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Javelin antitank system in hands of soldiers in the field



FIRE AND FORGET— A gunner can fire Javelin and take cover, unlike the Dragon weapon system that required soldiers to keep aiming while the missile was in flight.

By Skip Vaughn

The Javelin weapon system arrived in the field Thursday, giving individual soldiers the firepower they need to defeat tanks on the battlefield.

Javelin—a manportable, fire and forget, antitank system — was fielded to the 3rd Battalion, 75th Rangers at Fort Benning, Ga. A ceremony to mark this milestone is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. July 11 at Fort Benning.

“It’s like having a baby,” Gerald Smith, deputy project manager, said. This fielding, to the first of a series of units slated to receive Javelin, culminates years of work. Some of the members of the project office have been working on Javelin for 12 years.

The next milestone, a full-rate production release, is expected in April 1997. “We expect to sign that in May of ‘97 with a joint venture,” Smith said.

Javelin will replace the Dragon weapon system. Unlike Dragon—in which the gunner had to continuously guide the missile in flight while leaving himself exposed

to possible enemy fire — Javelin is a fire-and-forget system. The Javelin gunner can shoot and move out of harm’s way.

The system, which weighs slightly less than 49 and a half pounds, has a range of about one and a quarter miles. The total system consists of the missile, its launch tube, and a command launch unit. In addition there are three training devices.

Engineering and manufacturing development began in 1989. Improvements over Dragon include lighter weight, longer range, higher lethality, and increased survivability.

On June 19, Javelin completed limited user testing at Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif., clearing the way for fielding. Soldiers from the 1st Battalion, 5th Infantry, Fort Lewis, Wash., and Marines from the 2nd Battalion, 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, Calif., successfully engaged targets with six tactical Javelin missiles in the late afternoon and after dark. All gunners scored direct hits. These firings followed a success-

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Stinger successfully defends against cruise missile target in first test

By Skip Vaughn

An exercise June 18-19 at McGregor Range, N.M., marked the first time Stinger was fired against a cruise missile target.

Stinger proved its proficiency against the fast-moving, low-flying drone by hitting the target on the fourth try during the first day, and batting one-for-one on the second day. The target was an MQM-107 drone flying a tactical cruise missile profile.

“Given that it’s the first time ever that this has been done, we think those are spectacular results,” Lt. Col. Tom Newberry, the Stinger product manager, said. “Obviously there needs to be more work in evaluating lessons learned in this test, and using those for future tests.”

“We think we can improve this record,” Jack

Sanders, deputy product manager, said. “And we believe that the Stinger missile has a proven capability in cruise missile defense.”

Participating hardware included Bradley Linebacker, an M2A2 Bradley Fighting Vehicle which has been modified to fire Stinger missiles; Avenger, the Humvee platform; and other components of an integrated short-range air defense: Ground Based Sensor and FAAD (forward area air defense) C2I. “It was essentially a test of an integrated short-range air defense against cruise missiles,” Newberry said. The test was sponsored and orchestrated by the Air Defense Battle Lab, and the TRADOC (Training and Doctrine Command) system manager for short-range air defense. It was also done in conjunction with the Roving Sands ex-

ercise.

The Bradley gunners were from Fort Hood, Texas; and the Avenger gunners were from Fort Bliss, Texas. Eight Bradley Linebackers, built by Boeing of Huntsville, have been fielded to the Task Force-21 soldiers at Fort Hood. Bradley Linebacker provides low altitude air defense for heavy maneuver forces.

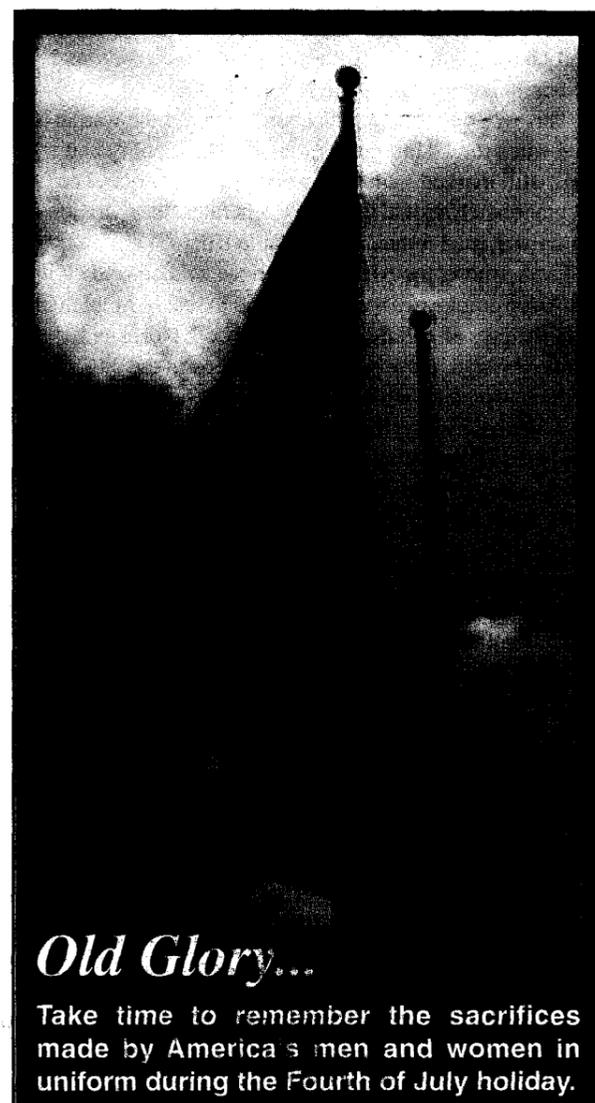
Lt. Col. Jed Sheehan, the product manager for Bradley Linebacker, is credited with taking the system from concept to fielding. The Avenger system is managed by Weapon Systems Management Directorate.

This was a test for not only the Bradley Linebacker and Avenger platforms but also for the Stinger missile itself. The existing inventory of Stinger-RMP (reprogrammable microprocessor) mis-

siles is being upgraded to Block 1. “Block 1 is an upgrade to the existing Stinger-RMP missile; and its purpose is really to improve missile accuracy; improved effectiveness in the presence of countermeasures; and it eliminates the need for super-elevation in helicopter platforms and extends missile shelf-life,” Newberry said.

Assessments were conducted on the MQM-107 drone target to see how well it could replicate a cruise missile threat; and the drone compared favorably. “The challenging thing about shooting down cruise missiles is they fly very fast, very low, in background clutter,” Newberry said. “Your missile has a hard time differentiating between him and the clutter in back—which can be sky,

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Old Glory...

Take time to remember the sacrifices made by America's men and women in uniform during the Fourth of July holiday.

Letters to the editor

Monument update

This letter is written to update the readers of the Redstone Rocket on the progress made by the U.S.A. Civil War Monument Fund project. The foundation base has been ordered from the Sparkman Marble & Granite Works for the monument that will honor the 180-300 U.S. Army soldiers that have been buried in Section One of Maple Hill Cemetery here in Huntsville since the Civil War. The soldiers buried in Section One are known to be of both African-American and European-American ancestry.

We need to thank Lawrence Hillis of the WZYP Memorial Day 1996 Cotton Row Run for his contribution of \$800, Ellys C. Bartlett for his contribution of \$650 made in memory of his late wife, Jacqueline Doris Bartlett and the contribution that was made in memory of the late Col. Philip Foote by his widow, Patricia Foote. These contributions provided the U.S.A. Civil War Monument Fund with the money it needed to order the 3 foot by 3 foot by 1 foot ebony mist granite foundation base stone.

The balance owed on our monument base is \$876. Please do not hesitate to donate if you are unable to make a large donation since any amount will be greatly appreciated. We would wish this to be a community enterprise which is why we are not seeking government funds to pay for our monument. We would rather have our list of contributors include churches, elementary schools, high schools, civic organizations, businesses, military organizations and individuals of all races and backgrounds and age groups that want to make a difference in our community.

Please send your contributions to: U.S.A. Civil War Monument Fund, P.O. Box 10100, Huntsville, 35801-3670.

Irene Bartlett
Chairperson & acting secretary,
U.S.A. Civil War Monument Fund

Questions monument

This is in response to Ms. Bartlett's letter requesting contributions for a Civil War monument to honor U.S. soldiers who supposedly are buried in Maple Hill Cemetery. Unfortunately, the facts do not agree with Ms. Bartlett's statements.

According to the U.S. Army Roll of Honor Quarter Master Department Report, Numbers 21 and 22, pages 270 through 274, all the Union Army dead who were originally buried in Maple Hill were moved to the National Cemetery at Chattanooga in November 1866.

This was only 18 months after the end of the war, at a time when the Union graves were easy to identify and many still marked with their wooden headboards. The Chattanooga National Cemetery reiterates that there are no Union war dead remaining in Maple Hill.

Furthermore, the African-American soldiers and civilian Army employees were never laid to rest in Maple Hill in those days of racial segregation in both North and South. Instead, these people were buried in the city's Old Georgia cemetery, which dates back to Alabama territorial days. Unbelievably, this historic black cemetery is now completely covered by Huntsville Hospital's multi-story parking lot. (If you want something to get angry about, think about that for a while!) The National Cemetery's records show that a total of 48 black soldiers and civilian employees were removed to Chattanooga in 1866, which accounts for all of the "25 to 50" African-American soldiers Ms. Bartlett claims are somehow in Maple Hill.

Since the Union war dead have been gone now for 130 years, what is the justification for erecting an expensive monument in Maple Hill honoring people who are buried

at Chattanooga? While no one could disagree with honoring American veterans (if they were really there), Ms. Bartlett's request is in fact political, not memorial. To place busts of Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass and quotations from the political figures on a monument supposedly meant for the soldiers is an insult to the men who actually fought the war. One might note that the marker to the 190 Southern war dead in Maple Hill honors them only as soldiers. There are no politicians portrayed or quoted on the memorial to the Southern dead. Ms. Bartlett's proposed monument more properly belongs in a battlefield park, not in a resting place for the city's deceased.

It is hard enough for me to swallow my pride and accept a monument honoring those who invaded the South and fought against my own ancestors. But to erect a divisive sectional political marker to Northern soldiers who are not even buried here is an affront to all of us whose ancestors wore the gray or butternut uniform, be they black, white, Hispanic, Native American, Catholic, Protestant, or Jewish. It is simply not justified and is actually rather ludicrous.

John Stice
Retired Army civilian

Internet access

Why is it that oldtimer computer illiterate managers are allowed to hinder their employees by not granting access to the latest computer tools? Specifically, I am talking about the Internet.

It is a shame that Redstone/MICOM as well as many organizational elements/project offices have homepages and information only accessible via the "Net" and all employees are not granted access. Any communist/left wing organization in the world can access data from these sources via the Net and I as a government/MICOM employee cannot.

If the big fear is "abuse" (please define) of the Internet, I submit that we are all adults. We have access to classified data which is vital to the security of the USA, data which when abused could provide direct contracts to our favorites, funding for TDY (which in a lot of cases is planned in conjunction with personal agendas at the upper management level), and other resources which are entrusted to us as ADULT employees, yet we can't be trusted with a computer. If we are told not to access pornography or whatever else is the problem, then we will adhere to these rules.

It is time that this command wake up and join the 20th century. This way, in four years when we enter the 21st century, we will only be one century behind.

I would like the command to adopt guidelines authorizing computer access to the Internet for all employees, not just a special few in certain directorates.

Name withheld by request

(Editor's note: Personal computer access, and therefore access to the Internet, is a function of the requirements of a worker's job—and that's up to the supervisor.)

Building security

Our organization recently moved from an off-post location to a renovated building located on the Arsenal. Since we have moved to this building, each employee (GS-12 and above) will serve for a one-week period as building security person. As the building does not close until 5:30, many of us must rearrange our work schedules (and life) to accommodate this mandatory building security stint.

I feel like building security should be the responsibility

of the Arsenal's provost marshal and not the individuals who work in a particular building. I do not think it is reasonable that only certain individuals must provide building security while others on the Arsenal do not. I do not think that all the people (GS-12 and above) in other Arsenal buildings (for example, the Sparkman Center) must serve a one-week stint as building security officer. I have a problem with myself being delegated the duty to be responsible for the contents of an entire building to include classified safes, etc., just because it's my week.

Name withheld by request

(Editor's note: You need to express your concern to your supervisor. There are more than 2,100 buildings on post, each with several entrances. Obviously, the Provost Marshal Office does not have the manpower to conduct daily checks of each one. The PMO does conduct spot checks on a random basis. It has always been the responsibility of the building occupants to ensure their particular facility is secure.)

Drawdown process

A milestone schedule was posted on the MICOM bulletin board by LeRoy Daniels, civilian personnel officer, which outlined significant dates and events in the drawdown of personnel. The schedule prompts me to ask these questions. If an employee is declared to be surplus (excess) and that employee is not picked up by another organization, or refuses to accept the position(s) offered, can he or she be involuntarily separated from service without going through RIF procedures? If not, then what function does the process serve when it is obvious that VERA/VSIP and excess procedure cannot achieve the necessary reductions?

Charles Johnson
Acquisition Center

(Editor's note: The Civilian Personnel Office provided the following response. "When it becomes necessary to eliminate positions, every effort is made to place employees into continuing positions. In order for this to occur, affected positions and employees must be identified to facilitate their placement into vacancies or into positions as 'savings' for employees who have applied for Voluntary Separation Incentive Pay (VSIP). This process has been very successful in helping Team Redstone minimize or eliminate the need for reductions in force (RIFs)."

"If an employee is offered another position and declines, management can propose an involuntary reassignment in writing. The employee has a chance to respond and to provide reasons why the reassignment should not occur. If management decides to proceed with the reassignment after considering the reply, the employee must move to the new position or face separation for failure to accept an assignment. This separation would be under adverse action procedures, not reduction in force procedures. The involuntary reassignment process has been used infrequently because most employees accept the offer because they want to be assigned to a continuing position."

"If sufficient losses are not achieved and a RIF becomes necessary, remaining surplus employee and other affected employees would be afforded their RIF placement rights.")

Courteous drivers

The resurfacing of Rideout Road has created the usual inconveniences of such projects. However, recently I saw something related to this project which I found both encouraging and inspiring. One afternoon as I was leaving the Arsenal where Neal Road

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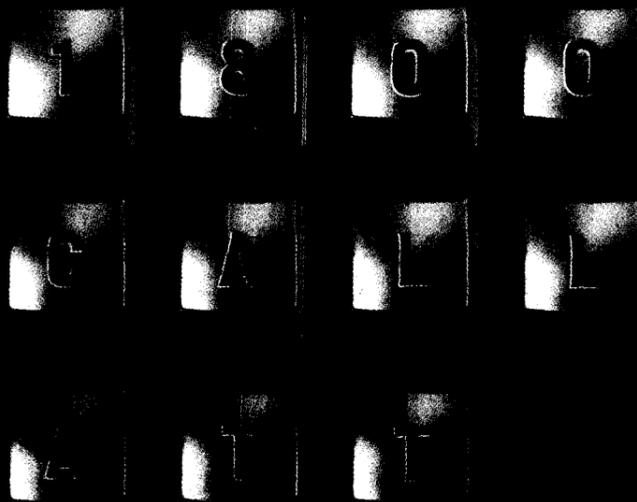
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Building 5681 renovation effort officially under way



CELEBRATING RENOVATION PROGRESS—Link addresses military and civilian representatives responsible for renovating building 5681.



KICKOFF SIGN—Wall targets hit by military and civilian representatives symbolize the on-time progress of the renovation project.

By Peggy Hays

A BRAC '95 Renovation Kickoff ceremony for building 5681 was highlighted by the remarks of Maj. Gen. James Link, commander of MICOM and Redstone Arsenal, and a symbolic wall-breaking featuring sledgehammers and construction hats.

The June 26 ceremony marked the beginning of the remodeling phase to prepare the building for the aviation workers moving from St. Louis as part of the base realignment and closure (BRAC) process.

Link cited the building's historical significance as a production facility in World War II while praising the current renovation efforts. "A lot of great Americans have worked here through the years," he said, noting that a tremendous amount of work has been completed in bringing the building into compliance with current environmental regulations.

Link pledged a quality renovated facility, on-time completion, and no cost overruns. "It will be built to the Sparkman Center standards," he said. "We will



KICKOFF CEREMONY —Dignitaries participate in ceremonial wall-breaking for building 5681. Facility is to be occupied by aviation workers moving from St. Louis.

make this a first-class facility."

Adding that 634 aviation workers will be using the facility, Link said, "This will be a very important center of business. I want to thank all those involved in helping design this complex to meet the customers' needs."

Project Manager Valerie Shippers accepted the responsibility for the renovation in January. Since then, the concept design has been completed and the contract awarded. "Our

biggest accomplishment so far," said Shippers, an architectural engineer, "is getting the project awarded within the funds allotted."

She added, "We had some excellent bids."

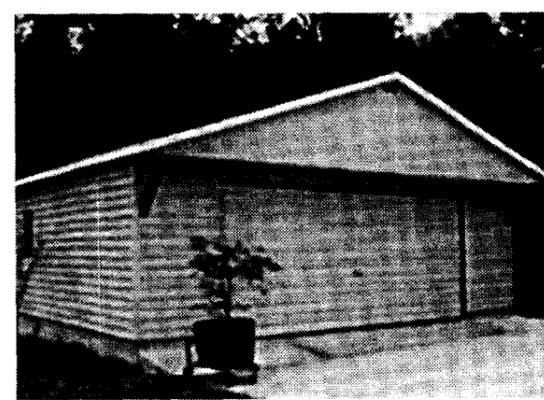
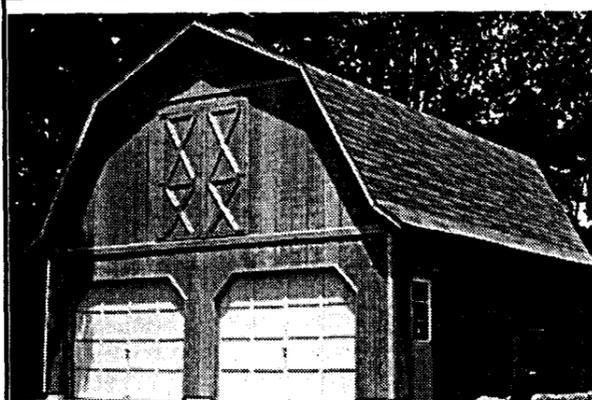
Deadline for the building's completion is Oct. 1, 1997. "Our biggest challenge," Shippers said, "will be getting everything moved in by Oct. 1. That's with the furniture and the communications in place and everything ready."

"That's with the understanding," she added, "that

we will meet that deadline and we will beat it if we can."

Other dignitaries who donned hard hats and participated in the wall-breaking ceremony were the St. Louis representative, Brig. Gen. James Snider, project manager for Comanche in the Program Executive Office-Aviation; Tom Clinton, project manager for the Mobile District Corps of Engineers; and Howard Dyer Smith, executive vice-president of Bill Harbert Construction Co.

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Beautification award...

Maj. Harry L. Smith, provost marshal, presents to Telos Field Engineering, building 3781, the "Area Beautification Award" for May. Accepting the award are, from left, Tony Mitchell, Steve Preston, John Hope (standing behind Smith), Don Cunningham and Ken Sandquist Sr.

Airborne calibrator earns jump wings

Sgt. Keith A. Jason of the 95th Maintenance Company (TMDE), Fort Bragg Detachment, was awarded British Jump Wings when he descended on Fort Bragg's Sicily drop zone in May.

Jason was chosen to participate in a joint American-British airborne operation as part of the "Royal Dragon" exercise. After receiving pre-jump training from British jumpmasters on the different commands

and techniques used by the British, Jason was ready for the actual jump.

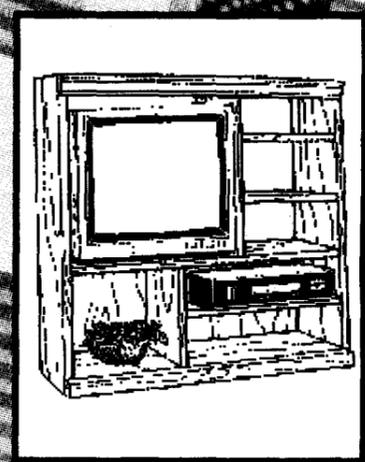
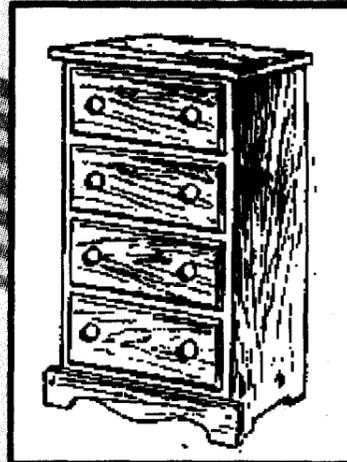
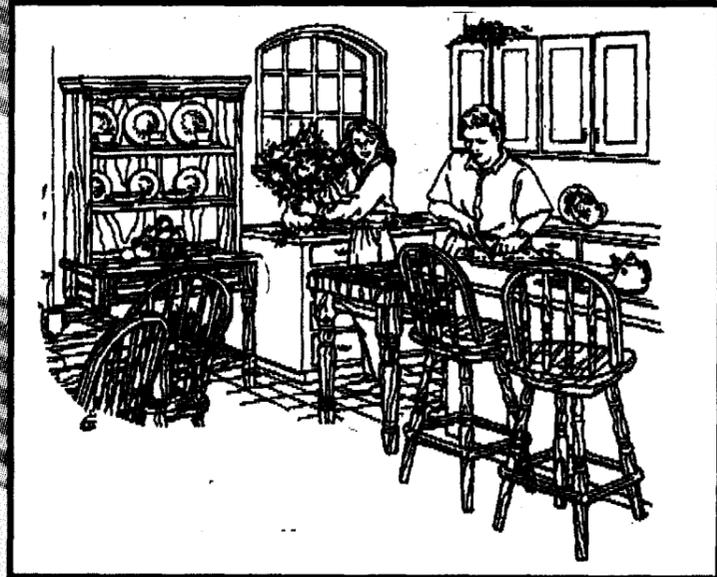
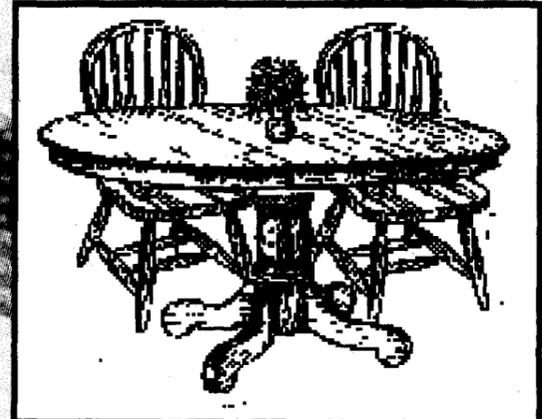
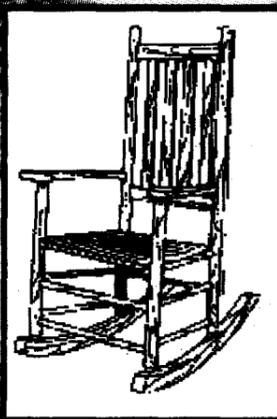
According to the British jumpmasters, he executed both his exit and parachute landing fall flawlessly.

Jason is not a newcomer to jumping from military aircraft. He has been jumping since March 1990 as a member of the Army Materiel Command's only airborne calibration unit.

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McKinley Range provides site for explosives training

Editor's note: This is the first of a three-part series on the various ranges located at Redstone.

By Kathy Harkleroad

McKinley Range is located off of Buxton Road and is used almost exclusively by the Explosive Ordnance Disposal Training Department. Students attending one of the three EOD course held on the Arsenal are also required to spend a certain amount of time on the range.

"The range is used primarily for training," said SSgt. Paul Schmidt, NCO range maintenance, "and encompasses all the students attending either Phase III, BNCOC, or ANCOG classes here. National Guard, the Army Reserves, the Corps of Engineers and the Military Police K9 unit also train on the range.

McKinley Range sets on 750 acres and includes 42 different training sites. Those sites include an airfield, two minefields, three protective work sites, a bomb dump site, a dig site, two ammunition supply points, a gun emplacement site, a booby trap site, a rocket training site, a radar site, a command post site, and a POL (Petroleum, Oil and Lube) site. "Many of these sites are set up to simulate actual battlefield conditions," MSgt. Bobby Reed, range NCO-in-charge, said. "We have duplicated some of the scenarios from Saudi with these training sites, as well other battlefield events."

Quite a few of the training areas are

mobile and allow for varying scenarios which challenge the students. Buildings are booby trapped with devices that signal an explosion with the sound of a buzzer or lighting of a lamp. Other training aids are provided to the students that are similar to explosive devices they might find in their work.

According to Schmidt, each class that comes to the range for training spends a varied amount of time on the range, and trains in different areas. "When Phase III students come out they train on clearing stuck rounds, how to operate the remote robot, and how to drive the SEE, an excavation vehicle. They are on the range for two weeks and work different problems.

"BNCOC students are on the range for two weeks also, and run problems involving protective works and chemical ordnance that are set up by the instructors," Schmidt continued. "The BNCOC students are also required to spend a night on the range where they also run problems and continue training throughout the next day."

ANCOG students training on the range consists of two days conducting patrols and ambushes, as well as other military maneuvers, according to Schmidt. ANCOG students are also required to spend one night on the range as do the BNCOC students.

While quite a bit of training is going on at any given time on McKinley Range, there is only one type of live explosive that is fired on the range. "The only thing we detonate on the range is an 81 mm High



PULLING THE ROUND— Cpl. Taleb Fazle, left, is shown extracting a stuck mortar round from a M29 mortar tube, as Spec. Rick Kaiser and Spec. Scott

Seltzer help. The soldiers were part of the Phase III class training on the range Thursday under the direction of SFC Lisa Meinze.

Explosive mortar round," Schmidt said. "The rest of the devices we use are training aids and do not contain explosives."

Depending on several factors, including cloud cover, humidity, and wind direction, the shot can be heard up to two miles away. "The biggest shots can hardly be heard here in the main building," Schmidt said, "and it doesn't cause any problems here."

Safety is a main concern for the soldiers who train on the range; and a medic from Fox Army Community Hospital is on site

when demolition is being conducted. "We also have a range safety person on site anytime anyone is on the range," Schmidt added.

The majority of the training that is done on the range is done during the week. The Corps of Engineers, the National Guard EOD unit, and the Army Reservists use the range on weekends to conduct their training.

Approximately 240 students train on the range year-round.

School bus registration opens July 29 for 1996-97 year

Summer has arrived but it's not too early for Redstone's military families to start planning for school bus transportation for the upcoming school year; first day of school is Aug. 21.

All military people residing on Redstone Arsenal who desire school bus transportation to the three core schools for school year 1996-97 must register each child for transportation. Registration will be held at the Bicentennial Chapel as follows: July 29 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.; July 30 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.; July 31 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Aug. 1 from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. (extended time), and Aug. 2 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Redstone will provide bus transportation

to the following core schools: Williams Elementary (grades K-5), Westlawn Middle School (grades 6-8), and Butler High School (grades 9-12).

School bus transportation service for dependents of DoD personnel residing off post will be on a first-come, first-serve basis due to limited number of seats available. To qualify for bus service, the dependent child should be enrolled in the School Age Service Program and Williams Elementary.

The City of Huntsville has agreed to provide bus transportation for students residing on Redstone Arsenal to special needs (handicapped) and magnet schools in the city. No

transportation will be provided students residing on Redstone to private schools.

Registration for City of Huntsville bus transportation to the magnet schools and special needs (handicapped) schools will be conducted at the aforementioned location, dates and times.

To qualify for school bus transportation, each registrant living on post must show proof of active duty status. Department of

Defense personnel living off post will show proof of active duty status or a Redstone Arsenal Employee identification badge, and enrollment in the School Age Service Program. Registration shall be completed during this scheduled period to allow sufficient time to develop routes and establish bus stops, according to Redstone Arsenal Support Activity.



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\$16,000

'95 Mercury Mystique GS

4 Dr., Air, PW, PDLs, Cruise, Tape, Dual Air Bags, 19K mi

\$11,950

'95 Pontiac Grand Prix SE

4 Dr., TR & Cruise, Tape, Dual Air Bags, 20K mi

\$12,900

'95 Pontiac Grand Am SE

2 Dr., Auto, Air, PW, PDLs, TR & Cruise, Tape, Air Bag, Anti-Lock Brakes, V-6, 24K mi

\$12,775

'95 Chevrolet Monte Carlo LS

2 Dr., Auto, Air, PW, PDLs, TR & Cruise, Tape, Dual Air Bags, Alum. Wheels, 20K mi

\$15,900

'95 Honda Accord LX

4 Dr., Auto, Air, PW, PDLs, TR & Cruise, Tape, Dual Air Bags, 20K mi

\$15,000

'95 Honda Civic LX

4 Dr., Auto, Air, PW, PDLs, TR & Cruise, Tape, Dual Air Bags, 20K mi

\$13,400

'95 Toyota Avalon XL

4 Dr., Dk. Auto, Air, PW, PDLs, TR & Cruise, Tape, Dual Air Bags, 18K mi

\$21,270

'95 Toyota Camry Station Wagon

5 Dr., Auto, Air, PW, PDLs, TR & Cruise, Tape, Dual Air Bags, 14.5K mi

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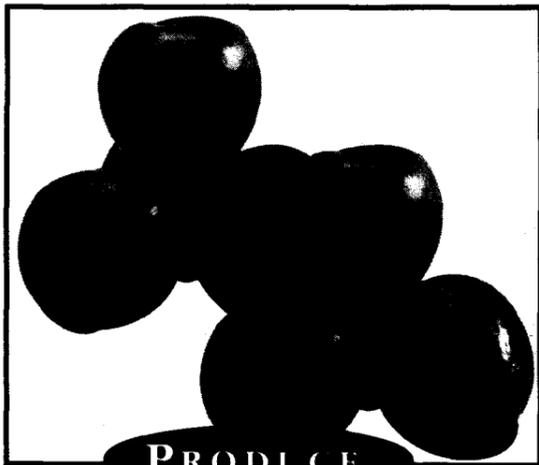
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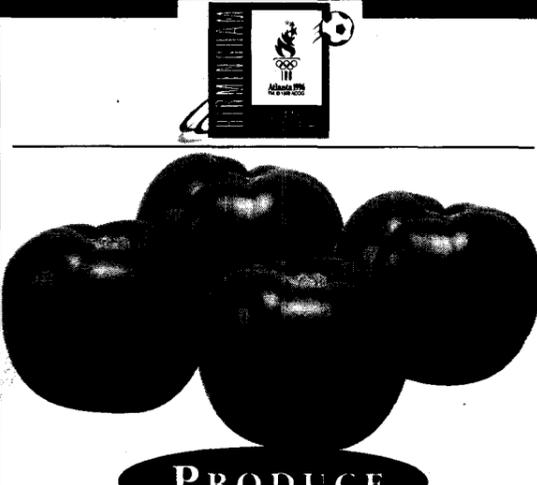


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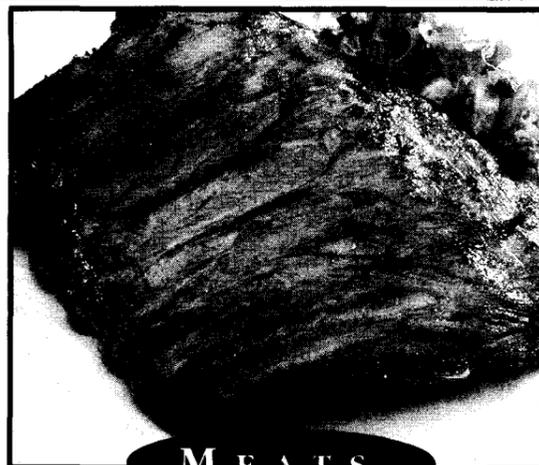


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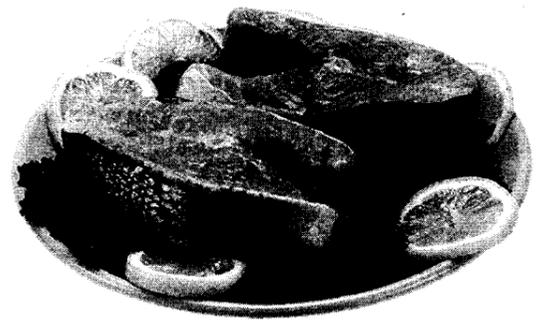


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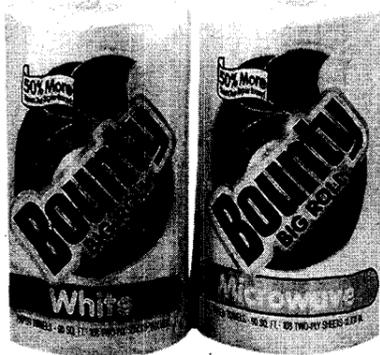


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Retired MLRS project manager officially closes career

By Jim Browning

The final chapter in a long and distinguished career of service to our nation was written June 20 when retired Col. William Taylor was honored at a retirement award ceremony in building 5250.

Although he formally retired from active duty last fall, Taylor's original award recommendation became mired in a bureaucratic maze and was only recently approved. "It took two three-star generals to unsnarl this award for Bill," George Williams, the program executive officer for tactical missiles, said during the award presentation. So, in a very real sense, this ceremony marked Taylor's final roll call with the Multiple Launch Rocket System family.

Taylor, formerly the MLRS project manager, was presented the Distinguished Service Medal—our nation's third highest award for military service—by Williams during the ceremony. This particular award is one of the most prestigious means of recognizing a soldier's contribution, and is presented for "exceptionally meritorious service to the government in a duty of great responsibility... and requires evidence of conspicuously significant achievement," per Army regulation.

Lt. Col. Glen Long, product manager for the Improved Launcher Mechanical System (ILMS), said, "It is a fitting tribute to the man, and his family, that he be recognized with this award for what has amounted to a lifetime of service to our nation." In his remarks, Williams echoed those sentiments when he described Taylor as "the most deserving recipient" of the Distinguished

Service Medal he had met in all his years of government service.

However, perhaps the most revealing comment came from Carlos Kingston, chief of the MLRS logistics division, who said, "Col. Taylor cared deeply about the soldier and everyone around here knew that. With him it was always about delivering the best possible product to the soldier. And that's why he spent so much time traveling around the world and talking to soldiers. Col. Taylor focused on the soldier rather than allowing himself to be mesmerized by the technology." The dividends of that approach, in very human terms, were clearly demonstrated during Operation Desert Storm where MLRS played such a prominent role in the liberation of Kuwait. Stories about the captured Iraqis forces calling it "steel rain" have now passed into legend.

Dennis Vaughn, the deputy MLRS project manager, said, "the overwhelming success of MLRS in the hands of the user was due, in large measure, to the quiet leadership of Col. Bill Taylor. He continuously emphasized that the project office must satisfy and respond to the ultimate customer and the ultimate customer was the American soldier and the taxpayer. America owes him a tremendous debt of gratitude."

During the ceremony, Taylor described receiving the Distinguished Service Medal as the capstone of his military career. It was especially meaningful because his father, retired Air Force MSgt. William J. Taylor, as well as his son, Pvt. Joshua Taylor were



RECOGNITION— Williams, left, presents the Distinguished Service Medal to retired Col. Taylor.

able to attend the ceremony. After more than 28 years of commissioned service Taylor retired last year and lives with his wife, Toni, in Madison. Together, they have journeyed the path that is every soldier's story—the long duty hours, and seemingly endless training exercises; the pain and uncertainty of saying goodbye to your young wife and family on the tarmac en route to some combat zone; and the fear of combat. One cannot help but thinking that Taylor's core values about service to his country were born many years ago, proba-

bly many miles away from Redstone Arsenal. During his remarks, Taylor paid tribute to his father who he acknowledged had played such a significant role in shaping his own values and had taught him the importance of doing a job well. Taylor said he was glad that his son, Joshua, could be present to see what a genuinely caring organization the Army was.

(Editor's note: Maj. Browning is assistant product manager for Improved Launcher Mechanical System at the MLRS Project Office.)

JAVELIN

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ful seven-round test series at Redstone Arsenal where corrective actions to problems encountered at Fort Hunter Liggett in April were proven effective.

Prime contractor is Texas Instruments/Lockheed-Martin Javelin Joint Venture, located at both Lewisville, Texas, and Orlando, Fla.

Col. Mike Roddy is the Javelin project manager; and George Williams is the program executive officer for tactical missiles.

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Affirmative claims clerk here honored for recovery work

By Kathy Harkleroad

The Staff Judge Advocate's office has two more awards to add to its collection. They were recently notified they had been named by the Army Claims Service as the fourth most improved office on collecting medical care claims, and the second most improved office in collecting claims on damage to government property.

According to Maj. Charles Green, deputy staff judge advocate, those awards were due to the hard work and dedication of those who work with affirmative claims. "Rhenda Miltner is responsible for both the medical claims and the damage to government property claims, and has done an exceptional job," Green said.

"Last year she recovered \$61,000 in medical care costs which were turned back to Fox Army Community Hospital, and \$38,000 in government property damage claims that was turned back to the Redstone Arsenal Support Activity."

Medical care recovery claims are begun when a third party insurance company is involved. "There are instances, say when a soldier is involved in a one-car accident and is taken to Fox Army Community Hospital for treatment. At that point, since car insurance is involved and there is coverage for any medical care, I go to the insurance company and ask for reimbursement," Miltner said.

Miltner also said claims could be generated if for instance, a civilian was hurt on the Arsenal and taken to FACH for treatment. "Since they are not eligible for treatment at Fox they, or their insurance company



SPECIAL RECOVERY— Miltner from the Staff Judge Advocate's office is responsible for recovering \$61,000 in medical care costs and \$38,000 in damages to government property. Because of her diligence, the JAG office won two awards last month recognizing her work.

would be responsible for the payment. That is where I come in," she said.

Miltner receives the information from FACH and begins the process. "I review the information and find out who is responsible for the payment and proceed to collect it. I make phone calls, send out questionnaires and review all kinds of information to determine what needs to be done next," she continued.

All of the money Miltner collects is returned to the hospital and is distributed throughout the hospital. "It makes me feel pretty good to be able to turn over any amount of money," she said.

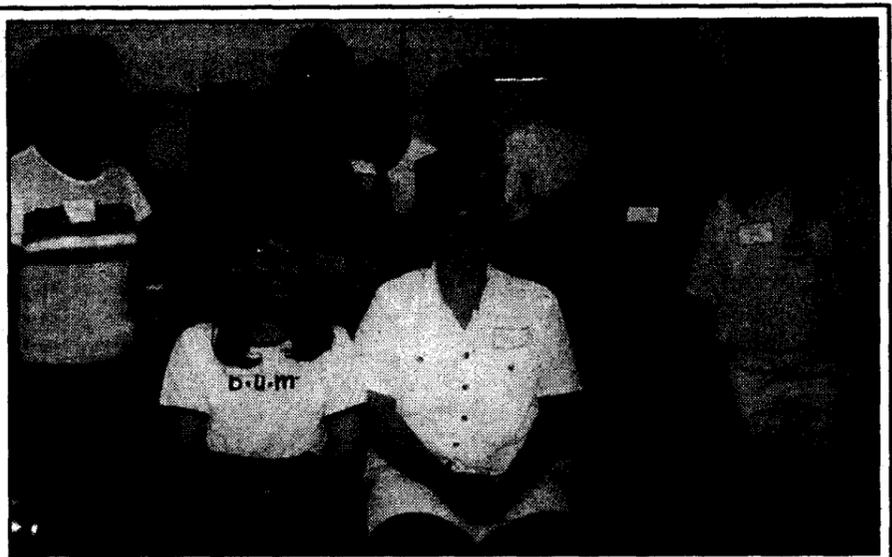
Miltner is also responsible for collecting for damages made to government property, which could include anything from a stop sign to a building. "I collect for damages that are caused by a person who is not a government driver or a

person who is not on active duty," she said. "Anyone can be held responsible, as long as they are not performing something in the scope of their employment."

She collected \$38,000 which was returned to the Redstone Arsenal Support Activity and was disbursed throughout the activity. "That is part of my job that I enjoy the most," Miltner said, "returning the money to the Arsenal. Whether it be FACH or the support activity, I am just glad to see it go back."

Miltner processes approximately 250 claims per year and closes most of the claims within one year. "We do have a few that take a little longer, but no more than three years," she said.

Miltner will accept the certificates from the Army Claims Office today when it is presented during a brief ceremony.



Certified babysitters...

Joining the ranks of certified babysitters at Redstone are, from left, seated: Vanessa Smith and Stacy Day. They completed a 10-hour Red Cross babysitting class sponsored by Supplemental Programs and Services. Parents can obtain a referral list of qualified babysitters at SPS in building 113.

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Family affair...

Post CSM Ben Sunday, right, re-enlists in the Army Friday with the help of his sister-in-law Lt. Pam Meadows. Meadows administers the oath to Sunday who signed up for another six years which will take him to 30 years active duty service, and retirement.



Brotherly help...

Capt. Keith Kettel, left, administers the re-enlistment oath to his brother SSgt. Adam Kettel, who is assigned to HHC MICOM Operations Center. Adam signed up Friday for five years which will take him to retirement at 22 years.



CEREMONY— Farrar, left, takes command from Capt. Simon Goerger.

Huntsville native assumes unit command at Fort Polk

FORT POLK, La.— A Huntsville native has assumed command of Headquarters Troop, 3rd Squadron, 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment.

Capt. Albert Farrar Jr. assumed command of the unit in a ceremony June 10. He was born on Redstone Arsenal and is a product of the Child Development Center (six years). He is a 1986 graduate of Lee High School and a 1990 graduate

of the U.S. Military Academy.

During the ceremony, Farrar thanked his family for their support and his senior commanders for the opportunity to lead the elite troops of his new command.

Farrar is a graduate of the Cavalry Leaders Course, the Masters Fitness Trainers Course, the Nuclear Biological Chemical Defense Course, the Armor Officers

Basic Course and the Armor Officers Advance Course. He holds a bachelor's degree of science from the U.S. Military Academy.

His awards include the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the National Defense Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, three Overseas Service Ribbons,

the Multinational Forces and Observers Medal, the United Nations Medal (Haiti) and the Parachutist Badge.

In keeping with the tradition for the incoming commander, Farrar's mother was presented a dozen white roses. Farrar is the son of retired 1st Sgt. Albert Sr. and Verline Farrar of Huntsville.

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SJAG office's Legal Assistance team honored for second consecutive year

By Kathy Harkleroad

The Staff Judge Advocate's Office has once again proven they have what it takes to be a winner. For the second year in a row they have been awarded the Army Chief of Staff Award for Excellence in Legal Assistance.

Of the 93 Army installations, 64 installations applied for the award, with only 35 taking home the prestigious award, according to Capt. Cheryl Boone, chief of legal assistance.

"We have worked very hard at making sure our legal assistance department is one of the best, and with winning this award two times in a row it shows we are," Boone said.

The committee that made the award looked at three main areas, Preventive Law Efforts, Automation Improvements and Customer Service, all of which Boone feels are very important.

"I am a firm believer in the quote, 'An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure' and take it to heart. In doing so we implemented workshops for the soldiers and discussed issues that could affect them," she said. "My philosophy is if they are made aware of their responsibilities and laws now, they will not be needing our services in the future. Those workshops not only kept them up to speed as to changes in the laws, but educated them in areas that were new to them."

Some of the workshops that were conducted by Boone included the soldiers responsibilities with child and family support, bankruptcy rules and the Hatch Act.

Boone said the Staff Judge Advocate's Office also improved their communication skills this year by upgrading their computer system. "I believe this played a vital role in win-

ning the award. All of the offices are now networked and have CD ROM capabilities, as well as access to the Internet," she said. "Those upgrades allow us easier access to much needed information."

The customer service area of the Staff Judge Advocate's Office is also an important factor; and according to Boone, the lawyers in the office go out of their way to make sure the soldier and his family

are taken care of. "We have made many hospital or home visits to retirees who are unable to come into the office and who need our services," she added.

Personnel at the Staff Judge Advocate's office also have customers fill out questionnaires on the services they have received and go one step beyond. "We make random followup calls to our customers to make sure they have received the services they

expected and to make sure they were satisfied. This gives us a good idea of how we are doing, and what if anything we can do better," Boone said.

Boone will accept the award certificate later today on behalf of the other lawyers and personnel in the office, during a brief ceremony. "I am so proud we have won this and am very pleased. This shows we care and have worked hard to help our clients all



TOP HONOR— Boone, of the Staff Judge Advocate's Office, was responsible for not only submitting the application for the annual Army Chief of Staff Award for Excellence in Legal Assistance, but also implemented several of the programs that led to winning.



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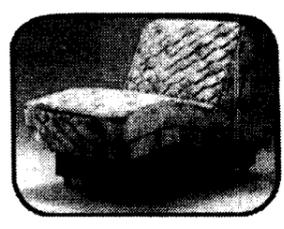
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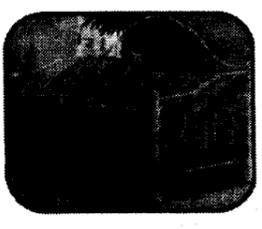
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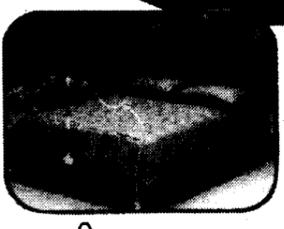
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Planner of the Sparkman Center remembered for his dedication

By Skip Vaughn

Sam Fields would have been proud. The Sparkman Center buildings, an impressive office complex which opened in 1994, serve as the workplace for members of the Missile Command. Fields, who died in a farming accident last year, served as the planner. On June 26 a memorial was dedicated in his memory in the courtyard of the Sparkman Center.

"We remember his smiling face as we sat across the table from him in many staff meetings and his earnest work and dedication," Chaplain (Col.) William McAllister, the post chaplain, said in the invocation.

Maj. Gen. James Link, commander of MICOM and Redstone, said the Sparkman Center is the result of Fields' vision. "He had the vision; he also kept the dream. He kept the dream alive," Link said. "You look behind you and you see the extension of this dream."

The Sparkman Center is still growing with the construction of two more buildings slated for completion in October 1997. The additional buildings will be used by workers moving here from St. Louis as a result of the merger of Missile Command and aviation portions of the Aviation and Troop Command.

Fields, a Huntsville native born March 25, 1947, was fatally injured Aug. 27, 1995 in a tragic accident at his home on Brindlee Mountain. He came to work for MICOM in 1980 as a civil engineer in what is now the Directorate of Public Works. Later he supervised the Master Planning, Construction and Environmental Office. He became an associate director for public works in 1993. Fields was



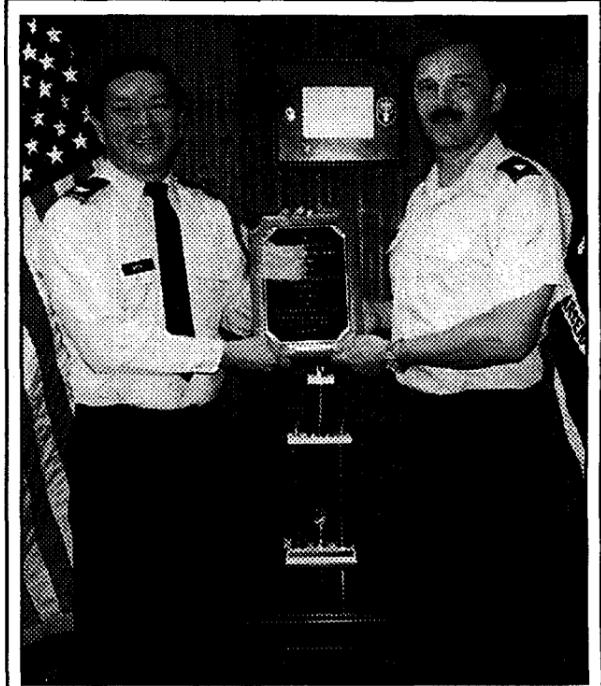
IN DEDICATION— Fields' family members attending the memorial dedication ceremony include, from left, Lauren Allison, step-daughter; Tricia Allison, step-daughter; Shannon Fields, widow; Lorri Fields, daughter; and Dana Fields, daughter. His youngest daughter, Sammie Amanda Fields, was away at college and was unable to attend.

selected as the director of the newly-formed Directorate of Environmental Management and Planning in 1995. He was responsible for planning and executing many major Redstone construction projects including the Sparkman Center.

Link joined Fields' widow, Shannon Fields, in unveiling a granite memorial in the courtyard. The inscription, accompanying a likeness of Fields, reads, "In memory of H. Sam Fields. His dedication and vision are reflected in these buildings."

"I think the world is more beautiful because he lived," Shannon said. She described her late husband as a dreamer who had no fear of failure and was determined to achieve excellence against "what most of us consider impossible goals."

"From the bottom of my heart, I thank you for remembering Sam Fields today and for sharing a part of your world with me and my family," she said.



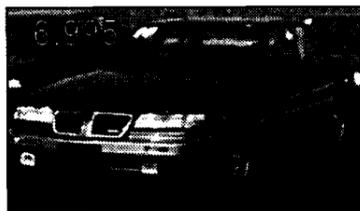
Hospital honored...

Col. William Wong, commander of Fox Army Community Hospital, left, and, Lt. Col. Cary Payne show the plaque they received June 13 from the Alabama Hospital Association recognizing the hospital's community service efforts. FACH was the only hospital out of the 140 hospitals in Alabama to receive the award.



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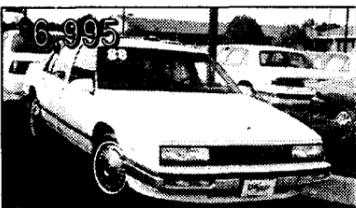
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COLLEGE LETTER— Sharing the Athens State letter with the good news about MICOM's High-Performance Skills Course are, from left: James Foster, chief of education and development division; Col. Christopher Stratton, MICOM chief of staff; Joan McWilliams, the Army learning center manager; Pat Johnson, Nancy Hodges and Janice Ray, quality management consultants with Redstone 2000 Institute. Not pictured is Margaret Whitlock.

Performance skills course gets OK for college credit

A third course offered by the Redstone 2000 Institute has been approved by Athens State College for college credit.

The High-Performance Skills Course is a 64-hour class which has been completed by 134 MICOM workers so far. The first prototype was conducted in February 1995; full production began in October 1995; and the eighth class was just completed.

Dr. Richard Boyd, dean of academic affairs at Athens State College, said the following in a May 19 letter to the MICOM chief of staff: "Based upon a review of the course materials for the U.S. Army Missile Command's High-Performance Skills Course, and examination of the qualifications of the instructors, Athens State College will award 5 quarter hours credit through MG460, Directed Study in High-Performance

Skills, to Athens State College students who complete the course, with the following stipulations: 1) the course may be used as an upper-level management elective, but cannot be used to satisfy any of the required business core courses in the curriculum of the School of Business; 2) students will not receive a letter grade in this course."

Previously, Athens State approved for college credit the Redstone 2000 Institute's course for Total Quality Management cadre and its course for TQM facilitators.

Margaret Whitlock, a quality management specialist with the education and development division in Personnel and Training Directorate, was instrumental in getting the courses here approved for college credit, according to Joan McWilliams, the Army learning center manager.

MWR highlights

The following are among the Morale, Welfare and Recreation activities:

- **Holiday closings**— Post Restaurant Fund cafeterias will be closed July 4-5. The Officers Club will be closed July 4-6, with catered functions only. The June M. Hughes Arts and Crafts Center will be closed July 4. The Challenger will be closed July 4-8.
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- **Arts and Crafts**— Call 876-7951 for information on upcoming classes at the June M. Hughes Arts and Crafts Center, building 3615.
- **Turkey shoot**— The next turkey shoot is July 13 between the trap & skeet ranges at Outdoor Recreation, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
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Stinger is a short range ground-to-air missile system which can defend against high-speed, high-performance aircraft; helicopters; unmanned aerial vehicles, and cruise missiles. Its variety of firing platforms include shoulder-fired MANPADS (man-portable air defense system), Avenger, Bradley Linebacker, a number of Army attack helicopters, and the Marine Corps light amphibious vehicle-air defense.

Five versions of the missile are in various stages of development or fielding. The fifth version, Block 2 upgrade, is in the demonstration/validation phase with fielding expected in 2004.

Stinger was an out-

growth of the old Redeye program; and the basic version came out around 1971. Full-scale production of basic Stinger began in 1980. Deliveries of Stinger-RMP missiles began in 1987 and were recently completed. Work began in June to upgrade the Stinger-RMP missiles to the Block 1 version.

Some 45,000 Stinger missiles have been produced through the years; and customers include nearly 20 countries. Cost of a single Stinger missile is roughly \$50,000.

The missile weighs about 37 pounds, is 2 3/4 inches in diameter, 5 feet long; it travels at supersonic speed and has a range of more than three miles. "With Avenger and Bradley, you get essentially day/night, all-weather capability," Newberry said.

The Stinger Product Office, under the Program Ex-

ecutive Office for Tactical Missiles, has a core of two servicemembers and 13 civilians plus 38 matrix collocated personnel. Hughes Missile Systems Corp. in Tucson, Ariz., is the developer of the Stinger missile. Boeing of Huntsville produces Avenger and Bradley Linebacker.

"It's the only air defense system in the forward area in the U.S. inventory," Newberry said. "And I'd say it's unquestionably the best short-range air defense system in the world."

"It's highly reliable and very effective," Sanders said. "It was used very successfully in Afghanistan; that was the basic version, basic Stinger.... We think the current improvement program, block 1 and 2, carries the Stinger effectively into the next century and it will be responsive to the evolving threat."

NATO's peacekeeping force increases patrols in Bosnia

By Linda D. Kozaryn

WASHINGTON—Having completed most of its military tasks "almost flawlessly," NATO's peace implementation force is now conducting more visible patrols throughout Bosnia, according to Secretary of State Warren Christopher.

Following meetings with Serb, Croat and Bosnian leaders in Geneva June 2, and NATO officials in Berlin June 3, Christopher commended the NATO command for successfully executing its mission.

He said the force has made remarkable progress in meeting its military goals — ending the fighting, establishing zones of separation, transferring territory, demobilizing troops and putting heavy weapons in cantonment areas.

"They have done this in less than six months," Christopher said. "They have already achieved what the cynics thought was once impossible." While Bosnia is still a troubled country, the prospect force will be used to resolve difficulties is fading, he said.

"IFOR is now in a position to expand its presence throughout all of Bosnia to establish a safe and secure environment for civilian implementation," he said. "Our troops will conduct more visible and proactive patrols throughout the country."

Increased patrols will improve freedom of movement, help achieve the goal of holding elections by Sept. 14—the date set in the Dayton agreement—and put war criminals at greater risk of apprehension, Christopher said.

NATO forces began more patrols in May, according to Pentagon spokesman Navy Capt. Mike Doubleday. The increase should not be seen as a change of mission, he said. Under the Dayton agreement, the patrols are a continuation of the implementation force's mission. Having accomplished the initial military tasks, the force is now able to dedicate more personnel and resources to ensure freedom of movement in the country.

"IFOR is becoming a more visible presence throughout much of Bosnia," Doubleday said. "The result of that is that the war criminals, who have from time to time been very visible, will not be able to be as visible in the future." Increased patrols raise the potential for NATO forces to come into contact with indicted war criminals, Doubleday said.

The former warring parties are responsible for apprehending indicted war criminals, Doubleday said. NATO peace forces will detain war criminals if they're encountered and turn them over to the International War Crimes Tribunal, he said. (American Forces Press Service)



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Safety stressed during Fourth of July holiday

Try to be safe this Fourth of July holiday, advises the Missile Command's Safety Office.

"Increased safety awareness during this period is required to reduce the probability of severe injury or death on our highways, waterways and areas where we will be involved in other activities," the safety office said in a prepared message.

"All personnel should be reminded of the many hazards involved while driving, boating, swimming, or engaging in other recreational activities. Alabama boating laws now require that a wearable personal floatation device (PFD) be available for each person in a boat. Durable cushions are not acceptable as substitutes for wearable PFDs. Children under 8 years of age must wear a PFD at all times while in a boat. Boating laws will differ for other states, but wearing PFDs by all people in a boat is always recommended for personal safety. Many boating accidents involve alcohol. Not mixing alcohol with boating is probably one of the most important actions anyone can take to reduce boating accidents.

"Even though some may observe the long holiday weekend by spending a quiet day at home, many RSA employees will mark the occasion with increased activities including traveling to be with family or friends. Every year, large numbers of people are killed in traffic accidents. Statistics show that alcohol is involved in over 50 percent of these accidents. If alcohol is to be consumed, use a 'designated non-drinking driver' for travel to and from destinations. All occupants should use vehicular restraints (seatbelts). The driver of any vehicle should take measures to guard against fatigue.

"If you are staying close to home to work on household projects, do not overextend yourself. This Fourth of July promises high outdoor temperatures—predicted to be in the 90s. Guard against heat overexposure and know the necessary first aid measures just in case overexposure does occur.

"It should be pointed out that discharging any fireworks is prohibited on Redstone Arsenal or within the Huntsville city limits. If fireworks are used in an area where they are permitted, proper safety precau-

tions should be observed. Whatever your plans, please review ways to offset the risks for your planned activities. Make the most of the rest and recreation this holiday can provide—safely," the message concluded.



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Sports

Team of Redstone workers wins state tennis title

By Peggy Hays

State champions: How often do you get to say that? Not often enough, certainly.

But, for Mary Compton, captain of the 3.5 United States Tennis Association team playing in the Women's League at Brahan Springs, the title became a reality when the ladies achieved their preseason goal and swept through the competition at the June 13-16 state championships held in Mobile. Compton's team, winners of the local league title with a 14-0 record, completed an undefeated season with a 6-0 run in the four-day state tourney. Nineteen teams, representing champions from Huntsville, Birmingham, Decatur, Florence, Mobile, and Montgomery made up the field.

"It was very hot," said Compton, in describing the Mobile event. "We also had a few rain delays so that we sometimes started at 11:30 in the morning and didn't get through until 9:30 that night. Some teams were out there until 3 and 4 in the morning."

Although the weather was a factor for some entrants, Compton and her team were able to overcome its effects. "We drank lots of fluids before the matches," said Compton, a contracts and business management program analyst in the Integrated Materiel Management Center. "That's what they tell us to do. We played at 8 a.m. the first day and at 2 p.m., the hottest part of the day."

On Friday and Saturday, the team played at 11:30 while returning to the 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. format for the title play.

Playing both singles and doubles, the first day's schedule saw Compton's team

beat a Birmingham team in the morning and a Montgomery team in the afternoon by identical 4-1 scores. On Friday, they steam-rolled over a Mobile team 5-0. It was then on to Saturday where they defeated another of the Mobile teams by only 3-2 but the win propelled them into Sunday's semifinals.

A victory over yet another Birmingham team by a score of 3-2 advanced Compton and her team into the Sunday finals. Their 3-2 win over another Montgomery team earned each of the team members a glass plaque and a medal.

Fourteen players made up the Huntsville team which began its title chase with league play in March. Team members included Donna Sellers from NASA, Joan Bell from the CORPS SAM Project Office, Mary Achatz, Leslie Dick, Helen Housch, Melissa Jose, Mary Klym, Janice Leech, Sue Meyer, Pat Miller, Karen Mitchell, Andrea Secor, and Irene Wisner.

"Everyone played," Compton said. "I just did the schedule based on my team and what I knew we needed to do to win the title."

"We want to play everyone at least twice," she said. "I think that is one of my hardest jobs because we went down there with four matches on the schedule. If we hadn't gone to the semifinals and finals, that's all the matches we'd had."

As captain, Compton said her most difficult duty is assigning the players to the individual matches. Compton also accepted the captain's role last year but downplayed her contribution. "Nobody else wants the job," she said, smiling. "Nobody else vol-



STATE WINNERS— Holding their tennis medals won in local league play are, from left, seated: Miller, Compton and Klym; and standing Mitchell, Meyer, Bell, Secor, Wis-

ner, Sellers, Jose, Dick, Leech, Housch and Achatz. Compton, team captain, displays an individual glass plaque denoting their 3.5 women's state tennis title.

unteers."

She did admit, though, that it was a "time-consuming job. You have to set up the practices all season. We also set up

practices with 4.0's and that helped us prepare for the competition down there."

While Compton searches for ways to en-

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Sports

AUSA chapter sponsoring Redstone's 10-miler team

Redstone will again send a team to the annual Army Ten-Miler road race in October in Washington, D.C.

A team planning meeting was held Thursday with post CSM Ben Sundry. He announced that the Redstone/Huntsville AUSA (Association of the U.S. Army) Chapter will again sponsor the team by purchasing running uniforms.

"AUSA does a lot for the community," Sundry said. The local chapter sponsors the Soldier of the Month program and the biannual Soldiers Breakfast, among other activities.

The Redstone team is to consist of 10 members, selected through running trials. Plans are to possibly send five males and five females, and maybe compete in more than one category. "We're trying to see what the interest is," MSgt. Ruben Flores said, "if we can spark up interest to have a dedicated female team."

Last year the Redstone Rockets won the fourth place award in the all comers' category. Some 478 teams competed in 17 categories at the 11th annual Army Ten-Miler.

An initial organization meeting for this year's team will be held at 11:45 a.m. July 15 at Pagano Gym. All interested runners are invited: For more information call Flores or SFC Eduardo Colon, both members of Readiness Group, at 895-3540/3541.

TENNIS

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sure the team is match and tournament-tough, individual team members also take responsibility for improving their serves and ground-strokes. "A lot of us are members of the Huntsville Athletic Club," Compton said. "We take group lessons so that we have what we need to have to prepare for the tournament."

The next hurdle for their state champion team is the Sectional Championships on Aug. 17-20 in Mobile. League winners from the nine districts in the southern section will receive invitations, bringing together state winners from across the southeast. The women's 3.5 teams will be divided into two groups with Alabama's title winners matched with Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Georgia and Tennessee.

Compton's team enters the sectionals with no experience at that level but they do have one advantage. They've already played in Mobile. "We played in three different tennis facilities," Compton said. "So, we know about them and where they are."

Her expectations as to the level of competition is that the other teams "have to be as tough as us in order to get there."

What separates, she said, the 3.5 player from the 4.0 woman players they practiced against was "consistency. The women were more aggressive in their play. They had a harder serve."

"It taught us to go for more angles when we play," Compton added.

Compton herself is a strong advocate of a healthy lifestyle, following a prescribed running program

with the lifting of light weights, and of course, lots of tennis. "I don't have that big of a serve or hard ground strokes," she said, referring to her tennis strengths. "But, I'm also a runner and I have stamina and endurance. I think it's more my consistency."

Running 25-30 miles a week as well as several 5Ks and 10Ks and half

marathons a year, Compton plans to stay healthy and keep her stress level under control. "I started running about four years ago in order to help my tennis," she said. "Then I started lifting weights at HAC in December. I had a personal trainer start me on a program. I go to the gym after work to relieve the stress of the job."

Her greatest enjoyment with tennis comes from the "competition, getting to know other women, and in meeting new friends."

One thing that definitely made her captain's job easier was the team's common focus. "They were all positive," Compton said. "They were very supportive of each other. They all get along with each other. We

all practice together; we all work together."

That supportiveness, she said, was a definite factor at the state championship tournament. "We had to battle the rain, heat and humidity," she said. "They were the three worst things to battle down there. The team did well with it and played together with no conflicts."

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Sports

MICOM engineer races with country music stars

A MICOM engineer races in fast company outside the office.

Mark Little, of the Research Development and Engineering Center, has been involved in a relatively new auto racing series to the Tennessee Valley. He drives the Country 102 (WDRM)/KC's Honda car in the Legends Series.

"The Legends Series is designed to provide exciting and competitive racing at low cost. Legends cars are specially built racing cars that operate under strict rules to keep racing costs down. The series offers different classes to compete in based on the driver's experience level," Little said.

The car bodies are 5/8 scale fiberglass replicas of

late 1930s/early '40s Chevrolet and Ford sedans and coupes. All cars are built with identical tube frame racing chassis and suspension systems.

"The high performance of the car is provided by an 'off the shelf' 1200cc Yamaha motorcycle engine. This provides for low operating cost and true race car performance," Little said. "The 'off the shelf' engine is a four cylinder, 16 valve, DOHC Hemi that winds up to 10,500 rpm. This engine provides approximately 120 hp for a car that weighs about 1100 pounds. This is equivalent to 436 hp in a 4,000 pound car. Acceleration is quick and the top speed is approximately 130 mph. Races are held on oval tracks less



RACING FANS— Craig Morris, in foreground at left, and other members of the country music group Forerunner pose next to Little's race car in May at Nashville. At each of the Brooks and Dunn series races, country music celebrities compete in a special "celebrity race" as part of the night's activities.

than one-half mile and road courses. Winning is a function of car setup and driver skill, rather than the amount of money spent on the car."

Little is competing in the semipro division of the Brooks and Dunn/McDowell Enterprises Summer Legends Shootout Series held in Nashville. After three races he is fourth in the series points. This series is sponsored by the country music duo of Kix Brooks and Ronnie Dunn, along with McDowell Enterprises. Brooks and Dunn compete in the series along with other country music stars. Craig Morris, lead singer for the group Forerunner, drove Little's car in May in a special celebrity race at Nashville

LETTERS

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merges northward with Rideout, the number of lanes had been reduced from three to one. Traffic was backed up on both roads as employees were returning home. Yet there was no horn blowing, gestures, or drivers trying to cut ahead of others. Instead, drivers on both roads were using

alternate merge! There was courtesy, consideration and good humor all around. At the close of a tough day at Redstone, I appreciated my fellow employees showing such class and maturity. I'm sure everyone else benefited as well. Let's keep this attitude going!

Jim Steelman
Program Executive Office,
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Thank you to all the loving friends, co-workers and neighbors who have been there for me during the last several weeks. Your prayers, kind words, cards, phone calls, food and visits have sustained me during the recent loss of my husband, Kim Colvin. The memorial contributions to Amy's scholarship fund will help a part of Kim live through her. I thank God for your kindness.

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Sports

Marine Detachment lands preseason softball title

By Kathy Harkleroad

The Marine Corps Detachment won the Preseason Post Softball Championship by defeating MEDDAC 11-10 in the double elimination championship tournament June 21.

"It was a really good game and MEDDAC did their best," Gy. Sgt. Daniel Horton said.

The seven inning game kept the crowd on the edge of their seats. After five innings, MEDDAC led 7-5.

The Marines rallied in the top of the sixth, taking the lead 8-7. At the bottom of the sixth, MEDDAC recaptured the lead and entered the seventh inning 9-8.

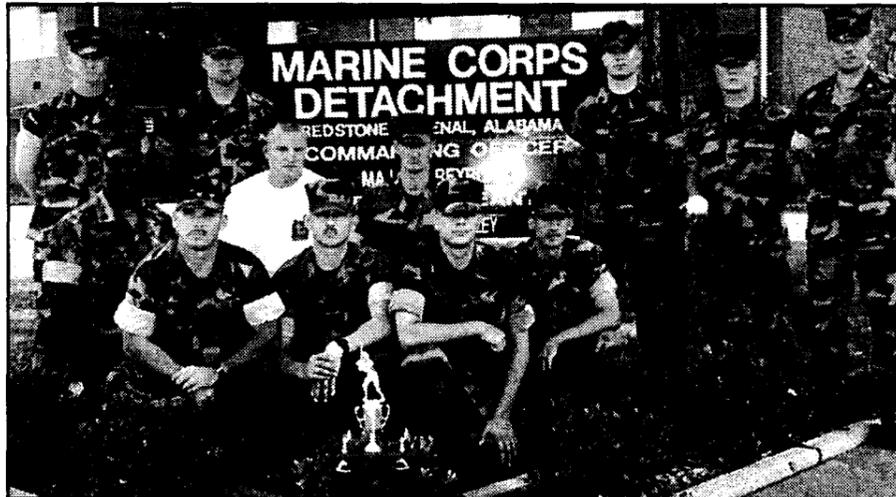
"At the top of the seventh we were down and really rallied," Horton said. "We scored three runs making the score 11-8." MEDDAC was not about to give up and in the bottom of the seventh scored two more runs.

With two outs and a man on third, the MEDDAC bat-

ter took to the plate and hit the ball back to the pitcher, making the third out. "It was a close game," Horton said, "and made us stand up and pay attention."

During the preseason the Marines went undefeated in four games. They beat D Company 6-3, Readiness Group 11-3, and MEDDAC 12-3 and 11-10.

Horton said the Marines still have two hearts and are willing to use both when it comes to winning. "The Marines have landed



PRESEASON CHAMPS—The Marine Corps Detachment took home the title of Preseason Post Softball Champions after defeating MEDDAC in the championship game June 21. From left, front row, are: Gy. Sgt. Lonnie Seaman, Sgt. Fred Garcia, PFC

Salim Nehmi, and Sgt. Charles Ornouski; second row: Gy. Sgt. Roland Rice, Sgt. Charles Buckley and Gy. Sgt. Daniel Horton; back row: CW0 2 John Anness, Cpl. Josh Paddoc, SSgt John Backous, L. Cpl. Thomas Nelson, and Maj. Bruce Rexroad.



Delta Company golfers...

D Company team-1 placed third during the Post Golf Championship held June 14 at the Redstone Golf Course. From left, front row, are team members Sgt. Jeff Quinn, Sgt. David Ramos, and SSgt. Miquel Amaro. Back row, Capt. Henry Booker, CWO 4 John Blackmon, SFC Robert Coulliette, SSgt.

Michael Sciallo, SSgt. Raymond Glace, SSgt. Terry Stines, and 1st Sgt. Carl Smith. Not pictured is SFC David Scott. Readiness Group won the scramble tournament with a 62. The 95th Maintenance Company and D Company were deadlocked at 66 so the scorecards broke the tie.

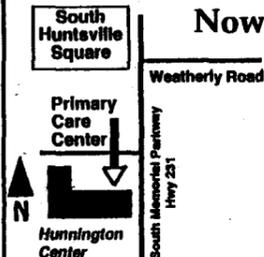
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Conventional ethics rules apply for electronic mail

Editor's note: The following article was published in The Ethics Counselor.

The questions in this area — use of government computers and gateways to access the Internet for "personal use" — are non-stop. We are constantly hearing from ethics counselors in the field for assistance in working through these issues. We receive inquiries from inspectors general. In addition, Headquarters Department of Army personnel are seeking our advice.

An ethics counselor in an overseas location wonders whether deployed personnel may stay in contact with their families via e-mail. A general officer ambushed one of us in the hallway the other day asking if he could communicate with his son who is a student at a university via e-mail. A commander wonders what he should do with an anonymous complaint that a non-federal entity is sending unsolicited e-mail to him and others in the command soliciting membership and announcing activities. An IG wonders what to do about a complaint against an employee who sends a group e-mail to everyone in the command asking if anyone found her guest's earring lost at the Command Dining-Out last weekend. Or, what about the command Sgt. Maj. who sends an e-mail to everyone in the command suggesting that a particular NFE is deserving of support and membership.

To analyze and work your way through these issues, we suggest that you avoid focusing on the use of the computer and focus

Sending or receiving e-mail is not much different from a telephone call, except that it is less intrusive and creates less interruption to the office routine.

more directly on the activity involved (e.g., reading, communication, mail, information gathering, research). The use of computers and computer time is no longer a major consumption of a very expensive resource that requires special accommodations for their operation and maintenance. Albeit improper, the mere personal use of the PC at our desk is not a major computer crime.

Today, computers are fairly ubiquitous. In addition to their communications through modems and telephone lines, we are finding more and more of them tied together in local area networks, wide area networks, and even wider WANs. As such, they are all part of this somewhat amorphous concept called the Internet (really, nothing more than a network of networks — which include organization, educational, commercial, and all levels of government networks).

In our view, sending or receiving e-mail is not much different from a telephone call, except that it is less intrusive and creates less interruption to the office routine. Similarly, ac-

cessing data on the internet web is not much different from referring to the magazine that the employee might carry in his or her briefcase or using the Pentagon library.

If someone makes a personal phone call from his or her desk while it could have/should have been made at another time and place; when someone takes a personal call at his desk; when someone reads an investment magazine at the desk; when someone goes to the library for an official purpose and, while there, checks her stock in the Wall Street Journal; depending on the situation, the employee may have violated the Standards of Ethical Conduct (misuse of government resources/time). But, even though such misuses might violate punitive ethical provisions, these are not

automatically court-martial offenses. Probably the most that is called for is counseling, restatement of office policy, and/or something similar.

It is the egregious cases where court-martial, firing, or other significant action might be in order. But, in such cases, we think that you will find that the use/misuse of the telephone, e-mail, library, etc. will usually be a minor aspect of the overall misconduct. The egregious cases will involve misuse of position, running a business from the government office, pornography, soliciting sex, and other use/misuse that so permeates the employee's time at work that it noticeably interferes with the employee's duty performance.

Another factor that should be considered when dealing with these issues is how the communication is sent. E-mail sent to an individual is much different from e-mail sent to a list address that includes 10, 100, or more addresses, which might be located within the Pentagon, the NCR, or around the world. What

might be appropriate for a one-on-one e-mail message could become wholly inappropriate if it is sent to hundreds around the world. What might be appropriate for a one-on-one deskside inquiry during the workday may become wholly inappropriate if the same individual belled the inquiry up and down the hallways outside the offices.

Change 2 to the JER makes it clear that "personal use" of government computers to send e-mail or to otherwise access the internet is ethically permissible if authorized by the "agency designee" within certain parameters. There must be no direct costs charged to the government. The great advantage of using the internet is that e-mail can be sent around the world, computers on different continents can be accessed, moving pictures can be shared, even "telephone" conversations can be made over the internet without any long-distance or other toll charges. Once the computers and gateways are already in place for mission needs, there is no additional cost

for this "personal" use.

There might be situations where no "personal use" will be authorized, such as when there are security concerns. We are aware that there are concerns about deployed soldiers having unfettered access to, and being able to communicate over, the internet because of security concerns. In addition, commanders and supervisors may not authorize "personal use" that will degrade communications systems. Finally, use may not reflect adversely on the Department of Defense.

What about the specific issues raised at the beginning of this article? As previously noted, the soldiers' access to the internet to stay in touch with their families has many other issues beyond the JER. Once those are resolved, we see no ethical issue. Indeed, with this type of "free" communication available we would be so bold as to suggest that such use of this resource is owed to the deployed soldier.

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We think it appropriate for the employee to use the e-mail to inquire about the loss of an earring at a quasi-official command function. Certainly, it relates to a "personal" issue or problem. But, like a lost wallet in the office lavatory, keys found in the building cafeteria, and similar matters, these are things that happen incident to one's employment, and using the employer's resource to help resolve the matter is permissible.

Then, what about the e-mail from a professional organization's private offices soliciting membership, or announcing meetings, symposia or other activities? The fact of the matter is that our LANs and WANs are connected by and to and through the internet. Accordingly, official users of Army LANs and WANs are subject to receiving mail from anyone who has access to the internet. Unless the mail is threatening, obscene, or otherwise illegal, it would seem that there is not much that we can do

about it. We receive unsolicited mail and telephone calls at the office; why is that any different than unsolicited e-mail? And, as perturbed as we might be when we receive an unsolicited call during the day from a broker, we cannot conclude that the broker is stealing government telecommunications assets, or improperly using the government telecommunications system.

The appropriate response is to delete the offending message or hang up on the caller. But, what if an employee welcomes the message from this non-federal entity and actually reads it; what if he or she responds to it? At the office, we might receive snail-mail from the Federal or American Bar Association; we might even respond to it to vote, renew our membership, pay a bill, or reserve a

seat at the monthly luncheon. Have we done anything wrong? We don't think so; and we do not think that e-mail should be treated any differently.

The complainant was also concerned about how the sender obtained the e-mail addresses and group addresses; someone must have improperly released them. However, we discussed this matter with a Freedom of Information Act

attorney and it is not likely that we can refuse to release e-mail addresses... perhaps under certain circumstances, but not generally.

Finally, what about the sergeant major (everyone seems to have a sergeant major experience along these lines). Carefully crafted, he may have been able to send out a neutral message informing employees of an NFE event, even of an NFE membership campaign. However, in this

case, he was clearly soliciting and endorsing membership on behalf of the NFE. What if he had done this solicitation from the NFE's offices and sent it to the members of his command, and did not use his position (only used his rank and component designation)? This still would be improper because any such mass solicitation would necessarily involve the solicitation of subordinates.

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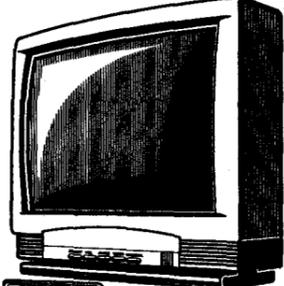
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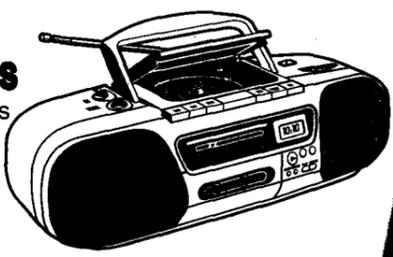
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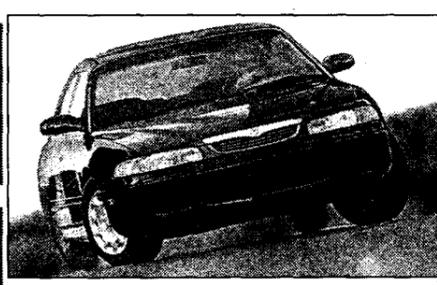


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East meets West training in Ukraine

By Linda D. Kozaryn

WASHINGTON—U.S. and Eastern European defense officials assembled in Western Ukraine recently for opening ceremonies of Peace Shield 1996, the first multinational peacekeeping exercise held in the former Soviet republic.

U.S. Defense Secretary William J. Perry called inspiring the sight of more than 1,300 soldiers from 12 nations lined up together June 3 at a Ukrainian army training site near L'viv.

"Five years ago, we could hardly have imagined this joint exercise by former adversaries," Perry told the assembled ministers and troops. "By our actions on these grounds today, we will write a new history for a new generation. On these grounds where forces once trained for war, we now train our forces for missions

of peace."

About 115 U.S. soldiers, primarily Company C, 2nd Battalion 2nd Infantry, 1st Infantry Division, based in Vilseck, Germany, participated in the exercise. They trained with troops from Bulgaria, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Poland, Russia, Romania, Czech Republic and Hungary during the exercise May 31 to June 10.

Ukraine's Pre-Carpathian Military District and the 1st Infantry Division cosponsored the exercise. Ukrainian army Gen. Lt. Volodimir Kodratenko directed the exercise with U.S. Army Maj. Gen. Montgomery Meigs as his deputy.

Ukraine's Defense Minister Valeriy Shmarov said the exercise demonstrates his nation's desire to become an active participant in the world community.

"Ukraine's aspirations

are not only to become integrated into the world's economic community, but also to establish interaction in the military sphere," Shmarov said.

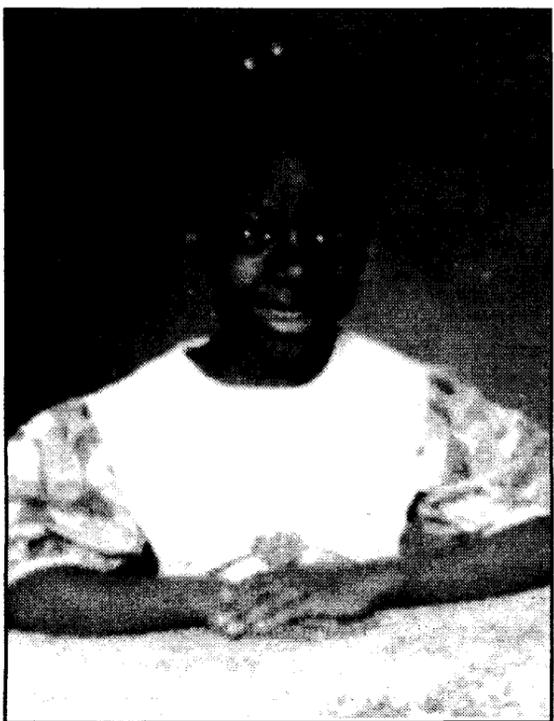
Ukraine participates in U.N. peacekeeping operations and currently has troops in NATO's peace implementation force in Bosnia, Shmarov said. Peace Shield 1996 demonstrates the aspirations of both the active NATO members and the Partnership for Peace countries participating in the exercise, "who do all in their power to support peace all over the world," he said.

Nearly four days of situational training in peacekeeping operations were followed by a two-day field training exercise. U.S. Army, Europe, officials said the exercise helped develop common tactics, techniques and procedures for

future peacekeeping exercises and potential operations involving U.S. and East European soldiers.

Shmarov said the training will enrich Ukraine's military personnel in technical skills and theoretical knowledge in handling armaments and equipment, and promote the extension of cultural and military exchanges.

"Our military people get a chance to exchange their professional experience and knowledge and get to know each other as human beings," he said. "The fact that we here have made 1,300 new friends is a guarantee that the cause of stabilization and peace on our continent will be assured." (American Forces Press Service)



State finalist...

Ericha Turner, 5, daughter of SFC and Mrs. Marlon Turner, is a state finalist in the Miss Alabama American Coed Pageant slated for Aug. 30-Sept. 1 in Mobile. She will enter kindergarten this fall at Heritage Christian School in Huntsville.

Air Force clarifies status of Dhahran attack victims

WASHINGTON—The Department of the Air Force has announced the identity of the last unidentified airman killed in the Dhahran terrorist attack and updated the status of the last airman whose duty status was previously listed as unknown.

The deceased is Airman 1st Class Christopher B.

Lester, hometown Pineville, W.Va. He was assigned to the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

The status of Senior Airman Paul A. Blais, assigned to Patrick Air Force Base, Fla, has been updated from unknown to very seriously injured. Blais is currently hospitalized in King Faisal University Hospital in

Dhahran, Saudi Arabia.

The Air Force confirmed the identity of Lester at approximately 8 p.m. (EDT) Friday. Originally, Lester was believed to be hospitalized in very serious condition. At the time of Blais' admittance to the hospital he was listed as John Doe.

Members of Lester's unit later incorrectly identified Blais as Lester and based on this, that identity was used. Lester's next-of-kin was notified he was alive and listed as very seriously injured.

At the same time, through a process where

unit commanders account for their people, a list of eight names was compiled of people unaccounted for. They were officially listed as "duty status unknown." Blais was listed as one of these eight airman and his

next-of-kin was notified of his status.

The Air Force sincerely regrets all hardship and pain caused to both families. (Defense Department release)

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Vehicle preparation important step to summer vacations

By Stephen Barrett

WASHINGTON—For many Americans, summer means vacation. It's the time to pack the family cars, travel to recreation areas and forget work.

Yet thousands of vacationers do not take maintenance precautions on their cars, vans, motorcycles and campers. As a result, they may spend more money on expensive repair bills than on their vacations.

Auto service representatives with the American Automobile Association said routine car maintenance is the key to avoiding mechanical problems during the spring and summer.

Officials with AAA-Potomac in Fairfax, Va., offer an inspection checklist that can help motorists prepare for vacations. They also advise drivers to check their owner's manuals for specific maintenance schedules and requirements.

▷ Radiator and coolant recovery tank.

To protect car engines from searing summer heat, regularly check both the coolant

level and the antifreeze mixture in the radiator. Drivers should visually check coolant levels when engines are cold. Follow the manufacturer's fluid-and-flush guidelines. Flush the system if the coolant is rust-colored.

▷ Tires.

Improper tire pressure causes premature tire wear and difficult handling. Underinflated tires may lead to blowouts and reduce gas mileage by as much as 10 percent. He advised drivers to refer to the owner's manual for recommended tire pressures and to keep a tire gauge handy.

Officials also advise drivers to check tire pressure in the morning when tires are cold and to periodically check the spare tire.

▷ Coolant hoses.

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▷ Oil.

Change the oil every three months or 3,000 miles—whichever comes first. City driving, especially in congested areas,

stresses car engines and makes on-time oil changes more important. He advised changing to a summergrade oil recommended in some owner's manuals and ensuring oil levels are always in "safe" zones on dipsticks to prevent added engine wear.

▷ Belts.

Check the belts driving the alternator, air conditioner, water pump, air pump and power steering. Loose belts reduce efficiency. Worn belts can fail unexpectedly and leave drivers stranded.

▷ Battery.

Check the battery to ensure it is securely in place and clean, and replace corroded connections. If the battery is not maintenance-free, check the water level.

▷ Alignment and suspension.

Have the car's alignment and suspension

system checked if there is noticeable, uneven tire wear. This is especially important after driving on bumpy, pothole-marred roads.

▷ Chassis.

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How long is the Yukon River?
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Information technology— The Corporate Information Center, MICOM, is among the sponsors of the "Information Currents '96" conference scheduled July 15-17 at the Von Braun Civic Center. This event will look at "the currents of change making Information Technology a strategic resource for organizations of all types to operate competitively in today's world... Today's realities of Information Technology can be better understood and utilized by learning from others' successes and failures, and exploring the opportunities available to you and your organization through new IT applications and advancements." To register for the conference, call the University of Alabama-Huntsville business office 895-6010.

Aug. 10 at the Huntsville International Airport. The TAC-certified race will actually be held on the west runway at dusk with the runway lights blazing. Entry fees are \$8 before July 29. Late entry and race day fees are \$12. For more information, call the Airport Authority Marketing Department 772-9395, ext. 270.

PX holiday hours— The Post Exchange will operate with the following holiday hours on Independence Day, July 4: Main Store, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Barber Shop at building 3220, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; all other concessions, closed; Food court/Anthony's, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Furniture store, closed; One Stop/Goss Road, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Service Station, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Burger King, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; MCSS, closed; and Barber Shop at building 3479, closed.

Quarterly post run— The CG's Quarterly Post Run will be held at 5:30 a.m. July 12 at the post parade field. In support of this event, the Child Development Center will open at 4:15 that morning. For information call SFC Walter Jones 842-2500.

MICOM hail/farewell— The second quarter MICOM Hail and Farewell will be held July 23 from 4-6 p.m. at the Officers Club. The theme is "Summer Splash" and will be complete with good food, spirits (at the cash bar), door prizes (must be present to win) and networking. All Team Redstone civilian and mili-

tary personnel, regardless of grade or rank, are invited to attend. The honorees will include all military officers and civilian employees, GS-11 and above, who have joined Team Redstone within the preceding three months (i.e. April, May, June) and those scheduled to depart prior to Oct. 30. Those wishing to attend may do so by remitting \$4 by July 19 to the MICOM Protocol Office, AMSMI-PR, Attn.: Sarah Baker, room 5590, building 5300, fax 876-4864 or by e-mail to jldurbin at cmdgp. Payment may be made by cash, check, or charge to your Mastercard, VISA, American Express or RSA Officers Club Account. To submit honorees from your organization, call Kim Jean 876-8013.

Thrift shop— Applications are being taken for the position of custodian at the Thrift Shop until Aug. 9. For more information, call 881-6992 or stop by the Thrift Shop to pick up an application.... The Thrift Shop will be open July 13 instead of the first Saturday, July 6 which is a holiday weekend. The monthly bag

sale will be held during operating hours 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.... July 31 is the deadline for welfare requests which must be submitted to the welfare chairman, Gisela Mullek, c/o The Thrift Shop, building 3657, Redstone Arsenal 35898.

Union meeting— AFGE Local 1858 will hold its monthly membership meeting at 5:30 p.m. July 8 at the Union Office, building 3202. All members and non-members of Local 1858's bargaining units are invited.

Military personnel office— The Military Personnel Office will hold a Farewell Luncheon for Maj. Shirley Givens at 11 a.m. July 11 at the Fogcutter Restaurant. "All are invited to join us."

Dinner theater— Theatre 'Round the Corner, 214 Holmes Ave., will celebrate its current production of "The Nerd" with an Italian buffet catered by Cesar's Italian Cafe of Madison. "On Saturday night July 20 and brunch on Sunday July 21, the lobby will be transformed into an Italian cafe



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Performance managers— The Performance Management Association will meet at noon July 18 at the Holiday Inn Space Center (corner of University Drive and Jordan Lane). A buffet will be provided, or lunch may be ordered from the menu. Scheduled speaker is Lt. Col. O'Reilly, program manager for PAC-3.

Housing office— In accordance with the liberal leave policy and military training day July 5 the Housing Office, building 111, will be closed. The Billing Office, building 244, will remain operational with minimal staff.

Paralympic games— The 1996 Paralympic Games will be held Aug. 15-25 in Atlanta. This competition for elite athletes with physical disabilities will feature 127 nations, 17 sports (14 of which are

Olympic sports) and two demonstration sports. The first Paralympic Games were held in Rome in 1960 and have been held every Olympic year since, usually in the city or country hosting the Olympic Games. For ticket information, including military discounts available, call the Atlanta Paralympic Organizing Committee (404) 588-1996.

Learning centers— The three Army Learning Centers will be closed July 5 and 6. These include the ALC in the Sparkman Center in building 5304; the ALC at building 3222; and the ALC at the Space and Strategic Defense Command. The learning centers will resume normal operation July 8.

Civilian softball— The Civilian Welfare Co-ed Softball League invites interested teams to sign up by calling Darren Sales 842-7300. There will be a coaches' meeting July 11 at 1:30 p.m. at the Recreation Center, building 3711.

Master's degree— The Master of Business Administration degree is being offered by the Florida Institute of Technology located in the Sparkman Center. Applications are being accepted for the fall semester. For information call

881-7878 or 876-1581.

Post Theater movies— Friday, "The Craft," R, 100 minutes. Saturday, "Spy Hard," PG-13, 83 minutes. Sunday, "Spy Hard." July 12, "Flipper," PG, 96 minutes. All shows start at 7 p.m. Admission is \$2.50 for adults and \$1.25 for children.

ALC videos— Videos on relevant topics are shown each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Army Learning Centers. Here is the schedule for July 9-11: Sparkman Center, building 5304, room 4319, "Overcoming Procrastination." North ALC, building 3222, "Quality or Else, How to Hit the Moving Target."

Best yards— Yard of the Month winners for June include Maj. and Mrs. Mark Unger, 29 Ripley Drive, officer; SFC and Mrs. Lee Morganroth, 302 Hughes Drive, senior NCO; Spec. and Mrs. Benjamin Hreha, 1383-A Lance Drive, junior enlisted single/duplex; and Sgt. and Mrs. James Rucker, 1366-A LaCrosse Drive, junior enlisted multiplex. Unit winner was NCO Academy, building 3480. The next judging will be July 22.

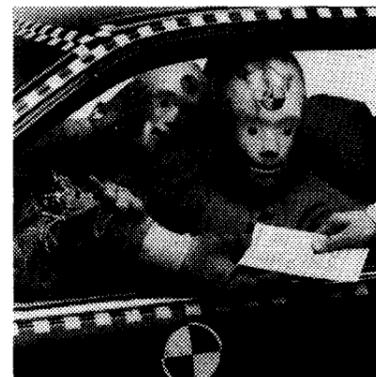
Investment/retirement

seminar— An Investment and Retirement Planning Seminar will be held 4:30-6 p.m. July 16 at the Redstone Federal Credit Union, Wynn Drive branch, board room. The presenter is Shari Lovell, certified financial planner for Financial Network Investment Corp. located at RFCU. To reserve a seat, call 772-0709.

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

AFGE office— In order to give the AFGE staff employees an extended holiday, the union office will be closed July 4-5. The office will reopen for normal business July 8.

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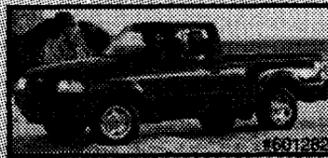


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