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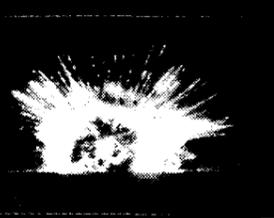
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Bob's birthday...

Linda Leonard and friends put 42 flamingos in her front yard at 437 Simpson Drive to celebrate the 42nd birthday of her husband, Maj. Bob Leonard, on Aug. 10. She rented the

flamingos from the Officer and Civilian Women's Club. Anyone in the housing area on post can rent flamingos by calling 430-1705.

Total force anthrax vaccination decision announced by DoD

Fox Army Health Center starts giving immunizations this week

Fox Army Health Center this week began giving anthrax shots for soldiers and civilians heading toward Southwest Asia and Korea.

This is in accordance with Defense Department orders for total force vaccinations in phases beginning this summer.

Fox Army Health Center began immunizing soldiers and mission-essential Department of the Army (DA) civilians and mission-essential Department of Defense (DoD) contract civilians on orders for Southwest Asia and Northeast Asia (Korea) Monday. Soldiers will report to the Troop Medical Clinic with their orders showing pending PCS or deployment for more than 30 days to these areas and their shot record (PHS 731) from 1-2:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Mission-essential DA civilians and mission-essen-

tial DoD contract civilians with orders should call Occupational Medicine, Fox Army Health Center at 876-8831 for an appointment.

Secretary of Defense William Cohen has directed the military to proceed with plans to vaccinate all active-duty personnel and selected Reserves with the FDA-licensed anthrax vaccine. According to a release from the Office of Assistant Secretary of Defense (Public Affairs), total force vaccinations for about 2.4 million servicemembers will begin this summer.

"I have approved implementation of the Anthrax Vaccination Program for the total force," Cohen said. "This is an efficient, effective and safe way to protect our forces against an emerging threat.

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First day of school arrives for Redstone Arsenal children

ACS Education Committee serves as forum for parents here

By Skip Vaughn

No more staying up late and sleeping all morning and playing outside till dusk. Summer vacation's over, kiddies. Today marks back to school for about 300 Redstone Arsenal children.

Maj. Steven Drake, chairman of the ACS Education Committee, is sending his 11-year-old daughter, Chloe, to sixth grade at the newly-opened J.E. Williams Technology Middle School in Huntsville.

"What's new is the fact that J.E. Williams has over the summer become designated as a middle school and will not only have kindergarten through fifth but will now have sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders as well."

Seventy-five slots were opened in each of the sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grades for Huntsville city school children. Priority for filling these slots goes to: first,

the local area around J.E. Williams; next, Redstone Arsenal; and then the rest of Huntsville.

"And it's considered a technology middle school, focusing on computers and science," Drake said. This middle school will produce students for the New Century Technology High School.

The opening of Williams middle school offers an alternative to students entering the middle school grades who formerly had to attend either Westlawn, the Academy for Academics and Arts, Madison Academy, or the Academy for Science and Foreign Language. For Redstone children, Westlawn was the primary middle school feed from Williams elementary.

Williams Middle School focuses on technology and won't offer sports, band or choir. During Redstone's 10th annual "National Night Out" crime preven-

tion event Aug. 4, the new middle school had a booth; and Drake was told that the sixth-grade was full but slots remained for seventh- and eighth-grades.

"If your child is wanting to go the route of learning new technology and stuff such as computer science, you would want your child to go to J.E. Williams middle school. If you want to have a more traditional middle school path where they get to do sports or band or choir, then you would want to go with Westlawn," Drake said.

He and his wife, Morgan, have another child, Gregory, 8, who attends third-grade at Williams elementary.

"It's going to be interesting," Drake said of this school year. "I can't wait to see what happens with J.E. Williams Technology Middle School. I think they have big plans, big hopes and I think it'll be great for the kids to be



Photo by Sandy Riebeling

ALL ABOARD— Youngsters board a school bus at Redstone Arsenal. Scenes like this will be commonplace throughout the school year which begins today.

given this opportunity." Drake said Redstone and Huntsville city school officials enjoy a cooperative relationship which has enabled them to work through issues such as the need for Williams Middle School and an ongoing concern with racial quotas.

There was and I guess

there still is an issue of choice that's based on race in Huntsville. And the issue centers around the fact that there are magnet schools here in the city which are centers for accelerated learning that have been created in areas of the city in hopes of eliminating segregation," Drake said.

These magnet schools are located in predominantly black areas of Huntsville. The intent was to make these schools appealing to students from other parts of the city by offering select courses to attract other races.

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Letters To The Editor

Demo project

I felt compelled to write about the Personnel Demo Project that has obviously stirred up much controversy over the past several months. I am writing hoping I may receive clarification on some issues. First, in a letter to the editor in the Redstone Rocket dated Aug. 5, titled "Union vote," the president of AFGE Local 1858 stated that "Each agency commander must first decide whether they want to participate or not then if their decision is to participate, they or their representatives must negotiate with AFGE Local 1858 to develop an acceptable implementation plan or agreement which will be presented to the AFGE Local 1858 members (dues-paying) for approval." Nothing is mentioned of procedures followed if the agency commander has made the decision not to participate. If a decision was made not to participate, is the agency exempt from having to participate at all in the demo project? Also in the letter, the NFFE Local 405 union president stated his union opposes the proposed paybanding. He said it will not be conducting a vote on this issue. The NFFE Local 405 union president has made this statement voicing the opposition from his union and they are apparently not going to wait on revisions to the draft demo project that was published in the March 24 Federal Register. Also, the AFGE national president, Bobby Harnage, has made statements concerning potential problems with the demo project (Federal Times dated April 13). He also stated that other national government unions have "pulled out of the project." The fact that these statements were made appears to me that there is something severely wrong with the demo project and no revisions will help to make it better.

In the July 1 issue of the Redstone Rocket a letter to the editor titled "Opposes plan" stated, "In a recent survey administered by the union on May 5, 85 percent of available results indicate opposition to the plan, only 6 percent favor it, the others are undecided." I think the survey speaks for itself. Therefore, if the national unions, NFFE Local 405 and 85 percent of respondents to a survey from AMCOM are against it, why is AFGE Local 1858's president waiting on revisions? It makes me wonder what revisions are forthcoming. In my opinion, any revisions made to make the demo project more attractive will only make it comparable or very similar to the current system we have now.... I understand the union tries to find a peaceful accord between the bargaining unit employee(s) and management on many issues; however, the union is an organization responsible for the benefit and interests of the bargaining unit employees, not management....

Several letters to the editor opposing the demo project that have appeared in past issues of the Redstone Rocket have offered a more clear explanation of how the demo project will affect employees concerning management decisions regarding pay. I have not been working for the government that long and I feel the current system is fair and offers some kind of recourse for those unjustly treated. Due to a decreasing DoD budget, funds are just not available as was in the past. The Air Force Research Lab, Dept. of Navy (China Lake) permanent demo project was implemented in the 1980s when budgets were not so constrained. They could increase the size of their pay pool which allowed for more equitable pay increases, team and individual awards, etc. The pay pool defined in the March 24 Federal Register page 14312 states that "the amount of money available within a pay pool is determined by the general pay increase and the money that would have been available for quality step increases, within-grade increases, awards (performance-based awards as defined in 5 U.S.C. 4505(a)), promotions between grades encompassed in the same broadband level, and other appropriate factors..." If a manager,

under the demo project, tried to be as equitable as possible when they divide up the pool of money would only be reverting back to what is available under the current system now. Because the amount of funds are limited, an employee might be determined by management to be under-compensated and receive a bonus, whether deserving or not, up to 20 percent and deplete much of the funds from the pay pool leaving other employees fighting to receive what is left.

Management needs to be concerned about this proposed demo project because it is ultimately by their decisions how someone is rated and paid, based on how they evaluate the contributions of the employee. With the increase of violence in the workplace in this society, no one can predict an employee's stability if they feel they have been unjustly treated, especially regarding their salary. I don't want to be caught in the wrong place at the wrong time.

I would also like to comment on a letter to the editor titled "Other aspects," published in the Redstone Rocket issue dated July 8. The writer addressed the issue of contracting out government jobs. They stated, "Without the management flexibility that might be provided by the new demonstration project, the federal civilian employee will have no chance of competing for their own jobs." Maybe I need some clarification on this statement. What exactly does management need to be flexible about (flexibility being increased by demo project implementation) that would allow them to help employees compete for jobs that may already have been determined by an A-76 study that a commercial activity currently being performed in-house, be contracted out to a commercial source? How can management, under any personnel plan, be able to keep an employee's job from being contracted out? I do not see the correlation. Furthermore, there is current congressional legislation that may replace the A-76 studies and mandate a certain percentage of in-house performed commercial activities to contractually compete with commercial sources.

I know change is inevitable within the government, but the demo project, in any form, will allow many managers, some who have underlying motives, to keep who they want, which may not be the best contributors to the mission. True, some managers would still be fair and

equitable. Another point about the pay banding is that the pay of employees who may be close to retirement may be drastically affected, and if their pay was affected over a period of five years (the projected time the demo project will be in place), their civilian retirement pension could also be drastically affected. I understand the role of government is changing and due to technological advances in our society and limited resources, change is necessary. However, this demo project proposes almost a complete surrender to management, especially an employee's pay. Think about it.

Name withheld by request

Lunch prices

I have been eating at the Sparkman Cafeteria for about 3 1/2 to 4 years. I have no problems with the food, the service and the friendliness of the staff. The problem is why is the price of food so high, especially lunch?

I used to eat a good meal for the price of about \$5-5.50. Now I have to take about \$7 to cover the lunch meal. I believe the prices have gone up twice in one year and please don't tell me that the price of food has gone up that much. Why are we not told that the prices are going up so that at least we'll have enough money to cover the meal instead of being embarrassed in front of the cash register. Also what is the deal with the cameras above the cashiers? It appears the staff is not trusted.

Could you please explain to me why does a slice of bacon cost \$40 cents? I believe that a package brings about 16 slices. That means that a package of bacon costs the cafeteria \$6.40. Who are you trying to kid?

Some of us don't make enough money to pay \$30-35 a week for lunch or \$120 to \$140 a month. Again I have no problems with the food, service and the friendliness of the staff. The problem I have is the prices. The way the prices are going up, in about a year or two we'll be paying about \$10 for lunch. I just hope that the prices stay the same or come down some, because us poor folks won't be able to pay such a ridiculous price if it keeps going up.

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Viewpoint...

A dream victim pleads: Please, stop the violence

By Skip Vaughn

The adults were lined up on their bellies for this recreational race. At the starter's "Go!" they crawled toward the finish line to the howling delight of onlookers. It was just a fun crawling race.

But suddenly one of the finishers cried foul and yelled at the apparent winner. The winner took offense, pulled out a gun and shot him in the neck. He shot another contestant, too.

No, that didn't really happen. It was just a dream I had the other night. But you believed it, right? In this day and time of esca-

lating violence in sports and our everyday lives, anything goes, right? Anything is possible?

Please, folks, this has got to stop. Violence has gotten out of hand. It's in

Violence has gotten out of hand. It's in our schools. It's on our playing fields. It's in workplaces. It's in homes.

our schools. It's on our playing fields. It's in workplaces. It's in homes. Please, let's stop the vio-

lence.

The other day I was watching television in the Sparkman Cafeteria when a story came on CNN about a 7-year-old and an 8-year-old charged with murdering

commanding general is concerned about the potential for violence in workplaces. Or maybe it was because another bench-clearing brawl occurred in a major league baseball game. Or maybe it was because it seemed like shootings are becoming prevalent in our nation's schools.

I don't know why I had that dream. I just know I woke up and started writing this column.

Maybe somebody will listen. Whatever. As we like to say in government: Here's the bottom line. Please try to express yourself peacefully rather than through violent means.

an 11-year-old girl. Maybe that's why I had the dream that very night. Or maybe it was because I heard the

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Veterans groups fighting battle for survival

Membership rolls decling as young veterans don't fill ranks

By Margaret Banish-Donaldson

Like many other Vietnam veterans, Robert Anderson looks back on his Army service as a significant period in his life. But equally meaningful to him are the years he has spent in an army of volunteers helping other veterans and their families as a member of the American Legion.

Anderson served with the Army's 101st Airborne 426th service and supply division in Vietnam from 1969-71. He is a packaging specialist for the missile and spare parts division of the Integrated Materiel Management Center.

At the 15,000 American Legion posts around the world, veterans cater to their communities' needs by sponsoring scholarships, setting up youth programs, volunteering or providing color guards at events.

World War I veterans meeting in Paris founded the country's largest veterans' organization, the American Legion, 80 years ago.

Today, the American Legion, an organization of battle-tested veterans, is facing a new battle—a battle for survival.

In 1992, Legion membership numbered 3,115,340. Six years later membership numbers 2,801,095. These veterans survived World War II, Korea and Vietnam, but now they are battling to survive right here at home.

As the number of older members who fought in these wars decrease, younger veterans have not filled the vacancies.

"I guess the younger guys just have too many things to do," Anderson said. "And, it's not just the American Legions or the VFW. Many people today just aren't willing to take the effort to belong to a veteran's group. I feel that by working together we can reverse the downturn in membership of recent years."

Anderson believes that the numbers in the American Legion have been hurt by the lack of support by other Vietnam vets.

The men who fought in Vietnam usually valued something higher than themselves. Some, like Anderson, believed in helping other Americans who were caught up in the war. He went because, at the bottom of his heart, he believed it was the right

thing to do. "I take pride in having done something most people simply read about," Anderson said. "I take pride in having done my duty at a time when I could have chosen to do my own thing. The times called upon me to take a stand. I take great pride in being among the 8,744,000 members of the U.S. armed forces who served in Vietnam between 1961 and 1973, who chose to do their duty."

As a sergeant first class, Anderson worked seven days a week, 15 to 16 hours a day. He survived the battles in Vietnam and came back to the states. Like many Vietnam vets, he came home to Louisiana in November 1971 with a Bronze Star, to rejection, scorn and defeat.

However, it wasn't until March 1973 that the last combat troops left South Vietnam. More than 58,000 Americans died in the war.

Anderson says that coping with what happened during his two tours of duty in Vietnam has been a life-long challenge.

"Twenty-five years ago, we learned the lessons of a war society has begun to

come to grips with," Anderson said. "And, we earned it on our own, for we were seldom helped but often hindered. From this, we grew strong and independent. We learned to take abuse; most of us learned to be misunderstood; all of us learned to carry on."

"The personal feelings will remain with us — that won't die. I have nothing against the people, the country. They were victims as much as we were."

"However, I believe people here need to take time to help the local veterans in our area. They can call me at 842-9123 or the Department of Veterans Affairs and ask them if they can be of assistance in any way. Also, they shouldn't forget the veterans in the VA hospitals in the Alabama area. The young can learn the important role these veterans played in keeping America's freedom."

Anderson talks of returning to Vietnam with his wife, Carla and their two children, Robert Anderson III and Vonesia Fields. The past is no longer enemy country.

"I'd like to revisit the terrain where I was stationed: Cam Ranh, Da

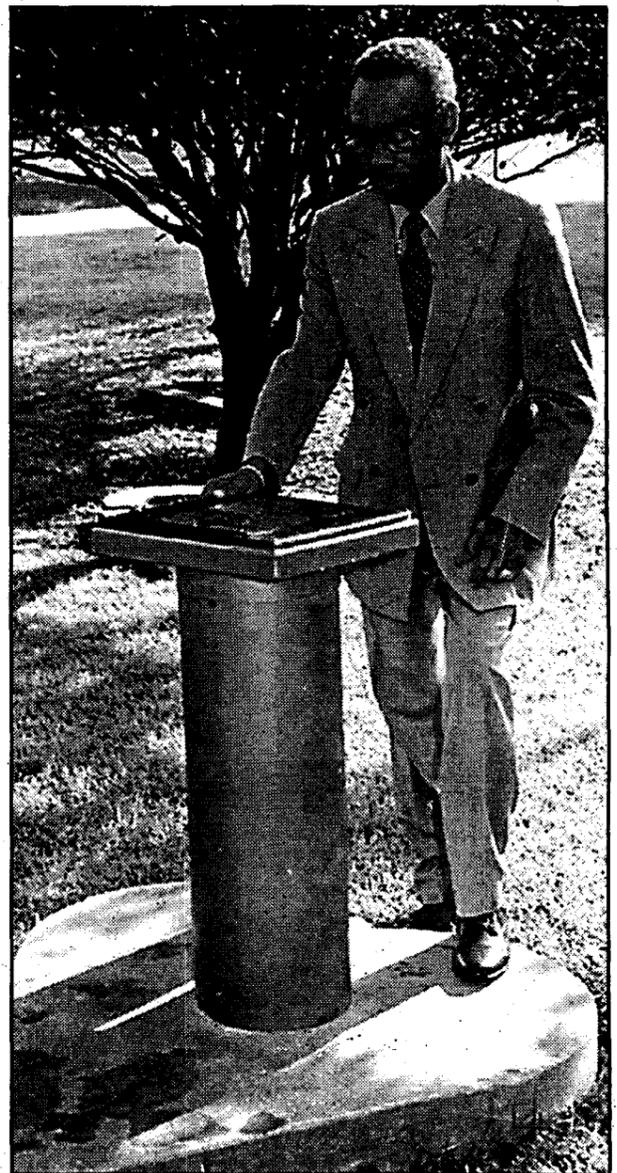


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SPECIAL MESSAGE— Anderson stops outside the OMMCS building and reads an inscription at the Purple Heart stand and bushes. George Washington created the Purple Heart Aug. 7, 1782 to honor wounded Revolutionary War soldiers.

Nang and Phuly, see if the trails I took are still there and if that hill looks any different," Anderson said.

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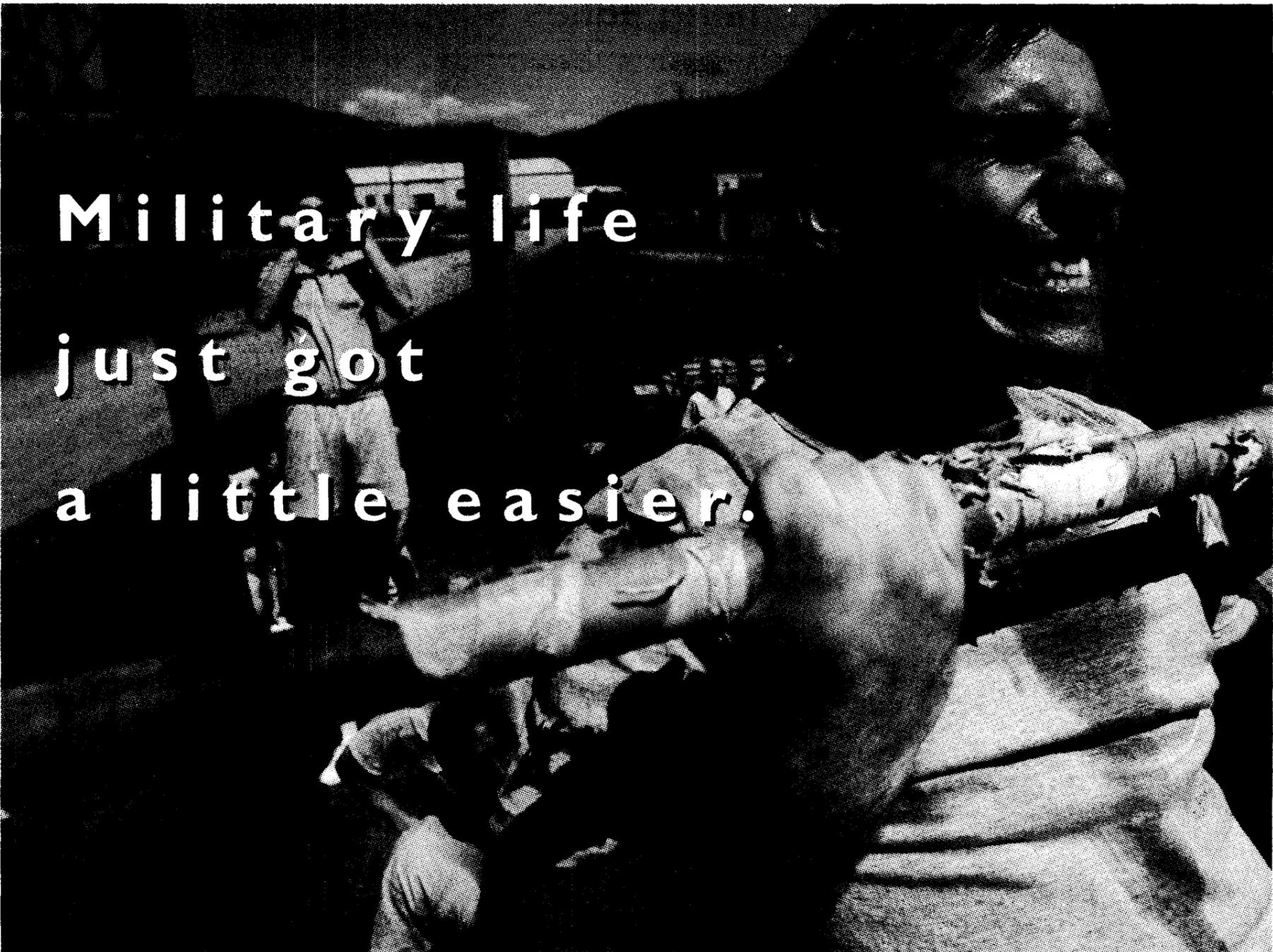
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Luttrell relinquishes command, takes special project at IMMC

By Sandy Riebeling

Col. Gerald Luttrell hands over the responsibility today as commandant of the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School, but he isn't quite ready to retire. He has a short tour left at Redstone before boarding the Winnebago for his retirement trip of a lifetime.

"I'm going over to IMMC (Integrated Materiel Management Center) to assist on a special project with Jim Flinn before I retire," said Luttrell, whose retirement date is officially Sept. 30.

Luttrell said that he was "very, very, happy" when found out he was taking command at OMMCS in April 1996. He had been there several times before both as a student and an instructor. He joined the Army in 1969, and after five tours in Germany, one

in Korea and many in the states, he found his way back to Redstone. But things were different. The school had undergone the Combined Arms Support Command reorganization shortly before his arrival, which cut nearly 400 jobs.

"One of the toughest challenges was keeping a positive attitude here and figuring out innovative ways to keep the level of training at the standard and even improve what we were doing. Finding ways to do the same or better training."

His job as commandant of the school was to see that the 6,100 soldiers coming through each year were trained properly in the 23 military occupational specialties taught there.

"I've been at 14 Army, Navy and Air Force schools, even taught at Command and General Staff College, and none of



TIME TO GO— Luttrell, with his secretary Mary Patton, wraps things up at the office before the change of command. He will be working with Integrated Materiel Management Center for a couple of months before retiring.

them have come close to the standards of training and professionalism that this school has," Luttrell said. "The combination of

civilian and military—they are fantastically great people — directors, instructors, department chiefs. I'm thrilled to be a part of it,

and very proud."

Being the commandant has kept him on the road the better part of his two-year assignment, visiting remote locations of the school spread across seven states. If he has any regrets, it is simply not having enough time to spend with the soldiers in training.

"I like crawling around in the fields with the guys or going into the classroom and seeing the light bulb come on when the students grasp new ideas," he said.

Luttrell gives much credit to Ken Carroll, assistant commandant and to his secretary, Mary Patton, for keeping things running smooth in his absence.

"Mr. Carroll is an educator and a super, super guy — a real champion. He and Mary make it go. It's a full-time job to make me look good and they do."

Even after a career of traveling, 35 countries and

across the United States, Luttrell and his wife, Leslie, are looking forward to a year in Winnebago wonderland, traveling the west, "from Texas to Montana, Wyoming."

"My wife and I were both born and raised in Kansas," said Luttrell, who also has two grown children, John and Katie. "We've been stationed on the east coast and all over the world. We've decided we would like to explore the West a little closer."

And after a year of travel?

"Then I'll settle back down, get a job and work the rest of my life paying it off," he said.

The couple hasn't decided for sure where they will finally end up.

"Any place that says America is open. I've traveled all over and this really is the best country in the world."

Women's Equality Day celebrated on Aug. 26 with program

Aug. 26 will mark Women's Equality Day and the 79th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Local Army commands and the Office of Personnel Management will sponsor a program at 10 that morning at the Sparkman Auditorium.

Scheduled speaker is Huntsville Mayor Loretta Spencer, who was elected in 1996 and is the first woman mayor of Huntsville. She received a bachelor of science degree in elementary education from the University of Alabama and has participated in many Huntsville community activities since 1982.

During the program, some local Army activities and

installations will present awards to women for outstanding achievements in their careers.

All federal employees and contractor employees are invited to attend. The public is also invited to participate in this program. For more information, call Bonnie Kilgore (AMCOM) at 876-3436 or Mary Peoples (SMDC) at 955-4275.

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Returning for fourth tour...

Taylor takes helm today as commandant of missile, munition center and school

By Sandy Riebeling

Incoming commandant of the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School, Col. Stephen C. Taylor, said that it was tough to leave his command at Sierra Army Depot in Herlong, Calif., to come to Redstone, but it was well worth the move.

"I feel like I fought hard to get this job. I was very persistent, and it paid off," said Taylor, who has been stationed at Redstone three times before, twice for schooling and once as the aide-de-camp to the commanding general, Ballistic Missile Defense Systems Command in Research Park.

"I am a munitions officer," he said. "This is what I consider to be the home of munitions. I feel like the place that I can make my greatest contribution is right here, in this capacity."

A native of Monroe, Ga., Taylor's military

career dates back to his Junior ROTC high school days at the Georgia Military Academy. He continued in ROTC through his years at Georgia Tech, earning a bachelor's degree in industrial management and was declared a distinguished military graduate. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Ordnance Corps in December 1972.

His assignments include platoon leader of tank and maintenance platoons at Fort Ord, Calif.; commander, 24th Ordnance Company, Fort Stewart, Ga.; assistant inspector general, U.S. Army Europe and 7th Army, Heidelberg, Germany; ammunition staff officer, Army Materiel Command, Alexandria, Va.; logistics program analyst, Office of the Chief of Staff, Army, the Pentagon; commander, 84th Ordnance Battalion, Muenchweiler, Germany; and chief, Ordnance Branch, Officer Per-

sonnel Management Directorate, U.S. Total Army Personnel Command, Alexandria.

His military decorations include the Legion of Merit, Army Meritorious Service Medal (seven oak leaf clusters), Army Commendation Medal (two oak leaf clusters), Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star, Army Service Ribbon and Army Overseas Ribbon (three awards).

As Taylor takes command at OMMCS today, his responsibilities shift from working with the soldiers in munitions storage and demilitarization to producing those soldiers who go out and do the work in the field.

"I'm looking forward to the challenging assignment and aspects of command," Taylor said.

"We're so happy to be coming back—renewing old friendships and starting

new ones as we begin this assignment," he said, referring to his wife, Becky, and daughter, Sara, who was born in Huntsville. "My two sons are in college near here. Sara is a sophomore at Butler High School."

Coming back to Huntsville also brings him and his wife closer to their parents who live in Georgia. He's also looking forward to spending a little time on the golf course at Redstone.

"I enjoy golf, spending time around the house doing some yard work and of course, I do enjoy watching the Atlanta Braves. No matter where I'm stationed, I like watching the Braves."



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BACK AGAIN— Taylor, right, with OMMCS Brigade Adjutant Maj. Kenneth Avery takes command at the school this morning.

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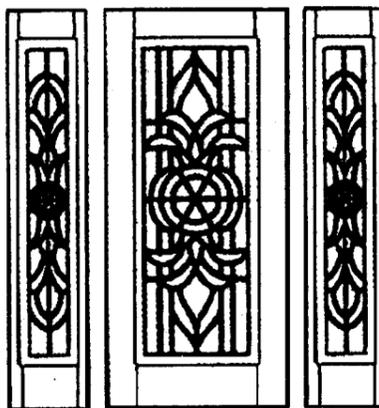
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Cohen expresses sadness, determination at memorial

By Douglas J. Gillert

WASHINGTON— The sun shone brightly on the Air Force C-17 transport as it touched down at nearby Andrews Air Force Base, Md., shortly after 11 a.m. Aug. 13, delivering the remains of 10 Americans killed in Africa six days earlier.

Twelve Americans, including three servicemembers, died in the Aug. 7 bombings of the U.S. embassies in Nairobi, Kenya, and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. The remains of Army Sgt. Kenneth R. Hobson II of Nevada, Mo., and Marine Sgt. Jesse N. Aliganga of Tallahassee, Fla., were among the 10 aboard the plane. The remains of Air Force Senior Master Sgt. Sherry Lynn Olds arrived at Dover Air Force Base, Del., Aug. 12 at the request of family members. The 12th American, civilian Jean Dalizu, was buried in Kenya. About 250 Africans were killed and 5,000 injured in the bombings.

Defense Secretary William Cohen joined President Clinton and hundreds others to receive and honor the dead.

"We borrow this moment to express our sorrow and gratitude both to the families who are gathered here and to these fallen heroes who lived their dreams... as soldiers and diplomats," he told the somber gathering. "They were the best that America has to offer."

"I consider our men and women in

uniform to be ambassadors of goodwill as well as warriors, carrying our values and virtues wherever they are deployed," Cohen said. "Today is a stark reminder that America's ambassadors, diplomats and their staffs are granted no exemption from danger while serving on the front lines of democracy."

Cohen joined Clinton and Secretary of State Madeleine Albright in resolving to find and prosecute those responsible for the bombings. "We pledge here today that neither time nor distance can bend or break our resolve to bring to justice those who have committed these unspeakable acts of cowardice and horror," he said. "We will not rest and we will never retreat from this mission."

Rather than forcing the United States to back away from international commitments, Cohen said the deaths should strengthen national resolve.

"We can never allow terrorists to diminish our determination to press on with the inspiring work of those who have been taken from us," he said. "They did not serve, they did not sacrifice, they did not give their lives so that we could walk away from this new world they were helping to build for others."

"We must ensure that the torch of freedom always burns brighter than the fires of hate and that we continue to be an America worthy of the ultimate price that they have paid." (American Forces Press Service)

Purple Heart Day observed annually by local veterans and their families



Photo by Mary Tainatongo

CEREMONY— Ben Tainatongo, commander of the George A. Rauh Sr. Chapter 2201, adjusts the Military Order of the Purple Heart wreath before the annual ceremony.

Aug. 7 is set aside each year to honor those wounded in defense of this country during wartime.

"Purple Heart Day" recognizes the founding of the badge of military merit (now known as the Purple Heart) by General George Washington Aug. 7, 1782.

Local veterans gather

for a Purple Heart ceremony at the memorial site near OMMCS headquarters, building 3300. This year's annual memorial service, held Aug. 8, was conducted by the Military Order of the Purple Heart, George A. Rauh Sr. Chapter 2201 and Unit 2201, Ladies Auxiliary. It honored "those

departed patriots and spouses who are members of the chapter and Ladies Auxiliary" and also recognized their families, according to a prepared release.

On May 7 Huntsville Mayor Loretta Spencer signed a proclamation for Purple Heart Day.

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A job fair for those leaving government service is set for Tuesday at the Sparkman Center.

Local companies will participate in the Job Fair scheduled 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday at building 5309, room 9128. This event is co-sponsored by the Aviation and Missile Command and the Chamber of Commerce of Huntsville Madison County.

"The purpose of the Job Fair is to provide outplacement assistance and employment opportunities to employees of AMCOM and those organizations who have requested expanded coverage under the current AMCOM reshape plan," Phyllis Conner, supervisory personnel staffing and classification specialist in the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center, said in a prepared release.

"It is anticipated that

approximately 10 to 20 companies from the surrounding local commuting areas will participate in the Job Fair. Participating companies have vacancies for which they are currently recruiting experienced personnel," Conner said.

Employees interested in submitting resumes before the Job Fair may send them to the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center, Attention: Phyllis Conner, AMSAM-PT-CP-CSB, building 5303, room 3130. Employees may also bring copies of resumes to the Job Fair.

"To assure participating companies have a clear understanding of employees' duties and responsibilities, resumes should be written in language similar to that used in private industry," Conner said.

Employees can obtain more information on job opportunities by visiting the Chamber of Commerce

web site at www.huntsville.jobs.com.

The following organizations have requested expanded coverage under the AMCOM reshape plan: Air Defense Command and Control Systems Project Office, Joint Tactical Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Project Office, Logistics Support Activity, PEO Air and Missile Defense, PEO Tactical Missiles, Redstone Technical Test Center, Sentinel Product Office, Space and Missile Defense Command, and the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School.



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After leaving Pentagon...

Deputy post commander settles into welcome assignment

By Skip Vaughn

Another visitor is waiting in the reception area. The 10 o'clock appointment has already slipped 20 minutes because of an issue on limited resources.

But the smile is still there, and it's genuine. Compared to the rat-race in Washington, D.C., the pace at Redstone Arsenal is a relief. And the friendly welcome you and your family have received from the local community can't be beat.

And that's the way it is for Col. Steven Hamilton, who on July 9 became the deputy post commander and the commander of Redstone Arsenal Support Activity. He succeeded Col. Duane Brandt, the RASA commander since July 1996, who departed for assignment as chief of outsourcing and privatization office, Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management in Washington, D.C.

"I've never been in a place where the collective feeling of welcome existed like it is in this community," Hamilton said.

Besides feeling welcome, the Utah native also acknowledges that the job is bigger than he expected. He has gained a new appreciation of the work that Brandt and his other predecessors did.

"My impression of the Arsenal itself: The Arsenal is much larger than I anticipated," Hamilton said. "Its operation is much more complex than I realized. The opportunities to influence the future are great, much greater than I anticipated."

He leads a 528-member organization which, along with contractor support, is

responsible for keeping the utilities running, the environment safe, the roads clear, and many other unglamorous but necessary duties. Besides that, in these days of limited resources, there are the privatization studies to determine whether certain jobs will stay government or go commercial.

"This (RASA) work force is not only extremely loyal and dedicated, but optimistic and positive about the future," Hamilton said. "They're concerned and worried but not letting it hold them back and affect the job they're trying to do. It really is a unique bunch and I'm very thankful to have them."

The challenges he faces as deputy post commander and RASA commander include limited resources and reshaping his work force. His keys to meeting these challenges include setting priorities and "then you have to figure out how to be innovative and resourceful in order to meet those less critical priorities that you don't have resources for," he said.

Hamilton, 45, came to Redstone after four years in Washington, D.C., where he last served as chief of the plans and operations division in the office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics at headquarters Department of the Army. This followed two years in Korea; and before that he spent three years in Germany.

"I'm definitely a power-down kind of leader. I try hard to empower my subordinates with the authority they need to do their jobs," he said.

In making decisions, he puts trust in his instincts which has much to do with his



Photo by Skip Vaughn

RASA COMMAND— Hamilton talks with Steve Carter, executive assistant at Redstone Arsenal Support Activity.

faith in God. "I lean on my faith a lot to help me decide what's right and what's best," he said.

The Hamiltons are Army all the way. Hamilton's wife, Cindy, is a lieutenant colonel and the inspector general for Aviation and Missile Command. They have three children: Tara, 14, Austin, 7, and Weslyn, 5.

"I want to improve to the best of my ability the quality of life to the people who live and work on this installation. And to whatever extent possible, extend that same goal to people outside of the installation," he said.

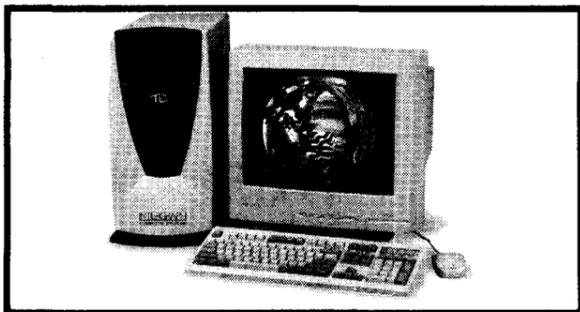
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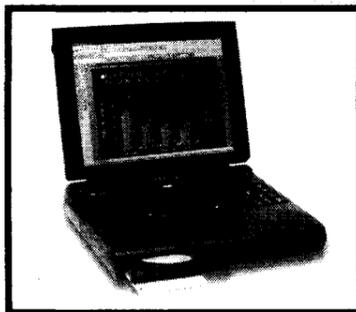


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A hairy problem...

Lice go to the head of the class throughout U.S. schools

By Cherie Miller

They're as small as a pencil lead, yet just mentioning them makes people start to itch. What are they? Head lice! With school starting soon, these little pests will be moving through school age heads with a vengeance. Students, parents, and teachers should know how head lice are transmitted and how to recognize and treat infestations.

Of the three types of lice—head, body and pubic—head lice are the most common in the United States and are most prevalent in school age children. Contrary to popular belief, infestations are not related to poor hygiene or lower socioeconomic status. Head lice are equal opportunity nuisance pests that happily use ANY human as a host. Their presence is more an indicator of interpersonal contact than uncleanness.

Wingless insects

Head lice are wingless insects, about 1/10- to 1/8-inch long, with piercing and sucking mouth parts used for feeding on human blood. They are flat in shape, white to gray in color, and have short legs with large claws which grasp and hold onto hair. They are most com-

mon in school age kids grades K-8 due to head to head contact during play and sharing personal items such as combs, brushes, hats, hair bows, etc. They can also be transmitted through close placement of coats, scarves and other items in lockers, coat racks, etc. Human head lice cannot be acquired from animals or birds and they do not transmit diseases.

The lice burrow themselves onto the scalp usually behind the ears and at the back of the head. They may also be found in the eyebrows or beard. The female lice feed on human blood about every four hours and then produce one egg. Approximately six eggs are produced per day. The lice glues the eggs (or nits) to the hair shaft about 1/4-inch from the scalp. The eggs hatch in about one week and feed within 24 hours. Mature lice live approximately 30 days during which time the females can lay 50-150 eggs so that a single infestation may involve hundreds of nits.

Persistent itching

While there are no outward symptoms of lice infestation, parents and teachers should be aware of children with persistent itching of the

scalp. Identification of lice is enhanced with a magnifying glass and sufficient light to view the scalp. Closer inspection will reveal the small, silvery nits attached to the hairs. There may also be infected scratch marks or a rash-like appearance where the adult lice are attached.

It is not usually necessary to visit a doctor unless secondary infection has occurred due to scratching. There are numerous over-the-counter lice treatments (or pediculocides) available; your pharmacist can recommend one for you if you need assistance. These products are pesticides approved for human use so it's important to use them exactly as directed on the package. Generally, an initial treatment is followed by an additional treatment in about 7-10 days to kill any newly hatched lice. The cement holding the nit to the hair shaft is not dissolved with the treatment, so the nits need to be removed using the nit comb that comes with the package. Removing nits is easier if the hair is wet and if a conditioner has been used on the hair first. Clothing should be changed after the treatment and nit removal is through.

Wash clothing, bedding, towels, etc., which were in contact with the infested person, in hot water and dry in a hot dryer about 20-30 minutes. Items may also be dry cleaned or sealed in a plastic bag for 30 days. Soak combs and brushes in very hot water or treatment shampoo for 10 minutes. You may also vacuum carpets, upholstery and mattresses used by the affected individual, though this is not necessary.

To help prevent lice infestations, discourage children from sharing coats and personal items with other children. Ideally, separate hooks at least 12 inches apart, "cubbies" or lockers should be assigned to each child. If this is not possible, have children hang coats on the back of their seats and keep coats and scarves at the child's desk. If itching is noticed, check the child right away, as well as family members, for the presence of lice.

For additional information on lice, call the Public Health and Education Center at Fox Army Health Center 842-0196.

(Editor's note: Miller is an environmental health and safety specialist at Fox Army Health Center.)

SCHOOL

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"So, what they did was set up a quota system to ensure that a ratio would be maintained between black and non-black students," Drake said. As a result of these quotas, some Redstone Arsenal parents of black children have been restricted from sending their children to a magnet school if the school's student ratio at the time is primarily black.

"It hasn't been resolved," Drake said of the racial quota issue. "I think we took it all the way up to the federal government."

Redstone officials were told that, in order to change the quota system, the city school board must draft a

letter asking for these quotas to be altered. "We turned over all that information to the Huntsville city schools lawyer. We talked to Dr. (Mary Ruth) Yates, (the interim superintendent). And several months ago, the last I heard they were going to take the information we've given them and pursue possibly changing the quota system."

The magnet program was established about 20 years ago to comply with a series

of U.S. Federal District Court orders to ensure desegregation of the city schools without jeopardizing the neighborhood school concept. Black and white students living in the neighborhood of a magnet school have first priority in attending the school up to the quotas set by these court orders. After that, students from other city schools can apply for admission to a magnet

school, if their neighborhood exceeds federal quotas for their race. "The Huntsville City School Board of Education and the Redstone Arsenal Army Community Service (ACS) Education Committee do not have the legal authority to alter or reinterpret federal court orders on desegregation," the then-deputy post commander, Col. Duane Brandt, said in a letter to a concerned Red-

stone parent. "We can only comply."

The ACS Education Committee, led by Drake, is a volunteer organization designed to allow a venue for issues to be raised by Redstone residents concerning education of their students. In addition its goal is "ultimately to ensure the kids get the best opportunity for education that they can," Drake said. This

includes not only the schools but also activities such as offering scholarships each year to Space Camp at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center.

The committee will hold its first meeting of the new school year Sept. 23 from noon-1 at Army Community Service, building 3491 on Honest John Road. All interested parents are welcome to attend.

Reaching a milestone... 10,000th Hellfire II missile rolls off assembly line in Troy, Ala.

By Sandy Riebeling

In production for more than three years, on July 17, Lockheed Martin's production facility in Troy, Ala., produced the 10,000th Hellfire II missile.

"It's a great milestone," said Col. Richard Savage, project manager for Air to Ground Missile Systems Project Office. "Dennis Smith, the plant manager in Troy, hosted a luncheon to celebrate. Representatives from city and county gov-

ernment attended, along with all the employees from the production plant."

The Hellfire II is a laser guided anti-tank missile that weighs 100 pounds, is 72 inches long, has a range of 8 kilometers and costs approximately \$60,000 each.

Major components of the missile, such as the guidance system, warheads and motors are produced in facilities around the country then shipped to Troy for assembly. The assembly plant pro-

duces roughly 100 missiles a week.

Hellfire II, the latest version of the original, can be launched from the Apache, Kiowa and the Sea Hawk. The Army has 40,000 basic Hellfire and Hellfire II missiles in storage around the world.

"We are using the older missiles in training exercises to use them up," Savage said. "We shoot about 1,000 a year, on average, of the older Hellfires."



Air Force photo

INCOMING— The Hellfire II lights up the sky and the M48 tank at Eglin AFB, Fla.

Court upholds law banning sexually explicit material from military stores

By Jim Garamone

WASHINGTON— Military retail services will no longer sell sexually explicit magazines, videotapes and audio tapes.

In June, the Supreme Court upheld the 1996 Military Honor and Decency Act by refusing to review an appeal of a lower court ruling. The law requires DoD to remove all sexually explicit materials sold or rented by the exchange services, commissaries and U.S. Navy ships' stores.

On July 1, Frank Rush, acting assistant secretary of defense for force management, signed DoD Instruction 4105.70, "Sale or Rental of Sexually Explicit Material on DoD

Property." The instruction defines sexually explicit material as "material, the dominant theme of which is the depiction or description of nudity, including sexual or excretory activities or organs in a lascivious way."

Under the instruction, the eight-member Resale Activities Board of Review met Aug. 13 for the first time. Steve Sellman, director of DoD accession policy, chairs the board. The other members are all civilian representatives from the military services and the military exchange commands.

Army Lt. Col. Tom Begines, a Pentagon spokesman, said board members asked the exchanges to provide materials for review that might be affected by the new law. The

resulting review list includes more than 100 publications. The board will announce findings later this year.

"Once the board determines that a particular item is sexually explicit, it will be removed and not offered for sale or rent," Begines said. "If the board determines that

several issues of the same periodical are sexually explicit, the publication will not be sold in DoD retail activities." Video and audio tapes the board determines to be sexually explicit will be permanently removed from DoD retail stores, he said. (American Forces Press Service)

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Savings with a twist...

Treasury offers new way to save with Series I bonds

By Sandy Riebeling

The Series I savings bonds adds a new twist to calculating earnings on bonds, with the goal of earning a real rate of return over and above inflation for up to 30 years, which is the maximum life of the bonds.

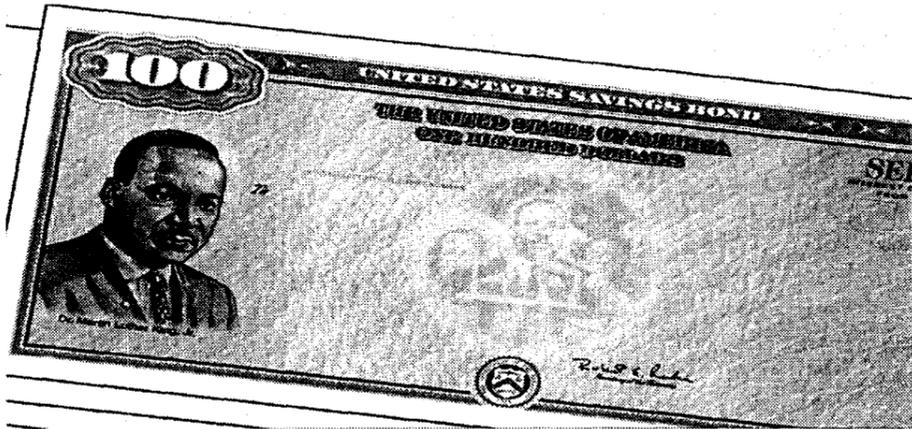
The earnings rate of the I bonds is determined by a combination of a fixed rate set for the life of the bond, plus a variable semiannual inflation rate.

Fixed rates for bonds will be announced by the treasury twice a year on May 1 and Nov. 1. Whatever the fixed rate is on the bond at the time of purchase, that rate will remain for the life of the bond. The semiannual inflation rate is variable, adjusted every May 1 and Nov. 1, based on changes in the Consumer Price Index for all Urban consumers, which is reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. This rate is a measure of inflation over the preceding six months.

The treasury department has not yet announced the formula or basis on which it will determine the fixed rate of the bonds.

"That is a question I've asked and what our financial institutions have been asking us," said John Helmke, area manager for the U.S. Treasury Department Savings Bonds Marketing Office. "We haven't been given any answers yet."

In the rare event that the CPI-U is negative during a period of deflation and the



amount of the decline in the CPI-U is greater than the fixed rate, the redemption value of the bond will remain the same until the period of deflation ends.

Series I bonds are bought at face value. The earnings are added each month and interest is compounded semiannually. They increase in value the first day of the month.

Earnings are exempt from state and local income taxes. Federal income taxes can be deferred for the life of the bond. There is also a tax advantage available, just as with the series EE bonds, that excludes all or part of the interest on the bonds from income as long as the proceeds are used to pay for tuition and fees at eligible post-secondary educational institutions.

Bonds may be purchased at most financial institutions, up to \$30,000 each calendar year, in one of three ways, single own-

ership, co-ownership and beneficiary. They can also be purchased as gifts.

I bonds are considered long term investments but may be redeemed with interest earnings after six months. There is a three month earnings penalty for I bonds redeemed within the first five years.

On Sept. 1, six of the eight denominations of the new Series I savings bonds will be available for purchase through financial institutions across the country (\$50, \$75, \$100, \$500, \$1,000 and \$5,000). The \$200 and \$10,000 bonds will be available in May 1999.

The bonds will be sporting a new look, honoring eight great Americans. A picture of Hellen Keller, noted author and advocate for people with disabilities will be on the \$50 bond.

A likeness of Dr. Hector P. Garcia,

physician, World War II veteran, leading advocate for Mexican-American veterans' rights and founder of the American G.I. forum, will appear on the \$75 bond.

On the \$200 bond, a picture of Chief Joseph, Nez Perce Chief; great Native American leader, courageous political leader and spokesman for freedom and equality.

Gen. George C. Marshall's picture will appear on the \$500 bond. He was the Army Chief of Staff during World War II, Secretary of State, Secretary of Defense, and a Nobel Peace Prize recipient.

Albert Einstein, physicist, author of the theory of relativity and Nobel Prize recipient for physics, will have a place on the \$1,000 bond.

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Pictured on the \$10,000 bond is Spark M. Matsunaga, U.S. senator and congressman, a World War II hero who obtained redress for survivors of World War II internment camps.

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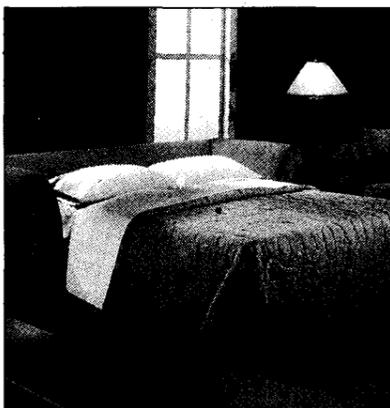
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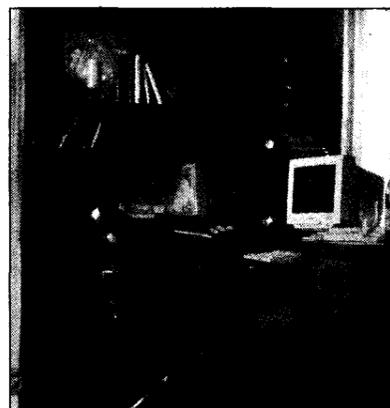
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Military retirees have their annual day in September

Retiree Activity Day offers forum for information and answers

By Sandy Riebeling

The crowds are expected to be bigger than ever at this year's Retiree Activity Day, with informational booths, panel discussions and guest speakers, all addressing issues that concern military retirees and their families.

"We usually get between 400 and 600 people at the event," Phil Fredrich, retirement services officer at AMCOM, said. "It's a great way to provide a lot of information to our retirees from all over North Alabama. We even have people from Tennessee, Mississippi and Georgia. We service 60,000 retirees and their families from this office."

The event will be at the Sparkman Auditorium, Sept. 12 beginning at 8 a.m. About 40 organizations on and off post will have informational

booths set up outside the auditorium and in the hallways. Attendees can find information on a variety of topics from clinic benefits to Army Community Service to crime prevention.

"We call it a country fair," Fredrich said. "People from organizations set up tables and offer information, sometimes answer questions, on all sorts of things. One year we had someone from outdoor rec here with some equipment, canoes, telling the retirees about all that Redstone had for recreation."

Retired Army Lt. Gen. Ellis Parker is the scheduled speaker for the event. He is co-chairman of the Chief of Staff of the Army Retirees Council and also sits on the combined council for the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

There will be an hour-long question and answer session with a panel

of eight including representatives from Fox Army Health Center, Dental Activity, AMCOM Personnel and Training Directorate, Army/Air Force Exchange Service, Commissary, Post Exchange, Chaplain and Morale, Welfare and Recreation.

A prepared lunch of big chicken, tiny potatoes, carrots, rolls, coffee, tea or soda and dessert will be available for \$5.50. The snack bar will open at 7 a.m.

"Last year we had the weapons systems displayed out here too," said Fredrich, adding that they may be out again this year but that it has not been decided yet. "It's nice for people that hear about these weapons on TV to be able to get a close-up look at them."

The event is free and open to everyone.



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SMDC assignment...

Maj. Gen. John Costello has been nominated for appointment to lieutenant general and assignment as commander of Space and Missile Defense Command. He served as commander of the Air Defense Artillery Center and Fort Bliss, Texas since August 1995.

ANTHRAX

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"On Dec. 15, 1997, I made implementation of the program contingent on the successful completion of four conditions: supplemental testing of the vaccine; assured tracking of immunizations; approved operational and communications plans; and review of the health and medical aspects of the program by an independent expert," he said. "All conditions for implementing the anthrax vaccination program for the total force have now been met. Vaccinations of the active components and selected Reserve shall proceed consistent with all specifications of the Food and Drug Administration approved product labeling."

The Secretary of the Army will be the executive agent for the department's Anthrax Vaccination Program. The Army, on behalf

of the executive agent, will manage and administer the overall program and monitor the services' progress toward their respective implementation plans.

After a three-year review, Cohen concluded that the vaccination is the safest way to protect highly mobile U.S. military forces against a potential threat that is 99 percent lethal to unprotected individuals.

"This is a force protection issue that was recommended by the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff," he said. "To be effective, force health protection must be comprehensive, well-documented and consistent. I have instructed the military to put such a program in place." Cohen and Gen Henry Shelton, chairman of

the Joint Chiefs of Staff, have both started taking the anthrax immunization.

Immunization for our troops is a prudent action. The immunization program will consist of a series of six inoculations per service-member over an 18-month period, followed by an annual booster. Although protection levels increase as shots in the primary series are given; the entire six-shot series is required for full protection, as determined by the FDA.

The anthrax vaccine has been FDA approved since 1970 and has been safely and routinely administered in the U.S. to veterinarians, laboratory workers, and livestock handlers since that time. No reports of serious adverse effects or long term

side effects have been received by the producer, the Michigan Biologic Products Institute.

The total force anthrax, vaccination plans were first announced in December 1997. In March, the vaccination program was accelerated for troops assigned or deploying to Southwest Asia after all four conditions for implementation had been successfully met in theater. The phased vac-

cination program will take six to seven years to complete. Next in priority after those in Southwest Asia and Northeast Asia are early deploying forces. The remainder of the force, including reserves and National Guard, and new recruits will follow. Annual booster vaccinations for servicemembers will become a routine part of force health protection.

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Keeping the force fit to defend...

Top DoD doc urges care for all, healthier lifestyles

By Douglas J. Gillert

WASHINGTON — Quality medical care for all beneficiaries and healthier lifestyles that prevent illness and injury top the list of concerns of DoD's new health leader.

Although she said the overriding mission of military medicine is readiness, Dr. Sue Bailey added she's committed to delivering quality care to all beneficiaries.

"We've got a commitment to the quality of the health care that is provided to the 8 million people who depend on us," Bailey said. "Our servicemembers need to be ready and fit to defend the nation, and they need to know that their families at home are taken care of while they're gone. And we have a huge and growing population of retirees who are looking for — and deserve — quality health care from us."

Bailey, who became assistant secretary of defense for health affairs in May, said the military

health system is at a crossroads that gives leaders a chance to "look at where we've been and where we're going."

access to the same health care as servicemembers. But with downsizing in the 1980s and 1990s came fewer and smaller medical

high marks for the choices it offers beneficiaries.

"We have in our system greater choice than most Americans have in their managed care programs," she said. "People who receive health care through their work — the majority of Americans — currently have two choices, a preferred-provider option [patients choose physicians from an approved list] or a health maintenance organization. Most other managed-care programs have dropped their fee-for-service option, but Tricare provides the flexibility of all three."

Although timely access to health care isn't perfect in Tricare, it's on a par with civilian programs and getting better, Bailey said. "We would like to be answering the phone quicker, making the appointment quicker, having people seen quicker," she said.

One way of improving patients' health care access is to reduce the demands

'We've got a commitment to the quality of the health care that is provided to the 8 million people who depend on us.'

— Dr. Sue Bailey

"There's been a lot of nostalgia for the way health care used to be," she said. "My dad worked on a B-17 base (in Rapid City, S.D.) during World War II. At the time, the sole purpose of the medical support was to keep those airplanes flying — keep those pilots healthy. If there were extra medical provisions, family members then could come out to the base to be taken care of."

In the ensuing decades, family members and retirees gained routine

facilities and sharply reduced numbers of health care providers. To continue meeting both peacetime and readiness health care requirements, DoD launched Tricare in 1992. The managed-care program became fully implemented this summer.

"Today, we are committed to providing top quality health care to all servicemembers, as well as their families and all those who have served and retired from military careers," Bailey said. She gives Tricare

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Chaplain promoted...

Chaplain Paul Vicalvi is promoted to colonel Aug. 2 by Maj. Gen. Emmitt Gibson, AMCOM commander, and the chaplain's wife, Pamela. The Vicalvis have five children: Christy Stewart, Sherri Bray, Lauri, Damien and Dominique and two grandchildren, Christian and Dylan.

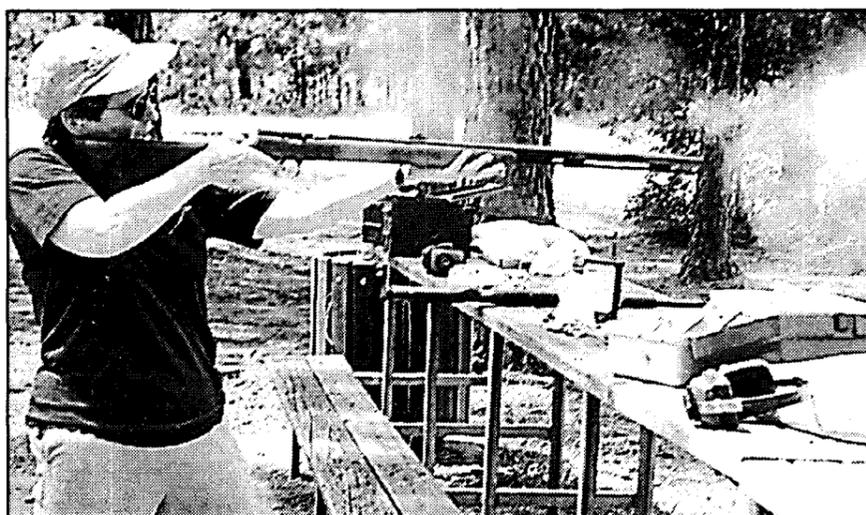


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Shooting sports...

Judy Fernet, of Security Assistance Management Directorate, hits the target on her first try during the Women's Shooting Sports event July 25 at Outdoor Recreation. State of

Alabama game officials gave lectures on hunter safety and firearms during the activity designed to get more women interested in shooting sports.

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placed on the medical system, the assistant secretary said. Bailey is especially keen on improving the overall health of servicemembers and their families.

She cited two new DoD initiatives, "Put Prevention into Practice" and a patient survey called Health Enrollment Assessment Review, as ways DoD is striving to create a healthier population. Both measures are geared toward identifying and reducing alcohol abuse, smoking and accidental injury, and promoting physical fitness. She said the initiatives combine education and awareness with counseling, behavioral and fitness programs and will be available to all military beneficiaries.

"For too long in medicine, physicians have been perceived as the [people] to turn to in the event of a health care crisis," she said. "In fact, if you can prevent these sicknesses, essentially you are your own cure. I would urge that kind of preventive thinking throughout the system. There are things people can do to prevent themselves from becoming sick."

But physicians, too, need a new outlook, Bailey said. "They need to focus on preventive health — not just write prescriptions for antibiotics or do therapeutic interventions, but sit down with their patients and discuss the kinds of things they can do to prevent sickness and disease."

Bailey oversees defense health care policy and believes such policy must include input from providers in the field. For that reason, she's spending as much time as possible visiting hospitals and medics throughout the country.

"I am very interested in knowing how the policies that we create and refine here are implemented," she said. "I also need to see and hear what's going on, what the issues are, so it's very important for me to go out and talk to the people who receive the care and the people who provide the care."

For example, a recent trip to Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Fla., gave her reason to hope DoD can improve retiree care.

"I was very impressed that the hospital there doesn't turn away anyone, including retirees over 65," she said. Retirees 65 and older currently fall under Medicare rules and aren't quali-

fied for care under Tricare. DoD is working to change this rule, but most military hospitals and clinics in the meantime provide only limited, if any, health care to Medicare-eligible patients.

"If they're doing it, it can be done," Bailey said. "Is there something unique about the Jacksonville experience? Is it something we're going to be able to do elsewhere, given the growing numbers of older beneficiaries in DoD who require more services than our younger population? It's an issue that I will focus on." That includes keeping close contact with Jacksonville, she said.

Another of Bailey's early trips found her aboard a Trident submarine. The visit helped crystallize her role as the principal medical adviser to the defense secretary.

"I walked through the tiny compartments of that submarine, and looked at the faces and talked to the sailors, and spoke with the independent duty corpsman responsible for the health of those 150 people," she said. "I realized — as I always do when I travel to the facilities and see who's out there — this is what it's all about." (American Forces Press Service)

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Name withheld by request

Editor's note: William Bullen, general manager of the Post Restaurant Fund, provided the following response. "Thank you for your patronage and the opportunity to address your concerns. It has been over four years since our last general price increase in Post Restaurant Cafeterias. During this time, costs associated with doing business such as utilities (yes we pay the U.S. Government for utilities), cost of food goods, employee salaries, and other related business costs have risen.

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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 are now available at local running stores, bicycle stores, pools, and the military and civilian gyms on Redstone Arsenal. For more information, call Bob Mulkey 883-7399 in the evenings or e-mail at UTC-MOCS@webtv.net.

Ice hockey

The Huntsville Amateur Hockey Association Fall Registration for ages 4 and up is scheduled at the Ice Complex, 3185 Leeman Ferry Road for 1-6 p.m. Aug. 23, 6-9 p.m. Aug. 27, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 29. For all newcomers to the hockey program, equipment rental is available. Fees depend on which age group/level your child will play in. For more information, call Susan Porter 772-4460.

Bowling league

Friday Nite Mixed Bowling League will hold its annual meeting at 6:30 p.m. Friday at the Redstone Bowling Lanes. You do not have to be military to bowl; everyone is invited. League openings are based on first come, first serve. Signup sheets are at the bowling center (881-1780). The first night of bowling is scheduled Sept. 11 at 6:30 p.m. For more information call Naomi Hodges, league secretary, 883-2612 (evenings) or 533-0915 (from 9 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday).

Golf championship

Redstone Golf Course will hold the annual Club Championship over Labor Day weekend, Sept. 5-7. The Men's Championship will be a 54-hole tournament played Saturday, Sunday and Monday. The Women's Championship is a 36-hole event and will be Sunday and Monday. The men's and women's entry fee is \$40 and \$35, respectively. Entry forms may be picked up at the Pro Shop; the entry fee must accompany the entry form upon submission. Deadline for entering either tournament is close of business Aug. 28. Both tournaments

are scratch formats and will be flighted by handicap, requiring all participants to have a current U.S. Golf Association handicap—there can be no exceptions.

Polo game

The Huntsville Polo Club will play for the Cavalry Cup on Sept. 13. Game time is 2 p.m. (gates open at 1). The site is Harris Hill Farm at Highway 72 East and Moore's Mill Road. Look for the entrance on the south side of Highway 72, east of the traffic light at Moore's Mill Road. There is no admission charge. This is a family oriented, casual event. For more information, call Fred Lee 880-3364 (home) or Cissie Jones on the Huntsville Polo Club hotline 851-0075.

Health Matters

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. Call 876-4935 to schedule an appointment.

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.

Blood program

Here's the Red Cross blood program schedule for August: Aug. 21, from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at building 4752 (NASA), Edwina Bressette 544-8115. Aug. 24, from 4-8 a.m. at building 3411, 832nd Ordnance Battalion, Capt. Richardson 842-0606. Aug. 28, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at SMDC, room 1C400 (Wynn Drive),

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AFGE goes, there is a very good possibility that 85 percent of the affected work force will be extremely upset. With that in mind, I do not believe a person must be a dues-paying AFGE member to have his/her voice heard. A prudent manager professing employee concern would do well to devise a method that would allow 85 percent of his employees to be heard.

In this age of electronic communications, devising a method to gauge employee sentiments should be an easy task to handle. I propose that the command conduct a survey of the AMCOM community at large in order to get a true feel of employee opinions. A simple "Yes, participate" or "No, do not participate" would suffice. To be sure, there would be more satisfied employees.

Ray Ramirez
SAMD

Employee opinions

Much has been said concerning the proposed Demonstration Project and the fact that the upcoming American Federation of Government Employees vote will be the basis the commanding general of AMCOM will use to determine participation in this project.

Recent recruiting efforts by AFGE indicate AMCOM is one of the lowest represented commands in the region; 15 percent of the AMCOM population are members of AFGE Local 1858. Translated another way, 15 percent of the AMCOM population is going to determine what 100 percent of the affected employees will have to abide by. Eighty-five percent of the affected employees is a significant number to be ignored by any manager. Regardless of the way the vote at

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Blood drive

In observance of Hispanic Heritage Month, the Hispanic Employment Program Committees (HEPC) for the Aviation and Missile Command and the Marshall Space Flight Center have joined forces to celebrate this year's event. To kick off the event, they have planned and scheduled a blood drive campaign beginning Sept. 10 and ending Sept. 18. The following schedule has been confirmed with the American Red Cross, Sparkman Management Office, and NASA: Sept. 10— Sparkman Center building 5309, room 9128, from 7:30 a.m.-1230 p.m., Wally Gonzalez Jr. 842-8264. Sept. 10-18— The American Red Cross, 1101 Washington St., from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday; phone 536-0084. Sept. 18— MSFC, building 4752, All Purpose Room, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Alicia Beam 544-2849 or Wally Gonzalez Jr. 842-8264. All employees are encouraged to donate blood.

Miscellaneous

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. Thursday 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.

Worship service

The Protestant Worship Service conducted by the ministry team at OMMCS is held on Sundays at 11 a.m. at the auditorium in Toftoy Hall, building 3495. Everyone is invited.

Community fellowship

Everyone is invited to join members of Saint Bartley P.B. Church in Huntsville in a trip to St. Louis Sept. 12-13. They will attend the worship service at 11 a.m. Sept. 13 at Calvary Baptist Church, 2822 Martin Luther King Blvd., St. Louis. For more information, call Harrison Wells 842-8543 or 859-3361.

Aviation symposium

The third annual AAAA/AUSA Army Aviation Simulation Sym-

posium will be held Sept. 16-18 at Crystal Gateway Marriott, Arlington, Va. For information, call Bill Harris (203) 226-8184.

Young Marines

Young Marines is a program for ages 8-17, boys and girls. It's a drug demand reduction program to promote a drug-free lifestyle and to develop physical, mental and moral characteristics in youth. Parent orientation day is Thursday; and boot camp is Aug. 27. For more information, call Sgt. David Garay 876-8964 (work) or 430-0026 (home).

Korea veterans

A reunion for Korean War veterans will be held Oct. 21-25 at Virginia Beach, Va. For information call 1-800-523-4715.

Philippine-Americans

The Philippine-American Association of Alabama will hold its annual Inaugural Ball, Sept. 12 from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the North Hall of the Von Braun Center to benefit the National Children's Advocacy Center and the American Heart Association. Scheduled speaker is U.S. Rep. Bud Cramer. The evening will also include dinner, cocktails, Philippine dance performances, dance music by Denim and door prizes. Individual tickets are \$30 in advance and \$35 at the door. Tables may be sponsored. For more information, call Tess Neumann 313-1258.

Grambling alumni

The Grambling State University Alumni Association-Huntsville-Madison Chapter will hold a Scholarship Dance after the GSU vs. Alabama A&M game, Sept. 12. The dance will be held at the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) at 3220 Lodge Road (off Jordan Lane). The dance is from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. All tickets are \$10 in advance (no tickets will be sold at the door). A GSU booth will be set up at A&M before the game for ticket purchase. For group or individual tickets, call Donald Lawrence 722-8955 or Claude Meclendon 881-7291. This is a BYOB affair.

Newcomers coffee

The Officer and Civilian Women's Club will hold a Newcomers Coffee at 10 a.m. Thursday at the home of Mary Gibson on 1 Wadsworth Drive, Redstone Arsenal. All eligible members who are new to the area are invited to

attend. For more information, call Diane Bonnell 837-9606.

Retired officers' wives

All retired officers' wives new to the area and wives of newly retired officers are invited to join the Retired Officers' Wives Group. For more information, call Peggy Patch 772-8268.

SMDC briefing

On Aug. 26, Robert Schwenk from the Office of Defense Information Systems for Command, Control, Communications and Computers is to visit the Space and Missile Defense Command. He is to give a briefing on the Army Chief Information Officer's perspective on DoD's initiative on enterprise licensing of software, assessment for Acquisition programs, software support policy and creating paperless acquisition. The presentation is open to all government and contractor personnel at the SMDC facility on Wynn Drive, main conference room from 11 a.m. to noon Aug. 26. For more information and registration, call 955-3498.

Anti-tamper briefing

The Space and Missile Defense Command's Advanced Technology Directorate, Computer Technologies Division will sponsor a DoD Anti-Tamper Requirements presentation by the Air Force Superiority Division Aug. 27 from 2-4 p.m. at the Sparkman Auditorium, building 5304. Topics to be addressed include anti-tamper requirements, the DoD anti-tamper program and the anti-tamper techniques employed by various weapon systems. This classified briefing is for U.S. citizens only. Clearances must be received by Aug. 20 to accommodate badging preparations. Badging will be from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Aug. 27. To register call, 955-3498.

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Prayer breakfast

The August Non-Denominational Prayer Breakfast held by the IMMC Aug. 25 at 7 a.m. in building 5309, room 9128 (conference room at east end of Sparkman Center Food Court). The scheduled speaker is Rebecca Pratcher, chief, Strategic Planning Office, AMCOM. No food or drinks will be served, but you may bring your own if you wish. Everyone is welcome and invited to attend.

Officer/civilian women

The Officer and Civilian Women's Club will have its fall signup coffee Sept. 8 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Redstone Arsenal Club. Any group, crafter or organization interested in being represented at the signup should call Susan Carr 430-1705 by Friday.

Retirement ceremony

The quarterly retirement ceremony is scheduled for 4 p.m. Oct. 8 at the quadrangle behind HHC AMCOM (building 3437). Rehearsal will be held at 7 a.m. Oct. 7 at the same location. If you wish to participate in the

retirement ceremony, call Support Operations, SSgt. Trescott 842-2385 or 876-2819 by Sept. 18.

Astronomical society

The Von Braun Astronomical Society will present "Summer Skies" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the planetarium in Monte Sano State Park. For more information, call Mitzi Adams 464-0945 or 539-0316.

Sergeants major

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

St. Louis bus ride

A Capital Trailways bus trip to and from St. Louis is planned for Sept. 3-7. Cost is \$60.

Commitments are due by close of business Aug. 24. For more information, call Dennis 313-2406 or Dan 313-2809 (apartment 464-5707).

Impounded vehicles

The following four abandoned vehicles have been impounded by the Provost Marshal Office and are subject to being disposed of: blue 1963 Ford truck, blue 1980 Datsun 280ZX, white 1984 Pontiac

Grand Prix, and silver 1985 Buick Somerset. The owners or anyone knowing the owners should call SFC DeCourley, military police operations, 842-2442 or 876-2222.

Retired officers

The Retired Officers Association will hold a luncheon meeting at 11 a.m. Aug. 26 at the Redstone Arsenal Club. The program will be a historical report of the Huntsville Chapter presented by a panel

of past chapter presidents, and moderated by Capt. Gene Keen. For more information, call retired Capt. Albert Castelli 859-1340.

Sealed bid sale

A sealed bid sale of government surplus items will be held Aug. 24 at the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office (DRMO), building 7435 on Chestnut Road. Bids should be faxed, hand-carried See ANNOUNCEMENTS on page 22

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or mailed by 8 a.m. Aug. 24. Verbal bids will not be accepted. Property inspection and bid submission is scheduled 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 19-21. Catalogs are available by faxing 876-5097 or stopping by building 7405. Catalogs will not be mailed. To view material for the sale and to submit bids, report to building 7435. For more information, call Donna Davis 842-2570 or Elizabeth Couch 842-9474.

Parents council

The Child Development Services Parent Advisory Council will meet Aug. 25 at 11 a.m. in the Bicentennial Chapel activity room. "Bring your lunch and join us," a prepared release said. Parents with children in all CDS programs are encouraged to attend.

Logistics award

The 1998 Ernest A. Young Logistics Achievement Award luncheon/ceremony will be held at 11:30 a.m. Sept 10, at the Redstone Arsenal Club. The following individuals have been nominated for this award: Katherine C. Blevins, Logistics Division, THAAD Project Office; Ricky A. Brock, Scout/Attack Product Managers Office, Deputy for Systems Acquisition; George E. Collier, Logistics Division, Javelin Project Office; Lt. Col. William G. Lake, Fixed Wing Product Office, DSA; Dianne B. Landtroop, Missile Logistics Directorate, Acquisition Center; Charles W. Smith, Depot Division, Business Management Directorate, IMMC; and James R. Wasson, Business Management Directorate, IMMC. The nominees will be recognized during the ceremony, and Ernest A. Young, former deputy to the commanding general who retired recently, will announce the winner of the 1998 award. Tickets for the event are \$9 each and are available in each directorate office of the IMMC or from the following: Joan Hoge, Virtual/Single IMMC, 842-8280, Everett Brooks, THAAD Project Office, 955-1793; Charlotte Clemons, Javelin Project Office, 876-1932; Diane

Couch, Acquisition Center, 842-7224; Lilian Partida/Sheila Blair, Scout/Attack Product Office, DSA, 955-7159/955-7004; and Nelson Martin, Fixed Wing Product Office, DSA, 955-0794. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Anne Hughes, IMMC, 876-1757.

Acquisition symposium

A "Paperless Acquisition Symposium" will be held 8-noon Aug. 27 in the Sparkman Auditorium. Sponsors include AMCOM, PEO AMD, PEO Aviation, PEO Missile, and SMDC. This will be an open information exchange and discussion on the current status of paperless acquisition as it relates to Team Redstone and the Space and Missile Defense Command. The symposium is open to government, contractors and potential contractors. Registration, to include name, organization and telephone number, may be made via e-mail at registration@redstone.army.mil.

Children's chorus

Now entering its fourth season, the Huntsville Community Children's Chorus is looking for boys and girls who love to sing. Auditions for new members will be held from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Aug. 31 at First Baptist Church on Governors Drive. The children's chorus, sponsored by the Huntsville Community Chorus Association, is open to all students in grades fourth-ninth. Founder and director Anne Chelekis will evaluate students' vocal range, pitch-matching, and vocal independence skills. A prepared solo is not necessary, but auditionees are advised to become familiar with the tune "Are You Sleeping? (Frere Jacques)." All auditions are on a first come, first serve basis. For more information, or if you would prefer an individual audition at another day and time, call 461-6057.

Resource managers

The American Society of Military Comptrollers will hold a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Sept. 10 at Trinity Personal Growth Center on Airport Road. Scheduled speaker is Nancy Archuleta, CEO, Mevatec. Cost is \$9 for members, \$10 for non-members. For reservations, call Janet Sierna 955-3890.

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'92 Toyota Camry LE. Wine red, 4 dr., 102K mi., exc. cond. \$8,900. 880-2018.

'91 Plymouth Grand Voyager SE. Exc. cond., all maintenance records, air, cruise, AM/FM/Cassette, PW, PL, luggage rack. \$6,000. 837-0311.

'91 BMW 318is. Black/black, 16 V, 5 sp., sport pkg., PW, BBS rims, 109K mi. \$6,500 obo. 830-4177.

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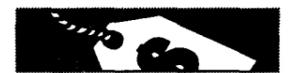
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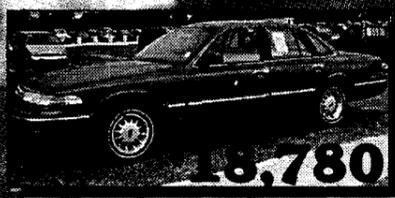
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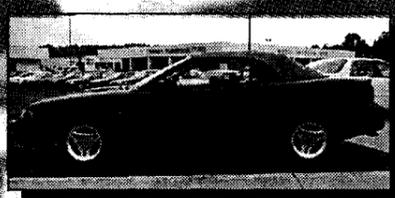
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