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Javelin gunner fires winning shot in demonstration for generals

By Skip Vaughn

The pause seemed to last forever. The same type of wait before a kicker lines up to try a do-or-die field goal; or when a basketball player prepares to take a game-deciding shot.

This time the player was a soldier, his sport was a Javelin missile demonstration, and the gallery included general officers from throughout the Army. SFC Douglas Logan, who professed later to nervousness, made his final pre-shot preparations for the Army's new shoulder-fired, antitank weapon. After that long pause, he fired at the stationary T-72 tank target some 1,320 meters away on Test Area 1.

He hit it dead center. Right through the uprights. Nothing but net.

A roar went up from the appreciative audience of



FRONT ROW SEATS— Watching the demonstration are, from left, Gerald Smith; Vicky Armbruster, the deputy program executive officer for tactical missiles; and Gen. Reimer.

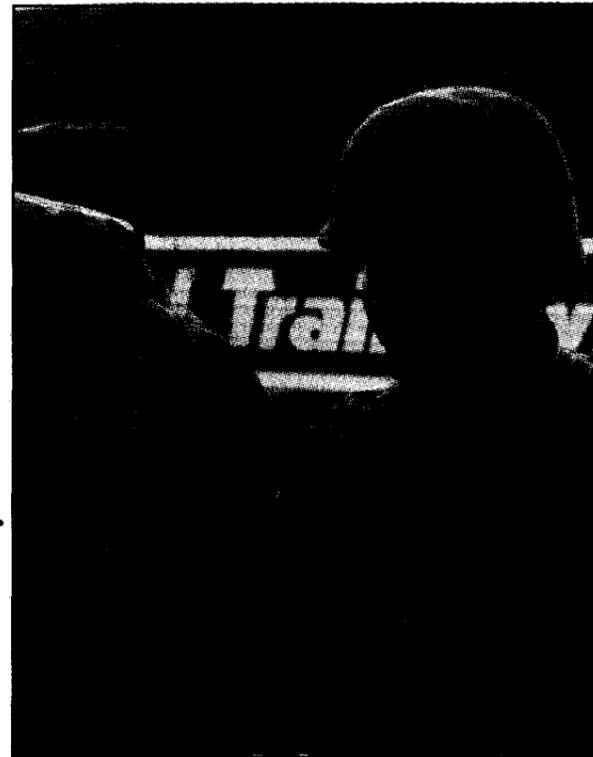
about 150 general officers and sergeants major who were here last week for the Senior Leader Training Conference. Gen. Dennis Reimer, the Army chief of staff, led the smiling fans who congratulated Logan afterwards. "One shot, one

kill, sir," Logan told the general.

No one was more relieved than Gerald Smith, the Javelin deputy project manager, who felt like his own career was at stake. "He knocked the hell out of it," Smith said, confirming

that Logan killed the target. "It was great."

This was a first-and-last opportunity for Logan, a member of Javelin project office for the past four years. It was the first time he had shot Javelin from his shoulder, although he had



JOB WELL DONE— Logan accepts congratulations after his successful shot.

fired it in the past remotely from inside a launch control van. And this was also the final firing opportunity for Logan, who goes on terminal leave the first of August before retiring from the Army on Sept. 30.

"I've been waiting to do this four years now," Logan said before taking his shot. Afterwards, he described the feeling as "ungodly" and said it was a once-in-a-

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Gibson outlines his initial goals as commanding general

By Skip Vaughn

The new commander of AMCOM and Redstone Arsenal has three main priorities as he begins his tour here.

"First, I think we need to make sure we take care of the people—the civilians, soldiers and their families," Maj. Gen. Emmitt Gibson, commander of the Aviation and Missile Command, said after the change of command ceremony Thursday. "Second, I think we have to very quickly stand up AMCOM.

"And third, to make sure we continue to provide the high quality and professional support to our customers—the support that they're accustomed to getting from MICOM and ATCOM," Gibson said.

Thursday's event marked the end of the Missile Command, the beginning of the Aviation and Missile Command, and the passing of leadership to Gibson from Maj. Gen. James Link. A large crowd watched the ceremony in the courtyard of the Sparkman Center.

AMCOM was formed by the merger of



TAKING CHARGE— Gibson addresses attendees at the change of command ceremony. Looking on are Wilson, left, and Link.

the Army's aviation and missile functions. Gibson previously served in St. Louis as commander of the Aviation and Troop Command which was deactivated June 26.

"It's a distinct privilege to have the opportunity to be the first commander of AMCOM, the Army Aviation and Missile Command," Gibson said.

Link, who served as commander of the Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal since June 1994, received the Distinguished Service Medal during the ceremony. Gen. Johnnie Wilson, commander of the Army Materiel Command, also presented the Outstanding Civilian Service Medal to Link's wife, Judy.

"This ceremony marks the closing of one chapter of excellence and the start of another," Wilson said.

Link leaves for his new assignment in Washington, D.C. as chief of staff of the Army Materiel Command. He thanked his family, the work force, and the community, and wished the Gibsons success.

"This is truly a unique community and, I tell you, a wonderful place to live and work," Link said. He later added, "We hope in fact to return to this community soon."

Gibson, 53, and his wife, Mary, have two children: Mary Anna Jordan and Frank Gibson.

"You truly have a great team here, Jim," Gibson told Link. "And Mary and I have some big shoes to fill."



Letters To The Editor

Feed the needy

Thank you so much for running our article in the Rocket (July 9). Your generosity will help us feed needy people in Morgan County. As an all-volunteer organization, for every \$1,000 we raise we can obtain and distribute over 2 tons of food from the Food Bank.

Jim Henderson

Vending machines

This Sunday morning started out to be such a beautiful sunny summer day. That is until I return from the commissary, the location where I get my Sunday "Huntsville Times." Now there isn't much that gets me angry as when one of those vending machines takes my money and then fails to return it when the newspaper is unattainable. And with even the coin return button being disconnected. Three times this year I have had my dollar and 25 cents taken from me. Oh these vending machines are just as bad as the computerized phone systems. But that is another story.

Surely there has to be someone at Redstone Arsenal to oversee the vendors that supply services to the public. I am not aware of how many other people feel this way about the newspaper vending machines. If the party that owns or services these machines is not interested in providing the expected services, then maybe they should be replaced.

My wife and I are enjoying our "second" retirement and we are enjoying living in Huntsville and Madison County. Now tell me, why would anyone want to ruin my Sunday, even though it is only \$1.25? What is the vendor doing with all the excess Sunday papers; he has his money, guess he doesn't really care.

David A. Williamson

(Editor's note: The support operations division at Redstone Arsenal Support Activity provided the following response. "When a request to place a newspaper vending machine on Redstone Arsenal is received, it is forwarded to the organization where the stand is to be placed and to Legal for concurrence/nonconcurrence. The operation and cleanliness of the stand is up to the owner of the stand, not Redstone Arsenal. Contact with 'The Huntsville Times' indicated that if this individual had contacted them, they would have been more than happy to replace the individual's losses. They have assured us that they will check out the vending machine.

Appreciation

I have heard that the people of ATCOM who arrived early have spoken proudly of the appearance of the Sparkman Center complex and the beauty of the surrounding community.

We seldom pause to reflect about IMMC's move to the Sparkman Center (September 1994). When we moved in, I could not believe the newness and cheerful environment that is present on each floor of the Sparkman Center complex. We should let others know how we feel in showing our appreciation to those working in the Sparkman Center complex. It is not too late.

Many of the employees, at both ATCOM and MICOM, view the future with hope, with the power of adaptation, to meet the most varied and constantly changing conditions; thus, it will be accomplished. Is it too much to believe that our past and future co-workers will not only advance steadily through the great period ahead? We here at Redstone are waiting to adapt ourselves further to improve ourselves and continue to move forward. The people of ATCOM and MICOM join into one command in July. With our modern methods of transportation and communication, all people are neighbors.

Political change or combining two different commands does not necessarily involve fighting. A more peaceful kind of revolution is going on right now. We are learning

to work together as one body on the enormous job of setting up AMCOM. The move of the St. Louis people to Redstone has many problems, but most of them have been satisfactorily solved.

Therefore, each of us should wish the incoming personnel continued success as well as offer encouragement to meet new opportunities and challenges with the same spirit as before. Better times are coming.

Jimmy Harbin
IMMC

Drug testing

Corrections to the article that appeared in the July 2 issue of the Redstone Rocket, subject: "Drug testing program to absorb civilian work force at Redstone," pages 1 and 17. Drug testing at Redstone, as at other Army installations, is used as one tool to ensure the deterrence of illegal drug use in the workplace. Drug testing also helps maintain a Drug Free Workplace. Civilian employees on Redstone Arsenal whose jobs require them to be drug tested as a condition of employment, are assigned, with their written consent, into specific designated testing positions slots. These jobs are important enough to the mission or to the protection of public safety that testing to detect the presence of drugs is warranted as a condition of employment. All drug testing is done within the regulations and guidelines of HQ AMC and the Department of the Army.

At the present time drug testing is only done through the Biochemical Testing Program. Blood samples are not used as a testing tool in the Army's Drug Testing Program. No civilian employee is forced to participate in rehabilitation. It is not the program responsibility to catch anyone. For more information, please call the Redstone Arsenal alcohol and drug control officer, 876-2990.

Ruby Turner-Blake
Alcohol and drug control officer

Women's club members say goodbye to Judy Link

By Kathy Harkleroad

It was the event of the season on Redstone Arsenal, and the ladies came out in droves to wish Judy Link well in her new home. Link was honored at a Farewell Tea hosted by the Officer and Civilian Women's Club on July 14, prior to her departure for Washington, D.C.

Link and her husband, Maj. Gen. James Link, former post commander, leave for his new assignment as chief of staff for the Army Materiel Command.

Approximately 150 well-wishers gathered in the ballroom of the Officers Club after greeting Judy Link in the receiving line. Special guests included Huntsville Mayor Loretta Spencer, as well as other dignitaries.

After receiving her guests, Link was honored by Wanda Harville, past president of OCWC. Harville listed Link's contributions to both the Redstone and Huntsville communities. "Judy was involved with

many organizations and took her responsibilities to heart," she said.

Link served as the honorary president of OCWC and was instrumental in implementing the annual Pineapple Invitational Golf Tournament held on the Arsenal. She was active in the American Red Cross and took a special interest in the organization both on and off post.

Link was also involved with the Huntsville City Schools Foundation and was an active supporter of the Festival of the Arts. She sat on the boards of the Huntsville Humane Society, and the Oktoberfest celebration; as well as serving as the honorary adviser to the Active and Retired NCO Spouses Club.

She was active in several committees at Army Community Service, including the ACS Education Committee. Link also took part in the annual Cerebral Palsy telethon.

Link received gifts from various organizations on the Arsenal which included a shadowbox from Active and Retired NCO



FINAL FAREWELLS— Link, left, said her final goodbyes to more than 150 well-wishers at the Officers Club during her Farewell Tea.

Spouses Club filled with personal mementos from the members. She also received a framed picture that included her wedding invitation graced with dry flowers from the OCWC board members. From the club itself she received a brass and glass pineapple lamp.

Link also made presentations to the new OCWC president, Teri Holly, and to past president Harville.

Coffee, tea and punch were served at the event; and the ballroom was graced with a pineapple ice sculpture and a large bouquet of flowers.

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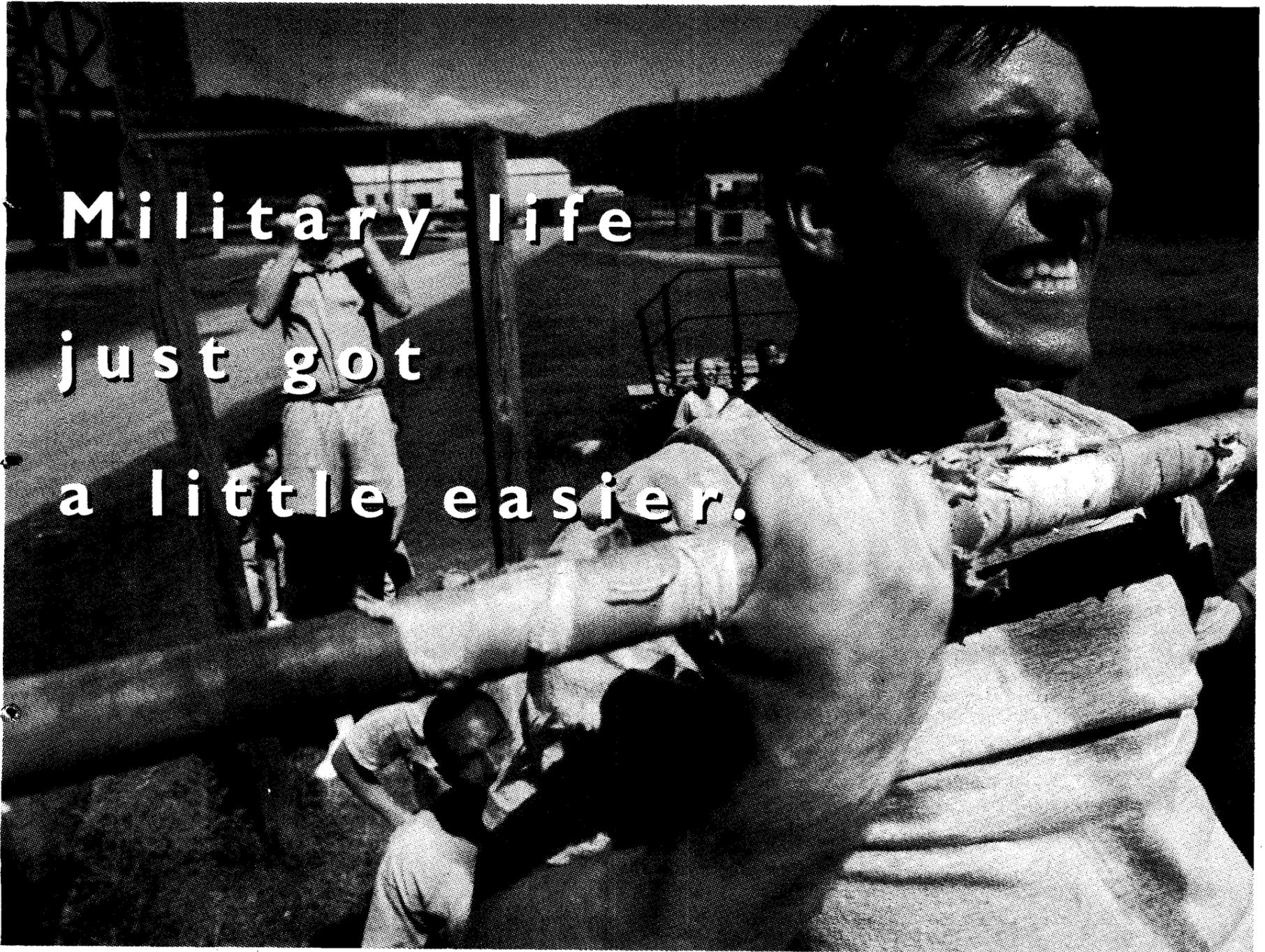
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Naturalized citizen appreciates freedoms in U.S.

By Kathy Harkleroad

It starts with the red, white and blue tie. And when the wearer, John Yim, begins talking about his love for his adopted country, there's no doubt that he is proud to be an American.

Yim, who emigrated from Hong Kong 20 years ago and later became a U.S. citizen, shows his enthusiasm for the freedoms many take for granted.

He is not particularly vocal about his feelings, but the deep love he feels for America is shown in other ways. Like the patriotic tie he wears on many occasions, or the posters that will soon grace his new office wall. Yim has copies of the Constitution, the Bill of Rights and the Declaration of Independence which he acquired on a recent trip to Washington, D.C.; and he plans to have them framed and hung.

"There are so many things about America that I love," Yim said. "And I try very hard to not only do well in America, but tell others how fortunate they are to be citizens."

Yim works part time at the Software Engineering Directorate, Aviation and Missile Command; and he will become a full-time employee next month.

The road to becoming a naturalized citizen was not easy for Yim, but he thrived on the work and dedication

it took to get there. He arrived in this country following his father's footsteps and quickly mapped out his future. To show his love for America, Yim even enlisted in the Army after obtaining his college degree.

"Many of my superiors were surprised that I was an enlisted soldier," he said. "Many come into the Army as officers after they obtain their degrees. At first it was somewhat difficult overcoming the looks and extra work they would give me, but it was very satisfying to me knowing I had shown them I was like everyone else who wanted to do their best."

While Yim only served two years in the Army, the impression it left on him was lasting. "I learned very much from my time as an infantryman," he said. "I was very fortunate to serve under a command sergeant major who cared about his men and would take time with them. He also had a set of standards that should be followed by everyone."

Yim still has the list of the 10 things his command sergeant major gave him; and he has followed them throughout his life. "CSM Don Purdy believed in first God, family and country and lived by his beliefs," he said. The list contains such beliefs as shoot from the shoulder; there is either right or wrong in what you are doing ...there is no gray;

when you follow, pay attention; when you lead, set an example; always remember where you came from; never put yourself first; and last but not least God is in charge.

"Those beliefs can be used everyday life," Yim said. "And I try very hard to do just that."

There is no doubt about Yim's love for this country and the military. He expressed it best in a speech on Capitol Hill while addressing a gathering to celebrate immigration earlier this month. He said, "To walk the extra mile when your feet hurt, to carry the extra load when your arms are tired, to fight against all odds to conquer the invincible, to climb the highest mountain until you reach the brightest star... Is that not what the American spirit is all about? This is the American spirit and way of life that I learned from my former cadres, some of whom were graduates of West Point, some who were (Airborne) Rangers, and some who were Special Forces officers and professional noncommissioned officers."

While Yim is now an American citizen, he has not forgotten where he came from and what his background held. "I have a very humble beginning," Yim said, "and I do not forget that. I remember what it was like growing up, and even more important I know

what it is like now in my country. I do not take the freedoms and privileges available in America lightly and try hard to educate others on how fortunate they are to live here."

Yim tries to tell teenagers about his travels and the educational conditions he found in other countries. "In Hong Kong, a student has only one chance of going to college and only a small number are selected. In America you can go to college at any age and at any time you want," he said. "I have also seen schools in other countries where the conditions are terrible, where buildings have no roofs, where books are non-existent. It is so important that the young people here know how fortunate they are to have the system they do."

Yim took advantage of the educational system after he arrived in America and received his bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Texas at Arlington. He continued to graduate school at Southern Methodist University where he received a



YIM

master's in electrical engineering and is completing his second master's degree in computer and electrical

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U.S., Sikorsky sign Black Hawk multi-year pact

STRATFORD, Conn.— The Department of Defense and Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation on Friday signed a multi-year, multi-service, multi-model Hawk helicopter procurement contract.

The five-year, \$745 million contract covers the acquisition of 108 helicopters for three armed services: 58 UH-60L Black Hawk utility helicopters for the Army, 42 new CH-60 fleet combat support aircraft for the Navy, and eight HH-60G Pave Hawk combat search and rescue helicopters for the Air Force.

A special contract provision allows the government significant cost savings if it goes from the baseline of 108 aircraft to a new baseline of 180 aircraft. However, the option must be exercised by the end of December for optimum benefit.

"We want to thank the Connecticut congressional delegation for supporting the Black Hawk line in this uphill struggle," Eugene Buckley, Sikorsky president and chief executive officer, said. "Because of the efforts of Senators Dodd and Lieberman and Representatives DeLauro and Maloney, we have been successful.

"We also appreciate this vote of confidence from our U.S. Government customer, knowing that multi-year contracts are grant-

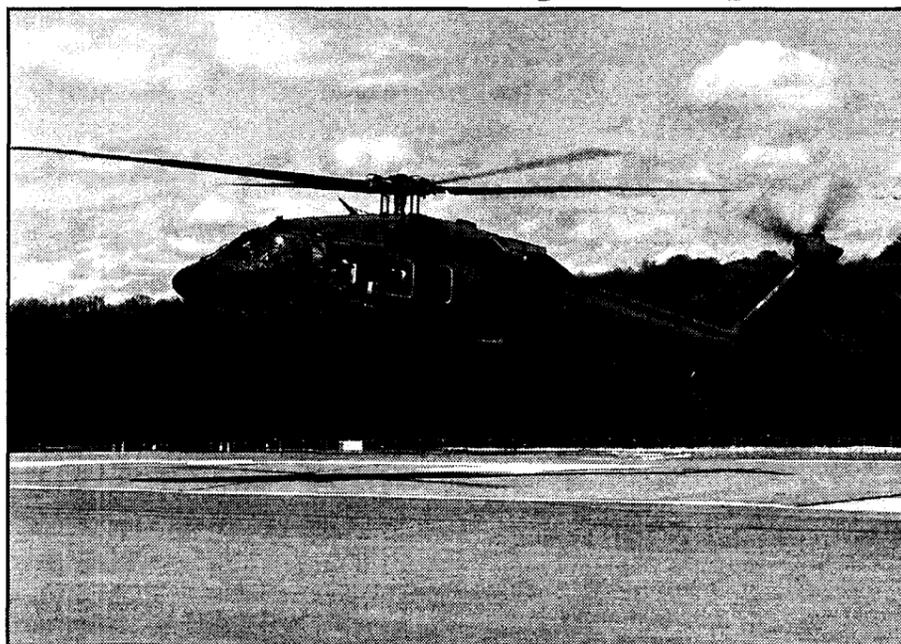
ed only to the most successful and efficient programs," he said.

The new agreement allows for additional option aircraft to meet emerging requirements and provides maximum flexibility to the government in its helicopter procurements. It streamlines further acquisitions, including foreign military sales, by allowing an additional 210 helicopters to be acquired on an already-negotiated pre-priced basis.

Sikorsky has delivered more than 2,400 Hawk family helicopters to all five branches of the U.S. armed forces and 22 governments overseas.

Hawk helicopters have logged more than four million flying hours. They have proved their versatility and survivability during combat in Grenada, Panama, the liberation of Kuwait, Operation Restore Hope in Somalia and in numerous humanitarian and rescue missions, including current operations in Bosnia and disaster relief in the United States.

Black Hawk variants, including Seahawk naval derivatives, are serving, or are on order, with Argentina, Australia, Bahrain, Brunei, Colombia, Egypt, Greece, Hong Kong, Israel, Japan, Jordan, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, People's



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Republic of China, Spain, The Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Taiwan, Thailand and Turkey.

Black Hawk improvements include more powerful engines and gearboxes, allowing the S-70 to lift 9,000 pounds of external payload. Growth main rotor blades that will increase Black Hawk lifting capabilities even more in the future are also under development.

The program of performance upgrades, capability growth and increased reliability

for lower cost of ownership has been underway since delivery of the first UH-60 Black Hawk to the Army in 1978.

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Improvements eyed in monitoring drinking water here

A new procedure should prevent any future violations for monitoring drinking water at Redstone Arsenal, according to the Environmental Office.

The office provided the following notice: "Redstone Arsenal has exceeded the maximum contaminant level for total coliform bacteria during December 1996. Two distribution samples collected from the Redstone Arsenal distribution system at buildings 116 and 3534 in December 1996 were determined to be coliform positive. The Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) sets drinking water standards and has determined that the presence of total coliform is a possible health concern.

"Total coliform are common in the environment and are generally not harmful themselves. The presence of these bacteria in drinking water, however, generally is a result of a problem with water treatment or

the pipes which distribute the water, and indicates that the water may be contaminated with organisms that can cause diarrhea, cramps, nausea, and any associated headaches and fatigue. These symptoms, however, are not just associated with disease-causing organisms in drinking water, but also may be caused by a number of factors other than your drinking water.

"ADEM has set an enforceable standard for total coliform to reduce the risk of these adverse health effects. Under this standard, no more than 5.0 percent of the samples collected during a month can contain these bacteria, except systems collecting fewer than 40 samples a month that have one total coliform positive sample per month are not violating the standard. Drinking water which meets this standard is usually not associated with a health risk from disease-causing bacteria and may be considered safe.

"Numerous chlorine treatment technique violations were incurred during 1996 and 1997 for failing to properly maintain a minimum chlorine residual in the Redstone Arsenal distribution system. Specifically, Redstone Arsenal violated federal treatment technique regulations during the months of February through April 1996, June through August 1996, and February through April 1997.

"A monitoring violation was also incurred in December 1996 for failing to properly submit a minimum number of repeat samples in response to the total coliform positive samples. Monitoring violations were incurred from January 1996 through April 1997 for not adhering to the bacteriological monitoring sample siting plan (BMSSP) which was approved by ADEM, including collecting samples at non-approved sites and not collecting the required number of samples according to

the BMSSP. Monitoring violations were also incurred from January 1996 through April 1997 for failure to collect samples at regular time intervals throughout the month. During the month of September 1996, Redstone Arsenal also failed to collect the required number of coliform bacteria samples according to state and federal regulations.

"Strict adherence to a new standard operating procedure should eliminate any future monitoring violations. The planned installation of chlorine analyzers and automatic flushing devices will enhance chlorine residual levels throughout the Redstone Arsenal distribution system.

"Point of contact is Mike Hubbard, AMCOM Environmental Office, 876-6122," the notice concluded.

School bus registration on post starts Friday at chapel

Youngsters probably don't want to think about the upcoming school year—not yet anyway. But it's time for children on post to register to ride the school buses.

All military residing on Redstone Arsenal who desire school bus transportation to the three core schools for school year 1997-98 must register each child for transportation. Registration will be performed at Bicentennial Chapel as follows: from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 25, 28,

29 and 30; and 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. July 31.

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

"To qualify for school bus transportation, each registrant must show proof of active duty status," a prepared release from Redstone Arsenal Support Activity said. "Registration has to be completed during this scheduled period to

allow sufficient time to develop routes and establish bus stops."

Redstone Arsenal will provide students residing in post quarters bus transportation to the following city schools: grades kinder-

garten through 5, attending Williams Elementary School; grades 6-8, attending Westlawn Middle School; and grades 9-12, attending Butler High School.

In addition to the aforementioned core schools,

there are schools available that have special education services for particular needs. For a listing of these schools and curriculum offered, contact the Huntsville City Board of Education. The city has agreed to provide

bus transportation for students residing on Redstone Arsenal to special needs and magnet schools in the city. No transportation will be provided students residing on Redstone Arsenal to private schools.

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Logistics center grows with arrival of aviation function

By Skip Vaughn

The organization here responsible for logistics—getting equipment to the field and supporting it when it gets there—is growing both in members and customers.

With the arrival of the aviation function from St. Louis, the Integrated Materiel Management Center will add 705 workers. This includes 585 newcomers at the Sparkman Center, and 120 people elsewhere: at Corpus Christi (Texas) Army Depot and the aviation Logistics Assistance Representatives worldwide.

“We were concerned that a lot of the aviation expertise would be lost with the move to Redstone. And we’ve been very excited that a lot more people decided to move to Huntsville, that we’re going to get more people than we thought we would. And that’s good news,” Jim Flinn, the IMMC director, said.

About 50 of the new members of Flinn’s “IMMC family” have already arrived from St. Louis. The rest will be arriving over the next three months, including a large influx in late July and early August. IMMC, currently in buildings 5301 and 5302 at the Sparkman Center, will expand into the new building 5309 starting on Aug. 4.

Some of its people in buildings 5301 and 5302 will move into 5309. Also moving into that building will be IMMC’s new Aviation Systems Directorate, headed by Tom Lavin who is to arrive from St. Louis on July 28. The Aviation Systems Directorate will serve the Program Executive Office for Aviation, aviation units and Army helicopter programs.

The center’s other hardware directorates—Land Combat Systems and Air Defense Systems—remain intact in the new command. All three hardware directorates will provide logistics support to one of the center’s newest customers, Brig. Gen. Robert Armbruster, deputy for systems acquisition at the Aviation and Missile Command. Armbruster is responsible for all AMCOM-managed weapon systems which includes Hawk, Chaparral, Stinger, Avenger and aviation programs such as Black Hawk, Kiowa Warrior, and Cobra.

“Now that we’ve got quite a few of their folks saying yeah, they want to come (to Huntsville), I feel

real good about the mission moving” from St. Louis, Flinn said. “And I feel aviation units in the field won’t miss a beat. I think most of it has to do with the people that are coming; it’s an attitude thing. I’m really impressed with the attitude and professionalism of the folks that are coming here. It’s been a wonderful team; and when we put the aviation and missile missions together, it’ll be even better.”

Besides the new Aviation Systems Directorate, newcomers from St. Louis are joining the center’s business management, readiness, and logistics support directorates.

“Our (authorized) strength in the AMCOM structure will be 1,644 civilians,” John Chapman, deputy director of Integrated Materiel Management Center, said. “In 1991 we had about that many people just for MICOM—effects of downsizing.”

The center provides logistics support worldwide, around-the-clock, to soldiers who have missiles or fly helicopters. Under the Aviation and Missile Command, its logistics work has not changed but its customer base adds the Program Executive Office for Aviation and the Army aviation units.

Logistics, Flinn explained, “begins with working with the engineers to design systems that are easily operated and easily repaired. Then we train soldiers on how to operate and how to repair those systems. And then we make sure that they’ve got all the parts and tools and test equipment to do that. Lastly, we provide those soldiers with technical support out there in the field. LARs are out there in the field with them around the clock.”

Logistics assistance representatives are serving worldwide with the units that they support. “Today we have LARs in 49 locations around the world supporting missile systems,” Chapman said. “And that will grow to 70 locations with the aviation mission.”

The LARs, civilian technicians with expertise in particular weapon systems, are serving throughout the world. This includes Bosnia where there are 10 aviation LARs—including four contractors—and two missile system reps.

Flinn is proud of the center’s accomplishments. “Logistics support for both missiles and helicopters is pretty expensive business.

There are some electronic modules, in both missiles and aviation, that can cost a half million dollars each. So our job is to provide this aviation and missile function but to do it as cheaply as we can,” he said. “In the last 2-3 years, we’ve had a real hard focus on trying to find a way to give our field customers the same level of support but do it cheaper—because their budgets are getting cut the same as ours are. And we have documented over \$186 million in savings in about three years. And that means they’re getting the same level of support; they’re just not paying as much for it.

“In that same period of time, we have reached the highest worldwide readi-



IMMC LEADERS— Flinn, left, is director of IMMC; and Chapman is deputy director.

ness rate for missile systems in a decade,” Flinn said, referring to the 95 percent readiness rate attained in

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Also, the center has been working with the Acquisition Center and the RD&E

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Oktoberfest promises fun for all this fall at Redstone Arsenal parade field

By Kathy Harkleroad

While the temperatures are soaring and relief seems far away, planning for fall activities is taking place on the Arsenal. The annual Oktoberfest celebration is already in the planning stages and promises to be another success.

This year's celebration will take place Sept. 11-14 on the parade field; and it offers something for everyone. Steps have been taken to ensure everyone has a good time, according to Jim Mullen, director of community and family activities. "As with last year we have arranged to have more rides that appeal to kids of all ages... including adults," he said. "And once again this year, live entertainment will be provided and will be included in the admission price."

This year the live entertainment will include music by the renowned German band "die Mitternaechters" as well as several local American bands. Also planned for the event is a variety of midway games that appeal to all ages.

As with Springfest, the event will be run by a contractor which is responsible for providing the rides as well as food and beverages.



GERMAN MUSIC-- A band sets the festive mood during last year's Oktoberfest.

German and American food as well as beverages will be available. "Everything will be centrally located on the Patton Road parade field," Mullen said. "And ample parking will be available." Not only will the rides and food booths be located on the parade field, but the Memphis in May barbecue cookoff will be held at the same place along with several other specialty tents.

"We plan on having a Youth Services area that will include items of interest for teens and we will

also have a child development tent," Mullen said.

Admission cost for the event is \$6 per day with children under 3 being admitted for free. Food and beverage booths will also operate under a ticket system, which can be purchased separately. "We will also be operating the midway games on a ticket basis," Heather Douglas, advertising specialist in the Directorate of Community and Family Activities, said. "There will be no cash exchange except at the tick-

et booths." Douglas also said the color of the tickets will change daily and attendees should keep that in mind when purchasing tickets.

To help facilitate the flow of traffic, gates 8, 9 and 10 will be open throughout the celebration.

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Self-service supply center gets new life Aug. 1 for community

By Kathy Harkleroad

The Self Service Supply Center closed Friday— but only for two weeks.

Beginning Aug. 1, the store will be operated by the Alabama Industry for the Deaf and Blind.

The contractor-operated store had an uncertain future because of funding constraints; but the Alabama Industry for the Deaf and Blind stepped in and said it would assume the operation. On Friday it closed for inventory, etc. in preparation for its reopening under AIDB's management.

Customers will see a few changes beginning Aug. 1. The facility's name will change, and there will be new items on the shelves.

The name will change to the Base Supply Center, a generic term used by the National Institute for the Blind in instances such as this. "We will also be opening a location at Anniston Army Depot in early fall, and went with the same terminology as NIB uses," Billy Sparkman, general manager of the Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind, said.

The facility and services were previously under a contract with Northrop Grumman Technical Services, but according to Bob Harris, analyst at the Logistics Directorate, the contract was due to expire and the change was implemented.

"We decided to get out of the business altogether and the decision was made mainly because of cost," he said. "By doing it this way, there is no cost to the government and all we have to do is supply the building. The Institute will be responsible for everything else, including the inventory and personnel."

According to Sparkman, the move was one that the Institute is looking forward to and plans to do more of in the future. "This is something that has been considered for quite a while, and when we heard that the store would be closing here, we started making inquiries. We also plan to continue to do that on other military locations throughout the state," Sparkman said.

The basic idea of the store will remain the same and, according to Sparkman, customers should quickly see an improvement. "We plan on stocking a more diverse line of items, and we are going to be focusing on customer satisfaction a great deal," he said. "That includes everything from greeting them at the door to helping them put items in their carts, and loading it into their vehicles."

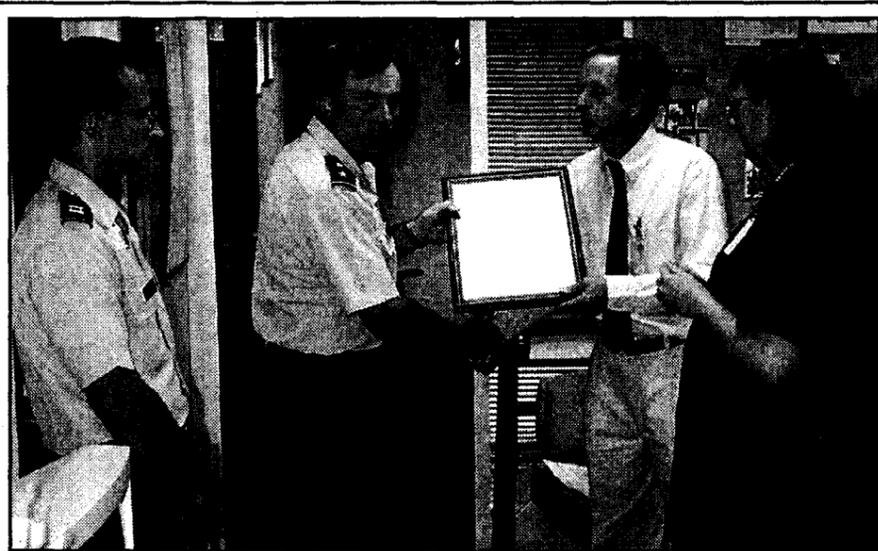
Sparkman said on-post deliveries will continue and in many instances will increase. Sparkman said those options are still being investigated and more services will also be consid-

ered.

"We are very excited to be here in this capacity and feel like we can offer a great service to the community," he said. "And we invite everyone to come out and see what we have to offer."

The facility is located on Cottonwood Road in building 8022 and is open to the Redstone community. While cash transactions will not take place, impact Visa cards and blanket purchase orders are welcome.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place at 1 p.m. Aug. 4 and the public is invited to attend.



Historical support...

Maj. Gen. James Link, outgoing commander of MICOM and Redstone Arsenal, recognizes the Historical Office for its work in obtaining the distinctive unit insignia for the new Aviation and Missile Command. From

left are Capt. James Garrison, the general's aide-de-camp; Link; and historians Claus Martel and Dr. Kaylene Hughes. Not pictured is Mike Baker, the command historian.

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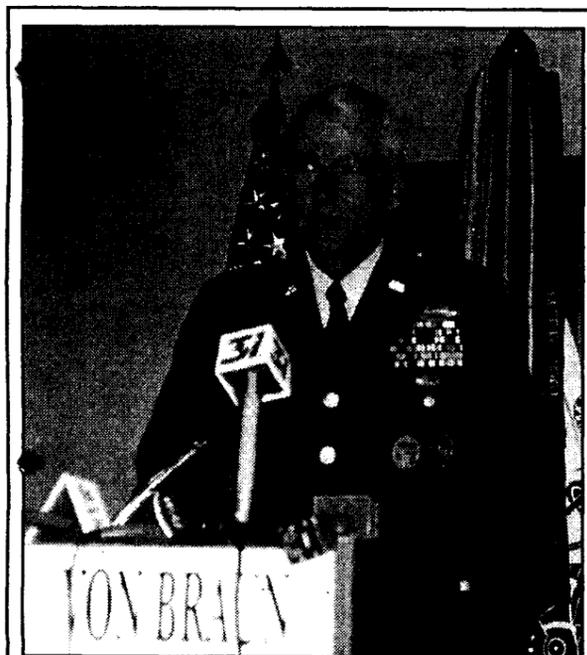
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Meeting the press...

Gen. Dennis Reimer, the Army chief of staff, talks to Huntsville reporters on July 14 before attending an AUSA dinner at the Von Braun Center. The Association of the U.S. Army sponsored the dinner titled, "Huntsville and Tennessee Valley Salute the United States Army."

TMDE Activity workers honor special retiree in July

By Loretta MacLean and Steve Rainsford

On July 8, the employees of TMDE Activity came together to assist one of their friends and co-workers who was faced with a debilitating illness and lacked sufficient leave to remain on an active status until a medical retirement could be approved. Charles Thomas of TMDE's Physical Standards Laboratory was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in 1982.

During the past 15 years, Thomas has worked steadily while gradually becoming more impaired until his condition worsened to a point that he was unable to continue work. He was approved as a leave transfer recipient, and although Thomas received

some initial leave donations, he still faced several months of leave without pay.

One co-worker initiated the idea of a picnic to raise the awareness of Thomas' need for leave transfer and to raise donations for a retirement gift. Several other co-workers volunteered to help organize and provide needed manpower and the picnic was off and running.

A mother of one TMDE employee wanted to help, and help she did! She donated several door prizes from her "Mole Hole" gift shop. Considering, the shop is in suburban Chicago, this mom went the extra mile to get the gifts here and in one piece. The door prizes consisted of a set of three Wolfard Oil Lamps with brass bases (\$200

value) and several "retired" Beanie Babies (actual value varied, but all very much in demand). Other friends and co-workers donated all food for the picnic (another employee's mother baked several cakes and came to the picnic to serve desserts) so that all proceeds from the picnic as well as tickets purchased for the door prizes went to Thomas.

Contrary to previous weeks of rainy days and nights, the day of the picnic was beautiful. Meals of hamburgers, hot dogs, fixings, and desserts were served with plenty of extras for seconds and thirds.

Door prizes were in great demand, with several good-natured swaps taking place.

All-in-all, it seems everyone had a good

meal and a good time. More importantly, the picnic was a tremendous success thanks to the hard work of several TMDE employees, their families, and the overwhelming participation of TMDE workers.

As a result of the generosity of Thomas' friends and co-workers, he received an additional 400 hours of annual leave, and a retirement gift check of \$1,124. All of this would not have been possible without the goodwill and best wishes from TMDE employees who wanted Thomas to know that he is wished everything for the best in his retirement.

(Editor's note: MacLean and Rainsford work at TMDE Activity, Aviation and Missile Command.)

Mementos restored for ex-member of wartime WAC corps

By Laura J. Gritz

FORT LEE, Va.— For more than 50 years, a pile of pictures sat in a box. They tell the story of a wartime romance, long ago, on the island of Dutch New Guinea during World War II. They show a young couple lying on a beach, smiling. A tall, striking woman in a Women's Army Corps uniform stands in front of a military truck. Sometimes she's accompanied by a grinning man who wears sergeant's stripes.

Back then, she was Women's Army Corps Sgt. Beth Oden, a 23-year-old native of Texas who joined the WAC as a finance specialist. She met Army Sgt. Al Boykin, 10 months her junior, when he came into the finance office at Base Camp G in Hollandia, New Guinea, in 1944.

In New Guinea, they worked six days a week and on the seventh went to the

beach, where a picnic consisted of a can of pork and beans that Beth Oden took from the mess hall. Following camp regulations, Al Boykin always carried a gun on their dates outside the compound. Together, they made bracelets out of Australian coins and sold them to the other Army women for 12 Dutch guilders or a prized case of rationed beer.

After the war, they left the service, married in Texas in 1946 and settled in the Virginia Tri-Cities area, where Al had family. They got jobs at Fort Lee, Al joined the Reserves, and they had two children and three grandchildren. At some point, Beth tucked

away the pictures of the days in New Guinea.

And that's where the photographs stayed until Christmas of 1996, 15 years after Al's death, when Beth's younger brother, John Oden, visited her at her Colonial Heights home and she showed him the long-hidden pictures for the first time.

He decided to create a framed pictorial of the photographs and have them presented to his sister at a Memorial Day celebration honoring her military service and her husband's memory.

At Oden's request, a group of Fort Lee soldiers in Class A uniforms con-

ducted a ceremony May 24 to present Beth Boykin with a myriad of honors.

Led by Capt. John Lamm, commander, C Co. (Airborne), 262nd Quartermaster Bn., the detail included 1st Lt. Renee Collingwood, the company's executive officer, and three soldiers, Pvt. Teresa Fikes, Pvt. Rorie Short and Pvt. Tanneatha Taylor.

"We saw the opportunity to recognize one of our own," Lamm said, "even if it's been decades."

As Boykin, now 76, sat in her living room surrounded by family and friends, the military detail presented her several certificates and letters collected by her

brother. She received a signed certificate of recognition from the governor of Virginia, George Allen, a letter from the mayor of Colonial Heights, Charles Towne, and a certificate of membership as a charter member of the Women in Military Service for America Memorial Foundation.

Finally, two soldiers carried in the collection of photographs, housed in a large silver frame with burgundy matting, as Collingwood pronounced, "Mrs. Boykin, I present to you a beautiful framed pictorial of 'A Time of War and a Triumph of Love,' WWII, 1944-45, New Guinea."

There was a moment of

silence as all present gazed at the pictorial, then burst into applause.

"I'm overwhelmed," Beth Boykin said. "What did I do?"

As her brother says, the pictures were simply too captivating to stay in a box. "When I was here at Christmas, and I saw the pictures, it just stirred some thinking about how great she and her husband were when they were together," Oden said. "Those photographs were so special that I needed to frame them in a way that she could enjoy them forever." (Arnews)

(Editor's note: Capt. Gritz is with the Fort Lee Public Affairs Office.)

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Successful blood program gets boost from newcomers

By Skip Vaughn

For years Redstone Arsenal has been the largest contributor of blood in the state of Alabama. The best is about to get better.

The folks coming from St. Louis weren't shy about rolling up their sleeves either. American Red Cross and Redstone officials expect them to add to Redstone's already successful monthly blood drives.

"They were big blood donors in St. Louis. They got an award, from what I understand," Jacki Adams, donor recruiter for the American Red Cross chapter in Madison County, said.

The newcomers just have to adjust to Redstone's monthly schedule for blood drives. "They're just shocked we have so many blood drives at different buildings. Apparently they just did a big one every once in a while," Adams said.

Each month the American Red Cross contacts blood program coordinators at various buildings on post. Lisa Wright, the installation blood coordinator, then prepares and advertises a schedule listing the 9-10 locations, their times, and appointment phone numbers.

"The Arsenal is a big contributor to the blood program," said Wright, a management analyst in the support operations division at Directorate of Management and Operations, Redstone Arsenal Support Activity.

Redstone is such a big contributor that it represents 18 percent of Madison County's blood donations each year. And Madison

County is the largest donor of any other county statewide. Nine percent of the people in Madison County give blood, compared to only 3 percent for the rest of Alabama.

Last year Madison County contributed about 22,000 productive units—usable pints—of blood. This included 4,170 units from Redstone Arsenal. This installation has been "the largest donor in the state of Alabama I know for five years, maybe more," Jim Plummer, chief of support operations division, said. Gen. Dennis Reimer, the secretary of the Army, mentioned Redstone's blood contribution achievements during his speech July 14 at the local community's Salute the Army dinner at the Von Braun Center.

The government connection at Redstone is probably why people here are so willing to contribute blood, according to Plummer. "I think it's because of the military connection with the civilian employees that makes a difference," he said.

Those who give blood can get four hours off from work. "If you go and try to give blood and you're rejected, you have to go back to work," Wright said.

Anyone 110 pounds and 17 years old can give. Their gift of life can help victims of car accidents, people with cancer, and others in need of a transfusion. "Sixty percent of the people that use blood are cancer patients," Adams said. "And when you donate one unit, you can save three people's lives."

"There's no substitute for blood at this time," Adams added.



DONORS WELCOME— Wright, left, and Adams hope to see more blood donors with the arrival of aviation workers from St. Louis.

Prospective donors should remember to call their building's blood program coordinator in advance. Through appointments the American Red Cross will know how many technicians to send to each building

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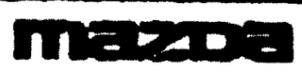
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Behind-the-scene battalion gives wide range of support

By Brian Thomas

JOINT READINESS TRAINING CENTER, Fort Polk, La.— Unsung heroes all, they carry low profiles among the company they keep here. Their mission, however, is at the forefront of any successful exercise.

Soldiers from the 528th Special Operations Support Battalion (Airborne) deployed to the Joint Readiness Training Center for three weeks recently for U.S. Army Special Operations Command rotation JRTC 97-7.

Their mission was to provide everything necessary to sustain soldiers from the 75th Ranger Regiment, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, 1st Special Forces Group, 4th Psychological Operations Group, 96th Civil Affairs Battalion and members of the Air Force special operations community.

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No shot was fired or helicopter flown without the indelible print of a 528th soldier. From food to fuel, bullets to bandages, the 528th gave the combat soldiers everything they needed to complete the mission.

"Training Center deployments are the Super Bowl," said Lt. Col. Albert Ballard, commander of the 528th.

"You have deployments during the year that are ball games, but going to the Training Center is the Super Bowl.

"This is the biggest thing we'll do and we know that. This has been our goal this year — to get here and be able to support these units."

Along with several attached units, the 528th's battalion staff, Headquarters and Support Company and Forward Support Company B provided a myriad of support services for the Joint Special Operations Task Force at JRTC's Initial Staging Base.

"The 528th's mission is to support special operations (forces)," Ballard said. "We are a tailored organization. Although we have some of the same types of units as other support battalions, we're set up specifically for SOF."

Forward Support Company B is one of the battalion's two multi-purpose support companies. At JRTC there was little that 1st Sgt. Terrence Heyward's soldiers didn't supply.

"Our personnel are pretty motivated," Heyward said. "Here they get the opportunity to see what we would be doing in a real-world situation. They see the personnel that we would be supporting face to face.

"By interacting with them, we get a better idea of how to support those people."

Company B provided nearly all classes of supplies, as well as maintenance and transportation.

"This is one of the major exercises that we support, and one that we look forward to because it is one of the most challenging," Heyward said. "For an exercise of this magnitude we use the whole company to provide support.

"This has been a good, high-profile exercise for us because we use a lot of real-world techniques in order to support our customers."

One of the biggest challenges Heyward's soldiers have met is the "hot" refueling operation on the airfield's flight line. Helicopters from the 160th SOAR (A) return to the airfield for refueling.

Without shutting down, the helicopters touch down long enough to get a full tank of gas and return to the mission.

"One of the things I'm the proudest of is the hot refueling we do for the 160th SOAR (A)," Ballard said. "We've done this before for them and been

very successful, but we did it out of tankers — we did not set up the bags and the berms we have here.

"That was another element we wanted to add into this, and we've done it quite successfully."

Using bags and berms instead of tanker trucks adds more margin for error, Ballard said, but his soldiers have handled the challenge admirably. Sgt. Frank DiCarlo, a squad leader at the refueling point, said all safety and environmental considerations are taken at the site.

The job also has its thrills.

"It's a rush because you've got the propellers going and there's a lot of excitement — it gets your adrenaline up," DiCarlo said. "This is the first time we've got to use a system like this, and it's working very well."

The 528th's Headquarters and Support Company has an equally large role, including the feeding of more than 3,000 task force soldiers.

"This is one of the toughest missions that we support throughout the whole year," said SSgt. Angel M. Padilla, food service sergeant. "Our

satisfaction comes from knowing that we can do the job and get it done in a professional manner.

"Just knowing the number of people we're supporting here makes it rewarding."

While most of the soldiers who deploy to JRTC are concerned about securing the independence of the notional country of Cortina, support soldiers do their work in the real world — in a scenario that differs little from their wartime mission.

"We train as we go to war," said Capt. Michael E. Knox, company commander of the Headquarters and Support Company. "When we feed soldiers and provide medical care, it's not very different."

The value of deploying to JRTC is clear, said SSgt. Justin Howell, the transportation platoon sergeant

in Company B.

"It's important we train our soldiers so when it comes time for war it becomes a battle drill," Howell said. "They know how to do it safely, and that will minimize the loss of life."

The 528th's success at JRTC and in the future, Ballard said, is due to one thing — outstanding soldiers.

"I am absolutely convinced that the strength we have is in sergeants and soldiers who will not let us fail," he said. "Our obligation is to come up with the best plan so that we don't waste their time.

"We have the very best soldiers that I have ever had the pleasure of working with, and they don't ever let us fail." (Arnews)

(Editor's note: SSgt. Thomas is with the USASOC Public Affairs Office.)

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Unmanned ground vehicle gets money-saving tuneup job

By Kathy Harkleroad

The Unmanned Ground Vehicle Joint Project Office has been working on developing a tactical unmanned vehicle and has already developed several concepts and incorporated them into the project.

Off the drawing board and into the field is Sarge, an all-terrain vehicle that will be used for forward reconnaissance and surveillance missions in the Army. Sarge is really a Yamaha Breeze all-terrain vehicle with a few modifications... like a bobbin for the fiber optics spool, and a radio receiver and a few other goodies.

"We have been working with Sarge for a while now and have fielded four units for user appraisal to Fort Benning and received quite a bit of feedback from the soldiers," Keith Anderson, of the project office, said. "It is because of the information we received from them that we are looking into modifying the design and equipment of future units."

One of the modifications the engineers are doing is adding the capabilities of fiber optics. Currently Sarge is operated and controlled by using radio frequency, which has many limitations. "The biggest problem we have encountered using the radio frequency, or RF, is the range limitation," Anderson said. "We encountered problems when it came to hills and obstacles since the RF would not bend."

The problem was discovered during a trip to Fort Benning, Ga., where Tom McAlpin from the System

Engineering and Production Directorate went on the user appraisal's venture. "The soldiers were the ones that identified the problem and several instances were cited. Overall they were thrilled with the unmanned vehicle, but we just needed to work on the range problem."

The answer to that problem turned out to be in the engineer's backyard. "We started doing a little investigating into other covert missile systems, and found the answer in the NLOS/FOG-M program," Anderson said. "They used fiber optics to relay the information via a bobbin and cable. We played with the idea, used most of their technology, and came up with the answer to our problem."

"The fiber optics also has a greater potential for more band width," Sherrie Burgett, of Missile Guidance Directorate, said. "With the greater bandwidth comes the possibility of sending more information at a higher speed to Sarge."

Once the idea of using the technology from the NLOS/FOG-M program was deemed feasible, the next step was to adapt the technology to Sarge. A smaller bobbin and casing were developed and mounted on the rear of the unmanned vehicle. The bobbin which the fiber optic is wound upon is only seven and a half inches high, yet holds up to 10K of fiber on its seven-inch winding surface.

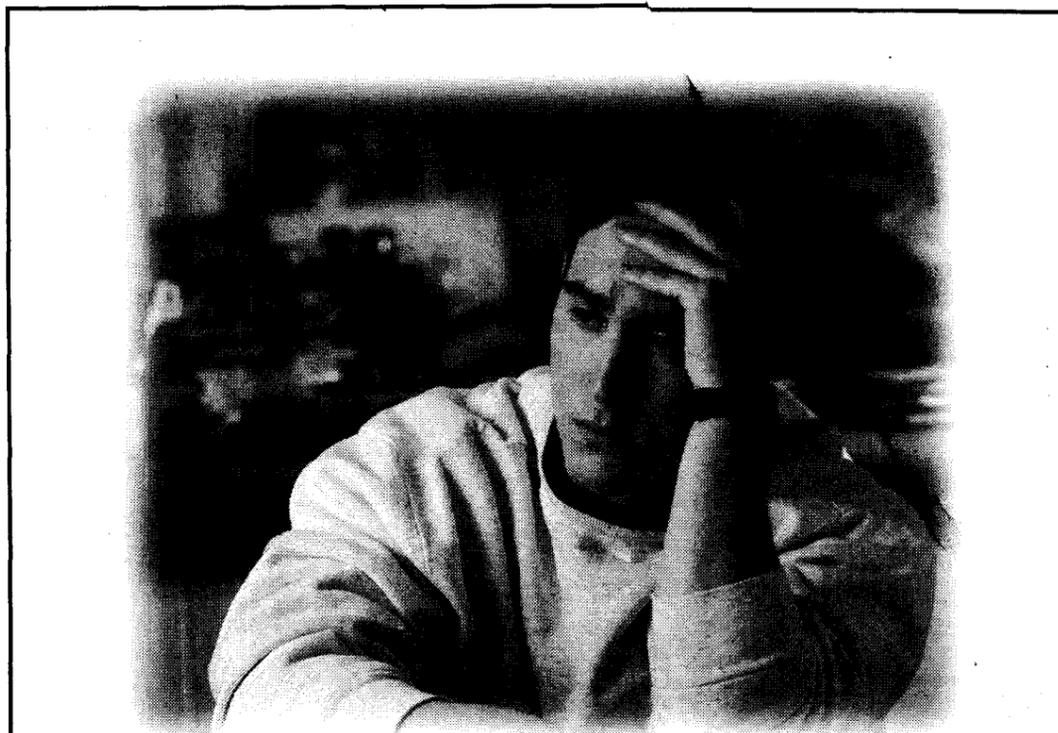
"We are very proud of this technology," James McMinn, of Morgan Research Corporation, man-

ufacturer of the bobbin and casing, said. "The bobbin is filed smooth and then wound with piano wire for the grooves. The fiber optics themselves can be easily wound on the bobbin and can be re-used for another mission within a short amount of time."

Not only is the fiber optics more versatile, it is also cost effective. Already \$7.9 million in cost avoidance has been identified with the use of the available technology. The fiber itself also shows significant savings.



THIN WIRE— Showing off the success of their hard work from left are James McMinn, Morgan Research Corporation; Sherrie Burgett, AMCOM Missile Guidance Directorate; Keith Anderson, Unmanned Ground Vehicle Joint Project Office; and Tom McAlpin, AMCOM System Engineering and Production Directorate.



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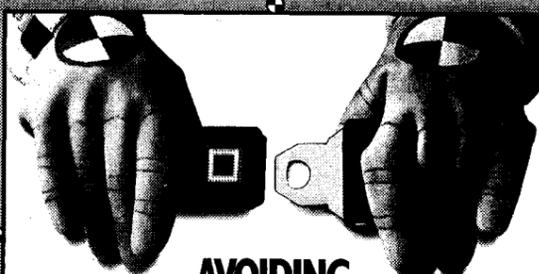
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Comedy act...

Sgt. Froggy LeSueur (right), played by Gerald Patterson, commends "the foreigner" Charlie (left), Peter-John Slighting for his cunning accomplishments. Looking on skeptically is Reverend David Marshall Lee played by Sam Marsh. These actors star in the comedy "The Foreigner" which runs until

July 26 at Theatre 'Round the Corner, 214 Holmes Ave. east in downtown Huntsville. Patterson is a paralegal secretary for the Army; and Marsh is a computer illustrator and contractor with Army TACMS-Bat Project Office. For tickets and more information, call 539-PLAY.

Rock Island builds parts for OPFOR surrogate vehicle

By Paul Levesque

ROCK ISLAND, Ill.— Strange as it may sound, Rock Island Arsenal is producing components for a weapon which will be used by enemy troops in battle against the U.S. Army's best combat units.

The whole idea seems a bit less outrageous when you learn that the "enemy troops" are actually U.S. soldiers themselves. Their mission is to act as an opposing force arrayed against their fellow soldiers in war games held at the National Training Center in Fort Irwin, Calif.

To make the training as realistic as possible, the opposing force goes all out to win, using weapons and tactics similar to those that

might be used by potential U.S. opponents in the world. Thus was born the Opposing Forces Surrogate Vehicle, and RIA's part in producing it.

The vehicle, known as an OSV for short, is designed to replicate a Soviet-designed and built weapon known as the BMP-2. The BMP's U.S. counterpart is the Bradley Fighting Vehicle.

The OSV is a modified version of the M113 armored personnel carrier. As part of the modification, a new turret and crew protection basket are placed atop the M113. In addition, a rotor onto which a gun can be mounted is placed inside the turret.

The turret, basket and rotor are all being produced

at Rock Island Arsenal. Once completed, the components are shipped to Anniston Army Depot, Ala., where final assembly of the OSV is performed.

The Arsenal has orders to complete 15 OSV turrets, baskets and rotors. As of press time, five had been shipped. Current projections indicate that RIA will receive orders to build 40 more OSV component packages in fiscal year 1998.

The orders for OSV components originate from the U.S. Army Simulation, Training and Instrumentation Command. Headquartered in Orlando, Fla., STRICOM is a major subordinate command of the

See VEHICLE on page 17

Ladies golfers accept tournament challenge from ladies group

Participants in the Redstone Arsenal Golf Clinic completed their instruction and the "beginning golfers" were to join the Redstone Arsenal Ladies Association for their first tournament. Following new golfer accepted the challenge Betty Borque, R. Dacy, Doreen Foster, Niki Giderson, Joan Leonard, Norma Oberlies, Ellz O'Rear, Betty Richardson, Terry Scoggins, Carol

Shimute, Mary Stafford and Margo Torgerson.

Approximately 60 golfers played in the "Beginners Scramble" Tournament held July 16. The tournament winners included the following:

- **First place**— Eileen Lewis, Marie Makimowski and Mary Stafford.
- **Second place**— Dee Thonus, Kathy Morrison and Carol Shimute.

- **Third place**— Virginia Payne, Kathy Newton, Ann Koontz and Terry Scoggins.
- **Fourth place**— Elke Napier, Pat White, Lucille Johnson and Norma Oberlies.

The Redstone Arsenal Ladies Golf Association welcomes ladies eligible to play the

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Sports & Recreation

Youth soccer season kicks off in August at Redstone Arsenal



LET GAMES BEGIN— Youngsters at the Youth Center enjoy a competitive soccer game.

By Heather Douglas

Soccer has made headlines lately, especially with the move of indoor soccer to Huntsville. The Youth Center has also noticed a steady increase in soccer registration over the last few years.

Whatever has caused interest to soar, soccer has become the fastest growing sport. Registration (\$20 per child) for soccer continues through July 31 at building 3148 from 1-7 p.m. Monday through Saturday for ages 4-18.

Soccer season kicks off in late August and continues through October. Coaches are needed for teams of all ages. Regardless of your skill level, Youth Services welcomes your time and dedication to the children. If you have considered coaching, please do so. Sometimes teams are unable to form due to the shortage of coaches.

"We hope to have a year again like last year. It was the first time we had an under 8 girls-only team and the under 19 coed teams won city championships,"

Missy Richards, Youth Services sports director, said. They hope to get enough girls to start girls-only teams of all ages; but if not, coed teams will be formed.

The increased growth in soccer means it is probably a good idea for parents to register their children early. For more information on soccer registration, coaching opportunities or youth sports, call the Youth Center 876-KIDS.

(Editor's note: Douglas is an advertising specialist at Directorate of Community and Family Activities.)

MWR highlights...

Morale, welfare and recreation activities include the following:

- **Whitewater rafting trip**— Youth Services Teen Discovery will hold a whitewater rafting trip Aug. 1 to Ococee River, Benton, Tenn. Cost is \$15 for teen volunteers, and other teens pay \$26. This trip is limited to the first 24 teen-agers; and volunteers have the first priority. You must register and have permission slip on file by July 25. For more information, call 876-KIDS.
- **Bingo**— The Challenger Bingo Activity presents Fabulous '50s Bingo Night, Aug. 22. For more information, call 837-0751.
- **Fall soccer registration (Youth Services)**— Now through July 31 for ages 4-18. The cost is \$20 per child; and season play will begin in August. Sign your child up at building 3148 from 1-7 p.m. Monday through Saturday. For more information, call 876-2255.
- **Child care providers**— Child Development Services is seeking Family Child Care Providers. If you would be interested in providing in-home care, please go by building 113 and get an application. You will have a training period and will be required to follow the certification procedures to qualify as an FCC Provider. For more information, call 876-3704.
- **Automotive Skills Center**— Located at 3617 Entac Circle, this is a complete hands-on automotive center which is open

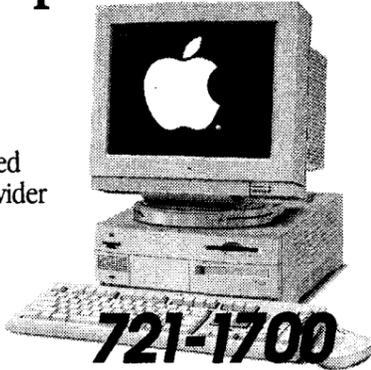
to the entire community Wednesday-Sunday. For more information on services provided, call 955-7727.

- **Story time**— Story Time at the Post Library began July 1 and continues until Aug. 19 every Tuesday from 10-11 a.m. Bring the children for stories, games, crafts and fun. For more information, call 876-4741.
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Important reminder for those beginning or refurbishing their landscaping projects: Now is the time of year to perform the maintenance activities for your trees, grass, shrubs, flowers, etc.; such items as pruning, weeding, removing dead or dying plants, fertilizing, watering, replenishing mulch beds for winter care, and last-minute checks for disease and insect damaged plants.

For assistance prior to submitting your landscape request or help related to maintenance and care of your landscaping project, call Jesse Horton, the DPW forester, 876-3122.

CENTER

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tion for buying and delivering spare parts. "This team effort has let us reduce the lead time by 53 percent," Flinn said. "But most significantly, that freed up over \$400 million in inventory we can use for our customers."

The center's predecessor, the Missile Logistics Center, was formed in 1981. The Readiness Directorate and the Integrated Logistics Support Office were added in 1991 to form the Integrated Materiel Management Center.

Besides Flinn and Chapman, the leaders for AMCOM's center include: Lavin from St. Louis, director of aviation systems; Dan

Kruvand from St. Louis, director of business management; Tom Ingram, director of readiness; Tommie Cutts, director of land combat systems; Paul Carlton, director of air defense systems; Rick Turner, director of logistics support; and Dave Sparks, chief of strategic planning office.

"The immediate future is exciting because I think we will learn from the aviation culture and they will learn from those of us in the missile function. So there will be a blending of those two functions and I think the result will be better support for all our customers," Flinn said. "Go out a little but further in the future, all of us are waiting to see what changes the Quadrennial Defense Review will bring. And I'm excited because

we are proving that you can move a major mission into Team Redstone successfully. And I think in the future we've got a great opportunity to become the logisticians for a lot more than aviation and missiles."

Maj. Gen. James Snider, the program executive officer for aviation, and his project managers are "bringing us some exciting new logistics support ideas and we're looking forward to working with them to make them successful," Flinn added.

Hoster agrees to appear at McKinney hearing after all

By Don Carr

WASHINGTON—Retired Sgt. Maj. Brenda Hoster, whose sexual-harassment allegations against Sgt. Maj. of the Army Gene C. McKinney led to his suspension from duty, has agreed to testify after saying she would not.

Hoster's lawyers told Army officials July 17 she will testify now that she has been assured government lawyers will object to any questions by McKinney's attorneys about her sexual past.

Hoster, McKinney's former public affairs assistant, had previously said she would not testify at the hearing because her attorney felt at the time that the proceeding "won't protect Hoster."

In an ABC Nightline appearance July 9, Hoster claimed the Army is biased in favor of McKinney and said she wouldn't take the stand against him because there's no need to examine irrelevant details of her life.

On July 17, Col. Robert Jarvis, Article 32 investigating officer, announced approval of defense coun-

sel's request for an order to require Hoster's sworn statement and cross-examination. While Hoster had provided an earlier statement detailing her allegations, McKinney's lawyers had not cross-examined her.

Jarvis had earlier asked the Army to recall Hoster to active duty to compel her to testify. A decision on that request had not been reached by the time of Hoster's decision July 17.

Earlier that day Government Counsel Lt. Col. Michael Child said he thought Hoster would testify if she was assured all questioning would comply with Military Rule of Evidence 412. The rule states that the witness may not be questioned about past sexual history with persons other than the accused.

In February Hoster accused McKinney of propositioning her and grabbing and kissing her during TDY trips. She is one of five servicewomen to accuse McKinney of making sexual advances.

Three witnesses who testified earlier hesitated at first to come forward with

their allegations, they said, because they thought theirs were isolated cases. They changed their minds after they learned of Hoster's allegations in February.

The hearing has been under way since June 25 at Fort McNair here. Similar to a grand jury hearing in the civilian courts, the Article 32 hearing's purpose is to determine if there is enough evidence to take the case to court-martial.

On the morning of July 17, Jarvis suspended the hearing for a week at the request of lead McKinney defense attorney Charles Gittins. In a memo to Jarvis, Gittins asked for the delay because Lt. Col. James Gerstenlauer, one of McKinney's military attorneys, injured his Achilles tendon in a fall earlier that week. The injury will require surgery.

Jarvis said the proceedings will resume July 24 with all available witnesses. Hoster is scheduled to testify the next day. (Arnews)

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Army Materiel Command. The original prototype for the OSV was built at Red River Army Depot, Texas. Technical data from the prototype was provided to RIA's engineers and process planners, who then had to adapt it to the capabilities found here.

In an example of concurrent engineering, STRICOM engineers worked closed with RIA planners, engineers and production workers during the early phases of production. This enabled changes and improvements to be made on the fly during production while still adhering to the delivery schedule, which was tight due to the demand for the OSV in the field.

The turret, basket and rotor for the OSV are all made of aluminum. Production begins with raw stock metal which is transformed into OSV components through processes such as layout, welding, fabrication, machining, heat treating, plating and painting.

Before shipping, the OSV components are packaged with parts kits assembled in RIA's kit assembly area. The kits contain the basic items needed in the field to operate the turret. (Rock Island Arsenal release)

M114 howitzers return to Rock Island after long hiatus

By Paul Levesque

ROCK ISLAND, Ill.—A weapon which was first produced at Rock Island Arsenal during World War II is once again passing through RIA's manufacturing area.

The M114 155-millimeter towed howitzer is being inspected and repaired at the Arsenal as part of a presidential drawdown effort for the Bosnian federation. The howitzers which are refurbished here will be shipped to Bosnia and used by that Balkan nation's armed forces.

RIA has orders to deliver 116 M114 howitzers. Work on the project began in early June and is scheduled to be completed by the end of August. Despite the tight timeframe, the project is currently ahead of schedule.

The project is being managed by TACOM-ACALA, with some quality engineering support received from TACOM-ARDEC. Assistance has also been provided by IOC's DCS for Transportation.

The history of the M114 howitzer can be traced back to the mid-1940s. It replaced predecessor 155-millimeter howitzers during the latter stages of World War II and soon became one of the Army's standard artillery pieces. Field

artillery units made extensive use of the M114 in both Korea and Vietnam.

During those years, Rock Island Arsenal made components for and assembled hundreds of M114 howitzers. The M114 was also manufactured by several different contractors.

Eventually, the M114 was phased out in favor of the M198, which now serves as the Army's standard towed howitzer. Still, some Army Reserve and National Guard units had M114s in their inventory at least as recently as 1992.

During the early 1980s, a program to overhaul and improve the M114 was undertaken. A total of 116 howitzers were upgraded and placed into long-term, interior storage at Letterkenny Army Depot, Pa. Another 145 M114s of various vintages were stored in outside lots at Letterkenny. Ultimately, none of the howitzers were shipped to U.S. military units.

Those 116 howitzers

which were upgraded and preserved at Letterkenny are the very ones that are being prepared for shipment to Bosnia. The other 145 howitzers which were stored outside are being stripped for parts whenever needed.

Some M114s were shipped from Letterkenny to RIA by an Army Reserve unit from Pennsylvania, arriving here the second weekend of June. Other incoming shipments were performed by commercial carrier, as will be all outgoing shipments.

Once the howitzers arrive, they are given a thorough and detailed inspection. The areas that are looked over include the recoil mechanism, traverse and elevation mechanisms, breech, tires and brake system. The gun tube is checked inside and out for rust, cracks, and other signs of wear or deterioration.

All the M114s are being boresighted, to assure that the fire control system is functioning properly.

Though it was thought that only touch-up painting would be needed, most have been completely repainted; this usually takes less time than touch-up work and guarantees standardization in terms of coating and color.

Any repair parts which are needed are being removed from the howitzers at Letterkenny and shipped to Rock Island. So far, two trips have been made to Pennsylvania for this purpose.

The first six howitzers completed here were sent to Letterkenny for live test firing in June. All six passed the test.

A fixture is being built at RIA's test range to enable completed M114s to be tested on the simulator. When the fixture is in place, all M114s will undergo simulation testing before delivery.

Armed employees then package the M114s and get them ready for an overseas journey. The howitzers completed here will be loaded onto trucks and moved from those trucks

directly onto a cargo ship.

Each howitzer will be accompanied by a package of basic issue items. The package will contain 19 items needed to operate the howitzer, including a lanyard, a loader tray, some cleaning brushes, and a set of aiming stakes.

The M114s being shipped to Bosnia have an effective range of about nine miles when firing standard ammunition. They can be fired at a maximum rate of four rounds per minute and can be towed at up to 45 miles per hour on primary paved roads.

Rock Island Arsenal is the largest government-owned and operated manufacturing facility in the United States. RIA is part of the worldwide complex of manufacturing, maintenance and storage sites and installations which make up the U.S. Army Industrial Operations Command. IOC Headquarters is located on the Arsenal. (Rock Island Arsenal release)

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Tool outfit production gets more bang for the buck with fix

By Paul Levesque

ROCK ISLAND, Ill.— "Getting more bang for the buck" has become a shopworn phrase throughout the Department of Defense, as DoD agencies and activities try to find ways to retain America's military superiority within the restraints of ever-shrinking budgets.

Some efforts to improve the bang-to-buck ratio have failed, others have succeeded, and a few have truly excelled. One example of the latter can be found at Rock Island Arsenal, in the ongoing effort to produce the Pioneer Tool Outfit.

Known as the PTO for short, the Pioneer Tool Outfit is a trailer-mounted shop set designed for use by Army combat engineering units. The item was managed by the Aviation and Troop Command, an organization which was recently disestablished; management responsibilities for the PTO are being shifted to the Armament and Chemical Acquisition and Logistics Activity, a business center of the Tank-automotive and Armaments Command located at Rock Island.

While the PTO is not a new item, it was clearly in need of upgrades and improvements. Through a complex series of transactions, ATCOM transferred the workload and related funding to produce improved

Pioneer Tool Outfits to Rock Island Arsenal, with engineering support provided by the local element of the Armament Research, Development and Engineering Center, also a TACOM business center. It was originally estimated that 80 PTOs could be built based on the funding and design provided.

Thanks to the joint efforts of RIA and TACOM-ARDEC, production of the PTO won't stop at 80. Instead, 120 of the tool outfits will be produced with the same amount of money.

Steve Marriott, a TACOM-ARDEC supervisor whose engineering team is working on the PTO project, credited the vast improvement in productivity to the skill and experience of the people involved and their ability to work together.

"We've incorporated a number of improvements suggested by Arsenal employees," Marriott said. "In return, they've fully cooperated in helping to integrate all the redesigns and reconfigurations into the final product, and have found better, faster and cheaper ways of producing it."

The end result, Marriott continued, is an item that will be higher in quality than its predecessor yet will cost less to produce.

"There have been a number of improvements made in terms of producibility and human engineering," he said. "In other words, the PTO is now being made better,

and is easier to use in the field."

The combat engineering units who will use the PTO in the field are represented by the U.S. Army Engineer School at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. The customer representatives from the engineering school have made certain that the PTO will meet the needs of the units and that it will be able to withstand some hard use.

Combat engineers are called on to build bridges, bunkers, buildings and other structures to support the advance of combat troops. They must be prepared and equipped to work in every type of climate and terrain found on Earth.

In field training or actual combat, the PTO would be carried behind a vehicle to the location where construction was taking place. The tools and equipment on the PTO would then be used in the construction effort.

Among the items found on the PTO are a chain saw with a 30-inch blade, used to cut timbers for bridges and buildings; an abrasive 14-inch disk saw capable of cutting stone and concrete; a high-power impact wrench used to drive bolts; a hose and water pump for draining standing water; and several electric drills and sanders.

The larger tools are powered by a 27-horsepower hydraulic power unit mounted on the PTO. A smaller portable electric gen-

erator is also available.

The PTO is also supplied with a small complement of hand tools, spare blades and parts for the power tools, two large electric lights, a five-gallon fuel can, and safety gear such as fire extinguishers and a first aid kit.

During the reconfiguration of the PTO, the largest savings was achieved when the metal boxes used to store tools and equipment were replaced with plastic boxes. The new boxes are lighter and cheaper, and represent a quality improvement since they are impervious to rust, even in the most humid tropical conditions, and can handle cold temperatures down to 40 below zero.

Another change which combined cost savings with quality improvement occurred when the PTO's floodlights were replaced with halogen lamps. The halogen lights are cheaper to purchase and easier to replace, and are rated to last up to 10 times longer than the old floodlights.

The PTO is built from existing standard trailers taken out of storage. The trailers are cleaned and painted, and the tires are replaced if necessary.

A steel deck is placed on the trailer, using a welding jig specially designed for the PTO project. The deck is used as the base upon which all the equipment and tools can be mounted. (Rock Island Arsenal release)

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lifetime opportunity.

"My heart was pounding 100 miles per hour when I got to that (firing) position. I gotta be honest," Logan, 39, from Delta Junction, Alaska, said.

He is unsure whether he will stay in Huntsville after he retires; it depends on whether a possible job works out with a contractor. "If it

does, I'll stay with the system maybe a few more years," he said. "I really enjoy working with it."

Besides Logan—and his assistant gunner, Sgt. John Conley of the Javelin new equipment training team from Fort Benning, Ga.—the key player in this game July 16 was of course the Javelin. The general officers seemed impressed at its performance.

"I thought it was fantastic," Brig. Gen. John Geis,

commander of the Simulation, Training and Instrumentation Command (STRICOM) out of Orlando, Fla., said. "That was the first time I've seen the Javelin fired and I was very impressed. As an acquisition guy, I've been tracking this weapon system for years and it's great to see it come to fruition. I just think it's going to be great for our Army."

"It was pretty impres-

sive," Brig. Gen. Larry Gottardi, deputy commander of the U.S. Army Cadet Command out of Fort Lewis, Wash., said. "I think it's very clear that the Army light infantry, dismounted infantry, has the ability to kill just about any armor they happen to encounter. We've just leveled the playing field for light infantry in fighting armor."

Lt. Col. Ed Courtney, Javelin's assistant project manager for development,

served as the coordinator and narrator for this event. Watching the generals' buses and vans depart, he said, "They're excited to be out here and they enjoyed it."

Javelin was fielded in June 1996 to the 75th Rangers and is now being fielded to the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C. Completion of fielding to the

82nd Airborne is projected for June 1998.

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Javelin Project Office reports to the Program Executive Office for Tactical Missiles headed by Brig. Gen. Willie Nance.

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Prevention of sexual harassment— The AMCOM Equal Employment Opportunity Office, assisted by the Legal Office and Management Employee Relations Office, continues to conduct training in the Prevention of Sexual Harassment. Morning and afternoon sessions are scheduled for July 23 and 24 in room A-115, building 5250. Sessions will begin in the Sparkman Auditorium July 31 with morning and afternoon sessions July 31, Aug. 1, Aug. 4, Aug. 5 and Aug. 8. Please adhere to the previously published schedule to prevent over-seating. All civilians must receive update training by Aug. 15. For more information call Becky Miller, program manager for preven-

tion of sexual harassment, EEO Office 876-8946.

Quarterly retirement ceremony— The next Retirement Ceremony will be held at 4 p.m. Oct. 16 at the post parade field. Rehearsal will be held at 8 a.m. Oct. 15 at the parade field. If you wish to participate, call SFC Walter Jones of Support Operations 842-2500 by Oct. 3.

Blood program schedule— Here's the schedule for the Red Cross Blood Program this month: July 25, building 4505, from 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Linda Keel 955-0900; SSDC (Wynn Drive), room 1C400, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Al Longhi 955-5901; and Corps of Engineers, from 7:30-noon, Linda Merschman 895-1580.

Newcomers orientation— The Army Community Service Newcomer's Orientation will be held Aug. 5, building 3447. Attendance is mandatory for newly-arrived military personnel permanently assigned to Redstone Arsenal. Family members are invited to attend. Free child care is provided at the child Development Center. In order to use the child care facility, you must have either a shot record or the yellow shot card. For more information, call Mary Breeden 876-5397. The orientation begins at 8:30 a.m. and includes speakers, information

booths, and a bus tour of

ACS open house— Army Community Service is celebrating 32 years of serving the military with an open house set from 1-3 p.m. Thursday at building 3491. The Redstone community is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served. For more information call Sue

Paddock, ACS chief, 876-6299.

Leadership tool course— Training and Career Management is now taking applicants for the August Quality Implementation: Leadership Tool (QILT) course. The course dates are Aug. 11-14 and Aug. 25 - 28. This course is designed to provide advanced profes-

sional development for leaders, and practical application of quality techniques and tools for developing customer focused, high performing organizations. The course includes skill building modules on developing trust and partnerships, coaching, leadership and the positive reinforcement of an empowered work force. An integral element

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and those expecting to enter a leadership role in the near future. The course can be attended by a single individual, although it is ideally suited for small teams. A prerequisite for the course is that students (or teams) should bring a real business project, identified in collaboration with their supervisor, with the understanding that course time will be used to initiate work on this project, and that post-course effort will be required for completion. To register for this course, call 876-6297. For more information, call Ed Goad 842-8704 or Jerry Alexander 876-5080.

Transition workshop—

The Military Personnel Office is sponsoring a three-day Transition Assistance Workshop on July 29-31 in building 3433, room 145. It is mandatory that all military personnel who are leaving the service within the next 180 days attend one of these scheduled workshops unless they have attended a previous workshop. To register call Jeannie Sharpe 955-6490.

Bicycle races— The Spring City Bicycle Races— hosted by Spring City Cycle Club, the Huntsville Land Trust and Saturn of Huntsville — will be held July 26-27. Cyclists of all ages will be winding through the streets surrounding the Huntsville-Madison County Airport on July 26 and zipping through downtown July 27. Children's races (Raccoon Rally) will take place 1:30-

2:45 p.m. July 27 in Big Spring International Park.

Union council meeting

— The Alabama State Council of AFGE Locals will hold its semiannual meeting July 23-26 at the Ramada Inn, Madison. Registration begins at 8 a.m. July 23. Training on July 24-25 will include stewards training, Roberts Rules of Order, EEO, organizing, and workplace issues. Madison Mayor Chuck Yancura is to welcome the council. A banquet at 6:30 p.m. July 25 is to feature Congressman Bud Cramer as guest speaker, and Ted Cannon as disc jockey providing a variety of music. Tickets for the banquet are \$20 per person. AFGE Local 1858, led by James Brothers, president, is hosting the event. For more information, call AFGE Local 1858 at 881-7430 or 876-4880.

Hunter certification—

Anyone born on or after Aug. 1, 1977 must show proof of completion of a state-certified hunter education course prior to purchasing their hunting license. To accommodate the Redstone community, Outdoor Recreation will sponsor a certification class at building 3711 from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Aug. 2, 16 and 23. The

24-hour course will include hunter responsibility, wildlife laws, wildlife management and identification, firearms safety, archery, muzzleloading, basic survival, first aid and range practice. Goals of the hunter education program include increasing awareness of the importance of hunter-landowner relations, hunter behavior, reducing accident rates and increased knowledge of basic wildlife management concepts and wildlife laws. You must attend all three class dates. To preregister call Bill Kerlin or Gail Glass 876-4868 from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

Fox Army Community Hospital—

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 is as follows: 9-10:30 a.m. July 29; 9-10 a.m. Aug. 5, 12, 14 and 19; and 9-10:15 a.m. Aug. 26. Group support sessions, from 11-noon, are scheduled Sept. 2, 9, 23 and Oct. 7. These classes are free and open to all military beneficiaries and Civil Service workers. To register call the Public Health and Education Center, Fox Army Community Hospital, 842-0196. For more information, call Susan Goodman 842-0147.

Parent advisory council— The Child Development Services Parent Advisory Council (PAC) will meet July 29 at 11 a.m. in the Bicentennial Chapel activity room. Parents with children in all CDS programs are encouraged to attend. Bring your lunch or enjoy free pizza.

Retirement planning seminar—

A Retirement Planning Seminar has been scheduled for Aug. 12-14 for employees who are within five years of retirement. Each session will begin at 8 a.m. in the Rocket Auditorium and will last about four hours. Spouses may attend if desired. Topics to be discussed are: OPM/Federal Retirement System including Civil Service Retirement System and the Federal Employees Retirement System, Social Security Benefits, Legal Affairs, Health and Life Insurance, etc. For more information call Syleria Jarmom 876-4369, in the South Central Personnel Advisory Center (CPAC) Training and Career Management Branch, or Claudine Robinson in the Retirement Office 876-3902.

Planetarium show—

The Von Braun Astronomical Society will present a show on "Exploring the Red Planet" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at

the planetarium in Monte Sano State Park. Scheduled presenter is George Adams. After the program, attendees are invited to step outside to view Mars and the Milky Way through telescopes. Admission to the planetarium show is as follows: VBAS members, free with membership card; adults, \$2; children 6-11, \$1; and children 5-under, free. The star-viewing party after the show is free.

Financial assistance—

The Redstone Arsenal Thrift Shop is accepting written requests from organizations seeking financial assistance. Written requests outlining the group's ongoing programs, reasons for requesting help, how the funds would be applied, where check should be mailed and telephone number of individual who could answer any questions to justify the document requested, should be mailed to The Thrift Shop, Attn.: Welfare Chairman, Building 3657, Redstone Arsenal 35898. Applications should be received by July 31 requesting donations from all community organizations that fall within the 501C

Accounts (non-profit organizations and donations to be used for the recreational and educational purpose arena). All donations requested will be considered for approval by the end of August; and the checks will be mailed by Sept. 15 to the approved organizations. New requests have to be made each time. "We would like to thank the community for letting us help them in their time of need," the Thrift Shop said in a prepared release. "Solicitations from the community are welcome and our welfare contributions will be decided upon and approved in August, November and April of each year."

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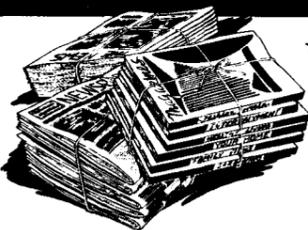
The Hispanic Heritage Month planning committee will meet at 1 p.m. July 28 in building 5300, room 5130. Anyone interested in participating as a committee member should attend. For more information call Becky Miller, Hispanic Employment program manager, 876-8946 or Juan Mendoza, committee chairman, 955-3348.

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Redstone hail/farewell

The Team Redstone Hail and Farewell is scheduled for July 29 from 4-6 p.m. at the Officers Club. This promises to be a fun-filled event complete with good food, spirits (at the cash bar) and the opportunity to meet many of our new colleagues who have arrived from the St. Louis area and other points unknown. All AMCOM civilian and mili-

tary personnel, regardless of grade or rank, are invited to attend. The honorees will include all military officers and civilian employees, GM/GS-11 and above, who have joined this command within the past four months and July, and those scheduled to depart prior to Aug. 31. Dress will be duty uniform for military and normal duty attire for civilians. Cost is \$4 per person. For more information, call Sarah Baker of Protocol Office 876-7136.

Civil War program

David Smith, a Cincinnati businessman and amateur historian, will present a program titled "John C. Pemberton and Joseph E. Johnston: They Didn't Like Each Other Much" based upon Pemberton's unpublished manuscript. This free program, open to the public, will be held at 7 p.m. Aug. 14 in the Trillium Room of

the Burritt Museum and Park's Administration Building. Sponsors include the Tennessee Valley Civil War Round Table, the Burritt Museum and Park, the Sons of Confederate Veterans, and the United Daughters of the Confederacy. For more information call the Burritt Museum and Park 536-2882, or the Tennessee Valley Civil War Round Table 883-8098 or 971-9201.

Bible study

The Redstone community, civilian and military, is invited to attend the Bible study held each Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Bicentennial Chapel. For more information, call 313-6874.

Jazz combo

Tres Jazz Combo will perform jazz and Latin music Saturday from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at Cesar's Italian Cafe, 401 Hughes Road in Madison. For information call 772-

7040.

Collectors club

The first meeting for the Tennessee Valley Area collectors of All God's Children Collector's Club will be held 1-3 p.m. Saturday at the Community Room, Huntsville-Madison County Public Library, 912 Monroe St. "Bring and tell us about your favorite All God's Children figurine," a prepared release said. "Be in a group picture that will be sent to All God's Children Collector's Edition." There will be refreshments and door prizes.

Take off pounds

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets at Fox Army Community Hospital every Thursday with weigh in from 5:30-6 p.m. Women and men are encouraged to attend. Meetings are held in the outpatient clinic (entrance by the flag pole). For more

information, call Carol Smith 533-4409 or Nancy Plemons 890-4502.

Resume workshop

A resume is the employer's first impression of you. Learn to put your best foot forward in a resume workshop from 10-11:30 a.m. July 31 at building 3447 on Zeus Drive. This workshop will offer information to help you tailor your resume to highlight your skills and abilities that are important to the private sector employer. If you would like to attend or have questions, call Debra Jefferson of Army Community Service 876-5397.

Operations research group

The Redstone Arsenal-Huntsville Military Operations Research Section (RAHMORS) will have a tour of the Virtual Innovation Laboratory at NASA building 4663 from 11 a.m.

to 12:30 p.m. July 30. For more information, call Martha Knott 876-5196.

Nightout against crime

"National Nightout '97," an annual crime prevention event sponsored locally by Provost Marshal Office, will be held 6-9 p.m. Aug. 5 at the Youth Center off Goss Road. Redstone residents are invited to say goodbye to drugs and crime by enjoying a night of games, events and entertainment. There will be representatives from other local and federal law enforcement agencies. For more information, call Provost Marshal Investigations 876-2090.

Prayer breakfast

The July non-denominational prayer breakfast, sponsored by IMMC, will be held July 29 at 7-7:30 a.m. in the Sparkman Cafeteria. Scheduled speaker is Dr. Pauline P. "Polly" Cason.

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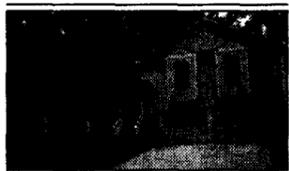
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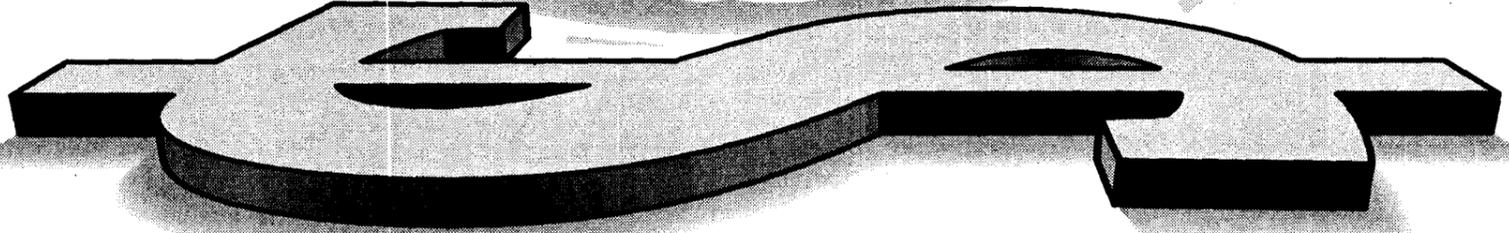
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