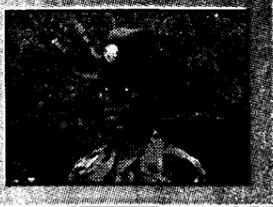


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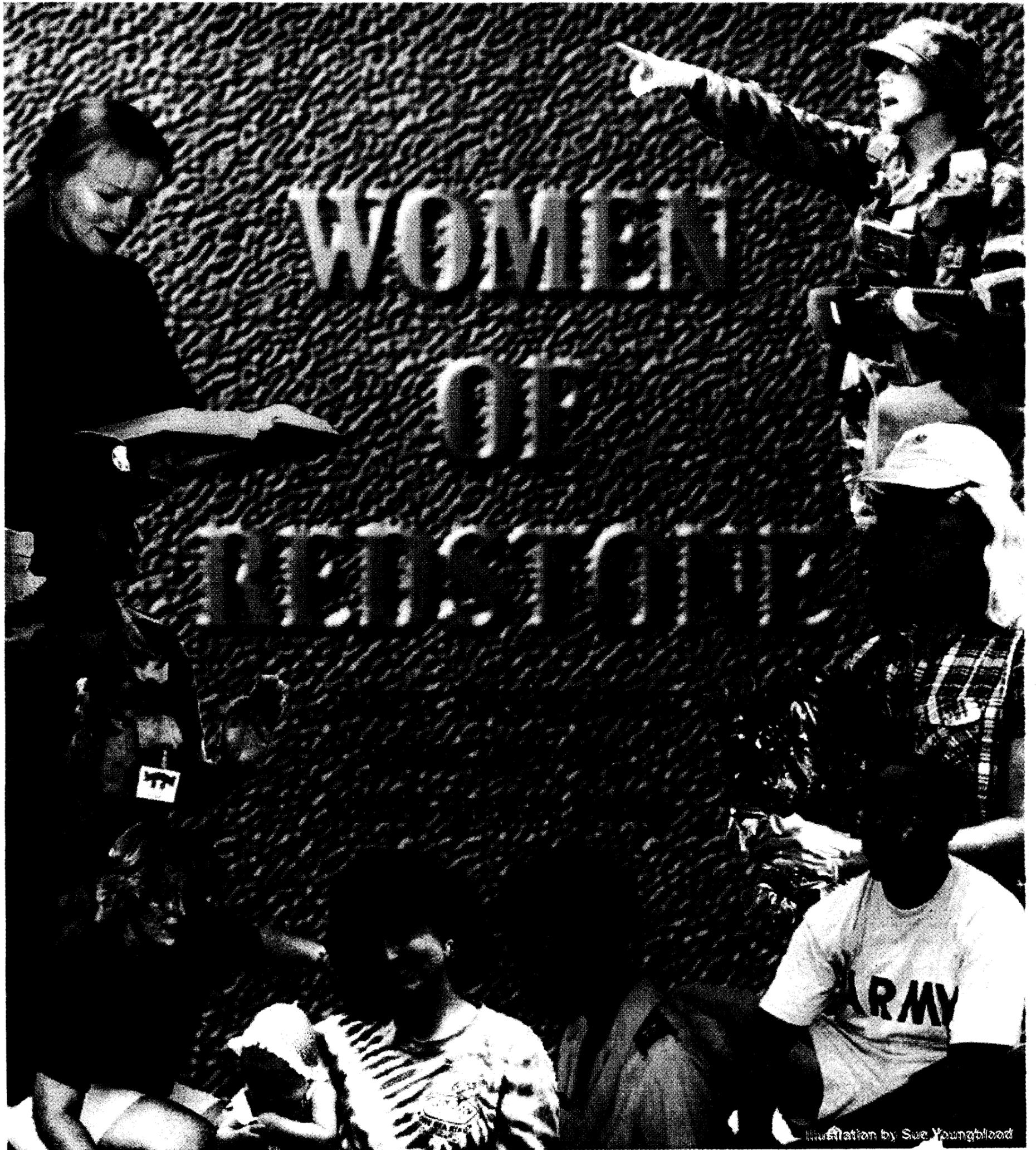


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Army wives getting involved

Volunteer work helps them meet people, learn about area

By Sandy Riebeling

Interesting is the best description Sharon Samuelson can offer to describe her 29 years as an Army wife.

"We've been stationed overseas four times, once in Korea, once in Italy and twice in Germany," Samuelson said. "And we've moved a zillion million times in between."

Samuelson, wife of CWO 3 Lee Samuelson, has noticed a difference in the Army's attitude toward family throughout the last three decades.

"Their attitude used to be, 'We didn't issue you the wife and kids,'" she said. "Now there are more military sponsored family oriented programs."

And that's important to Samuelson, who raised three children, Ricky, Charlotte and Robert.

"It was tough taking care of all three when Lee was gone," Samuelson said. "But they also had the opportunity to visit all these wonderful places that few kids have the opportunity to see."

"They dealt really well with the moves. They seemed to mature faster. I think they enjoyed it and adjusted really well. I didn't hear too much complaining."

More than likely, they didn't have time to complain. Samuelson was and is a very active volunteer.

"And I usually end up volunteering my whole family in the process," she said. "But I think doing all those activities together, the musical theater, Girl Scouts, Dependent Youth Activities, Special Olympics kept our family close."

The children are grown now and on their own but Samuelson is still volunteering. She and her husband were co-chairmen for the annual Army Emergency Relief fund-raising campaign both last year and this year and she still finds time to volunteer at the post Thrift Shop.

Samuelson said that happiness as a military wife depends on a person's attitude. "You have to have a good attitude, look for opportunities and grasp onto them. Get involved, get out and see the sights in the community."

The voice of experience serves the younger generation of military wives well.

Shirley Rudd, Army wife since January, is continuing the cycle of raising children and supporting the military community through volunteering.

"I used to work full time in the education system in Wisconsin," Rudd said. "I knew if I came down here and didn't do something I would go crazy. And I love volunteering. It helps me meet people, learn about the community and the Army, and I can help others."

Rudd volunteers with the Army Commu-



Photo by Sandy Riebeling

FULL-TIME WIFE AND MOTHER— Being a full-time mother and Army wife has been a great experience for Rudd, with her daughters, Marissa and Samantha.

nity Service as a receptionist. She and husband, Kyle, who is receiving his advanced individual training at Redstone, have two daughters, Marissa, 4, and Samantha, 2.

"I thought leaving my family would be hard but it wasn't that bad," Rudd said. "We stay busy sightseeing around the area and today will be our third trip to the Space Center."

Rudd also tries to take advantage of all the services the Army provides.

"We use the vet service, the commissary,

library, daycare, swimming pools, outdoor rec center and even the furniture store. I want to utilize all the services they have."

Rudd doesn't know if the Army will be a lifetime career but expects to enjoy it while she's here.

"I don't have any complaints," she said. "I'm looking forward to traveling. I love the volunteer work and meeting new people and the kids are adjusting well."

Busy courtroom life...

Trial lawyer was drawn to unique profession

By Skip Vaughn

As the only female lawyer with her own practice in Huntsville, Marcia Stevens was making money while staying busy.

But she wasn't completely happy. She wanted to spend more time with her two children; and that's why she decided to become a government attorney. So, Stevens came to work for the Army at Redstone Arsenal where she'd spend 40 hours a week on the job.

"I wanted to spend more time being a mommy and less time being a lawyer," Stevens said of her career move.

Since 1988 Stevens has been a general attorney in the Trial Section of the Adversary Proceedings Division in the command's Legal Office. She's a trial lawyer, just like she was in private practice, but stays within the specialized field of government contract law.

"I prepare the trial work for the two different levels to which contractors can appeal," Stevens said. "I prepare trial work for the Army at the



Photo by Skip Vaughn

LEGAL ISSUE— Stevens does research in the Legal Office law library.

Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals, and for the Department of Justice at the Court of Federal Claims."

She's one of five attorneys, including two females, in the Adversary Proceedings Division which is led by Harvey Reznick.

Stevens said she was drawn to the law profession because it was a "complex and unique field of study." There

were also few women lawyers at the time although the number is growing. Stevens earned a bachelor's degree in biology and political science from the University of Alabama-Huntsville, and a juris doctor from St. Mary's University in San Antonio. "I think we had five or six women at my law school out of a couple of hundred," she recalled.

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Family tradition...

Female firefighter follows in footsteps

By Jim Bowne

Years ago, it seemed to be a lot easier to choose an occupation. One had only to look at the "list." There were certain jobs for men and certain jobs for women. At the time, few questioned this division.

However, time goes by, the world changes, and we change with the times. Today, in the United States, the line that once divided jobs by gender has all but disappeared. Men are working in occupations once considered women's fields, and vice versa. The evidence can be found everywhere, including Redstone Arsenal.

Sandy Boyd is just over 5 feet tall with a slight build. She is a third-generation firefighter, following in the footsteps of her father and grandfather. Her father was chief of the East Limestone County Volunteer Fire Department.

Being small in stature, Boyd doesn't fit the image of a firefighter. "I was always a tomboy," she said. "Dad



Photo by Jim Bowne

EQUIPMENT CHECK— Boyd checks condition of fire truck at the station.

started training me in basic firefighting when I was about 14 years old. A year later, he started taking me with him into houses (on fire calls). I guess it just got in my blood."

Boyd has no brothers. "I have an older sister, but she's never had any wish to be a firefighter." In 1981, while in her early 20s, Boyd completed a 160-hour course in fire-

fighting. She then began working as a volunteer firefighter at the Athens Fire Department where she completed an additional 240 hours of training.

When a paid firefighter position opened up in 1984, Boyd's father dared her to apply for the job. "He was so proud and was tickled to

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World War II workers put their lives on the line

But women received less pay than their male counterparts in same job

By Jim Bowne

During World War II, women all across America were involved in the civilian defense effort. In addition to fulfilling the more "traditional" roles expected of women (like running the household, taking care of children, shopping, cooking, and washing clothes), women everywhere were doing all they could to help win the war.

They learned to cope with the growing shortages of meat, sugar, coffee, coal, automobiles, tires, and fuel oil. They grew "Victory Gardens." They saved scrap metal, old rubber, and waste household fats "for victory."

Women also found time to volunteer for the Red Cross. They bought and sold War Bonds. And many took part-time or full-time paying jobs outside the home.

The women who worked on Redstone and Huntsville Arsenals did pretty much the same things. But here, their jobs shifted more from the "traditional" to those once held by men only.

The primary driver for this shift in roles from "women's work" to "man's work" was born of necessity. As the war continued, more and more men were drafted into the armed forces. As a result, women had to step in to fill certain jobs that carried considerable risk to life and limb.

In her volume, "Women at War: Redstone's World War II Female 'Production Soldiers,'" Dr. Kaylene Hughes (an AMCOM historian), writes, "The wartime contributions of the women employees at Redstone and Huntsville Arsenals were considerable, especially when one considers that injury and death were always possibilities while they were on the job."

Civilian women who worked for the Army did not have an easy time. In addition to holding high-risk jobs, the "pressures of work, the strain of trying to keep up with family obligations, the stress of worrying about loved ones fighting in the war or being held prisoner behind enemy lines, the lack of adequate rest and nutrition, even ill health all contributed to higher levels of absenteeism among women workers." However, despite the hardships they endured, women proved themselves worthy.

In August 1941, the Army's Chemical Warfare Service broke ground for Huntsville Arsenal. Two months later, the Army's Ordnance Corps broke ground for Redstone Ordnance Plant.

Huntsville Arsenal was the only manufacturing plant that produced colored smoke munitions. The plant also produced gel-type incendiaries, and toxic agents including mustard gas, lewisite, and tear gas, among others.

The Redstone Ordnance Plant was redesignated Redstone Arsenal in February 1943. This facility produced burster charges, chemical artillery ammunition, rifle grenades, demolition blocks, and bombs.

The women who first began working at Redstone and Huntsville arsenals did not immediately start on the production lines. While men did the heavy work, women were placed in administrative and light production jobs. For example, they tested and inspected metallic materials, castings, mechanical parts, and different components associated with ordnance materials. The starting salary was \$1,020 annually.

"Equal pay for equal work" was a battle constantly fought during the war. Stacey

Posey, who worked for Huntsville Arsenal, remembered that "entry level female production workers earned \$3.60 a day. Men at the plant were paid more than the women." She also remembered that the Army paid higher wages for certain jobs deemed to be more hazardous, although women workers in those areas still earned less. For example, men who worked in mustard gas production were paid \$5.76 daily, while women were paid \$4.40.

In the early stages, most arsenal employees were men. They were engineers, construction workers, and skilled office personnel. Local secretarial and clerical personnel were in short supply. So were competent supervisors and persons with backgrounds in chemistry.

However, at the national level, things began to change in 1942. By June of that year, skilled female employees in the War Department had increased from 3 percent to 10 percent. Of the department's unskilled labor force, female workers accounted for almost 35 percent.

Locally, Huntsville Arsenal was reluctant to hire additional females because "the performance of women... was an unknown quantity." However, Redstone Arsenal was doing all it could to attract more females to its work force.

As time went on, though, the number of available men dwindled due to the draft. So, women at Huntsville Arsenal began filling jobs that were earlier held only by men. These included jobs such as tool-crib operators, inspectors, clerks, forklift operators, guards, truck drivers, checkers, and press operators.

There was even a move, although a slow one, toward



Historical Office files

WORKING THE LINE— Women work on a production line at Redstone Arsenal during World War II.

having all-female work crews. These first work crews continued to be supervised by men. By 1943, however, Huntsville Arsenal could brag about its all-female crew, supervised by a woman.

In early 1942, Redstone Arsenal's commander began formulating a long-range plan to employ women on the ammunition production lines. At that time, using women in such jobs was definitely frowned on.

Redstone Arsenal hired its

first two per diem female workers in February 1942. By the end of the year, women made up about 40 percent of those working on the four ordnance production lines. During 1944, female employment hit about 54 percent. By September 1945, the average had peaked at 62 percent.

The move by women into the "men's world" was not without risk. During World War II, three women at Huntsville Arsenal were killed while at work. Two

were killed at Redstone Arsenal. Many others suffered severe injuries.

The women who worked on the arsenals during the war did their part under extreme conditions. Hughes summed up their contributions in her preface: "Their diligent efforts on behalf of the U.S. Armed Forces helped to guarantee victory over the Axis powers of WWII."

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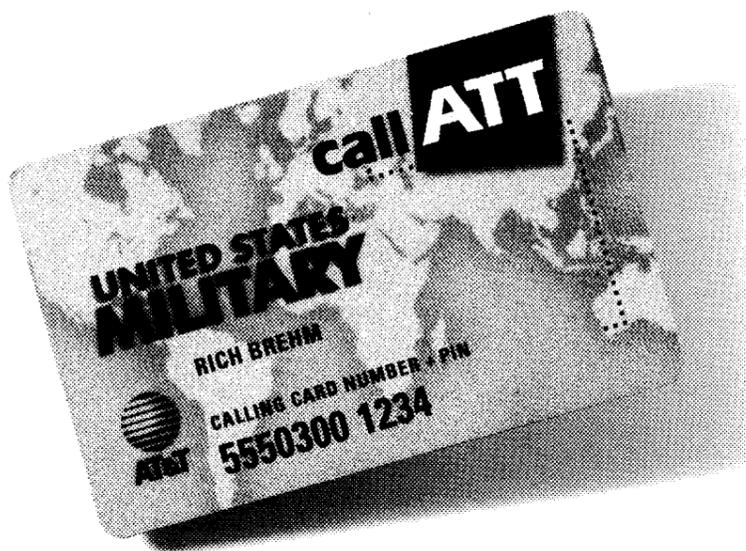
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Buddy team policy applies to all soldiers

No problems seen in mixed gender training at Redstone

By Sandy Riebeling

Women may be from Venus and Men from Mars, but in the Army they all wear green, they all train together and they all have buddy teams.

"Buddy teams are not a product of integrated gender training," said Capt. Scott Murray, commander of C Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion. "The teams are a good tool, used for cohesion and safety, but they've been around for a long time."

Army regulations require soldiers to be assigned a 'buddy' during basic training and advanced individual training. Soldiers at Redstone for AIT are assigned same gender buddies. Although staying with your assigned buddy may not be possible at all times, soldiers should always be in same gender teams.

"I never address a soldier alone, male or female," Murray said. "That way there can be no misinterpretation."

And although the buddy teams are not mandatory

off-post, Murray highly recommends "they maintain their buddy team off post."

As for daily living and training, both Murray and Capt. Mark Richardson say that integrated gender training has not posed any difficulties at Redstone.

"With our MOS, gender doesn't really matter," said Richardson, commander of B Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion, which trains soldiers in missilery. "Some missile systems like the MLRS require over-head lifting, but this isn't a problem."

Both commanders agree that it is the individual, not the gender, that determines the success of the soldier.

"Some soldiers are weak intellectually and some physically," Richardson said. "That includes males and females. But we work with them to develop whatever their need is."

"Charlie Company trains ammunition specialists," Murray said. "It's hard to identify gender specific problems with this MOS. They all must maintain the standards and are given equal opportu-

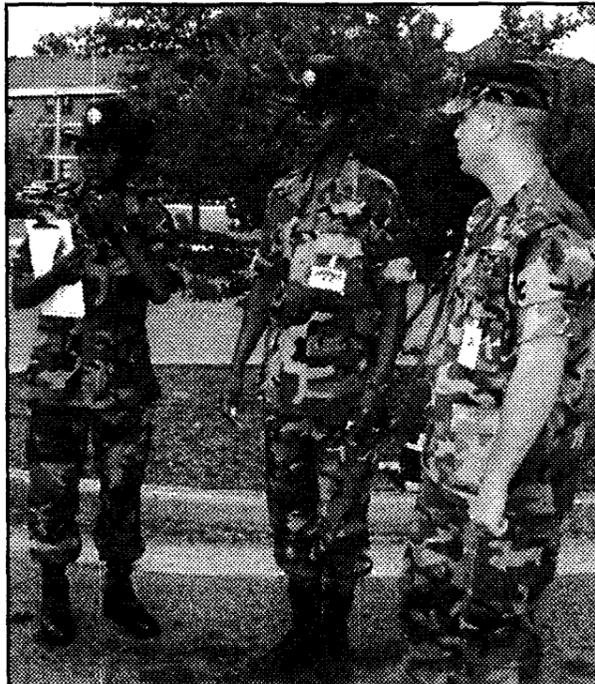


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IN TRAINING— Drill Sgt. Lora Lopez with Senior Drill Sgt. Smalls and Capt. Murray critique C Company's marching skills during practice for a change of command ceremony.

nities to excel."

Soldiers are not separated during AIT training. They sleep in the same barracks. Roommates are same gender and there are locks on the doors.

"Males and females do not enter each other's rooms— for the soldier's protection," Murray said.

Army regulations dictate a female soldier's use of

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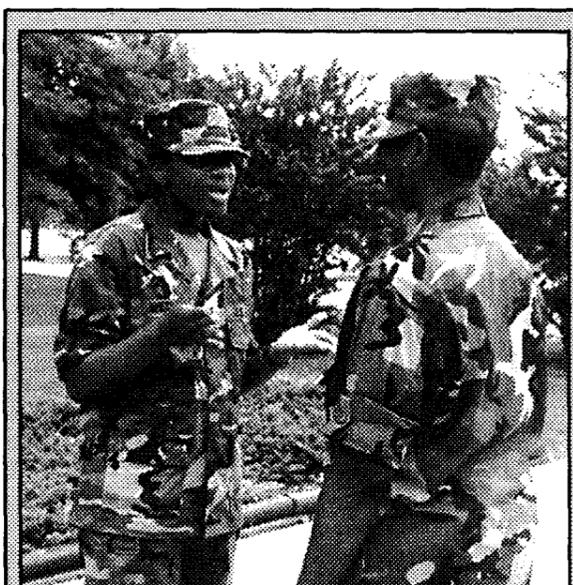


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AMMO SPECIALISTS— Smith, left and Mitchel, from C Company, are at Redstone for AIT as ammunition specialists.

Women soldiers: First days of basic training were tough

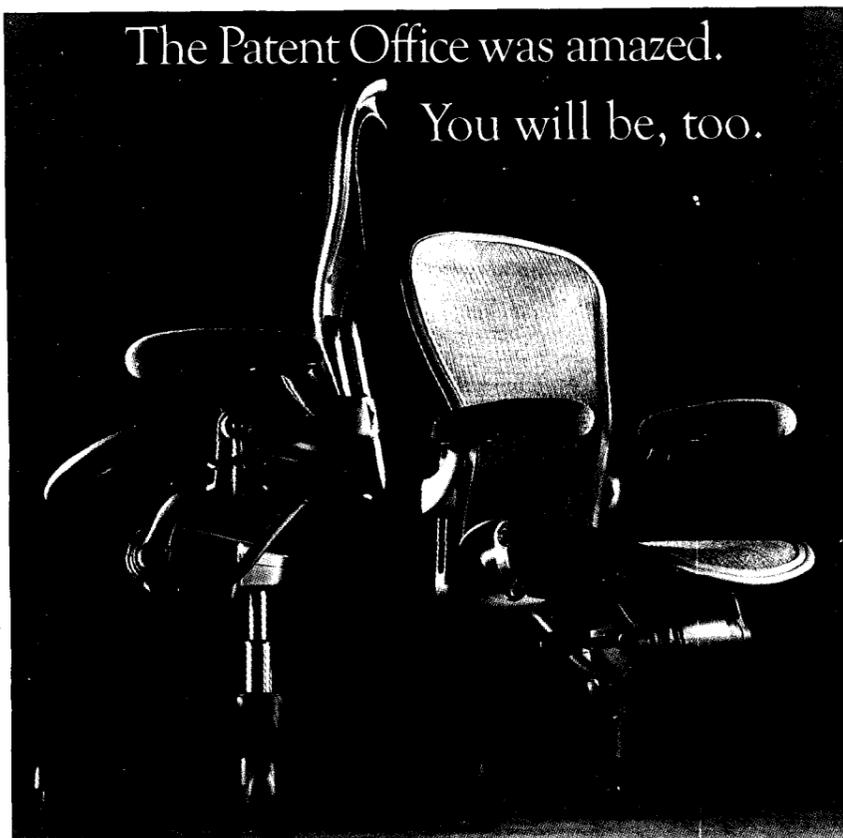
Privates Jacarda Smith and Lashawndra Mitchel, female soldiers in advanced individual training at Redstone, say that the first days during basic training were the hardest.

"Right after I got to basic," said Mitchel. "I called my mom and told her that I joined hell."

Although this buddy team agrees that their first days back in the spring were tough, they joined the military for different reasons and in different seasons of their lives.

For Mitchel, 24, joining the Army in March meant

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Top female executive offers advice for career success in government

Senior Executive Service member advises taking tough jobs

By Sandy Riebeling

When she took a job as a secretary right out of high school, Vicky Armbruster never dreamed she would be at the top of the executive food chain.

"I never thought I'd be an SES," said Armbruster, deputy program executive officer for Tactical Missiles. "My aspirations were simple. To do well. To serve the organization to the best of my ability."

Simple, maybe. Ordinary, never. She has a bachelor's and a master's degree, and has held a number of non-traditional jobs including mathematician, computer programmer, systems analyst, engineer and manager.

"It was tough early on," Armbruster said. "I'm still of a generation when most women had a different calling— home life or other career fields. In the meeting rooms, I'm usually the one of one woman, or maybe one of two.

"Wait another five to 10 years and you may see a lot more women in equitable grades. There are a lot more women in technology and science today; women who are getting advanced degrees."

As a woman who worked herself up through the male dominated ranks, Armbruster offers insight into career management and planning.

"It's about balance, between education and experience and priorities," Armbruster said. "Women do the very best job. They are very detailed, and sometimes that keeps them in the same job, because they become so specialized. It's important to take a variety of jobs. Become a generalist."

Careers for many women are interrupted by marriage and children. Armbruster notes that many women can't take more challenging jobs that require travel and long hours because of the needs of young children. But instead of stagnating, she advises

using the time to get more education or take special assignments within their current job.

"Growth is essential," Armbruster said. "Women must always look for opportunities to stretch their abilities. And then when they are able, when the kids get older, they are prepared with the extra education and skills to take on more challenging roles."

Taking on the tough jobs is also important, Armbruster said. "That's how you prove yourself and build a reputation. Your track record of achievement gets you opportunities for high level opportunities."

Armbruster also recommends for women who have chosen government careers to get experience with integrated product teams, which will allow them to work with industry, to understand the

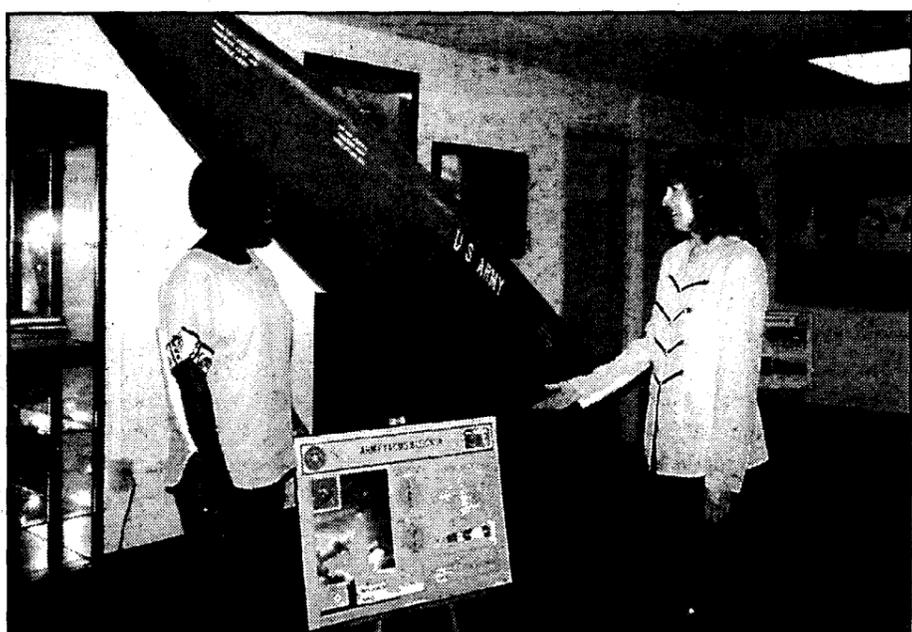


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MAKING A PLAN— With VIPs on their way, Armbruster, right, discusses preparations with Barbara Mason, secretary for product managers for Army TACMS-Bat.

bottom line, fixed schedules and the necessity to stay in the black.

"I watch the women carefully," Armbruster said. "I may be wrong but I still believe that females in our career field need mentoring. That's my investment in the future. To help them be the

best they can be."

As the wife of Brig. Gen. Robert Armbruster, she has had to work her career around her husband's. She said that when her husband is transferred to a different geographical location, she will follow him.

"I would like to work as

an SES when we move, but if I can't secure a job at that level, I'll try to get something in the government," Armbruster said. "When he's through with the military, I'm through with the military."

Armbruster came to Redstone in 1982 and has been married for 10 years.

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Soldier, senior drill sergeant, mother of three...

Says women still have to prove themselves, work harder

By Sandy Riebeling

As a black woman in the Army, senior drill sergeant Yvette Smalls has a unique perspective when it comes to prejudices. She has had to go the extra mile to prove herself as a soldier. And as a commander, she admits to her weakness of being harder on female soldiers than male soldiers.

"We have to do more," said Smalls, referring to women in the military. "I made rank pretty fast. Every time I've gone somewhere, to a new unit, it's the same thing. 'What did you do to get your rank?'"

"It's not assumed that you're skilled or that you did well. It's automatically assumed that you slept with someone, you knew some-

one or you got over in some form or fashion because you're a woman.

"I want the women to understand how the image they present when they get to their first duty station is the image that will follow them forever."

Smalls said that her childhood in Charleston, S.C., had prepared her for the prejudices she faced as a young soldier coming into the Army 10 years ago. During that time she has taken the tough assignments, served in Korea and Saudi Arabia and has taken on the two-year commitment as a drill sergeant for 832nd Ordnance Battalion's C Company.

"The hours are long, really long," she said. "I'm up and working by 4:15 and

most nights I don't get home until 8 o'clock. My kids have usually already had dinner by then."

Smalls has three children, Javarro, 16, and Tiffany, 13, who live at home and Bryan, 18.

"Sometimes the soldiers hear me talking to my kids and laugh because I talk to them the same way I talk to my soldiers," she said.

Smalls is big on equality, treating all soldiers the same, but she understands the special challenges the female soldiers will face throughout their military career.

"Probably one of the hardest things that they will have to deal with is being taken seriously by men. Men have a tendency to use their brute force as an

intimidation factor, to get things across. They can do that. Women can't. The average man is not going to consider you a serious threat to them physically, so that's one of those tools you don't have.

"They (women) are going to have to learn as much as they can as fast as they can to ensure that they are always one step ahead. If they're equal, women are considered lower."

One of the effects on the woman who is taking her career seriously, trying to prove herself all the time, according to Smalls is that she becomes her worst critic.

"You got to be able to identify whatever deficiencies you have before someone else does. You're

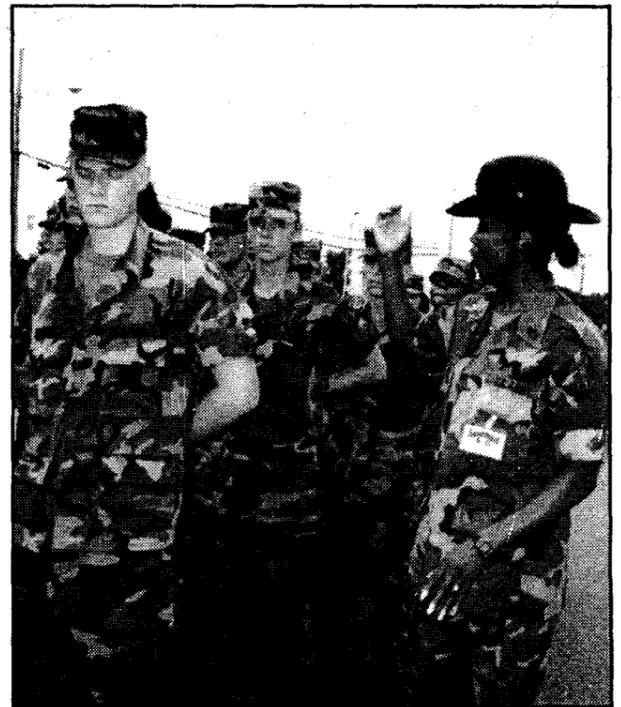


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LEADING TROOPS—Smalls is a senior drill sergeant for C Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion.

always asking yourself, what can I do better?"

Overall, Smalls is very satisfied with her Army career. "I joined the Army

to do something totally different, something I wouldn't even consider as a civilian. It's been all that and more."

Not strictly a women's issue...

Sexual harassment a matter of gender discrimination

By Skip Vaughn

Men are just as likely as women to be victims of sexual harassment.

Sexual harassment has become a high profile issue in recent years because of increased awareness and some well-publicized cases. It's not something that just started during this age of "Generation X" and shock television.

"There's just more emphasis on it right now," Becky Miller, equal employment opportunity manager in the AMCOM EEO Office, said. "It's received a lot of media attention because of the high-level people involved in that activity. But it's not a new program. It's gender discrimination."

The Equal Employment

Opportunity Commission defines sexual harassment as follows: "Unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature constitutes sexual harassment when: Such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive working environment."

Of the eight Redstone incidents reported to the EEO Office during fiscal 1997, three of the alleged victims were males.

"A lot of people think when we talk about sexual harassment it just pertains to females, but we have just as many males coming in as females," Kate Love, equal

employment opportunity manager, said.

Four of the eight reported incidents in fiscal 1997

actually ended up in the EEO process, including one

awaiting a formal hearing. See **HARASSMENT** on page 12

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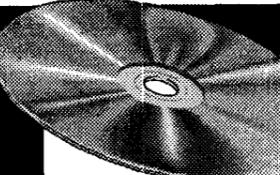
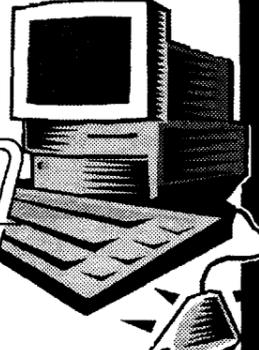
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Making a path... Great outdoors is in environmental specialist's non-traditional nature

By Jim Bowne

Most workers on Redstone Arsenal have no idea how many different plant species exist on the arsenal. How about the number of birds, mammals, and fish species? If you really want to know, just ask Susan Weber.

Weber is an environmental protection specialist in the Directorate of Environmental Management and Planning within the Redstone Arsenal Support Activity. The main focus of her job is to make sure that all activities on Redstone are compliant under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

She also participates in environmental events (such as Earth Day) and tours at the Path to Nature. The Path to Nature was Weber's first design project on the installation.

Weber is completing the third year of an intern program operating out of Oak

Ridge Institute of Science and Engineering. The institute's home base is located in Oak Ridge, Tenn. Her next stint will be as a research scientist working through the University of Alabama-Huntsville.

She has a bachelor's degree in forestry and master's in biology. When Weber began working on her degree, most young women did not study forestry. That was an occupation reserved primarily for men. "Besides myself, there were only three other females in forestry school among 200 men," Weber said. "As an undergraduate, I majored in wildlife ecology. In graduate school, my emphasis was on community ecology. Back then, it was rather rare for a woman to be in 'wildlife.'"

The down side of working in a non-traditional job became apparent almost right away. "I was fresh out of college in 1972. When I

went for interviews, the panels almost always consisted of all men. Since they felt I was trying to infringe on their territory, I was told I 'wasn't strong enough for the job.' I wouldn't be able to take the hours, the terrain, the bugs. When I did get a job, I had to prove myself," Weber said.

Perhaps if the interviewers delved a little into Weber's background, they would have been less reluctant to hire her. "When I was at the University of Florida, I used to take care of Albert. Albert was the school's mascot, an 18-foot alligator."

Albert wasn't the only alligator Weber encountered regularly. "Lake Alice was in the southwestern corner of the campus. It was about a 15-to-20 acre



Photo by Jim Bowne

PLANT INSPECTION— Weber inspects threatened plant species for signs of blossoms.

wetland pond that had around 30 alligators. Because they are territorial, the large alligators would often chase the small ones (5 to 7 feet). I would get calls about them crossing roads or being in the storm

sewer beneath the daycare at the Shand's Teaching Hospital. Then another wildlife biologist and I would go rescue the gators and take them back to Lake Alice.'

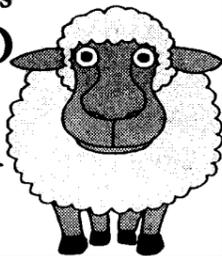
Weber's love of the out-

doors stems from when she was 6. "I could always be found walking and working in the fields and forests. When I was 11 years old, I gave some brief thought to

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Likes handiwork...

Army wife and mother wears tool belt in the family

By Sandy Riebeling

When it comes to repairs around the Sharp home, it's the woman of the house that swings the hammer.

"If I want to get something done, I do it myself," said Sandra Sharp, wife of Capt. Gregg Sharp, a lawyer with Space and Missile Defense Command. "Gregg just doesn't really like to do the handyman stuff around the house."

So when it came time to make a decision about the back patio which was "a real mess," the choices were to either plant grass or pour a concrete patio.

Sharp's request for the concrete patio was approved and the materials were dropped off in her back yard.

"I've had a little experience (pouring concrete) with my dad," Sharp said. "It's not really hard to do."

Not everything goes according to plan, though. She started the one-day project in the afternoon,

removing the old concrete blocks, only to find another layer beneath it.

"Gregg helped with the heavy stuff," Sharp said. "And my daughters, Amy and Elise, helped with moving the blocks."

After both layers of concrete blocks were removed, Sharp had to even out the concrete along the edge of the house by hammering it out.

Sharp said that pouring the concrete was easy. "You just mix it with water in the wheelbarrow and pour it. Self-Help supplied all the tools, the wheelbarrow, the trowel."

She poured the patio in four evenings, one section each day.

It's not surprising that the patio was a complete success. Working with her hands, creating custom items is also Sharp's in-home business.

"I make stained glass windows, Tiffany lamp reproductions and mosaic garden stones," she said, adding that each product is



Photo by Sandy Riebeling

MRS. FIX IT— Sharp had to remove two layers of stone and smooth out the cement edge next to the house before pouring the concrete patio.

custom made to her client's specifications for color and design.

For the garden stones, Sharp cuts glass and lays the pattern in a form, then pours concrete over the top. When the block is turned over, the design is on top.

Sharp says that one of the most rewarding things about her in-home business is that she is able to be there for her children.

"I love being home with my kids," she said. "I wouldn't trade it for anything."

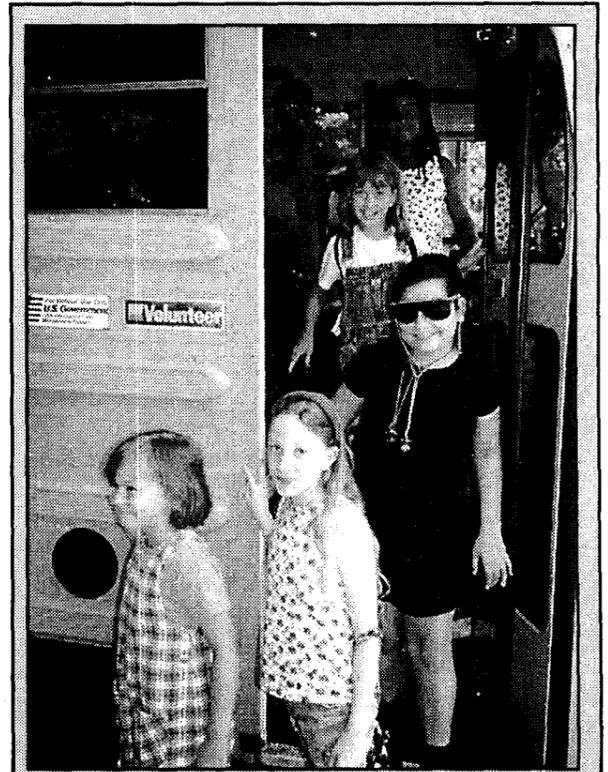


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Back to school...

Children from the Youth Services Program are ready to get back to class. From left are: Jessica Smith, Brandy Poole, Jessica Canbaz, April Brown, B.J. Diggs and Kendrick Marce. Parents can get their back-to-school questions answered at Parent/Principal Night, Monday from 6-8 p.m. at the Bicentennial Chapel. Meet with principals, register for soccer and bus service, investigate child care options all in one night. To take advantage of the free child-care offered for the evening, call 876-5397.

Contract specialist...

Captain attracted to challenge of military lifestyle

By Jim Bowne

As the number of women in the military continues to grow, so do the challenges. This is especially true for female officers, according to Capt. Crystal Streeter.

Streeter is a contract specialist with AMCOM's Acquisition Center. She has a bachelor's degree in business administration from Morris Brown College in Atlanta. She is currently enrolled in the Florida Institute of Technology, working toward her master's degree in acquisition and contract management.

Streeter arrived at Redstone Arsenal in November 1997. She has a "well-rounded perspective" of life in the military. She has lived it as a dependent, as a reserve enlisted soldier, and as an active duty officer.

Born in Rapid City, S.D., Streeter and her two younger sisters were raised in the military. Her father is a retired Air Force NCO.

"When I was growing up, I never planned to go into the military," Streeter said. "Back then, going into the military was not something that most young women did. And there were not that many role models (female soldiers) to talk to."

"My parents never expected any of us to join the military. Since they did not have sons, they thought they would never have to worry about losing their children in a war."

It was while she was at Morris Brown College that Streeter began looking at her options. It was there, too, that she realized she had gotten used to the military lifestyle. "I liked the challenges, the sense of community. I could not see any other life for me."

Streeter joined the ROTC and the Army Reserve. "I chose the Army because, at the time, I checked out the other services, and the Army had better benefits," she said. Later, when she went to basic training, she talked one of her sisters into going with her.

"My middle sister, Sonya Streeter-Chambers, is now a nurse stationed at Fort Hood, Texas," Streeter said. "She is also an Army captain. My other sister, Katherine Streeter, is the youngest. She is a marketing assistant and lives in Marietta, Ga."

Streeter is a signal officer but was assessed into the acquisition corps in March 1997. "Usually, during your seventh and eighth year, you get an additional 'skill identifier,'" Streeter explained. "Branch transfers are based primarily on the Army's needs at the time. So, after talking with several people I knew who were in acquisition, I thought it sounded interesting."

Although the military has changed a lot since she was a

dependent, Streeter is seriously looking at becoming a "lifer." "I love it here," she said. "I really love my job. I would not mind staying in (the Army), because I would probably be doing the same job in civilian life. It was my branch transfer that made me lean toward staying in. And as an Army officer, I have more responsibility than if I were a civilian."

"The Army has already undergone dramatic changes," Streeter continued. "And it will continue changing in the future. These changes will affect young soldiers choosing to make the military a career. I joined the reserves in the enlisted ranks in 1988. I worked as an operating room technician for two and a half years. Later, in 1991, I became an officer. I just try to take one day at a time."

Listening to Streeter, it was evident she has given a lot of careful thought to the pros and cons of a military career. "With the current drawdown, promotion opportunities become especially important," she said. "Luckily, the Army under-assessed the need for majors in my field."

"You also have to remain abreast of things such as retirement. For example, for those who joined after 1986, retirement pay was cut from 50 percent to 40 percent. That is, until you reach the age of 62. However, once you reach age 62, you receive the full 50 percent. A lot of young soldiers out there are thinking, 'is it worth it?'"

Even the reasons for entering the military are changing. According to Streeter, the mentality of some of the new soldiers has changed. "It used to be that they came in to make a life for themselves. Now, they're just doing time. Also, they used to come in because it was the patriotic thing to do. Now, they come in to get the money for an education."

"Today's soldiers sometimes find their living standards are not as high as they would like. In certain areas, the cost of living is very high. The average private makes about \$1,100 per month. That may sound like a lot of money, but many soldiers qualify for food stamps. If you have a family, it is really difficult to provide a good living for them."

"Most duty stations have no on-post housing for single officers. They must find quarters off post, but they receive a housing allowance."

Streeter recognizes other areas of existing concern that have received a lot of media coverage. These areas include sexual harassment, male and female soldiers training together rather than separately, and women in combat roles.

Concerning sexual harassment, Streeter believes the media has "played it up." "Yes, sexual harassment is a problem," she said, "not only in the military but in the private sector as well."

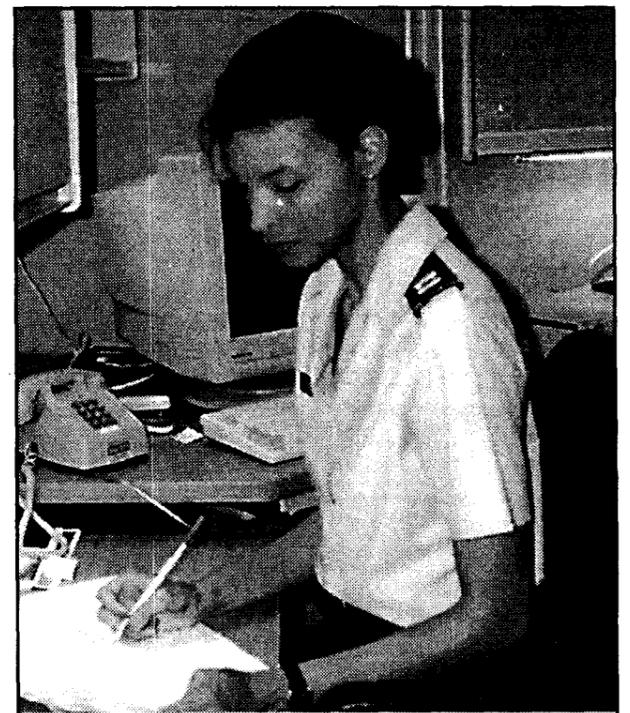


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CONTRACT DETAILS— Streeter works on details of a contract.

But the leadership recognizes there is a problem and is addressing the issue. They have shown they are willing to do something to correct it."

The issue of males and females training together is another area which has received "too much press," according to Streeter. "In my own experience, we trained separately during basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C.," she said. "However, males and females trained together during AIT (advanced individual training). I saw some female soldiers do a lot better than some male soldiers. I guess women push themselves harder—they have to prove they can handle it."

Streeter also has opinions about women in combat roles. "Men and women coming into the Army are usually very young and impressionable. From a personal standpoint, people know their own limitations. Some women could handle it. Others know they could never assume a combat role. I believe I could handle it."

In Streeter's view, our culture plays a role in this issue as well. "I know there are some cultures in which women do serve in combat roles," she said. "They were brought up that way. But it has been, and is, different in our culture."

"I believe our nation, as a whole, is not prepared to have

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Working women with children...

Daycare is sometimes 'heart-wrenching'

By Sandy Riebeling

When Melinda Mahan first starting looking for a daycare, before her oldest son Nicholas was born, she didn't even think about the daycare at Redstone.

"I remembered when I was little and mom my dropped me off at the daycare on the post where we were stationed," Mahan said. "I hated it."

Mahan, a supply specialist at Integrated Materiel Management Center, and her husband, Robert, who owns his own tree planting service, began their search in the Huntsville area when she was six months pregnant.

"I checked into a few places. But it was my mother who talked me into checking into the Child Development Center at Redstone. Now I would hate to have to look for someone else. It's a very nice place."

It was a nice place with a waiting list, like many child care facilities in Huntsville. Newborns are especially hard to place.

"I got on the waiting list at the daycare with both of my children," Mahan said. "When Nicholas was six weeks old and I was able to go back to work, they had an opening. It wasn't that way with Parker. My mother had to watch him the first few weeks I was back at work because I had to wait to get him in the daycare on post."

Besides the convenience of having the children in the same daycare on so close by, Mahan said that she liked the open-door policy of the Child Development Center.

"They were very open, encouraging me to drop by

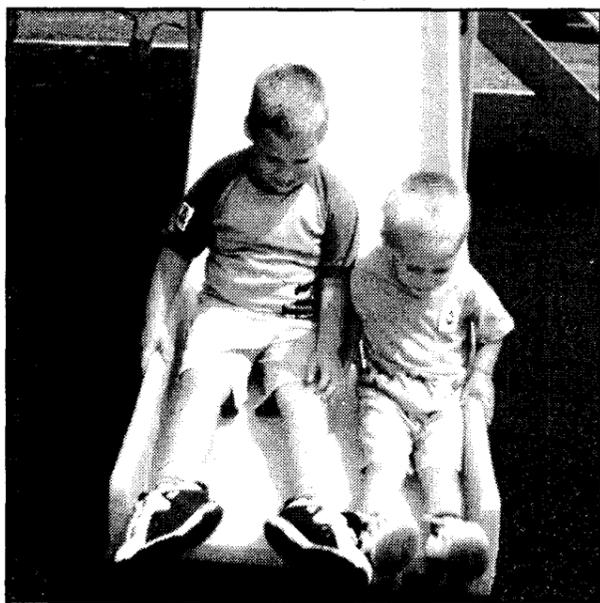


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WHILE MOM'S AWAY, THE KIDS WILL PLAY— Mahan brothers, Nicholas, 5, Parker, 2, have a good time at the daycare on post while mom and dad are working.

any time," Mahan said.

And now that the children are getting older, Nicholas will begin kindergarten next year and Parker is almost 3, preschool curriculum was an issue.

"Their concept is learn through play," Mahan said. "It's not as up-to-date as some preschools that have computers but I think my son is ready for kindergarten. And they do a lot with the children, field trips and swimming, during the summer. I'm very pleased with this daycare."

There are a few drawbacks, Mahan said. "Some of the regulations are annoying. It's a hassle to have them give your kid antibiotics. There's a form you have to fill out. Of course, with the government—everything is complicated."

But no matter how safe

you feel leaving your children, or what sort of curriculum is offered, Mahan said that leaving her children was difficult.

"Dropping off a six-week-old baby is just heart-wrenching," she said. "I cried for days when I had to put them in daycare."

Mahan said that there is a real need for more qualified daycare facilities in the area, especially ones that accept infants.

"If I had anymore children and I couldn't use this daycare, I don't know what I'd do."

Redstone Child Development program and Youth Services program care for children from six weeks to 12 years. They offer a variety of programs in two separate locations on the Arsenal. For more information, call Edd Gancarz 955-6278.



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Cafeteria Workers...

Laura Woods, left, and Angela Green Restaurant Fund at the Sparkman Cafeteria are food service workers for the Post.

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women in combat. Our nation does not want to hear that its moms, daughters, sisters and wives are POWs, or that they have been maimed or killed on the battlefield."

When making decisions about a military career, it is also important

to consider such issues as social life. In Streeter's opinion, most people outside the military have preconceived notions about women in the

Army. "Some people have the notion that women in the military are hard and brash," Streeter said. "They do not really know how to react, especially to a female officer."

"I think having a social life is kind of tough, sometimes. You have to separate the professional you from the social you— especially when you are in charge of other people. You have to be able to turn it on and turn it off. And dating someone outside the military has its own set of problems, too."

"When you develop a rela-

tionship with a non-military person, there is always the chance that when you get transferred, the relationship will end. Not many men are willing to follow their wives from place to place. And fewer still are willing to join the Army just to stay in a relationship. A lot of my peers have been forced to choose between a military career and a potential husband."

For now, though, Streeter is concentrating on her career. "I am very happy here," she said. "I guess the military is just in my blood."

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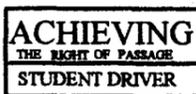
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becoming a marine biologist. My first job at Big Cypress Nature Center, when I was 16, changed my mind. I wanted to work in wetlands after that."

Weber has seen plenty on Redstone Arsenal. With more than 10,000 acres of wetlands on the arsenal, there is much to see. "Part of the ongoing job here at Redstone is to inventory our biological diversity," she said. "Since my specialty is plants, that is mainly what I do. The list of plants I have for the wetlands contains over 300 species."

"But I also have to monitor our federally listed species, such as the cave shrimp, Price's Potato Bean, the gray bat, and others that may be listed in the near future," she continued. "We want to protect those populations to ensure their survival, so they

may be taken off the endangered/ threatened lists, or never need listing in the first place."

Another interesting point about the arsenal is its trees, according to Weber. "Not many people know that there are four 'State Champion Trees' on Redstone: two at the Path to Nature, one on McKinley Range, and one on another test range."

Weber has found 10 other state champs in other areas of North Alabama, and one National Champion tree. "The state champions are the largest of their species in the state, and the national champions are the largest in the U.S.," she said.

Weber has found a total of 14 national champion trees. "When you do as much field work as I do, it is easy to come across large members of the species." However, it may not be so easy to come across some of the mammals that inhabit the arsenal.

"The abundant wildlife on Redstone can

only be successfully inventoried over a long period of time," Weber said. "Some animals are very secretive or are only active at night. This is true of our very rare gray bat, and we think Indiana bats are here too, at least to forage for insects." Other smaller mammals rarely observed are the rodents and weasels (including minks).

Smaller mammals are not the only ones hard to spot. "Many of our larger mammals, too, are difficult to observe, such as the bobcat, beaver, and swamp rabbit," Weber said. "I have also heard the call of Florida Sandhill Cranes on the arsenal."

Many of the arsenal's test ranges are located in the wetlands. As such, these areas can provide some exciting experiences for those willing to spend some time waiting and watching.

"I remember one day out on a test range trying to sneak up on a coyote," Weber recalled. "I stayed downwind and got about

10 feet away from him. He was eating a rabbit, and I could hear the bones cracking, and I could see a leg hanging out the side of his mouth. Just as I snapped the picture, he ran away like a speeding bullet. All that showed up on the film was a blur."

Weber also spends a lot of her time trying to make people more aware of their surroundings and how fragile the ecology is. "Sometimes we upset members of the Redstone community when we make them move their buildings, or change their design to minimize the impact to a sensitive environment. But when we explain why the area is being protected—as in the case of wetlands that protect us from flooding, provide us with recreation, and clean our drinking water — folks usually come around."

Weber has a son and a daughter. Her son is in the Navy, and her daughter is in college.

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leaving her two young children with her mother in Florida while she went to basic training and then came to Redstone for AIT. But she feels that the Army will give her "good opportunities, travel, and a good life for my family."

"I miss my kids," said Mitchel, "but I got to see them over the Fourth of July. And they will get to come live with me after a month or two at my first duty station at Fort Campbell (Ky.)."

For Smith, the Army provided her with a challenge and a means of going to college.

"I am the baby of the family," Smith said. "I wanted to get out on my own and prove myself but I was also a little afraid. I didn't want to come because I was out of shape. Now I'm in good shape."

When the conversation turns to integrated gender training, neither woman feels the need to train separately. In fact, the women said it was the men who were "the first to whine."

"I've found that most of the males whine but the females stick it out," said Smith, adding that during the first day of basic, after five grueling hours, the drill sergeant asked if anyone was ready to leave and she remembers the first one to pack it in was a male.

"Women have more to prove," Mitchel said. "We have to work harder. Like with running. Men have longer legs and can run faster so women have to work harder to keep up."

"It's all mental," she said. "When I signed up I couldn't run two miles. I couldn't do one correct push-up. Now I can shoot a rifle, run, do push-ups. It makes you feel good to know that you can do it."

HARASSMENT

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"People are more vocal about coming to you for assistance but anything that hints of sexual harassment is pretty much taken care of informally," Miller said.

"We have made ourselves available to all managers to assist in working

(harassment) issues and in guidance," she said. "We've also made ourselves available for individual training sessions as needed. And we've worked together with MER (Management-Employee Relations) and Legal to assist organizations as required."

The sexual harassment hotline, for reporting incidents, can be reached at

876-6461.

Someone who feels he or she has been harassed should first tell the offending person. The victim might opt to tell his own immediate supervisor. If the harassment continues he or she can seek assistance by contacting the Equal Employment Opportunity office, Management-Employee Relations, or the

Inspector General.

Department of Army has an annual training requirement for Prevention of Sexual Harassment. This year that requirement can be met through Consideration of Others training by using sexual harassment as a topic, Miller said. "And that needs to be reported on their (Consideration of Others) report to the EEO office."

Engaging, working around the year 2000 problem

WASHINGTON— The Year 2000 problem is not something that just concerns "technogeeks." It affects every member of the Department of Defense, and so everyone must be aware of the problem and help solve it.

William A. Curtis calls the Year 2000 problem "the first major engagement of the information warfare age." He is director of DoD Y2K oversight and contingency planning

in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Command, Control, Communications and Intelligence.

The Year 2000 problem is a readiness issue. If a military system is not ready, it will fall on thou-

sands of servicemembers to fill the gap manually. If a military computer system fails because of Year 2000 problems, the mission must continue. Curtis said commissioned and noncommissioned officers must ensure servicemembers can per-

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He urges all leaders to be creative in looking for workarounds and for them to use their initiative and common sense. (American Forces Press Service)

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Junior ROTC commander... High school cadet marches toward career

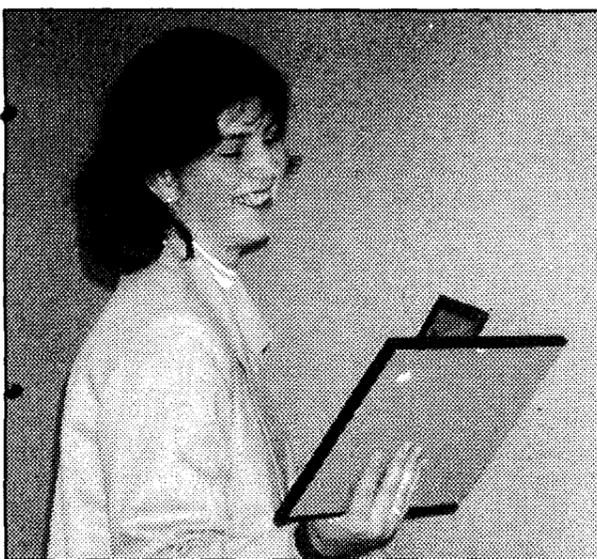


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HONORED STUDENT— Sutherland arranges her collection of awards.

By Meloney Jones

Most 17-year-olds think little about their future but Jennifer Sutherland, a senior at Butler High School, is not the typical teen-ager. She has already mapped out her plans. Sutherland plans to join the Air Force or the Army when she graduates next year. "Ever since I was 7, my dream was to be in the military," she said. "The military is a family tradition. My great-grandfather and grandfather were in the military. My father is a major in the Army here at Redstone and

develop and sharpen my leadership skills," she said. Preparation and planning are needed to succeed in life. Sutherland is already laying the groundwork toward achieving her lifetime goal. She plans to take the Military Entrance Exam in September. "My exam scores will determine if I join the Air Force or the Army. I am leaning toward the Air Force. I like the Air Force because they work with you mentally not physically. My daddy would prefer I join the Army. But no matter what branch of the military I join, my family will support me," Sutherland said.

A collection of awards and ribbons are part of Sutherland's memorabilia. Since joining JROTC, she has won the Air Force Association Award, Outstanding Junior Award in ROTC Aerospace Science, Recruiting Ribbon, and Outstanding Cadet. These are just some of her awards.

Schoolwork and JROTC consume much of her time. In her spare time, Sutherland likes being with her family and playing with her three younger brothers. She also enjoys dancing.

Sutherland looks forward to the challenges and responsibilities ahead when school starts in August.

my stepmother was in Air Force ROTC in college. I will be the first female on my father's side to join the military." Self-determination, hard work and dedication are qualities that make for success. And Sutherland has all these qualities and more. She was selected this year as the Junior ROTC commander for 1998-99. She will lead Butler's 150 to 200 cadets. "When I first joined ROTC, I was quiet and shy. Being in the ROTC has helped mold and shape my personality. It has helped to

Progress seen through years but... Command's high-grades remain predominantly male



Photo by Skip Vaughn

DISCUSSING NUMBERS— Kate Love, left, equal employment opportunity manager, discusses job statistics with Clark.

By Skip Vaughn

About 40 percent of AMCOM's work force is female, a number slightly below the percentage of women in the civilian labor force for the Huntsville area.

As of June 30 there were 2,710 women among 6,806 workers at the Aviation and Missile Command for 39.7 percent. This compares to 44.6 percent of the civilian labor force in the area, according to the AMCOM Equal Employment Opportunity Office.

Females represent the majority of workers in grades GS-9 through GS-11. The percentages of females decline from GS-12 on up.

"I feel that women have made progress within the work force but much work is still needed," Clarenza Clark, an equal employment specialist, said.

Some 144 or 64 percent of the command's

224 GS-9s are female. And 568 or 54 percent of the 1,056 GS-11s are female.

For GS-12, there are 581 women out of 1,478 for 39 percent; GS-13, 229 out of 749; GS-14, 26 out of 113; and GS-15, four out of 34.

The trend continues with manager positions in the command: GM-13, 13 of 42; GM-14, 17 of 79; and GM-15, three of 46. Marlene Cruze, executive director of the Acquisition Center, is AMCOM's lone female member of the Senior Executive Service. The command has 15 senior executives altogether.

Still, female representation in higher grade levels has improved through the years. Two decades ago GS-12 "was about as high as they got," according to Becky Miller, equal employment opportunity manager.

"The percentages have stayed mostly stable but the grade levels have gone up," Miller said.

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FOOTSTEPS

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death that I got the position," Boyd recalled. "I was the first female paid firefighter in Athens."

According to Boyd, it was not easy crossing the line to be a firefighter. "I had to prove myself, and they [the other firefighters] had to make some adjustments. For example, they had to change their sleeping attire. They could no longer sleep in their skivvies. They had to wear jogging shorts or sweat pants."

In addition to the sleeping attire problem, there was also the problem of no female bathroom. This was quickly remedied, however. "They just put a lock on the door, and if it was locked, you just had to wait your turn," Boyd said.

When she first came to Redstone Arsenal in 1991, Boyd was not its first female firefighter. However, she had already proven herself and was treated from the beginning as an equal by the others. "They have never cut me any slack, and I don't want them to," she said. "I've worked at all four stations on the arsenal; (and) I've worked on the nozzle, the hydrant, and

have been the driver."

There are a lot of ups and downs associated with being a firefighter. First and foremost is the danger involved. "I've always been scared," Boyd said. "But when you're not, that's when you get hurt."

According to Boyd, a firefighter gets to know what his or her body can handle and what it can't. "When we suit up, that adds about 50 pounds to what we have to carry." A firefighter's 'turn-out' gear includes an airpack as well as a fire retardant coat, pants, helmet and gloves. "We also wear steel-toed boots that weigh a lot more than regular shoes," Boyd pointed out. "However, because I'm small, I can still get into spots that the men can't, like holes, caves, small places."

The down side includes other factors as well. "People really don't get to see how hard we work," Boyd said. "We work 24 hours and are off 24 hours. We also have times we're 'on watch.' Watches are split up into four-hour stretches. If I go out and fight an all-day fire, come back to the station and pull a 'watch,' and then get another call, I may not get any sleep at all."

Firefighters get a three-day break every two weeks. Every three months, they get a five-day break. However, breaks don't really count when you're trying to date, according to Boyd.

"Before I got married," Boyd said, "I'd be on a date and my beeper would go off. Needless to say, I'd have to drop everything and rush to the station. This didn't do much for the relationship."

Boyd did get married. But her husband, Joey, eventually had to get into firefighting too, just to be able to see her more often. "I guess once he got started, it just got in his blood, too," she said. Boyd's husband works on the arsenal as well; and he serves as chief of the East Limestone County Volunteer Fire Department.

The Boyds have one daughter, Carma, 9. "A lot scares her," Boyd said. "We don't keep anything from

her, and she knows what we do. At this point in her life, she doesn't want to have anything to do with firefighting."

The up side for Boyd is that she has a "second family," her colleagues. "We live together, eat together, and we spend nearly as much time together as we do with our own families."

When firefighters are not out fighting fires, they are usually conducting training, receiving training, completing alarm checks, having drills, washing trucks, going on medical calls. They also are on "stand-by" for the Redstone airfield.

Boyd is currently on a temporary promotion as a fire inspector. Besides being a trained firefighter she is a certified Basic EMT (emergency medical technician), and a hazardous materials technician, among others. She's also qualified to work in confined space rescues.

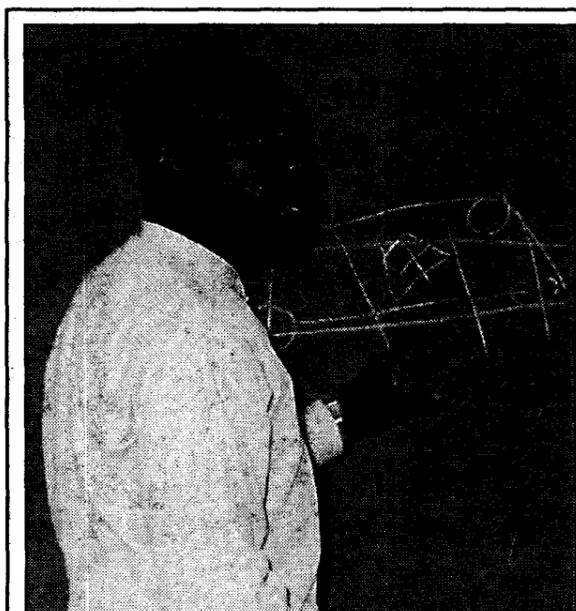
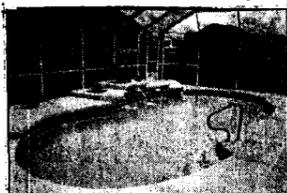


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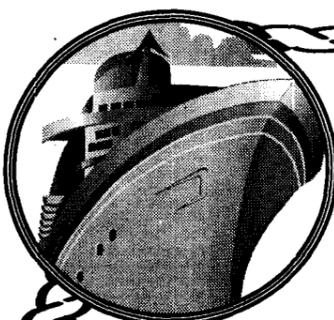
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Woman to woman: Don't be afraid to pump iron

Physical fitness has universal benefits regardless of gender

By Skip Vaughn

Exercise isn't just a guy thing any more.

Sure, more men than women exercise at the Sparkman Fitness Center. But there's still a large number of women members.

And exercise can help everyone, regardless of gender.

The Sparkman Fitness Center averages about 275 users a day, including about 100 females. About 40 percent of the center's 5,200 members are female.

"We definitely get a lot more males than females," Gaylene Wilson, recreation specialist and aerobic instructor at the fitness center, said.

She has advice for women: Don't be afraid to pump iron.

"I guess the best advice would be they need to do a combination of cardiovascular and weight-training," Wilson said. "It's been proven that weight training is just as effective as cardiovascular work."

Weightlifting builds muscles, and muscles burn fat, she added. And women don't have to worry about bulking up like Arnold Schwarzenegger.

"Women are not gonna bulk up like men do," Wilson said. "That's why women can and should weight train."

Besides looking better, exercise makes people healthier.

Pregnant women can exercise all the way through their

pregnancy, according to Wilson. She recommends they monitor their heart rate, which will be higher due to pregnancy, and avoid certain positions.

"Unless they're under certain guidelines from their physician, they can work out all the way up till they have the baby," Wilson said.

The same thing goes for menstrual cycle; it's no excuse for avoiding exercise. "I really think it does help relieve some menstrual symptoms," Wilson said.

Women generally are not going to be as strong as men, but they can still do the same types of exercises. Wilson said women tend to like aerobics more than men, so many members of her aerobics classes are female.

When a woman visits the gym for the first time, Wilson tries to see what her strengths are and what machines she prefers.

"The main thing is just to make sure they're doing the exercise correctly so it does help them," Wilson said.

Millie Moore, 66, of Madison, the wife of a military retiree, is among the regulars at Sparkman Fitness Center. She works out five days a week there, and plays golf on the other two days.

"For health reasons," Moore said when asked why she works out. "I don't want my children to have to take care of me in my old age."

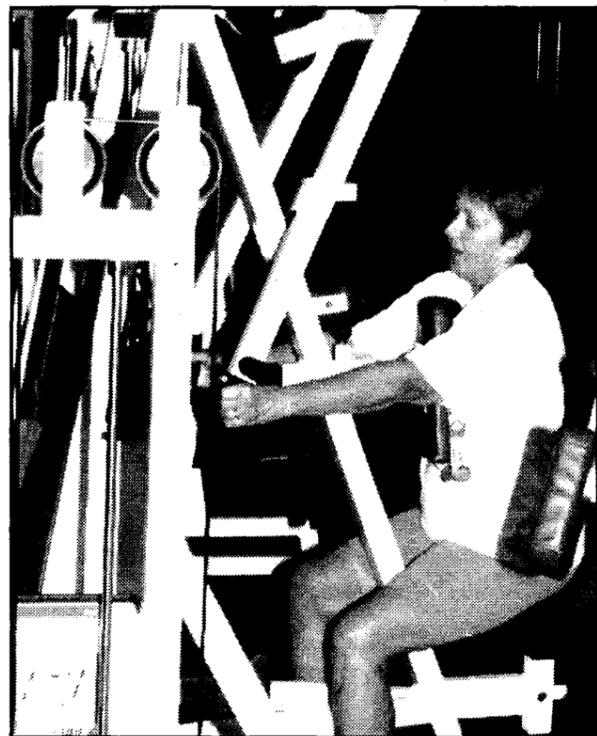


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TEAM

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makeup, nail polish and hair style. Hats must have a snug fit, nail polish colors must compliment the uniform, no black red or gold colors, and makeup must be in good taste. Drill instructors are usually the ones to make good taste determinations, iron out any problems in the unit whether they are gender related or not and produce a capable soldier, able to perform the mission.

Senior Drill Sgt. Yvette Smalls believes that training should remain integrated.

"If we don't let them train together in basic, when they get to AIT, and they're all together, they lose focus because they're not used to working together," Smalls said. "If you wait to integrate until their first duty station, the same thing happens. They don't know how to relate and work together. There's really no reason they should be separated during training."

LAWYER

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She was born in Washington, D.C., and raised in Paris, France, where her father worked at the American Embassy. She attended French schools, and French was her first language. Her study of languages continues today; she and her children are studying Mandarin. Upon returning to the United States, she lived in Washington, D.C, again and then in New York and finally in Alabama. She had her own law firm in Huntsville from 1983-88.

"It was a real adventure," Stevens said of practicing law downtown. "I really enjoyed being a trial lawyer. I know by nature I'm very introverted, but in the courtroom I could be extroverted. And it was just fine. That gave me my chance to

be my extroverted self."

Private practice also consumed nearly all of her time, so that's why she came to Redstone. She could spend more time with the children: her 12-year-old son, Dea Juris, and 8-year-old daughter, Lida Esprit.

"I would like to work overseas because I'd like to take the children places I've been when I was growing up," she said.

"I always thought the law was so complex and so unique, and I wanted to be able to learn that," Stevens said, "but I did notice it was mostly a man's field."

Announcements

Health Matters

Health and Education Center 842-0196

Red Cross blood program

July 17— building 4752 (NASA), 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Edwina Bressette 544-8115. July 23— SMDC, room 1C400 (Wynn Drive), 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Al Longhi 955-5901. July 24— SMDC, room 1C400, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Al Longhi 955-5901; Corps of Engineers, 7-noon, Linda Merschman 895-1580; building 6260, 8-noon, Kathey Brooks 876-0351; building 4505, 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Linda Keel 955-0900.

Alcoholics anonymous

A new group for Alcoholics Anonymous meets Thursdays at 11 a.m. in Sparkman Center building 5304, room 4309. For more information, call the AA central office 885-0323.... The Redstone Arsenal Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets each Wednesday at noon and Friday at 5:15 p.m. in room 11 of the Bicentennial Chapel.

Physical exams

Fox Army Health Center will offer courtesy physical examinations to all military retirees and their beneficiaries, to include those over age 65, on Sept. 11. Included will be CBC, Urinalysis, Lipid Profile, Electrolytes, EKG, a PSA for men, a chest X-ray for smokers, and an examination by a clinician. No medications, refills, or treatment of illness will be performed. Any problems identified will be referred to the participant's primary physician. Limited appointments are available; first come, first served. Appointment scheduling will begin Aug. 3 at 8 a.m. Call 876-4935 to schedule an appointment.

Body composition screening

The Public Health and Education Center at Fox Army Health Center will be offering Body Composition Screening from 9-11 a.m. Thursday in the pharmacy waiting area. Please wear loose fitting, short sleeve shirts to make the measurement easier. Body Composition measurement utilizes a bio-electrical impedance machine that measures total water content and calculates the proportion of lean tissue to body fat. For more information, call the Public

Chronic fatigue

The Chronic Fatigue/Fibromyalgia Syndrome Support Group of Huntsville will meet from 2-4 p.m. Saturday at the Blackwell Medical Tower at the corner of Gallatin and Sivley. For more information, call 379-2535.

Immunization clinic

The Immunization Clinic, at Fox Army Health Center, has changed its hours of operation effective July 13. The new hours are Monday through Friday from 7:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-3:30 p.m. The clinic will be closed from 11:30-1 daily.

Miscellaneous

NCO graduations

The NCO Academy will hold a graduation ceremony for the Advanced/Basic NCO Course at 9 a.m. July 24 in the graduation hall of building 3329. The public is invited. For more information, call 955-7954.... The NCO Academy will hold a graduation ceremony at 9 a.m. July 29 for the Basic NCO Course; the public is invited.

Ten-Miler team

Redstone Arsenal will again be represented by a team at the 14th annual Army Ten-Miler, Oct. 11 in Washington, D.C. The team is to consist of five males and five females plus coach, Skip Vaughn, and assistant coach, Alexander Steel. Team members must meet minimum time standards of 80 minutes for males and 90 minutes for females. Eligible persons include military, Army civilian workers, military family members, and Army civilian family members. They should be stationed here at least through December. Tryouts are planned for 5 a.m. July 24 and 5 a.m. Aug. 1 on a 10-mile course which begins and ends near the Sparkman Fitness Center. For more information, call Vaughn 876-1500.

Videotapes wanted

AMCOM Public Affairs Office will be collecting videotapes of movies you no longer want at the Army Soldier Show, July 29, prior to the 2 and 7 p.m. performances.

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Tapes will be donated to the Veterans Affairs Department and distributed to various Alabama veteran homes and hospitals for their use. Tapes will also be donated to Hope Place, Madison City Shelter for victims of domestic violence. For more information, call Margaret Banish-Donaldson 842-0558.

Airfield runways

The Redstone Army Airfield runways will be closed for maintenance until Aug. 7. Individuals scheduled to arrive or depart Redstone Arsenal via military air should call Flight Operations 876-1916/4299. "We may be able to coordinate flights on a case-by-case basis during this period," a prepared release said. For more information call CWO 4 Nick Walters, operations officer for the airfield, 876-2187.

Mr. Man pageant

The eighth annual "Mr. Man Premiere," a Samuel Brown Production, will be held at 8 p.m. Aug. 28 at the Marriott Hotel. Proceeds are to benefit Big Brothers/Big Sisters of North Alabama. The male contestants are to compete "in style, finesse, performance and personality for the honorable title of Mr. Man." Tickets, which cost \$15, should be available Aug. 1 until sell-out at Randall Formal Wear, Madison Avenue Fashions, Regions Bank (Redstone Branch), and COSMOS Fitness. For more information on this semiformal event, call (256) 233-4702 or 650-7736.

Night out

The 10th annual Redstone Arsenal celebration of "National Night Out," America's Night Out Against Crime, will be held 6-10 p.m. Aug. 4 at the Youth Services Center on Goss Road. This year's theme is "Police-Community Partnerships." Games, food, displays, entertainment, prize giveaways and other events are planned for the evening. For more information, call Sgt. Melynda Dugdale 955-9142 or 876-2222.

Commissary day

The Commissary will be closed Aug. 19 for the annual Employee's Organizational Day. This event affords the opportunity for commissary employees to receive needed training and to socialize and enjoy a day of fun-filled events that serve to build morale and team spirit.

Transition workshop

The Military Personnel Office is sponsoring a three-day Transition Assistance Workshop, July 21-23 in building 3447 (behind Toftoy Hall). The workshop is mandatory for

all military personnel leaving the service within the next 180 days unless they have attended a previous workshop. These workshops are available to all branches of service including National Guard and Reserves. DoD civilians, military retirees, veterans and spouses of all are also encouraged to attend. The workshop will be held in building 3447 (behind Toftoy Hall). Seating is limited so you must register to attend. To register call Marie Adams 842-6145.

Armed Forces Week

The annual Armed Forces Celebration will be held July 27 through Aug. 1. The celebration begins July 27 at 6:30 p.m. with a concert of patriotic music in Big Spring Park; a Salute to the Army dinner at the Von Braun Center on July 28 at 7 p.m.; an Army rotary wing and missile hardware exhibit 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. July 29 at the Von Braun Center; the U.S. Army Soldier Show performances at 2 and 7 p.m. July 29 in the Von Braun Center concert hall; and the Soldier and NCO of the Year Luncheon at the Officers Club at 11 a.m. July 31. The celebration concludes with a Huntsville Stars Buy-Out Night ballgame July 31 and another on Aug. 1, starting 7:05 both nights. Tickets for the Soldier Show and the Huntsville Stars ballgames will be available in the AMCOM Public Affairs Office in building 5300, room 5143. For more information on the events, call the Chamber of Commerce 535-2031/2000.

Triathlon

The fifth annual Rocketman Triathlon, benefiting the U.S. Marine Corps' Toys for Tots program, will be held at the Col. Hudson Recreation Area at 7:30 a.m. Aug. 30. The distances will be a half mile swim, 13.2 mile bike, 3.2 mile run. Competition will be held for individuals, teams, and military. Volunteers are needed. Entry forms will be available shortly at local running stores, bicycle stores, and health clubs. For more information, call Bob Mulkey 883-7399 in the evenings or e-mail at UTCMOCS@webtv.net.

Intelligence group

The Tennessee Valley Chapter of the National Military Intelligence Association (NMIA) will hold a luncheon July 23 at 11:30 a.m. in the Regimental Room at the Officers Club. The scheduled speaker is Col. Rick Dries-

bach, director of the Missile and Space Intelligence Center. Non-members are welcome and reservations are not required. For more information, call George Lewis 830-3809 or Bob Westfeldt 971-6533.

Prayer breakfast

The monthly Non-denominational Prayer Breakfast, sponsored by the IMMC, will be held July 28 at 7 a.m. in building 5309, room 9128 (conference room at east end of Sparkman Center Food Court). The scheduled speaker is John Heveroh, PEO Aviation (formerly an IMMC employee). No food or drinks will be served, but you may bring your own if you wish. Everyone is welcome and invited to attend. "Please join us for prayer, praise and fellowship," a prepared release said.

Sergeants major

The Sergeants Major Association will hold its quarterly meeting Thursday morning at 6:30 at the Radisson Suite Hotel on South Memorial Parkway. All active duty and retired sergeants major are invited to attend. For more information, call Sgt. Maj. Charlie Hardin 876-3178.

Child care Program At local church

Chelsea Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America will open a child care program effective Aug. 31. The church seeks a director for its child development center, with employment beginning July 20. Candidates should have a bachelor's degree in early childhood education or a related field. **See ANNOUNCEMENTS on page 18**

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field and have experience in operating a child development center. Application packets can be obtained from Elder Willie Cowan, church session stated clerk. Application deadline is July 17. Salary is negotiable. The church, at 3123 Johnson Road in southwest Huntsville, can be reached at 883-2000 or fax 883-2041.

Hunter safety course

The Outdoor Recreation Branch is offering the Alabama Hunter Safety Course. Youths and adults may attend this class; however, youths must be 10 years old by Nov. 14, 1998. The class dates are Aug. 1 at the Post Theater, Aug. 15 at Outdoor Recreation (building 5132), and Aug. 29 at the Recreation Center (building 3711). All classes are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and all three sessions must be attended to have the opportunity to pass the course. For more information and to register, call Bill Kerlin at Outdoor Recreation 876-4868/1373.

Business women

American Business Women's Association will meet at 5:30 p.m. July 20 at the Huntsville Hilton. For more information, call Marie Williams 533-2611.

ACS open house

Celebrating 33 years of community service, the Army Community Service staff invites the public to attend the ACS open house in July. The event is set for 2 p.m. July 31 at building 3491, Forest John Road. For more information, call 876-5397.

Hockey sponsors

The Huntsville Amateur Hockey Association's Senior Open League is seeking for team sponsors. Each sponsor will have weekly exposure within the sports section of The Huntsville Times. Additional exposure will be provided through corporate sponsored designer jerseys worn each Sunday year-round.

Approximate cost of \$300 will be required to procure team jerseys. "Please help support the fastest growing sport in the South by sponsoring a Senior Open League team," a prepared release said. For more information, call Ken Robinson 313-0791.

Newcomers orientation

New arrivals at Redstone can learn more about the area by attending the Army Community Service (ACS) Newcomers' Orientation. The free event will be held Aug. 4, from 8:30 a.m. to noon at building 3447, RASA Development Center. "Attendance is mandatory for all (newly arrived) active-duty military permanently assigned to Redstone," a prepared release said. Spouses are encouraged to attend. Free child care is offered at the Child Development Center during the orientation. The child's shot records and registration are required. The orientation features speakers, information booths and a bus tour of Redstone. For more information call Mary Breden, relocation assistance program manager, at 876-5397.

Blacks in government

Blacks in Government (BIG) will hold a general membership meeting at 11 a.m. July 21 at Sparkman building 5309, room 9128. All members are asked to attend.

Investment seminar

Montie Gonterman, an Edward Jones investment representative, will hold a free luncheon seminar on "Four Common Investor Mistakes" from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. July 20 at the Radisson Suite Hotel on South Memorial Parkway. Guy Decker, regional manager with Lord, Abnett & Company, is the scheduled speaker. Reservations are required. For more information or to register, call

880-3040 today.

Parent/principal night

Parent/Principal Night will be held July 20 from 6-8 p.m. at the Bicentennial Chapel. Meet with school principals, register for soccer and bus service, investigate child care options—all in one night. To take advantage of the free child-care offered for the evening, call 876-5397.

Recreation tour

The Recreation Center has rescheduled its trip to Loony's Tavern to see "The Legacy." The new date is July 25. "The Legacy" is an outdoor costume drama which tells the story of the Free State of Winston and the struggle of the people of Winston County to secede from the state and the Confederacy. Before the play, the tour group will have dinner at Sister Sara's Kitchen. The tour departs at 5 p.m. and returns at approximately 11:30 p.m. Transportation, performance and supper are all for \$30 for adults, and \$21 for children 3-12. To sign up stop by the Recreation Center Wednesday through Friday from 1:30-8 p.m., or Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 876-4531 during those hours.

Internet workshop

Association for Electronic Business will hold a workshop on "Web Based Technology (How the Internet Impacts Your Business)" from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Aug. 20 at Intergraph Corporation, building 12, Highway 20, Madison. Sessions include distance learning, CM/DM, Virtual Reality; Web Based Development-CIC presenting Government Trak; and Commercial Electronic Business. Cost is \$35. To register call Charissa Watson of LME Corporation 885-0023.

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'88 Ford Bronco. Full size, V8, auto, air, 4x4, blue/blue, 76K mi., exc. cond. '89 Chevy pick-up Cheyenne, 189K mi., auto, air, V6, SWB. \$4,300. 778-7962.

'88 Mustang GT convertible. 5.0, burgundy, black top, 5 sp., runs great, must sell. \$6,500 obo. 882-0230.

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Free dog to good home. Getting a divorce. Call 890-0351 or 851-9758.

Garage sale. July 18, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. 221 Foy Rd.

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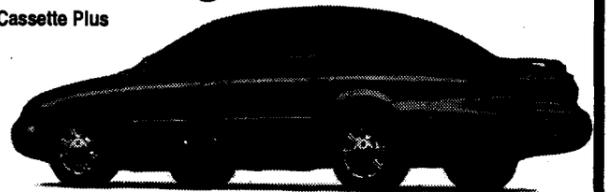
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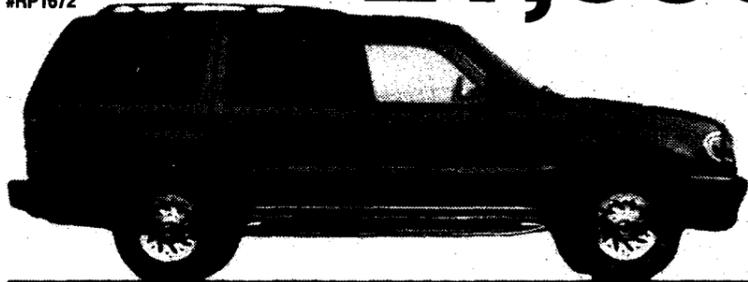
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