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Foreign disclosure rules are everybody's business

TACOM case shows pitfalls of not knowing what can be released to foreign reps

By Skip Vaughn

The recent investigation of a TACOM engineer for giving information about Patriot missiles and combat vehicles to Israeli officers over 10 years hit too close to home for intelligence and security officials here.

David Tenenbaum, 39, said he inadvertently shared documents with Israeli liaison officers assigned to the U.S. Army Tank Automotive and Armaments Command in Warren, Mich., where he is a mechanical engineer, according to an FBI affidavit quoted in published reports.

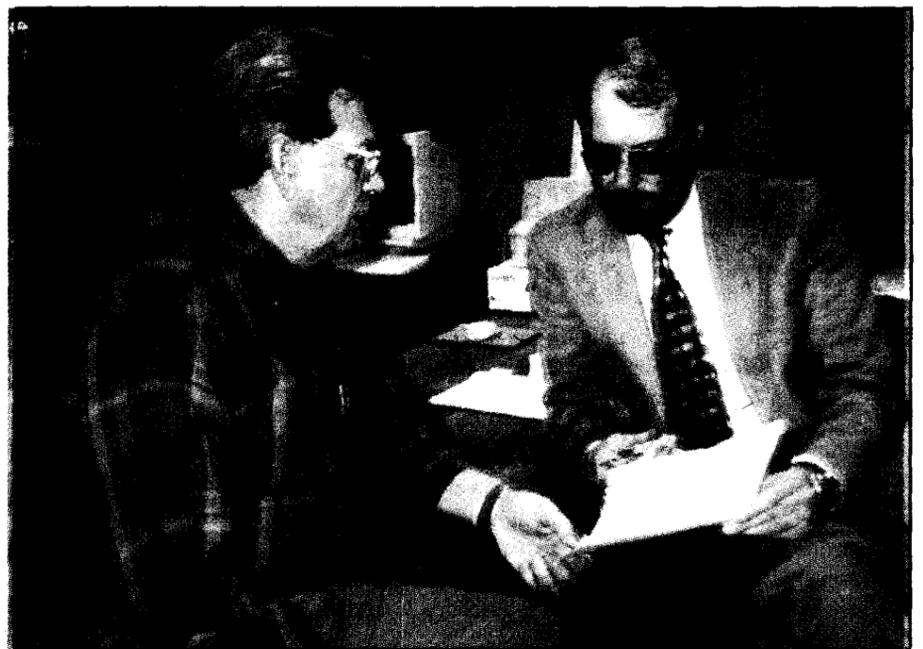
Foreign disclosure officials of the Intelligence and Security Directorate here want people to know that unauthorized release of information to foreign representatives can happen at Redstone, too. And they want folks to know how to avoid falling into this trap.

"We want to cut down on the possibility of it happening through education," U.C. Jones, chief of the foreign disclosure team at I&S Directorate, said. "We've got 35-plus liaison officers stationed at Redstone Arsenal, and that includes administrative personnel and personnel in the Scientist and Engineer Exchange Program."

Several more liaison officers will arrive with the upcoming merger between the Missile Command and the Aviation and Troop Command from St. Louis. In addition to the liaison officers, thousands of foreign visitors—including government officials and contractors—come to Redstone.

These liaison officers and visitors have an opportunity to obtain information they might not be authorized to get. No foreign representative is eligible to receive any and

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CERTIFICATION BRIEFING— Jones, left, meets with Elmar Wassenberg, the German liaison officer to MLRS project, over the terms of his certification.

Personnel security clearance program revised again throughout Army

By Mike Hooley

On Feb. 11 the Department of Army again revised its periodic reinvestigation requirements for individuals holding security clearances. This change was necessary to prevent a degradation in the Army's personnel security program.

The periodic reinvestigation (PR) program is a part of the Army's effort to evaluate on a continuing basis the status of personnel with respect to security eligibility.

Under the current revision, Army personnel with a TOP SECRET clearance, access to sensitive compartmented information or involvement in special access programs must be reinvestigated every five years. The investigation is referred to as a Single Scope Background Investigation Periodic Reinvestigation (SSBI-PR). An individual with a

SECRET or CONFIDENTIAL clearance must be reinvestigated every 15 years. This investigation is referred to as a National Agency Check Periodic Reinvestigation (NAC-PR). The scope of a SSBI-PR includes a personal interview, a National Agency Check (NAC), law enforcement agency checks (LACs), credit bureau checks, local records checks, review of employment records, and interviews of employment references and developed character references. The NAC-PR consists of local records checks, the NAC, LACs, and credit bureau checks; the personal interview, reviews of employment records, and interviews of employment references and developed character references occur only if derogatory issues surface during the NAC, LACs, or credit bureau checks. Based on past ex-

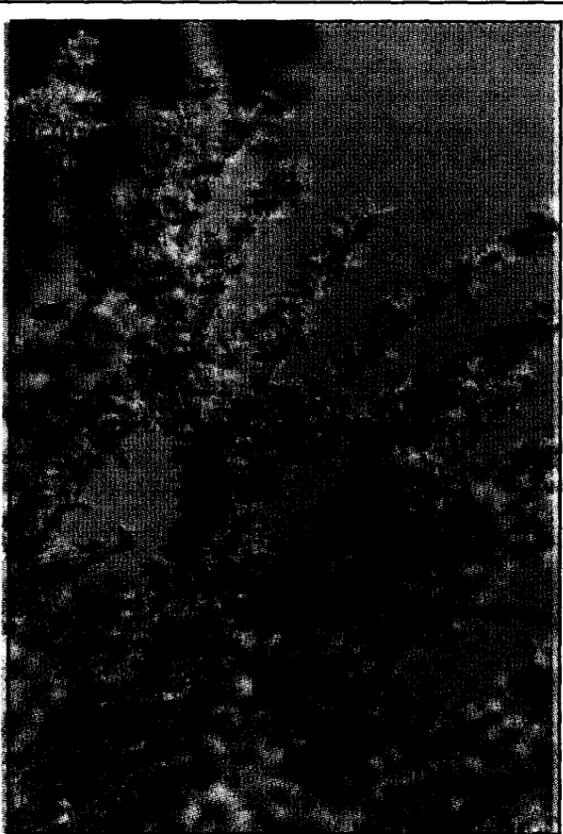
perience, periodic reinvestigations develop derogatory issues in 10 to 15 percent of all cases, usually relating to credit problems, drug or alcohol abuse, or criminal activity.

Under the previous version of the PR program, the Personnel Security (PERSEC) Team of the Security Support Division, Intelligence and Security Directorate, had initiated 166 PRs for individuals whose previous background investigation was completed between Oct. 1, 1989 and Nov. 30, 1990 with a TOP SECRET clearance, and Oct. 1, 1979 and Nov. 30, 1980 for SECRET or CONFIDENTIAL clearances. The revision in the program will require the PERSEC Team to submit PRs for an additional 901 personnel by May just to come up to compliance with the 5 and 15 year PR requirement.

The PERSEC Team will then continue to submit PRs for all personnel with clearances or sensitive duties 90 days prior to the 5 and 15 year anniversaries.

Beginning May 1, the U.S. Army Central Personnel Security Clearance Facility (CCF) will start downgrading or withdrawing TOP SECRET clearances of personnel whose SSBI-PRs are older than Nov. 30, 1990, and SECRET clearances of personnel whose investigations are older than Nov. 30, 1980, unless the Defense Investigative Service (DIS) shows an open investigation. This creates a key priority for the PERSEC Team to get all PR packets submitted by May 1. This has required the temporary assignment of two additional personnel security specialists to the PERSEC Team

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Blooming season...

The arrival of warm weather means blooming trees and flowers all over the sunny South. Dr. Sunita Puri, an emergency medicine physician at Fox Army Community Hospital, captured this scene of forsythia in her backyard in Decatur.

Volunteer effort eyed for constructing playground here

By Kathy Harkleroad

The first town hall meeting of the year was held March 4 at the Bicentennial Chapel; and thanks to the suggestion of one parent, children on the Arsenal may soon have a new playground.

Maj. Gen. James Link, post commander, liked the suggestion of one mother to update the playgrounds, and offered to look into building a playground similar to Kid's Space in Huntsville and Madison County.

"I don't see why we wouldn't be able to build a playground similar to those built with volunteer labor and donated materials," Link told the audience. "And I will look into the possibility of doing just that. I am going to

challenge the community to see what kind of interest we can find to build it."

Interested persons who would like to donate their time or would like more information can call the office of Col. Duane Brandt, deputy post commander, at 876-8861.

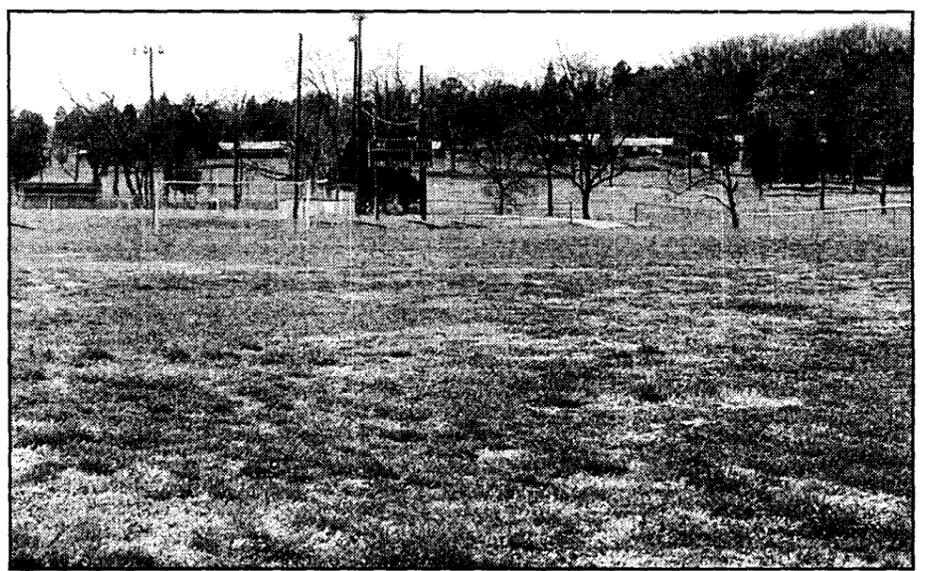
Also during the town hall meeting Georgina Melon, Housing manager, discussed upcoming events concerning residents. "We are starting the Yard of the Month program up again in May and Spring Cleanup will be held April 3 and 4," she said. "We will also have spring plants available at the Self-Help Center for residents beginning April 22." Melon also told the audience the Spring Carport/Yard Sale will be

held May 3-4 from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. both days.

Approximately 15 youngsters showed up for the town hall meeting and asked questions about the proposed roller hockey rink. Missy Richards, Youth Services representative, told the group the command was proposing turning the basketball courts at the Youth Center into a hockey rink, complete with goals and fencing. "Our short-term plans are to purchase portable hockey goals, and remove the basketball goals and backboards that are currently in place," Richards said.

"The long-term goals are to install a fence or wall around the cement court, and to install a protective fence guard on top of the fence or wall to lessen the risk of injury," she added.

Shaun Sunde, son of post CSM Ben Sunde, spoke as the representative for the youngsters and proposed another location for the roller hockey rink. Sunde asked for the conversion of the basketball courts on Skinner Road to a hockey rink, and Brandt promised to look into the possibility. He also told Sunde he would personally get back with him; and Sunde would be responsible for letting the other children know of the outcome.



NEW FIELD— The soccer fields off Goss Road have been completely redone and are being readied for the upcoming season. Local children are also preparing for the season and will soon be on the field practicing and playing.

Kris Weissner from Child Development Services discussed the upcoming Month of the Military Child and invited the community to events that will be sponsored by CDS. "The kickoff for the month will be held April 1 at 10 a.m. at the Child Development Center and the annual block party will be held April 12 from 1-4 p.m. at Youth Services," Weissner said.

Other events will also be held during the month and will be publicized.

Virginia Dempsey from Army Community Service recapped the Space Camp

scholarship program that will get under way later this month for local children. Applications for the scholarship to the week-long camp will be available at ACS on Honest John Road, as well as at the commissary and PX.

During the question and answer period after the presentations, Brandt told the attendees why the cedar trees were being cut down along Goss Road. "We had some wires that were arching into the trees and were causing the transformer to malfunction," he said. "This was not only an inconvenience, but a definite

safety hazard so we had to cut the trees. Dogwood trees will be planted in their place though, and will not grow as high as the cedar trees."

Brandt told the audience that the next town hall meeting is not scheduled until October. "I think the lines of communication are opened wide in the community, and I have enough confidence in the community that I will hear about anything that is wrong," he said. "I will keep an ear to the post and if needed will schedule a special town hall meeting."

Letters to the editor

Recycling cans

Why was the aluminum can recycling program eliminated at the Arsenal? The government has always been the leader in recycling resources. It would also seem that if the job is to be contracted out that the program would have continued until a transition plan was established. There should be economic benefit from the sale of aluminum and a cost reduction in the volume of garbage that must be hauled away to the steam plant for burning. An abundance of cans are now being thrown into the garbage. Is a sensible alternative being considered?

Alan Miller

Command Analysis Directorate

(Editor's note: J.P. Mullen, director of the Directorate of Community and Family Activities, provided the following response. "Thank you for providing me an opportunity to reply to your comment. The decrease in market prices of aluminum cans, and the insufficient amount of cans being recycled, was financially inadequate to support the program.")

Youthful insight

I read Julie Vaughn's commentary on youthful insight in the Rocket, Feb. 26 and would like to know how "Civil War mentality" is defined. Furthermore, I'd like to know what the purpose of Ms. Vaughn's reference to the Civil War was. I'm just curious.

Milton E. "Gene" Henderson Jr.
Structures Directorate,
RD&E Center

(Editor's note: Staff writer Julie Vaughn provided the following response. "My reference to the Civil War in my commentary was used merely as the closest comparison I knew to the way I saw blacks treated as a child. It was as though time had stood still in rural Mississippi, despite the ongoing strides in the last century to end discrimination. A commentary is simply one person's opinion, one person's perceptions. And those were mine.")

THAAD missile misses intercept in test flight

A Theater High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) missile attempted to hit a target ballistic missile Thursday in a test at White Sands Missile Range, N.M. Although an intercept was not achieved, the test did yield valuable information that the THAAD segments can operate as a system, according to the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization and the Army.

Preliminary investigations indicate that the ground elements of the THAAD system performed nominally. The

radar tracked the theater ballistic target and the interceptor. The BMC4I developed a launch solution and commanded the interceptor launch. Early in the interceptor flight it became apparent that the missile was not operating properly. Although the THAAD Radar and BMC4I continued to send course correction information to the interceptor, it did not make the minor corrections necessary for intercept. Analysis of flight data is continuing to determine the cause of the malfunction.

This was the first mission that the entire THAAD system was integrated and tested. The THAAD Radar, BMC4I and launcher appeared to perform as expected. This test, the seventh THAAD missile flight, was another in a continuing series to verify the THAAD design and performance of the prototype system components.

THAAD uses technologies developed in earlier BMDO programs. It is the first weapon system developed specifically to defend

against theater ballistic missiles. The program is managed by BMDO and executed by the program executive officer for air and missile defense and the THAAD project manager. Lockheed/Martin is the prime contractor. The THAAD radar is built by Raytheon. Coleman Research Corporation and Aerotherm Corporation are the HERA target contractors. The HERA target is managed by the Space and Strategic Defense Command.

Correction: Pagano Gym aerobics hours

An article last week about an aerobics event held at Pagano Gym listed incorrect hours for the gym's aerobics instructors. The schedule is as

follows: Michelle Hankins, 4:30-5:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; Sharon Richmond, 5:35-6:40 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; Marcia Harris, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday, and beginning March 17 classes will be from 8-9 p.m.; and Yvette Smalls, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Classes are also held every Sat-

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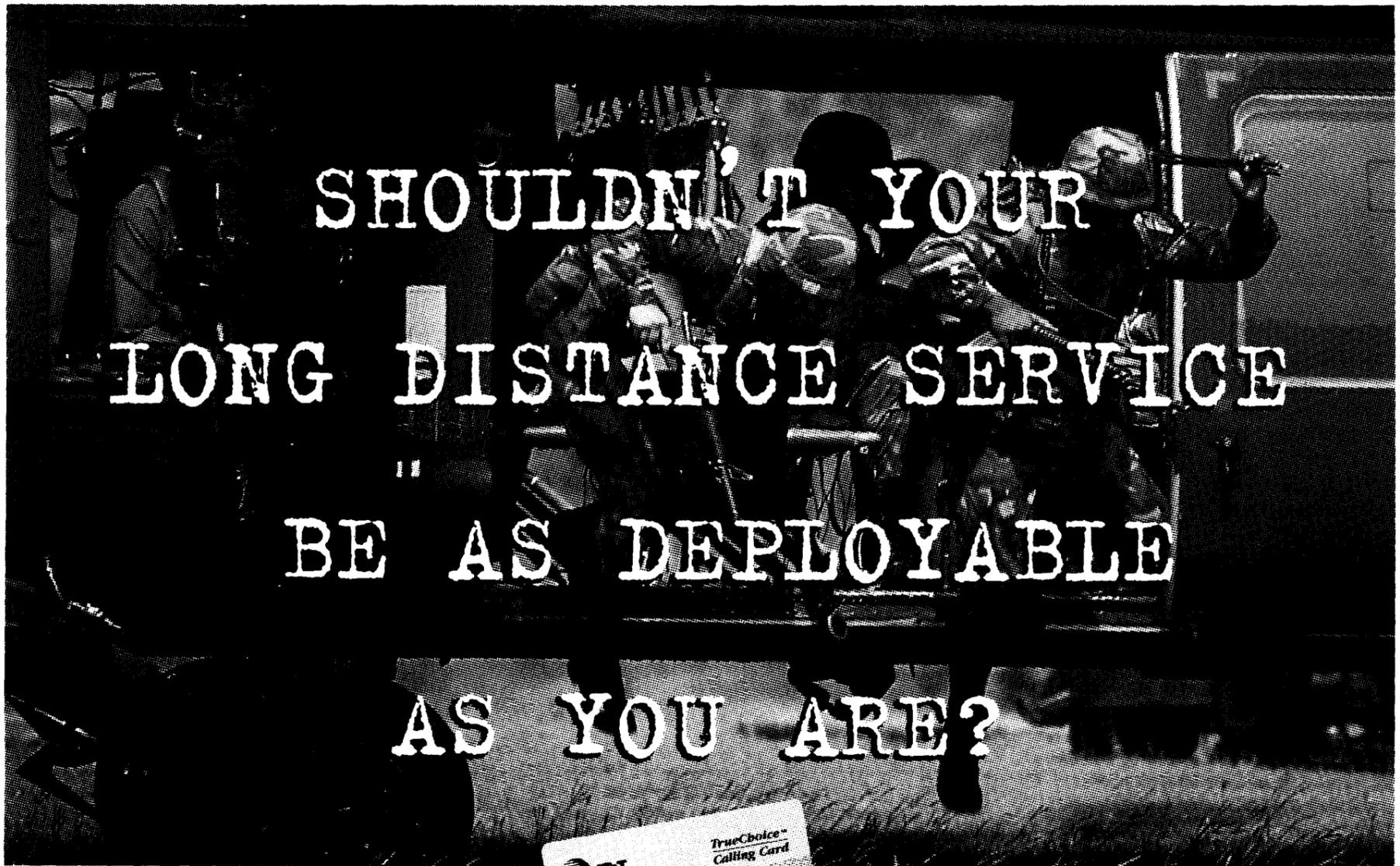
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Post Soldier of the Month for February benefits from his studying habits

By Kathy Harkleroad

Spec. J. Marcus Adams may only be 19 years old, and he may have been in the Army for only 20 months, but he has what it takes. Adams walked away with the Soldier of the Month title for February after competing with his peers.

Adams' specialty is in the Avenger System Repair field, but he has also proven his forte is studying hard and remembering what he read. Adams said he feels lately his whole life revolves around studying. "I go to school full time at Columbia University, study my Bible every night and when I was studying for the board, all I did was study,"

he said. "The hardest part was really learning what I had for the board and not just memorizing it."

While Adams has been in the Army a short time, he is very dedicated to his chosen career and is already looking to the future. "I volunteered to appear before the board and did so for several reasons," he said. "I look at the board as a stepping stone in my career. I not only wanted to learn the things I needed to prepare for the NCO promotion board as well. I couldn't think of a better way to do it."

When it came to actually appearing before the board,

Adams said the most difficult part was understanding what appearing before the board really meant. "Some soldiers just memorize what they need to in order to go," he said. "I wanted to not only memorize it, but I wanted to learn it and use that knowledge in my military career. That was the hardest thing for me, keeping that focus and mission."

Adams not only had to answer questions on military related topics, but also had to demonstrate techniques used on a M16A2 assault rifle. "The questions weren't really that difficult, it just took concentrating," he said.

Winning the competition

was not a lone effort, according to the young soldier. "I had the support of my whole brigade, and Sgt. Towanda Cordon really helped a lot. I also have to thank God for his help," he said. "I prayed on this and knew it was something I could do. He helped me find out I could do it, and could do the right thing."

Adams has been stationed at Redstone his entire career, except for boot camp. He attended his AIT classes here and was assigned to the 59th Ordnance Brigade upon graduation. He is currently assigned to the brigade and is the driver for the OMMCS commandant, Col.



ADAMS

Gerald Luttrell.

When the Houston, Texas native is not studying his college courses or per-

forming his duties as a soldier, Adams can be found working on his computer or lifting weights.

AMC logistics 'Roadshow' at Redstone deemed a success

The Army Materiel Command "Roadshow VI" was held Feb. 25-27 at Redstone Arsenal. The theme of AMC Roadshow VI was to explain the logistics challenge and strategic environment impacting secondary item inventory management and to streamline secondary item inventory management to reduce the cost of peacetime logistics without reducing readiness. All this is in keeping with the Army and AMC's efforts to find smarter ways to do business, streamline processes, and use what is already available in an efficient manner.

The Integrated Materiel Management Center, Integrated Logistics Support (ILS)/Manpower and Personnel Integration (MANPRINT) Management Office hosted this event in

the Sparkman Auditorium.

Maj. Gen. James Link, commander of the Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal, delivered the opening remarks. Highlights of the morning session included a video from Gen. Johnnie Wilson, AMC commander. The emcee for this event was Craig Hunter, AMC deputy chief of staff for logistics.

Key speakers for the AMC Roadshow VI general session included Gilbert Decker, Army acquisition executive; David Mills, AMC principal deputy for logistics; and Dale Adams, AMC principal deputy for acquisition. George Williams, of COLSA Corporation, provided the industry perspective for Roadshow VI.

A question and answer panel of all the key speakers followed. The remainder of

the session included several core briefings and a core workshop on integrated product teams. Six different elective workshops were offered and all attendees were able to participate in two different elective workshops and the core workshop. The six electives offered included Streamlining Logistics Requirements, Lead Time Reduction, Performance Based Spares Contracting, Reducing Life Cycle Costs (Cost as an Independent Variable), Operating and Support Cost

Reduction (OSCR), and Requirements Determination Computation.

There were about 650 attendees at the general session on the morning of Feb. 25. Some 252 people participated in the workshops. Fifty-two employees from the Aviation and Troop Command participated in this year's Roadshow. The general session was broadcast to the Simulation, Training and Instrumentation Command, the Soldier Support Command, and the Armament Research Devel-

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MICOM extends support to international missile system

The Missile Command has agreed to provide facilities support to the Medium Extended Air Defense System program.

An agreement was signed March 3 by Maj. Gen. James Link, commander of the Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal, and German Brig. Gen. Hunrich Meunier, general manager of the NATO MEADS Management Agency (NAMEADSMA).

"All our folks here stand ready as part of Team Redstone to continue to work towards your success," Link told Meunier during an afternoon ceremony at MICOM headquarters.

Meunier pointed out that his organization has been

receiving support from MICOM for the past eight months in the absence of an agreement. "I think our experience is great from the beginning to be here," he said.

MEADS is envisioned to be a tactically mobile and transportable missile and air defense system capable of providing protection of critical assets against a wide variety of air and missile threats to include ballistic missiles, cruise missiles and other air-breathing threats.

In May 1996 the governments of Germany, Italy and the United States signed a memorandum of understanding to cooperate on the project definition and validation phase of the pro-

gram. This phase is intended to mitigate technical issues and validate critical functions associated with system development and to define the technical baseline of the system prior to initiation of the next phase of the program, design and development (D&D). It is expected to be complete by the end of 1998.

Meunier was formerly the deputy chief of staff plans and policy for the German Air Force. The deputy general manager, Chester Domaracki, formerly served as deputy project manager for the Corps Surface-to-Air Missile Project Office.



IN AGREEMENT— Link, left, joins and NATO MEADS Management Agency. Meunier in signing an agreement between the Missile Command

Training center can help environmental awareness efforts

By James Mitchell

The Army Environmental Training Support Center (ETSC) in Huntsville stands to help installations environmental and operations personnel with their Integrated Training Area Management (ITAM) environmental awareness programs.

The ETSC supports the ITAM program by designing and producing environmental awareness products to increase personnel awareness of environmental impacts during training and other activities related to installation land management.

The ITAM program support to installations is provided in technical, educational, graphical, and reproduction services. The ETSC resources include instructional systems specialists, environmental protection specialists, graphic artists, video production specialists, and wordprocessors capable of analyzing, designing, and developing a variety of environmental training and awareness materials, programs, and products. There is no cost for the design and development of any ITAM or other environmental related product when using the services of ETSC; however, reproduction costs are borne by the installation or activity. Timing is critical. ETSC receives numerous requests during the fourth quarter

and is unable to accommodate every request unless coordination has already begun on development of the product. Any fiscal 1997 funds required from the installation for reproduction of materials must be received in ETSC by July 1. These suspenses are necessary to do a good job for you, the customer, and to meet the FY bona fide need requirement within appropriations law.

Collaboration between installation ITAM coordinators and ETSC personnel facilitate the analysis, design, development and reproduction of an installation specific training or awareness product. Some products are designed and developed completely by ETSC while others are modified from products created at installations and activities Armywide. All of the products can be used as benchmarks for future development of like products. The ETSC can also develop or modify a product and then provide "camera ready" copies for reproduction by the requesting installation.

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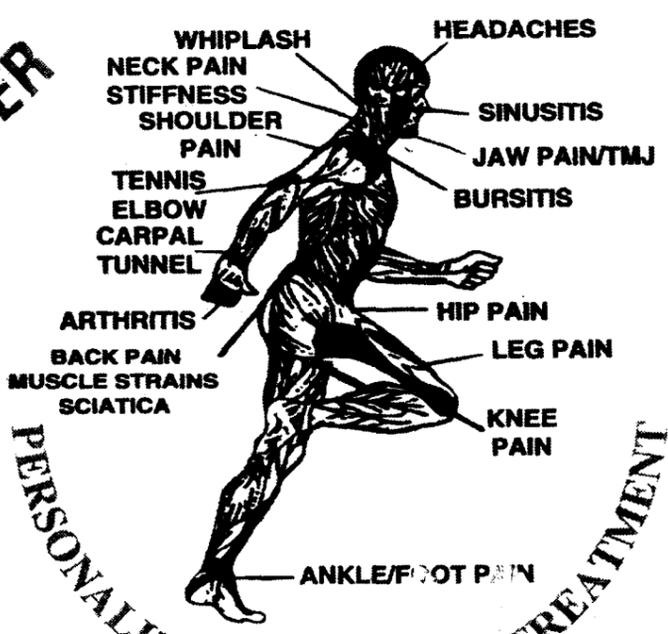
(Editor's note: Mitchell is team leader for the Environmental Training Support Center, Corps of Engineers.)



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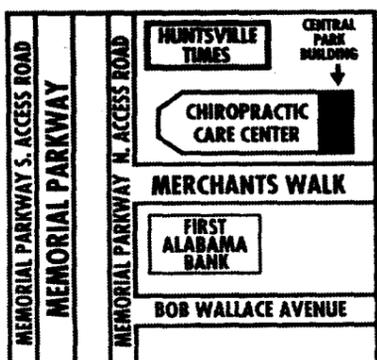
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Annual AER fund campaign gets under way at Redstone

By Kathy Harkleroad

It's that time of year again to open your hearts, open your wallet, and have a good time while doing both. The 55th annual Army Emergency Relief fund-raising campaign was kicked off March 4 in the Sparkman Auditorium.

"Over the years I have always been impressed with how the civilian employees have banded together to help the AER campaign," Maj. Gen. James Link, commander of the Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal, said. "They along with military personnel have gotten behind the campaign and held car washes and various other fund-raisers, always showing a tremendous support of the program.

"Last year 135 soldiers were helped with funds from AER in the form of loans or grants," Link said. "Those grants and loans totaled \$90,000. We raised \$52,000 with a goal of \$40,000 and I would like to get to a

point where we are giving as much as we are receiving. We have such a tremendous team effort within the Redstone community when it comes to AER and I am confident we can have another tremendous year and exceed our goal of \$40,000 once again."

Last year \$92,808.02 was given to soldiers in need on the Arsenal. Some \$66,560.98 was given in no-interest loans and \$26,247.04 was given in grants which do not have to be repaid.

Leading the campaign this year is CWO 3 Lee Samuelson and his wife Sharon, both co-chairing the drive. The theme for this year's campaign is "A Community Effort."

"AER is a very worthy program, one that I have personally utilized in the past," Samuelson said. "It is there to help the soldiers and their families in a time of need. It is there to help with rent, utilities, food, emergency travel, vehicle repairs, emergency medical treatment and things of that nature.

"I know that the Redstone community is



CAMPAIGN KICKOFF— Participating in last week's AER kickoff are, from left, Juanita Adams, AER officer; SSgt. Andrea Jones;

Link; CWO 3 Lee Samuelson, AER campaign chairman; and Sharon Samuelson, co-chairman.

comprised of both military and civilian families playing together, pulling together and staying together, as well as working together on this campaign. It just doesn't get any better than this, and I looking forward to a very successful campaign."

Planned fund-raising events include car washes, bake sales, book sales, and other activities; and all are encouraged to get involved. Organizers should call Samuelson 313-5171 so their event can be publicized.

People... People...

The Joint Tactical Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (JTUAV) Project Office recently held an awards ceremony honoring the following individuals:

- Ramona Atkins, Letter of Appreciation
- Robert Bainbridge, Performance Award
- Melissa Baker, Letter of Appreciation
- Roxanne Beggs, Letter of Appreciation
- Marsha Cagle-West, January Employee of the Month
- Roger Clark, Letter of Appreciation
- Thomas Harris, Performance Award
- Tanna Herchenhahn, 15 Years Service/Feb. Employee of Mth.
- Michael Howerton, Performance Award
- Cindy Magnusson, Performance Award
- Doris Marshall, Letter of Appreciation
- Dana Osborne, Letter of Appreciation
- Dennis Radford, Performance Award
- Odeal Richardson, Letter of Appreciation
- John Sundberg, Performance Award
- Beverly Terry, 20 Years Service
- Ann Thomas, Performance Award
- Phyllis Williams, Letter of Appreciation
- Mary Jane Yost, Performance Award

Extra effort can make big difference in 'enxrgy' usage

Editor's note: Archibald, a member of the energy team in the engineering office at Directorate of Public Works, wrote the following energy conservation article. As you can see, he's having trouble with the "e" key on his computer.

By Morton Archibald

Although thx computxr I am using is rathxr old, it still works prxtty wxll. In fact, 101 of thx 102 kxys work prxfctly. That's bxttr than a 99 prxcnt succxss ratx, or a ratx of failurx of lxss than onx prxcnt. Of coursx, as you can sxx, onx of thx kxys is brokxn and doxsn't work at all.

Our enxrgy consrvation

procxss is a lot likx thx old computxr. Pxoplx hrxx givx 99 prxcnt, but is that good xnough?

It's not as though Txam Rxdstonx workxrs sxt off to wastx enxrgy. Thxy just don't sxxm to bx awarx of how much thxy wastx. I rxmmbxr sxxing a young captain standing and waiting for thx xlvator to takx him down onx floor. Thx gym bag on his shoulldr told mx hx was hxading for thx Fitnxss Cxntxr to work out. Hx just wasn't thinking of thx enxrgy hx could savx by walking down. How many lights havx you sxxn lxft on whxn nobody was in thx room? How many timxs havx you sxxn zippy scrxxn savxrs going for

hours whilx nobody usxd thx systxm?

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LOGSA's greatest hits play on CDs in the field for Army

By Cheryl Casey-Walker

Area Networks.

Slide a CD in your machine and listen to your favorite tunes. Sounds common enough, right? Well, the "sound" of today's Army is becoming technical manuals on CDs. That's right, the "Green Machine" will take care of its equipment and run much more efficiently by accessing TMs on CD-ROM. Talk about forward visible progress—both the long-term catch phrase from a commercial, "You've come a long way, Baby," and the Army slogan, "Be all you can be," seem to apply to this technological application.

The Logistics Support Activity (LOGSA) representatives have, in effect, marched to a fast beat to lead the Army digitization effort, the conversion of Army paper manuals into digital Portable Data Format TM files, in order to provide the soldier TMs on lightweight CD-ROMs to be operated on Contact Test Sets, desktop, notebook, and laptop computers, using wired and wireless Local

Area Networks. Most assuredly, LOGSA representatives, in concert with major subordinate command personnel, are orchestrating the digitization process, an endeavor that began in 1995 and will be completed in 1998 to the tune of about 3.5 million pages in digital form. Now that performance calls for a standing ovation—particularly considering ever-present economic constraints and many manuals proving difficult to digitize because of inconsistent formatting or being poorly reproduced.

Changing paper manuals to TMs on CD-ROM has brought about other changes in the Army as well. It has created the need for standardization of CD-ROM products to ensure the success of the change. In 1996 the Director of Information Systems, Command, Control, Communications and Computers (DISC4) requested standard policy, procedures, and standards for Armywide publications, visual information, and records management products on CD-ROM. LOGSA representatives, along with



TECH MANUALS ON CDs— James Harrison, ETM project leader, and Judy Brisson, LOGSA's technical publications division chief, show laptop computer ETMs on CD, the payoff of their team's efforts.

other organization members, served on an Integrated CD-ROM Policy Task Force, chartered also in 1996, to develop the policy. LOGSA representatives

were instrumental in producing a draft policy document, resolving staffing comments received, and issuing the final policy (signed by the DISC4) as a formal change to Army Regulation 25-1, Information Resources Management Program.

Changed Army policy has aided and thereby helped to speed up the tempo of changing paper manuals to electronic ones. LOGSA's role as manager, or "leader of the band," will include establishing a centralized electronic repository for ETMs to support the customizing of CD-ROMs by commodity/family groups and weapon systems, and developing a centralized distribution.

With the grouping of ETMs by commodity/family groups, Army maintenance personnel and other users will have the convenience of radio, small arms, generator/power generator equipment, et. al., on the same discs. The grouping of the Army's various weapon systems, an estimated 300 weapon system CDs, will likewise aid the

user. Also, users will have ready access to current information since the CDs will be updated and issued on a regular scheduled basis. With expected benefits of digitized TMs as: maintenance as well as training made easier, improved TM distribution and, for certain, lighter deployment loads, soldiers overall speak enthusiastically of their use of TMs on CD-ROM.

On that note, LOGSA representatives have, once again, brought into harmony the unified efforts of all affected Army commands so that ETMs are scheduled for authentication, by the Army Publications and Printing Command, and release (drum roll here) in July.

Nothing plays as sweet as success. So, with Old Glory as always proudly unfurled, and LOGSA forging ahead, the Army will parade toward the 21st century. And the ETMs play on...

(Editor's note: Casey-Walker is a technical editor at Logistics Support Activity.)

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Gate guards catching drivers with suspended licenses



LICENSE CHECKS— Redstone police officers not only check vehicles for decals; they also check driver's licenses. With the re-manning of the gates, more drivers have been caught with suspended, revoked or canceled licenses.

By Kathy Harkleroad

If you happen to be driving with a suspended license or expired tag, beware. The Redstone police will probably catch you.

With the return of the guards on the perimeter gates, the Provost Marshal's Office has nabbed more unlicensed operators. Twenty-five instances were cited during January and February of drivers operating a motor vehicle with a suspended, revoked or canceled license—and in some cases, with no license at all.

During the first five days of March, six such instances were reported by officers. "The main reason we are seeing the increase is the reposting of guards on the gate. As vehicles are entering the Arsenal we are checking licenses and have found a dramatic increase over the last few years in violators," Ray Clift, chief of the law enforcement branch, said. "We will also be doing more random roadside checks, as well as parking lot checks."

The roadside checks will not only involve looking at driver's license, but also a full inspection for contraband. The park-

ing lot inspections will be done by police officers looking for expired decals, as well as license plates. "We will also be running a match on some vehicle identification numbers to make sure they match," Capt. Ellis Andrew, chief of Police Operations, said. "We have the capabilities of running driver's license numbers, as well as tag numbers and VIN numbers through the law enforcement system."

For those who are caught operating a motor vehicle without a license, the penalties can be stiff. "First there is a mandatory court appearance and the driver will have to summon a licensed driver to remove the vehicle," Clift said. "In some cases the vehicle can also be impounded at the expense of the owner."

Clift said he would like to remind drivers who still have expired decals, the rush has let up at the Vehicle Registration office and decals can be obtained with a minimal wait time.

Both occasional and frequent Arsenal drivers should make sure that their driver's licenses, decals and license tags are current.

Longtime doctor at Fox Army Hospital concludes his distinguished career

Dr. Richard Thornton of Fox Army Community Hospital has retired after 37 years of practicing medicine.

His departure Feb. 28 is especially felt by the hospital's Surgical Team. "He has provided excellent service here for the past nine years," Dr. (Maj.) David Cancelada, the surgical team leader, said.

Thornton, a Fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, began his civil service career at Fox Hospital in 1988. "I know the saying goes that you don't know what you have until you miss it but the entire surgical team is already feeling a loss to see him go," Cancelada said. "He is a good Christian man and certainly one that we younger physicians would like to

emulate."

A retirement dinner hosted by the Surgery Clinic nursing staff—Mary Bailey, Dorothy Ledet, Joan Taylor, Maurita Hughs and Fatima DesChamps—was held Feb. 20 at the Olive Garden. Thornton received an assortment of honors and gifts from the hospital staff.

Thornton is a 1960 graduate of Harvard Medical School. He completed his internship at the University of Iowa in 1961 and went on to complete a year of post-doctoral training in endocrinology and embryology. He then completed his residency in OB-GYN training at the University of Wisconsin in 1966.

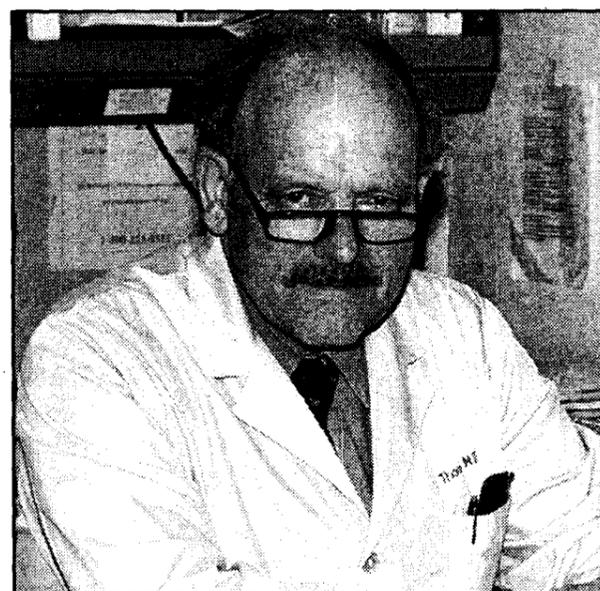
Thornton's first experience with the Army was from 1966-68 when he served as a captain on the staff of the Army Hospital

Special Treatment Center in Augusta, Ga., which was to become the Eisenhower Medical Center. He then became board-certified as a Diplomate of the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology in 1969. He was in private practice at Sacred Heart Hospital at Yankton, S.D., from 1968-82 where he also taught as a clinical associate professor of OB-GYN for the University of South Dakota and served on the admissions committee for its medical school. He also served as chairman of the South Dakota Chapter of the American College of OB-GYN as well as presi-

dent of the South Dakota Society of OB-GYN.

He subsequently moved his private practice to St. Joseph's Hospital in Dickinson, N.D., from 1982-87 where he was the chairman of the Department of OB-GYN and a member of the North Dakota State Medical Association.

He has been active in various community activities, including a barbershop choir. Thornton is a member of St. Thomas Episcopal Church and for the past several summers has volunteered for its Honduras mission providing medical services to the Third World.



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Fire ants second most common ant in this area

By Jesse Horton

What a choice to make but we have them both in abundant quantities on Redstone Arsenal. Just about the time of the nuisance plant from the Orient, kudzu, was introduced to the southern United States in the early 1930s and '40s, the fire ant also began its invasion of the southern United States through the port of Mobile.

The warm weather with mild winters in areas with porous soils provided an excellent new home for the Red Imported Fire Ant (*Solenopsis invicta*) traveling from South America. The northward invasion of the fire ants in Alabama reached Redstone Arsenal in March 1986 on the Laser Test Range near gate 2. Within two years fire ant mounds were being detected and treated all over the installation. In fact Alabama had designated the entire state as a quarantined area for the detection and control of the fire ant population.

Fire ants are considered the second most common ants in the area. The ants are one-eighth to one-third of an inch long and are reddish-dark brown. Under a microscope they appear to have small humps on their thorax. The most distinguishing characteristic is the terrific sting received from the ant when one disturbs its home, the fire ant mound.

Although small animals have been injured and killed by fire ant stings, the most serious concern should be the allergic reaction of humans from the toxic stings that can be fatal.

The most obvious indication of the existence of the fire ant is its home, the fire ant mound. Unlike the

common black ants, the fire ant mounds are several inches to 3 feet tall. This surface mound is used as a heating, cooling and drying chamber for the brood, i.e. eggs, larvae, pupae and queens. The average underground chamber of tunnels may be 1 to 4 feet deep and 6 feet in diameter.

Depending on the genetic species of fire ant, there may be one or more queens, usually winged before they start their nuptial flight, found in each mound. The remaining 200,000 to 300,000 worker ants in a mound provide food and protection for the colony.

In an attempt to slow the steady invasion of the pesky ant, baits and poisons such as Mirex were used in the 1960s. Mirex has since been banned. Now other baits such as Amdro and pesticides such as Dursban have been developed that are more environmentally acceptable. Most of the baits take several weeks to see results because it relies on the worker ants to take the poison bait to the queen for her resultant demise.

Liquid formulations of pesticides and gaseous devices have also been developed to eliminate the fire ant. Home remedies such as placing one variety of the territorial fire ants from one mound into another mound has been implemented with little success.

Auburn University and other major universities continue to seek new predator insects, bacteria and other biological agents that may help in control of the pest with the least disturbance to the environment.

Until that ultimate weapon is found to control the Red Imported Fire Ants at Redstone Arsenal we will con-

tinue to use the least amount of environmentally safe pesticides applied to high risk areas. DoD's mandate

to restrict use of all pesticides on the installation by 50 percent of fiscal 1993 quantities by the year 2000

requires a prioritization of areas to be treated with pes-

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Ants conquer more than their share of the South

By Cherie Miller

They're at home in every southern state from Texas to Virginia. They march north, at double time, between 50-100 miles per year. They can occupy fields, hospitals, homes, playgrounds, yards, and businesses. They're the scourge of the South. What are they? FIRE ANTS—quarter inch long pests that have conquered more southern territory than General Sherman!

While there are many species of fire ants in the

U.S., both native and imported, of greatest concern is the red imported fire ant. This ant accidentally entered the United States from Brazil through the port of Mobile in the 1940s. They were able to spread throughout the South in ant infested soil attached to nursery plants and sod. By 1957 they occupied over 27 million acres of land; by 1985 their territory had increased eightfold to 230 million acres. Today they occupy over 400 million acres of pastures, playgrounds, orchards, parks

and city streets.

One factor that leads to the fire ants quick spread is their high reproductive rate. Their reproductive biology is triggered by warm rains followed by a warm day the next day. When these conditions are present, winged female queens and males leave the mound in spring and summer and mate in the air. The queen then burrows into the ground and lays an average of 50-60 eggs in 24 hours, but can lay hundreds of eggs per day. Within 25-30 days a small worker force is in operation which enlarges the nest by tunneling interconnected chambers into the soil. The excess soil is brought to the surface where more chambers and tunnels are formed. Meanwhile the queen continues to lay eggs contributing more ants to this growing colony that may have 75,000-100,000 workers in a year to enlarge the nest and bring food to the colony.

Fire ants will feed on anything, although their primary diet is insects, spi-

ders, earthworms, and small invertebrates. (Because they also like to feed on fleas, ticks, roaches, and termites, fire ants are of some benefit.) They also like oily and greasy foods and sugary substances from which they suck the liquid out, leaving the food particle behind. A group of worker ants called foragers locate and bring food for the colony. When the ants find food, they return to the mound, periodically touching the ground with their abdomens and leaving a chemical scent called pheromones. The other worker ants follow the pheromone trail to the "hoard" and return back to the nest with it. Hence, the "ant trails" commonly found in the areas they occupy.

Fire ants have a significant negative impact on agricultural, particularly the nursery plant and ornamental sod industry due to shipping of infested plants. The ants can annoy and sting field workers and livestock and their

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While the fire ants cannot be completely eliminated, they can be controlled to some degree. Control measures should be aimed at reducing infestation in areas where the risk to people is high.

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Southern Flight 242 survivors plan reunion at crash site

By Julie Vaughn

Almost 20 years ago, hail sucked into an airplane's engines and sent it plunging 17,000 feet to the ground. The descent took six minutes, but for those on board it felt like six hours.

Of the 84 passengers and crew, some Redstone employees, 62 perished in a fireball or near the burning pieces left of the Southern Airlines plane. Eight people on the ground also died when one of the plane's wings slammed into a country store and gas station in New Hope, Ga.

mph, parts of the wreckage were found more than 100 yards from the crash site.

Causey, who suffered burns on 50 percent of his body and suffered back injuries, said the trauma of the crash and two years of recovery, changed his life.

"It was the motivating factor in prompting me to go back to school," Causey, an organizer of the reunion, said. "I had been working with computers and decided I wanted to work with people instead of machines."

Causey has a second bachelor's degree in psychology and holds a doctorate in counseling from Van-

most everything about the crash and how he got out of the burning plane.

"I remember the flight attendant telling us there was a temporary loss of power and to prepare for an emergency landing," he said. "The next thing I knew, I was surrounded by fire. I couldn't get out because I couldn't get my seatbelt undone. I panicked, got it undone and got out."

Causey said he was sitting over one wing. "The plane was like a broken tube. There was one row of seats in front of me, my row, and one row behind me. That's all that was left of that plane. Everything was gone, scattered and on fire."

Causey still flies, about once a year. "I'm no more afraid to fly now than I was before."

Another survivor who said he plans to attend the reunion said he, too, still flies occasionally. Leland Lavender suffered burns on his hands, feet and face.

At the time, Lavender was working at the Patriot Project Office. He's now retired.

"I think the reunion will be interesting and in some ways, healing," Lavender said. "It took awhile, but I'm doing fine now. Flying again was a little shaky at first, but it got better. I've made many, many flights since then. But I'm sure more cautious of the weather before I go."

derbilt University. He is now a counselor at Calhoun Community College.

"Back then, there wasn't really anyone around who could explain to me what I was feeling," he said. "Now, I know that what I experienced was normal."

"Most of my impairments were cognitive. I had obvious memory loss and the ability to focus and concentrate. I developed a stutter because I couldn't quite put my thoughts into words. But I knew what I wanted to say. Once I started understanding (through his schooling), the stutter eventually went away."

Causey does remember

'The plane was like a broken tube. There was one row of seats in front of me, my row, and one row behind me.'



— Dr. Jerry Causey

"It flipped the plane around," Dr. Jerry Causey, one of the survivors, said. "To this day, I believe if that wing hadn't hit that store, the pilot could have landed that plane on the road."

Yet 20 people survived Flight 242 from Huntsville to Atlanta April 4, 1977. The lucky ones, plus doctors and nurses from the nearest hospital from the crash site, will reunite April 12 at Dallas Hospital.

Most local residents probably remember Flight 242. It left what's now Huntsville International Airport and never made it to Atlanta.

Hitting the ground at 150



AUSA supporters...

Maj. Gen. James Link, post commander, joins Bob Drolet, right, president of the local AUSA chapter, in kicking off a membership drive for the Association of the U.S. Army. Looking on are, from left,

Madison County Commission Chairman Mike Gillespie, Madison Mayor Chuck Yancura and post Sgt. Maj. Dennis Smith. The AUSA membership campaign continues through April 30.

Ex-paratrooper found guilty of race-motivated murder

WASHINGTON— The jury weighed the evidence for all of two days, then decided Feb. 27 that James Burmeister, on Dec. 7, 1995, conspired with two other Fort Bragg soldiers to kill black people, then around midnight that evening emptied his 9mm semiautomatic pistol into the heads and backs of two Fayetteville, N.C., residents.

Tried in Cumberland County, N.C., Burmeister

now faces sentencing. The state is asking for the death penalty for the avowed white-supremacist skinhead.

The case went to the jury Feb. 25 following a month-long trial of Burmeister for the murder of Michael James, 36, and Jackie Burden, 27. The only motive for the murder given is that they were black and that, after killing them, Burmeister could wear a spiderweb tattoo.

Implication of Burmeister and two other soldiers from the Fort Bragg-based division prompted a year-long inquiry into racial extremism in the military at the order of Army Secretary Togo West Jr.

While the investigation led to dismissal of a handful of violent "skinhead" soldiers who harbored extreme racial animus, the Army investigation did not find such culture entrenched within the ranks.

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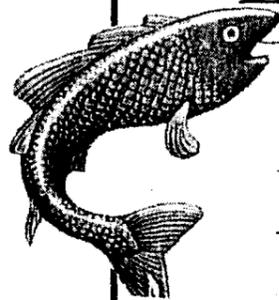
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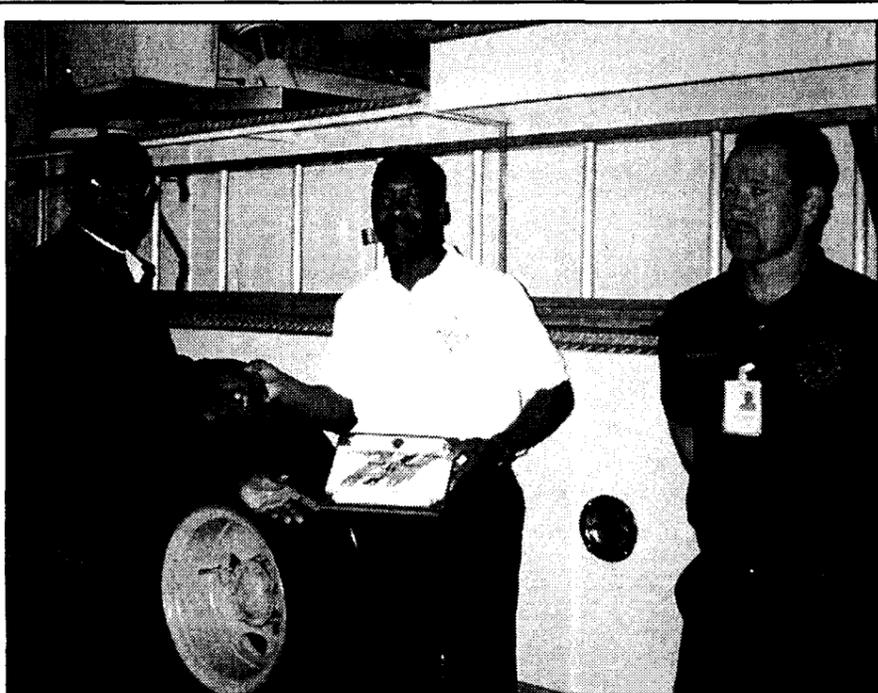
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Sgt. Maj. Dennis Smith, left, thanks Wendell Sales and other members of the post fire department for supporting Santa's ride via fire truck through the housing area on Christmas Eve. Looking on is Arnold Schrimsher of the fire department. Also involved were soldiers of the

BOSS (Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers) Committee and the Sergeants Major Association. Sgt. Michael Coman, the BOSS president, played Santa; and Sgt. Felecia Sewell, vice president, served as Santa's helper.

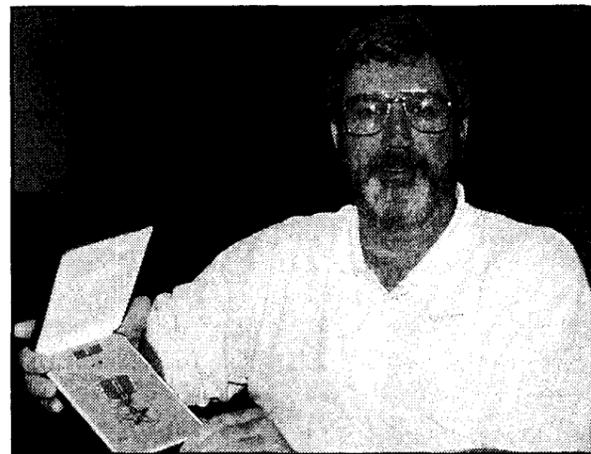
Corps of Engineers worker honored as wartime hero

By Linda James

The Army has finally honored one of the Huntsville Center's own for his actions of bravery during the war in Vietnam 29 years ago.

Doug "Dusty" Rhodes, of the Huntsville Center for Corps of Engineers, received the Bronze Star with V Device in a ceremony March 3. The V stands for valor. The official award citation says Rhodes "displayed heroic actions... by exposing himself to enemy fire to make possible the successful completion of a very dangerous mission."

Rhodes' own account of the events that took place in December 1968 are much more modest. A 20-year veteran of the Army, he insists that words like "hero" and "valor" would apply to any soldier in a combat situation; and that he did nothing more than what many others did during that



BRONZE STAR RECIPIENT— Rhodes shows the Bronze Star which was presented March 3 by Col. Walter Cunningham, commander of the Huntsville Center for Corps of Engineers.

war.

"In those situations, you don't have time to think; you just do what you have to do to get the job done," he said. The "job" in this case was to place a pin in a landmine to ensure that it would not explode. Easy enough except that another young soldier was standing on the

mine and if he lifted his foot, the mine would detonate. And, oh-by-the-way, Viet Cong snipers were firing on Rhodes and his team leader as they tried to make their way to the young soldier.

(Editor's note: James is a public affairs specialist at Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville.)

Chicken pox diagnosed in a training unit at Redstone

Spring brings new life with flowers blooming and a new color to the grass. However, flowers and plants are not the only things that pop out this time of year. Spring is the time for chickenpox, which is a highly contagious, but mild, viral illness.

There has recently been two diagnosed cases of chickenpox in a local training unit. These soldiers frequented establishments like the post PX, Bowling Center, and mess hall during their pre-rash, yet highly contagious period.

Initial symptoms include sudden onset of slight fever and feeling weak and tired. Later, an itchy, blister-like rash appears. The blisters tend to be more common on covered than on exposed parts of the body. They may appear on the scalp, trunk, armpits and even in the

mouth and on the eyelids. Usually in 3-4 days, the blisters will dry, crust over, and form scabs. Taking an old fashion bath with warm water and baking soda and using calamine lotion may help relieve uncomfortable symptoms.

Chickenpox spreads by direct contact with an infected person or just by being in the same room. The period of communicability, when a person is contagious, is generally five days before the rash breaks out, to five days afterwards. Because someone is contagious days before a rash develops, infection can easily spread to others before recognition or diagnosis of chickenpox.

Most people have had chickenpox by young adulthood. Since chickenpox generally results in lifelong immunity, you are not at

risk for infection once you have had the disease. If you develop the disease, the best thing to do is to stay home to avoid exposing others. Although there is a new vaccine available to prevent

chickenpox, the Army has not mandated its usage for soldiers.

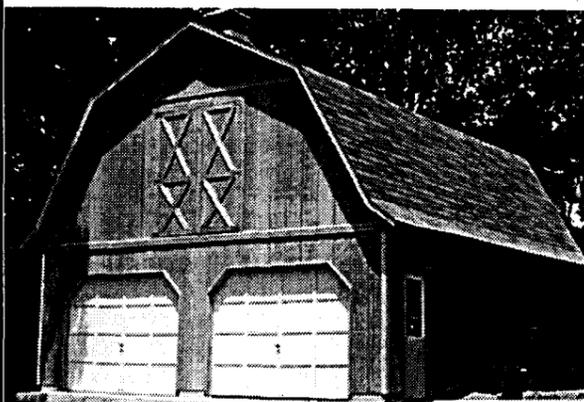
Individuals with leukemia, cancer, on immunosuppressive therapy, pregnant women and newborns are at

increased risk for serious illness. Contact your physician if you have concerns about being exposed.

For more information, call the Public Health and Education Center at 876-

8831. Parents of children enrolled in the Child Development Center need to call the Center if their child is diagnosed with chickenpox. (Fox Army Community Hospital release)

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Sports

Redstone 10-mile, 5K road races slated March 22 near gym

The Huntsville Track Club will sponsor the 24th annual Redstone Arsenal Ten Mile and 5K road races March 22.

Featured is the Alabama State Championship 10-mile race beginning at 8 a.m., followed by the 5K (3.1 mile) race at 9:45. Registration for both events starts at 7.

All runs begin and end in front of Pagano Gym. Participants may enter the Arsenal through gate 8 on Goss Road. At the traffic light one-quarter mile past the gate, turn left on Vincent Drive. One mile south turn left on Phoenix Road or Honest John Road for parking.

These races are open to everyone who has trained for the distance they intend to run. About 200 to 300 runners are expected, according to Malcolm Gillis, the race director.

Trophies will be awarded in five-year age groups from 5 to 99. Three trophies will be awarded for each age group in both the 10 mile and 5K races. The entry fee is \$2 for one or \$3 for both races postmarked by March 15 and \$4 for one and \$5 for both on race day. For more information, call Gillis 828-6207.

Troop basketball

Here are the standings for unit-level basketball as of March 5:

Eastern Conference

	Won	Lost
Marines-1	2	4
B Company 832nd	9	7
Hqtrs & A Company	7	9
NCO Academy	5	11
Over 35	3	13

Western Conference

	Won	Lost
D Company 832nd-1	16	0
Readiness Group	13	3
C Company 832nd	9	7
MEDDAC	9	7
MICOM	7	9
Marines-2	4	12

Delta Devastating Dragons retain Commanders Cup sports trophy

By Skip Vaughn

Delta Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion reins once again as the winner of the Commanders Cup sports trophy.

The Delta Devastating Dragons and their predecessors have won the cup every year since 1990. It was originally designated as F Company. In 1990, '91 and '92, Foxtrot won the cup. In 1993-94, Echo Company won the cup. In April 1995, E and F Companies were combined and Foxtrot won the cup. F Company deactivated and became Delta Company in November 1995.

Delta won the fiscal 1996 cup with 465.9 points overall, according to Donald Lewis, a recreation assistant at Pagano Gym. The Marines were second with 398.6 points and MICOM was third with 342.6.

"I feel it's a great tribute to the company because a lot of elements go into being a good company as far as teamwork, etc.," Capt. Gene Warren, the D Company commander, said. "These sports activities are really significant because it proves with teamwork you can win on a consistent basis."

For the year November 1995 through November



AWARD PRESENTATION— Warren accepts the Commanders Cup from Maj. Gen. James Link, post commander.

1996, the Devastating Dragons achieved the following: flag football— first place in the Western Division and first place for the post; basketball— first in the division and first postwide; volleyball— second postwide; golf— third in the post; softball— first in the division and second postwide; and racquetball— first in the post.

D Company consists of permanent-party instructors and supervisors assigned to the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School. Most of its 222 soldiers teach all day then find time to practice and play

with their unit team. "It takes a lot of personal time away so that's very important," Warren said.

Each member is assigned to one of the following four departments at OMMCS: Directorate of Instruction, Missile Systems Training Department, Electronic Technology Training Department, and the Munitions Training Department.

Besides Warren the unit cadre includes 1st Sgt. Wade Cherry; SFC Marvin Hankins, operations and training NCO; SSgt.

Annette Banks, training NCO; and Cpl. LaDonna Valentine, supply sergeant.

"I'll accept the award on behalf of the soldiers," Warren said before the Commanders Cup presentation which was held Thursday at the new Fitness Center.

Maj. Gen. James Link, the post commander, presented the trophy. "Part of our business is being trained and ready," Link said. "And being physically fit, mentally ready and technically competent all goes together."

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Sports

UAH Spring 10K race winners conquer hilly course at 26th annual event

By Skip Vaughn

A Redstone worker's first win ever in a road race couldn't have come on a tougher course.

Janet Haenisch, an electrical engineer for Nichols Research in building 5400, was the female winner in the UAH Spring 10K held March 2. Haenisch, 39, of Huntsville, led the female runners from the start en route to a 44:36 finish. It was her first win in four years of road racing.

"I'm surprised. I didn't expect this," she said. She attributed her success to her lunchtime running partners: Dwight McPherson and Ray Mattle.

The overall winner, Clint Jones, has won before but not in this road race. Three years ago, after eating pizza for lunch and on a hot day, he dropped out of the UAH Spring 10K. This time he took the lead with about a mile to go and cruised across the finish line in 36:01.

"It was a tough course, it's got a lot of hills in it," Jones, 43, of Madison, said. He is an industrial engineer at Boeing.

There were 97 finishers in this 26th annual race on the campus of University of Alabama-Huntsville. The rain held off for most of the afternoon race on a warm day.

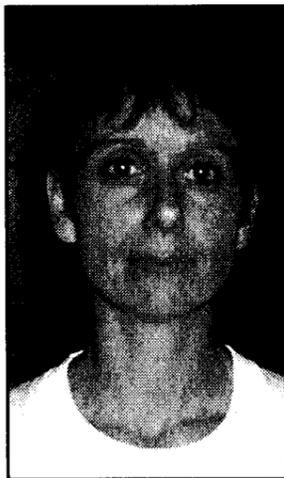
Male: Overall— Clint Jones (36:01).

15-19— Matt Legrand (36:55), Joseph Warren (44:20). 20-29— Jim Clemens (36:19), Steven Doyling (38:51), William Thomas (39:07), Arthur C. Ellis (41:25), Dave Richardson (43:42). 30-39— Mike Allen (38:17), Marty Clarke (39:44), Andre Nortje (40:08), Alvin Jackson (40:30), John Stetlere (41:39). 40-49— Steve Rice (36:46), Joe Francica (36:58), Steve Welstead (38:55), Gary Grace (39:10), Forrest Callicutt (41:07). 50-59— Carl Nicholson (40:08), Larry Shelor (42:18), Dick

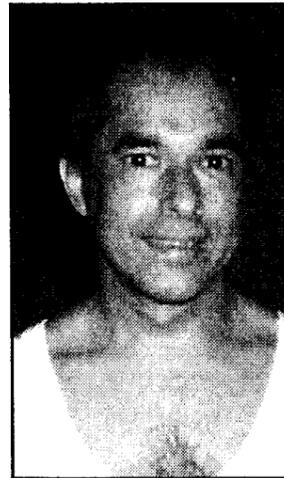
Franklin (42:28), Ellis Whitt (42:34), Bill Coffin (45:36). 60-69— Gresh Downs (46:46), Lyman Jackson (50:07), Charles Terrell (50:13), Grady Edwards (50:36), Mike Doolley (1:03:31). 70-over— Eugene Simonson (1:01:17), E.R. Ritch (1:06:53).

Female: Overall— Janet Haenisch (44:36).

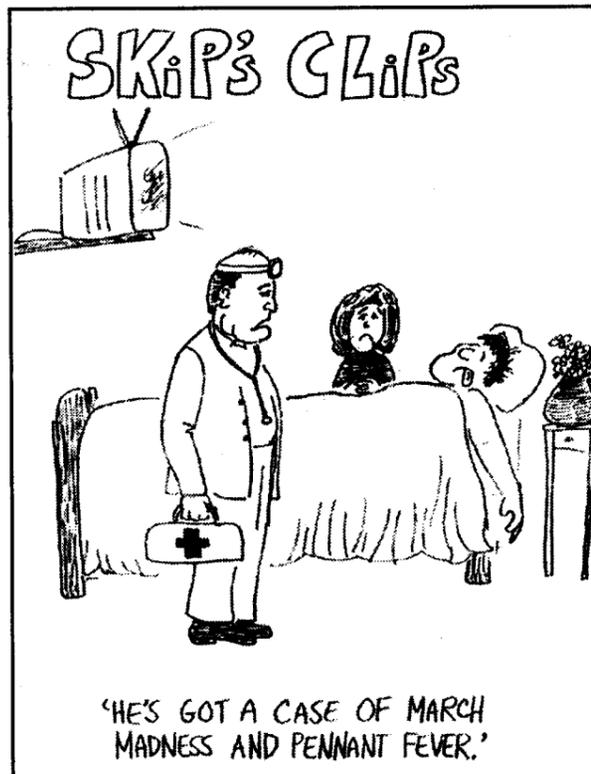
19-under— Lori Lawson (48:40), Rachel Johnson (1:00:48). 20-29— Amy Martin (44:53), Natalie Thom (48:39), Sheri Brown



HAENISCH



JONES



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ticides. Presently one may acquire an ant bait (Amdro) through the Self-Help Store for controlling fire ants in the housing areas and at office buildings. Any major fire ant infestation and other areas on the Arsenal are treated by a government contractor coordinated through the Installation Pest Management coordinator.

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



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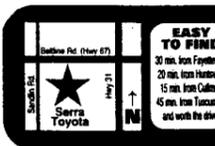
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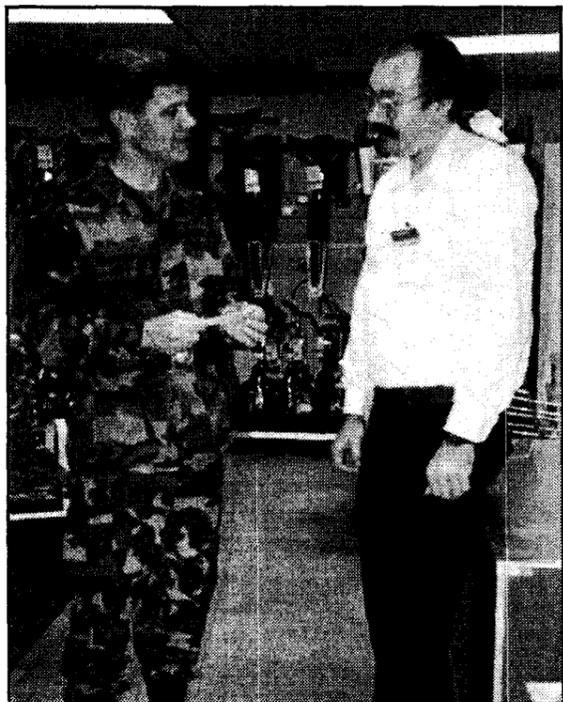
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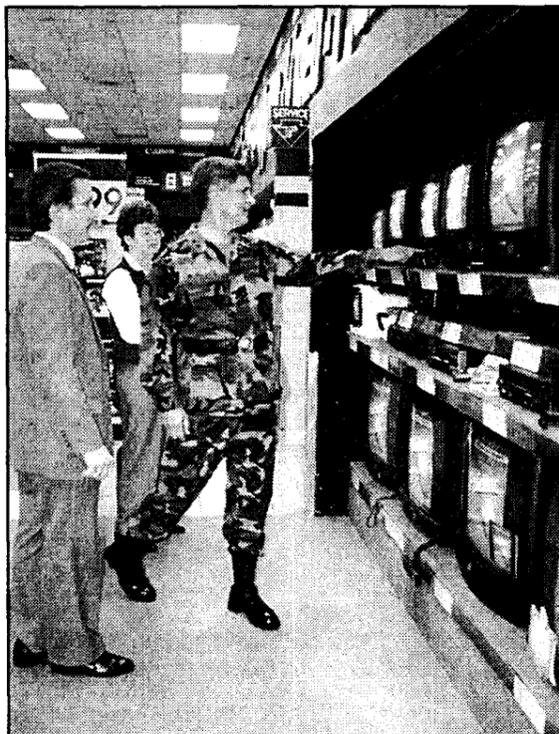
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Robert McCowan, right, PX employee, receives Maj. Gen. Doug Bunger's commander coin as a token of appreciation for his dedication and hard work during his 20-year employment with AAFES. McCowan is a sales associate in the Outdoor Living Area.



Special visitor...

Maj. Gen. Doug Bunger, commander of the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, visits the Post Exchange Feb. 24. Beverly Martin, PX sales area manager, right, shows some of the exchange's merchandise to Bunger.

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mounds can destroy crops and damage farm equipment. A typical infestation may result in up to 40 mounds per acre of land. One field in Florida was found to have over 7 million ants per acre! The ants' attraction to electricity makes them a nuisance to public utilities where they have been known to chew off insulation from electrical wiring in telephone lines and traffic lights and infest cable and junction boxes and transformers. Mounds constructed under roadways have caused potholes to form and portions of roadway to collapse. In heavily infested areas, costs to control fire ants on public roadways is about \$90 per mile.

To the general public, however, the primary concerns from fire ants are the

mounds they leave in home lawns and the ants' painful sting. The mounds found here in the clay-like soil of north Alabama are generally symmetrical and dome shaped with soil spread out evenly around the mound. If the mound is broken open, whitish rice-grain like larvae and pupae can be found. However, when a fire ant mound is disturbed, the ants will swarm out of the nest to sting the intruder, whether human or animal.

Fire ants have pincer like jaws and venom laden stingers. The venom consists of an oily alkaloid substance which causes a pustule like sore to form within 24 hours of being stung. The sting may itch intensely, but scratching the sore may rupture the skin causing a secondary infection and scarring. The itching can be relieved by applying cold compresses. A small

portion of people may be allergic to the ant venom and may suffer anaphylactic shock characterized by dizziness, sweating, nausea, headache, and shortness of breath.

Obviously, the problems that fire ants cause make controlling them a worthwhile goal. While the ants cannot be completely eliminated, they can be controlled to some degree. Control measures should be aimed at reducing infestation in areas where the risk to people is high. Numerous products for fire ant control are on the market and several are carried at the Self-Help Store, building 3500. It is important to follow package directions exactly to avoid injury to humans, animals, or plants and to reduce environmental pollution problems.

Home remedies such as feeding the ants grits or pouring on petroleum products, ammonia and battery acid don't kill the ant colony and can pollute the environment and be harmful to people and pets. Killing the queen ant is necessary since they are the only ones that can lay eggs. Control measures are most effective during warm, but not hot, temperatures when the ants are actively foraging.

These little pests are, unfortunately, here to stay. And while you can't eliminate them, you can avoid them. Failure to do so may result in your rebel yell becoming "Yikes! Fire Ants!"

(Editor's note: Miller is environmental and safety officer with Public Health at Fox Army Community Hospital.)

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all types of MICOM information. The limits of a liaison officer's access are specified in his or her delegation of disclosure authority letter. A liaison officer might be authorized to receive only specified information about a particular missile system, for example.

"We do and we will continue to work with the program managers, the RD&E Centers, the project managers and the liaison officers to assure that information required to accomplish the task or the mission is released in a timely manner, notwithstanding our requirement to protect information," Jones said.

Mike Hooley, deputy director of I&S Directorate, serves as the Missile Command's foreign disclosure officer and chief of the security support division. "People are sometimes much more careful about the documents they are giving (out) but it's the discussions that can be just as harmful," he said. Information can be released orally, visually, by documents or through computer access.

"Our worst fear or biggest nightmare is to have this command embarrassed by seeing one of our people or activities show up in the paper under investigation for unauthorized disclosure," Hooley said. The I&S Directorate tries to ensure this doesn't happen by educating the work force about foreign disclosure rules.

A project manager is the proponent for his weapon system, but not the classification authority. The foreign disclosure officer and public affairs officer consider the program officer's recommendations in deciding whether or not to re-

lease possibly sensitive information.

Without a foreign disclosure decision, the only other information that can be released to a foreign representative is that which has been cleared for public release. "Everything else is subject to a foreign disclosure decision," Jones said. "We're not intending to paint a picture of a liaison officer as a spy. In fact the relationship with MICOM liaison officers is very good. We want to make our people aware that there are certain limitations to release of information."

Unauthorized disclosure of information to a government friendly to the U.S.—such as the United Kingdom, Israel or Germany—is considered just as bad as the loss of secrets to unfriendly nations. "Access is based on need to know and proven benefit to the United States from disclosure of that information," Hooley said.

And not all foreign representatives are citizens of other countries. A U.S. citizen—a military retiree, for example—can serve as a foreign representative through his or her employment by an international organization or company. Release of information to that person would be subject to the same rules as disclosure to a foreign national.

"We stress that liaison officers are good people trying to get the job done. We just want to make sure that our employees know what the rules are," Hooley said.

If uncertain about disclosure to a foreign representative call any member of the foreign disclosure team: Jones 842-7517, Larry Richards 842-7518, Sue Clemmons 876-5796 or Rose Mary Moore 876-5743. Hooley can be reached at 842-7511.

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just to handle the huge PR workload. Given the current number of required investigations, the PERSEC Team must initiate an average of 25 investigations per day between now and May 1. The Intelligence and Security Directorate has also made coordination with local Defense Investigative Service representatives and Redstone Arsenal organizations involved in local records checks (the Civilian Personnel Office, the Provost Marshal's Office, and Occupational Health)

to alert them to the massive effort under way and find ways to streamline the process.

Personnel whose clearances are supported by the Intelligence and Security Directorate have received or will be receiving instructions on preparing an Electronic Personnel Security Questionnaire (EPSQ), Standard Form 86. The EPSQ program can be downloaded onto employees' computers to allow preparation of a diskette with all required information. This diskette is then

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FUN EVENT— Chapman Elementary School first grader Shelby Albert and Pvt. John Schrubbe of B Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion took to the lanes during the tournament.



AWAITING HIS TURN— Col. Duane Brandt, deputy post commander, had the honor of rolling the first ball during the tournament and played in a team throughout the morning. Brandt, right, awaits his turn and visits with Lee High School 10th grader Barron Mosely.

Special children enjoy bowling event at Redstone

By Kathy Harkleroad

Students and soldiers once again spent the morning together in a bowling center, and not only made lifelong memories during the two hours they were together, but all the students departed with ribbons.

The annual Special Athletes Bowling Tournament was held March 5 at the Rocket Lanes with physically challenged students taking to the lanes with the help of soldiers from MICOM, 59th Ordnance Brigade, 832nd Ordnance

Battalion, and OMMCS.

Opening the annual event was Maj. Gen. James Link, the post commander, who told the soldiers helping the students "I can't think of doing anything better to serve your country than this." He also wished the soldiers and students well and told all the bowlers to keep the "ball out of the gutter."

Col. Duane Brandt, deputy post commander, had the honor of rolling the first ball in the tournament and managed to knock

down five pins. In the process he raised \$15 for Army Emergency Relief when unnamed sources placed a bet on his performance. The money was turned over to an AER representative during the tournament.

Army Community Service coordinates the annual event; and according to Sue Paddock, ACS chief, the event is important to both the kids and the soldiers. "I think doing things like this gives the soldiers a new appreciation of just how

special physically-challenged children are," she said. "The soldiers look forward to participating just as much as the children do."

Virginia Dempsey, the Exceptional Family Member Program manager at ACS, said that it was a special relationship that develops between the students and the soldiers. "I think it is just great," Dempsey said. "The soldiers really go out of their way when it comes to these children, and the children in turn try harder. They (the children) also

wanted to show their appreciation to the soldiers and made 425 chocolate chip cookies for them."

The partnership that is formed between the Huntsville community and Redstone Arsenal reaches out in many directions; and according to Paddock, this partnership is very special. "This is a direct link with the community and soldiers... supporting the physically challenged children. I can't think of a better way to strengthen that link."

Students from Chapman

Elementary School, Challenger Middle School, and Lee High School were bused in for the event and spent the morning at the bowling center.

Participating as color guards during open ceremonies were SSgt. Johnnie Jones, SSgt. Anthony Harris, Sgt. Harry Jacobs, all assigned to D Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion; SSgt. Anthony Deveau, Hq/Alpha Company; Sgt. Nathan Love and Spec. William Bouchillon, both of MEDDAC.

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turned in to the PERSEC Team who will review it for completeness and then transmit the information by secure means to the Defense Investigative Service.

Once DIS has completed the PR, the information is

provided to CCF to adjudicate and make a determination of eligibility for continued classified access. Personnel are being given a suspense of 10 working days to provide the completed EPSQ back to the PERSEC Team because of the large number of investigations which must be processed by May. Cooper-

ation of all employees in completing and returning EPSQs is essential to meeting this robust schedule and preventing loss or downgrading of needed security clearances.

(Editor's note: Hooley is deputy director of the Intelligence and Security Directorate and chief of the security support division.)

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New NCO...

Nathan Love, a pharmacy technician at Fox Army Community Hospital, is promoted from corporal to sergeant Feb. 28. Pinning on his new rank are Dr. (Maj.) David Cancelada and Sherilyn Love, the technician's wife.

Controlled burnings help manage natural resources at Redstone

By Julie Vaughn

Those not-so-little plumes of black and gray smoke rising from Redstone are putting the dead to rest and making room for new life—in more ways than one.

Trees and brush, that met their timely demise last winter, are now reduced to ashes. So far, fire has been set to about 250 acres, Redstone forester Jesse Horton said.

But before April 1, officials hope to have torched about 2,000 acres on post. Wet weather, however, has dampened efforts to rid certain areas of dead foliage.

"We are burning now what died in the winter before the new growth starts this spring," said Roger

Schwerman, of the Installation Management Office, Directorate of Public Works.

"We don't want to do this in the winter because it takes away wildlife's food sources because even at that time of year, there's still at least some greenery and seed left," Schwerman said.

The point of the burnings: To manage the natural resources on post including the wildlife and plants and trees.

It also protects missile testing areas. "We burn the test areas because soldiers, old munitions and pyrotechnics can easily catch fire if a spark lands in the brush," Schwerman said. "Then, when and if that brush does catch fire, and

it's windy, it's a lot harder to put out and a fire like that could endanger other areas, maybe off Redstone Arsenal."

The so-called "protected burnings," which involve more than a dozen Redstone firefighters and others, began Feb. 25. Optimistically, Horton said he hoped to continue setting the flames again this week after grounds dried from last week's rains and severe weather.

Among the areas burned so far have been at Patton and Buxton Roads, an area east of McAlpine Road and south of Buxton Road and a section near the steam plant.

Hearing loss can impact individual, Army readiness

By Pat Haney and Eileen Bailey

Hearing is a sense that most of us take for granted. As we get older, our body and senses change. There are things we can do to prevent some of the changes. Hearing loss is one of those changes we can prevent in many cases. Hearing loss can cause lost time from work and decreased productivity at the work site. Even though hearing loss due to noise is preventable, it remains one of the most common occupational health hazards in the Army.

Hearing loss caused by noise can be permanent or temporary. Temporary hearing loss is usually noticed after short-term noise exposure. For example, the soldier/employee returns to quarters after a day of excessive noise exposure or artillery practice. What was normal speech may now sound muffled and more difficult to understand. The person may also experience ringing in the ears, known as tinnitus. This may be only temporary and hearing usually returns to normal by the next day.

Permanent hearing loss occurs after repeated expo-

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sure to noise, and hearing does not return to normal. In the early stages it is marked by reduced ability to hear high-pitched sounds. Many times the person denies any problems with understanding speech in a quiet atmosphere. However, in the presence of background noise, such as static on a radio or when more than one person is speaking, the person will have difficulty hearing.

Everyone can do his or her part to prevent noise induced hearing loss. Personnel who work in posted noise hazardous areas can protect their hearing by using properly fitted ear plugs, noise muffs, or sound attenuating helmets. Wearing properly fitted hearing protection is the only way to protect your

hearing during exposure to excessive noise. Good rule of thumb: If the noise is so loud you have to raise your voice to be understood, wear hearing protection. Many people will say they can't wear hearing protection in a given situation; they feel they will not be able to hear the commands or the danger signals. In reality, you can hear many sounds better because the extraneous noises that block the sounds are reduced.

Occupational Health, Preventive Medicine Service, building 116, has been tasked with the job of per-

forming hearing tests on civilian and military personnel exposed to excessive noise. The Industrial Hygiene Section identifies and evaluates areas for excessive noise exposures. Employees who work in these areas are placed on the Hearing Conservation Program. This program, for civilian and military personnel, consists of annual hearing tests, counseling on potential noise exposures, and fitting and issuing of hearing protection. When a civilian employee no longer works around excessive noise on their job, they are removed from the Hearing Conservation Program. Active duty military who are exposed to hazardous noise, and whose primary specialty is identified as being noise hazardous in TG-167-A, are required by DA Pamphlet 40-501 to have annual hearing tests. Active duty soldiers no longer working in their primary specialty and/or not exposed to excessive noise in their current as-

signment, are still required to have annual hearing tests, regardless of rank. Hearing loss can impact on the readiness of the Army and the individual.

Here are some myths and facts about noise and hearing loss:

- **Myth:** Being around noise toughens your eardrums and raises tolerance to loud sounds.
- **Fact:** Exposure to noise does not toughen your ears and increase your tolerance for loud sounds. Noise causes

- hearing loss.
 - **Myth:** Only noise caused by machinery or weapons causes hearing loss.
 - **Fact:** Any sound, if loud enough, can cause hearing loss. Symphonic music, rock and roll, lawn mowers, and power tools can be just as damaging as occupational noise, given the same level of exposure. Remember the rule of thumb.
- (Editor's note: Haney and Bailey are nurses at Occupational Health.)

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Announcements

Tax assistance— Redstone Arsenal Tax Assistance Office is accepting appointments for free tax assistance and electronic filing to all active duty military personnel, retirees, and qualified dependents. The Tax Assistance Office also has a limited quantity of free 1996 tax forms (federal and state). Call 876-1235 or stop by building 3475 (Honest John Road, next to ACS) to set up an appointment. "Please keep in mind that civilian personnel (those who are not retirees and/or qualified dependents) are not eligible to receive this service." Tax forms for years prior to 1996 may be obtained from the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, building 111.

Redstone dining-in— The Team Redstone Dining-In will be held at 6 p.m. June 6. All officers interested in joining in the planning committee should contact USA MEDDAC, PACU, Attn: 1st Lt. Sandra Lopez at 955-8616/7670. "Your participation is greatly needed."

AER book sale— The Command Analysis Directorate is accepting donations of used books (no magazines) for the AER fund-raiser Used Book Sale scheduled March 17-28. The book sale will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in building 5300, room 5241. "Your donations will be greatly appreciated and can be brought to building 5300, second floor." For more information call Corky Campbell 876-9001, Vickie Hill 313-0354 or Liz McWhorter 842-7770.

Army education— The Army Education Center provided the following release. "The Army Education Center has received implementation instructions for the transfer of eligible soldiers from VEAP to the MGIB. All eligible soldiers

will receive a notification letter through command channels with instructions to report to their local Army Education Center for assistance. In addition, PERSOM will issue a 'Persgram' to each eligible soldier. No soldier will be transferred from VEAP to MGIB without a notification letter or a PERSGRAM. Starting the end of January, there will be a statement on each soldier's leave and earning statement (LES) indicating the status of his or her VEAP account. This statement will be on each LES for a six month period. However, this statement on the LES is not an authorization to make the conversion; each eligible soldier must have in their possession the command letter or Persgram when they come to the Army Education Center to initiate transfer action." For more information, call the Army Education Center 876-9761.

West Point founders day— The West Point Society of the Tennessee Valley will hold a Founders Day Dinner, honoring the 195th birthday of the U.S. Military Academy, at 6:30 p.m. Friday at the Officers Club. Scheduled speaker is Phillip Marshall, sports writer for The Huntsville Times, who wrote several articles about West Point and the Army football team last fall. Cost for dinner is \$25 per person. For reservations or more information, call Dave Roesler 726-2929.

Civilian ID cards— Civilian identification cards for current and retired civilian employees are issued at building 3447, effective March 3. The identification cards— which are voluntary for those who want them for ID purposes — will be issued on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:30-3:30 p.m. only. Applicants will be required to submit a

completed SMI form 2446 signed by the appropriate approving authority prior to being issued an identification card. For more information, call the Provost Marshal Training office 876-2835.

Attic sale fund-raiser— Randolph School will hold its annual Attic Sale from 7-11 a.m. Saturday at the school at 1005 Drake Ave. Items available include antiques, appliances, clothing, computer equipment, toys, books, household items and more. This event is sponsored by the Raiders Club and proceeds benefit the athletic programs at the school.

Thrift shop— The Thrift Shop is accepting written requests from organizations seeking financial assistance. Written requests outlining the group's ongoing programs, reasons for requesting help, how the funds would be applied, point of contact and telephone number, should be mailed to: The Thrift Shop, Attn: Welfare chairman (Gisela Mulek), building 3657, Redstone Arsenal 35898. Applications should be received by March 31. Requesting organizations should fall within IRS 501C guidelines (non-profit organizations), donations to be used for athletic and educational activities. All donations that are approved will be distributed in April. "We would like to thank the community for letting us help them in their time of need." Solicitations from the community are welcome and welfare contributions will be decided upon and given out in August, November and April of each year. Requests must be re-submitted each time.

Scuba explorers— The SEAS (Scuba Explorers and Adventurers Society) will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at Mr. Gatti's Pizza on Univer-

sity Drive. For more information, call Theresa 876-2968 (work) or 518-9843 (home).

Hazardous materials courses— Registration is scheduled March 10-27 for spring quarter Hazardous Materials Technology Courses leading to an associate degree in applied sciences or a certificate in hazardous materials technology. The courses are offered at Redstone by Central Alabama Community College, Childersburg. Spring quarter courses scheduled include Industrial Processes, Tuesdays, beginning March 31, and EPA Regulations I, Thursdays, beginning March. All classes are held at Sparkman building 5304, room 4364 from 5:30-9:30 p.m. Spring quarter runs from March 27 to June 4. Registration packets are available at North Army Learning Center, building 3222 or at Sparkman Learning Center, building 5304. Each course carries 5 college credits. Tuition is \$152.50 per course. For more information, call Marilyn Lewis 876-3712.

Music ministry— The Oakwood College Seventh-Day Adventist Church, department of music ministry, invites you to hear the cantata "Make Us One" at 5 p.m. March 22 at the Oakwood College Church Sanctuary. This is presented by the combined choirs of University Baptist Church, Highlands Baptist Church and the Oakwood College Church Chorale, Singing men, Ambience, and the Childrens Choir. An offering will be taken. For more information, call 726-7279.

Skeet shoot— The Big Sky Skeet & Trap Range has teamed up with SESI for a March of Dimes fund-raiser at 9 a.m. April 5. Entry fee is \$25. "Please bring your double-barrel Automatic or Pump along with five boxes of shells." Competition categories include beginners, average, and above average. There will be \$50 first place prizes and \$25 second place prizes in all categories. All visitors are welcome. Here are directions to the range: From Huntsville take 231

South toward Morgan City; turn left on River Loop Road which is one-quarter mile from Catfish Haven; go down River Loop Road for one-quarter mile and turn right on McCutcheon Road. For more information, call Charles Sparkman 876-3890.

Recruit the Recruiter— The Army Recruiting Command "Recruit the Recruiter Team" will be at the Post Theater on March 17 from 9:30-noon and 1:30-4 p.m. All qualified and interested noncommissioned officers are invited to attend the briefing and learn how they can volunteer to become a recruiter. Invitational letters to some NCOs have been sent down through the command. For more information, call SFC Larry Henderson 876-7387.

Sergeants major— The Sergeants Major Association will hold its monthly breakfast at 6:30 a.m. March 20 at Radisson Suite

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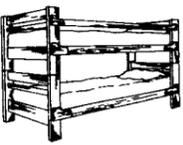


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Retirement ceremony—

The quarterly retirement ceremony will be held 4 p.m. April 17 at the Post Parade Field. Rehearsal is 7 a.m. April 16 at the parade field. If you wish to participate in the ceremony, call SFC Walter Jones of Support Operations 842-2500 by April 4.

ACS education committee—

The Army Community Service (ACS) Education Committee will meet at noon March 19 at ACS, building 3491. It is helpful to call in advance concerning problem areas that need to be put on the agenda. Any parent interested in the educational needs of their child is invited to attend. This meeting is open to everyone. For more information call Virginia Dempsy 876-5397.

Tricare users—

To ensure that Tricare medical and pharmacy claims are paid promptly, military beneficiaries need to inform the Tricare claims processor if they have changes in their other primary health insurance. The claims processor for Georgia, South Carolina, Florida, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi and portions of southeastern Louisiana is Palmetto Government Benefits Adminis-

trators (PGBA). Tricare beneficiaries who wish to notify PGBA that they have changes in their other health insurance coverage should pick up an Other Health Insurance Questionnaire at either their Tricare Service Center or from a health benefits adviser in a military treatment facility. The form may also be obtained by calling the PGBA claims number (800) 403-3950. The form should be completed as soon as possible, indicating the date that the other health insurance was changed, and returned to PGBA, P.O. Box 202001, Florence, S.C., 29502-2001.

Recycling contest—

The Solid Waste Disposal Authority has announced the following school winners in the 1997 "Calling All Phone Books!" telephone book recycling contest: Calvary Baptist Academy, first place, \$1,000 prize, 94 books per student; Williams Elementary, second place, \$800 prize, 66 books per student; Lincoln Elementary, \$600, 60 books per student; Morris Elementary, \$400, 31 books per student; and Holy Spirit Regional School, \$200, 20 books per student.

Red Cross blood program—

March 13 from 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in 5304 (Sparkman Center, call Mae Hargrove 876-5457 or Peggy Adams, alternate, 876-3000; from 8:30-11 a.m. at 8027, Rodger Pitzer 842-0731. March 14 from 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in 4488,

no appointment necessary. March 20 from 7-9 a.m. at 7770 (AMC MEA), Kim Andrews 876-8071; and from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Fox Army Community Hospital, Sgt. Coffee 876-8675. March 21 from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at 4752 (NASA), Janie McCrary 544-7552. March 27 from 7-noon at 5250, Bertha Childress 842-0356. March 28 from 8-noon at SSDC (Wynn Drive), Al Longhi 955-3693; from 7:30-noon at Corps of Engineers, Linda Merschman 895-1580, and from 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at 4505, Linda Keel 955-0900.

Chronic fatigue group

— The Chronic Fatigue Syndrome/Fibromyalgia Support Group will meet 2-4 p.m. Saturday at the Blackwell Medical Tower at the corner of Gallatin and Sivley. For more information, call 534-4741.

Brotherhood Run 5K—

The eighth annual Brotherhood Run 5K will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday at building 3440 across from Pagano Gym. Again this year the event is sponsored by the Sergeants Major Association. Proceeds from the run will benefit the units' Family Support Groups. All runners who have trained for the 3.1-mile distance are invited. Registration is now \$10. T-shirts will be given to the first 300 entries; and blue ribbons will be given to the first 75 kids 12 and under who participate. For more information, call MSgt. Aaron Jones 955-6555.

Scam— The following e-mail message, based on a topic presented during the MICOM staff meeting, was circulated last week throughout the Missile Command. "There is a Nigerian-related scam going on where individuals are sent letters asking for stationery with letterheads and their bank account numbers with some promise of sharing in a 30 percent share of a large financial venture. Anyone receiving these letters should pass them to Legal Office."

Toastmasters—

Redstone Toastmasters meets each Tuesday at 6 p.m. at Morrison's Cafeteria in the Madison Square Mall. For more information, call Joe Jones 461-0476.

Environmental meeting—

The Directorate of Environmental Management and Planning will hold a Technical Review Committee (TRC) meeting from 2-4 p.m. March 26 in the Sparkman Auditorium. This meeting is open to the public, and everyone is encouraged to attend. The purpose of the meeting is to update the public about on-going environmental cleanup activities on the Arsenal. Reservations are not necessary. For more information, call Pam Rogers of the MICOM Public Affairs Office 842-0561.

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'88 Dodge Daytona, 5 sp., new air and steering. 101K mi., driver airbag, \$2,500 obo. 350-1595.

'87 Buick Skyhawk, 75K mi., new tires, battery, air, auto, 4 cyl., good gas mi., very good cond., NADA \$2,750 asking \$2,400 obo. 883-0587.

'87 Honda Accord LX, 5 sp., CD player, tinted windows, clean. \$3,000 obo. must sell. Matt, 882-1980.

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Fur coat size 8, blue fox, \$150. 721-0614.

Gandy pool table, exc. cond.,

oak frame, slate top, leather fringe pockets with accessories. Worth \$3000 +, must sell, \$2,300. 539-8648.

General Electric stove, 3 yrs. old, exc. cond., \$150. Trash compactor, \$40. 852-4449.

Golf clubs, Ram Master FX 3-PW steel reg. shafts, matching metal woods (driver, 3, and 5) graphite shafts, like new. \$265 for all. 837-8253.

Ladies blue fox fur coat, \$200. Roper electric stove used once (new), \$300. Sofa, chair, love seat, \$200. 880-2962.

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