1991, he received a Department of Army Decoration for Meritorious Civilian Service award.

Both SSDC retirees and their families reside in the Huntsville area and are active again as consultants/contractors in the local community.

By Gerda Sherrill

The Space and Strategic Defense Command has honored two of its former executives. Dr. Edward Wilkinson and Melvin Capps received Exceptional Civilian Service awards from Deputy Commanding General Jan A.

Van Prooyen. This is the highest award the Army can give to a civilian employee.

Each headed one of the command's principal technical directorates, both were members of the prestigious Senior Executive Service, and both retired from government service last year.

Young Army family member wins savings bond contest

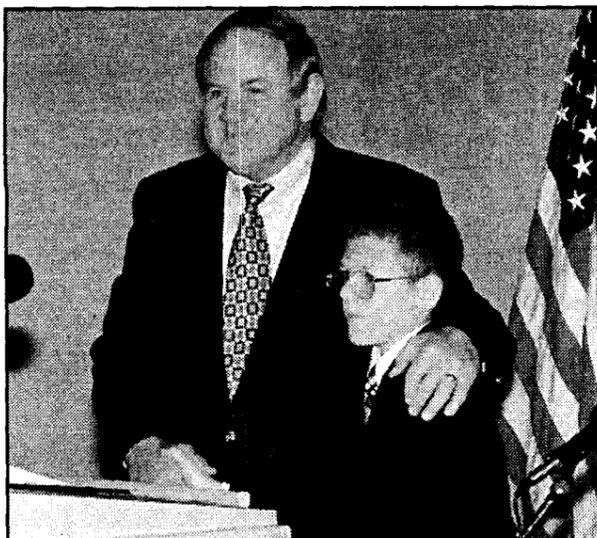
A local military youngster is among the Alabama winners of the U.S. Savings Bonds 1995 National Student Poster Contest.

Hector Villarreal, 12, son of SFC David and Kathleen Villarreal, received a \$200 savings bond presented in Montgomery by Gov. Fob James. He won third place statewide.

Hector attends sixth grade at Central School, part of the Madison County school system, where his teacher is Stephanie Birchmoore. His father is assigned to Fox Army Community Hospital as NCO-in-charge of the radiology department.

"I feel proud for my son but at the same time understanding it was probably a great deal of luck involved. But I think it's good to know a military kid, with all the supposed negatives of military life, can still accomplish something," SFC Villarreal said.

The Villarreal family arrived at Huntsville in July 1994 from Fort Campbell, Ky. Hector



STATEWIDE HONOREE— Gov. James presents a savings bond to Hector Villarreal.

is the oldest of four children— two girls and two boys. They include Miranda, 10, Ramona, 6, and Felix, 2.

The governor presented Rob McGowin, 11, a fifth grader at Trinity Presbyterian School in with a \$1,000 savings bond. Second place winner Emily Beth Dickinson, 9, a fourth grader at Indian Valley School in Sylacauga, received a \$500 savings bond.

This year's state contest was sponsored by MacMillan Bloedel Inc. and Russell Corp. A Liberty Bell will be presented to Trinity Presbyterian School in honor of McGowin, the first place winner. McGowin's poster will be forwarded to Washington to be included in the national judging to determine the first, second and third place national winners.



Acquisition Center honoree...

Marlene Cruze, left, director of the Acquisition Center, presents a "Search for Opportunity" certificate to Valerie Shippers who works in Redstone Arsenal Support Activity's Directorate of Public Works (DPW). Shippers suggested that DPW be allowed to use credit cards for DPW small contracts/services. The idea was adopted, DPW workers

have been trained, all paperwork submitted, and workers are awaiting issuance of their cards. The SFO process is an avenue for employees to submit ideas for process improvement and is effective in getting employees involved in Total Quality Management, said Wilma Reed, a procurement analyst serving as the SFO coordinator.

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SSDC manager receives Presidential Rank Award

By Gerda Sherrill

The woman who became the Space and Strategic Defense Command's first female member of the Senior Executive Service has received the prestigious Meritorious Executive Presidential Rank Award for exceptional service.

Dr. Shelba Proffitt entered the ranks of the SES in 1991 and heads the command's Sensor's Directorate.

While the award covers service during 1994, the actual presentation by Secretary of the Army Togo West Jr. took place April 20 at the Pentagon. Proffitt, sponsored by SSDC Commander Lt. Gen. Jay Garner, was among 26 Army civilian executives so honored. A lump-sum payment of \$10,000 was included.

Proffitt, nationally and internationally recognized as an expert in leading edge strategic and tactical defense technologies, is responsible for executive management of the Army's Surveillance, Acquisition, Tracking and Kill Assessment program under the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization. Responsibilities range from establishing requirements through design and development of future defense sensors.

She is also responsible for maintaining and managing the Missile Defense Data Center. Prior to this assignment she managed the command's Advanced Technology Directorate.



PROFFITT

Proffitt has served as an adviser to North Atlantic Treaty Organization councils, the directors of BMDO, Army Science Boards, the Army Space Council, and numerous other organizations. For the past two years she has chaired the "Army in Space" sessions at American Institute of Aero-

nautics and Astronautics conferences. Through her initiative and persistence, the Army space program made dramatic strides forward and holds promise for expanded benefits to the warfighters in the future.

She began her government career as a member of the Von Braun space team over 30 years ago. She subsequently joined the Missile Command where she spent 13 years developing advanced tactical weapons. In 1980, she moved to the Army's Ballistic Defense Advanced Technology Center, which became a part of the present SSDC in 1985. For the past 10 years, Proffitt has worked on strategic defense technologies and has established herself as an expert in active and passive sensors, signal processors, and space surveillance technologies.

Proffitt has published over 25 technical papers, holds two patents, and has received numerous awards, including second place for Outstanding Woman in the Department of the Army, the State of Kentucky's Outstanding Young Woman of America, and outstanding performance awards from NASA and MICOM. She is a licensed private pilot and participates in several outdoor sports.

She is a native of Whitesburg, Ky. She holds a bachelor's degree from Centre College, Danville, Ky.; a master's degree from the University of Alabama in Huntsville; and a doctorate in technology management from the Southeastern Institute of Technology, Huntsville.

Director of ballistic defense O'Neill to address Huntsville dinner meeting

Huntsville will get the latest and most authoritative information on changes to the mission and organization of the Department of Defense's Ballistic Missile Defense Organization April 27 when Lt. Gen. Malcolm O'Neill speaks at a dinner meeting of the Tennessee Valley Chapter of the American Defense Preparedness Association.

O'Neill is the director of BMDO, which is the principal customer and source of funding for the Huntsville elements of the Space and Strategic Defense Command and Program Executive Office for Missile Defense.

He will be remembered by many in Huntsville as a former chief of staff at the Missile Command and as a former project manager for the Multiple Launch Rocket System.

The event, at the Officers Club, will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a social. Dinner is at 7:30 and tickets are \$20 per person. Reservations can be



O'NEILL

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Among a variety of significant assignments since Redstone Arsenal, O'Neill served as the first director of the Army Acquisition Corps, as the deputy for program assessment and international cooperation in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Re-

search, Development and Acquisition, as the deputy for planning and managing the Army materiel technology base for Army Materiel Command, and as commander of the Army Laboratory Command.

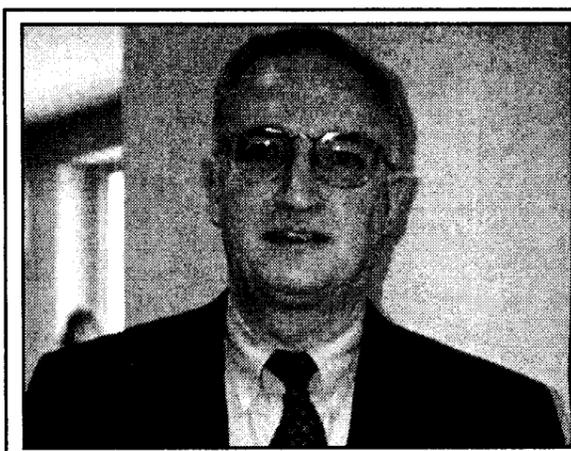
Prior to becoming director of BMDO, he served as the deputy director of its predecessor Strategic Defense Initiative Organization. At

various other times, he served as the director for programs and systems and as the director of kinetic energy weapons in SDIO.

The Chicago native received a bachelor of science degree in physics from DePaul University and both a master of science degree and doctorate in physics from Rice University.

His awards and decorations include the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with three oak leaf clusters, the Bronze Star with the "V" device and three oak leaf clusters, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Medal, the Army Commendation Medal and the Purple Heart with oak leaf cluster. He also wears the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Parachutist Badge and the Ranger Tab.

He and his wife Judy have two children, Bonnie and John.



ENVIRONMENTAL SEMINAR SPEAKER— Dr. Larry Canter was the featured speaker at the Missile Command's environmental awareness seminar.

Environmental seminar draws interested crowd

The Missile Command's Environmental Institute drew a crowd of over 200 to its first seminar in environmental awareness held Friday.

Deemed a great success by Environmental Management and Planning Director Sam Fields, the seminar provided environmental instruction on laws that must be followed by all organizations on Redstone.

"This is a prelude into our Environmental Institute, which will offer all required training for using services here on Redstone," he said.

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Arbor Day celebrates enduring beauty of trees

By Jesse Horton

The Directorate of Public Works is planning to join with the cities of Huntsville and Madison and Madison County to celebrate Arbor Day at the Huntsville Botanical Garden, located at 4747 Bob Wallace Ave., on Friday at 10:30 a.m. A tree planting ceremony on Redstone Arsenal will occur in 2:45 p.m. Friday in front of building 112.

The purpose of the celebration is to recognize the importance of planting trees to promote the well being of present and future generations and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands.

The idea for Arbor Day originally came from Nebraska. A visit to Nebraska today wouldn't disclose that the state was once a treeless plain. Yet it was the lack of trees there that led to the founding of Arbor Day in the 1800s.

A pioneer by the name of J. Sterling Morton from Detroit moved into the Nebraska Territory in 1854 with a keen love of nature and a strong desire to plant trees. As the first editor of Nebraska's first newspaper

from Nebraska City, he spread agricultural information and his enthusiasm for tree planting to individuals, civic organizations, and groups of every kind. His prominence in the area increased, and he became secretary of the Nebraska Territory, which provided another opportunity to stress the value of trees.

On Jan. 4, 1872, Morton first proposed a tree-planting holiday to be called "Arbor Day" at a meeting of the State Board of Agriculture. The date was set for April 10, 1872. Prizes were offered to counties and individuals for properly planting the largest number of trees on that day. It was estimated that more than 1 million trees were planted in Nebraska on the first Arbor Day.

Arbor Day was officially proclaimed by the young state's Gov. Robert W. Furnas on March 12, 1874, and the day itself was observed April 8, 1874. In 1885, Arbor Day was named a legal holiday in Nebraska.

During the 1870s, other states passed legislation to observe Arbor Day; and the tradition began in schools in 1882. Today the most

common date for the state observance is the last Friday in April. Several U.S. presidents have proclaimed a national Arbor Day on that date. But the number of state Arbor Days are recognized at other times to coincide with the best tree-planting weather, from January and February in the South to May in the far North.

The State of Alabama recognized the week of February 20-24 as Arbor Week because it was the most likely time of the year that growing conditions would be optimum for planting trees from the coast of Mobile to the hills of Ft. Payne. Madison County and the cities of Huntsville and Madison have decided to adopt the commonly accepted last Friday in April date to recognize as Arbor Day.

Arbor Day has now spread beyond the United States and is observed in many countries of the world. In some it is the king or queen who leads the national celebration, and in many countries exotic trees not suited to North America are planted in commemoration of the day.

Col. Stephen Moeller, deputy post commander, will join with the mayors of Huntsville and Madison, Madison County commissioner and others responsible for the celebration at the Botanical Garden to proclaim Arbor Day, give a short space, and plant a tree to commemorate Arbor Day 1995.

To demonstrate the Arsenal's recognition of the importance of Arbor Day, a tree-planting ceremony will occur at 2:45 p.m. in front of building 112. RASA command staff, Smokey the Bear, children from RSA's Child Development Center and other Arsenal officials will be present to assure a memorable event.

This Arbor Day celebration will serve as an excellent reminder of our installation's goal to protect and care for our trees, shrubs and other vegetation in the community. This year our installation forester has implemented an aggressive replanting program for many of the trees in our housing areas on the installation that were destroyed by last year's summer tornadic winds. Additionally, approximately 100 acres are

planted in pine and hardwood trees each year under the Forest Management Program.

J. Sterling Morton was proud of the success of Arbor Day and noted, "Other holidays repose upon the past. Arbor Day proposes for the future." He thought trees much superior to cold marble as a memorial to persons or events. "How much more enduring are the animated trees of our own planting," he said.

So, take time out from your busy schedule Friday and join us in celebrating Arbor Day with our deputy post commander at the Botanical Garden and follow up with the tree-planting ceremony at building 112. If your work schedule won't permit your departure then make plans to plant and maintain a tree this planting season. After all, planted trees, wherever planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal for you and future generations.

(Editor's note: Horton, of the Directorate of Public Works, is the post forester.)

Volunteer program to expand

The Department of Defense has given Redstone authority to expand community volunteer utilization to cover not only Morale, Welfare and Recreation functions, but the other Army activities here as well. This pilot program will end July 31.

Volunteers will be recruited and trained to assist the regularly funded work force by performing a portion of a required function. Volunteers cannot be used to totally or permanently substitute for unfilled positions or replace paid employees.

Volunteers are not to perform duties which would otherwise circumvent the civil service system, or for which funding has been provided to hire, staff or obtain services by contract.

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Sports/Recreation

Poe, Mauldin win annual Re-Creation Run 5K

Eric Poe and Laurie Mauldin won the 13th annual Re-Creation Run 5K held on a rainy Saturday morning near Whitesburg Baptist Church.

Poe, 22, was the overall winner in 16:06; and Mauldin, 33, was the top female finisher in 18:51. There were 139 finishers, "considerably lower than usual," said Kenny Spain, the race co-director and recreation coordinator for Whitesburg Baptist Church. "It was raining and there were tornado watches in the counties south of us."

Sponsored by the Recreation Ministry of the Whitesburg Baptist Church, the Alton Dickerson Re-

Creation Run is named for its founder, Alton E. Dickerson, who served as co-director for 10 years until he died in 1992.

Here are the overall and age group winners:

- **Male:** Overall— Eric Poe (16:06).
- 12-under— Stephen Burns (22:39), Manley West (39:11).
- 13-17— Eric Warren (20:27), Stephen Baker (22:01), Jonathan Laymon (22:22).
- 18-24— Daniel Berg (16:50), Ed Wynn (20:32), Jason Ralls (20:42).
- 25-29— Craig Armstrong (16:20), Antonio Serna (16:32), Donnie Bowman (17:10).
- 30-34— Mike Parnell (16:25), Stan

Johnson (17:23), Mark Dummer (17:48).

35-39— Keith Elliott (17:38), Patrick Lane (18:37), A. Richard (18:58).

40-44— Robert Lucas (19:57), Tab Barnett (20:10), Bob Duncan (20:31).

45-49— Carl Nicholson (17:24), Gary Grace (18:08), Dick Franklin (18:15).

50-54— Dwight McPherson (19:21), John Roberts (20:50), Gerald Karr (22:56).

55-59— Joe Beams (19:56), Jim Oaks (19:59), Tim Hopper (20:36).

60-over— Mac McCrady (21:01), James Foreman (21:20), Kelly Stinson (21:42).

- **Female:** Overall— Laurie Mauldin (18:51).
- 12-under— Amanda Bonne

(26:26), Megan Chamlee (31:29).

13-17— Gita Singh (25:26).

18-24— Heather Day (20:07).

25-29— Shannon Siegel (23:06), Janie Oaks (24:45), G. Jakab (26:53).

30-34— Meshelle Pate (19:30), Linda Hypes (22:20), Linda Nelson (28:26).

35-39— Norma Elliott (22:25), Ovella Jessee (23:14), Janet Haenish (23:15).

40-44— Sarah Grace (21:26), Nancy Sheppard (22:16), Pat Guillebeau (24:19).

45-49— Bonnie McDaris (25:49).

50-54— Sandy Berg (23:19), Delores Mohlere (28:42), Martha Whitt (39:12).

55-59— Anne Park (25:09), Barbara Meyer (26:21), Chris Hearn (30:59).

Bowling standings

Here are the standings for the Redstone Arsenal Intramural Bowling League as of April 18:

	Won	Lost
MI Detachment	472	303
Missile Maniacs	471.5	303.5
Sandbaggers	460.5	314.5
F Company MLRS	431	344
TMDE-1	429	346
Readiness Grp-2	421	354
TMDE-2	419.5	355.5
Marines	413.5	361.5
Master Blasters	412.5	362.5
Dilligaf	403.5	371.5
SHORAD-2	361	414
D Company-1	339	436
SHORAD-1	309.5	465.5
Hooters	294.5	480.5
D Company-2	267.5	507.5
Readiness Grp-1	264.5	510.5

200 games/600 series bowled April 18:

Avery Hollifield (Missile Maniacs)	246, 235, & 665
David Knox (SHORAD-1)	210
James Walden (Master Blasters)	209
William Beardsley (Missile Maniacs)	207
Lonnie Seaman (Marines)	203
John Spears (Missile Maniacs)	202
Robert Haynes (RGrp-1)	202
Michael Sciallo (TMDE-2)	201
Edward Foust (Missile Maniacs)	200

High school students throughout U.S. meet here this week for symposium

More than 350 high school students, and their teachers, from public and private schools across the United States, Puerto Rico, Europe and Japan will assemble in Huntsville for the Army's 33rd National Junior Science and Humanities Symposium, April 27-30.

The 33rd national symposium culminates science competitions held on university campuses throughout the year which annually reach some 10,000 secondary school students and teachers. Beyond the competition, symposia are designed to promote student participation in research and experimentation in the sciences, mathematics and engineering; promote under-

standing of the significance of scientific progress upon society; recognize students for scientific accomplishment; and prepare youth for future careers in research and development.

The program for the three-day symposium will include field trips and tours hosted by MICOM scientists and engineers, local scientists and educators. The Missile Command was selected as the Army's host command for the 1995 symposium. Co-hosts include the Alabama Academy of Science, Alabama A&M University, the University of Alabama in Huntsville, and Marshall Space Flight Center.

Highlighting the program

is the national paper competition, where the top student finalists representing 47 regions of the country, will present their research projects and compete for international awards and scholarships. Winners of the national competition will go on to represent the United States at an international meeting of young scientists in London, England. The student competitors will be honored at the symposium's closing banquet and awards ceremony Saturday at 7 p.m. where Maj. Gen. James Link, commander of MICOM, is to present the national awards. Chemistry Nobel Laureate Herbert Brown, Purdue University, will honor the students and

deliver the banquet address, "A Continent of Science."

The opening general session will be held at the Sparkman Center Auditorium at 8:30 a.m. Friday. Ernest Young, deputy to the commanding general of MICOM, will welcome attendees to the symposium. The keynote speakers and panelists are to include Konrad Dannenberg, Helmut Hoelzer and Dr. Ernst Stuhlinger, of the original von Braun German "Paper Clip" scientists. The presentations will focus on "The Army's Role in Space."

The MICOM project officer for the symposium is Dr. Katie Blanding, 876-9296.

Troop volleyball

Here are the troop volleyball standings as of April 20:

Eastern Division

	W	L
NCO Academy	5	0
HHC 59th	5	0
A Company 832nd	4	1
C Company 832nd	3	3

Western Division

	W	L
TMDE	2	3
Marines	2	3
HHC MICOM	2	3
F Company 832nd	1	4
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Editors note: This is the ninth in a series of articles on the weapon systems managed by the project offices on Redstone Arsenal and in Huntsville.

By Kathy Harkleroad

The Army Tactical Missile System (Army TACMS) is a ground-launched missile system consisting of a surface-to-surface guided missile with an anti-personnel/anti-material warhead configuration.

The Army TACMS is fired from a modified Multiple Launch Rocket System (MLRS) launcher. "The MLRS is an extremely versatile and capable weapon system," said Col. Willie Nance, project manager. "Two Army TACMS are fired from of the MLRS, one from each side and can

attack tactical missile sites, air defense systems, logistic elements and command, control and communication complexes. "The Army TACMS is ideal for the high value targets and is viewed as a precision instrument," said Nance. The Army TACMS is loaded with 950 bomblets which contain metal fragments that will cover the target. "Every time we have fired the TACMS it has hit it's target, and that is something we are extremely proud of," Nance said.

Currently the range of the Army TACMS Block I is 165 kilometers or approximately 102 miles. The Army TACMS is 13 feet in length and is 2 feet in diameter.

The Army TACMS Block 1A is currently in the development stage and will have an extended range capability.

"The Block 1A will have an extended range of 300 kilometers, or 186 miles and will utilize the Global Positioning System," said Nance.

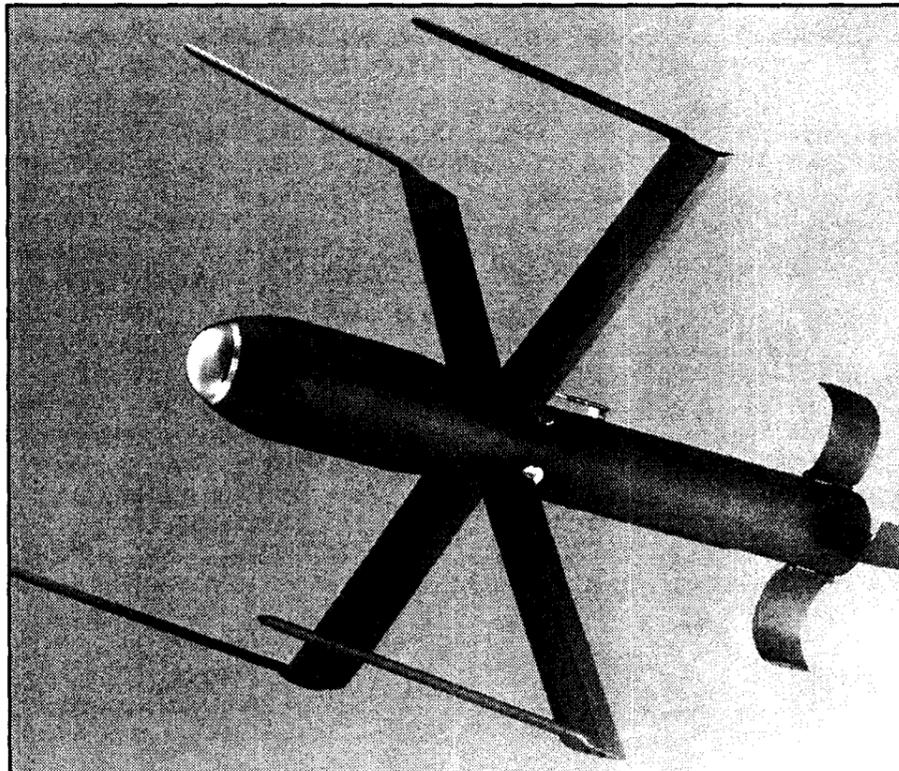
Three military personnel are required to fire the Army TACMS, much like the MLRS. "We use the same system, just different software in the computer," said Nance.

According to Nance, the Navy has shown some interest in the versatility of the Block 1A version of the Army TACMS. "We loaded an MLRS launcher onto the USS Vernon and fired at a target 75 nautical miles away with a prototype missile. The result was very effective with the TACMS hitting its target," he said.

During the test firing of the missiles, the project office has joined in a joint effort with existing units to allow servicemembers the opportunity to both train on the system and see just how effective the Army TACMS is.

"All of the test firing is done at White Sands Missile Range and we pick a unit from anywhere in the world and invite them to come out and actually shot the missile. This not only gives them a chance to train on the system, but they can see the results of an actual shot. They also take the information they have learned back to their units, and the training continues," Nance said.

Loral Vought is the prime contractor of the Army TACMS, and according to Nance has been ahead of schedule during production. "The people at Loral Vought have done a terrific job of



BAT

keeping things on schedule," he said.

The Army TACMS project office is also responsible for the BAT weapon system which will be deployed by the Army TACMS. "BAT is a brilliant, self-guided, anti-armor submunition used to autonomously seek, identify, attack and destroy moving tanks and other armored vehicles," said Nance.

The BAT uses acoustic sensors to detect the targets and the on-board microprocessors provide the guidance system to maneuver the BAT into position.

"Currently Block II of the Army TACMS will launch 13 BAT submunitions into the direction of the target. The BAT is a glider and once the sensors have detected the target, the microprocessors will guide it to the target. Once dis-

pensed each BAT is programmed to attack a different part of the column," Nance said.

The BAT has been in development since June 1991 and is projected to be in low rate production by 1998.

"We have had eight flights to date. We incorporated the infrared seeker in two flights during December and both were successful," said Nance.

According to Nance, the BAT fills a void that currently exists in the fire support structure of the Army. "The ability to attack moving targets at long ranges has always been a difficult challenge, and we can meet that challenge with the BAT," he said.

The BAT weighs approximately 44 pounds, is 5 inches in diameter and is 36 inches when the wings are

expanded. The prime contractor for the BAT is Northrup-Gruman Corporation.

Nance said, "Northrup-Gruman has done an outstanding job developing a technological complex submunition. The proof of their work was demonstrated with the two successful flight tests in December."

The BAT project office combined with the Army TACMS project office in April 1994 and currently has 190 employees, 14 of which are military. The deputy project manager is Don Barker, and acting deputy project manager is Betty Matkin.

The Army TACMS-BAT project office was also named project office staff of the year and according to Nance, "it is because of the terrific set of dedicated people we have working here."



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sure checks, nutritional counseling, massage therapy, educational literature, and more. The schedule is as follows: May 15, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at SSDC; May 16, from 11-12:30, building 5250; May 17, from 11-12:30, building 5303; and May 18, from 11-12:30, OMMCS. For more information and to register for a cholesterol screening, call 955-6844.

• **MAY 26 TO AUG. 14: Summer Day Camp**— For DA civilian and military family members, ages 6-12, Summer Day Camp at Youth Center from May 26 through Aug. 14 from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Registration begins May 1. Cost for each youth is \$45 per week (plus youth center membership fee). For more information, call 876-KIDS.



Science Board tours...

During the semiannual general membership meeting of the Army Science Board hosted by the Space and Strategic Defense Command, Science Board members received briefings and tours of SSDC's Airborne Surveillance Testbed aircraft at the Redstone Airfield

on April 13. They learned that during AST missions, the infrared sensor collects real-time infrared measurements in the test flights of strategic and tactical missiles. This data is then used to improve the designs of U. S. missile defense systems such as Patriot and THAAD.

Retired member of ballistic missile defense team dies

By Gerda Sherrill

William O. "Bill" Turney, a former key official in the Army's ballistic missile defense programs, died April 11 at St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville. He was 70.



TURNEY

A native of Morgan County, Turney retired after 30 years of government service in 1981. While with the Ballistic Missile Defense Systems Command, he served in a dual capacity—as executive assistant for management and administration to the commanding general in addition to his position as chief of the command's Contracts Office.

Turney had more than 25 years professional procurement experience with the Army. For 23 years, he had been associated with the Anti-Missile Missile, Nike Zeus, Sentinel, Safeguard, and Ballistic Missile Defense programs.

Over the years, his encyclopedic knowledge and intimate involvement with every aspect of the BMD program led him to play a key role in the management and administration of all ele-

ments of the organization. He joined the anti-ballistic missile development effort during the early days of Nike Zeus and saw its evolution through Nike-X, Sentinel, and Safeguard, so

he was often called on for corporate memory. During his government career, Turney spent more than \$8 billion in contracting dollars, and received the Army's highest civilian award, the Decoration for Exceptional Civilian Service, at his retirement ceremony. He was inducted into the command's Civilian Employee Hall of Fame in 1987.

After his retirement in 1981 he remained active as a senior consultant to major companies in the aerospace industry.

Turney received a law

degree from LaSalle University in Chicago in 1967, and his master's of business administration from the American Graduate University, Covina, Calif., in 1976. In 1973 he was admitted to practice law in all courts of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, and he was admitted to practice as attorney at law by the U.S. Supreme Court in 1976.

Turney had been very active in various professional, civic and charitable organizations. He was a director and past president of the

Tennessee Valley Chapter of the Association of the U.S. Army; member and past vice president of the Huntsville Chapter, National Contract Management Association; member and past director, Tennessee Valley Chapter, American Defense Preparedness Association; past vice chairman of the board and director for the Harris Home for Children; and member of the Federal Bar Association.

After moving to Winchester in 1990, Turney was elected to the board of directors of the Franklin County Chamber of

Commerce, later serving as the vice president and the president. He also served as vice chairman of the Pavilion Board and was a member of the Rotary International and the Winchester First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Ann L. Turney; a son, William O. Turney Jr. of Houston; a daughter, Cathy Turney Page of Huntsville; a stepson, Jason King of Madison; two sisters, Lottie Turney Edwards of Hillsboro and Ollie Turney Littman of Hendersonville, N.C.; and two grandchildren.



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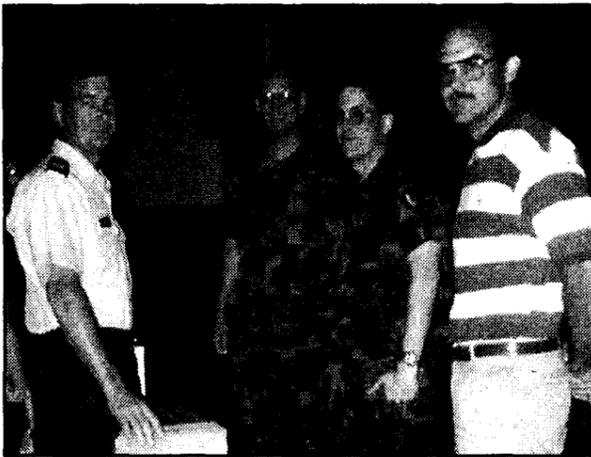
tween the housing coordinators," she said.

Shippers reminded residents of the upcoming carport/garage sale April 29 and 30, and spoke about the yard of the month program.

Post CSM Ben Sundry commented on how well the housing management office has operated during the recent construction and renovations. "The housing office team deserves a hats off for all the hard work they have done," Sundry said.

Commissary manager Lee Wainwright gave the update on the new commissary hours and said the Sunday opening is a success. "During an average week the commissary takes in approximately \$11,000 an hour, and the average for the last four Sundays is \$10,771 an hour. As you can see the commissary is being utilized on Sundays and I expect those figures to climb at a steady rate," Wainwright said.

Shelby Williams, Youth Services manager, gave an update on the youth programs and told of the programs that will be offered this summer. "We are currently forming baseball teams and several activities have been planned for the summer. The Teen Discovery group has earned enough money to go to Six Flags in Georgia this summer. We will also have several special guest speakers scheduled for different workshops," Williams said.



COMMUNITY GATHERING— The quarterly town hall meeting was held April 18 and several issues were discussed concerning the Redstone Arsenal community. Gathering after the meeting are, from left, post CSM Ben Sundry; Col. Stephen Moeller, deputy post commander; MSgt. Steven Crawford; and Dr. Dave Branham, director of public works.

Jim Mullins, director of the Directorate of Community and Family Activities, made the announcement concerning the

closing of the Sports Haven. "Effective May 1 the Sports Haven will close and the building will be used for the school-age children program," Mullins said.

"The decision to turn the building over to the SAC program was made because of the feasibility of the renovations. We will only have to make a few minor changes within the building to accommodate the children," he said.

According to Mullins the expansion of the SAC program will include a homework center and a computer lab. "The Department of the Army is funding this experimental program and we are very excited about being a part of it," he said. "With the expansion we will also be able to accept more children, possibly up to as many as 90."

Karen Sundry gave an update on the Army Family Team Building program and spoke of the need for volunteer trainers for the program. "The instructors we have now are leaving and we need to find replacements. If anyone is interested in participating they can call the AFTB office at 876-5397. We will be offering a training session that will consist of four sessions beginning May 8. The classes are from 5:45-9 p.m. and will continue through May 11. We will offer free childcare for those who need it," she said.

Col. William Wong, commander of Fox Army Community Hospital, discussed the hospital's recent involvement in the Gulf War Syndrome program and told of the new information booklets that are available on hospital services.

Adopt healthy lifestyle to reduce your risk of cancer

Did you know that each year cancer strikes more than 850,000 people in the United States? It's predicted that 67 million Americans will eventually have cancer, and that the disease will occur in approximately three out of four families.

These numbers can seem pretty frightening. But you don't have to feel helpless about cancer, because there are ways to protect yourself against the disease. Learning the facts about cancer and specific measures to take can be the first step toward safeguarding your health.

April is Cancer Control Month. As part of Fox Army Community Hospital's concern about your health and wellness, the Community Health Nursing Service is proud to present two cancer education programs in

cooperation with the American Cancer Society: "Taking Control" and "Special Touch."

"Taking Control" provides an introduction to a healthy, enjoyable lifestyle that may reduce one's risk of developing cancer. The program introduces you to actions that you can take to reduce your risk of cancer and promote a healthier, more enjoyable lifestyle. You will be encouraged to take control of your lifestyle by adding some protective habits and eliminating other habits that increase your risk of developing certain forms of cancer. You will be reminded of the importance of being more aware of your body and to have regular cancer related checkups for early detection of the disease. "Taking Control" will be held April 26 from 11 a.m. to

noon.

According to the American Cancer Society, all women should be considered at risk for breast cancer. Breast cancer is one of the leading cancer killers among women in this country with more than 43,000 deaths each year. Every 15 minutes, three women develop the disease and one dies of it. Early detection is the best defense women have against breast cancer. Most breast abnormalities are discovered by women themselves through self-examination.

The "Special Touch" program will offer instruction in this lifesaving technique and discuss other detection methods, such as mammography (a low-dose X-ray of the breast).

"Most women do not realize the importance of regular breast self-examination. We

hope our education program will alert our female employees and military beneficiaries to the need to learn and practice this health habit," said Susan Goodman, health risk appraisal coordinator. Goodman is a registered nurse and a certified health education specialist at Preventive Medicine Service. Her training and many years experience in health education add quality to the already excellent American Cancer Society classes.

"Special Touch" will be held April 27 from 11 a.m. to noon.

To register for a class call 876-8831, Preventive Medicine Service. The classes will be held at the Bicentennial Chapel.

(Editor's note: This article was provided by Susan Goodman, a nurse educator at Fox Army Community Hospital.)



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A long process...

John Brower, left, and Archie Brower of the International Chimney Company are disassembling the old smokestack a brick at a time.



Walkathon...

Division E of the Acquisition Center sponsored a walkathon April 19 to benefit Army Emergency Relief. Twelve participants walked the eight-mile fitness track for two hours; and the person who collected the most pledges was Corentha Phillips with \$133.

Elementary school kids get fit with fun aerobics workout

By Sandra Cartee

These days, it seems harder and harder to get children to exercise. With Nintendos and 24-hour cartoons, kids have many alternatives to getting up and getting a little cardiovascular workout. Children in the School-Aged Care program on post not only exercise twice a week after school, but recently participated in an hour-long aerobics session with instructors from the Civilian Wellness Center.

On April 14, instructors from the Civilian Wellness Center went to the School-Aged Care program and got the kids moving. "The main thing is to get their heart rate going," said Sharon Guynes, exercise physiologist. The children enjoyed dancing with instructor Linda Rey and acted as if they had been

doing aerobics all their lives.

Guynes feels that exercise for children is just as important as for adults. "Fitness is important for the young, not just the old. It's important to start (exercising) at this age because this is where it begins and they learn good habits," she said.

Aerobics improves flexibility and cardiovascular health, but the kids just see it as fun. "It's lots of fun because there's lots of giggling, hopping, wiggling, and dancing," Guynes explained. The children make their own sounds and really catch on to dances like the bunny hop and the electric slide.

Dancing is something the children can do every day, and kids are given the opportunity to do so at SAC. "We have different varieties of music that we let them dance

to," said teacher Melody Davis. She realizes the importance of health also and has many different ways for her class to exercise.

"We walk at least twice a week and we try to get them to use other parts of the body while they walk. This improves motor skills," Davis said. Games are another way that children can get the much needed exercise. "We have running relays, and play kick ball," Davis explained.

Letting children exercise can improve their behavior and help burn energy. "After snack time the children get pumped up and their energy level gets higher, so we let them go outside and release it," Davis said. After kids get their blood flowing, they not only feel better, but have more energy in the long run.



GETTING FIT— Children in the School-Aged Care program did aerobics with instructor Linda Rey from the Civilian Wellness Center on April 14. Teachers and exercise physiologists agree that without a fit body, kids can't have a fit mind.

One of the most important factors in children exercising is that it helps their minds. "With no fit body, they have no fit mind," Guynes said. Exercising improves the

mind, body and soul; and all children can benefit from that. Both teachers and fitness instructors are aware of how children benefit from exercise. Whether it's going for a

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Contract managers—The Huntsville Chapter, National Contract Management Association (NCMA) will award up to three scholarships to assist deserving college undergraduate students in pursuit of a bachelor's degree. To be considered for a scholarship, the applicant must be a college sophomore, junior, or senior with at least one semester or quarter remaining. The applicant must be in good standing at a local institution and be pursuing a degree in acquisition, contract, logistics, procurement management, or a related field such as economics, finance, marketing, or accounting. Applications are due by May 15. The scholarships will be awarded in June. For more information and qualification requirements, call Lisa Hubbard 922-3527 or 461-7875.

Housing residents—The Family Housing Spring Carport/Yard Sale is scheduled for April 29 and 30 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. "This is a great opportunity for some of us to dispose of those things we no longer need and others to pick up a bargain. Good selling and shopping to all!"

Defense preparedness group—Lt. Gen. Malcolm O'Neill, director of the Defense Department's Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, is to address a dinner meeting of the Tennessee Valley Chapter of the American Defense Preparedness Association on Thursday at the Officers Club. He is to discuss changes to the BMDO organization and mission since the Bottom Up Review. A social begins at 6:30 p.m., with dinner at 7:30. Tickets are \$20 per person. For reservations call Carolyn Sorden 895-8767 or Peggy Williams 895-8649.

Smoking cessation—Smoking is an expensive habit, costing you time, money and above all, your health, says Fox Army Community Hospital. The hospital offers a smoking cessation program with classes scheduled as follows: 9-10:30 a.m. May 2; 9-10 a.m. May 9, 16, 18 and 23; and 9-10:15 a.m. June 1. Group support sessions will follow on June 6, 13 and 27; and from 11 a.m. to noon July 6 and 11. These classes are free and open to all military beneficiaries and Civil Service workers. As space is limited, call Preventive Medicine Service 876-8831 to register. For more information, call Susan Goodman 876-8831.

Fitness center—Orientations to the Sparkman Fitness Center are Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. or 3 p.m. For more information, call 313-6091.

Alcoholics Anonymous—The Redstone Arsenal Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets each Wednesday at noon and Friday at 5:15 p.m. in room 11 of the

Bicentennial Chapel.

Al-Anon—Al-Anon Family Groups will meet at the Bicentennial Chapel, room 10, beginning April 27 at 11:30 a.m. Al-Anon is fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who share their experience, strength and hope in order to solve their common problems of living with alcoholism.

Car wash/cookout/bake sale—The Army TACMS-BAT Project Office will hold a car wash/cookout/bake sale Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Recreation Center, building 3711, with the proceeds benefiting Army Emergency Relief. Hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, bake goods and drinks will be available. Stop by and show your support. You can have lunch while you get your car washed for the weekend. For more information, call Maj. Pat Sutherland 842-7734 or Renee McArdle 842-2682.

Federal Women's Program—The Federal Women's Program Committee is sponsoring a "CARES Seminar" from 9:30-11 a.m. May 3 at the Sparkman Auditorium. CARES stands for Candidate Automated Referral and Evaluation System which integrates and upgrades all six existing systems: MACES, MACARS, ROADS, APPS, RAMPS, and Talent Bank. All interested employees are encouraged to attend this seminar.

Red Cross youth volunteers—Redstone Arsenal Red Cross is now taking applications for its summer

Youth Program. Teen-age volunteers are needed at the Youth Center and Fox Army Community Hospital. For more information, call Christine Myers 464-0583.

ACS Education Committee—The Army Community Service (ACS) Education Committee will meet at noon today at ACS, building 3491. It is helpful to call in advance concerning problem areas that need to be put on the agenda. Any parent interested in the educational needs of their child is invited to attend. This meeting is open to everyone. For more information, call Virginia Dempsey 876-5397.

Asian-Pacific heritage—The Asian-Pacific American committee will meet at 11 a.m. May 2 in the Sparkman Complex, building 5301, room 1148. Everyone is welcome to attend. "Mark your calendars, the celebration is being conducted the afternoon of May 25th." For more information, call MSgt. Thomas Griffith 876-8648 or Kate Love 876-8015.

China lecture—A free public lecture titled "Getting to Know Hubei Province & Overview of Space Activities in China" will be presented at 7 tonight at the Huntsville-Madison County Public Library. Scheduled speakers include Dr. Alexander Ly and Dr. S-T Wu. Sponsors include the local chapter of the World Future Society, the local chapter of the National Space Society, and the Huntsville Association of Technical Societies which is also sponsoring

TABES '95 (Technical and Business Exhibition and Symposium). TABES '95 will be held May 16-17 at the Von Braun Civic Center. "Get to know something about our Chinese visitors before meeting them at TABES."

Public radio—Vinyl recordings will be sold as a fund-raiser to benefit WLRH Public Radio from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the studios of WLRH on the campus of the University of Alabama in Huntsville. Many cassettes and CDs will also be available. If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation of records, call 895-9574. Pickup service is available anywhere in the Tennessee Valley.

Post Theater movies—Thursday, "Nobody's Fool," rated R, 118 minutes. Friday, "Nobody's Fool." Saturday, "Just Cause," R, 102 minutes. Sunday, "Just Cause." Admission is adult \$2.50, child \$1.25.

CFC Seminar—The Combined Federal Campaign will present Vanessa Chandler with Girls Incorporated of Huntsville, at the CFC/United Way At Work seminar. She will be speaking on Family Communications, "How to Live 'Happily' with your Teenager" from 10-11 a.m. May 9 in room A-115, building 5250. For more information call 876-9143.

Military appreciation day—The Pentecostal Lighthouse Church, located at 6107 Blue Springs Road,

N.W., will commemorate "Military Appreciation Day" in a special worship service at 11:15 a.m. April 30. For more information, call the church 852-4594.

Volunteer Center—The Volunteer Center of Huntsville/Madison County is looking for people who are interested in becoming volunteers in the community. Volunteer receptionists are needed by a number of different agencies to help answer phones and greet clients. Medical records couriers are needed to transport data within a social service agency. Training is being offered for a multi-purpose crisis line with information/referral services and rape response advocacy program. And volunteer helpers are also needed to provide child safety seats for medically indigent children. For more information on these and other unpaid jobs, call the Volunteer Center at 539-7797.

Rec Center tours—The Recreation Center still has seats available for its upcoming tours. "On May 27, we will be going to the Nashville Flea Market, one of the largest flea markets in the South. Seats are only \$10. Join us on our June 10 trip to see the fabulous 'Imperial Tombs of China' exhibit in Memphis, and the cost is only \$25 and includes transportation and admission. On June 17, we will be going to Sam's Town in Tunica, Miss. This one is filling fast, but we

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Self-Help Store equips residents for landscaping

By Kathy Harkleroad

Spring is officially here and the employees of the Self-Help Store don't need a calendar to remind them of that fact. The store has stayed busy since the warmer weather arrived.

"We have had lines out the front door since the first of April, and all of us have been extremely busy," said Wayne Nevels, manager of the Self-Help Store. "We don't mind it one bit because it just goes to show that both the residents and occupants of the industrial buildings really do care how things look and are taking the extra effort to make sure the Arsenal is beautiful."

While there are different items available for industrial buildings and housing occupants, Nevels said there is still something for everyone. "The housing residents were able to come in twice this month to receive two flats of bedding plants and a couple of potted plants. And believe me they went fast," he said.

The line for the plant give-away began forming at 6:30 a.m. April 11 with Tracy Zerba being the first in line. "I wanted to get here early so I could make sure I got some

of the flowers. I know they go very fast and wanted to make sure we could get some," Zerba said.

"We tell the folks in housing they need to arrive early and they take us to heart," Nevels said. "I have seen lines down Vincent Drive as early as 7 a.m. before."

Housing residents are also able to receive 15 bags of top soil, mulch, and nuggets per year, 15 landscape timbers, two bales of peat moss, and up to 10 pounds of grass seed per year. Housing residents also have a choice of several types of fertilizer at the Self-Help Store.

"We have 13,13,13, weed and feed, and 8,8,8 available for residents," Nevels said.

"This is the perfect time of year to get the yards spruced up and ready for the summer and we have everything here you need," he said. "We not only have the top soil and such, but have every kind of tool and equipment they might need to get the job done."

Industrial occupants can also obtain needed items at the store and can check out tools and equipment as well as obtain other items. "We have several buildings working on picnic areas, general sprucing up and



FREE FLOWERS— Tracy Zerba picks out her two flats of flowers; she is the wife of Capt. Thomas Zerba, Explosive Ordnance Disposal. As part of the Keep

painting projects both indoors and out," Nevels said.

According to Nevels, everyone is involved with the beautification effort and it makes him feel proud. "This is a real example of Team Redstone and how everyone feels pride in the

Redstone Beautiful Month activities, housing residents were able to obtain two flats of free bedding plants at the Self-Help Store April 11 and 18.

places they work and live," he said. The Self-Help Store, building 3500, is open Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday 8-1:30 p.m. The yard closes a half hour before closing time.

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still have a few seats and the cost is only \$15." For more information, call 876-4531 weekdays after 1:30 p.m. or weekends after 10 a.m.

Aeronautics/astronautics group— The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA-Miss. section) will hold a dinner meeting May 2 at 6 p.m. at the Holiday Inn-Madison Square. Guest speaker is James French, JRF Engineering Consultants. His topic is low-cost space transportation. Dinner cost is \$12.50 and student member's cost is \$6. Telephone reservations are required; call John Lassiter 544-3022 or fax him at 544-3801.

Public Service Recognition — Mayor Steve Hettinger has proclaimed the week of May 1-7 as Public Service Recognition Week in Huntsville. Under the leadership of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, a committee comprised of representatives from federal, state and local public service agencies including Redstone Arsenal has been busily planning activities for the week. Public Service Recognition Week, celebrated nationally, is a time set aside to educate Americans about the broad variety of services provided by government and to show appreciation to public em-

ployees at the federal, state and local level who ensure our government is among the best in the world. Included in this year's activities are a Public Service Fun Walk at Milton Frank Stadium starting at 5 p.m. May 1, public service displays at Madison Square Mall May 3, and a Public Service Recognition Week luncheon at the Officers Club at 11:30 a.m. May 5. The public is invited to all of these events. A Public Service Essay Contest is also being conducted in Huntsville and Madison County schools in conjunction with this year's activities.

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'81 Ford Mustang, white hatchback, 30K miles on rebuilt engine, one owner, good transportation, \$550, 722-8009 after 5 pm.

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'72 Duster, 318-V8, gold/black vinyl, cold air, new timing chain, rebuilt transmission, exc. condition, \$1600 obo., 852-5884.

• Miscellaneous •

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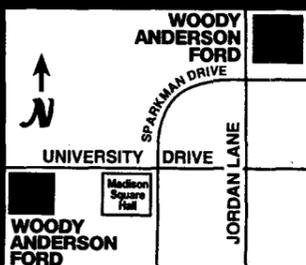
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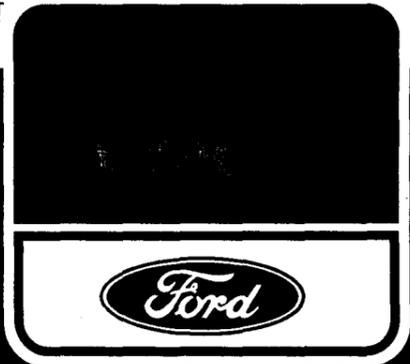
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