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## Redstone Arsenal salutes its volunteers of the year



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By Julie Vaughn

They juggled careers or family or school—or a combination of the three.

Even so, they made time to volunteer, to help others, to help themselves. And now, five of 12 "Volunteer of the Year" nominees have gained special recognition for their contributions.

On Feb. 10, the Selection Committee met to take on the task of choosing the five volunteers of the year in five categories. The winners in each category are: Youth Volunteer, Amardeep "Deep" Sibia; Service to Youth, Anna Schmidt; RSA Military Community Sustained Service, Nellie Brooks; Military Community Sustained Service, Clair and Leonard Flank; and Community Service Involvement, Alison Callahan.

Members of the Selection Committee were Col. Tom Planchon, Maj. Charles Green, 1st Sgt. Arthur Wiley, Sgt. Mark Jordan and Becky Miller.

All winners, as well as the nominees, will be honored at the Redstone Arsenal Volunteer Luncheon April 22 at the Officers

Club.

### Amardeep Sibia

Meet Amardeep "Deep," he's called, Sibia. He's the 15-year-old son of Sgt. Maj. Paramjit Sibia and Daljit Sibia. Nominated by the American Red Cross, Sibia volunteered in the records department at Fox Army Community Hospital. He met customers at the records counter, checked their identification and pulled their medical records. He has been dependable as well as professional.

Since 1995, when he became eligible by age, Sibia became a Red Cross volunteer. The agency said he has consistently donated the maximum number of hours allowed for a youth volunteer—32 hours a month.

The Butler High School sophomore, ranked third in his class of 355 with a 3.86 grade point average, said he still is "not sure why" he was selected as a winner. He attends pre-engineering classes at the Lee High Magnet School. After graduation, Sibia plans to earn a college degree in electronics or computer engineer-

ing.

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## Volunteers provide many services at Redstone Arsenal

By Julie Vaughn

Other volunteer nominees noted for going above and beyond the call of duty also will be honored at the April 22 luncheon. They include:

• **Elizabeth Marion**—Nominated by the Active and Retired NCO Spouses Club. Marion has volunteered an average of 20 hours a month for 10 years. She serves as the club's photographer, is a board member and assists with most of its club events and activities. Marion also is a volunteer at her church, is on its Usher Board and helps with vacation Bible school, among other church events. She volunteers her time for the Combined Federal Campaign and solicits for the savings bond campaign. She also has been involved in school sports ac-

tivities. Marion works full time at the Post Exchange. She donates her time nights and weekends.

• **Mary Bett Hunter**—Nominated by the Morale, Welfare, Recreation Library. She has volunteered an average of 25 hours a month since 1994 for the library. Because of downsizing, the library has gone from four employees to one librarian and one library technician. The workload, however, has not decreased. Hunter, a retired Department of the Army librarian, assists in almost all areas of library work. "She assists patrons always in a friendly and cheerful manner... and she always has something nice to say to anyone she helps," her nominators said. If the library doesn't have the material someone is seek-

ing, she locates what the patron needs elsewhere.

• **Lameka S. Cowan**—Nominated by the Child Development Center. Last summer, she volunteers about 40 hours a month. She provides child care for children as young as 6 months old to age 5. She initiated games and activities for the children on her own. Cowan made work for the teachers much easier. She put down cots at naptime, cleaned up after meals and made materials for teaching. "She interacted with the children in a loving manner... and gave them positive guidance," her nominators said. On one Saturday, she came in for a staff work day and helped clean closets and put up bulletin boards.

• **Elizabeth M. Stengel**—Nominated by

the Thrift Shop. For about two and a half years, she has volunteered about 70 hours a month inputting data of consignment sheets, tags merchandise and checks merchandise when it's delivered to the store. Her work has been critical in tracking inventory. Stengel has had to overcome personal medical problems. "Despite these obstacles it has not interfered with her time and ability to perform the details involved with these duties," her nominators said. She is dependable, caring, knowledgeable and helpful in every way.

• **Spec. Jacqueline Ubiles**—Nominated by BOSS (Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers) Committee. For three years, she

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## Month of Military Child events scheduled on post in April

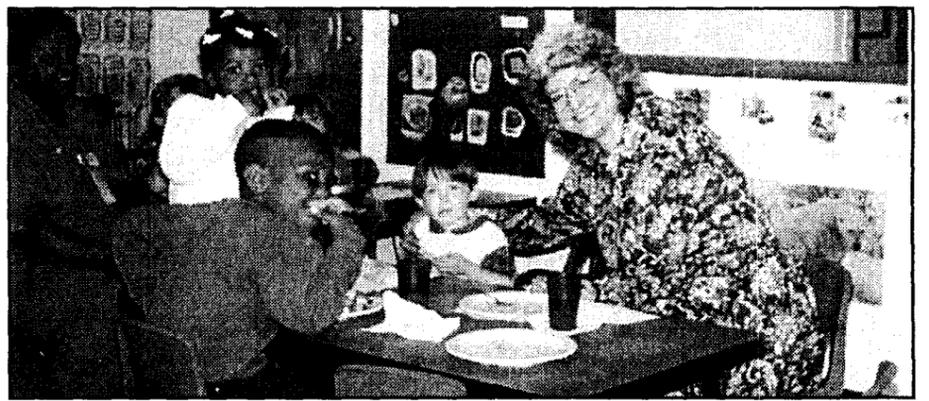
Here is a schedule of events for the Month of the Military Child observance in April:

- **April 9**— Parent's Story Hour at 10 a.m.; parents will read to children.
- **April 11**— Olympic Day at 9:45 a.m. at Babe Ruth Field 8.
- **April 12**— Community Block Party from 1-4 p.m.

at building 3148. The entire Redstone community is invited.

- **April 22**— Parent Fair from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Youth Center, building 3148.
- **April 25**— Earth Day Tree Planting at 9:45 a.m. at the Child Development Center.
- The Post Restaurant

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**LUNCH VISITOR**— Juanita Brandt, wife of RASA commander Col. Duane Brandt spent her lunch hour with new friends she found at the Child Development Center. Brandt enjoyed a leisurely lunch with children in preschool 1 as she toured the center.

## Commander's letter: Volunteer Week '97

This year, the week of April 13-19 has been designated National Volunteer Week. During this time we recognize the many volunteers who contribute so much to community welfare and service to our families.

This year's national theme, "Volunteers— Real People, Real Connections," represents the genuine commitment of those who fill the needs in our community; and the needs are great. Without volunteers, many services would not be possible.

Volunteers support our community through human services, health care, and education. They demonstrate caring by example, and through Scouting and mentoring programs. They help preserve our heritage and beautify our surroundings. Our recreational programs are supported by volunteers. Our civic organizations raise funds for scholarships, Space Camp, special events, disaster relief, and welfare in the community.

This week we focus on those who contribute their time. On behalf of the entire Redstone Arsenal community, I am proud to recognize our volunteers. They are making a real difference for all of us.

**Maj. Gen. James Link**  
Commander,  
MICOM and Redstone

## Helicopter office staff hold annual conference

ST. LOUIS— The ATCOM Utility Helicopters Project Manager's Office held its annual Black Hawk User's Conference March 3-7 in Corpus Christi, Texas.

"The conference was a success due to the support received from more than 430 attendees," said Col. Chester Rees Jr., project manager, Utility Helicopter.

Informational displays were represented by both government and contractors. Program highlights at the conference included a series of presentations by personnel from ATCOM, PEO AV, Communications-Electronics Command, Corpus Christi Army Depot, U.S. Army Aviation Logistics School, Defense Logistics Agency, Sikorsky Aircraft, General Electric and over 40 field units.

The Master of Readiness Awards were given to units for their highest average mission capable rate. They included: 5-101 Combat Support Aviation Brigade (Eagle Assault), Fort Campbell, Ky., for CONUS; 7-227 Aviation Regiment (Vipers), Hanau, Germany for OCONUS; and 1-147 Command Aviation Battalion, Madison, Wis., for the Army National Guard. (ATCOM release)

## AFGE's future

Several MICOM employees have asked me if AFGE Local 1858 will continue representing them when they become part of AMCOM. We certainly intend to and are taking the necessary steps to make it happen. We have requested that the Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA) get involved and render a decision concerning our right to continue representing MICOM employees when they become part of AMCOM. FLRA had held one meeting at Redstone Arsenal and one teleconference with all parties involved since we made our request. No agreement has been reached. We believe that since we have represented the MICOM employees continuously through numerous Command name changes, reorganizations, consolidations and divisions since 1958 and represent far more employees at MICOM than the other union at St. Louis and based on facts and applicable case law, we are entitled to be declared the successor to represent the AMCOM bargaining unit employees come Oct. 1. We are fully aware that MICOM management, MICOM CPO, MICOM Legal and ATCOM management have taken the position that AFGE or any other union will not represent the AMCOM employees when AMCOM is first stood up October 1. We are challenging that position through FLRA and expect to win.

**James R. Brothers**  
President  
AFGE Local 1858

## Onward, upward

From birth, we are taught that the world is fragmented, and that complex problems are easier to solve if we break them into separate, manageable parts. But in the business world of today, this kind of outlook will lead to not being able to see the big picture or the forest for the trees.

The foundation of honesty, character, faith, love and loyalty are necessary for a balanced success which includes health, wealth and happiness. As you go forward and upward in life, you will discover that if any of us compromise any of these principles, we will end up with only a beggar's portion of what life has to offer. If you use dishonesty, deceit or fraud, you might make money; however, you will have fewer real friends and little peace of mind and maybe jail.

Contrary to what we are taught as children, the world is not created of separate, unrelated forces. Organizations that will truly excel in the future will be those that discov-

er how to tap people's commitment and capacity to learn at all levels in an organization. This is because deep down, we all are learners, and enjoy learning.

The past year has been devoted to preparation for our new beginning. Our efforts have been directed at improving the benefits to the Redstone community. It is the centerpiece of our effort to improve the profession and knowledge and promotional opportunities for the IMMC (Integrated Materiel Management Center) work force.

Next year promises to bring even more revitalization for our organization. There are various committees currently working on areas of vital interest. One is looking at the placement of each new member to the work force with minimum loss of time. All efforts are focused on bringing the whole program up-to-date and in line with current administrative practices. Second group is linking into the leadership and management of the new organization. They will recommend ways to streamline the organization, improve the response time of the decision process and maximize our limited expertise personnel that is left. May the coming year hold nothing but excitement for all of you. Onward and upward.

Some of us don't realize that the real opportunity for success lies within us and not in the job; that you can best get to the top by getting to the bottom of things, and then climbing that ladder one rung at a time. The IMMC is a learning organization and sees itself as connected to the world, not outside of it; and realizes that problems are created by its own actions, not someone or something else "out there." It is a place where people are continually discovering how to create and change their lives. We are convinced that people above us know what is going on; however, when employees shrug off their responsibilities to learn, the organization suffers.

In a way, each of us is a light on life's highway. Whether you know it or not, someone is counting on you to let your light shine and your voice be heard, so he or she can find a path of hope. You may never know who that person is, but without you, his or her destination may never be reached.

There is a spiritual foundation of a learning organization. It is the discipline of continually clarifying and developing our personal vision of focusing our energies, of obtaining patience and of seeing reality objectively. It helps us to learn how our actions affect the world around us. The IMMC recognizes that personal learning and organizational learning are interconnected and dependent on one another. Therefore, there is only one place to go and that is upward and onward.

**Jimmy Harbin**

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# Management structure changes for some missile project offices

By Skip Vaughn

Times are a-changing for some of the missile systems currently managed by a program executive officer.

Three systems under PEO for Tactical Missiles—Stinger, Non Line-of-Sight, and Multipurpose Individual Munition/Short Range Assault Weapon — will be under the Aviation and Missile Command which stands up Oct. 1.

"There are three transition plans—one for each of those systems," Dr. Gene Paro, director of Weapon Systems Management Directorate, said.

Asked why the change, Paro said, "Senior authority has decided to reduce the size of the program executive office structure by moving certain systems from PEO to AMC (Army Materiel Command) management."

Stinger and NLOS will be under the new command's deputy for systems acquisition, Brig. Gen. Robert Armbruster. MPIM/SRAW will be under the new Weapon Systems Management Center which is to report to Armbruster.

Under its new configuration the Weapon Systems Management Center will include an Aviation Systems Directorate, a Missile Systems Directorate, and a Business Management Directorate. MPIM/SRAW will be under the missile systems directorate.

"It's all part of the implementation of acquisition reform initiatives," Shirley Hornaday, senior contract specialist in the acquisition management branch of Weapon Systems Management Directorate, said. "The PEO structure is to retain responsibility for the



**STINGER— A versatile, shoulder-fired and platform-launched missile, Stinger is among three systems slated to transition from PEO Tactical Missiles.**

acquisition category I and related II and III programs while remaining category II and III programs transfer to AMC."

Gen. Johnnie Wilson, the commander of Army Materiel Command, and Gilbert Decker, the Army acquisition executive, issued the decision Oct. 1, 1996 to streamline the program executive offices.

"It's just a different management structure," Hornaday said, referring to the upcoming change for the project offices. "They will be reporting to AMC instead of the PEO."

Lt. Col. Henry Turner, system manager for lasers at the Weapon Systems Management Directorate, is the Missile Command's representative for the project management transition. Hornaday is doing much of the coordination work.

The Non Line-of-Sight Project Office manages the Enhanced Fiber Optic Guided Missile (EFOGM)

which is a rapidly deployable weapon capable of defeating armored vehicles and rotary wing aircraft. The EFOGM fire unit consists of a gunner's station, equipment bay, and launcher assembly which are mounted on a heavy High Mobility Multi-Purpose Wheeled Vehicle (HMMWV) chassis.

Stinger is a fire and forget, shoulder-fired and platform-launched missile which

provides low altitude air defense for maneuver forces against attack by low flying fixed and rotary wing aircraft.

MPIM/SRAW is a cooperative development program with the Marines that combines the Army's MPIM warhead development with the Marine's SRAW flight module and launcher. It is a short-range weapon to defeat fortified positions.

## MICOM, ATCOM win safety awards for fiscal 1996

MICOM and ATCOM have each received safety awards from higher headquarters for fiscal 1996.

The Missile Command won the top-level honor, the Award of Excellence, from Army Materiel Command. The Aviation and Troop Command won the AMC Safety Commendation Award.

"I think it's great," Bryan Lorge, chief of the installation safety division in MICOM Safety Office, said. He added that this award is due to the efforts of the entire command.

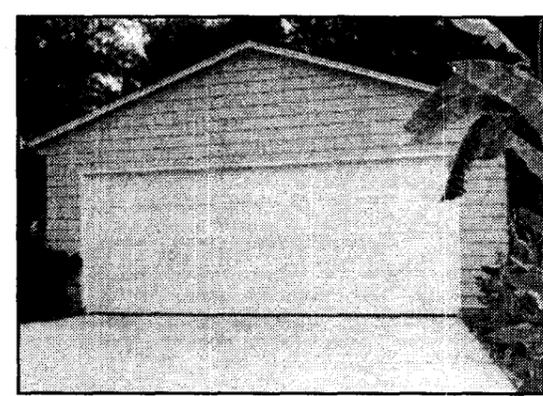
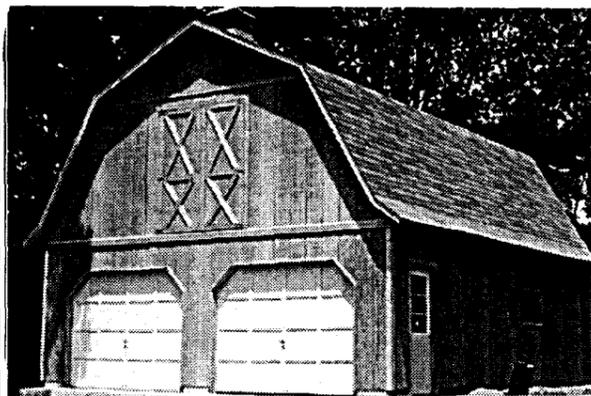
"It shows the command's commitment to safety," Lorge said. John Frost is chief of the MICOM Safety Office.

The Aviation and Troop Command received the AMC Commendation Award because of its record of accident prevention efforts and safety program initiatives and accomplishments during the past fiscal year.

Gen. Johnnie Wilson, commander of Army Materiel Command, told ATCOM, "I encourage you to share this award throughout your command. Success of your safety program involves personal commitment to quality and proactive involvement at all levels of the organization; a cohesive team effort of many people.

"Congratulations on the many accomplishments in your organization," Wilson said. "Continued emphasis in your safety program will further strengthen our efforts to protect and preserve our most valuable assets, the soldiers and civilians in the AMC family."

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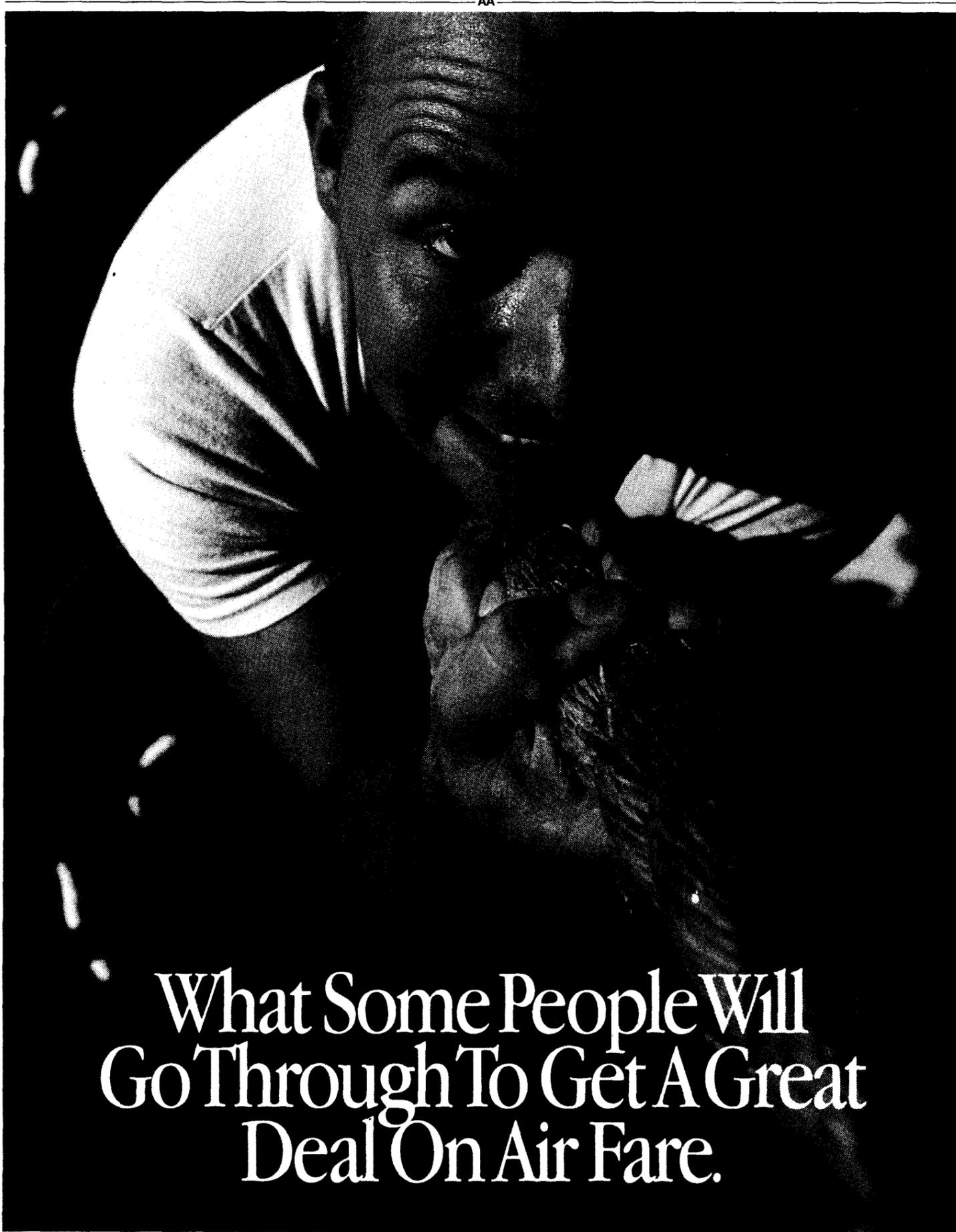
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# Warehouse modernization efforts working at Fort Bliss

By Thomas C. Kozlowski

In today's environment of diminishing funds and manpower, Army supply operations must review their operations to see where they can make improvements. One area warranting investigation at the installation level is supply warehouse operations.

Modernization of warehouse operations can play a critical role in successfully accomplishing the supply mission under fiscal constraints and, at the same time, may provide substantial cost savings. One installation that has successfully modernized its warehouse operations and met the challenge of "doing more with less" is the Army Air Defense Artillery Center and Fort Bliss in Texas.

The Fort Bliss Direc-

torate of Public Works and Logistics (DPWL) provides logistical support and services to all organizations at Fort Bliss. Under DPWL, the Supply and Services Division operates and administers a complete supply operation, which includes responsibility for the receipt, storage, issue, shipment, turn-in, security, and distribution of all materiel at Fort Bliss. The hub of general supply operations is building 2527, built in 1958. In addition, several WW II-era constructed warehouses, buildings 1111, 1112, and 1117, store general supply materiel.

When DPWL personnel began to review their existing warehouse operations and develop a storage modernization plan, they

requested assistance from the Army Materiel Command Logistics Support Activity Packaging, Storage, and Containerization Center (LOGSA PSCC). The Center is located at Tobyhanna, Pa.

The combined efforts of DPWL and LOGSA PSCC produced a strategy for consolidating general supply materiel and modernizing supply operations in building 2527 (the 1958 structure). The storage modernization plan developed by LOGSA PSCC was accepted by DPWL management as the most cost-effective plan in meeting their existing and future supply mission demands at Fort Bliss.

Developing the storage modernization plan was a step-by-step process that required teamwork among DPWL, the Fort Bliss Directorate of Resource Management (DRM), which obtained project funding, Directorate of Contracting (DOC), which awarded the project contracts, and LOGSA PSCC, which provided engineering expertise in designing and implementing the plan.

The primary objectives of the storage modernization plan were to attain the most cost-effective methods of expanding the capability of an existing storage facility (building 2527) to meet present and future workloads and consolidating general supply operations. These objectives were accomplished by maximizing the storage capacity of building 2527 and improving productivity of its operations through the use of state-of-the-art materials



**STOCK SELECTOR TRUCK—** stock selector truck moves between bins and lifts the operator to the bin level he wants. One of the two types of materials-handling vehicles obtained for the modernized warehouse, the

handling equipment (MHE).

During the design phase of the project, LOGSA PSCC visited Fort Bliss to perform an in-depth distribution, storage, and materials handling improvement study of DPWL's supply operations. They also evaluated current and planned methods and developed alternatives to optimize the use of storage space, manpower, MHE, and storage aids.

The LOGSA PSCC experts used the determination of storage space requirements (DOSSR) method to quantify general supply and engineer materiel storage space requirements. This step-by-step approach has been approved by the Office of the Secretary of

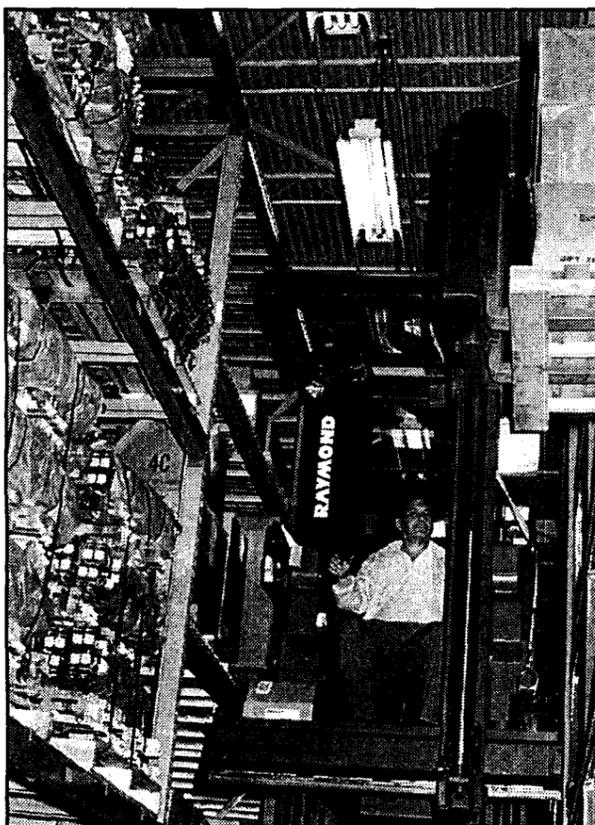
Defense for Department of Defense use. The results obtained by using the DOSSR method indicated that the proposed consolidation of general supply materiel was feasible and that the existing storage facility (building 2527) could accommodate storage of that materiel using very-narrow-aisle bin shelving and pallet rack storage areas. The very-narrow-aisle design utilizes a 5 1/2-foot storage aisle vs. a conventional 12-foot storage aisle.

Armed with this information, LOGSA PSCC developed a configuration of storage aids (i.e., bin shelving, pallet storage rack, and vertical storage carousels) that would

accommodate the consolidation of the general supply materiel. The LOGSA PSCC personnel developed several proposals for the operations layout of building 2527 for DPWL's review, using computer aided design to ensure a cost-effective solution.

From the proposed operations layouts, DPWL selected the materials handling system designed to support and sustain Fort Bliss' supply operation into the 21st century. The selected modernization plan called for consolidating materiel from the older buildings (1111, 1112, and 1117) into one consolidated

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**NARROW AISLES—** The man-up turret truck allows the operator to work both sides of the narrow aisles in the pallet storage area without turning the truck around.

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# Local center sponsors ATCOM employees



**ALL ABOARD—** Acquisition Center employees board a chartered bus that went from Huntsville to St. Louis as part of the transfer sponsorship program.

By Julie Vaughn

Two dozen Acquisition Center workers spent eight hours on a bus and in one day, may have gotten more than they bargained for.

The center held a "town meeting" at ATCOM in St. Louis and came back to Redstone with 138 ATCOM workers needing sponsors when they make the move here.

Although only two dozen employees made the trip in February, 123 people in the Acquisition Center here have volunteered to help make the transition a little easier for those in Missouri.

"Everyone has pitched in to make this a success for the people in St. Louis, not

just us," said Wilma Reed of the Acquisition Center. "I would say we probably have more sponsors than any other organization. Some have agreed to take two, even three, sponsors."

Among the many other organizations Reed gives ample credit to are Army Community Service here, local colleges and universities, license personnel at the Madison County Courthouse, Probate Judge Frank Riddick, local banks, real estate agents the Huntsville-Madison County Chamber of Commerce, and others.

In St. Louis, "we let them know how excited we are that they are coming and I think we may have

even swayed some of the people we talked to to come here."

She added that their primary message to ATCOM employees was that "the well is never dry. There are many people here who can answer their questions and help in any way they can. We have answered their questions by phone, e-mail and by fax.

"One man wanted to know about fishing and hunting here so we called the courthouse and they provided a box of booklets telling all about the hunting and fishing seasons and the licensing requirements," Reed said.

# Joint Meritorious Award issued to seven units

The Joint Meritorious Unit Award has been awarded to seven units for peace-keeping actions in the 1990s.

On Oct. 30, 1996, Department of Army announced that the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff had awarded the JMUA to seven units (two of which are additions):

- Combined Task Force "Provide Comfort" (and participating units) for the period May 1, 1994 to June 30, 1995.
- Joint Task Force "Safe Border" for July 26, 1995 to Feb. 16, 1996.
- Headquarters, U.S. Forces Haiti for Oct. 30, 1995 to March 5, 1996.
- Headquarters, U.S. Forces Haiti and Headquarters, United Nations Mission in

Haiti from June 1, 1995 to Oct. 29, 1995.

- Joint Task Force "Assured Response" (and participating units) for April 8, 1996 to Aug. 12, 1996.

- Joint Analysis Center Security Activity has been included as a participating unit sharing in the award of the Joint Meritorious Unit Award to the USEUCOM Joint Analysis Center from Oct. 1, 1991 to Oct. 1, 1993.

- Military Sealift Command Office, Bahrain has been included as a participating unit sharing in the award of the Joint Meritorious Unit Award to the Combined Task Force "United Shield" from Jan. 9, 1995 to March 3, 1995.

Only those members of the armed forces of the United States who were

present at the time and directly participated in the service or achievement while assigned or attached to any of the aforementioned units for 30 days or more, or for the period cited if less than 30 days, are authorized to wear the JMUA ribbon. Personnel must be assigned or attached by official orders to the joint unit/task force receiving the JMUA, either as individuals or as members of an assigned or attached unit.

Personnel who feel they may be eligible should request an appointment with their applicable Personnel Records Branch of the Military Personnel Office to determine final eligibility. (MILPO release)

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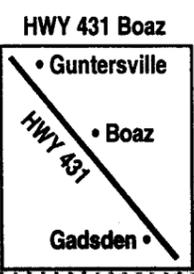
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# Controlled burnings completed on time throughout the post

By Julie Vaughn

The smoke has cleared. Although a wet March dampened efforts to burn dead foliage to make room for new growth, post firefighters and foresters still were able to torch about 1,500 acres. The goal had been for 2,000 acres.

Despite what seemed like a wet month, the National Weather Service at Huntsville International Airport reported 6.39 inches of rain, which is .23 inches below normal.

Even so, one good downpour can be enough to bring burnings to a halt for days, said post forester Jesse Horton.

The so-called "prescribed" burnings are meant to manage the natural resources on post and allow for spring growth and provide wildlife with new plants and trees to feed from, said Roger Schwerman of the Installation Management Office, Directorate of Public Works.

The burnings, which started Feb. 25, are an annual event. In addition to protecting wildlife, they also protect missile testing areas by destroying winter's dead brush.

"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, if and when 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 even off Redstone Arsenal.

For now, though, "we have closed it out," Schwerman said last week.

Officials concentrated on areas considered to be "fuel loads," he said. Those areas, full of dead brush and trees, can create a wild fire and if circumstances, such as wind, are right, the fire can get out of control, he said.

"We have several areas on the south part of the arsenal that we just couldn't get to, but we did get the larger fuel load areas," Schwerman said. "We got the most critical areas and we may, possibly do one more burn, but that's not for sure.

Although officials were not able to get to every area they had planned to burn, "we are satisfied that we met our goals. I think we're in pretty good shape."

# T-shirt design honors final year for MICOM

By Skip Vaughn

The T-shirt for the 1997 AER fund-raising campaign commemorates the final year of the Missile Command. On Oct. 1 of course, this will become the Aviation and Missile Command.

David Brazier, an engineering technician at weapon science directorate in the Research Development and Engineering Center, designed the T-shirts. Proceeds from the sales will go toward the Army Emergency Relief fund.

"This is the last year for MICOM AER. Next year it'll be AMCOMAER," Brazier said. With that in mind, he wanted his T-shirt design to be a tribute to the history of the Missile Command.

The red lettering on the front proclaims, "MICOM Missiles... The History Lives On." Color photos show Hawk, Patriot, Hellfire, Stinger, and Multiple Launch Rocket System. "The pictures actually came out of the MICOM phone book," Brazier added.

The RD&E center support office and weapon sciences are taking orders for the T-shirts. They are available, for \$12 each, in sizes small through triple-extra large.

To place an order call Brazier 876-3554, Tammy



AER T-SHIRTS— From left are Dr. William McCorkle, director of RD&E Center; Tammy Moore, the center's AER coordinator; and Brazier.

Moore 876-3033, Lisa White 955-6806 or Theresa McBride 876-2968.

The T-shirt will be displayed in building 5400 in front of the cafeteria. Orders will be placed every Wednesday through May 7 with distribution the following Tuesday.

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# Easter egg hunt provides fun for all after dark

The words on your mark, get set, go echoed through Vincent Park March 31 as the sun set. Approximately 50 people took to the park and participated in the "After Dark Easter Egg Hunt" sponsored by the Redstone Arsenal Boss Committee.

"It was a blast for the kids, as well as the parents and committee members," Sgt. Michael Coman, president of the BOSS committee said. "It was definitely hit."

Over 150 eggs were hidden throughout the park, but that wasn't a problem for the egg hunters. "We had kids of all ages out looking for the plastic eggs that held all kinds of prizes and treats," Coman added.

Among the big prize



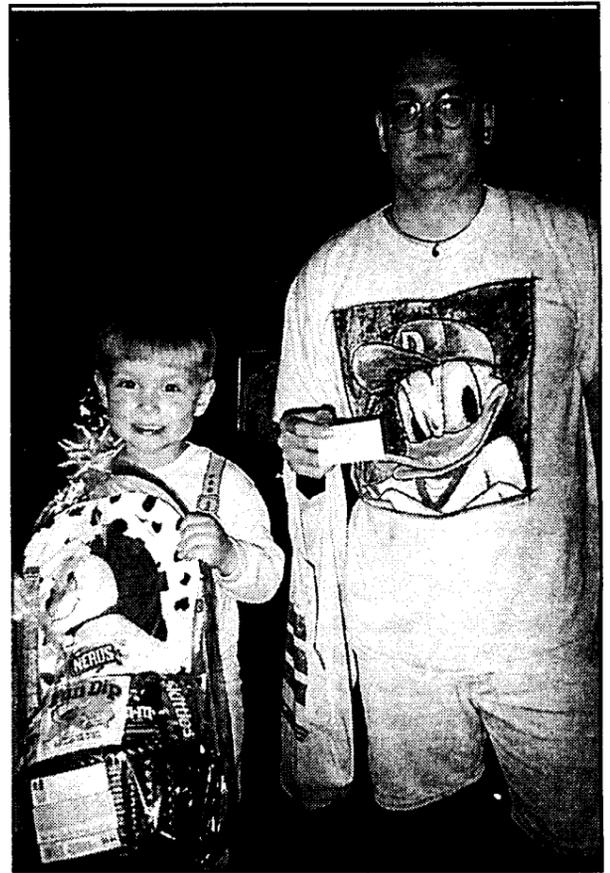
**EGG HUNTING**—Redstone Arsenal BOSS committee members sponsored an After Dark Easter Egg hunt where participants had

to search for eggs with flashlights. Approximately 50 participants hunted for the 150 eggs.

winners were Sgt. Rod Emmerson and John King, who both found eggs bear-

ing certificates for free dinners at the Soldatenstube German Restaurant. Christo-

pher Dever and Jimmy Majewski both found eggs worth a free Easter basket.



**EASTER FUN**—Kids, young and old alike, participated in the After Dark Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the BOSS committee. Christopher Dever, left, won an Easter basket for his efforts, and Sgt. Rd Emerson, right, took home a free dinner from the Soldatenstube German Restaurant on post.

## ATCOM recognized for equality efforts

ST. LOUIS—The U.S. Army Aviation and Troop Command received three awards from the St. Louis Metropolitan Federal Executive Board Black Employment Program Council Feb. 28.

First, Jean Cozart, chief, Equal Employment Oppor-

tunity Office, accepted the Agency Award on behalf of the command for ATCOM's contributions and commitment in furthering the goals of minorities and women and special emphasis groups.

Second, Daniel J. Rubery, deputy to the com-

mander, received the Supervisory Award. He was recognized for his outstanding leadership in enhancing the status of African-Americans, temporary and permanent promotions, awards and training opportunities.

Third, Monroe Walker, Maintenance Directorate,

received the Community Award for his community involvement with the youth in St. Louis City. (ATCOM release)

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# Sponsors get answers about helping St. Louis arrivals

*(Editor's note: Whitlock, instructor with the Quality Institute, provided this information in conjunction with the CPAC Training Division and Team Redstone Sponsorship Program. These are answers to questions raised during sponsorship training.)*

By Margaret Whitlock

• Q: How can I sign up to be a sponsor, get in on the training?

A: Inform your supervisor that you wish to volunteer. With his or her approval, register for the training coming up the first week in April at the Sparkman Center by calling the Team Redstone Learning Center Help Desk number, 876-6297.

• Q: How and when will we get the Form 5434 so that we can begin our sponsorship duties?

A: If you already know whom you will be sponsoring, begin communicating without the form. CPO sent the forms attached to the job offer letters March 3. They should be returned to CPO then forwarded to your organization's POC by the end of the month. Upon receipt of the forms, your POC has 10 calendar days to get yours to you either through your supervisor or through the channel implemented within your organization.

• Q: Will I be asked to sponsor more than one newcomer?

A: It is our goal, as prescribed by the AR 600-8-8, to provide one sponsor for each newcomer. If your organization has a group of

newcomers arriving in July and another in August, for example, you may be assigned two newcomers. No one should be asked to sponsor more than one newcomer at a time.

• Q: Is it all right for me to refer my newcomer to a real estate agent offering me money for the referral?

A: No! The Legal Office has asked us to warn you that this type of activity is illegal; as always, we are not to use our position for any type of personal gain.

• Q: Is there a checklist that sponsors can follow for success?

A: The Sponsor's Guide is provided to you during the sponsors' training for this purpose. Also, the "Sponsor's Feedback Form" located on page 10 of the training handout packet can serve as the big-picture checklist.

• Q: Can we e-mail the welcome letter?

A: Upon ACS guidance, we recommend not using e-mail for this purpose (For all other communication with your newcomer, it's great!) Rosie, from the Secretary of the General Staff Office, has advised us to use MICOM letterhead with the zip code of the originating office and our own signatures. It's important to show our newcomers how important we feel they are.

• Q: How long must a person live here before being considered a resident for college tuition?

A: Everyone will qualify upon in-processing. All that's involved from there is bringing a copy of the trav-

el orders to the university's admissions' office.

• Q: How much should sponsors do in terms of chauffeuring and inviting the newcomers into their homes?

A: By entitlement, newcomers are to receive "orientation to the unit or activity and community." How much you want to get into it is really up to your newcomer's needs and your own personality.

• Q: What time commitment is involved in being a sponsor?

A: The AR 600-8-8 states that sponsors be allowed a reasonable and appropriate amount of time to provide new employees with accurate, timely information and other support needed to minimize problems associated with relocating to a new duty station. The "reasonable and appropriate amount of time" and any related process will be defined by your organization.

• Q: Will we be reimbursed for gas mileage accrued in responding to newcomers' needs?

A: If you wish to pursue a claim, you can move forward under the revised MICOM R 55-10 which will be on the internet shortly. The web page address will be forwarded by e-mail/cc: Mail when implemented.

• Q: Are all sponsors aware of the importance of first impressions?

A: Yes.

• Q: How can we best respond to the questions on health insurance?

A: Let your newcomer

know that health insurance representatives will be on hand at the in-processing.

• Q: How and where will in-processing be set up?

A: Realignment & Transition Office with other key organizations is planning a one-stop shopping center for in-processing newcomers arriving July 1 through mid-September. When finalized, the details as to the times, place, events, and booths, along with your roles and responsibilities as sponsors, will be forwarded to you through your organization's POC.

• Q: Will civilians be able to benefit from the military's "lending closet"?

A: ACS is able to loan such items as child car seats and futons (rolled, twin-size mattresses you can throw on the floor) on a short-term, as-available basis.

• Q: Will BOQs be available upon arrival?

A: If on orders and if space is available. (POC - Billeting: 1-800-GO-ARMY-1)

• Q: What services will the Army Community Service provide for civilian newcomers?

A: Civilian employees are a vital part of Team Redstone. Some of the ACS programs that can benefit civilian employees include: Employment Assistance Program Classes; Family Advocacy; Consumer Advocacy/Financial Assistance; and Transition Assistance. (ACS can be reached at 876-5397.)

• Q: What videos does ACS have available to help newcomers and sponsors?

A: Relocation videos

available for check out: "Dress Your House for Success"; "House Hunting, A Buyer's Guide to Finding a Home in Today's Market"; "How to Select a Real Estate Agent; It's Your Move"; "Pricing Your Home To Sell"; "Selling 'By Owner'"; "Let's Get a Move On, A Kid's Video Guide to a Family Move"; and "How to Negotiate in Tough Situation." Available in St. Louis is a five-minute video on Huntsville put out by our Chamber of Commerce.

• Q: Does ACS have a list of local emergency numbers?

A: The emergency number is 911 both on and off post.

• Q: Where can a relocated spouse go to look for a job?

A: Either the ACS or the North Army Learning Center in Bldg. 3222 is a good place to start.

• Q: Can civilians use the housing referral office?

A: Yes.

• Q: What are the guidelines for sponsors' access on Internet?

A: Helpful Internet addresses follow: Team Redstone On-Line, <http://www.redstone.army.mil>; and Board of Realtors' information, [realtor.com/huntsville](http://realtor.com/huntsville).

• Q: What are the facts regarding safety of buildings on the Arsenal?

A: According to the Environmental Office, the

only building on post that was pinpointed for safety was Building 5681 which was formerly used to house DDT crushing and bagging. Internal and external assessments, to include those conducted by the Centers for Disease Control and the Department of Public Health, determined that the levels of both DDT and asbestos are well below any health risk limit.

• Q: What if I feel that my newcomer would benefit from professional counseling?

A: Employee well-being is management's responsibility; they are well aware of the avenues open to them, to include communication with ACS personnel who have a list of available community services. Once the newcomers are in the workplace, managers can discuss avenues of available services.

• Q: Do we have to give our newcomer a Sponsor's Feedback Form for him or her to rate us?

A: The purpose of this form is for us to gather program metrics, an AR 600-8-8 requirement. Regardless of how your individual services are rated, you will receive the Certificate of Appreciation from the Commanding General. The ratings themselves will be rolled up; the individual forms will be destroyed.

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# Intelligence officer recognized for 37-year career

By Stephen Rowe

Myrle Fowler, Intelligence Office (Production Management), in the office for Operations, Missile and Space Intelligence Center, retired April 3 after 37 years of service.

Friends and co-workers honored the occasion with a retirement ceremony March 26 at the MSIC. Fowler was awarded the Defense Intelligence Agency's Director's award, and was presented with numerous letters of appreciation, cards and personal gifts.

Fowler began work at MSIC in June 1960 as a clerk-stenographer and worked for a number of years as a secretary and intelligence aide. Then a major career change for Fowler came in November 1981 when she was detailed as an intelligence aide in the Program Management and Support Office. Within six months she was selected to the position of management assistant. She then served in progressively more



**MSIC RETIREMENT—** Col. Frederick Driesbach, left, presents Fowler her retirement certificate March 26.

responsible positions as program analyst, production control specialist, and finally in 1995 was promoted to a senior position as a production management intelligence officer.

Fowler joins her hus-

band, Wilton "Wes," in retirement. Wes retired from the MICOM Foreign Intelligence Division Jan. 4. Both plan to enjoy golfing

and traveling together.

*(Editor's note: Rowe is a management officer at MSIC.)*

# Fast funding seen for helicopter engine parts

ST. LOUIS— A first was achieved recently with the rapid funding for an inspection procedure initiative for the T700 GE 700 engines on the UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter.

Currently, a number of parts for this engine are retired from service due to hours in service. This initiative develops computer controlled inspection procedures to identify and remove those parts, which have become unserviceable. Furthermore, the inspection ensures the continued safe operation of the engine while returning good parts to service.

The project arrived in the OSCR office Jan. 17 and was returned to the initiator for additional information. It was returned Jan. 23 and on Jan. 24, a preliminary economic analysis was begun. Well, by the afternoon of Jan. 25, it had become a high priority project by senior management. Within a week, the validated EA was completed and submitted to AMC for funding consideration. In early March, the Funding Authorization Document was received in the ATCOM Resource Management Directorate for \$2.9 million.

Another first with this project was inclusion of multiple funding sources. Since the estimate for total project implementation requires \$3.4 million, the project would have a \$500,000 shortfall. The shortfall will be funded internally by Aviation and Troop Command.

Altogether, from the time of arrival in this office to the receipt of funding, 47 days elapsed. Previous times have normally exceeded 150 days.

Projected 10-year net savings are in excess of \$62 million. (ATCOM release)

# Acquisition reform deemed an Army top priority, West says

WASHINGTON— The Secretary of the Army announced March 10 that acquisition reform is now and will continue to be one of the Army's top priorities.

Speaking at a press conference at the U.S. Army Tank-automotive and Armaments Command in Warren, Michigan, Secretary Togo D. West Jr. highlighted the importance of streamlining acquisition procedures to beef up modernization efforts.

"Acquisition reform emphasizes the elements of procurement that are smart, rather than just traditional," said West. "It is a priority to the American taxpayer, who wants to know we are investing his or her tax dollars wisely and are getting results. Acquisition reform will also give us all the best 'bang for the buck.' This makes it the number one priority for America's Army."

The press conference heralded the "Department of Defense Acquisition Reform Week." On March 17, Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen kicked off a week-long observance that focused on conferences, training, and other activities designed to sustain acquisition reform momentum.

Starting in fiscal years 1995/96, the Army demon-

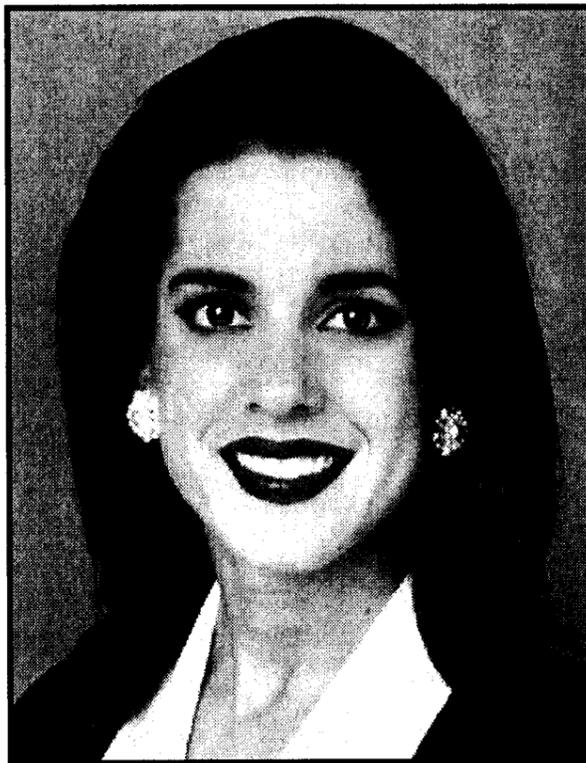
strated approximately \$10.4 billion in savings that will occur over the five-year defense program periods and beyond. Near-term savings were used to accelerate programs, generating more out-year savings. About \$2 billion in savings were used to pay operations and maintenance bills; the rest remained in modernization. These savings resulted from aggressive reforms that cut through red tape, shortened buying cycles, and leveraged new technology in innovative ways.

One recent acquisition success story was the air defense Bradley Stinger Fighting Vehicle-Enhanced, nicknamed "Linebacker." In a fraction of the time normally needed for weapon systems, Linebacker was fielded in 12 rather than 36 months, contract award time dropped from 18 to three months, and testing was cut in half, to one month.

Those changes streamlined production to eight months, and the unit cost for 56 Linebackers dropped from a potential high of \$2.4 million to about \$290,000 per system. (Arnews)

*(Editor's note: Prepared from an Army public affairs news release.)*

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**OUTDOOR RECREATION**—Outdoor Rec has outdoor storage available for boats, RVs, etc. Prices: up to 19 feet, \$7 per month; 20 feet and up, \$9 per month. Reserve your space today by calling Missy 876-4868.

**MONTH OF MILITARY CHILD**—April is the Month of the Military Child. For information about scheduled events, call Shelley McDonald 876-7952.

**LUCKY WHEEL**—You could win up to \$3,000 nightly with a spin of the "Lucky Wheel" at the Challenger in April. If you have a military ID card or Redstone Arsenal work badge or are a member of The Challenger or Officer's Club you can play and you may bring a guest. Call for details on the upcoming "Lucky Wheel". For more information call 837-0751.

**CARIBBEAN ISLAND NIGHT**—The first

Saturday night of each month is reserved for Caribbean Island music at Rhythms. The fun begins at 9 p.m. on the upper level. For more information, call 830-2582.

**SOLDATENSTUBE RESTAURANT**—The Soldatenstube German Restaurant is serving delicious German cuisine every Thursday through Saturday with dinner reservations required. Also lunch special is offered each Thursday from 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.; no reservations required. For more information or to make reservations, call 881-5158 or 830-2582.

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**POST RESTAURANT FUND**—With a cash register receipt for any PRF cafeteria, you can receive \$1 off any large drink from the Southern Wake-Up coffee vendor located outside the Sparkman Cafeteria. For more information, please call 876-8741.

**SPARKMAN CAFETERIA BOOKSALE**—The semiannual Sparkman Cafeteria book-sale will be held April 14, 15 and 16 from 6:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. in building 5302. Huge savings on all types of popular books; save up to 50 to 70 percent. The booksale is sponsored by Post Restaurant Fund. More information can be obtained by calling 876-8741.

**ROCKET LANES**—Summer leagues are forming at the Rocket Lanes. Wednesday mixed and Thursday Peterson Point, contact Rocket Lanes at 876-6634.

**REDSTONE GOLF COURSE**—The golf course is changing hours of operation. The course will start opening on Mondays; Mon-Fri: 7 a.m.-dusk, first tee time 7:30 a.m.; Sat., Sunday and Holidays: 6:30 a.m.-dusk, first tee time is 7 a.m. New tee times are also scheduled beginning April 14—Active

Duty: Monday from 7 a.m.-noon; Annual fee holders: Lottery drawn on Monday at noon; Weekday tee times will be able to be made to one week in advance; tee times may be made by phone or walk-in. Meadowview now open. For more information, please call 883-7977.

**AER BOWLING**—All games at the Rocket Lanes at \$1 April 10 and 11 from opening until closing. Half of the funds collected will be donated AER. For more information call 876-6634.

**TAKE A KID FISHING**—The "Take a Kid Fishing" program, sponsored as a joint effort between Community and Family Activities, Outdoor Recreation Branch and the Post Exchange is a fishing contest for eligible youth though the age of 18. The contest is open to youth who are authorized patrons of the PX. The contest will officially commence at the Col. Carroll D. Hudson Recreation area at 7:30 a.m., Saturday, April 26. You may pre-register at the ID check stand at the Main Exchange or Outdoor Recreation, building 5129 until 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 23. There is no charge to register and there are a lot of prizes and gifts to be won. For more information call Potter or Gail at 876-4868 or 876-6854.

## ST. LOUIS

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The program team and the Chief of Staff expect your support.

• Q: What's being sent up to St. Louis as far as materials?

A: Welcome packets of all kinds have been sent up and are available at the one-stop Transition Center,

through the Charles Melvin Price personnel, and on the Internet. The most important thing for us to remember about our role is not to drown our newcomers in information, but to provide them with what they need which can only be determined by asking them.

• Q: I am a matrixed employee. Who is my sponsorship POC?

A: Your immediate

supervisor is your POC for sponsorship assignment.

• Q: What is the population of St. Louis?

A: Metro. Area: 2, 492, 525 (U.S. Census Bureau, 1990).

• Q: Are the newcomers receiving advanced monies for their move?

A: Only travel, if requested.

• Q: How can, where and when do we introduce our

newcomer to the supervisor if the supervisor is moving in too?

A: That particular introduction may take a little time. The important thing is to accompany the newcomer to the new facility on the Tuesday by check-in time and to make the appropriate introductions under the given conditions.

• Q: Will we be getting a list/locations of CPAC?

A: The new listing was sent out via e-mail to the MICOM Community, to the local telephone operator, and to the automation office to update the electronic phone listing directory.

• Q: Is the AR-600-8-8 one of the directives on-line?

A: We spent the better part of a day trying to locate

it. If anyone has discovered it, please let us know so that we can pass it on.

• Q: What time is being allowed the newcomers for their move?

A: The ATCOM commander is granting five days total administrative time — up there or down here — in connection with their move.

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has volunteered an average of 15 to 20 hours a month as secretary for the committee. She singlehandedly sponsored, coordinated and executed several events including a back-to-school fashion show for children at Redstone. Without her efforts, some of the committee's activities "would have been a failure," her nominators said. As a native of Puerto Rico, Ubiles, "has a strong accent. Before working on

the committee she was very bashful, but has come out of her shell," said her nominators.

• **Kathy Harkleroad**—Nominated by the Active and Retired NCO Spouses Club. For two years, she has volunteered an average of 40 hours a month. She is recording secretary for ARNCOSC, and publicity chairwoman for the Redstone American Red Cross program, volunteers for the chapel, support groups, Army Community Service and other community projects. As a reporter for the

Redstone Rocket, she has used her publicity skills as a volunteer. Despite her work at the newspaper and her family responsibilities, Harkleroad "not only found time, she made time," her nominators said.

• **Capt. David Howard Estes**—Nominated by the Army Community Service (ACS) Education Committee. Since 1995, Estes has volunteered from five to 15 hours a month. He develops the monthly agenda for

meetings and meets with parents and principals to discuss various educational concerns. He continues to be a strong advocate for resolving all issues of personal safety for children. Although the Legal Office, where he works, has been shortstaffed, Estes, chief of administrative law, made time to work on dozens of projects. Estes also is the installation tax officer.

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# Sports

## Law Enforcement Torch Run invites Redstone runners

By Skip Vaughn

Road races aren't the only activities planned for local runners in April. Civilian and military runners are invited to the Law Enforcement Torch Run in Huntsville, and the Commanding General's Quarterly Post Run at Redstone.

Both events are fun— non-competitive — runs with no cost for participation. The Law Enforcement Torch Run, April 18 is selling \$10 T-shirts with the proceeds going toward Special Olympics. The torch run begins at 9 a.m. at the Elks Lodge on Franklin Street, continues in the Historical District downtown and ends at the lodge. The distance is about two miles.

The CG's Quarterly Post Run— mandatory for military here but open to any interested civilians — will be held April 22 at 5:30 in the morning at the parade field. The post commanding general will set the pace. Military units receive a grade for their cadence during this road run which is about three miles. The winning unit gets the post streamer for the quarter.

The Law Enforcement Torch Run is usually the kick-off event for the Special Olympics track and field at Milton Frank Stadium— not this year, however. The Special Olympics track and field will be held at Milton Frank at 9:30 a.m. April 15, and the torch run is three days later.

"Team Redstone has been a great supporter of the Special Olympics and we want to continue to be a great supporter of the event," Sgt. Maj. Dennis Smith, the acting post command sergeant major, said. Everyone is invited to purchase a Special Olympics T-shirt and wear it for the torch run. Available sizes for the T-shirts range from small to triple-extra large. If interested in purchasing a T-shirt— with proceeds going to Special Olympics — call the post CSM office 876-1874 or 842-0044.

The torch run, sponsored by local law enforcement, usually has plenty of participants from the Huntsville Police Academy. This time, however, there's no academy class in session. Redstone Arsenal, which has provided military runners in past years, has been asked to help fill the void.

"We will have some participants from each of the units out there," Smith said. Interested civilians are invited to participate, too, although they'll probably have to take leave unless they're off that day.

## Fun Run/Walk for AER fund slated April 17

Get out those walking— or running — shoes for a worthy cause April 17.

The "AER Fun Run/Walk," sponsored by Division B of the Acquisition Center, will be held at 10 a.m. April 17 at Tin City (off Patton Road). Rain date is April 24.

This 5K event is open to everyone. Proceeds will benefit the Army Emergency Relief fund.

Registration ends at close of business April 15. Your pledge of \$2 registers you as a part of the team. You may solicit pledges from others. The pledges you raise will go toward assisting soldiers and their families during times of hardship.

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pledge forms. The second step is to raise pledges; step three is to lace up your walking/running shoes and come to the event with your completed pledge forms; and step four is to collect

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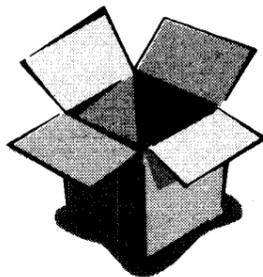
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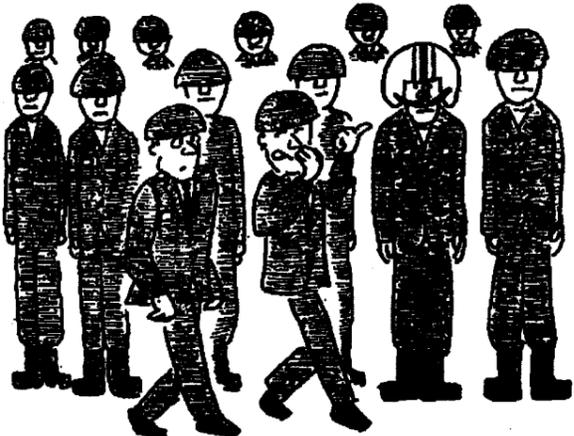


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# YEAR

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ing. Despite his accomplishments, Sibia is still baffled by his nomination, and especially that he won.

"Mrs. (Judy) Link called me and congratulated me and said I had won," Sibia said. "I didn't know what to say."

In fact, his mother said, "He was speechless. He couldn't say anything. He just wandered around here saying 'I don't believe this. I don't believe this.' I kept asking him what was going on and after a few minutes, he told me. He was very surprised."

Sibia is quiet, reserved, humble and by any standards, exceptionally smart. His parents natives of India, Sibia's only home for the last 11 years has been Redstone.

He also has volunteered at the Thrift Shop and delivers newspapers for The Huntsville Times. He was nominated for "Carrier of the Year" by that newspaper.

Sibia said he became a volunteer "Because it gave me something useful to do other than watch TV during the summer." While most parents can't pry their children away from the tube, television, Sibia said, "is boring."

"Amardeep Sibia is truly an outstanding young man, a youth leader in our community, and one that Redstone Arsenal and the American Red Cross can be justly proud," the nominating statement said.

## Anna Schmidt

Introducing Anna Schmidt. The wife of SSgt. Paul Schmidt, was nominated by the Active and Retired NCO Spouses Club. Although a post resident for less than two years, Schmidt is vice president of the club.

The 29-year-old mother of two young sons jumps right in at any post where her husband's orders dictate. "It keeps me from getting homesick," the Ohio

native said. "I guess my saying is 'just tell me when and where and I'll be there.' I'll do anything that's needed of me."

Her nominators noted, "Like most military spouses, her husband is often TDY. She keeps her volunteer commitments and spends a great deal of time at home supporting the club with phone calls and computer work. Our membership is mostly retired spouses over the age of 50. (Schmidt) relates well with a group that could be intimidating. Her election as vice president proves this statement."

As vice president, Schmidt has revised the membership roster, developed a monthly club newsletter and has generated computer program flyers to promote the club's activities.

Like Sibia, Schmidt is humble and shies from publicity.

"There are a lot of volunteers here, so I kept wondering 'Why me?' There's so much more that I'd like to do, but I have to manage my time between my family and so many different things."

Schmidt is in the bell choir at Grace Lutheran Church and is involved in Cub Scouts. She also is in training with Army Family Team Building program.

## Nellie Brooks

Nellie Brooks is a woman few could meet and ever forget.

Her teen-aged children were in a serious car accident, leaving one of her two sons paralyzed. Yet throughout his treatment, she maintained her volunteer involvements, and added to them the Special Olympics for the physically challenged.

Her son, now 24, recently competed in the Paralympics in Atlanta. He won

no medals, "but was just glad to qualify in a worldwide contest," Brooks said.

Several years after her children's accident, Brooks, herself, and her injured son, were involved in another devastating car crash on their way to church in Florence. Both her legs broken, she was in a hospital for a month and was bedridden for a year.

Even at bedside, Brooks while still recuperating, carried on at least some of her volunteer work associated with the Active and Retired NCO Spouses Club, which nominated her for the volunteer of the year award.

Although those injuries have since healed, her suffering still is evident. Her movements are slow and deliberate, but she lives what appears to be a normal and fulfilling life. Her spark and smile are an inspiration even to a stranger.

For five years, the wife of Army retiree Willard Brooks Sr. has been hospitality chairwoman for the club. But she's been a volunteer since 1982.

And last year, she was chosen Mother of The Year by her church, Mt. Moriah Primitive Baptist in Florence.

Despite that recognition, she was more than surprised when she got the telephone call. The voice on the other end said she had been chosen as one of 12 nominees.

Then came the call from Judy Link, wife of the post commander.

"When I found out I was

nominated, I didn't want to be," Brooks said. "Then I figured, why not? At that point I sure didn't think I'd win. But Mrs. Link said, 'Congratulations! You won.' I was in shock. I said, 'Who, me?' She said, 'Yes, you.'"

Now that her children are adults, she said she enjoys her volunteer work even more.

## Alison Callahan

Look hard enough for a homemade seasonal flag draped near the front door of a Madison home, you'll find Alison Callahan.

She's not Irish, but her husband, Maj. Michael Callahan, is of Irish decent. St. Patrick's Day has passed and already there's a new flag near the front door.

A bunny rabbit. In honor of Easter.

Callahan, 34, has 9-year-old twin daughters but still manages to donate her time and energy to the Officer and Civilian Women's Club. She volunteers an average of 80 hours a month to club activities, to the PTA and is the club's treasurer. She's active in coaching sports, in her church and has worked with the Brownies and Girl Scouts.

She's been non-stop for three years.

"This nominee is a wonderful example to us all," the club said in nominating her. "During many activities, she is the first to arrive and the last to leave. She truly leads by example.... She is truly an outstanding young woman."

Despite her husband's rank, there's nothing pretentious about Callahan. She graciously and patiently welcomed a reporter into her home— not once but twice.

Her sense of humor is comforting. "She has such a can-do attitude. She always wears a smile," the club's nomination said.

When Judy Link told her she had won, "I was in shock. I'm very honored. It never came across my mind. It's just something I like to do. It really hasn't registered yet."

## Leonard and Clair Flank

After 55 years of wedded bliss, retired Col. Leonard Flank and his wife, Clair are still on their honeymoon. Always smiling, their hands never seem to part. He kisses her whenever he or she leaves the room and tells her he loves her "at least three times a day," Flank said.

Both volunteer one day a week to the American Red Cross at Fox Army Community Hospital. She has donated her time for 40 years and he, for 16 years— ever since the hospital opened. The couple raised four boys.

She works in the pharmacy and he in radiology.

Flank, who retired from the Army in 1973, was a

government contract and patent attorney. He has not let retirement slow him.

For two months each year, the inseparable couple go to Puerto Rico to swim and snorkel. Even there, they volunteer at a hospital at a Navy base.

Their interests also include acting and directing at the Huntsville Little Theater. And she, a housewife, has taught Polynesian dancing.

According to their nomination, "These are senior citizens who could just sit back and enjoy retired life, yet they give of their time and talent to improve the quality of life of others.... They are loved by all who know them."

Both husband and wife received many awards and letters of appreciation for their service to the Red Cross.

"Things have been good for us all our lives and we just want to give a little something back. I like volunteering because it makes me feel like I'm needed and am accomplishing something," Clair said.

As for the Volunteer of the Year award, she said, "We were very surprised and excited about it. We still somehow don't know how or why they picked us."

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warehouse (building 2527).

The warehouse modernization project was funded through the Army Training and Doctrine Command's productivity capital investment program. Subsequently, LOGSA PSCC developed a final layout design and purchase descriptions for the required equipment; DOC advertised and awarded contracts; and LOGSA PSCC provided on-site assistance during the contractors' implementation of MHE and storage aids to ensure DPWL a successfully completed project.

The selected storage layout was designed to increase storage capabilities in two ways: by making maximum use of the warehouse's cubic space by installing a very-narrow-aisle storage configuration, and by mechanizing materials handling to increase efficiency and economy.

The MHE installed under this modernization plan includes man-up turret trucks, stock-selector trucks, vertical storage carousels, and various pieces of dock equipment. The three main storage areas installed in building 2527 are bin, pallet, and miscellaneous small-parts:

- Bin storage area. Building 2527's capacity to store small, loose-issue materiel

was increased by using 19-foot-high bin shelving units in a very-narrow-aisle storage configuration: this combination makes the most efficient use of the warehouse's cubic space. Stock-selector trucks were obtained to service this storage area. These operator-friendly trucks travel and raise the operator to the level of the desired bin storage location and are engineered for efficient loose-issue operations. Stock-selector trucks are versatile and can also operate for loose-issue operations in the pallet storage area.

- Pallet storage area. A typical pallet storage rack with 17-foot-high uprights allows materiel to be stored up to 21 feet in height. State-of-the-art turret trucks were obtained to service this area. The use of these very-narrow-aisle trucks, along with the installation of this pallet storage rack, offered DPWL the potential to expand both vertically and horizontally and to increase pallet storage capacity by approximately 250 percent over the conventional layout previously used in building 2527.

The turret trucks are designed to handle both pallets and loose-issue items. The turret design lets the operator work both sides of the pallet storage aisles without turning the truck around. The man-up design

allows more accurate placing of a pallet load into the storage rack and picking of orders at elevated heights from the operator's platform. These versatile trucks are used primarily in the pallet storage area for pallet handling and loose-issue operations, but they can also be utilized in the bin storage area for loose-issue operations.

- Miscellaneous small-parts storage. The plan called for the use of vertical storage carousels for storing fast-moving (high demand), small, and easily pilferable items. These storage and retrieval units are 19 feet 10 inches high, provide excellent cubic space utilization, and are ergonomically designed to help the operator pick the desired part. At the operator's command, the unit rotates (on the horizontal axis) the desired shelf to counter level by the shortest route possible. An operator can be assigned to two or more carousels simultaneously.

Both types of materials handling trucks (man-up turret trucks and stock-selector trucks) are able to service either bin shelving or pallet rack storage areas, thus offering versatility and flexibility to DPWL's storage operation. The trucks use a wire guidance system that relieves the operator of steering responsibilities in guided storage aisles, this reduces operator tension



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and fatigue and allows operators to concentrate on their supply jobs.

In addition, the modernization plan called for upgrading dock equipment to improve the overall efficiency and safety for loading and offloading carriers. The state-of-the-practice dock equipment includes a full-sized mechanical dock leveler and several edge-of-dock plates. Both types of units compensate for the height differential between carriers and dock and provide a strong, secure bridge from the dock to the carrier in the receiving and shipping areas. DPWL also installed safety restraints with their dock equipment. These safety restraints are designed to hold the carrier

at the dock during loading and offloading operations; they feature an audible alarm and flashing light that warns dock personnel if a trailer is not properly secured.

The modernization project blended storage aids, manpower, materials handling, and system controls into a complete storage and distribution process, resulting in significant space, time, and manpower savings. DRM has estimated that savings resulting from improved space utilization are \$285,000 annually and projects an estimated annual savings of \$204,000 in manpower requirements will be realized. In addition, benefits not quantified in DRM's analysis include:

- (1) Improved distribution. The selected MHE provides better accuracy, precision, and speed for materiel handling, which improves customer order rates and service levels.
- (2) Improved ergonomics. The materials handling system provides safer working conditions, reduces employee fatigue, and improves the comfort of personnel, all of which contribute to increased productivity.
- (3) Improved operations flexibility. The MHE trucks were selected for pallet handling and loose-issue operations based on their ability to service either the bin storage or pallet storage

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ed in BLDG. 5302, inside of the Sparkman Cafeteria on 21-25 April from 1100-1300. All books have been donated and all proceeds will go to AER. For further information call Corinne Campbell (876-9001), Vickie Hill (313-0354), Liz Mc Whorter (842-7770), Roxann Arrington (313-0376) or Renny Leonard (995-7936).

**AER JELLY BEAN CONTEST**, Sponsored by Corporate Information Center, The CIC is sponsoring a Jelly Bean Contest in support of AER. You can test your guessing skills by taking a chance on how many jelly beans are contained in a gallon jar. The skilled guesser will win \$25.00 and the jar of jelly beans. The jar will be traveling throughout most CIC building and Sparkman Complex during 26 Mar- 16 April 97. Donation are \$1.00 per guess. The winner will be selected at 1400, 16 April 97 at Bldg. 5303, 3rd floor Breakroom.

**AER BBQ PLATE LUNCHES FOR SALE**, Sponsored by WSMD, BBQ Plate includes BBQ Pork (From Greenbriars BBQ), buns, potato salad, beans and coleslaw. Tickets may be purchased from WSMD AER committee member

for \$5.00 each. Plates will be served at Bldg. 5303, 2nd floor. POC's Hazel Gilmore (876-9856), Sandra Johnson (876-7102), Mike Goggans (876-5685), Becky Akin (876-1791), Cindy Keeton (876-1165), Shellia Battles (876-2228) or Stan Williams (876-0164).

**AER DOUGHNUT SALE**, Sponsored by Lead AMC Intergration Support Office, There BMO office has scheduled a doughnut sale for 10 Apr 97 from 0630-0800. Tables will be set up in building 5300 at the adjoining corridors for building 5301 & 5302 and 5303 & 5304 and in front of building 5302. A dozen doughnuts will be sold for \$3.00 a box.

**AER ICE CREAM AND COOKIE SALE**, Sponsored by Lead AMC Intergration Support Office, The Asset Management and Requirements Team has scheduled an ice cream and cookie sale for 30 Apr 97 from 1100-1500. Ben and Jerry's ice cream will be sold for \$1.00 a cup, and homemade cookies will be sold for \$.50 each. Tables will be set up in building 5300 at the adjoining corridors of building 5301 & 5302 and 5303 & 5304.

# 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."

**Quarterly post run**— The CG's Quarterly Post Run will be held at 5:30 a.m. April 22 at the post parade field. In support of this event, the Child Development Center will open at 4:15 that morning. For more information, call SFC Walter Jones 842-2500.

**CFC applications**— Applications for the 1997 Tennessee Valley Combined Federal Campaign will be accepted April 10 through May 9. By federal regulations, only human health and welfare agencies recognized by the Internal Revenue Service under 26 U.S.C. 501

(c)(3) and for which contributions are tax-deductible, are eligible for admission. For more information or to obtain an application call Charles Scott, vice president of Tennessee Valley CFC, 536-0745.

**Modernization workshop**— A workshop on Modernization Through Spares will be held May 28-29 at the Sparkman Auditorium. The objective of this workshop is to examine the status of the MTS program and its synergistic effects when combined with other acquisition reform initiatives. The University of Alabama in Huntsville Research Institute is providing the overall administration of the workshop. For more information call the UAH Research Institute 890-6343, extension 234.

**Book sale**— The Post Restaurant Fund will hold a "Reading is fun" book sale from 6:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 14-16 at the Sparkman Cafeteria. Everyone is invited. "Huge savings on all types of popular books." Proceeds will go toward the Post Restaurant Fund. For more information, call Bill Bullen 876-8741.

**Union meeting**— AFGE Local 1858 will hold its monthly meeting at 5:30 p.m. April 14 in building 3202 (Union Office). Election of officers for AFGE Local 1858 will be held there that day from 6 a.m. until the polls close at 5:30 p.m. There was no winner of the attendance prize in March. In April the prize will be

\$250. For more information, call 881-7430 or 876-4880.

**Summer jobs**— Now is the time for teens 16 and older to start preparing for the 1997 Youth Job Fair. Army Community Service will sponsor a preparational workshop to help teens get ready for the job fair/job hunting April 15 from 6-8 p.m. at the Youth Center, building 3148. Topics will include tips for completing application forms, how to dress for success, and interviewing techniques. Guest speakers from the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, and Nonappropriated Funds Personnel will discuss employment opportunities. This workshop is open to teens of active/retired military and DoD civilians. To register for the workshop, call Debra Jefferson 876-5397.

**Bass tournament fundraiser**— Bass Buddy VI, a fund-raiser for Army Emergency Relief, will be held April 26 at Wheeler Lake, Decatur Harbor, from "safe light" until 3 p.m. There is a \$1,000 first prize guaranteed (provided that a minimum of 30 boats compete). For information call Gary Wilson 955-6816 (work) or 772-3732 (home).

**Homemade quilt rack raffle**— A homemade quilt rack raffle, to benefit Army Emergency Relief, is being sponsored by Weapon Systems Management Directorate. This quilt rack was finely crafted out of Knotted Pine by WSMD's own

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areas. This versatility improved the ability of the warehouse to support back-up and contingency operations and reduced the project's capital costs. Warehouse modernization should be viewed as not only making Army supply operations more responsive and efficient but may also providing cost benefits that help supply managers meet the challenge of "doing more with less."

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(Editor's note: Kozlowski is an industrial engineer for the Army Materiel Command Logistics Support Activity Packaging, Storage, and Containerization Center, Tobyhanna, Pa. He is also the United States Head of Delegation to the Materials Handling Working Party of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.)

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Jerry Simmons. This rack is comparable to racks made by the Emperor Clock Company valued at \$129.50. Raffle tickets can be purchased in building 5300 from any of the following WSMD AER committee members for \$1 a chance: Hazel Gilmore 876-9856, Sandra Johnson 876-7102, Mike Goggans 876-5685, Becky Akin 876-1791, Cindy Keeton 876-1165, Shellia Battles 876-2228 or Stan Williams 876-0164. Drawing of the winning ticket will be at 2 p.m. May 13 in building 5303 (second floor).

**AER book sale**— Command Analysis Directorate is sponsoring a book sale to raise money for Army Emergency Relief. The book sale will be located in building 5302, inside the Sparkman Cafeteria on April 21-25 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. All books have been donated and all proceeds will go to AER. For more information, call Corinne Campbell 876-9001, Vickie Hill 313-0354, Liz McWhorter 842-7770, Roxann Arrington 313-0376 or Renny Leonard 995-7936.

**AER barbecue**— Spon-

sored by Weapon Systems Management Directorate, barbecue plate lunches include barbecue pork (from Greenbriars Barbecue), buns, potato salad, beans and coleslaw. Tickets may be purchased from WSMD AER committee members for \$5 each. Plates will be served April 24 at building 5303, second floor. For more information call Hazel Gilmore 876-9856, Sandra Johnson 876-7102, Mike Goggans 876-5685, Becky Akin 876-1791, Cindy Keeton 876-1165, Shellia Battles 876-2228 or Stan Williams 876-0164.

**Contract managers**— Huntsville Chapter of the National Contract Management Association and the Redstone/Huntsville Chapter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers will hold a joint luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Thursday at the Trinity United Methodist Church, 607 Airport Road in southwest Huntsville. Ronald Davidson, the assistant secretary of defense for budget and national vice president of ASMC, is to speak on "A look into the federal budget." Cost is \$8 for members, \$9 for non-

members. The public is invited. For reservations call 533-3954.

**Surplus sale**— A local sealed bid sale of government surplus property will be held Friday at the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office. Items may be inspected today and Thursday from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. Bids must be submitted by 3 p.m. Thursday. Bids will be opened at 9 a.m. Friday. To view material for the sale or for more information, report to building 7406 on Warehouse Road or call Edmund Russell 955-0297 or Donna Davis 842-2570.

**Professional secretaries**— Redstone Arsenal Chapter of Professional Secretaries International will hold its monthly luncheon at 11 a.m. April 15 at the Officers Club. Membership is open to all government employed secretaries and office professionals affiliated with Redstone Arsenal. The membership chairperson is Ginnie Glazner 895-3846.

**Tricare briefings**— Tricare Service Center con-

ducts briefing and question sessions for enrollment in Tricare Prime on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Enrollment benefit packets are available from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Applications to enroll in Tricare Prime can be turned in during those hours.

**Ordnance ball**— The 185th anniversary Ordnance Ball will be held Saturday at 6 p.m. at the Officers Club. Cost is \$21 per person for this formal event. RSVP to 2nd Lt. Lynn Bailey 876-6697.

**Red Cross blood program**— April 10, from 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at building 5304 (Sparkman Center), call Corinne Campbell 876-9001 or Vickie Hill (alternate) 955-7497; and from 8-noon at 6260, Cathy Brooks 876-0351. April 11, from 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Tammy Moore 876-3033; and from 7-12:30 at 4488, no appointment necessary. April 18, from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at 4752 (NASA), Janie McCrary 544-7552. April 24, from 7-noon, at 5250, Bertha Childress 842-0356. April 25, from 7:30

a.m. to 1 p.m., Al Longhi 955-3693; and from 7:30-noon at Corps of Engineers, Linda Merschman 895-1580.

**Hard of hearing**— Self Help for Hard of Hearing in Huntsville will meet at 11:30 a.m. Thursday in the Senior Center classroom next to the card room, 2200 Drake Ave. southwest. The public is invited. For more information on the organization or the purchase of a Uniphone 1000 TDD/telephone, call 852-4580.

**Ballet performances**— Huntsville Ballet Company will premiere its new "Romeo and Juliet" at 2 and 8 p.m. Saturday at the Von Braun Center Concert Hall. Tickets are available at the VBC box office, all Ticketlink locations, or charge by phone toll free 1-800-277-1700. Ticket prices are \$10, \$8 and \$6 with a \$2 discount for students and seniors. For more information, call Huntsville Ballet Company 539-0961.

**Islamic center**— The Huntsville Islamic Center plans the following daily and weekly events: Jumuah Prayer at 12:15 p.m. Friday,

Islamic Study Circle at 7 p.m. Friday, Islamic Adult/Children School at 10:30 a.m. Sunday; and Fajr at 5 a.m., Zuhr at 12:15 p.m., Asr at 3:30 p.m., Maghrib at 6:15 p.m., and Isha'a at 7:30 p.m. (all five prayers are offered daily at the masjid). For more information call the center, 1645 Sparkman Drive, at 721-1712.

**AER fun day**— RD&E Center will have its annual AER day April 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Events will include a cake walk, bingo, ring toss, flea market, T-shirt sales, \$100 money tree drawing, concessions, and lunch. Lunch will be \$5 for the choice of barbecue pork or one-fourth chicken plate with potato salad, baked beans, bread and drink. Tickets must be purchased by close of business April 22. For meal tickets call Carin Boyd 876-7048 or Sondra Dean 876-1670. For more information, call Tammy Moore 876-3033.

**Golf tournament**— The ASMC annual Golf Tourna-

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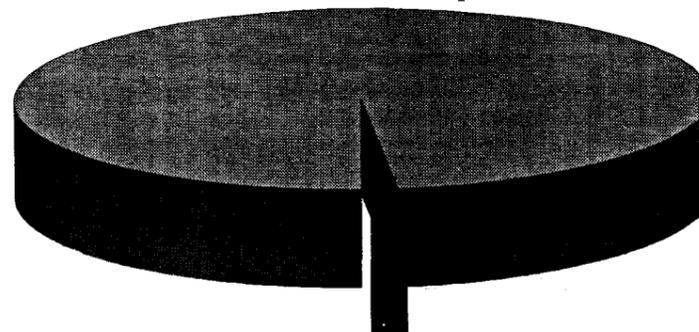
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**ASMC picnic**— The ASMC annual picnic is scheduled May 15 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Col. Carroll Hudson recreation area. Lunch is free for members of American Society of Military Comptrollers, and \$6 for non-members. Lunch will consist of one-fourth chicken, potato salad, beans, slaw, bread, dessert and a drink. Entertainment will be provided by the Jacksonville State Choir. "There will be door prizes, and fun for all." Reservations must be made through your monthly luncheon contacts by close of business April 30. For more information, call Tammy Moore 876-3033.

**Reliability engineers**— Society of Reliability Engineers will meet at 11 a.m. April 16 in building 5400, SELA auditorium. Darryl Davis is to speak on software reliability. For more information, call Eric Hunt 876-9566.

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**Retired employees**— The National Association of Retired Federal Employees will meet Saturday at the Senior Center on Drake Avenue. Refreshments at 9:30 a.m., and the program at 10. Jean Herron of the Continuing Education Program at UAH is to speak on "Academy of Lifetime Learning at UAH".... Huntsville chapter of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees will host the 38th annual convention of state chapters April 17-18 at the Holiday Inn at Madison Square Mall. State Rep. Jim Haney is to speak on the opening day of the convention. A pre-convention reception will be held from 6-8 p.m. April 16 at the same location. For more information, call 837-0382 or 881-3168.

**Florida Tech**— Florida Institute of Technology is accepting registrations for the summer semester which begins May 5. For more information, call 881-7878 or visit the FIT office in building 5304, room 4326.

**Chronic fatigue syndrome**— The Chronic Fatigue Syndrome/Fibromyalgia Support Group will meet 2-4 p.m. April 19 at the Blackwell Medical Tower at the corner of Gallatin and Sivley. For more information, call 534-4741.

**Secretaries Day**— In commemoration of Secretaries Day, the American Management Association will present a special satellite broadcast for secretaries and administrative assistants April 23 from noon-1 at Sparkman Center building 5304, room 4233. Program outline is as follows: Charting Your Self-Development in a Changing Work Environment; Enhancing Communication Skills Within a Productive Work Team Environment; and Fine-tuning Your Daily Organization Skills. All secretaries, administrative assistants, and other administrative support personnel are invited. Seating is limited for this broadcast. If you plan to attend, call the Army Learning Center located in the Sparkman Center at 876-1061 to reserve a seat. Spaces will be reserved on "first come, first served" basis.

**FACH smoking cessation**— Social support is one of the most important factors in successfully quitting smoking. Join Fox Army Community Hospital's smoking cessation program to assist you in using this important success factor. The schedule will be as follows: 9 to 10:30 a.m. April 22; 9 to 10 a.m. April 29, May 6, May 8 and May 13; and 9 to 10:15 May 20. Group support sessions,

from 11 a.m. to noon, are scheduled May 27, June 3, June 17 and July 1. These classes are free and open to all military beneficiaries and Civil Service workers. To register call the Public Health and Education Center 876-8831. For more information, call Susan Goodman 876-8831.

**Special Forces recruitment**— The 1st Special Forces Operational Detachment-Delta (Airborne) will conduct briefings April 21-23 at 9:30 a.m., 10:45 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. in the Post Theater. For more information, call SFC Larry Henderson 876-7387.

**Team Redstone hail/farewell**— The Team Redstone Hail and Farewell "Springfling" will be held 4-6 p.m. April 29 at the Officers Club. All MICOM and ATCOM civilian and military personnel, regardless of grade or rank, are invited. Honorees will include all military and civilian employees, GM/GS-11 and above, who have joined MICOM February, March and April and those scheduled to depart before June 30. Dress is duty uniform for military and normal duty attire for civilians. Cost is \$4 per person. For more information call Maj. Booth 876-4588, Maj. Sharp 876-1119 or Capt. Busch 876-4626.

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**Dining room table** with 6 padded oak chairs, sofa and matching chair, end tables, lamps, mirror, washer, bicycles and more. 880-7712 after 5pm.

**'85 Kenmore trash compactor**. Bags sold at Sears. Good cond., great for recycling, \$30. 852-4449, Anita.

**'84 Chapparral Bow Rider 187**. 4 cyl. Mercruiser, 140 Hp. I/O canopy, trailer, low hrs., very good cond., \$5,650. 837-7352.

**'89 Chapparral I/O ski boat**. 17 ft., 1130 hp., trailer, stereo, cover, ski equipment, must see. \$6,500 obo. 842-6802 or 880-3007.

**'86 Travel Villa 25'**, new refr., AM/FM/Tape, clean, little usage, dual axle, moving, must sell. \$6,000 obo. 883-1905.

**Fabulous green wrought iron** dinette set. Paid \$1700 will sell for \$600. Call 461-8279, Willie.

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**Frost free 18 cu. ft.** white Fridgidaire refrigerator, very good cond., \$150. 837-1363.

**Furniture sale**. Dining room set with 6 chairs, round table with big feet. 837-9814, lv. msg.

**Golf clubs, L/H 3-SW**, graphite shafts, 2 yrs. old, \$100. 1,3,4,5 woods, 3-PW steel shaft, bag and cart, 4130. 859-9596.

**Golf clubs**. Pro-line 1,3,4 and 5 metal woods with graphite shafts, regular flex, \$35 ea. or all for \$130. 837-8331.

**Hosta plants**, large bunch, 15 to 20 plants per bunch, \$10 ea. 883-8195.

**Living room couch/sofa bed**, queensize. Like new, recently recovered, asking \$250 obo. 881-5360, lv. msg.

**Mattress and box springs**, used, full or queen, \$50 ea. Kingsize, \$75. 539-6399.

**Mountain bike**, \$50 obo. Want to buy good used computer motherboard 486 or better, must be reasonably priced. 882-0407.

**Moving sale**. Sofa and loveseat, 6 mo. new from Rhodes, \$650. White washed French provincial dining table with chairs, \$175. 881-3801.

**Must sell, '95 Procraft** bass boat, model #V-150B, 75 Hp. Mercury motor, 4 hrs. of use. 722-0467.

**Nice coffee table**, oak and glass. Suitable for use with double recliner sofa or regular sofa. \$65. 828-5166, lv. msg.

**Nintendo Entertainment System** complete with controllers. Great for a child just starting out. \$45. games at \$8 ea. include Tiny Toon Adv. 2, Super Mario, GI Joe and others. 880-7947.

**'94 Harley Davidson XLH1200**, black sportster, great cond., low mi., extras. \$8,750 neg. 859-3741.

**'94 Yamaha Waverunner**, 55 Hp., low Hrs., very good cond., trailer, \$3,250. 837-7352.

**Popular Zip 100 MB** per disk backup drive with one disk, by lomega, one owner. Make reasonable offer. 721-0342.

**Sears tractor**, 11 Hp. riding lawn mower in exc. cond., \$575. Lawn Boy self propelled with bagger, \$100. 881-8638.

**Sofa sleeper**, good cond., \$125. Oak entertainment center, \$150. Pink Chippendale sofa, \$100. 828-1992.

**Southwestern style butcher** block wood living room end table, coffee table, entertainment center, honey oak finish, \$400. 650-5146 after 6 pm.

**Underwater camera**. Sea and Sea Motormarine II and YS-50 TTL strobe kit, like new. Still in orig. boxes. \$600. (205) 586-7715.

**Want to buy used metal** garden/yard edging strips. Usually green and in 10' lengths. 880-8681.

**Washer**, \$40. Dryer, \$65. Both in good cond. 881-1810 after 6 pm.

**Waterbed**, kingsize, low wave Serta mattress, pedestal, headboard and side rails. Exc. cond.

Will move and set up. \$375. 880-1489.

**Wicker and iron patio/sunroom** furniture, includes settee, chairs, tables, planters and cushions. \$500. 852-8237.

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**For Sale By Owner**. Medical district, adorable home in mint cond., exc. neighborhood. \$74,500. 534-3377.

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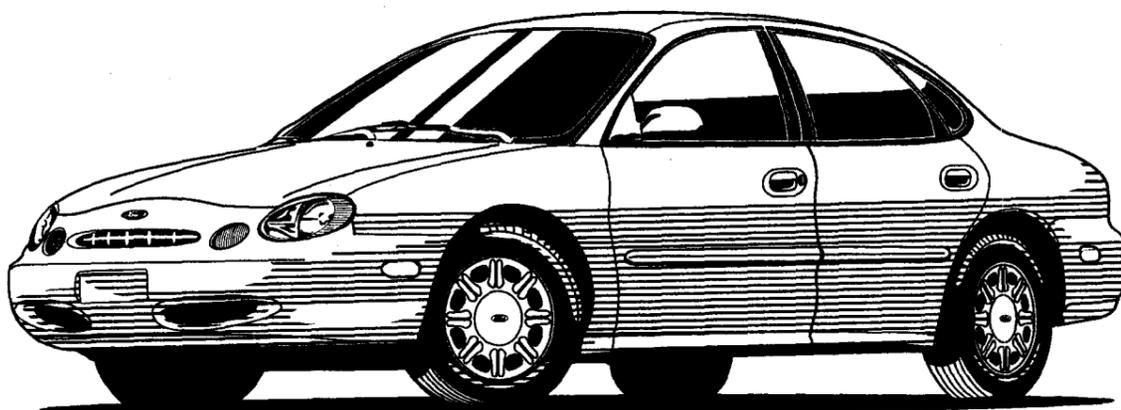
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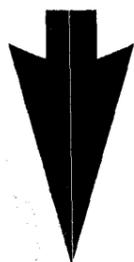


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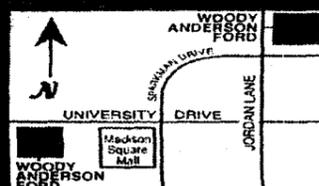
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