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Spare time fun...

Robert Potts made this stained glass window at the Arts and Crafts Center on the Arsenal and gives monthly classes for those who are interested in learning the craft. For more about the Arts and Crafts Center, see the article inside today's issue.

The Wilbourns: Remember Trey and others on Memorial Day

By Skip Vaughn

On Memorial Day the parents of a Marine who died in the Persian Gulf War want people to remember him and others who have given their lives in the name of freedom.

Joyce and J.N. Wilbourn have attended a ceremony for the past four years where Huntsville veterans' organizations place a wreath on a large memorial in the veterans' section at Maple Hill Cemetery. Their son, Capt. James "Trey" Wilbourn, was a 28-year-old Marine pilot when his AV-8B Harrier jet was shot down during a Feb. 23, 1991 mission over central Kuwait.

The Wilbourns, both retired, reside in southeast Huntsville near Randolph School where Trey graduated in 1980 before going to Auburn University and receiving his commission through ROTC. A large painting of Trey in uniform is displayed prominently over the couch in the front room.



PERSONAL SHRINE—Joyce and J.N. Wilbourn pose beside Trey's mementoes displayed in their study.

"My favorite subject," Joyce said, when asked about her son. "Trey was just a unique individual. He was very outgoing, enjoyed life, very active. Of course he loved to fly; liked to ski—water skiing was his favorite, but he snow skied, too. He went to Randolph

of course, played sports at Randolph. Got his commission when he graduated from Auburn (in 1984).

"We feel like we were just so lucky to have a son like him. He was so special, and we were just so lucky even that we had him the 28 years. It was the best

28 years of our lives," Joyce said.

Sitting on the couch with her husband, she described how she feels about his service to this country. "Trey believed in what he was doing. He believed this was

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Memorial Day has special meaning to staff chaplain

By Skip Vaughn

Asked the significance of Memorial Day, the MICOM staff chaplain poses a question in turn to a visitor in his office at Bicentennial Chapel on Goss Road.

"Why is that road named Goss Road?" asks Chaplain (Col.) William McAllister. "That road is named Goss so that we remember 1st Lt. Paul Goss, who served in the 1st Gas Regiment in the first World War and died of his wounds on the 6th of October in 1918. And that's why we celebrate Memorial Day as Americans: to remember the things we take for granted every day like the name of a road we ride on every day, represents more than just a road; it represents a man's life, his contribution to this country.

"So when we have Memorial Day we remember men and women, folks like Goss who gave their all so we can ride on that road in freedom, with justice and liberty."

McAllister, 55, knows firsthand the true significance of Memorial Day. As a chaplain in Vietnam, he saw death, smelled the putrid odor of the fallen, and had the image



IN REMEMBRANCE—McAllister kneels next to a plaque, outside Bicentennial Chapel, which is dedicated to the memory of prisoners of war and those missing in action.

burned into his memory.

"I can think of one experience I had in Vietnam that sticks in my mind to this day. A young soldier, a private from Kentucky, had been in the Army about six months. He was shipped to Vietnam to my unit; he was at Ankh, a big depot. This was his first week in country and his first day with that unit. And he was put on guard duty on the perimeter. And that night, there was a rocket attack and he was killed instantly," McAllister recalls.

The soldier, 19 years old, had a wife and baby waiting on him back in the states. McAllister conducted a memorial service on the hill where the soldier had died. "And I'll never forget that. We had the service right where the impact of that rocket had been."

McAllister, who served in Vietnam from May 1969 to May 1970 as a chaplain for the 54th Signal Battalion, spent his weekdays there as a passenger in a helicopter flying from site to site. "Don't like Hueys, don't want to fly in them anymore. Almost got killed three times flying in

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Letters to the editor

A special day to remember

Editor's note: The following is a Memorial Day message from the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

For more than 125 years, we have observed in late May a special day to remember and honor our fellow citizens who have laid down their lives in the name of freedom. We pay tribute to all the men and women in uniform who sacrificed their futures, fortunes and their very lives, from the American Civil War to the skies over Northern Iraq.

Memorial Day 1995 marks a half century since the end of World War II and falls between V-E Day on May 8 and V-J Day on Sept. 2. In commemorating these 50th anniversary events, we honor those who died carrying the torch of justice and freedom back to Europe and to the Pacific. With our nation's flag and flowers, we decorate their final resting places in cemeteries throughout the United States and in 24 foreign locations where 93,242 U.S. military dead of World War II are buried. We remember the names of 55,856 soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines who were missing in action, lost or buried at sea 50 years ago.

In all of the far-flung operations of our own Armed Forces, the toughest job has been performed by the average, easy-going, hard-fighting young American who carried the weight of battle on his young shoulders, said President Franklin D. Roosevelt during World War II. It is to him that we and all future generations of Americans must pay grateful tribute.

Today, the extraordinary work done by each of you serving in the Armed Forces continues to play a critical role in the course of events around the globe. Your efforts have contributed to the readiness of our military into the next century. On this Memorial Day, we pay homage to the memory of those who have made the supreme sacrifice and salute the commitment and dedication you exemplify in 1995.

Gen. John M. Shalikashvili
Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

Cutting grass

Well, we must have been spoiled in the past! Have you noticed that the grass on the side of the road is as high as an elephant's eye? We must have a new contractor, because no longer do you see a troop of 15 yellow tractors out cutting the grass. Gone also is the team of 10 weed eaters attacking the grass around road signs and culverts. I hope we are paying less this year than we have in the past, because when it is (infrequently) cut, the same quality and care we had in the past is no longer evident. There are skips between cuts, and the mower must be dull, because the grass is not evenly cut. Even the new Sparkman Center has not been spared. More weeds than grass, and pretty shabby mowing.

If we are saving money, and perhaps jobs, we are doing the best we can. But it seems a shame that one of our more evident signs of quality has to suffer. Is there an explanation? We would like to know.

Name withheld by request

Fitness center

Being a member of the new Sparkman Fitness Center has certainly been a pleasurable experience. The personnel there are supportive and competent. They show new members how to use the equipment properly, and show current members how to refine their weightlifting technique. Also, the staff personnel are doing a splendid job in maintaining the equipment.

For example, I noticed a pad was fraying on the bicep machine. I did not get an opportunity to mention it to the recreational assistant because he expeditiously had the pad replaced. This was accomplished with no or minimal equipment down time. But most of all, what makes the Sparkman Fitness Center superior to all other fitness facilities is that the personnel have always been friendly, helpful, courteous, enthusiastic and dependable.

In addition, they personify fitness and provide overall fitness counseling. I have been using the facility since it opened. And I would like to say they are doing a superb job and their work has certainly transcended my expectations. The extraordinary efforts of Victor Nieves and the entire fitness center staff are greatly appreciated. They are doing an exceptional job and are second to none.

Stephen Hendricks

Mowing concern

I have a concern that I would like to share with respect to the lawn mowing maintenance on the Arsenal. It seems that the grass is receiving much less attention than in the past. Building 4566 is a good example of this because the grass is waist deep in places. Is this negligence due to reduced funding, contractor lawn mowing maintenance oversight, or what?

Name withheld by request

(Editor's note: The Directorate of Public Works provided the following response. "It is always good to hear from concerned people, and your concerns are shared by many of us. We are continuing to voice our concerns to the contractor and are working to resolve the problems causing the inadequate mowing on Redstone Arsenal.

"There are a number of small areas that have been missed by the contractor. The oversights happened because we have a new contractor and the project manager is unfamiliar with RSA.

"The major problem contributing to the current appearance is the contractor underestimated the equipment and manpower required to mow a base as large as Redstone at the frequencies required. Additional equipment has been ordered and should be on site, and mowing, by the first of June.

"The contractor should be on schedule and providing acceptable grass mowing by the middle of June. If an area is not mowed to acceptable quality, the building custodian should submit a customer complaint, SMI form 1296, to AMSMI-RA-DPW-OP-BA, building 111.")

Real world

In defense of the Sparkman Cafeteria and "real" business enterprises in general—reference the letter titled "Cafeteria policy" in the May 17 Rocket—I would like to remind government employees that the private sector exists in the world of profit or loss. Unfortunately and no less embarrassingly, the cold realities of this concept (i.e. accountability) are obviously alien to many who are practically guaranteed a paycheck for life. I suppose when making a living becomes that automatic, some of us can be offended by mere exposure to the experience of having to "earn" a living under real world conditions.

George Hastings
IMMC

Pentagon equal-opportunity official to address banquet

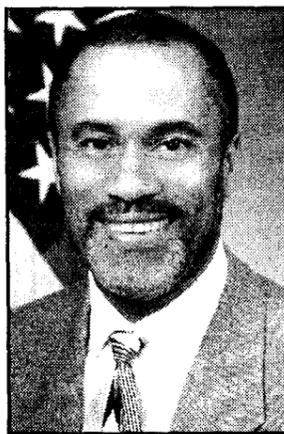
By Mary Peoples

William Leftwich III, deputy assistant secretary of defense (equal opportunity) at the Pentagon, is scheduled speaker at the Huntsville-Madison County Chapter of Blacks in Government (BIG) annual awards banquet at 7 p.m. June 8 in the Huntsville Marriott.

Leftwich directs the development and coordination of equal opportunity policies and programs affecting virtually all civilian employees and military personnel within the Department of Defense worldwide and

exercises staff supervision over a deputate comprising two directorates of equal opportunity professionals.

He began his federal government career in 1994 with the DoD Office of the Undersecretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) as a special consultant. In 1990 he was employed with the Chicago Park District as the superintendent of employment. He managed the district's 7,500 employees in con-



LEFTWICH

junction with the Park District's board of commissioners and/or the general superintendent.

From 1973-90, Leftwich was employed by Sears Roebuck and Company in Chicago as the organizational planning manager for corporate personnel. He earned his bachelor of science degree in education from Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. His affiliations and organizations include Hyde Park Neighborhood, Board of Governors, Northwestern Community Health Center (former member), and Miami University Alumni Association of Greater Chicago.

Recognition will be given to outstanding BIG chapter members and those who have helped to improve the quality of life for African-American citizens in the Huntsville area. A special feature of the banquet will include a tribute to African-American government retirees (federal, state and local) who are considered "trailblazers" in areas

of employment since the inception of federal affirmative action regulations.

BIG is a non-profit, non-partisan organization formed over a decade ago to address the concerns of African-American employees in federal, state and local governments. BIG grew out of the need for African-Americans at all levels of government to have a voice in the planning, development and execution of policies, programs and issues that affect African-Americans in particular and society in general.

Banquet tickets cost \$15 per person; and the public is invited to attend. Tickets may be purchased from the following individuals until 4 p.m. June 6: Mary Peoples 955-4275, Bob Wilson 722-1522 and Bernard Collier 876-9223.

(Editor's note: Peoples, of the EEO Office at the Space and Strategic Defense Command, serves as president of the local BIG chapter.)

Correction

An article last week about suicide prevention listed an incorrect phone number for HELpline. The correct number is 539-1000.

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CIC celebrates completion of computer facility

By Sandra Cartee

The Corporate Information Center moved its last computer from building 4373 to the Sparkman Computer Facility. This not only marked the completion of their move, but the dawning of a more high-tech era for computer users in the center. CIC performed all the moving with little or no effect to computer users.

"This brings an end to 12 months of efforts," said Terry Yancey, director of technology integration for CIC. For the past year, CIC has moved Sparkman Center residents' computers into the complex. "After people finished moving, we could use our full force (to move the computers)," Yancey said.

And the last computer was moved Monday, May 22. The doors were locked to an empty building 4373 and the computer was transported. The event was celebrated with a ribbon cutting at the Sparkman Computer Facility which is in the basement of building 5301. "This is a major accomplishment from our perspective," explained Yancey.

The biggest accomplishment was the way in which CIC moved the computers. "We think that we did a good job and we did it with as little impact as possible to the users," Yancey said. In minimizing the effect on the tenants in the Sparkman

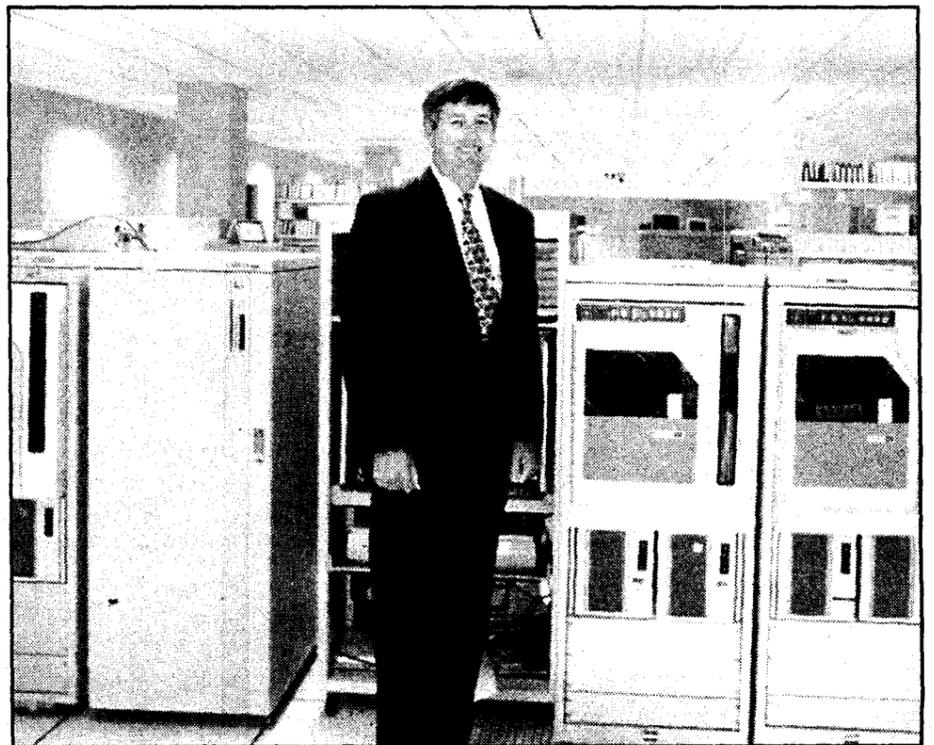
Center, CIC often moved the computers on Friday afternoons. In most cases, "the user didn't even know that this was going on behind the scenes."

Moving computers isn't as simple as just unplugging and moving them. "Each one is like a bowl of spaghetti with connection to circuits, networks, and....," explained Yancey. The telephone company is involved in reconnections and of course the hundreds of users could be affected when the computers are shut down to be moved.

The types of computers that were moved include mini computers that are used on departmental level, servers for personal computers and Macintoshes, data circuits, modems, data communication equipment, networks and others. Some new computers were purchased and some directorates brought their computer equipment with them, too. "There was a lot of hard work from a lot of people to make this a successful move for both people and computers," Yancey said.

Yancey also credits all of Team Redstone in the successful efforts. "We all had to work together," he said.

When the computers were moved, technology was also updated. "We took advantage of technology as we moved," said Yancey. Before, the users were tied into a certain computer. "Here, in this facility, we tied the users into our network."



FINISHED MOVE— The Corporate Information Center is pleased to have all its computers moved and on-line in the Sparkman Computer Facility. Yancey poses in the newly-stocked facility.

Now computer users can tap into more things such as the Internet and have more capabilities. "It's nice because you can do these kind of things and the user doesn't even know or understand what you've done. They just know that they've got capabilities," Yancey said.

CIC completed the move of computers into the Sparkman Computer Facility and brought with it improved technology. The move was done with little impact to the users and in most cases the users didn't even realize what hard work was going on behind the scenes.

Association announces scholarship awards for Ordnance people

The Ordnance Corps Association plans to award scholarships to selected Ordnance soldiers and their families.

All Ordnance soldiers (active and reserve), OCA members and their immediate family members are eligible for this scholarship program. Applications must be delivered to the OCA business office at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., by June 30.

Scholarship grants will be awarded to fund tuition expenses at the associate degree and bachelor's degree level. Each applicant must write two essays. The first essay, from 300-

350 words, will be on your reasons for seeking this grant and why you feel you merit its award. The second essay, from 1,000-1,500 words, will be on the spirit, traditions, heritage and history of the Army Ordnance Corps.

The OCA Scholarship Committee will convene in mid-summer to evaluate all applications submitted. For more information, call CSM Ben Sunde 876-1874.

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Memorial Day tribute from former classmate

Vietnam veteran respects those who made ultimate sacrifice

By Skip Vaughn

The voice on the other end of the line Tuesday afternoon, May 16 didn't sound familiar. Then he told me his name was Steve Ray, my old buddy from Butler High School.

I didn't realize until talking over old times with him that Ray was a Vietnam veteran. While I went on to college after high school, he entered the Air Force and served his country in war.

We talked on the phone about the war, about how he regretted the way returning Vietnam veterans were treated in this country, about how he despised former Defense Secretary Robert McNamara's recent statements that the war was wrong. We talked about a mutual high school buddy Joel Hankins who also served in Vietnam, and died there.

I knew I was talking to the perfect Memorial Day subject. Ray and I made plans to meet Thursday morning, May 18 at his job at Lockheed.

He met me inside the lobby at Lockheed. Ray hadn't changed too much from the old days, not on the outside anyway. But he had fought a war since then and had plenty of experiences to tell.

Ray works as environmental, safety and health coordinator at Lockheed Missiles and Space Company Inc. He graduated from Butler High in 1970, and joined the Air Force in '71. He served in the Air Force until January 1976 when he ended his military career as a staff sergeant.

Ray served in Vietnam at Cam Ranh Bay air base from January until May 1972, and then served in Khorat, Thailand from May

1972 until January '73. Asked about his Vietnam experience, he said "There's really two things that stand out in my mind mostly about that. One would be the Vietnamization process: Prior to our leaving there, we had to train the ARVN (Army of the Republic of Vietnam—the South Vietnamese army). We had to train them to take care of our jobs. We were providing security for the air base, so we had to turn over security to them. And there's a lot that can be said about that process and what happened and what we did and what they did in that situation. The truth is that they (the South Vietnamese) weren't very good soldiers that I encountered," recalled Ray, who was a member of the 483rd Security Police Squadron.

The other thing that he recalls most about his Vietnam experience was the spring offensive launched by probably 120,000 North Vietnamese invaders which began March 30, 1972. Sappers struck the big U.S. base at Cam Ranh Bay, killing three Americans and wounding 15. Ray recalls

that those casualties were members of a U.S. signal battalion which was in the process of moving from Cam Ranh Bay to Nha Trang. As a security policeman, he would see those soldiers every day moving their equipment back and forth. The morning after the initial attack, Ray was on the main gate when the battalion leaders drove up.

"And the captain, the commanding officer, and the first sergeant drove up in the captain's jeep and they had the Catholic priest with them," Ray said. "And the captain came over to me—he was just crying, you know—and he just hugged my neck. And he told me it was bad. He told me who all got hit."

The North Vietnamese took quite a bit of territory in the offensive "before they were beaten back," Ray said. "Quang Tri was retaken in September by the ARVN.... When the country fell in 1975, essentially the ARVN just ran."

Asked about how Vietnam veterans were treated upon returning to the states, he said "In my own personal experience, it was

like hot and sour sauce. People refused to give me change to catch a bus. And then on the other hand I had people that I met in the San Francisco airport, a couple that wouldn't even let me pay for my own drinks. So people were either extra nice or extra nasty.

"But when I got back to Huntsville, there were a couple of things. People were very indifferent if they found out you just came back from Southeast Asia. And after talking to some folks, I really felt the people I was with over there were a lot more patriotic than the folks back home. The people I served with were gungho. When I got back, the people were very indifferent. It was like, 'Well did you smoke any dope?' And I said: No, I didn't; I can't help you with that."

Ray said he has no regrets about volunteering for Vietnam. "I believe what we were trying to do was right. I still believe we were there for the cause of freedom. I believed it then and I still believe it. Anytime you go and try to



RAY

help somebody remain a free person, I don't see it as a wrong."

Ray disagrees strongly with McNamara's book, "In Retrospect: The Tragedy and Lessons of Vietnam," in which the former defense secretary says he knew the war was "terribly wrong." McNamara said in the book that he kept silent even after deciding that the war had become a tragic error out of fear that speaking out would provide "aid and comfort to the enemy."

After the war Ray served

as a Madison County sheriff's deputy from 1976-79. He earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Athens State in 1978. He worked for Tennessee Valley Authority from 1979-86, Laser Video (now called Disc Manufacturing) from '86-88, and PPG Industries from 1988 until joining Lockheed in '91. Ray, 43, serves as assistant teacher with the 12th grade Sunday School at

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a job that had to be done. In a letter he wrote to sixth grade at Central School, he said the war was about more than just oil. They had completely taken over that country they had invaded; and their (the Americans') mission was to free those people—which they did."

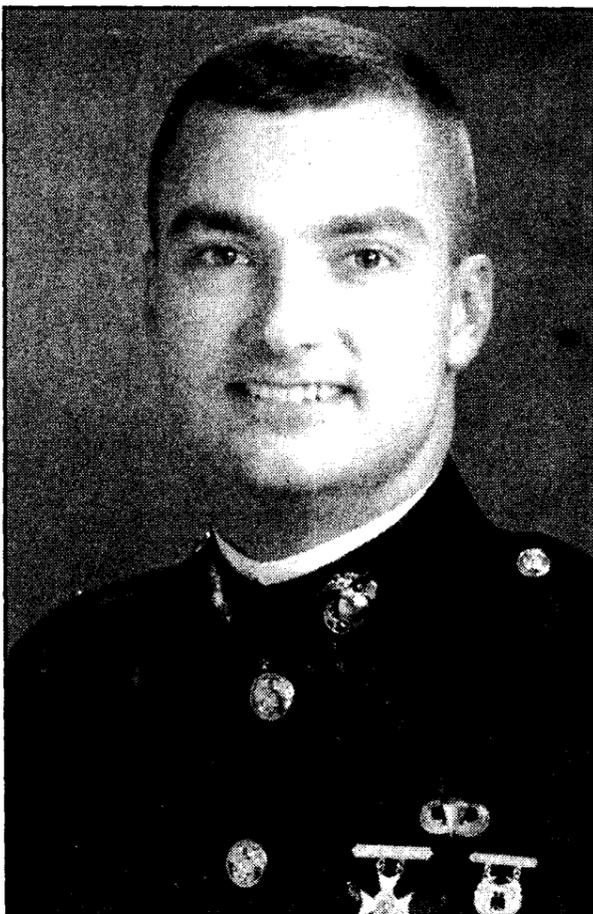
She pauses when asked how she has coped with Trey's death. "Well, it's been extremely difficult. The missing. His not being here. You can't help but think of what you'd be doing if he was here, how you would be enjoying life with him. Realizing that we've got the rest of our lives to live without him is just difficult," Joyce said.

A scholarship in Trey's name is awarded annually at Randolph School, and another is awarded annually at Auburn ROTC. Aviation Challenge at the Space and Rocket Center awarded a scholarship in 1993. Teledyne Brown Engineering, where J.N. retired in April, matches its employees' donations two-for-one through the Teledyne Matching Gifts

to Education Programs. There has been a scholarship recipient at Randolph and a scholarship recipient at Auburn for each of the past four years.

J.N. is a veteran of the Korean War who served in the Navy from 1950-55. He retired from Marshall Space Flight Center in 1984 and went to work at Teledyne Brown before retiring there in April. Joyce worked for the Army until retiring in 1993 from Program Executive Office for Missile Defense. During her career she worked at several Army organizations including the Space and Strategic Defense Command.

The Wilbourns traveled to Kuwait in 1993. "In April and May of '93, there were 188 of us—members of families that lost their loved ones in Persian Gulf War. We were invited by the Kuwaiti government and an organization in Kuwait and we spent a week in Kuwait (in May 1993)," Joyce said. They were able to visit the site where Trey's plane was shot down in central Kuwait, west of Kuwait City, near



TREY— This is among the many photos the Wilbourns keep of their son.

the Kuwaiti-Iraq border.

The Wilbourns have a daughter, Sabrina, 30, who is married to an Army captain. "His name is Trey, the same as our son's," Joyce said. Capt. Trey and Sabrina Cate have a 20-month-old son, Cole. The captain, a heavy-artillery

officer assigned to Fort Stewart, Ga., was deployed to Kuwait last October when Iraq threatened aggression once again before backing down. He returned home in December.

Joyce escorts a visitor into the next room where a

framed photo of her son in uniform is displayed along with pictures of other members of the family. The sun pours in from large windows at an adjacent room toward the rear of the house. Marine aviator wings are etched in the glass of the large upper window within that room. "We just built this room on. And we've got the aviator wings. I thought that was kind of different. It's a sun room or a Florida room, I guess. We have just really enjoyed that. Depending on where the sun is and how the light comes in... it just glows, it's etched into the glass. A local company did that for me," Joyce said.

Downstairs is the study where photos of Trey, his airplane models, Auburn mementoes, and a glass-encased folded flag are on permanent display in cabinets. Among the newspaper clippings in the five volumes of scrapbooks is the story of a young girl stricken with cancer who was Trey's pen pal. Colleen Burke, of Atlantic Heights, N.J., was 7 when she wrote a letter to "Any Serviceman" stationed in

the Persian Gulf. Trey talked to her by telephone and they corresponded with each other. Colleen is 11 now; and the Wilbourns have met her family and have stayed in touch. "We met them in New York when we were going to Kuwait," Joyce said.

Many letters have come from Trey's friends. "We have been so fortunate with Trey's friends, people have kept in touch with us," Joyce said.

Upstairs is Trey's bedroom which has been kept just as it was when he left.

Asked about the significance of Memorial Day, Joyce said "It should be observed for what it stands for. It's in memory of the ones who've sacrificed their lives for our freedom, and I think it should be recognized."

J.N. has been a cordial, friendly host— just like his wife. He has let her do most of the talking during this interview. Toward its conclusion, he is asked for his thoughts. "Trey called me just about every Sunday wanting to know if daddy went to church," he said.

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Whitesburg Baptist Church. He and his wife, Song, a native of Korea where he was stationed from 1974-76, have two baby daughters. Stephanie is 17 months old, and Abigail only six weeks. "I'm surrounded by beautiful women; I'm very happy," Ray said, smiling. His son, Steven Jr., died in a car wreck in April 1992 at age 16.

"I feel really a sense of deep respect for the sacrifices of people because I know without those sacrifices I wouldn't be here today," Ray said, referring to Memorial Day. "I

wouldn't have the opportunity that I've had in my life."

He plans to join other veterans in raising the flag in front of the home of the parents of Prentice Wayne Hicks, a 1968 Butler High graduate, who was missing in action in Vietnam. That Memorial Day observance, sponsored by American Legion Post 237, will be held at 8 a.m. Monday, May 29 at 2811 6th Ave. in southwest Huntsville. Everyone is invited.

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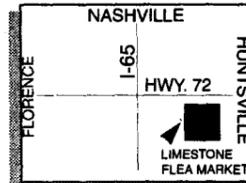
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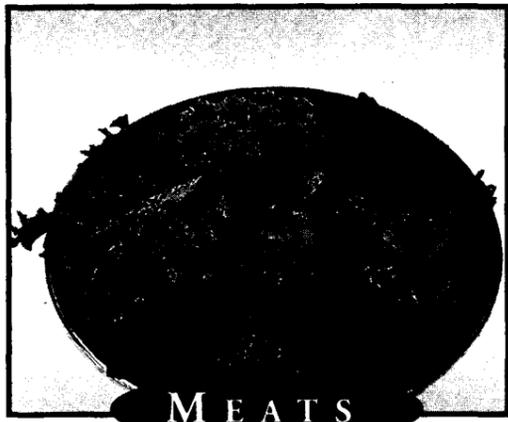
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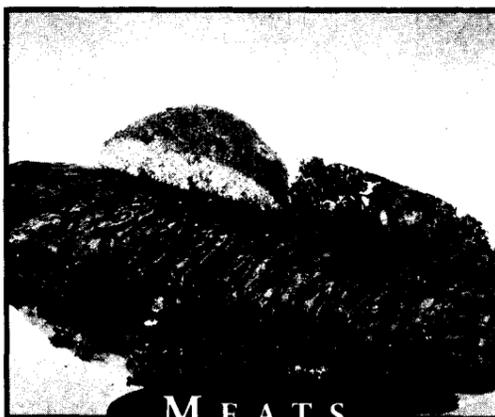
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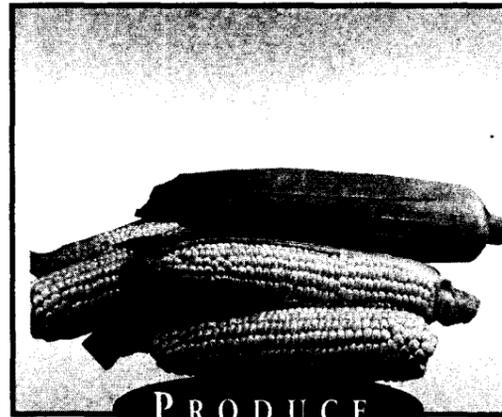
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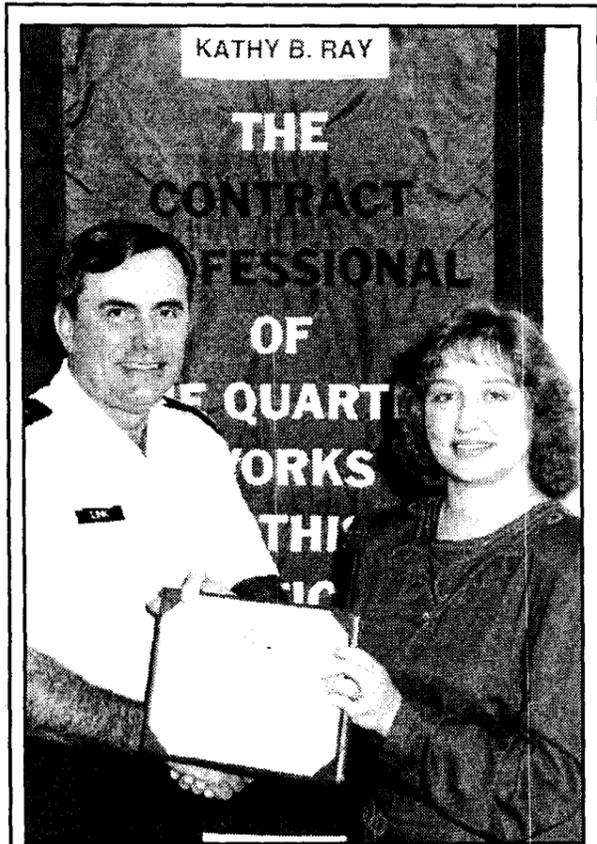


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Kathy Ray receives the Contract Professional of the Quarter Award for the first quarter of fiscal 1995. Making the presentation is Maj. Gen. James Link, commander of the Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal. Ray was selected for her role as a team leader in the 15-month effort of awarding the installation support services contract in a timely manner. The awarding of the contract last September was critical to preclude interruption of routine services.

Memorial Day comes Monday

Monday will bring the Memorial Day holiday, a day set aside for observances in memory of dead servicemembers of all wars. The Commissary will be closed both Monday and Tuesday. Post Exchange will operate with the following holiday hours Monday: Main Store, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Shoppette, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.; MCSS, closed; Service Station, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Class Six, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Anthony's Pizza, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Burger King, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Concessions, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Memorial Day, also called Decoration Day, is observed each year on the last Monday in May.

Program executive office outlines oversight mission

By Jacqueline Jones

The Program Executive Office for Tactical Missiles participated in the 11th annual Technical and Business Exhibition and Symposium (TABES), May 16-17 at the Von Braun Civic Center.

George Williams, the program executive officer, delivered a presentation for the Tactical Missiles Defense Session utilizing the designated theme, "Doing More With Less."

The PEO Tactical Missiles was chartered in 1987 in order to serve as the Army's centralized manager for the assigned programs, and to provide overall direction and guidance for the development, acquisition, testing, product improvements and fielding of assigned programs. These programs include the Air-to-Ground Missile Systems Project Office, Army TACMS-BAT Project Office, Close Combat Anti-Armor Weapon System Project Office, Forward Area Air Defense Project Office, Javelin Project Office, Line-of-Sight Anti-Tank Project Office, Multiple Launch Rocket System Project Office, and the Non Line-of-Sight Project Office (E-FOGM).

The program executive



TACTICAL MISSILES DISPLAY— Business Exhibition and Symposium. This interactive display system, featuring a video on PEO Tactical Missiles, was among the attractions at the annual Technical and

office's primary management emphasis and oversight is placed on cost, schedule and performance while ensuring compliance with applicable local and national policies. The PEO provides oversight and resource allocations which ensure that each project office has adequate resources in terms of people, dollars, facilities and time. The program executive office is the Department of Army representative for Office of Secretary of Defense and Congress and interfaces with the combat developer to

ensure that the user's requirements are considered in programmatic issues.

Williams is assisted by a deputy PEO for tactical missiles. Col. Roy Millar, who served as deputy from May 1994 to present, has been appointed as the new NLOS project manager. Col. Charles Greer has been appointed as the new deputy PEO for tactical missiles. Williams is also assisted by Billy Bentley, deputy for programs; Dr. John Howerton, deputy for systems; Col. Michael Howell, assistant

PEO for battlefield integration; and their respective staff. The PEO Tactical Missiles has a core staff of about 300, obtains functional matrix support from the Missile Command via memorandums of agreement, and reports directly to the Army Acquisition Executive, Gilbert Decker, who reports to the undersecretary of defense (the defense acquisition executive).

(Editor's note: Jones is a procurement analyst at PEO Tactical Missiles.)

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People take to the skies during annual open house

By Sandra Cartee

The Flying Activity held its annual Spring Open House on Saturday. With a large crowd of people all ages, they shared the thrill and awe of flying by giving tours and even mini flying lessons.

It was like no other open house, with airplanes in the air and taxiing down the runway, people waited in anticipation for their turn to take to the sky. "I'm looking forward to it," said Lynn Caplinger who was prepared with a video camera to capture the experience.

Like many other first timers to the activity, Caplinger is interested in

learning how to fly. He has family up north and would like to be able to someday fly himself there to visit.

Other visitors to the open house included many kids. Two brothers shared their flying experience after they landed and were still excited. "I saw a baseball field and it looked awful small. It looked like little toys from up above," said 7-year-old Matthew Howell. "I want to be a jet pilot or an airplane pilot when I grow up," explained 4-year-old Zachary Howell.

The children weren't the only ones excited about flying. Bob Kincaid, the Flying Activity president, said "we usually get three to

seven new members out of this."

It's no wonder. The instructors even let passengers who take the mini flying lessons pilot the plane themselves (with help, of course). "The instructor will make an assessment, and they will let them (the passengers) fly as much as they can safely," Kincaid said. Afterward the students were given certificates to show their accomplishment in their first flight.

Tours were also given at the open house and passengers were able to see the Arsenal and Huntsville. The 30-minute tour included flying over the Space and Rocket Center and all the way down to the Tennessee River bridge. The pilots would also change course upon request to show people their houses or something in particular they wanted to see.



EXTRAORDINARY VIEW— Patrons of the Flying Activity were able to take rides in planes and see sights of Huntsville and Redstone from the sky.

"What we're really after is to help teach people how to fly airplanes and make flight instruction fun. This (open house) is to create interest," Kincaid said. He finds that people of all age groups are interested in taking flying lessons. People ages 16 and up are eligible to get their pilots license, and Kincaid feels that younger people ages around 17 to 20 tend to absorb flying essentials quickly.

Kincaid said that there are 185 to 200 members of the Flying Activity. Some

of those members are also involved with the Civil Air Patrol, who conduct emergency search and rescues. There were also representatives of the patrol present at the open house to tell patrons of their part.

One Flying Activity member decided to try his hand in flying after attending a previous open house. "The instructors are very hospitable and interested in students and their learning," said Ralph Timberlake. Timberlake took lessons and now has his pilots license.

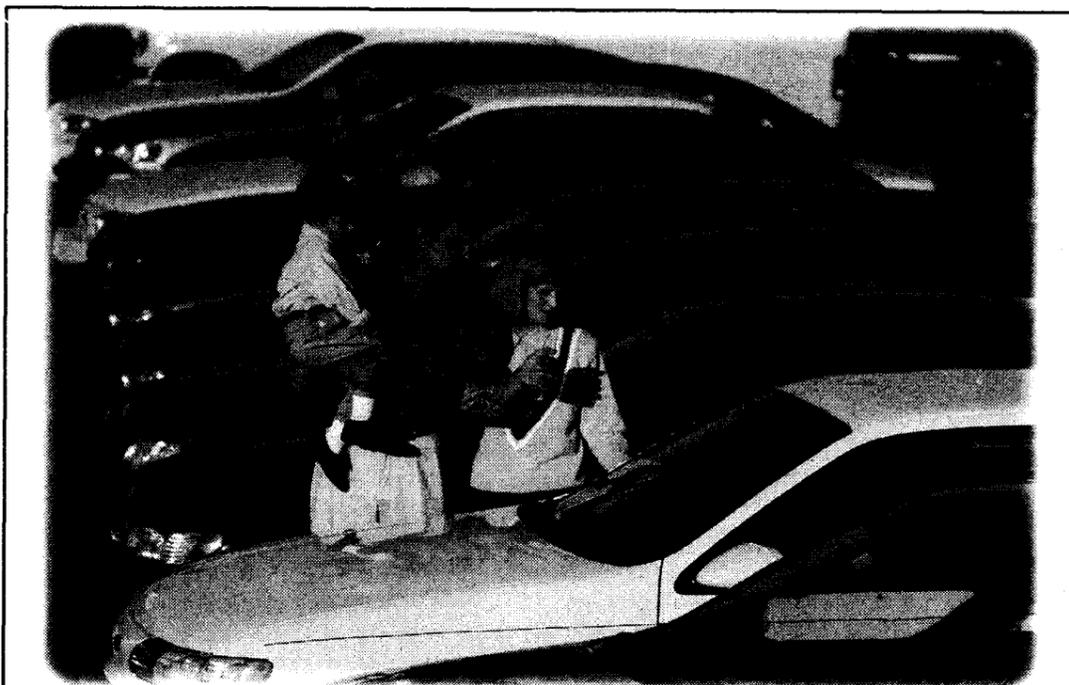
The excitement could be felt in the air as planes were taking off, landing, and taxiing down the runway. Most people waiting for their turn to fly were first-time fliers.

Kincaid and all the instructors were pleased to answer questions, tell fliers exactly what they were doing, and encouraged them to take part in the activity. "We're looking for more folks to come fly airplanes with us," Kincaid said.

For more information on flying and the Flying Activity, call 881-3980.



FUTURE PILOTS— Children of all ages came out for a flying lesson or tour in airplanes at the Flying Activity open house Saturday. Zachary, left, and Matthew Howell, are two future pilots who enjoyed flying off into the wild blue yonder.



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Severe weather awareness everyone's responsibility

By Skip Vaughn

An office in the basement of the Sparkman Center is responsible for notifying the Redstone community in the event of severe weather. Obviously, it can't do this job alone.

The Plans and Operations Office relies on weather experts to make the initial determination that a weather emergency exists. It then notifies offices via computer messages, calls the provost marshal to sound the sirens for Redstone residents, and then hopes that others will help spread the word.

"Our goal would be 100 percent notification of all personnel on the installation in the shortest possible time. We know that that's unrealistic, so we hope people that receive the notification have an internal system to notify other personnel," said Dwayne Seale, chief of the plans and concepts office.

When inclement weather approaches the area, his six-member office monitors the weather channel and then local channels on the television. They will receive a phone call from the Meteorological Team on post which will be followed by a datafax message. A member of the office prepares a CANEWS (Campus Area Network Emergency Warning System) message; this is used to issue notification of severe thunderstorm watches, severe thunderstorm warnings, tornado watches, or tornado warnings.

At present CANEWS is connected to Sperry systems and not Macintosh. A separate Macintosh message must be prepared to notify users of that system in the event of severe weather, so this means an additional step in the notification process. The Corporate Information Center is adding Macintosh to the CANEWS network which should mean quicker notification, according to Lynn Brothers, mobilization planning assistant at Plans and Concepts Office.

"And of course in the Sparkman Center we have the intercom system. We call the SMO (Sparkman Management Office) and then they'll relay the messages," Brothers said.

A weather radio serves as a backup in the office in case the television cable goes out. In the event of a tornado warning, the plans and operations workers would call the provost marshal and ask that the sirens be sounded to notify residents.

The plans and operations office, known as the Emergency Operations Center during emergencies, is located in the basement of the Sparkman Center without any windows for viewing the weather. Asked about this lack of visual capability, Seale said "We're not concerned with visual sightings. Trained professionals are responsible for that. We're responsible for getting the warnings out once they're issued.... The point is, we're not in the severe weather forecasting business. Trained professionals do that. We're strictly in the notification



WEATHER ALERT— In the event of severe weather, Brothers would type a CANEWS message to notify computer users.

business."

Computer messages only go so far—in fact, offices must have a computer on in order to receive a warning. The plans and operations workers advise offices to have their own internal notification process, by telephone, word of mouth, etc. "Once I send the computer message, I'm hoping that people who receive this message will send it on to others," Brothers said. "They should have some sort of plan before severe weather hits us."

Other recommendations from the plans and operations office include the following:

- Keep at least one computer terminal logged-on so that it can receive a weather warning if necessary.
- Invest in a weather radio for severe weather awareness and preparation.
- Have a predesignated safe area to go in the event of severe weather; a basement is best. "If you can't get to a basement, an interior hallway, the center of the building, away from windows," Seale added.

ACS parenting classes not just for new parents

By Kathy Harkleroad

Becoming a new parent is exciting and a time of learning. Being a parent also means the learning never ends when it comes to parent/child relationships, and Jennifer Clark at Army Community Service has many resources available for parents of children of all ages.

"We offer parenting classes throughout the year and conduct them according to age groups. We have classes for parents of children birth to 6, 6 to 12, and teen-agers," Clark said.

The parenting class on teen-agers will begin June 1 at ACS and according to Clark can be a great help to parents. "We cover several topics such as what is normal, personalities, communication and discipline. We also have several discussion sessions where the parents can express their concerns and problems and we deal with

them," she said.

The parenting classes are an ideal situation for parents of children 11 and up, and parents can find several new ideas to handle special situations. "We have parents who attend who are looking for answers to situations they are experiencing at home, and we have parents attend who want to get an idea on what to expect as their child becomes a teen-ager," Clark said.

Children and teen-agers are unique and have unique sets of problems. "What may be problem for one child, isn't necessarily a problem for another. In the parent classes we investigate a variety of areas and share the information," Clark said.

The six-week class begins with a discussion on what is normal behavior in a teen-ager and how to recognize different types of behavior. "What may be aggravating to parents, may very well be a normal process of growing and learning to make decisions for

the child," Clark said.

Another area that is covered is different personalities and how parents must be able to recognize that even though the child is a product of the parent, they are the same person. "We look at the conflicts parents and teen-agers go through and teach the parents how to distinguish personality differences, as well as other factors," Clark said.

Communication skills is another topic covered during the class, and Clark said this is one of the most important areas. "Learning to communicate with our children, especially teen-agers, can be tough and tricky. We as parents have to learn how to really listen and hear what the child is saying. Many times we think we hear and understand, but many times, they are trying to express something else."

As the class reaches its conclusion parents are able to look at situations and learn what kind of discipline is appropriate for

the situation and the child. "Parents learn to look at the situation and focus on how much of the action is misbehavior and how much is a message the child is trying to convey," Clark said.

"We also focus on the positive aspect of the parent/teen relationship. It's hard to remember the love is there, especially when these relationships are so confrontational at times. The love is there, we just help parents identify it," she said.

Parents receive a free handbook as reference material, and videos and discussion groups play a key part in the classes. "We pretty much conduct the classes for younger children in the same manner as we will this one," Clark said. "The discussions are just centered on the appropriate age group."

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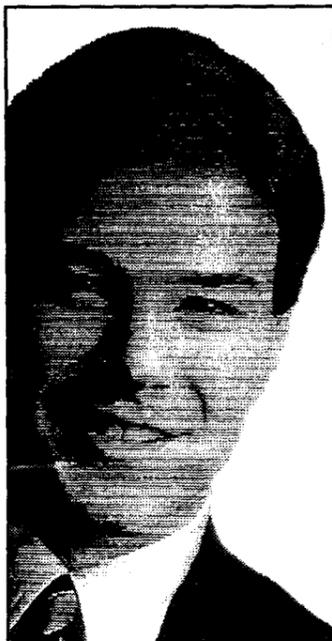
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Memorial Day tribute: Korean War vet remembers

By Sandra Cartee

In going through photo albums that were filled with pictures taken in the Korean War, my father told me of the details that I had wondered about for as long as I could remember. I listened closely and took notes, and when all the questions were answered, I realized how important it was to him for me to understand and remember this war that had happened long before I was ever born.

My dad said that he was 19 and in the Marines when he was sent to fight in Korea. The year was 1952 and he spent the next 18 months fighting. He said that 19 was not all that young back then, and he was already a sergeant when he was put on the ship leaving for the bloody war. "I was a forward observer and spotted for mortars and artillery," said Malcolm Carr Jr., my dad.

He was a forward observer in the 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines, George Company. It was a weapons platoon and my father's job was to stay 1,400 yards ahead of the platoon and three other infantry platoons. "I would radio back to the main line of resistance," Carr said.

The memory that he recalled the most was called the Battle of the Hook which took place right before the treaty was signed. "The North Koreans wanted to straighten the line out (they were fighting over the actual property line) and a lot of bloody action took place. It was all hand-to-hand combat," he said.

He recalled seeing that there were enough men who lost their lives to fill a whole company. Carr was at the outpost radioing for more support and remembers watching the action and all the soldiers who gave their lives. "It is a part of war, but you never get used to



REMEMBERING THOSE FALLEN— Carr, a veteran of the Korean War, provided this old photo of himself in Korea.

it," he explained.

Carr continues to believe that war was for a good cause and all of the soldiers had purpose in Korea. "From the contact that we had with the local Koreans, we realized that they did need our help. We saw how they lived," he said. The war was over in 1953 and he said, "we felt like we had accomplished something."

And now, over 40 years later, Carr believes that the memories of this war may perish. "It's been so long, that the younger generation doesn't know what it was and so they can't respect it.

There should be more than one paragraph in a history book. It deserves more," said Carr.

The war showed the first example of joint cooperation between United Nation countries. "It was the first time that they had all been in the same place, at the same time, fighting for the same job. It was a milestone," Carr said. He doesn't understand how the war can go almost forgotten.

Carr feels that the remembrance could be expanded and old films and photos are still around to help the younger genera-

tions learn about the war. He does feel that Huntsville has made good efforts to remember fallen soldiers of this war. "Huntsville has made a good start with their courthouse display. They've done a good job," he said.

But, Carr wishes there would be more expanded nationwide recognition of soldiers who died in Korea. "When the last of the Korean War vets pass on, all of the details will pass with them," he said.

Memorial Day has always been a special day to my father and he said, "Memorial Day, for me, means a time to reflect and remember and honor the memories of fallen comrades."

My father went on to later join the Army, and after 27 years of service to his country, retire.

After we were finished looking at the old photos and he was finished recalling the details, then it dawned on me. My father had helped the younger generation to remember the war and those who died; he had shared it all with me.

Summer concert tour coming to Redstone

To celebrate the steamy dog days of summer, the Army announces its concert tour called, "Dog Days of Summer." It is a two-day open air concert event with country recording artists David Ball and Sammy Kershaw, July 28 and a rhythm and blues concert by VYBE and Peabo Bryson, July 29. Both concerts are scheduled to begin at 8 p.m. at the parade field on Patton Road.

Redstone is one of 12 installations across the country that has been chosen to host this concert tour.

Tickets will be available for military and civilian personnel beginning June 15 at the Recreation Center. Tickets may also be purchased by calling TicketLink (formally Fastix) at 1-800-277-1700. The ticket prices are \$10 per person per concert in advance and \$12 the day of the show.

The event is open to the general public of Huntsville, Madison County and all other surrounding areas. It will be a great opportunity for the military and civilian communities to mix in a fun and relaxing environment.

Since the concert area is a grass surface and chairs will not be provided, attendees may bring lawn chairs, blankets and umbrellas for their comfort. No pets, coolers, cans or glass containers will be allowed. Food and beverages will be made available for purchase during the shows.

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EFOG-M contract goes to Raytheon

The Army has awarded a contract with a potential value of \$140 million to Raytheon Company, Missile Systems Division, Bedford, Mass., for the Enhanced Fiber Optic Guided Missile (EFOG-M) demonstration program.

The cost plus incentive fee contract, awarded May 16, covers 51 months of work in two phases. The contractor will provide fire units and missile simulations in the first phase and actual fire units and missiles for use by soldiers in Army tests and field exercises in the second. The contract includes options for support services and to purchase additional missiles and fire units.

The limited number of fire units and missiles procured under this contract could be used in combat should such a need arise.

The EFOG-M will have precision anti-armor, anti-helicopter kill capability in day, night or adverse weather conditions at ranges to 15 kilometers. The antiarmor feature is emphasized in this program.

A unique feature of the EFOG-M makes it possible to fire from a position out of sight of the target, and to kill a target beyond the direct line of sight of the gunner. The gunner "sees" his target through a seeker mounted in the missile which transmits real time images through a fiber optic cable link between the missile and the fire unit.

EFOG-M is a part of the Department of Defense Rapid Force Projection Initiative (RFPI) Advanced Concept Technology Demonstration (ACTD) which seeks to provide light, highly lethal and survivable technologies to an early entry force with available airlift. The RFPI-ACTD will integrate forward sensors (hunters) and non line of sight weapons (standoff killers) through real time command, control and communication.

EFOG-M will demonstrate a precision standoff killer capability for the RFPI-ACTD. EFOG-M is a program managed by the Program Executive Office Tactical Missiles.

Team effort helps transition for Stinger production site

By Steve Weems

As cuts in defense spending become a reality, so follows defense industry mergers and buyouts. Such was the case for General Dynamics in Rancho Cucamonga, Calif., which was sold to the Hughes Aircraft Corporation now known as Hughes Missile Systems Company (HMSC).

The General Dynamics facility in Rancho Cucamonga had long been the primary manufacturing operation for the Army's Stinger missile. HMSC made the decision to consolidate all missile manufacturing operations to Tucson, Ariz., which meant that the Rancho Cucamonga operation would soon be moved after more than 10 years of manufacturing at a rate of over 900 guidance sections per month.

This would require taking down, moving and setting back up a complex manufacturing operation with significant contractual delivery schedules pending. This challenged both MICOM, PEO and HMSC to come up with a plan for requalifying the manufacturing operations at a new facility, and maintaining delivery schedules. A team of MICOM, PEO and HMSC employees worked

together to establish a new approach to requalification tabbed Production Qualification Verification (PCV).

Quality management

The PCV approach utilized the total quality management concept of teams, statistical process control and Taguchi methods of design of experiments and analysis of variance. The manufacturing processes at Rancho Cucamonga were monitored by a team of HMSC personnel which included both the management and operational staff personnel.

Weekly meetings were held at the Rancho Cucamonga facility to report on the status of each process in relation to standards established at the facility and approved by PEO/MICOM. MICOM and Defense Contracts Management Organization personnel were in attendance at the team meetings each week and received documented reports of the production transition activities. This helped to establish a customer/contractor relationship which gave both parties great visibility into the program and created a working relationship that served to tear down com-

munication barriers. The outcome of these meetings was the establishment of a baseline standard for the Stinger manufacturing operation. To accommodate delivery schedules for the Stinger hardware, banks of hardware were manufactured to support operations as they were transitioned one by one to Tucson.

As hardware banks were completed, all of the necessary manufacturing process equipment was moved to Tucson and was proofed out by manufacturing personnel which included putting all of the manufacturing process instructions into the HMSC formats. Process monitoring along with the weekly meetings were continued after the transition to Tucson. Manufacturing process yields at Tucson were compared to the baseline established at Rancho Cucamonga. The objective was to have the Tucson manufacturing process yields reach that of the established baseline yields. In addition to yield comparisons, environmental qualification took place by ensuring that environmental effects on system parameters did not change. This was accomplished by applying the Taguchi

method for design of experiments and analysis of variance to several samples of Tucson and Rancho Cucamonga hardware.

Improved process

The success of the PCV program is evident as all of the Stinger transition effort took place in approximately one year with no impact on hardware quality or delivery schedules. Two lots of Tucson-built missiles have successfully been flight tested for government acceptance with no failures. All indications show an improved manufacturing process and an improved customer/supplier working relationship.

The Stinger team is continuing to use lessons learned from the PCV activities to modify existing contractual requirements in order to reduce government oversight and improve quality and cost effectiveness. This appears to be the goal that all programs have been striving to achieve under the umbrella of total quality management and Integrated Product Development teams.

(Editor's note: Weems is a general engineer in the quality engineering division, Product Assurance Directorate.)

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Organization manages sales to international community

Editor's note: This is the 13th in a series of articles on weapon systems managed by project offices at Redstone Arsenal and in Huntsville.

By Kathy Harkleroad

Although the Security Assistance Management Directorate is not in the business of managing weapon systems, it is directly related to the effort. SAMD works in coordination with the project/systems managers and manages international sales of Army missile systems.

According to Col. Gerald Crocker, director of SAMD, the directorate assists international countries with the procurement of weapon systems and support packages. "We don't go out and solicit the sales of a system," Crocker said. "We get involved in the process once a country expresses a desire to purchase the system to either the contractor or the project office."

The process of obtaining a weapon system from the

United States is not a short process and involves quite a few different government agencies, as well as other organizations.

"Before the purchase process can begin, the country interested in obtaining the system has to be an authorized country to whom we can sell it to," Crocker said. "Once that has been established the paperwork begins and contracts are negotiated. Normally it takes approximately four to five years before the sales process is completed and the system is delivered. I have seen it take longer."

The sales of the weapon systems are done on a no profit, no loss basis. "There is a small administrative charge that is added on to the price, but there is absolutely no taxpayers' money involved in this process," Crocker said.

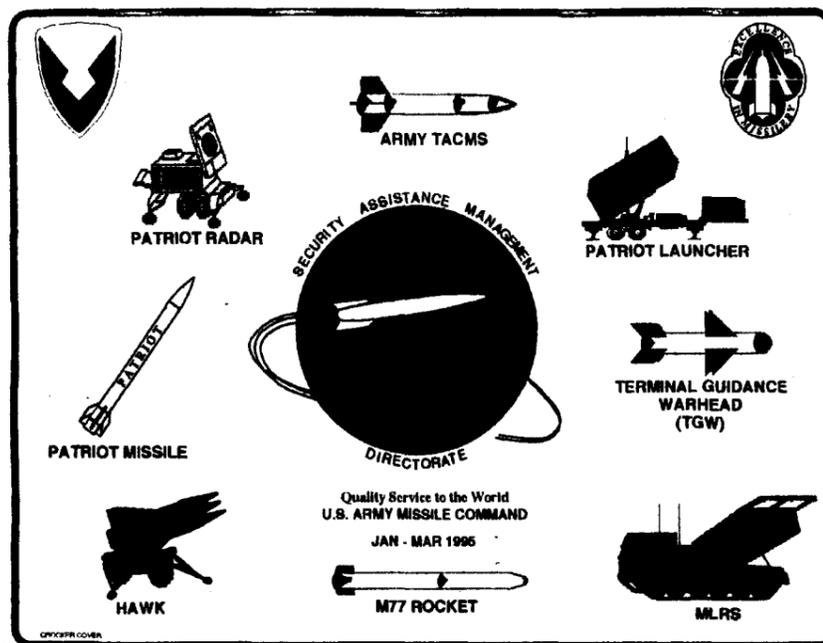
Players in the sales process include several organizations on the Arsenal. "Integrated Materiel Management Center, the Acquisi-

tion Center, PEO and the project management offices, Research Development and Engineering Center, the Resource Management Directorate and several others are all key players in SAMD," Crocker said.

"We have a different way of doing things when it comes to working with the project offices. We consider everyone a team member and have placed SAMD personnel in each of the PM shops to foster that team effort," he said. "That way information is disbursed on a one-on-one basis and everyone knows what is going on."

According to Crocker, the actual weapon system isn't the only thing that is included in the sale. "We can also provide training for operating and maintaining the missile system, repair parts, technical manuals, tools and test and handling equipment, as well as sites and storage buildings for the missile launch and support," he said.

"SAMD oversees the



contracts and requirements as well as the payments for the systems sold," Crocker said. "We also work very closely with industry and contractors who have built the systems."

There are approximately 1,000 cases that involve 22 different weapon systems to 45 different countries or organizations. "The total value of those sold systems

comes to over \$13 billion," Crocker said.

Some people may ask why should the United States become involved in the sale of the weapon systems, and according to Crocker the reasons are many. "We not only have a hand in who has the systems, but we have the final approval for third country sales. By participating in the

foreign sales market, we are also able to obtain a reduced cost for the taxpayer on the manufacturing of the system. Larger buys mean better costs," he said.

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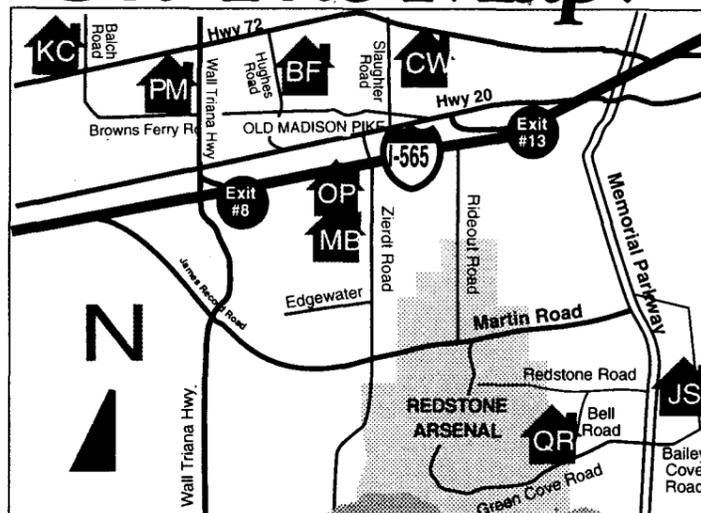
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Sports/Recreation

Army, NASA workers compete in health week

By Sandra Cartee

In recognition of National Employee Health and Fitness Week, the Civilian Wellness Center went head-to-head with the Marshall Space Flight Center's fitness facility in a number of athletic events.

The bench press competition was held Monday, May 15 and both the Army civilians and NASA employees compared well. Paul Thompson, who weighs 157 pounds, benched 275 pounds to take first place and win the match for NASA. In second place was Frank Thomas of NASA, who weighs 190 and lifted 245 pounds. Third place was taken by Army civilian Bill O'Hearn, who weighs 202 pounds and bench pressed 245 pounds. Jim Cruce, an Army civilian weighing 175, benched 195 pounds.

Tuesday, May 16, there was a lecture given by Linda Steakley, a registered dietitian. There was also a volleyball game on this day, but due to lack of participation, NASA won by forfeit.

An aerobics class was held outside the

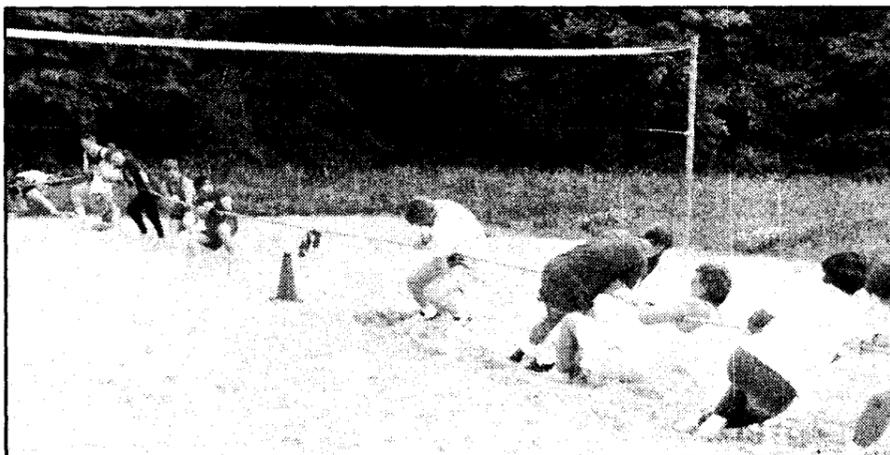
Civilian Wellness Center on Wednesday, May 17. It was led by Pat Mirandy, the assistant coordinator for physical exercise for NASA, Linda Rey and Sharon Gynnes, both of the Civilian Wellness Center. There was a good turnout for this event and especially for a hot day. "I look forward to it every year," Mirandy said.

A 5K run was held Thursday. Winner for the women was Army civilian Jean Grotophorst with a time of 22:47. Second place for the women was Valerie Patterson of NASA with a time of 24:50.

All of the male runners were from NASA and first place was Jay Perry with a time of 18:53; second place was Joe Shamlee with 21:13, and third place was Charlie Finnegan with 21:16.

The tug-of-war was also held Thursday. Even though the Army side had won this category for the previous three years, they lost. It was a tough competition and each side had eight members. Most people came prepared with gloves and pulled with all their might.

The week-long competition is held every



PULL!!— The tug-of-war competition between Army civilians and NASA employees was exciting. Both sides had eight members

on their team and even though it appeared that the Army side would win, NASA took the honors.

year and promotes health and wellness. It also helps to promote camaraderie between civilians from the Army and NASA. The National Employee Health and Fitness Week is

supported by the President's Fitness Council and stresses the importance of health awareness offered on worksites.

Weight-loss group seeks to increase membership

By Sandra Cartee

A chapter of Take Off Pounds Sensibly (Tops) was recently formed on post and helps people to lose weight and keep it off. This non-profit organization is different from other diet organizations in that they don't push certain diets, endorse, sell or promote products. They provide motivation and information in helping individuals stick to the diet that their doctor has put them on.

This isn't the first time Tops has had a chapter on the Arsenal. There was a chapter that deactivated in 1991 and had been here since the early 1970s. A few members that belonged to Tops then decided to bring it back. "I had gained a lot of my weight back and we said, look we did so good (when were in the group) so let's start it back," explained Gwen Sadler, of support operations in the Redstone Arsenal Support Activity.

So the chapter was formed in February with Sadler as the leader. "Our first night, we had 11 members join and out of the 11, eight had belonged to the earlier club," Sadler said.

Tops isn't like other weight loss groups because it is a non-profit organization. "It's not like some of the other groups. It works like a support group." Each individual is on a prescribed diet trying to reach what their doctor sets as their goal weight, so every member is on a diet that meets their needs.

Tops also doesn't sell or endorse special products like other weight loss groups. And because Tops is a non-profit group, the membership fees aren't high. Members pay \$16 a year for the national fees and local club fees of \$2 per month. The group acts as a support group, motivating and en-



TOPS— Sadler is the leader of Tops (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), a support group that helps people stick to their prescribed diets and maintain their weight.

couraging members to keep on dieting. "I get strength out of talking," Sadler said. The members talk and share what they learn and how they cope with the pressures of dieting.

Club camaraderie also helps in the dieting. "Some members call each other during the week and some people who live close to one another will walk together," Sadler said. She believes that people know how to diet but need the sup-

port to stick to the diets.

The members' doctors set the goal weights and decide what diet is right for them. The club doesn't push for rapid weight loss and likes for members to lose only a pound or pound-and-a-half each week.

Incentives are given to keep up members' motivation. Awards are presented to the people who have lost the most for the week or month, and everyone is encouraged to do their best.

"At the meetings, you weigh in private, have roll call, and have the programs," Sadler said. The programs may include guest speakers such as doctors or dietitians. The programs also go along with information from the American Diabetes Association.

Men, women and teen-agers are all welcome to participate. There is also special support for diabetics, and a special program for pregnant women. "I'd encourage anybody to try it. It may not work for you, but the important thing is that you cared enough to try," Sadler said.

"We're really looking for new members and anyone can visit for one meeting without joining," she said. "Most people who join tend to make it a life-long commitment and their motivation serves as inspiration for new members joining."

Anyone is eligible for membership and even though most of the members are from the Redstone community, everyone is invited.

The meetings are held every Thursday at Fox Army Community Hospital. Weigh-in begins at 5:30 p.m. and the meeting starts at 6 and lasts an hour.

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Sports/Recreation

Young bowler strikes bigtime at Rocket Lanes

By Kathy Harkleroad

Youngsters Dustin Woodley's age are usually out exploring the world and learning new things. Five-year-old Dustin learned how to bowl last year and has really taken to the sport. So much in fact, he took home first place at the Coca-Cola tournament in Montgomery earlier this month.

"I started coaching Dustin last year and you can tell he really enjoys himself," coach Mary Parrish said. "He has shown outstanding sportsmanship and has really excelled." Dustin is a member of the Lucky Strikers team at the Rocket Lanes on Redstone Arsenal.

Dustin started bowling when he accompanied his dad to the Rocket Lanes last year. "We found some litera-

ture on the Young America Bowling Alliance and Dustin decided he would like to learn how to bowl. I think it helped that one of his friends also bowled and Dustin would come with me when I practiced," Ed Woodley said.

Asked what he liked most about bowling, Dustin said "I don't know, I just like it. I like getting the strikes and stuff." As with any good bowler, Dustin also likes it when he hits his mark and has a good day. "One day I got five strikes and that felt pretty good," he said.

Dustin started with lane bumpers when he began bowling and felt very proud of himself when he graduated to bowling without them. "I used to bowl with

bumpers but not any more. I just got the hang of it and I have to find my mark," he said.

Dustin said now when he bowls he generally does well. "Everytime I bowl, I bowl over my average," he said.

According to Parrish, Dustin currently has a 52 average. "When he started he bowled a 37 average and then hit a high 60 average. He has evened out to a 52 average," Parrish said.

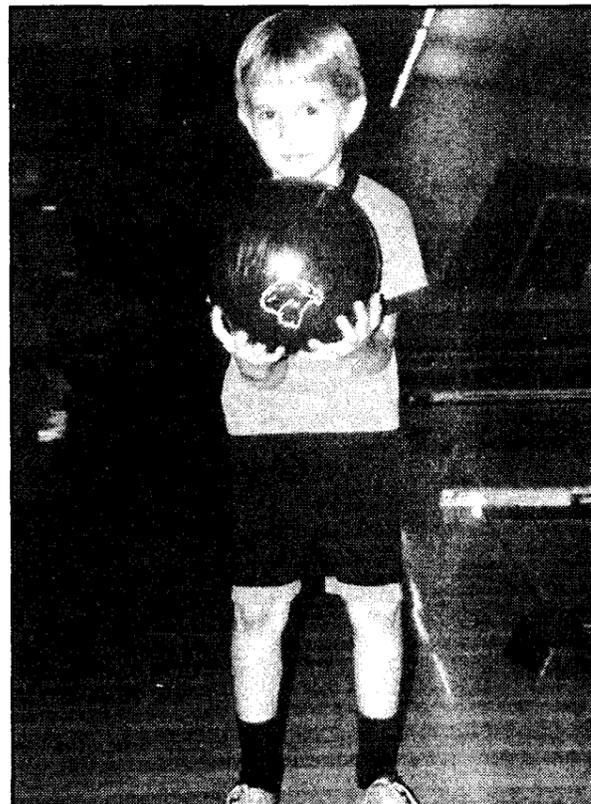
After the local league season was completed, Dustin competed in a regional tournament and advanced to the state competition in Montgomery. As part of the first place prize he won a \$350 college scholarship that will be held in escrow until he is ready to

attend college.

Even though the regular season is over, Dustin continues to practice. Dustin accompanies his father to the lanes on Sunday nights and practices with his coach on Saturday mornings during the season. "He really looks forward to coming up here," Woodley said.

When asked how long he would continue to bowl, Dustin said "I'll quit when I'm 21." Of course, to a 5-year-old that is a lifetime of bowling.

Dustin is the son of Ed and Cynthia Woodley and attends kindergarten in Madison County. Parrish has been coaching the youngsters at Rocket Lanes since 1979 along with her husband, Byron "Pops" Parrish.



PIN TIME— Dustin poses for the camera at the Rocket Lanes.



Arts and Crafts Center teaches variety of skills

By Kathy Harkleroad

Looking for something to do? Want to learn a new craft or learn how to paint? How about learning to make something from wood? Well, the Arts and Crafts Center has the answers and the classes.

"We offer basic classes in several types of crafts, as well as a basic wood safety class at least once a month," said Alvin Wendt, manager of the center. "We are also open to suggestions as to different types of crafts and will try to accommodate everyone's request."

Classes offered at the center include oil painting, ceramics, matting and framing, jewelry making, stained

glass, wood shop, T-shirt painting, and basket weaving to name a few.

According to Wendt taking the classes is only the first step and a person doesn't have to try and learn everything in the class. "We have instructors who are on staff and here most of the time to answer questions and offer help. It's kind of like a learn as you go process," he said.

There is a nominal fee to use the center and patrons furnish their own supplies. There is a small store on the premises that offers a variety of craft supplies for patrons. "We try to stock the most common items that are needed for the crafts that are being done here in the shop,"

Wendt said.

Military (active and retirees), military family members, DoD civilians and contractors are welcome to use the center. Prices for the classes vary on the types of class and category.

The wood shop is a favorite activity and according to Wendt is usually busy. "There is always someone in there making something. I have seen quite a bit of furniture made, like a mirrored canopy waterbed and a few entertainment centers. Birdhouses are another popular item to make," he said.

All of the areas in the center are kept busy and the matting and framing section is no exception. "You can save up from 20-40 percent

of the cost of framing an item by doing it yourself," Wendt said. "We also offer a service where we will do the work and charge a very small fee for the service."

The oil paintings on display at the center show the artistic talents of the patrons and according to Wendt are quite popular. "You have to know how to draw to learn how to paint and we have quite a few wonderful pieces made here," he said.

The center is open Tuesday and Wednesdays 1:30-10 p.m.; Thursday 5-10 p.m.; Friday 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Further information on the types of classes offered and crafts available can be obtained by calling 876-7951.

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By Kathy Harkleroad

Dr. Taurin Lee, deputy medical director of the NASA Medical Center of Marshall Space Flight Center, has accomplished a great deal in his lifetime. He has been decorated by two Naval commands, obtained a doctorate, published books and research papers, and saved lives.

Lee was born in North Korea and migrated to South Korea during the Korean War and attended Catholic University, College of Theology. "I almost became a priest," Lee said. "But I took more medical classes and decided to become a doctor."

On his quest to become a physician, Lee studied at John Hopkins University and studied preventive and tropical medicine. "I graduated from John Hopkins in 1965 and returned to Korea where I joined the Korean Navy. I like ships and boats, and joining the Navy was an easy decision," Lee said.

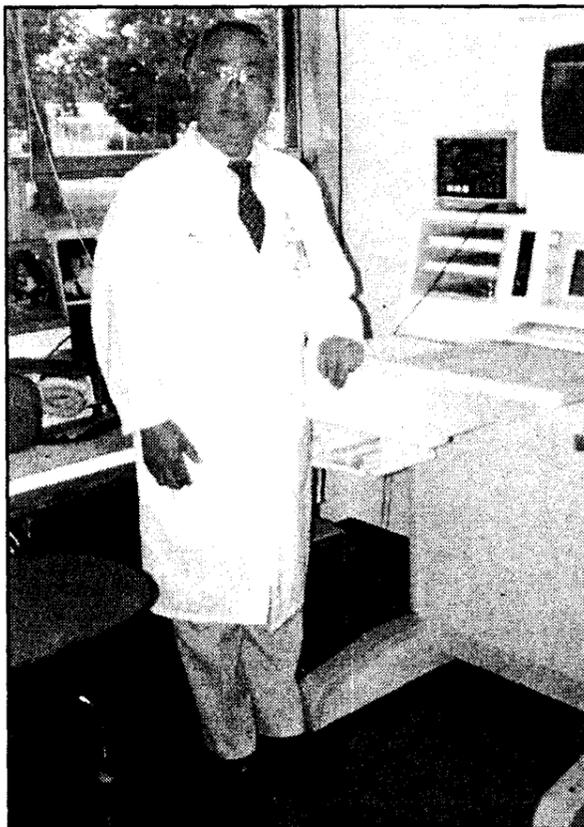
Soon after enlisting in the Korean Navy, Lee was sent to Vietnam where he spent the next two years. According to Lee, it was somewhat unusual for Korean troops to participate in foreign wars and he was sent to treat the Korean troops.

"The climate in Vietnam is very different from Korea. In Korea it is cold and in Vietnam it is hot and tropical diseases were very common. When I arrived there I found lots of troops in the hospital, not with wounds, but with cases of malaria. The malaria there was resistant to the new medicines that had been discovered and men were dying. When I studied at John Hopkins I learned that an old medicine, quinine, would kill the malaria in Vietnam," Lee said.

"I ordered the quinine and treated the Korean troops and they all recovered. I was quite pleased with that. Even when I returned to Korea there were cases of malaria there and they were being treated with blood transfusions. University students were lined up to donate blood. I started using the quinine and the troops recovered," he said.

In honor of his success in treating the malaria patients Lee was decorated by then Korean President Park, chief of Naval operations and Korean Marine commandant. "I was very proud to be honored by President Park and was pleased that I could save so many lives," Lee said.

After his tour of duty in the Korean Navy, Lee taught at Kyung Hee University, School of Medicine. While there he



ASIAN-PACIFIC LEADER— Dr. Taurin Lee has accomplished several important things in his lifetime and has served in the Korean Navy as well as the U.S. Navy. Lee is deputy medical director at the NASA Medical Center of Marshall Space Flight Center.

published a book and several research papers. He also received a doctorate in microbiology in 1972, and became the academic and technical adviser to the President of Korea and Minister of Health in the Fields of Communicable Disease Control and Public Nuisance Control.

Lee returned to the United States in 1974 and joined the Navy and was commissioned as a lieutenant. During his

career in the Navy, Lee attended the Navy Diving Medical School and served as a medical director at the branch clinic of Bethesda Naval Hospital in Indian Head, Md.

"When I was at Indian Head I took care of the Explosive Ordnance Disposal divers in the Navy. I remember one time an EOD technician was underwater and a device exploded. He came to the surface too fast and one of his lungs ruptured. I stayed with him all night in the decompression chamber and then transferred him to Bethesda Naval Hospital," Lee said.

"Sometime later a soldier came in my office and saluted me and said he wanted to say thank you. I didn't recognize him until he told me his name. That was the soldier I had helped in the decompression chamber. After all, when I was treating him he wasn't wearing a uniform and was very sick. He thanked me for saving his life and that made me feel very good," he said.

Although Lee got out of the active duty Navy, he remained in the Naval Reserves and just retired after 20 years. "I just retired from the Reserves in April of this year," Lee said.

Lee came to Huntsville in 1977 and worked at Fox Army Community Hospital's emergency room. "I was there for many years and was able to see some of my former patients come through Redstone Arsenal. The EOD soldiers knew me from Indian Head or Hawaii and were glad to see me. I was very happy to see friends," Lee said.

Lee began his career at NASA in 1981 and serves as the deputy medical director of the medical center at Marshall Space Flight Center. "I monitor all the divers at NASA and treat them for any illnesses they may have. I also qualify them to dive here at NASA," Lee said. "Even though I am no longer in the Navy, I am still involved with water."

Lee not only has an active professional life, but in his private life as well. He has served as the president of the Korean-American Association of North Alabama, president of the Korean-American Scientists and Engineers Association of North Alabama, and was a leader in the Korean-American Catholic community in Huntsville.

He and his wife, Theresa, have three children: a daughter who is also a physician in North Carolina, and two sons who are engineers. Lee enjoys spending time with his family, camping and playing tennis.

Involuntary early-out targets junior enlisteds

WASHINGTON— Many junior enlisted soldiers scheduled to leave the Army in August and September are now subject to an involuntary early-out program that could reduce their term of service by 30 to 60 days. The program is part of the Army's effort to meet fiscal 1995 budget constraints and will save several million dollars in personnel costs.

Affected are corporals, specialists and below in most military occupational specialties who do not intend to reenlist and will have completed less than six years' service as of the date of their expiration term of service. Soldiers scheduled to ETS in August will be released from active duty up to 30

days early, and those scheduled to ETS in September, up to 60 days early.

However, the early-out program does not affect soldiers who hold MOS 12B (combat engineer), 13B (cannon crew member), 13F (fire support specialist), 19K (M1 armor crewman) or 94B (food service specialist). In addition, soldiers assigned to units in South Korea, regardless of command, are not affected by the program.

Also ineligible are soldiers who are —

- not medically cleared for separation by the designated early release date;
- approved for retention to ETS due to extreme personal hardship;

- approved for voluntary early separation;
- pending involuntary separation by other means such as courts-martial or pending investigation for offenses under the Uniform Code of Military Justice; or
- convicted by courts martial and sentenced to a punitive discharge.

Soldiers who meet promotion point cutoff scores for promotion to sergeant prior to the early release date may accept the promotion and reenlist, or decline the promotion and separate as scheduled.

Those in rehabilitative programs, to include soldiers with bars to reenlistment are not exempt from early separation.

Commanders will review soldiers' progress prior to the early separation date and make recommendations to determine reenlistment eligibility.

All service-remaining obligations are waived for soldiers subject to the program, and transition leave is authorized. Permissive temporary duty in conjunction with the program, however, is not authorized.

Soldiers released from active duty under the program are entitled to transition benefits and services, and should immediately contact their installation Army Career and Alumni Program office for transition counseling and job assistance. (Arnews)



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Hospital optometry staff looks forward to move

By Kathy Harkleroad

Optometry patients at Fox Army Community Hospital won't be seeing things when they arrive for appointments beginning June 5. The clinic is scheduled to move to the north wing of the second floor of the hospital the first week of June.

"We are really looking forward to the move as we will gain quite a bit of space, and will have an additional exam room," said Maj. Douglas Anderson, chief of optometry services.

The clinic is currently housed on the first floor next to the UAH Outpatient Clinic. After the move the outpatient clinic will expand into the vacated space. "They (the outpatient clinic) needed more space and

we wanted more room, so the move works out for everyone," Anderson said.

Currently the optometry clinic sees approximately 900 patients a month for vision checks, eye exams, pressure checks and glasses.

"The clinic will be closed May 30 through June 2 for the move. "We will begin seeing patients again June 5," Anderson said. "The move will be a challenge but efficiency will increase after we have all the minor problems worked out."

Appointments and information on the clinic can be obtained by calling 955-8888 ext. 5. "Our telephone numbers will remain the same after the move," Anderson said.



EYE EXAMINATION— SFC Richard Johns has his eyes examined by Maj. Anderson. The optometry clinic at Fox Army Community Hospital will move to the second floor and will open for patients June 5.



Basket winner...

Kathy Blevins, left, of the THAAD Project Office, was the lucky winner of a Logabarger basket presented by Patricia Cox. The basket was given away in a raffle sponsored by the Air Defense Directorate of

the Integrated Materiel Management Center; and \$250 in proceeds were raised for Army Emergency Relief. The basket, worth \$60, was donated by Jeff Harris of the Air Defense Directorate.

'Old timers' reunion draws former missile technicians

History came to life the afternoon of May 13 when more than 150 Ordnance Corps Maintenance Technicians (OCMTs), Missile Maintenance Technicians (MMTs), Logistics Assistance Representatives (LARs), supervisors, secretaries, and spouses, gathered at the Rustic Lodge for the first "Old Timers" reunion and cookout.

Personnel who provided support and assistance during the earliest stages of missile and rocket development and deployment, to the LARs supporting today's high-tech systems and equipment were on hand for an afternoon of food, fun and reminiscences.

Frank Gardner, chief of fire support branch, Readiness Directorate, was

instrumental in instituting what is planned to be a recurring event. "Over the years we tend to lose touch with many of our former friends and co-workers. We have come together several times in the recent years to honor and mourn the passing of several of our own. We really have to do something to get everyone together," Gardner said. Thus, the "Old Timers" reunion was born.

Former employees from the immediate area, as well as many from surrounding states, gathered together to remember past experiences, renew old friendships and pass on a bit of history to the current LARs present.

Topics of conversation were linked to historical names such as Honest John,

Corporal, LaCrosse, Little John, Nike-Hercules, Sergeant and Lance, joined with those of Avenger, TOW 2, MLRS, Hellfire and others.

Germany, Korea, Vietnam, Italy and virtually every area of the continental United States were discussed during the course of the afternoon, as past systems and tours of duty were recalled.

Thomas Bell and Mike Guster prepared a rib and chicken dinner with all the trimmings. It was topped off by a specially prepared cake honoring those who served over the years to ensure the highest state of readiness of MICOM deployed missile and rocket systems.

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Nurse practitioners important to Fox Hospital's patients

By Terry McDonough

Remember those friendly folks you talked with on the phone last year? The one who helped you decide if you needed a same-day appointment and scheduled it for you; the one who confirmed your preschooler had chicken pox, reviewed the symptoms, how long it would last and what to do to make him more comfortable? How about the one that listened to your concern, asked some questions about your problem and told you there wasn't a need to schedule an appointment in Outpatient Clinic, but to stop by and pick up a consult for a specialty clinic? All of these persons were frequently referred to as triage nurses or sometimes even nurse practitioners. Nurse what? Nurse practitioners. The help desk may be extinct, but the nurse practitioners are alive and thriving, and are willing and able to assist in your health care needs.

A nurse practitioner is a registered nurse who returned to school for additional education and training (usually a master's degree) to become a credentialed health care provider. They are prepared to assist patients with minor acute health problems and stable chronic illnesses. Focusing on the promotion of health and the prevention of disease, they are often observed obtaining health histories, performing physical exams, ordering laboratory tests and other diagnostic studies, and diagnosing and treating minor illnesses and injuries. They also provide routine health screenings, such as well child checks and pap smears, and monitor stable chronic conditions like hypertension, diabetes and asthma.

Health education and disease prevention is important in the nurse practitioner's practice. You may find your appointment lasting a little longer as health information is provided to help you understand your health care or illness.

The nurse practitioners at Fox Army Community Hospital work closely with the physicians and other health care professionals. Each clinic utilizing nurse practitioners provides physician supervision and backup for medical consultations.

Utilization of the nurse practitioner as a health care provider at the hospital increases health care accessibility for all. When you schedule an appointment for a routine physical exam with one of the nurse practitioners, the physicians become more available to provide more complicated or specialized health care. The nurse practitioners are also available for your health care related concerns via the telephone.

Fox Hospital currently employs six nurse practitioners— three military and three civilian. The Internal Medicine Clinic has two military adult nurse practitioners— Maj. Allen Dunkin and Capt. John Buckwalter. As part of a specialty clinic they each carry a specific panel of patients for whom they provide medical care. They also manage the Diabetic and Hypertension Clinics for stable patients. Their goal is to improve a person's quality of life and reduce the serious complications of diabetes and hypertension. These two adult nurse practitioners also run a weekly Coumadin Clinic for a select group of patients taking blood thinners to prevent blood clots.

Connie Glover is a family nurse practitioner working in the Family Practice Clinic. She has her own panel of families whose health care she manages. She is educated to manage all age groups of patients. As a nurse practitioner, she complements the clinic by seeing the physicians' acute care patients. She also runs a busy wart clinic. Her areas of expertise include low back pain, adolescent gynecology and a set of "listening ears" along with simple explanations to help maintain good health.

Maj. Terry McDonough and Amy Reynolds are both pediatric nurse practitioners. They help provide quality health care for infants, children and adolescents. Although the Pediatric Clinic currently does not impanel patients, both nurse practitioners have their regular patients. In addition to managing children's acute minor illnesses, a major part of their day involves well child care, counseling on immunizations, providing growth and development assessments, and guidance about anticipat-



NURSES— Nurse practitioners at Fox Army Community Hospital include seated, from left, Reynolds, Gibbs, Glover; and standing, from left, Maj. Dunkin, Maj. McDonough and Capt. Buckwalter.

ed health concerns and development. Parents can reach either nurse practitioner by phone or schedule an appointment to discuss feeding questions, over-the-counter medication dosing, at home infectious disease management, developmental concerns and parenting skills.

Reynolds is located in the Pediatric Clinic where she provides care to children ages newborn to 18 years old who are not enrolled in the Family Practice Clinic. McDonough works in the Family Practice Clinic seeing children of the active duty families enrolled in Family Practice.

Cravens Gibbs is a family nurse practitioner on the University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH) family medicine faculty. She works closely with two Family Practice physicians providing obstetric and

gynecology services, as well as the full range of family practice medical care to military retirees and their family members.

Nurse practitioners are a vital component of the Fox Hospital health care team, working side by side with physicians on a daily basis. By providing medical care in the clinics and medical guidance by phone, they allow physicians to concentrate on more complicated patients, and are a vital factor in providing health care services at Fox.

Striving to enhance the quality of health care, nurse practitioners provide high quality patient care with high patient satisfaction.

(Editor's note: Maj. McDonough is a pediatric nurse practitioner at Fox Army Community Hospital.)

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Oklahoma Guardsman offers thoughts on OKC attack

By Ron Wilkerson

OKLAHOMA CITY— It was 8 a.m. on Thursday, April 20, and eerily quiet. Any other day of the year, this major arterial intersection in downtown Oklahoma City would have been clogged with rush hour commuters dashing to their jobs.

The only traffic on the street this day were the camouflaged Humvees of the Oklahoma National Guard, looking very much out of place surrounded by skyscrapers, retail stores and the black-and-white sedans of the city police department and highway patrol.

But this wasn't just any day. It was the morning after the worst terrorist action in U.S. history when a car bomb rocked the Alfred Murrah Federal Building in the heart of the city. More than 400 people were injured, most from flying shards of glass piercing the air as many as five blocks away from the blast site.

While the bomb blast was reportedly felt as far away as Dallas, 200 miles south, mentally it brought a disbelieving nation to its knees.

Those who viewed the aftermath of the bombing used several comparisons to describe what they saw — "a war zone," "the bombing of the U.S. Marine Corps barracks in Beirut," "the bombing of the World Trade Center" — time and time again.

There were attempts to describe the undecipherable. Flecks of blood on sidewalks and streets. Piles of rubble. Burned-out cars. Pieces of clothing. Bloody bandages. Boarded-up windows. And pieces of glass everywhere ... on the street, sidewalk, and in the grass.

How could this assault on unarmed men, women and children

happen in the heartland of America?

That was the question on the minds of most Americans that April morning. It was also on the minds of nearly every one of the 100 Oklahoma Guard military policemen standing guard on the perimeter of the 15-square-block downtown area cordoned off hours after the deadly blast shattered the normally calm Oklahoma spring day.

SSgt. George Dugan, a member of the Oklahoma Guard's 445th Military Police Company, was one of those questioning the deaths of those innocent civilians.

"I just can't believe this could happen in Oklahoma. I've seen a lot of devastation in my life but nothing like this ... nothing hits home this close," said the grizzled Guard veteran. "I've served in both Vietnam and in Desert Storm but neither compares to this destruction. We fought half a world away to stop things like this and now it hits home right here" he said.

Lt. Col. Andre Saxon, commander of the Oklahoma Guard 90th Troop Command, said that when he first heard the news of the explosion he was hoping against hope that the blast was caused by an accident, not by a deliberate terrorist act. In that he was doomed to disappointment.

Dealing with what at times was a very confused, ever-changing situation took hard work and dedication, Saxon said. It also took close cooperation between local, state and federal authorities in the hours after the blast.

The timely response was due in part to quick reaction by the 445th's company commander, Capt. Danny Denny.

"When I first heard about the

blast, I went directly to the armory because I knew we would get the call-up," Denny said, "so when the expected call came, we already had a head start. We loaded up our 15 Humvees and headed for the capitol."

But the Oklahoma Guard troops arrived at the scene too late to witness many of the heroic efforts of ordinary Oklahoma citizens who risked personal safety to rescue the injured in the demolished building.

They missed the story of a nursing student who worked late into the night providing vital emergency medical care to the wounded and helping pull the injured from the devastated structure.

They didn't witness the doctors who stayed in the building while others fled in panic from another bomb scare so they could amputate the leg of a woman pinned under concrete in a rapidly flooding basement.

And they didn't see the many Oklahomans who literally tore articles of clothing off their own bodies to staunch the flow of blood from those injured by the flying glass.

Unquestionably, the heart and soul of Oklahoma were grievously wounded that day. But the actions and the sacrifices of the common, ordinary people who worked so desperately to help them would be forever in the minds of the rest of America .. and a watching world. (Arnews)

(Maj. Wilkerson is a public affairs officer with the Oklahoma National Guard.)

MWR highlights...

The following are upcoming Morale, Welfare and Recreation activities:

• **WEDNESDAYS: Officers Club**— Free country and western dance lessons are offered to the entire Redstone community every Wednesday evening from 6-8. For information call 830-CLUB.

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• **SUNDAYS: Post Exchange**— The PX has changed its Sunday hours to 11 a.m. until 7 p.m.

• **TUESDAY-FRIDAY: Just Our Club**— The JOC is getting a boost in the way of decor. Check out the sporty new look and play a game of pool, throw darts or just unwind outside while helping yourself to free hot dogs and hamburgers Tuesday through Friday. Call Nick 842-0748 for more information.

• **OPENINGS: Redstone Arsenal Saddle Activity**— There are vacancies for boarding privately-owned mounts. For more information, call 837-9854 or 876-1373.

• **MAY 25: Lunch special**— An End of School Lunch Special will be served at all Post Restaurant locations. For information call 876-7801.

• **MAY 26-28: Bingo program**— The Challenger will

have a Holiday Bingo Program. For information call Ann Hudson 837-0750/0751.

• **MAY 31: Birthday party**— The Officers Club invites you to celebrate your birthday May 31 with those who have their special day in March, April and May. Reservations are being accepted; call 830-CLUB.

• **ONGOING CLASSES: Family Child Care**— FCC is offering free classes to become a certified Family Child Care provider. For information call Evelyn Carnes 876-7801.

• **SUMMER LEAGUES: Bowling center**— Rocket Lanes is now forming summer leagues. For information call 876-6634.

• **NOW THROUGH JULY: Volunteer program**— Redstone is expanding its community volunteer program from now until July 31. Anyone interested in helping out the Team Redstone workforce is encouraged to call Sue Paddock, volunteer coordinator, 876-9675.

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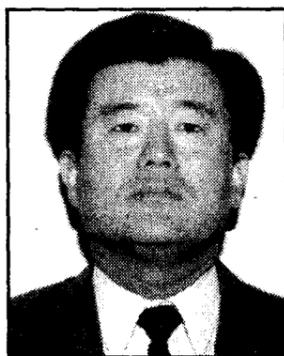
Editor's note: May is Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month.

Regardless of differences in ethnic origin or culture, the basic formula for success is universal, according to Mike (Kyoung Sil) Lee, president of Brown International Corporation in Huntsville.

"Hard work and having dedicated employees bound by these same ideals always equate to a profitable business venture," he says.

Lee, a Korean-American, has overcome common immigrant barriers and frustration to establish a successful small business.

He arrived in the United States in 1972 with his wife, the former Young Ae Kim, as class III preference immigrants. As a graduate from the School of Engineering at Yonsei University in Korea, Lee was employed by Brown Boveri Electric Inc. as the manager of its engineering



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department until 1984 when he opted to embark on his own business goals.

Lee founded BIC in 1985. The company provided engineering support services for major manufacturers in the United States, Canada, Japan and Korea. In 1989, Government Systems Division was originated specializing in command, control, and communications system development and engineering support. Its initial application was successful in Operation Desert Storm and, as a result, was recognized on the "Team

Patriot Desert Shield Honor Roll." Other achievements included being selected as a finalist in the Small Business of the Year by the Chamber of Commerce and recipient of the U.S. Small Business Administration "Administrator Award for Excellence." In addition numerous certificates of appreciation have been presented in recognition of support for various military exercises. Lee emphasizes that BIC is taking an ag-

gressive approach to ensure these high quality standards are maintained in the increasingly competitive defense environment.

Lee spends much of his time on church activities with his wife, and takes up golf at every opportune moment. His eldest daughter, Jennie, is a recent graduate of Vanderbilt University; and his son, Jeffrey, is a sophomore at Harvard.



Pig-out...

The Software Engineering Directorate team held their third annual Pig-out (organizational day) Thursday. The afternoon was packed with activities like a dunking booth, basketball, karaoki, and there was even a blues band. From left are the crowned Pig King, Joe West; pig queen, Nancy Rostollan; and boss hog, William Craig, the directorate's chief.

Site selected for regional civilian personnel center

WASHINGTON— Fort Benning, Ga., has been selected as the site for the new Southeast Civilian Personnel Operations Center. The center will manage many civilian personnel day-to-day actions, such as recruitment, personnel files maintenance and personnel action processing.

The Southeast region is one of 10 areas under the Army's realignment plan to regionalize civilian personnel services and includes

Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, the southern three-fourths of Alabama and the southern portion of Virginia.

Army installation and activity civilian personnel offices will reorganize into more streamlined customer support units, providing one-stop advice and assistance to managers, supervisors, employees and other customers. These units will also offer a full range of information and services

dealing with employment, merit promotion, retirement and benefits.

Officials said the decision to regionalize personnel functions means the Army can expect to save \$7 million annually.

The Department of Defense-mandated program decision will establish 10 Army regions by the end of fiscal 1998, officials said. (Arnews)



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those things," he says.

He recalls flying over a landing zone where there had been a battle and seeing an image that remains clear in his mind. At the end of the helicopter pad right next to the jungle was what looked like logs stacked on a huge pile. It was black and appeared to waver. "As we flew over that stack, the cover disappeared— I learned later it was flies — and there were bodies of South Vietnamese soldiers waiting to be picked up to be buried. It was a horrible sight. It reminded me of the

verse in the Bible: 'I saw men as trees walking' (Mark 8:24). And what I saw, I saw men as trees. I saw them like wood cut down and stacked up. It brought home to me the horror of what war is all about and how bad humanity, men, can be to each other."

The image has remained with him for 25 years. "I tell you, I shut my eyes. I can see it almost like it was yesterday. It stays with you forever— like a photograph burned in your mind," McAllister says.

"We lost 58,167. I think that's the last count in Vietnam. That's a helluva price to pay for freedom."

Memorial Day is set aside to remember those servicemembers, the many thousands of names on the walls of the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C., as well as those who died in this country's other wars. McAllister quotes Matthew 10:29-31, "Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing, and one of them shall not fall on the ground without God knowing. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, you are of more value than many sparrows."

"The whole thing is," he explains, "God knows each person and what they went through."

Announcements

Aeronautics/astronautics group— The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics Alabama-Mississippi section's 43rd annual installation and awards banquet will be held June 1 at 6 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Madison Square. Scheduled speaker is Dr. Gregory Wilson, director of the Space Sciences Laboratory at Marshall Space Flight Center. The dinner cost is \$12.50 (students \$6). Reservations are required by noon May 31; call John Lassiter 544-3022 (fax 544-3801). "Join AIAA at this event and get \$10 off from dues."

Sparkman Fitness Center holds membership orientations at 10 a.m. Mondays and 3 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call 313-6091/6096.

Volunteer wanted— Seeking daytime volunteer to work in office on Redstone Arsenal from now until July 31 as an office assistant. Duties include answering phones, scheduling appointments, filing, copying, etc. If interested call Donna Croley 876-1793.

Teen helpers— Redstone teens are invited to volunteer this summer with the American Red Cross at Fox

Army Community Hospital or the Youth Center. You must be 14 years old to volunteer at Fox, 13 years old at the Youth Center, with a valid military ID. For more information, call Christine Myers 464-0583.

Retirement ceremony— The quarterly Retirement Ceremony will be held 4 p.m. June 29 at the post parade field. Rehearsal will be held at 7 a.m. June 28 at the parade field. Retirees wishing to participate should call

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Announcements

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Federally Employed Women— North Alabama Chapter of Federally Employed Women will meet at 11 today in the Medaris Dining Room in building 5250. (Badges must be worn while in 5250.) Kelly Melcher, of Civilian Wellness Center, is to give tips on stress management. Everyone is invited to attend; reservations are not required. Go through food line and pay in cafeteria. For information call Anita de Graffenried 876-4107 or Mae Hargrove 876-4678.

PX holiday hours— The Post Exchange will operate with the following holiday hours Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day: Main Store, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Shoppette, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.; MCSS, closed; Service Station, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Class Six, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Anthony's Pizza, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Burger King, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Concessions, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Car wash— HHC MICOM will have a car wash June 3, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Burger King on post. "Show your support."

Post Theater movies— Thursday, "Hideaway," rated R, 112 minutes. Friday, "Hideaway," Saturday, "Tommy Boy," rated PG-13, 96 minutes. Sunday, "Tommy Boy." Admission is \$2.50 for adult,

and \$1.25 for child.

5K race— Sherwood Park will host a 5K run called "A Run Through the Park" on Saturday, June 17 at 6:30 p.m. There will also be a one mile race at 7:15, both starting at the Sherwood Park community pool on Forrest Park Court. Registration by June 7 is \$10 for the 5K, and \$6 for the one mile. Race day registration will be \$12 for the 5K, and \$8 for the mile. For more information, call Mike McClure 830-1292.

Preventive law seminars— A Bankruptcy Prevention and Financial Planning Seminar, featuring financial counselor Sal Riccardi, will be held at 11 a.m. June 20 at the Post Theater. The Mail Order and Sweepstakes Scam series, featuring the Better Business Bureau of North Alabama, will be held at 11 a.m. June 26 at the Post Theater.

Photos wanted— Six children, three and four feet tall, are needed to appear in the 1995 Combined Federal Campaign material. Send a full profile picture of child (not returnable) to: Combined Federal Campaign, AMSMI-CFC, Redstone Arsenal, Ala., 35898-7595. If selected, a parent consent

form will be required and the close of business is May 31. For more information call John R. Bailey, chairman of the Local Federal Coordinating Committee, 876-9143.

Hall of Heroes— The Madison County Military Heritage Commission seeks nominees for the Hall of Heroes exhibit at the Madison County Courthouse. Eligibility requirements include the following: Medal of Honor recipients who must have entered military service from Madison County; and recipients of other valor awards who must have been residents of Madison County for three years prior to being considered. Information needed for verification includes a copy of discharge (DD form 214 or equivalent), copy of orders or citation for award to be considered, and copies of other official documents that support awards. Any veteran may submit his/her military record to be included within the commission's archives. For more information call Gerald Brock 852-2017 (evenings) or William Clough Jr., veterans service officer for Madison County, 532-1662.

Parents council— The Parents Advisory Council

will hold its monthly meeting May 30 at 3 p.m. at the Bicentennial Chapel. Reminder for all Child Development Center parents and council members: "Please come and join us." For more information, call Mary 876-7952 or Anna 876-1044.

Writing a resume— A Resume Workshop— designed to help family members write their first resume or revise an old one, and covering principles of effective resumes — will be held from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. May 31 at Army Community Service, building 3491. To register call Debra Jefferson 876-5397.

F Company families— The F Company Family Support Group meeting will be held at 6 p.m. May 30 in the day room, building 3435. All spouses and family members are invited to attend and child care will be provided. This is an excellent opportunity to meet other family members and find out what resources are available to you. Further information can be obtained by calling 876-

2220.

Al-Anon family group— The Redstone Al-Anon Family Group meets Thursdays at 11:30 a.m. at Bicentennial Chapel, room 10. Al-Anon is a 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.

Medical Company commander— Capt. Virginia Farrow will relinquish command of Medical Company to 1st Lt. Kristine Pate in a change of command ceremony at 9 a.m. June 1 at the north entrance of Fox Army Community Hospital, near the flagpole.

Asian-Pacific month— The Asian Pacific committee concludes Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month with a celebration May 30 at 3 p.m. at the Post Theater. For information call MSgt. Thomas Griffith 876-8648 or Kate Love 876-8015.

Roller Hockey survey—

A few weeks ago, the Directorate of Community and Family Activities sent out a survey for Redstone residents to express their views on outdoor roller hockey. "Please take a few moments to answer the six-question survey. You can return the survey by placing it in the designated box at the Youth Center or through on-post distribution. Please return the survey by Friday, May 26. Thanks!"

Carpool member— Wanted from Athens to SSDC on Wynn Drive, hours 7-4:30 (Alternative Work Schedule). Janice Christopher 955-3961 or Linda Watson 955-1639.

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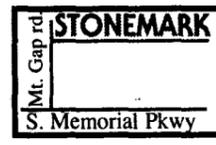
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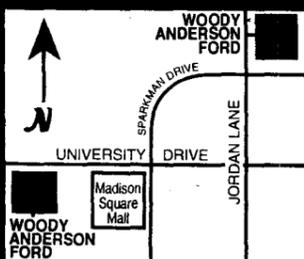
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