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Photo by Sandy Riebeling

THE UNCOLA COLLECTOR — “Can” you see it? It took VanKirk, owner of this bicentennial can collection, several months to acquire the necessary 50 soda cans, which when assembled properly, create a picture of Uncle Sam. For the Fourth of July holiday, he set up the display in the PEO Aviation building where he works.

Self-proclaimed pack rat...

7-Up can collector stacks up patriotic display for Fourth

By Sandy Riebeling

Jack VanKirk has collected things all his life. A self-proclaimed pack rat, he couldn't resist the challenge back in 1976 to collect the bicentennial set of 50 7-Up cans that, when stacked in a pyramid correctly, form a picture of Uncle Sam. VanKirk brought out the coveted collection and assembled it for all the Project Manager, Aviation Electronics Combat Office to see in celebration of Independence Day.

“I don't remember much about how I got any particular can,” VanKirk said. “I just remember seeing the directions to the display printed on one of the cans and thought it would be neat to collect all of them.”

Each of the steel cans in the set represents a state. On one side of the can is a picture and a few facts about the state. The other side of the can combines white space and colored printing that forms a piece of the Uncle Sam picture puzzle.

“I don't remember exactly how long it

took me to collect all of them— I had my family back in West Virginia helping me,” VanKirk said. “I do remember that we drank a lot of 7-Up and I had the complete set before the Fourth of July that year.”

VanKirk served three years in the Army before settling into a civilian slot in St. Louis at the former Aviation and Troop Command. Every few years he would bring out the collection and set it up at work for the Fourth of July.

“I liked the picture of Uncle Sam,” VanKirk said. “I'm a patriot. I guess I don't know any better.”

When it's not on display at work, VanKirk stores his cans in the garage at home.

“They all fit really nice in this tomato box,” he said. “I have had to hide them from my wife. I keep everything and she's just the opposite. She likes to get rid of things. We do a lot of consigning at the Thrift Shop on the post. It's a great place.”

Don't expect to see the cans up for sale, though. VanKirk said he would never part with them.

Change of command, change of career for former THAAD project manager

By Sandy Riebeling

The THAAD Change of Project Manager and Retirement Ceremony was filled with emotion as Col. Louis Deeter stepped down as project manager of the Theater High Altitude Area Defense program and passed the torch to his successor, Col. Patrick O'Reilly.

The ceremony tugged at the heartstrings of the large crowd assembled at the Sparkman Auditorium to bid farewell to Deeter and his family. The gathering not only represented a change of leadership for the THAAD program, but a change of career for the former commander, who was officially retired that day, after a distinguished career of 26 years in the Army.

The video presentation was a mixture of sincere sentiment and comedic moments throughout Deeter's career, going all the

way back to the lieutenant years. As Deeter was gently ushered out, O'Reilly was generously welcomed in through the video presentation that displayed moments of his life and career up to this point.

Brig. Gen. Daniel Montgomery, program executive officer for Air and Missile Defense, praised Deeter's leadership and tenacity as he brought the program to life.

“He had the right stuff to get it done,” Montgomery said. “He never wavered in his convictions. He never lost confidence. He kept faith until he did it. He's taken care of the people and together, they have taken care of the mission.”

Deeter's greatest accomplishment in his last three years as the project manager was to see the THAAD system finally hit the mark. After several failed attempts, the



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CONTINUING THE TRADITION— O'Reilly receives congratulations as the incoming THAAD project manager after the change of command ceremony July 15.

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It was not yet light early Monday morning as a soldier headed out to PT. As her car topped the hill, she probably could not see the torrent of water raging across the road, where normally there is just an ordinary drainage ditch. When a 5-foot wall of water tossed her car like a toy, I can only imagine what her instincts told her to do. I know she was trained for survival. I am sure she did the best thing, in her judgment, when she calmly removed the keys from the ignition, placed them in her purse, and exited the vehicle.

We know now that she lost that gamble, and her life. The Army has lost a soldier, willing to go anywhere that duty called, as the country required.

During the days since the flood, we have complained about losing things—carpet, furniture, pictures, precious things, but in the final audit, all just possessions. I can't stop remembering that a soldier has lost her life.

SSgt. Jennifer Gamble was doing her duty. She was on her way to work at the obligations she swore to fulfill when she joined the military: to keep fit, trained and ready to go whenever her country asked.

As we go about the business of repairing the damage to our city and replacing our cherished homes and possessions, we will pay the costs. Let's not forget what this flood cost SSgt. Gamble, and her survivors.

Judy Wilson
Soldier Support writer,
PS Magazine

Retirement village

Several years ago you published an article for us on a proposed military retirement community, Redstone Village. We are now into our fifth year of our efforts toward achieving our goal. We had a group of about 130 depositors who placed their trust and money with us to help us reach this goal. These are our charter members. This depositors' list was closed about one year ago.

We understand that more individuals are interested in Redstone Village. We are hoping that you will write a short article telling them about us and about our retirement community. Our Continuing Care Retirement Community will offer three levels of living: Independent; Assisted, and Skilled Nursing. All three levels will be contained in one integrated campus.

In order to offer a Skilled Nursing Facility in Alabama, any retirement community must obtain a Certificate of Need from the State of Alabama. We have been awarded such a certificate. The state award of our certificate is currently under review in Montgomery Circuit Court. We expect a favorable decision which will allow us to begin construction within the year.

We will be opening our depositors' priority list this month. We welcome anyone interested in Redstone Village to call Sally Shepard at 337-5401 or stop by the Retiree Building on Patton Road and pick up an application form....

Sally Shepard

Caldera directs review of Hale's retirement status

Review board could direct a lower retired grade

WASHINGTON— Secretary of the Army Louis Caldera has directed the appointment of an Army grade-determination review board to consider whether Maj. Gen. David Hale should retain his current retired grade.

Hale was court-martialed in March and found guilty of seven specifications of conduct unbecoming an officer and one specification of lying to the Department of Defense deputy inspector general. Lt. Gen. George Crocker, commanding general of I Corps and Fort Lewis, took action on the case as the general court-martial convening authority July 8.

Hale's sentence, as approved, was to be reprimanded, to forfeit \$12,000 in retirement pay, and to be fined \$10,000. Hale's conviction resulted from an investigation into allegations that he had engaged in improper relationships with wives of subordinate officers. Under federal law, a court-martial cannot reduce a commissioned officer's grade. However, federal law authorizes service secretaries to review

an officer's records to determine the highest grade in which the officer served satisfactorily for retirement purposes and to direct a lower retired grade if appropriate.

When there is evidence of misconduct during a commissioned officer's active-duty career, a service secretary can convene a grade-determination review board. The board consists of at least three senior officers. The grade-determination review board reviews the officer's service records and any other evidence relevant to the grade determination. The officer considered does not appear before the board, but is afforded the opportunity to review all matters that will be considered by the board and may submit matters for the board's consideration.

The review board will advise Caldera of the highest grade in which Hale served satisfactorily. The secretary will then make the final determination of whether Hale should be reduced in rank. (From a Department of the Army news release)

Cohen praises Hungary for Kosovo support, reforms, resolve

By Linda D. Kozaryn

BUDAPEST, Hungary — Defense Secretary William S. Cohen praised Hungary's support for Operation Allied Force July 12 during his first visit here since the former Soviet bloc nation joined NATO.

"Hungary has already demonstrated that it is willing, able and prepared to work for stability in Europe," the secretary said at a press conference. He thanked Defense

Minister Szabo Janos for the strong role Hungary played in the air campaign against Yugoslavia. Hungarian officials allowed U.S. and NATO planes to operate from Hungarian bases and prevented unauthorized shipments into Yugoslavia by vigilantly policing Hungary's borders and air space. Hungary is also participating in NATO's security mission in Kosovo by contributing 350 troops to KFOR.

"Hungary has been a major factor in the successful resolution of the conflict in Kosovo," Cohen said. "It's also

making an important contribution to the KFOR mission."

Cohen called on Hungary to continue its efforts to reform its military, revise its strategies and modernize its forces to enhance interoperability with other NATO allies. He expressed his hopes Hungary will continue its efforts to implement the Defense Capabilities Initiative members adopted at NATO's Washington summit in April to produce mobile, effective and enduring alliance forces. (American Forces Press Service)

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Annual Armed Forces Celebration under way in the local community

The local community is saluting the Army this week.

Armed Forces Celebration Week, July 19-23 is a community-wide celebration honoring those who have served and are serving their country in the U.S. armed forces. The Chamber of Commerce and the Association of the United States Army (AUSA) are co-sponsoring numerous

events during the celebration week.

Remaining activities include the following:

Today— Soldier Show at 2 p.m. and again at 7 p.m. at Von Braun Center Concert Hall.

Friday—Soldier of the Year and NCO of the Year luncheon at 11 a.m. at the Redstone Arsenal Club.

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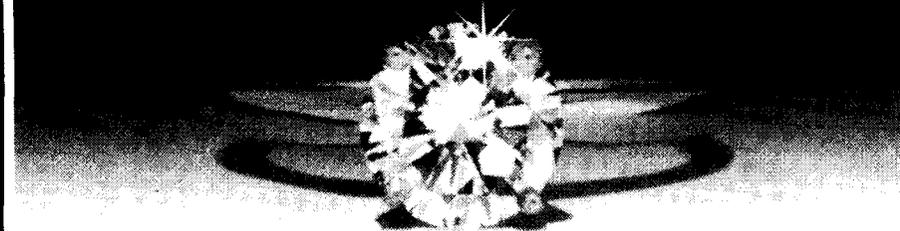
Party time.....

Liz McWhorter cuts the cake while Judy Tucker pours punch during a July 12 celebration held by the Corporate Information Center. The celebration was in recognition of meeting the Department of Defense's deadline for Y2K compliance for infrastructure and business systems at Redstone Arsenal.



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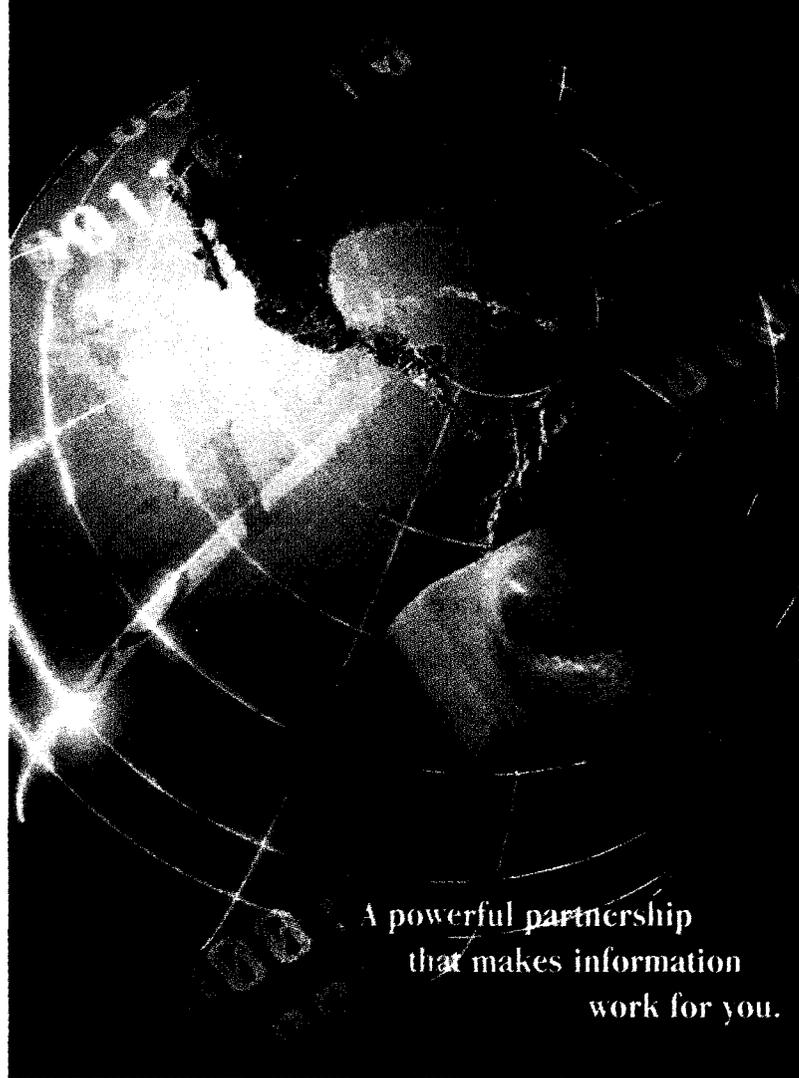
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Addressing logistic support...

Twelfth annual Defense supportability symposium draws large crowd

By Emerson McAfee

For the second year in a row the DoD Government/Industry Supportability Engineering Exchange Symposium was hosted in the Sparkman Auditorium, June 16-18 by the Logistic Support Activity (LOGSA). The International Society of Logistics (SOLE), Tennessee Valley Chapter, again provided administrative support. The theme for this year's symposium was "Revitalizing Integrated Logistic Support."

The symposium was keynoted by presentations from high-level logistics officials from DoD and the three military services. Each of the three days was designated as either the Army, Air Force, or Navy day and was opened by keynotes from that service. The remainder of each day was filled by a wide array of logistics presentations from industry and government speakers. In all a total of 24 speakers took the stage to share their new processes, lessons learned, or improvements to current ongoing programs.

Participation this year approached the 225 mark and exceeded last year's total by 25 percent. This was in no small part due to the opening day presentations by three Army generals. Comparative presentations were also provided on the other two days by equal counterparts from the Air Force and Navy. A dropoff in Army participation on those two days will be corrected next year by eliminating specific days for each service.

Louis Kratz, director, Logistics Systems Reengineering, Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Logistics Reinvention and Modernization), once again delivered the opening address with "Re-engineering Product Support to Increase Readiness. He was followed by Maj. Gen. Al Sullivan, the new commander of AMCOM, with the "Army Perspective on Revitalizing ILS."

Lt. Gen. James Link, deputy commander of Army Materiel Command, closed out the morning session with

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AMC's "Initiatives Affecting ILS." Lt. Gen. Paul Kern, military deputy assistant secretary of the Army for acquisition, logistics and technology, presented the Army's plan for "Logistic Support for Future Systems."

Speakers from the Air Force's equivalent offices keynoted the second day. Grover Dunn, Air Force deputy chief of staff/installation and logistics, associate director, Directorate of Maintenance, presented a briefing on the "Air Forces Logistics Transformation." From the Air Force Materiel Command, Thomas Batterman, deputy of logistics, presented "Air Force Sustainment...Where We Are."

On the third day Rear Admiral William Klemm, deputy chief of Naval Operations, Industrial Capability, Maintenance Policy and Acquisition Logistics Division, represented the top Navy logistics office. His presentation "ILS in the Navy... Back to the Future" was directly on line with the theme of the symposium.

A highlight of the symposium was the combined working luncheon held in conjunction with the monthly SOLE luncheon. Dr. William Baylis, Northrop Grumman, presented a futuristic talk on "Virtual Reality and its Initiatives and Applications." It is truly amazing where virtual reality is currently being used in



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SYMPOSIUM SPEAKER—Maj. Gen. Al Sullivan talks with an attendee at the event in Sparkman Auditorium.

acquisition and logistics.

Redstone Arsenal and the Huntsville community were well represented by presentations from LOGSA, PEO Aviation, PEO Air and Missile Defense as well as those from SPARTA and Intergraph. Another highlight, after no representation for several years, was a presentation from a speaker from a foreign country. Professor Olaf Waak, Systecon AB, Stockholm, Sweden presented "Spares Optimization... A Key to Supportability Analysis," a highly valuable comparison of several acquisition logistics projects his company had been involved with.

This year was the first time that displays were set up in conjunction with the symposium. Those contractors represented in the lobby of the Sparkman Auditorium were Intergraph, SPARTA, Thomas Technologies, Information

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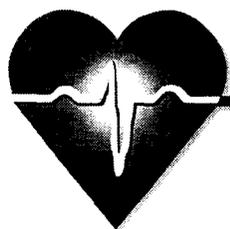
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missile hit the target for the first time June 10, a moment that will last forever in his mind.

"This is an emotional time," Deeter said during the ceremony. "The work is not done, but it is time to pass the torch. I've seen it flicker a couple of times in the past and was concerned the torch was going to go out."

While at the podium, Deeter thanked those individuals and organizations that have lent him support throughout the years. He ended his remarks with a story. A story about his father who was serving in Bataan on the Philippine Islands in 1941 when it came under attack by the Japanese.

"Our nation dropped its defenses," he said. "We were not capable of defending ourselves. There were 20,000 soldiers, sailors and airmen captured as a result of that attack. My father was one of them. Until missile defense becomes a national resolve, we will not have the capabilities we need to defend our forces."

"Pat, you're about to enter the ride of your life. This will be some of the most important work you've ever done," Deeter

said. "I hope you have as much fun as we have had."

Montgomery asked the question, "How do you replace a Col. Deeter? You go out and find a Patrick J. O'Reilly."

O'Reilly's remarks were brief as he thanked his wife, Judy, and daughters Siobhan and Brigid for their constant and unwavering support. He also expressed an appreciation for the mission ahead of him.

"I ask for everyone's recommitment to this program, to continue down the path of success Lou Deeter has set us on. I am proud and honored to serve as the THAAD project manager," O'Reilly said, wishing the Deeter family the luck of the Irish as they begin their new lives.

During the ceremony, Montgomery presented Deeter with the Legion of Merit for "exceptionally meritorious service spanning a long and extremely successful career. This culminated in his leadership of the highest profile weapon system development in the Department of Defense—the Theater High Altitude Area Defense system."

Deeter was also awarded a certificate of appreciation from the president of the United States. His wife, Linda, was also given a certificate of appreciation from the Department of the Army.

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After leading THAAD project...

Retirement closes book on soldier's career in missile defense

By Sandy Riebeling

The career achievements of Col. Louis Deeter are as much personal as professional.

In 1941, infantry officer 1st Lt. Morton Deeter was stationed in Bataan in the Philippine Islands when Japanese aircraft bombarded the Island, crushing the



Photo by Sandy Riebeling

CYCLIST, AUTHOR—Deeter, an avid bike rider, wrote and published a book about used bicycles. Retirement will give him more time to get out and ride the roads.

American forces stationed there. More than 20,000 Americans were captured and thrown into prison camps. Louis Deeter's father was a survivor of those POW camps.

"It was the worst defeat levied on American forces in our history," Deeter said of the attack and subsequent surrender of American troops. "We weren't prepared to defend our soldiers, sailors and airmen from an air attack."

Deeter has spent most of his Army life in missile defense, battling cries of politicians who have forgotten the tragedies of war and who continue to question the need for the development of missile programs.

"You will always find mean people in the world— Hitler, Saddam, Milosevic — preparedness and readiness should be top priorities," Deeter said. "(Douglas) MacArthur once said that if we fail in our mission the nation will cease to exist."

The culmination of Deeter's mission as project manager for Theater High Altitude Area Defense system came just a few weeks ago as the THAAD missile intercepted its target for the first time, proving success for the program.

"It was pandemonium that morning," Deeter said. "We were popping champagne corks at 5:30 in the morning. It was a party from White Sands Missile Range to

California to Washington, D.C. and of course, Huntsville."

The June 10 launch was the seventh after six failed attempts.

"The malfunctions in the missile before that were due to low tech and engineering failures," he said. "The first time we had a good missile, it worked."

The THAAD hit was the crown jewel in Deeter's Army career.

"It was the highlight of my career. From a work standpoint, there's nothing bigger than this."

Deeter began his Army career in 1973 as a second lieutenant after graduating from the University of Arkansas. He received his master's degree from the Florida Institute of Technology. He has since completed several military colleges.

His assignments have taken him around the world including Germany, Marshall Islands, Washington, D.C. and three tours at Redstone.

Deeter retired last week, leaving the new project manager, Col. Patrick J. O'Reilly, to carry on the missile mission. The next THAAD test, against a more stressing target, is scheduled for July 26.

"With the last launch the reentry vehicle and the booster were together—it was all one piece—at about 50 miles up. The

next intercept will be exoatmospheric and have the two separate pieces, the reentry vehicle and the booster. This will prove the radar and missile can work as a system because it has to discriminate and destroy the target."

But the next test will be another man's glory, as Deeter closes the cover of this book and begins the introduction to his next book: civilian life. Books are very much a part of his life. An avid cyclist, Deeter has authored and published a book on used bicycles, very popular in the Northwest. He has also framed out a few more writing projects, something that he's looking forward to completing as he leaves the military.

"Before I go back to work, my wife and I will do some traveling," he said. "I want to attend my 30th high school reunion this summer. I haven't been to one before."

Deeter's wife, Linda, is a piano teacher. The couple has one daughter, Heather, a senior at Samford University in Birmingham, majoring in vocal performance.

"I plan on staying in the Huntsville area and hope to support the Army and Department of Defense in putting capable weapon systems into the hands of our soldiers. In the end, I'm still an Army officer. I still have a love for the soldier."



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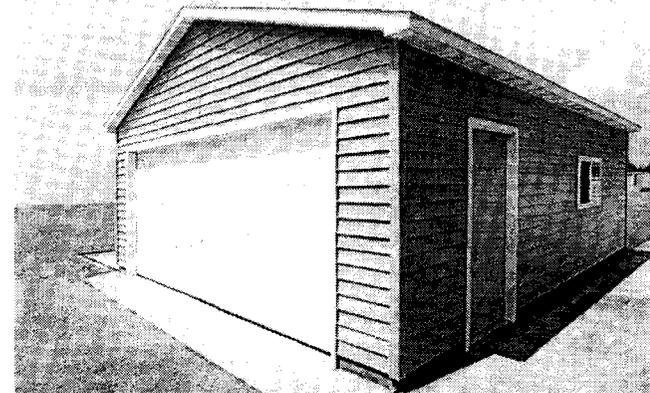
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Northrop Grumman opens missile production facility

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Northrop Grumman, the contractor for BAT, invested more than \$1.5 million in improvements to the four administrative, subassembly, final assembly and warehouse buildings it is leasing from the federal government, several which were once occupied by the Thiokol Corporation for its rocket-related activities. The total area encompasses nearly 85,000 square feet.

"Northrop Grumman is pleased to announce the official startup of production for the BAT program at this superb facility here in Huntsville," Dr. William H. Forster, vice president of the company's Land Combat Systems, said. "By locating our BAT engineering and manufacturing activities here at Redstone Arsenal, we're close to our customers, the Army Tactical Missile System Project Office, the Program Executive Office for Tactical Missiles and the Aviation and Missile Command, as well as the extensive pool of missile systems-related technical talent resident in the greater Huntsville area."

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GRAND OPENING — Cutting the ribbon for the production facility are, from left, Mike Gillespie, chairman of the Madison County Commission; Col. Kelley Griswold, ATACMS/BAT project manager; Col. John Holly, program executive officer for tactical missiles; Dr. William H. Forster of Northrop Grumman; Bob Evans of Northrop Grumman; and Madison Mayor Chuck Yancura. "This is a watershed event today," Holly said. "We are opening a facility that will provide a revolutionary capability to our soldiers. Additionally, it further reinforces the tremendous partnership between the Army, Northrop Grumman Corporation and our community."

ees are currently assigned to the BAT program at Huntsville, many of whom recently relocated from a company facility in Hawthorne, Calif., where BAT engineering and manufacturing development work was previously based. Approximately 30 more employees are expected to relocate to Huntsville in the next six months.

The BAT is a submunition carried and dispensed by the ATACMS Block II surface-to-surface missile. Once released, the submunition finds its target with sensors that listen for specific engine sounds produced by tanks and other armored vehicles.

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Handling Service, and Systecon AB. The Air Force Logistics Management Agency, Multi-User ECP Automated Review System, and Deskbook set up government displays. LOGSA set up a display of software systems, which included PowerLog, Compass, Post Fielding Support Analysis, PFSA, CASA, and IETMs.

A social was held for the second year at the West End Grill, June 16 to relax and provide attendees a chance to mix informally with fellow participants and speakers. Thanks to all attendees and speakers for your contributions and participation which made the '99 symposium both informative and professionally rewarding. Feedback from the critique sheets completed indicates a great majority of the attendees were very satisfied with the way the symposium was conducted.

The Sparkman Auditorium will be considered along with other options for hosting next year's symposium. Those interested in presenting at next year's symposium should make contact with LOGSA and ensure a point of contact is provided for the logistics e-mail address list. A call for papers will go out in early January 2000. The point of contact is Emerson McAfee 955-9830, or e-mail at emcafee@logsa.army.mil.

(Editor's note: McAfee is a logistics management specialist in the Acquisition Logistics Center, Logistics Support Activity.)

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Making a pitch...

Neon test drives will deliver funds for Youth Sports

By Skip Vaughn

Five youngsters in various sports uniforms, the commanding general and a host of others. All gathered at the Redstone Army Airfield. What could bring them together?

It was an opportunity to show support for the upcoming "2000 Neon Army Demo Days," a fund-raiser for Youth Sports. Dodge and Plymouth will make a donation to Youth Sports for each test drive taken on the 2000 Neon from July 23-24 at the Post Exchange parking lot.

There is no cost to participate. By taking 15 minutes out of your day to help Redstone Arsenal Youth Sports, you get a \$5 gift certificate redeemable at the PX or food court. The exchange's food court is open to the entire Redstone community.

"We are asking as people participate in the drive—drive the new Neon in cooperation with Chrysler Corporation and MWR (Morale, Welfare and Recreation) — that the \$5 gift certificate is donated back to the Youth Services program by each designated driver," Col. Clifton Broderick, the AMCOM chief of staff, said. "This therefore will double the donation, but in fact

what it does is help the children that participate in our Youth Services—from soccer, to T-ball, to basketball."

Missy Richards, the youth sports director, brought five Redstone youngsters in her program to the Airfield July 14 to pose for a picture with a red 2000 Dodge Neon from Huntsville Dodge. Joining them were Maj. Gen. Al Sullivan, commander of the Aviation and Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal, and post CSM Roscoe Johnson.

"We'll be able to use those funds (from the test drives) for equipment and supplies for Youth Sports. It'll go directly to use for that purpose," Richards said. "I think it's a wonderful opportunity and I just hope that all of Redstone Arsenal and the surrounding community will support it. I think we'll be able to raise a lot of money for the youth sports programs if we can just get the people to drive the vehicles."

The five young representatives from youth sports included Megan Tillery, 13, in soccer uniform; Trystan Mann, 9, basketball; Brandon McRae, 11, baseball; Brandon Lee, 8, basketball; and TJ Howell, 12, soccer.

"I think it's great," TJ, son of Col.



Photo by Skip Vaughn

NEON CAR— Maj. Gen. Al Sullivan, left, and CSM Roscoe Johnson pose in front of the 2000 Dodge Neon along with youngsters from Youth Sports. They include, from left, Megan Tillery, Trystan Mann, Brandon McRae, Brandon Lee and TJ Howell.

Michael and Debby Howell, said of the fund-raiser. "Because it raises money for like maybe new balls, or jerseys or new goals and nets."

Megan, daughter of retired SSgt. Timothy and Mindy Tillery, had similar feelings. "I think it's good because we can raise money for jerseys and nets and that

kind of stuff," she said.

The entire Redstone community is invited to participate in the free test drives from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. July 23-24 in the PX parking lot. The fund-raising program will reach 36 Army installations this summer. For more information, call Richards at 876-2255.

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Take care...

Army conducts training for family child-care providers

By June Johns

Military personnel seeking child-care services, and those interested in providing them, will want to get to know Evelyn Carnes. Carnes is the family child-care director/ supplemental programs and services director at Redstone Arsenal.

One of her primary job responsibilities involves setting up free training classes for RSA-based child care providers. Such courses are required by the Army in order to provide child-care services at Redstone Arsenal, or any other Army installation throughout the world.

These 20-hour training classes focus on Army regulations for family child-care,

guidance and discipline, as well as child development skills. Redstone residents who take the classes are certified to provide child-care services in their homes.

Also covered is information on child safety, child abuse, parent public relations skills and special needs training. In addition, instruction in CPR, first aid, medication administration, and communicable diseases is provided. Business practices, including record keeping and filing taxes, are also covered, since, upon completion of the course, caregivers act as independent contractors, Carnes explained.

Child-care candidates for this program must be at least 18 years old. Screening of these candidates includes a series of background checks. While applicants interested in becoming child-care providers are predominantly women, "we do have a male currently going through training," Carnes said.

Once a potential caregiver has completed the training classes and passed the background checks, their homes must pass fire and health inspections conducted by Redstone Arsenal officials.

Caregivers set their own fees, which average around \$65 per child per week, Carnes said. Though they act as private contractors, they must still follow

Army regulations

To ensure this happens, Carnes personally inspects their homes once a month. A curriculum and training specialist also meets with caregivers on a monthly basis, and a nutritionist holds quarterly inspections as well.

On the rare occasion a dispute develops between caregiver and patron, Carnes said she, or another representative from her organization, will step in to handle complaints or provide advice. Such disputes primarily involve miscommunication about payments.

Many military personnel prefer Army-trained caregivers, Carnes said, not only for the peace of mind, but because their service is generally closer and more convenient.

If you currently live on Redstone Arsenal and are interested in becoming certified by the Army as a child-care provider, you can obtain further information, as well as an application packet, by stopping by building 113 on weekdays between the hours of 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. For more details, call 876-7801 or 876-7880.

If you are interested in the services of a child-care giver, you can also receive information by going to building 113 on the days and times noted above, or you can call 876-7880 or 876-3704.



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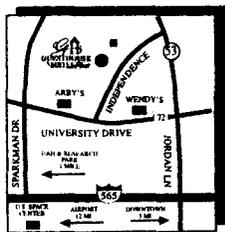
TALKING IT OVER - Evelyn Carnes, left, discusses Army regulations for childcare with Evelyn Teats, who received her provider certification last week. Teats plans to offer this service in her Redstone Arsenal duplex.

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SPINNING WHEEL— Modern-day girls learn some old-fashioned spinning techniques courtesy of Sharyn Callahan, right, an employee with the Alabama Constitution Village.

■ Lavender and Lace summer camp gives taste of 1800s

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box called a "kay-set ree-core-door." (No doubt this was some Federal Era invention that will never catch on.)

An opportunity for arts and crafts came next, as those in attendance made paper and "lace" cornucopias, to be filled with mint candies.

After lunch, it was back to "work" for the girls, who were kept busy making fragrant tussie mussies. Filled with flowers and herbs, these handheld concoctions were particularly useful "if you were sitting next to someone who didn't bathe as often as they should," explained instructor Linda Roebuck, delicately holding one up to her nose for emphasis.

Roebuck also discussed the use of the handheld fan during the days of the early 1800s. Back then, they were used for much more than cooling oneself; they were a form of communication. Making use of such fans, Roebuck explained, would aid women of that era with communicating gossip, secrets, pointing, and even flirtation.

At the same time Roebuck was conducting her lessons, girls in another time-worn building were filling the air with the enticing aroma of grated lemons, as well as mint picked fresh from the village's garden, as they prepared treats

from days gone by.

The event culminated with a tea party and an historic tour of the facilities for the young ladies' parents. Demonstrating what they'd learned, the tour was conducted by the girls themselves.

In order to feel more in character, empire-style dresses, noted for their high waists and popular during the era of Napoleon, were worn by the girls throughout the two-day event. These dresses were handmade on the premises by employees, who act as old time seamstresses as one of their responsibilities of recreating the past.

Twelve-year-old Ginny Lou Henley, from Huntsville, bubbled with enthusiasm as she talked about her experience at the "Lavender and Lace" Summer Camp.

"I'm real exited! And it's been really, really fun pretending to be from that time," she said. Henley seemed to do an excellent job of summing up the sentiment of all the girls present.

The Alabama Constitution Village is located on the corner of Gates and Franklin Streets in downtown Huntsville, one block south of the Courthouse Square. It is open year-round, Monday through Saturday, from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The cost to visit this museum is \$6.50 for adults, \$5 for seniors (ages 55 and up), \$3.50 for children ages 4-17 and

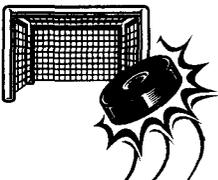
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Leading by example...

Military policeman and supervisor re-enlist together

By Sandy Riebeling

Both are Military Police soldiers. Both are married to soldiers that work at OMMCS. Both are parents and both had a career decision to make. On July 9, both SFC Veronica Edmiston and Sgt. Christopher Chancellor said yes to the Army, for a little while longer, at least.

"I am a career soldier with 19 years in," Edmiston, police operations platoon sergeant, said. "I was going to do my 20 and get out but then in February I found out I made the list for master sergeant. There aren't many female master sergeants."

Edmiston's eyes light up when she talks of promotion. Being a black woman in the Army hasn't been an easy path to forge but Edmiston has done it and done it well. She is proud of her accomplishments but not just for her own sake.

"I can look at these young soldiers who say the military is too hard and tell them that I did it—they can do it," she said. "I know where they are coming from, especially the female soldiers. I can be an example to them."

Edmiston didn't start out 19 years ago with that kind of thinking. After graduating high school she took a civil service test for stenography. While waiting for the test

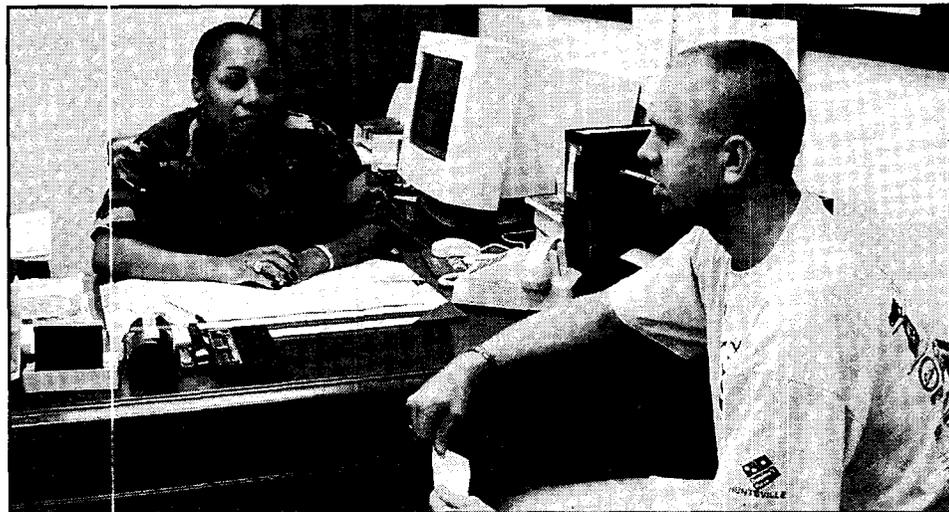


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STILL SOLDIERS— To leave the Army or not to leave the Army— that was the question facing Edmiston, left, and Chancellor in early July. On July 9, these MPs said let's do it again and re-enlisted together.

results to come back, she met up with an Army recruiter.

"I asked him if he could get me to Europe. The answer was yes, so I joined," she said. "My mother had a fit. I explained to her that this was for me, for my advancement. When you look back at it, I haven't done bad. Now it's about mentoring and giving back to the soldiers what I've learned."

She's made it around the world, through college and is now working on her master's degree from Florida Institute of Technology. Her re-enlistment was for an "undetermined amount of time," a relatively new idea within the Army. Edmiston looks at it as keeping her options open.

"My husband is a sergeant major," she said. "I think that's what I'm going to do. Stay

in the Army and retire as a sergeant major."

Sgt. Maj. Steve Edmiston is the sergeant major of the Directorate of Instruction at the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School.

Edmiston has two stepchildren, Dwight Blair, a staff sergeant at Fort Campbell, Ky., and LeCrystal Pittman who attends Troy State University. The couple has a son, Edwin, 13.

Edmiston takes the responsibilities of parenting as seriously as she does her career.

"I want my son to be able to take care of himself, to know what's right and do it," she said. "Leading by example is something you do everywhere, not just at work."

That message came through to Chancellor as Edmiston encouraged him to re-enlist.

"The Army has so much to offer— you can learn so much if you will just keep an open mind," Edmiston said. "When I talked to Chancellor about staying, I thought, it's time to lead by example and re-enlisted with him."

Chancellor, squad leader/patrol supervisor, said his decision to re-enlist was very much about timing. Originally his plan was to spend a few years in the Army, get some good police experience and then return to civilian life. That was nine years ago. With

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his re-enlistment, he will be able to fulfill a professional goal by becoming a K-9 Unit military police officer.

Perhaps an odd choice of profession given that when Chancellor was a child, he was bitten by a dog.

"I got my lip bit off," he said. "It was pretty bad but I've always loved animals. I have a great respect for them. There's no fear—nothing to keep me away from them. I work with the K-9 unit now doing demonstrations, but not as a handler."

Chancellor will attend basic NCO course at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., before going to San Antonio, Texas, to become a dog handler with the K-9 Unit. After that he expects to go to Germany.

While his military obligation keeps him on the road, Chancellor's wife,

Marie, an Army private administrative specialist working at OMMCS, will stay at Redstone and care for their two sons, Josh, 8, and Christopher Jr., 7. Marie's mother, Mary Patterson, lives with the couple helping with the family when she's not working at the Commissary.

Chancellor has been at Redstone since October 1995. He plays on the company volleyball and softball teams and said attending church and working with the community is important to him. He received the Geico Military Service Award for his efforts in crime prevention and drug and alcohol abuse prevention.

"My wife was very supportive of my decision to re-enlist," he said. "When she is up for reassignment, she'll go to Germany."

Chancellor's re-enlistment is a three year commitment. He, like Edmiston, is on the list for promotion but his rank will be staff sergeant.

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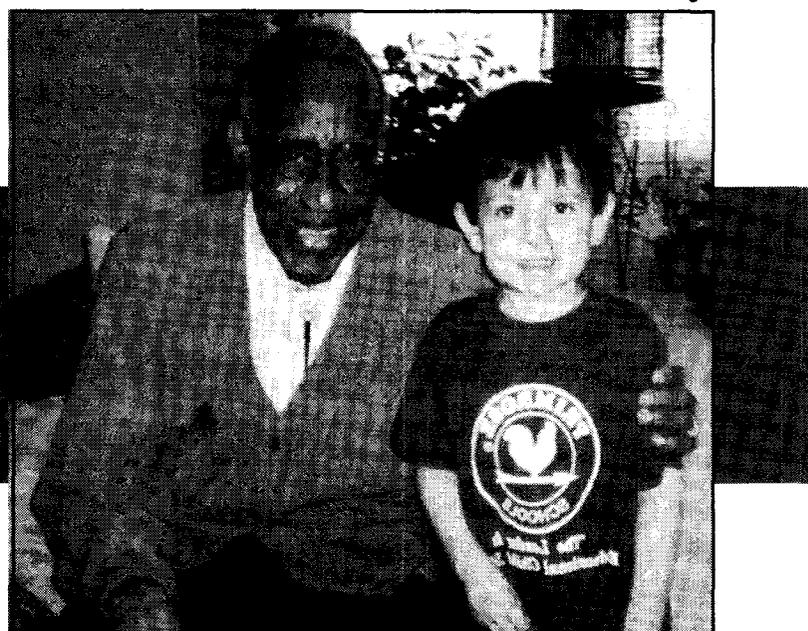
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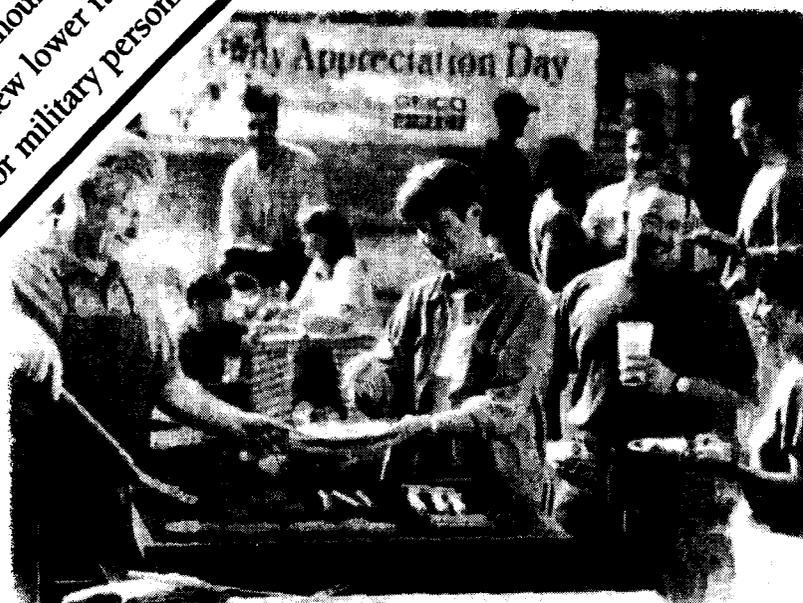
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HIS	201	1744	R1	UNITED STATES HISTORY I	TTH	1:30 PM-4:10 PM
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SOC	200	1762	R1	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY	MW	8:30 AM-11:10 AM
SPH	107	1733	R1	FUNDAMENTALS OF PUBLIC SPEAKING	MTTH	11:30 AM-1:20 PM
SPH	107	1742	R2	FUNDAMENTALS OF PUBLIC SPEAKING	MTH	1:30 PM-4:10 PM

EVENING CLASSES

COURSE	CODE	SEC	TITLE	DAY	TIME	
BSR	095	1746	R1	IMPROVED COLLEGE READING	TTH	7:20 PM-9:00 PM
BSS	118	1747	R1	COLLEGE STUDY SKILLS	TTH	9:10 PM-10:00 PM
BUS	241	1761	R1	PRINCIPLES OF ACCOUNTING I	TTH	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
BUS	242	1751	R1	PRINCIPLES OF ACCOUNTING II	TTH	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
BUS	275	1779	R1	PRINCIPLES OF MANAGEMENT	MW	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
CIS	146	1753	R2	MICROCOMPUTER APPLICATIONS	TTH	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
CIS	146	1754	R3	MICROCOMPUTER APPLICATIONS	TTH	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
CIS	147	1820	R1	ADVANCED MICRO APPLICATIONS	MW	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
CIS	196A	1828	R1	MS WINDOWS 98	F	5:00 PM-9:00 PM
CIS	196J	1780	R1	INTRO TO SOFTWARE/HARDWARE	F	5:00 PM-9:00 PM
CIS	211	1775	R1	BASIC PROGRAMMING	MW	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
ECO	231	1752	R2	PRINCIPLES OF MICROECONOMICS	TTH	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
ECO	232	1771	R1	PRINCIPLES OF MICROECONOMICS	MW	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
ENG	092	1826	R2	BASIC ENGLISH I	TTH	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
ENG	092	1770	R3	BASIC ENGLISH I	MW	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
ENG	093	1756	R2	BASIC ENGLISH II	TTH	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
ENG	101	1745	R2	ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	TTH	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
ENG	102	1793	R2	ENGLISH COMPOSITION II	TTH	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
ENG	251	1778	R2	AMERICAN LITERATURE I	MW	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
ENG	261	1748	R52	ENGLISH LITERATURE II	MW	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
HIS	101	1749	R2	HISTORY OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION I	TTH	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
HIS	201	1796	R2	UNITED STATES HISTORY II	TTH	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
MTH	090	1768	R2	BASIC MATHEMATICS	MW	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
MTH	098	1757	R1	ELEMENTARY ALGEBRA	MTTH	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
MTH	098	1776	R2	ELEMENTARY ALGEBRA	MTWTH	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
MTH	100	1784	R2	INTERMEDIATE COLLEGE ALGEBRA	MW	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
MTH	116	1767	R1	MATHEMATICAL APPLICATIONS	MW	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
PHS	120	1944	R1	ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE-LECTURE	MW	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
				ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE-LAB	F	4:30 PM-8:00 PM
PHS	120	1974	R2	ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE-LECTURE	MW	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
				ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE-LAB	F	4:30 PM-8:00 PM
PHS	200	1769	R1	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY	TTH	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
SOC	200	1777	R2	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY	MW	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
SPH	107	1750	R3	FUNDAMENTALS OF PUBLIC SPEAKING	TTH	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
SPH	107	1780	R4	FUNDAMENTALS OF PUBLIC SPEAKING	TH	7:20 PM-10:00 PM

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Classes begin Monday, October 18 and end Thursday, December 16

DAY CLASSES

COURSE	CODE	SEC	TITLE	DAY	TIME	
BUS	242	1788	S1	PRINCIPLES OF ACCOUNTING II	MTTH	11:30 AM-1:20 PM
CIS	147	1792	S1	ADVANCED MICRO APPLICATIONS	MWF	11:30 AM-1:20 PM
ECO	231	1985	S1	PRINCIPLES OF MACROECONOMICS	TTH	1:30 PM-4:30 PM
ECO	232	1935	S2	PRINCIPLES OF MACROECONOMICS	MW	11:30 AM-1:20 PM
ENG	093	1786	S1	BASIC ENGLISH II	MTTH	11:30 AM-1:20 PM
ENG	101	1794	S1	ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	TTH	1:30 PM-4:10 PM
ENG	102	1798	S1	ENGLISH COMPOSITION II	TTH	8:30 AM-11:10 AM
ENG	252	1795	S1	AMERICAN LITERATURE II	TTH	1:30 PM-4:10 PM
ENG	261	1787	S1	ENGLISH LITERATURE I	MTTH	11:30 AM-1:20 PM
HIS	102	1789	S1	WESTERN CIVILIZATION II	MTTH	11:30 AM-1:20 PM
HIS	202	1795	S1	UNITED STATES HISTORY II	TTH	1:30 PM-4:10 PM
MTH	098	1791	S1	ELEMENTARY ALGEBRA	MTWTH	11:30 AM-1:20 PM
MTH	100	1985	S2	INTERMEDIATE COLLEGE ALGEBRA	MW	1:30 PM-4:10 PM
MUS	101	1827	S2	MUSIC APPRECIATION	MW	1:30 PM-4:10 PM
PHS	120	1873	S1	ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE-LECTURE	MW	1:30 PM-4:10 PM
				ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE-LAB	F	1:30 PM-5:00 PM
PHS	200	1790	S1	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY	MTTH	11:30 AM-1:20 PM
SPH	107	1810	S3	FUNDAMENTALS OF PUBLIC SPEAKING	TTH	1:30 PM-4:10 PM

EVENING CLASSES

COURSE	CODE	SEC	TITLE	DAY	TIME	
ART	100	1816	S1	ART APPRECIATION	TTH	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
BUS	215	1813	S1	BUSINESS COMMUNICATIONS	TTH	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
BUS	242	1812	S2	PRINCIPLES OF ACCOUNTING II	TTH	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
BUS	248	1801	S1	MANAGERIAL ACCOUNTING	TTH	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
BUS	285	1802	S1	PRINCIPLES OF MARKETING	TTH	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
CIS	146	1805	S1	MICROCOMPUTER APPLICATIONS	TTH	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
CIS	147	1804	S2	ADVANCED MICRO APPLICATIONS	TTH	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
CIS	147	1810	S3	ADVANCED MICRO APPLICATIONS	MW	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
CIS	196B	1818	S1	MS WORD FOR WINDOWS 98	F	5:00 PM-9:00 PM
CIS	196C	1819	S1	MS EXCEL FOR WINDOWS 98	F	5:00 PM-9:00 PM
CIS	212	1811	S1	VISUAL BASIC	MW	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
CRJ	219	1816	S1	SEMINAR IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE	MW	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
ECO	231	1933	S2	PRINCIPLES OF MACROECONOMICS	MW	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
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ENG	252	1811	S8	AMERICAN LITERATURE II	TTH	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
ENG	262	1800	S1	ENGLISH LITERATURE II	MW	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
HIS	102	1799	S2	HISTORY OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION II	TTH	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
HIS	202	1809	S2	UNITED STATES HISTORY II	TTH	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
MTH	098	1823	S2	ELEMENTARY ALGEBRA	MTWTH	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
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MTH	112	1914	S1	PRECALCULUS ALGEBRA	MW	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
MUS	101	1819	S1	MUSIC APPRECIATION	MW	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
PHS	120	1874	S2	ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE-LECTURE	MW	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
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PHY	210	1824	S1	HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT	MW	7:20 PM-10:00 PM
POC	247	1817	S1	MARRIAGE AND THE FAMILY	MW	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
SPH	107	1814	S2	FUNDAMENTALS OF PUBLIC SPEAKING	MW	4:30 PM-7:10 PM
SPH	107	1822	S3	FUNDAMENTALS OF PUBLIC SPEAKING	MW	7:20 PM-10:00 PM

Cost of ownership reduction focus of two-day workshop on post

The Systems Engineering and Production Directorate (SEPD) will hold a "Workshop on Total Cost of Ownership Reduction Initiatives," July 27-28 at the Sparkman Auditorium. The objective of the workshop is to review progress in life cycle system engineering to support the reduction of total cost of ownership in advanced aviation and missile systems.

Acquisition reform requires implementation of a focused approach that constantly and aggressively pursues innovative ways of reducing costs throughout the life cycle of a system. One of the key methods of achieving life cycle cost reduction is through leveraging available resources with a number of established DoD initiatives.

"Our approach was to invite representatives from the various AMC Cost Reduction Programs and have the Army leadership provide insight into available resources for supporting and funding cost reduction," Terry Mullins, workshop coordinator, said. "The invited individuals are the program offices responsible for selecting and funding projects, and establishing the program goals for cost reduction." In addition to AMC proponents the agenda will also include program offices that have established leadership roles and activities within their organizations to actively pursue reducing sustainment cost. Invited speakers

include the MLRS, CH47 and Utility Helicopter program offices, the IMMC, MRDEC, Tactical Missile PEO and Aviation PEO.

Presentations will focus on the various initiatives that have been established at the DoD, Army, and AMCOM level to assist the project manager in achieving reduced cost of ownership. Specific examples of successes will also be discussed. Topics include Value Engineering, Operating and Support Cost Reduction (OSCR), Diminishing Manufacturing Sources & Material Shortages (DMSMS), Dual Use Applications (DUAP), Modernization through Spares (MTS), Standardization and Commercialization, and Reliability, Maintainability & Sustainability (RMS).

"To foster participation by the community we are offering this free of charge," Mullins said. "I feel it is important to provide training opportunities relevant to today's challenge of reducing cost and this workshop is structured for everyone to achieve a better understanding of the help available to make that happen." Contractor participation is also encouraged for the workshop.

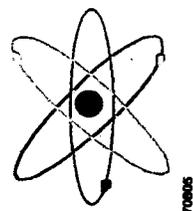
For more information call the Total Cost of Ownership Reduction Initiatives Workshop Hotline at 890-6343, ext. 223. To register or to view the tentative agenda, visit the workshop's website at: <http://smaplalab.ri.uah.edu/tcow/>

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Sci-Quest, the North Alabama hands-on science center, will host K-NEXhibition, the popular award-winning, color-coded construction toy. This interactive exhibit includes two-themed areas filled with spectacular models in motion including an 8-foot long spiraling roller coaster, a 7-foot tall spinning ferris wheel and a 16-foot long Great White Shark. Highlights include:

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Sharing lessons learned...

Senior logistics managers discuss how to help customers

By Skip Vaughn

Logistics assistance representatives could be called the silent warriors. They're not as visible as the soldiers they support on deployments.

They're the civilian technicians who go to the field with the troops that use their particular weapon systems. They provide the equipment expertise to ensure those systems work as intended.

The chiefs of logistics assistance offices worldwide gather periodically to sharpen their skills and share lessons learned. Fritz Eley of the Army Logistics Management College teaches the Logistics Assistance Program (LAP) Senior Managers Course biannually.

Eighteen people - including military and civilian - attended the course he

taught here July 12-16. They included new chiefs of logistics assistance offices and members of the Logistics Support Element staff from duty stations in Korea, the continental United States, and Germany.

"This course is conducted twice a year. The next one will be here at Huntsville Dec. 6-10," Eley, the course director, said. His co-facilitator is Gordon Philippovic, a logistics management specialist from the LOGSA Support Office at headquarters Army Materiel Command.

"It's to prepare LAP senior managers and bring together senior members of the logistics assistance program to discuss methods to assist Army customers with AMC equipment materiel readiness," Eley said.



Photo by Skip Vaughn

SENIOR MANAGERS—Discussing the Logistics Assistance Program senior managers course are, from left, Eley, the course director; Ronald Barcum, an AMCOM senior logistician stationed at Fort Campbell, Ky.; and Philippovic, course co-facilitator.

Quality Research opens air defense testbed site

The Extended Air Defense Testbed is a medium to high fidelity simulation managed by the Space and Missile Defense Command, Testbed Product Office.

Quality Research held a ribbon-cutting ceremony Friday for its recently-installed EADTB site. With this site Quality Research joined other defense contractors—including Lockheed Martin, Boeing, SAIC, Raytheon, and Coleman Research - who also have an EADTB site.

Quality Research is the only small business to have an EADTB site. Several EADTB sites are in Huntsville as well as Army, Navy and Air Force locations throughout the United States. EADTB also has international sites hosted by NATO, Great Britain, and Germany.

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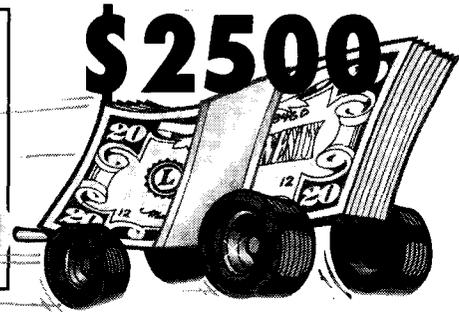
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Prepare yourself...

Beat the heat with safe summer habits

By June Johns

Those crazy, hazy, lazy days of summer can turn dangerous if you don't take precautions against the heavy heat that hangs over the Tennessee Valley. Heat injuries can take many forms including heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat stroke.

"The key point is that all heat injuries are preventable," reports Cherie Miller, environmental health manager for Redstone Arsenal and safety manager for Fox Army Health Center. Miller has served in this capacity as a civilian employee for approximately three years. Prior to this, she served in the Army as a military environmental science officer for 10 years, and as a preventive medical technician for eight years.

"One preventative measure above all is to drink plenty of water," Miller said. In an article written recently by Miller, she explained, "Hydration is necessary to produce sweat to cool the body. If the body is dehydrated, fluids will be used to maintain the organs and there will be none available for sweating."

And if you're thinking about cooling off with a nice large brewski, forget it.

Alcohol and caffeinated beverages increase urine production, thus making them counterproductive for the body, according to Miller. Excessive salt should also be avoided, since it encourages fluid retention.

Another prevention measure, Miller said, is to schedule heavy work for the cooler part of the day. "If this is not possible," she noted, "take occasional rest breaks, preferably in a shaded area, and drink plenty of fluids. This allows the heart rate to drop and gives the body time to cool."

"Wear loose, lightweight, light-colored clothing that allows perspiration to evaporate, and wear a wide brimmed hat and use sunscreen on exposed skin," Miller cautioned. The latter is important as "sunburn can develop after even short periods of sun exposure," she said. You can also get sunburned "on cloudy or overcast days as the result of ultraviolet light rays, which filter through the cloud cover."

As noted earlier, heat injuries include heat cramps, heat exhaustion, and heat stroke.

According to Miller, "heat cramps are characterized by painful spasms in the... arms, legs (and) abdomen, and can range

from mild to severe in intensity. They are caused by decreased amounts of salt in the body and are generally relieved when salt is replenished through water or diet."

Additional recommendations for treatment of heat cramps comes from the Madison-Marshall County Chapter of the American Red Cross. Representatives from this organization recommend the following when dealing with a victim suffering from heat cramps: "Get the person to a cooler place and have him or her rest in a comfortable position. Lightly stretch the affected muscle and replenish fluids. Give a half glass of cool water every 15 minutes. Do not (provide) liquids with alcohol or caffeine in them, as they can make conditions worse."

Overexposure to the heat can also result in heat exhaustion. This "is caused by an excessive loss of water and salt from the body. Symptoms of heat exhaustion include headache, weakness, muscle cramps, excessive sweating, paleness, and cold, clammy skin," Miller said. "Heat exhaustion may develop gradually or suddenly, but is not fatal unless untreated."

When dealing with someone who is experiencing heat exhaustion, the local American Red Cross chapter recommends



Photo by June Johns

MEASURING UP — Miller inspects a Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT) index. A WBGT uses several instruments to measure heat, humidity and temperature.

getting "the person out of the heat and into a cooler place. Remove or loosen tight clothing and apply cool, wet cloths, such as towels or sheets. If the person is conscious, give cool water to drink. Make sure the person drinks slowly." As with

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muscle cramps, Red Cross officials advocate giving a half glass of cool water every 15 minutes, and to avoid alcoholic or caffeinated drinks.

The most serious of heat-related trauma is heat stroke, also referred to as sunstroke, which "develops when the body's ability to cool itself essentially shuts down," Miller said.

"Initial symptoms may include (an) absence of sweating, causing the skin to feel hot and dry. This may be followed by headache, dizziness, confusion and weakness. The individual may collapse suddenly and become unconscious.

"Heat stroke is a medical emergency," Miller emphasized. You need to "seek medical attention at once if you suspect heat stroke."

And while you're thinking of preventing heat-related injuries, don't forget the family pets. Don't leave a furry friend in a parked car. Representatives of the Greater Huntsville Humane Society report that "on a warm day, the temperature in a parked car can reach 160 degrees in a matter of minutes, even with partially opened

windows. With only hot air to breathe, your pet can quickly suffer brain damage or die from heatstroke."

Signs of heat stress in animals, according to information from this local non-profit animal shelter, include "heavy panting, glazed eyes, rapid pulse, dizziness, vomiting, and a deep red or purple tongue."

If your pet gets overheated, humane society representatives advise that you must lower the animal's temperature immediately. The following measures are recommended:

- Get the animal into shade and apply cool (not cold) water all over your pet's body.
- Apply ice packs or cold towels only to the head, neck and chest areas.
- Let the animal drink small amounts of cool water or lick ice cubes.
- Get your pet to a veterinarian right away — it could save the animal's life.

For more information on heat injuries and heat injury prevention, call the Public Health and Education Center, Fox Army Health Center at 842-0196. Additional information can be obtained from the Greater Huntsville Humane Society by calling them at 881-8081.



Photo by Sandy Riebeling

SERVICE MINDED—Thirteen volunteers were honored last week for giving 100 or more hours in service to ACS. Volunteers and staff in attendance included, from left, Samuelson, Ragland, Hornback and Dempsey.

Helping community...

ACS volunteers honored for 100 hours of service

If Army Community Service volunteers wore team jerseys, they would all read "number one," according to ACS chief Sue Paddock.

"Our volunteers are valuable team members who share their talents in a variety of programs. They may give the first smile someone sees at ACS or be the friendly voice on the phone answering question," Paddock said. "They may serve on committees to improve the quality of life for soldiers or give out refreshments at a special event. Everyone contributes to the team effort."

The following ACS volunteers were

recognized in a ceremony July 15 for giving 100 or more hours of service: Marsha Collins, Claire Dimler, Mary Gustine, Melissa Hornback, Bobby Justice, Don Kraus, Lorraine Kraus, Phyllis Montgomery, Loretta Ragland, Kevin Ring, CWO 3 Lee Samuelson, Sharon Samuelson and Eleanor Rolfe.

As an incentive to continue to assist ACS, each of these volunteers was presented with an ACS Team shirt to wear during work hours.

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Administrative professionals present two scholarship awards

The International Association of Administrative Professionals (IAAP), Redstone Arsenal Chapter presented two scholarships to local high school and college students at its June 22 luncheon at Redstone Arsenal Club.

Ashley Keen and Anteneda Joy Toney each received a \$500 scholarship. About 20 attendees and guests attended the awards luncheon meeting.

"We had 13 students apply this year for our two \$500 scholarship awards which made the selection process very competitive for the scholarship committee," Susan Douglas, the awards chairman, said. "Our goal is to encourage and further education among women in the business field. The selections were based on academics, activities, financial need and an essay."

Toney, a student at University of Alabama-Huntsville pursuing a master's in accountancy, received the scholarship for a college student. Toney graduated from UAH in May with a double major in accounting and management information systems. She is from Birmingham. Toney is listed in Who's Who Among Colleges & Universities 1998-99, All-American Scholar 1998-99, and Dean's List from 1996-present. Her affiliations include member of National Association of Female Executives, student member of Institute of Management Accountants, and American Society of Women Accountants.

Keen, a senior at Grissom High School, received the scholarship for a high school student. Keen will attend Auburn University in the fall majoring in account-

ing. She is listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students. She works part time as a bookkeeper for a local florist and is involved with youth ministry at her church. She also volunteers her time to working with restoring daycare for underprivileged children.

"We hope our scholarships will help them accomplish their educational and career goals," Douglas said. For information on the IAAP scholarships for next year call Armita Lee, the awards chairman for 1999-2000, at 876-8082.

The Redstone Chapter's officers for 1999-2000 include June Pockrus, president; Ellen Mahathey, president-elect; Jenny Glazner, vice president; Ivagene Baxley, recording secretary; Ruth Woodham, corresponding secretary; Susan Douglas, treasurer; and Lee, member-at-large.

For information on IAAP membership call Pockrus at 876-3322 or Jacqueline Kenner 876-8131. (IAAP Redstone Chapter release)



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SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS—Toney, left, and Keen each receive a scholarship from the International Association of Administrative Professionals, Redstone Arsenal Chapter.

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Ex-Wheeler manager dead at 87

Tom Atkeson, 87, former longtime manager of Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge, died July 12 in Dothan of prostate cancer.

Atkeson was a refuge fixture for 48 years, including 25 as manager overseeing the fields, forests, waterways and natural habitats of the 34,500-acre system. He retired in 1987.

He started as a junior biologist in 1938, when President Franklin D. Roosevelt set aside the area for a refuge. Atkeson went into the Army in 1942 and served in a tank outfit at Fort Hood, Texas. He was burying an anti-tank mine when it exploded in his face. It left him blind and tore away his

hands, parts of both arms and the lower part of his face.

Through his persistence and ability to recall in detail the layout of the land, he was allowed to return to Wheeler as long as he kept a sighted person by his side at all time at his own expense. He became director in 1962.

He retired to a 520-acre farm in Columbia, his boyhood home, along the banks of the Chattahoochee River. He spent recent years at Wesley Manor Retirement Center in Dothan, where he died.

He is survived by one son, Dr. Tom Atkeson Jr., and one daughter, Mary Gibson.

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In the Army Family Action Plan...

Top leaders listen when Army family reps talk

By Skip Vaughn

You've heard it before: They don't care, they never listen, they're going to do what they want to do. "They" refers to the nameless, faceless higher-ups who influence our lives.

But in this case, those cliches don't apply. Army leaders really do care and listen and respond to the masses. Representatives from the total Army family get together every year to address quality of life issues and make recommendations to top brass. This happens at the installation level and at higher headquarters.

Redstone Arsenal sent three delegates to the Army Materiel Command (AMC) Army Family Action Plan Planning Conference held June 21-24 in Arlington, Va. Each served on one of the three work groups: MWR (Morale, Welfare and Recreation) & Personnel, Force Support, and Medical/Dental. Debby Howell, Sue Flohr and Gloria Flowers were among 34 delegates from throughout AMC.

"It was smaller than I thought it was going to be," Howell, wife of Col. Michael Howell said of the conference. "It was well



Photo by Skip Vaughn

CONFERENCE CALL— From left Downs, Howell, Flowers and Flohr discuss the recent AMC Army Family Action Plan Planning Conference.

organized from the beginning to the end. And the people they had running the program from AMC were just superb."

Howell served in the 12-member Force Support work group which had 17 issues from local installations. Many of the issues already had action pending. "We were the first group finished and we ended up with five (issues) to send forward," Howell said.

Flohr, wife of Brig. Gen. Steve Flohr, deputy commander of Space and Missile Defense Command, said she was impressed by the involvement of AMC general officers. She served in the 11-member Medical/Dental work group which sent forward three of its original 17 issues.

"One of them had to do with deductibles for active duty for Tricare

Prime. We felt like the E-1s through E-4 and 5 were paying too much. We felt that they should be scaled a little differently," Flohr said.

Flowers, a senior project engineer at Space and Missile Defense Command, served in the MWR & Personnel work group. Her 11-member group sent forward three of its 18 issues.

"Our group worked very effectively together," Flowers, the Army Family Action Plan coordinator for SMDC, said. "Everybody desired to see the issues resolved."

All three work groups came up with nearly identical top issues: health care, housing, childcare/youth, commissary, and Army Community Service.

The Army Family Action Plan program originated in 1983. The Redstone Family Symposium is scheduled for Nov. 16-17 at the Sparkman Center.

"This is the opportunity for the total Army family to give input to improving their quality of life," Ivy Downs, the Army Family Action Plan coordinator for Redstone Arsenal, said.

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Alcoholics anonymous

An Alcoholics Anonymous group meets each Thursday at 11 a.m. at Sparkman Center building 5304, room 4309. For information call the AA Central Office 885-0323.

Bible study

The Redstone community, civilian and military are invited to attend Bible study each Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Bicentennial Chapel. Free hamburgers will be served. For more information, call 313-6874.

LOGSA ceremony

Brig. Gen. John Deyermond, Army Materiel Command deputy chief of staff for logistics and operations, will hold a change of command ceremony for the Logistics Support Activity from 8-8:30 a.m. Aug. 13 in the Sparkman Auditorium. The outgoing LOGSA commander is Col. Ronald Hyatte; and the incoming commander is Col. Jerry Warnement.

Polo club

The Huntsville Polo Club will play for the Cavalry Cup against the Atlanta Polo Club on July 25 at Harris Hill Farm, at the intersection of Highway 72 East and Moores

Mill Road (the polo grounds and parking are on the south side of Highway 72). Gates open at 2 p.m.; and the game starts at 3:30. There is no admission charge. For more information, call Fred Lee 880-3364 or the Polo Hotline 851-0075.

Northwest celebration

The Northwest Cluster— Johnson High, Davis Hills Middle, Ed White Middle, Rolling Hills Elementary, West Mastin Lake Elementary, Highlands Elementary, and Lakewood Elementary Schools — is celebrating its fifth annual "Celebrating Education Day Parade and Festival," Aug. 7 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., on the grounds of Johnson High School, 6201 Pueblo Drive. There will be many games, face painting, basketball free throw and 3-point contests, candy, dinners, a talent show, and lots of fun. The parade will start from Davis Hills Middle School, 3221 West Mastin Lake Road, at 9 a.m. All persons interested in participating in the talent show, parade or volunteering in a booth should call Mrs. Laurie McCaulley 858-9595.

Recreation volunteers

Outdoor Recreation will accept applications for volunteers Aug. 1-15. Those eligible persons interested in applying should submit a written request to Bill Moreland, chief of Outdoor Recreation, stating their name, address, work and home phone numbers, military unit or place of employment, status— i.e., active duty, retired military, civilian employee, or contractor — and a brief statement of reasons for wanting to be a volunteer and past experience

which may complement volunteer efforts. For more information, call Potter or Glass 876-4868/6854.

Excellence banquet

The Women of Excellence Fellowship International will sponsor a Salute to Excellence Banquet and Honors Program at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 6 at the Tom Bevell Conference Center, 550 Sparkman Drive. Women and their families throughout the community are invited to join in this formal event. Scheduled speaker is Rev. Dr. Jannie Meares of Evangel Church in the Washington, D.C. area. "The Women of Excellence Fellowship is an interdenominational, interracial group of Christian women committed to exalting the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ," a prepared release said. "If you know of any woman or girl who has demonstrated excellent Christian service and character that you would like to see honored, you may submit a profile (biographical sketch) on them no later than July 19." To obtain a profile application, or for more information, call 859-5493 or 536-2502. The banquet fee of \$25 must be paid by Aug. 1.

Humane society

Wouldn't you want to do all that you could for your best friends? Well man's best friends — dogs (oh, and those cats, too) need your assistance. By volunteering at the Greater Huntsville Humane Society's Thrift Shop, you can aid this non-profit organization with raising funds for homeless animals; 100 percent of the proceeds from this Thrift Shop go toward providing shelter, medical care, food, and adoption services for abandoned animals in the Huntsville / Madison County area. The Humane Society's Thrift Shop is currently in need of volunteers willing to pick up and deliver donations to the Thrift Shop. In addition, volunteers with strong arms and backs are also needed to help move and store these donations in the Thrift Shop's

warehouse. For more information, and to volunteer, please leave a message for Janice Colvard, volunteer coordinator, at 881-8081.

Prayer breakfast

The July Non-denominational Prayer Breakfast, sponsored by the IMMC, will be held July 27 at 7 a.m. in the Sparkman Complex, building 5309, room 9128 (conference room east end of the Sparkman Center Food Court). The scheduled speaker is Carolyn Butler of Corporate Information Center. No food or drinks will be served, but you may bring your own if you wish. "Everyone is welcome and invited, so join us for prayer, praise and fellowship," a prepared release said. For information call Ronnie Davis 895-4181.

Catholic community

Our Lady of the Valley, Catholic community at Bicentennial Chapel, announces the following: Rosary is recited daily at 11:30 a.m. followed by either Mass or a communion service at noon. Communion services only will be held weekdays through July 30.

PX news

The Specialty Shop (giftwrap, mail service) in the PX Mall, building 3220, has been closed since July 14. Most services will be available again Aug. 1 in the same location.

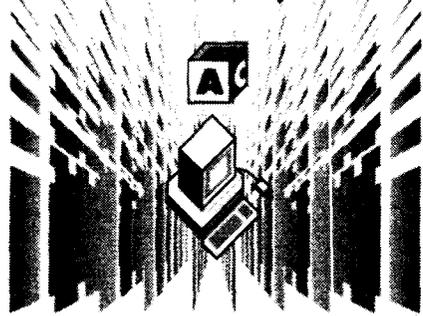
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Army Community Service is celebrating 34 years of service. Join in the celebration Friday from 2-4 p.m. at building 3491, Honest John Road. The ACS Birthday Open House invites the entire Redstone community. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 876-5397.

Rocketman triathlon

The sixth annual Heart Center Rocketman Triathlon will be held Aug. 29 at 7:30 a.m. at the Col. Hudson Recreation Area on Redstone Arsenal. This race benefits the Marine Corps' "Toys for Tots" Program. For more information call Bob Mulkey, race director, 883-7399 during the evening.

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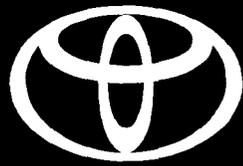
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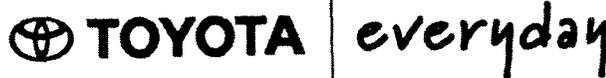
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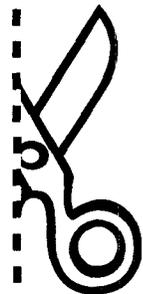
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By June Johns

It was a different era then. Young ladies wore long cotton dresses and frilly bonnets. They danced the Virginia Reel, and they dined on tea and tarts.

A group of Tennessee Valley girls, including some from Redstone Arsenal, got the opportunity to take a giant step back in time to the early 1800s — referred to as the Federal Era — by attending Alabama Constitution Village's "Lavender and Lace" Summer Camp.

Three of these novel and educational camps were planned for this summer, the most recent one occurring July 13-14. The cost for attending this event was \$55 for two days and \$30 for one day, with discounts offered to members. Since this year's "Lavender and Lace" Summer Camps are booked to capacity, representatives of the village are considering holding these events next summer.

A combination of indoor and outdoor activities took place, with Mother Nature fully cooperating by providing sunny and relatively balmy (for July) weather over the course of the camp's second day.

The good weather allowed day two to kick off with a series of old-fashioned outdoor games, similar to those played by young ladies of the early 1800s.

Next in their fun-packed schedule was a chance for the girls to kick up their heels while performing a dance called the Virginia Reel. Holly Whitt, an historical interpreter for the village, instructed the girls, ranging from 7 to 12 years old. The girls giggled and stepped lively to the dance commands of Whitt, who graduated with a bachelor's in history, with an emphasis on the American South.

Dancing music was performed by a fiddle player, cleverly hidden in a small black

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Photo by June Johns

GAMES — Huntsville area girls played games once enjoyed by young ladies of the early 1800s.



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DANCE LESSONS — Learning the Virginia Reel was part of the fun of the "Lavender and Lace" Summer Camp.



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CRAFTS — Rebecca Minasian creates a cornucopia, one of the many crafts made by Tennessee Valley girls attending a history based summer camp sponsored by the Alabama Constitution Village, located in downtown Huntsville.



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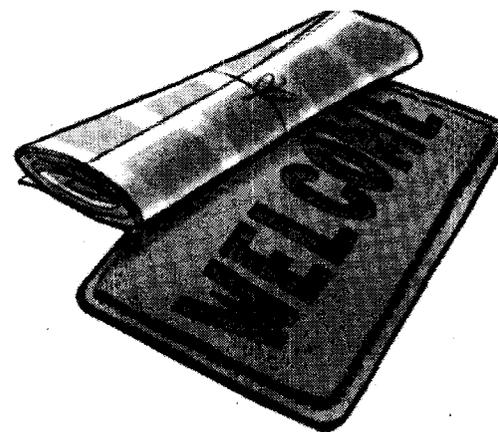
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