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Ribbons of hope

Military spouse Bobbie Carroll hands out "ribbons of hope" to soldiers of C Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion, the day after terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center in New York and the Pentagon building in Washington, D.C. "I wanted to do something. I needed to do something as a sign of hope for the victims of the attacks and to show support for our soldiers — our future peace makers — and to remember those who lost their lives in this tragedy," Carroll said. She spent the morning decorating the entrance to the Army Community Service building where she was distributing the red, white and blue lapel ribbons she made. Soldiers from left are Pvt. Dwight Arnold, Pvt. Darryl Rogers, accepting a ribbon from Carroll, and Pvt. Ronald Jackson.

Photo by Sandy Riebeling

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Commanding general offers condolences Youngster wants answers on terrorism

I and my wife Leslie offer our heartfelt concern to the friends and families of those who have been injured or killed by the tragic events of the last several hours. These horrific activities remind us that we must always be vigilant.

As commander of the Aviation and Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal, my first concern is your safety. I want to ensure that Redstone Arsenal

remains a safe place to work and live.

Accordingly, I decided to cancel the Oktoberfest celebration that was scheduled for Sept. 13-16.

Please join me in offering your thoughts and prayers to all whose lives have been affected.

Maj. Gen. Larry Dodgen
commander,
AMCOM and Redstone

Union extends heartfelt sympathies

The American Federation of Government Employees extends its heartfelt sympathies to all those affected by this American tragedy.

As Americans, we understand the critical need to keep our government running at full capacity during this crisis. Our military bases and personnel must remain protected, services for America's citizens must continue and the readiness of our armed forces must be maintained.

AFGE is proud of the public employees who continue to exemplify — and will in the days ahead — America's values for all the world to see. We encourage all AFGE members to participate in blood drives at federal facilities by donating blood and volunteering to help over the next several weeks, as the American labor movement rises to meet our country's critical needs.

AFGE encourages those who wish to help the federal employee victims and

survivors of Tuesday's (Sept. 11) tragedies to donate to the Federal Employee Education and Assistance Fund (FEEA) at 1-800-323-4140 or (303) 933-7580.

Donations to the fund may be made via credit card by calling FEEA at (303) 933-7580 or by sending a check to: FEEA World Trade Center/Pentagon Fund, 8441 West Bowles Ave., Suite 200, Littleton, Colo., 80123-9501.

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Jim Brothers
president,
AFGE Local 1858

On Sept. 11, the United States of America was attacked by terrorists. People all around America ask questions. Why did this have to happen? What did we do to deserve this? Who did this? Where are they?

We all want to know about why you did this. What kind of coward would try to tear the United States of America apart from our freedom? You crashed our planes in the twin towers. You crashed another airplane into the Pentagon. You have killed our children, our mothers, fathers, our families and friends. You have led our people to death. You have bullied us the wrong way.

While you were doing this, you knew that this would lead to serious consequences and it will lead to war. Apparently that is what you are trying to tell us. Tell us who you are. Don't be cowards. Now that you have started it, finish it like men. Tell us what led you to do such a sinister act. Do you want attention? What are you trying to tell us? Why do so much evil in one day? Well as you know, we will hunt you down and you will pay for what you have done. You have started a crisis. Hundreds of

policemen and firemen missing. People running, crying, acting and doing hysterical things. The United States will be stronger, healthier and more powerful than ever, as long as God and the Lord Jesus Christ are with us. You have reunited the United States. Your plan has worked as well as you have planned but your plan will backfire. Your game will end. The United States will win. You have not separated America. You have put us back together. You will not get away from what you have done. Tell us who you are.

Robert Lewis III
age 11,
Huntsville

Editor's note: Robert, a sixth-grader at Westlawn Middle School, wrote this as he watched television with his grandparents Tuesday night, Sept. 11. He constantly asked questions and returned to the computer to type. He is the son of Robert and Spnyia Lewis, and the grandson of retired 1st Sgt. Clinton and Mary Clifton. Mary is an education technician at the Child Development Center. His paternal grandfather, Robert Lewis Sr., works at the Pentagon.

Foreign national officers offer view

Once again a group of terrorists struck their targets, suddenly and without any warning. Only this time with a magnitude and brutality that exceeds all human imagination.

We as a group of foreign national officers and government representatives assigned to Program Executive Office Tactical Missiles, Precision Fires Rocket and Missile Systems Project Office, would like to express our sincere sympathy to all members of Team Redstone and their families, who are personally affected by this brutal act of terrorism.

Official reactions in our home countries show beside perplexity, sorrow and solidarity, also a strong desire to fight as a community of free and democratic nations against all kinds of terrorism and forms of violence. There can't be the

slightest sign of doubt or even tolerance.

In these dark and painful hours, may our Lord guide the leaders of this nation and their advisers.

Lt. Col. Manfred Mertes
German Army

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Germany

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Italian Army

Maj. Christian Helmstetter
French Army

Dave Moore
United Kingdom

Col. (retired) Dr. Jim Ross
(NAMSA representative for
MLRS/ TOW)

Personnel instructed daily on when to report to work

As of Monday, the Force Protection Condition for Redstone Arsenal was Charlie.

Until further notice, all mission essential personnel should report for duty on time. All other personnel should report two hours later than their normal start times.

All normally open gates, except Gate 8, will be open; but delays should be expected. Carpooling is encouraged. Liberal leave is authorized.

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Rescue work continues as Pentagon stays open

By JIM GARAMONE
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON— The Pentagon is open for business even as urban search and rescue teams comb the area a hijacked jet rammed into Sept. 11. Federal Emergency Management Agency and military engineer teams entered the Pentagon in search for survivors. Fire burned in the roof of the five-sided building.

The incident commander, Fire Chief

Ed Plaughter of Arlington County, Va., told reporters Sept. 12 he had no idea how many casualties there might be in the terrorist attack. On Sept. 11, he had said the number of dead could be as high as 800, but noted it was a "very rough estimate."

Thousands of Pentagon employees streamed into the building Sept. 12 to report for work. The smell of smoke pervaded even the undamaged areas. Of the

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Spotlight on progress



Communications team working to implement recommendations

The Communications IPT has taken several steps to provide information to AMCOM employees about the Booz-Allen & Hamilton study, its results and recommendations, and what AMCOM has done to implement those recommendations.

Web site

The IPT developed a "Spotlight on Progress" web site as follows: (<https://intranet2.redstone.army.mil/spotlight/>) to make it easier to find information about AMCOM's personnel management practices.

The site is updated frequently and contains links and information on items such as how to apply for jobs, vacancy lists, names of people and what positions they have been selected for, selection guidelines, grievance and redress procedures, news articles, videotape clips of town hall meetings, frequently asked questions and much more.

The site also includes a place for your comments or questions.

Newspaper column

A newspaper column, also called "Spotlight on Progress," appears frequently in the *Redstone Rocket*. It contains updates on the progress of the various Transition IPTs and other current information. Material that appears in the column is also posted on the web site.

Info-messages

Periodically, AMCOM employees receive "Progress Bulletin" e-mails that contain short info-messages, usually with intranet hyperlinks, about recent activities and progress of the Transition IPTs. The e-mail is sent to alert employees that new information is available on the Spotlight on Progress web site.

The Communications IPT wants your feedback and comments. Let them know what you like, don't like, what works and what can be improved. You can use the comment card on the web site, send an e-mail to al.schwartz@redstone.army.mil or send a note to the AMCOM Public Affairs Office.

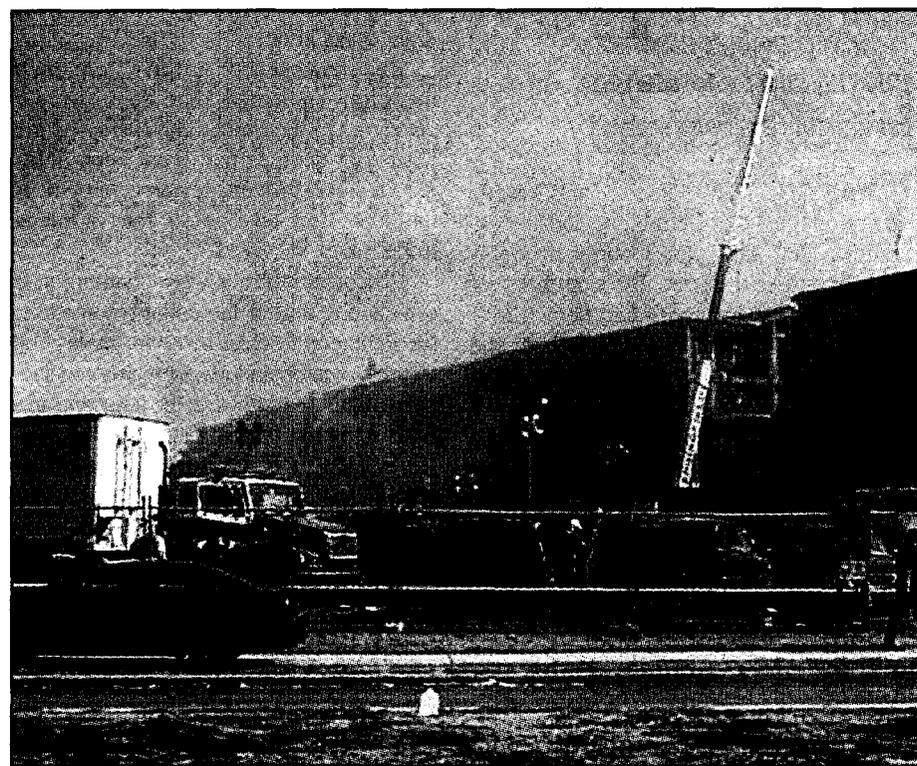


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CRIME SCENE— A chain-link fence cordons off the damaged area of the Pentagon near the heliport as fire and rescue workers and FBI and other crime scene personnel attend to their work Sept. 12.

Some flu vaccine available this month to those at greatest risk

FOX ARMY HEALTH CENTER RELEASE

A limited amount of the 2001-02 flu vaccine will be available in September. Priority vaccination will go to those at greatest risk for severe influenza complications and their health care providers.

Persons at high risk for influenza can only get their vaccine with a prescription from their health care provider.

The following persons are at high risk:

- Older than 65.
- Patients with diabetes, heart ailments, respiratory illness, kidney dysfunction, weakened immune systems, and

women in second or third trimester of pregnancy.

- Anyone at risk to give influenza to high risk patients.
- Persons not sure about their risk status should contact their primary health care provider.

Mass vaccination of the public will start when ample vaccine supply is received in late October to mid-November. Dates will be announced through command channels and in future editions of the *Redstone Rocket*. Direct your questions to the Public Health and Education Center at Fox Army Health Center 842-0196.

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Pentagon recovery operations conducted after attack

Hijacked airliner crashes into military headquarters

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE RELEASE

WASHINGTON— Search and rescue operations at the Pentagon, led by as many as 200 Arlington County firefighters and police assisted by a number of other jurisdictions, continued Sept. 12. The area of the Pentagon where the aircraft struck and burned sustained catastrophic damage. Anyone who might have survived the initial impact and collapse could not have survived the fire that followed. When the aircraft crashed into the Pentagon Sept. 11, it reportedly was carrying several thousand gallons of jet fuel, which caused an intense fire in the immediate crash area.

Reconnaissance efforts conducted overnight indicated that there were no survivors in the immediate collapsed area. Listening devices that have been able to get in have proven negative, and it was doubtful that anyone in the immediate impact area survived.

Rescue authorities were planning to use a wrecking ball in the collapsed section of the Pentagon to clear away unstable rubble so urban search and rescue teams can safely begin their search effort in adjacent areas. Stabilizing the building at this point would allow full search and rescue operations and ensure the safety of the teams as they went about their business. This decision was reached after joint consultations with county, state, federal and military authorities.



Photo by Sandy Riebeling

Heightened security

One day after the terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, D.C. a crane is used to place concrete barricades around building 5308 so that automobiles cannot park close to the building. Many parking lots near buildings on post were partitioned off as an added security measure.

Air Force responds to deadly attacks on United States

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE RELEASE

WASHINGTON— The Air Force was working around the clock to coordinate relief to victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Secretary of the Air Force James Roche contacted the Federal Emergency Management Agency immediately following the

first reports of these attacks and offered maximum Air Force assets including personnel and equipment.

The Air Force was mobilizing medical critical care units, aeromedical evacuation teams, and critical incident stress management experts and other airlift assets in support of the president's activation of the

National Disaster Medical System.

Expeditionary medical support teams were mobilized in response to the disasters. Teams from Langley, Wright Patterson, Keesler, Lackland, and Travis Air Force Bases were being positioned at various staging facilities. These teams are portable hospitals comprised of surgical

teams, critical care capabilities and public health teams, among other specialties.

Additionally, the Air Force was assisting with the distribution of blood supplies to the locations where they are most needed. Locations of the staging centers were not immediately releasable due to security concerns.

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Chaplains comfort a nation in mourning

Emotional impact of terrorist attacks affects many people

By BETH SKARUPA
Staff writer

Last week's terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon affect each of us whether or not we knew someone personally involved in the tragedy. Seeing the images on television and hearing the victims' stories heightens the emotional impact of the incident. We all need to find ways to cope with our feelings in the wake of such devastating news.

The chaplains at Bicentennial Chapel are trained to help people deal with tragedy. They understand the stages of mourning and what can be done to help us get through them. Chaplains Barry Presley, John Humphrey and Christen Anderson took time last week to discuss how we can handle the emotions the terrorist attacks evoked.

"The same thing takes place to us as a nation as with an individual who experiences tragedy. A lot of normal reactions come up," Humphrey said. "There's shock at first, a kind of numbness, then denial that it has taken place and anger - we start asking what we can do to retaliate. All of these will affect us individually but also corporately ... finally there's acceptance."



Photo by Beth Skarupa

GROUP THERAPY— From left Chaplains Barry Presley, John Humphrey and Christen Anderson discuss the many ways individuals can cope with their feelings in the wake of the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon.

We can deal with these reactions in the same way that an individual who loses a loved one would. It's appropriate and beneficial to express our emotional response to the tragedy. Humphrey explained that it's also important to be with people that make you feel comfortable and safe, to re-establish your normal routine, and to "touch down to the roots of your faith, whatever it might be, and be with people who share your faith to help you draw strength."

Asking "What can I do to help?" is one of the keys to coping with our feelings.

When a tragedy occurs, we feel powerless. Doing something helps to regain that power. Giving blood, gathering monetary donations, handing out flags, attending prayer vigils, even talking to others helps recover our equilibrium.

"The best thing to do is, people need to talk about what they're feeling and that includes the anger. That's why we're seeing a lot of animosity towards people because of their religion, because they're Muslim," Anderson said. "But we have to realize that not all Muslims believe the same things the

people who did this believe."

Anger and the desire for retaliation are legitimate, natural human responses. When a person feels backed into a corner he can decide to flee or fight, so encouraging one's nation to fight back can make sense for some of us. People react to tragedy and grief in different ways. Some will try to find others to blame.

The media coverage of the terrorist attacks and ongoing investigations and recovery efforts keep this tragedy constantly in our minds. It's difficult to turn away and get on with our lives because we want to know the answers to all our questions the who, what, where, when and why. Yet most of the questions won't be answered for some time.

"So you back off until those questions can be answered but that's difficult. Especially as Americans we want answers now. We don't want to wait a day or even a week. We know that the investigations and the recovery efforts are going on, and in time some of those answers will come. But it will probably take a long time," Presley said. "In the meantime, you have to keep on going and doing what you know how to do. We can't let the country come to a standstill. We have to go to work or to school or back to doing what

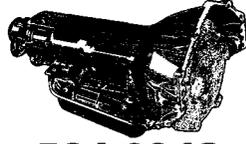
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Good Character - Maybe even more important than expertise. "People don't care as much what a doctor knows as much as they care about how much he cares." Honesty, morality, availability and other character is essential.

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■ Emotional wounds take time to heal

Chaplains

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we usually do.”

Just as someone whose home has been burglarized no longer feels safe, our sense of security as a nation was harmed when the terrorists violated our safe haven, our country. Living and working in or near a military environment heightens this feeling because we see increased security that others might not see every day. The security measures can make you feel safer but they can also make it difficult to return to your normal routine.

“To me right now it’s important to restore a sense of normalcy and order and to realize there is some dignity, meaning and worth to life, and you find that in your daily tasks and doing what you do,” Humphrey said.

So many people are going to be affected by this tragedy because there were so many victims. Even those who do not know a victim personally will probably have a friend or acquaintance who knew someone who knew a victim, said Presley.

“The numbers of people who were in the World Trade Center and the Pentagon and the international families involved are so high that it’s not just something that happened in New York to New Yorkers,” he explained. “It’s not just an American tragedy, it’s an international tragedy. Hundreds of groups of people were killed. It really does hit close to home.”

All three chaplains agreed that talking to someone about the tragedy and finding ways to help are two of the best ways to deal with the emotional toll this tragedy has taken on us as a nation. Taking positive action can ward off and even overcome depression.

“As chaplains we bring a different kind of hope to the people. It’s an eternal hope,” Anderson said. “Personally, I don’t blame God for this. It was the act of selfish people that made this happen

DoD announces names of Army unaccounted

DoD RELEASE

The Department of Defense announced Friday the names of 74 Army personnel identified as unaccounted for following the Sept. 11 attack on the Pentagon.

Samantha Allen, Department of the Army civilian, 36, Hillside, Md.
 Spec. Craig Amundson, Army, 28, Kansas
 Retired MSgt. Max Beilke, Army civilian, 69, Laurel, Md.
 Carrie Blagburn, Army civilian, 48, Temple Hills, Md.
 Lt. Col. Canfield Boone, Army, 54, Indiana
 Donna Bowen, Army contractor, Verizon Communications
 SFC Jose Calderon, Army, 44, Puerto Rico
 Angelene Carter, Army civilian, 51, Forrestville, Md.
 Sharon Carver, Army civilian, 38, Maryland
 John Chada, Army civilian, 55, Manassas, Va.
 Ada Davis, Army civilian, 57, Camp Springs, Md.
 Lt. Col. Jerry Dickerson, Army, 41, Mississippi
 Amelia Fields, Army civilian, 36, Dumfries, Va.
 Gerald Fisher, Army contractor, Booz-Allen
 Cortz Ghee, Army civilian, 54, Reiserstown, Md.
 Brenda Gibson, Army civilian, 59, Falls Church, Va.
 Ron Golinski, Army civilian, 60, Columbia, Md.
 Diane Hale-McKinzy, Army civilian, 38, Alexandria, Va.
 Carolyn Halmon, Army civilian, 49, Washington, D.C.
 Sheila Hein, Army civilian, 51, University Park, Md.
 Maj. Wallace Cole Hogan Jr., Army, 40, Florida
 Jimmie Holley, Army civilian, 54, Lanham, Md.
 Peggie Hurt, Army civilian, 36, Crewe, Va.
 Lt. Col. Stephen Neil Hyland, Jr., Army, 45, California
 Sgt. Maj. Lacey Ivory, Army, 43, Missouri
 Lt. Col. Dennis Johnson, Army, 48, Wisconsin
 Brenda Kegler, Army civilian, 49, Washington, D.C.
 David Laychak, Army civilian, 40, Manassas, Va.
 Maj. Steve Long, Army, 39, Georgia
 Terrance Lynch, Army contractor, Booz-Allen
 Teresa Martin, Army civilian, 45, Stafford, Va.
 Ada Mason, Army civilian, 50, Springfield, Va.
 Lt. Col. Dean Mattson, Army, 57, California
 Lt. Gen. Timothy J. Maude, Army, 53, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Robert Maxwell, Army civilian, 53, Manassas, Va.
 Molly McKenzie, Army civilian, 38, Dale City, Va.
 Maj. Ron Milam, Army, 33, Oklahoma
 Odessa Morris, Army civilian, 54, Upper Marlboro, Md.
 Ted Moy, Army civilian, 48, Silver Springs, Md.

Diana Padro, Army civilian, 55, Woodbridge, Va.
 Spec. Chin Sun Pak, Army, 24, Oklahoma
 Capt. Clifford Patterson, Army, 33, Alexandria, Va.
 Scott Powell, Army contractor, BTG Inc.
 Debbie Ramsaur, Army civilian, 45, Annadale, Va.
 Rhonda Rasmussen, Army civilian, 44, Woodbridge, Va.
 Martha Reszke, Army civilian, 36, Stafford, Va.
 Cecelia Richard, Army civilian, 41, Fort Washington, Md.
 Edward Rowenhorst, Army civilian, 32, Fredricksburg, Va.
 Judy Rowlett, Army civilian, 44, Woodbridge, Va.
 Robert Russell, Army civilian, 52, Oxen Hill, Md.
 CWO 4 William Ruth, Army, 57, Maryland
 Marjorie Salamone, Army civilian, 53, Springfield, Va.
 Lt. Col. Dave Scales, Army, 45, Cleveland, Ohio
 Janice Scott, Army civilian, 46, Springfield, Va.
 Michael Selves, Army civilian, 54, Fairfax, Va.
 Marion Serva, Army civilian, 47, Stafford, Va.
 Don Simmons, Army civilian, 58, Dumfries, Va.
 Cheryl Sincock, Army civilian, 53, Dale City, Va.
 Retired Lt. Col. Gary Smith, Army civilian, 55, Alexandria, Va.
 Pat Statz, Army civilian, 41, Tacoma Park, Md.
 Edna Stephens, Army civilian, 53, Washington D.C.
 Sgt. Maj. Larry Strickland, Army, 52, Washington
 Maj. Kip Taylor, Army, 38, Michigan
 Sandra Taylor, Army civilian, 50, Alexandria, Va.
 Sgt. Tamara Thurmond, Army, 25, Alabama
 Willie Troy, Army civilian, 51, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.
 Lt. Col. Karen Wagner, Army, 40, Texas
 Meta Waller, Army civilian, 60, Alexandria, Va.
 SSgt. Maudlyn White, Army, 38, Christianstead, St. Croix, Virgin Islands
 Sandra White, Army civilian, 44, Dumfries, Va.
 Ernest Willcher, Army contractor, Booz-Allen
 Maj. Dwayne Williams, Army, 40, Alabama
 Edmond Young, Army contractor, BTG Inc.
 Lisa Young, Army civilian, 36, Germantown, Md.

Search and recovery operations continue. Any additional names will be released once next of kin have been notified. This list is in addition to the two previous announcements on individuals unaccounted for from the Navy and Defense Agencies. Additional information will be released as it becomes available.

and God is still working in all of this with the victims and the people who are helping them.”

Many people may find themselves depressed in the months to come. When

everything settles down, they’ll still have to deal with the emotional impact of the tragedy and work their way to acceptance. They’ll come to realize all that they’ve lost and that may prove even

more difficult than their initial reaction. “It’s a time when your faith is going to be challenged,” Humphrey said, “but it’s also a time when your faith will become stronger.”

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Banner still waves

A U.S. flag stands outside the Pentagon after a hijacked commercial jetliner crashed into it, Sept. 11. The Pentagon attack followed an attack on the twin towers of the New York World Trade Center in what is being called the worst terrorist attack in history.

Facilitators guide, encourage and teach team members

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By JAMES MCGRAW
Strategic Planning Office

As we attend meetings and participate in team activities here in AMCOM, more and more we are seeing a person called a facilitator. What does a facilitator do, why and how?

Facilitate means to make easier; and that is what a facilitator does; smoothes out the process of performing as a team.

What value is there in facilitation? There are two main reasons to have a facilitator: effectiveness and focus. Effectiveness means reducing waste, spending less of our ever-shrinking resources. Focus means assuring that the team is not only performing its task effectively, but also performing the correct task. Doing the wrong thing very well is very wrong!

The how of facilitation is a more complicated issue. Essentially a facilitator's activities fall into three categories: guide, encourage and teach. To perform each of the activities the facilitator must be a good communicator, have good people skills and a personality that encourages confidence and trust in the team members. Let us examine each of these three categories in more detail.

Guide: To keep the team focused and progressing toward its goals, the facilitator will perform team building exercises such as helping them define their goals and end products, defining ground rules and evaluate the performance level of the team. He or she will enable group decision making and consensus, and discourage distractions to the team such as side

conversations as well as environmental distractions such as noise or temperature discomforts, if possible. He or she will, in fact, enable a motivating environment by assuring audiovisual elements are correct, seating is adequate, and that the necessary people attend meetings.

Encourage: To ensure successful accomplishment of the team's goals, the facilitator will draw out shy members to full participation, and encourage clarity and understandability of communication within the team. He or she will foster an environment safe for the team members to honestly communicate and take risks so that the team can reach creative solutions to problems or think "out of the envelope," as we often say.

Teach: The team will need many new techniques to successfully complete its goals. The facilitator will either teach these techniques to the team, or provide experts who can. Examples of these techniques are: IDEF activity and data modeling, activity based costing, functional economic analysis, and value added analysis.

To summarize, a facilitator uses a large assortment of techniques to make it easier for a team to define and reach its goals. Where can such a person be found? There are several sources. Many employees in the Aviation and Missile Command have been trained to facilitate. They are an excellent source, because in addition to their facilitation abilities, they are familiar with their organization's mission. The Quality Institute, in the Personnel and Training Directorate, can provide facilitation skills. The Strategic Planning Office provides facilitators for Business Process Reengineering Teams and other command-level teams.



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Helicopter modernization plan gets lift from higher headquarters

Vietnam-era aircraft to retire faster, other types upgraded for future

DEPARTMENT OF ARMY RELEASE

WASHINGTON—The Army announced a significant acceleration of its aviation modernization plan Sept. 7.

The plan, the result of a two-year effort, contains specific guidance to accelerate the retirement of older, Vietnam-era helicopters and the recapitalization of other types of helicopters remaining in the fleet. It allows the Army to compress the procurement timeline of the Comanche aircraft and moves newer helicopters sooner into the Army National Guard and Army Reserve. The plan includes the chief of staff of the Army's guidance to conduct feasibility studies and refine implementation plans for several initiatives.

The aviation modernization plan accounts for the increased capabilities of modern military helicopters while creating a more maintainable fleet with improved operational readiness rates. It reduces previously projected unfunded requirements. The plan also embraces a holistic view of doctrine, organization, training and materiel, as well as soldier and leader development. The Army leadership, active and Reserve, collaborated closely in the development of the plan.

"This Aviation Modernization Plan supports Army Transformation by posturing our aviation force for transitioning to the Objective Force," Gen. Eric Shinseki, Army chief of staff, said. "As in all things associated with Army Transformation, the intent is to transform the force

and do it quickly without breaking readiness. These adjustments will improve our posture as a warfighting force."

The Army's plan will reduce the total number of aircraft by more than 400 in the active force and by more than 600 in the Reserve forces. This will include accelerating the retirement of the Vietnam-era UH-1 "Huey" helicopters and AH-1 Cobra attack helicopters. The acceleration will divest Army aviation of these "legacy" aircraft by 2004. These aging aircraft are difficult and expensive to maintain and are far less effective than their modern successors, the UH-60 Black Hawk and the AH-64 Apache.

The plan significantly modernizes Army National Guard and Army Reserve aviation by moving some 240 aircraft from active component units to reserve component units. It restructures and standardizes lift and attack formations in both components. In general, the revised plan focuses lift assets in reserve forces units and attack assets in active units. The plan distributes aviation resources amongst active, Army National Guard and Army Reserve units to produce a more effective fighting force.

"This is a major step forward for Army aviation," Lt. Gen. Roger Schultz, director of the Army National Guard, said. "Aviation formations are justified on war fighting requirements; however, in the Guard, our cargo and utility aircraft are used daily in response to local and state emergencies. The good news with this plan is that the Guard receives modern aircraft earlier than originally

planned. For the Guard, turning in the legacy aircraft as we migrate to modernized aircraft is welcome news indeed. Our obligation today is to prepare for the future of Army aviation. This aviation modernization plan does just that."

"Aviation modernization is a good news story for the Army Reserve," Lt. Gen. Thomas Plewes, chief of the Army Reserve, said. "It brings us the medium-lift capabilities of UH-60 Black Hawk companies, enabling us to more effectively support Army missions, and modernizes much of our current aircraft, including our Chinooks and Apaches."

By the end of 2004 the operational fleet will consist of only four types of helicopters: the AH-64 Apache, the UH-60 Black Hawk, the OH-58 Kiowa, and the CH-47 Chinook. The reduction in the number of types of helicopters will yield significant savings in terms of spare parts inventories, operating costs and schoolhouse requirements to train pilots, crews and maintenance personnel. Reducing the number of aircraft will allow the Army to aggressively pursue recapitalization throughout the fleet. Recapitalization programs include model upgrades, as well as the refurbishment of aircraft to a "like new" or "zero hour" condition.

The AH-64 Apache is the Army's attack helicopter. The increased effectiveness of the AH-64D model over the A model, as well as enhanced Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance capabilities, gives the Army

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Defense commissaries announce annual scholarship program

Applications available starting in November

By BONNIE POWELL
Defense Commissary Agency

FORT LEE, Va. — It's back to school time. It's also time for military families with high school seniors and college students to "shop" for funds to pay the cost of higher education. That means it's time to "shop" at the commissary! Applications for the second annual Defense Commissary Agency/Fisher House Foundation Scholarships for Military Children Program

will be available beginning Nov. 1 at your local commissary and for download at the following address: www.commissaries.com.

"The response from military families to the 2001 program was fantastic," Air Force Maj. Gen. Robert Courter Jr., DeCA director, said. "Over 5,000 students applied for the scholarships, and through the generosity of our industry partners nearly 400 scholarships were awarded. We expect double the applications and even more scholarships in 2002."

Qualified sons and daughters of U.S. military ID card holders, to include active duty, retirees, and Guard/reserves,

may apply for the \$1,500 scholarships. Eligibility of applicants, including survivors of deceased members, will be determined using the DoD ID Card Directive. The deadline for filing applications is Feb. 5, 2002.

Two major changes are in store for the 2002 program: Students will not have to show ID at the commissary when turning in their applications and applicants who don't live near a commissary will be able to mail their applications to their closest commissary location. Student eligibility will be verified through the Defense Enrollment and Eligibility Reporting System before

scholarships are awarded. Sponsors should ensure that their children are enrolled in DEERS prior to applying for a scholarship.

The Fisher House Foundation is administering the Scholarships for Military Children program through a professional scholarship evaluation company. Fisher House is known for building and donating fully furnished comfort homes near military medical facilities.

A permanent information page for the Scholarships for Military Children Program has been added to www.commissaries.com. Look for the link under "What's New."

Army revises aviation modernization efforts

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the ability to reduce the numbers of attack helicopters while retaining the ability to fight and win decisively in the current and near-term. For those reasons, by the end of 2002, attack helicopter battalions in heavy divisions will be restructured from 24 to 18 AH-64 Apaches. Corps-level attack battalions will be converted from 24 to a maximum of 21 Apaches.

For the long-term, Comanche remains the Army's highest aviation priority and is the centerpiece of Army aviation transformation. Comanche will provide the tactical commander more timely and accurate information about the tactical situation. It provides the ability to orchestrate devastating firepower and synchronize mobile security, even in the most challenging operational environments.

The UH-60 Black Hawk will remain the foundation of the Army's utility helicopter fleet. The CH-47 Chinook will continue to provide medium/heavy lift capability for the foreseeable future. To have the capability required for the Objective Force, the Army will continue to

upgrade and recapitalize these aircraft to the UH-60L/M and CH-47F models.

The plan also requires the development of options for the best crew manning-to-aircraft ratio for each type of aircraft to maximize war fighting potential. Manning at greater than a one-to-one crew-to-aircraft ratio in selected units will allow units to maintain a higher operational tempo for longer periods of time. Army commanders will assess and report the implications for manning, personnel tempo, training and leader development, and the impact on maintenance support structures and the repair parts system.

The Army has established a goal of maintaining a 90 percent operational readiness rate by 2004 as opposed to the current fleet average of 75 percent. The plan will accomplish this goal by several means. First, the Army is retaining the same number of maintenance units to maintain a reduced number of aircraft. Second, the plan retires many of the old, legacy aircraft that are adversely affecting readiness rates. Third, the monetary savings from the retirement of the legacy aircraft will be used to recapitalize more of the existing fleet to "zero hours"

condition. Fourth, the plan increases the number of crewmembers per aircraft in selected units to enhance crew maintenance of the aircraft. Finally, it permits compressing the procurement timeline of Comanche. By increasing both aircraft availability and crew availability, the commander gains an increase in usable aviation assets.

This plan makes maximum use of training technologies to maintain crew proficiency while minimizing costs. It requires commanders to make maximum use of simulator and simulations prior to robust live fire exercises. The

plan also represents a commitment to investing in Training Aides Devices Simulators and Simulations and training range upgrades at the same priority level as investment in major weapons platforms. This will make it possible to train pilots and crews to maximum proficiency.

In October 1999, the Army announced its Vision for a Transformed Army and leaders at all levels have been working to make that Transformation a reality. The plan announced Sept. 7 will ensure that Army aviation transformation is affordable, on time, and complete.

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Physical training stressed for soldiers Armywide

Civilian and military leaders encouraged to support PT

By Sgt. SHARON McBRIDE
Staff writer

Physical fitness is a critical element of each soldier's career. If a soldier does not run two miles fast enough, he or she might have to find a new career.

"All leaders, both military and civilian, should support physical fitness for their soldiers," CSM Mark Hole, the NCO Academy commandant, said.

Soldiers assigned to Redstone are authorized at a minimum three times a week during the morning hours to participate in a PT program on their own or with their unit, MSgt. Jeffrey Davis, an Army master fitness trainer, said. And those allotted hours should be used to the utmost potential.

If soldiers flunk a PT test — meaning they failed to earn a minimum of 60 points in each PT event including push-ups, sit-ups and a two-mile run — their military records can be administratively flagged. Once flagged a soldier cannot go to any military schools for advancement, get promoted or in some cases receive awards or other favorable actions. If a soldier fails a second PT test, he could be discharged.

But for many soldiers, three times a week isn't enough.

"For civilian supervisors who have never worn a uniform, allowing soldiers extra time to conduct PT sessions can be a problem," Davis said.

Allowing soldiers extra time for PT sessions is at the



Photo by Sgt. Sharon McBride

WORKING OUT— SSgt. Erica Hines of Headquarters and Headquarters Company AMCOM works out in her spare time at Pagano Gym. Soldiers are responsible for ensuring they stay physically fit.

discretion of the leadership.

"But when you are dealing with prior military, they have been there and done that, and might be willing to grant soldiers extra time to work out. But it's not a requirement," Davis said. "But they need to remember, when civilians are evaluated, their bosses don't care how fast they can run two miles. For soldiers if they don't run fast enough, they might have to start looking for a new career."

That's why soldiers need to make the most of the time that they do have to conduct PT.

"You don't need to go to the gym to work out," Davis said. "You can design a program to help you improve that you can do at your house. It's not always convenient but if it's important, you can always find a way to get it done."

Another problem is that many units fall into a rut and don't vary the exercises during morning PT sessions.

"PT programs need to focus beyond the daily dozen — push-ups, sit-ups, the two-mile run," Hole said. Commanders and first sergeants should ensure that sessions are targeted and make the most of the time allotted.

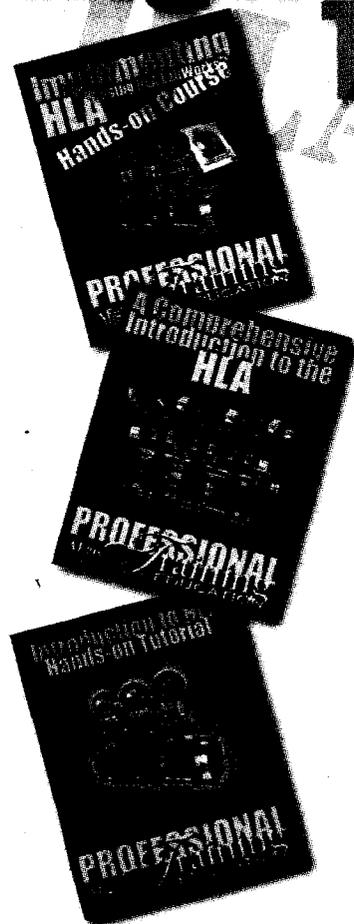
"Soldiers need to remember that Redstone Arsenal is only one stop in their military careers," Hole said. "At any time they can be expected to deploy or be sent to a unit or post that has a higher degree of physical training."

Master fitness trainers within units are a valuable resource to get individual soldiers and units fit.

"Different soldiers have different strengths and weaknesses," Hole said. "You cannot take the cookie cutter approach to PT and expect every soldier in your unit to sustain or even improve. Training too often without ability groups is a major mistake."

Both soldiers agree being physically fit basically comes down to a personal choice for each soldier stationed on the Arsenal. "Do what you need to do to remain physically fit," Hole said. "Soldiers also need to abstain from smoking and using smokeless tobacco. Soldiers must also not abuse alcohol. If we are totally physically fit during peacetime, then enduring the rigors of combat should be easy."

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Skip's Picks

Crimson Tide given edge over Arkansas Razorbacks

By SKIP VAUGHN
Rocket editor

With a 42-9 record so far, here are my predictions for selected games this week in major college football:

Arkansas at Alabama – **Bama**
Auburn at Syracuse – **Auburn**
Texas Southern at Alabama A&M – **A&M**
Florida at Kentucky — **Florida**
South Carolina at Mississippi State – **Miss. State**
Richmond at Vanderbilt – **Vanderbilt**
Army at Alabama-Birmingham – **UAB**



Boston College at Navy – **Boston College**
California at Washington State – **Wash. State**
Virginia at Clemson – **Clemson**
Kansas at Colorado – **Colorado**
Northwestern at Duke – **Northwestern**
Florida State at North Carolina – **Florida State**
Michigan State at Notre Dame – **Notre Dame**
Ohio State at UCLA – **UCLA**
Texas at Houston – **Texas**



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Giving blood

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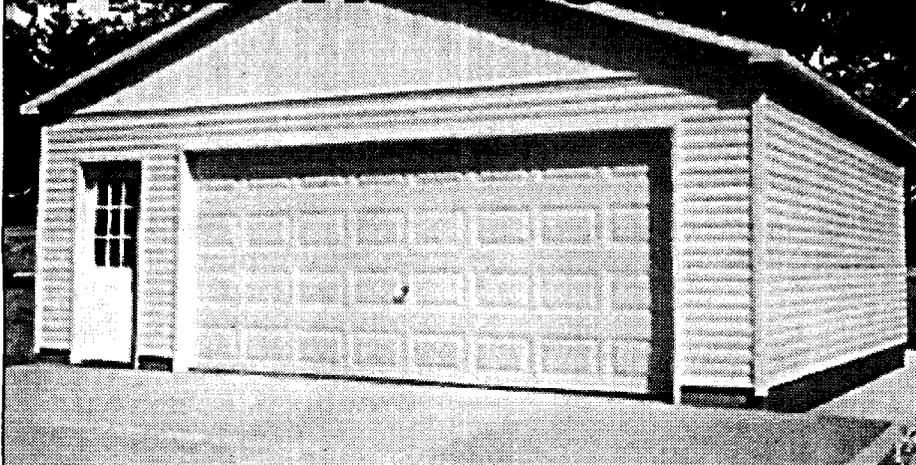
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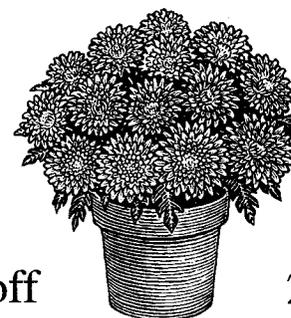
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Area students get summertime work experience in Army labs

Apprentice program offered for science and engineering

Twelve college students and 17 high school students spent their summer as apprentices at Redstone Arsenal.

They were hired to work with mentors on various research projects in the laboratories here. This summertime Science and Engineering Apprentice Program is coordinated by the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center.

The program for high schools, colleges



Mary Petty/ Photo Lab

COORDINATOR— Betty Duke, a personnel management specialist in the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center, serves as coordinator for the Science and Engineering Apprentice Program.

and universities began June 11 and ended for the high school students Aug. 3. Participating students are paid varying amounts, depending on their length of time with the program and how many weeks they work.

"Each student does research on an identified project during his or her assigned time," program coordinator Betty Duke, a personnel management specialist in the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center, said. "Students are treated like professionals because they are working with professional people."

Applications are distributed to schools in the surrounding area each October. Applicants must be American citizens who are attending at least the 10th grade. Selection is based on the students' proven interest and ability in science and engineering and on teachers' recommendations.

An awards ceremony for the students was held Aug. 4 in room A-115 at building 5250. The three first place winners for their research work included John Holden III of Johnson High, mentor Dr. Paul Ruffin; Chad Hellums of Buckhorn High, mentor Terry Vandiver; and William Lucas of Whitesburg Baptist Christian School, mentor Tom Cantey. Each first, second, third and honorable mention winner received a savings bond.

Students who participated in the this year's program include: Brian Baldwin,



Mary Petty/ Photo Lab

AWARD WINNERS— Col. Micheal Coleman, third from left, director of personnel and training, joins the first place winners of this summer's Science and Engineering Apprentice Program. From left are William Lucas of Whitesburg Baptist Christian School, John Holden III of Johnson High and Chad Hellums of Buckhorn High.

Alabama A&M University; Shasi Becker, Huntsville High; Mark Bembry, Central Junior High in Fayetteville, Tenn.; Cori Birmingham, Sparkman High; Matthew Blair, Arab High; Michael Brooks, Auburn University; Adam Christian, Arab High; Katelyn Dunn, University of Alabama-Huntsville; Peter Duong, Butler High; Andrew Eadon, Grissom High; Roger Graham, Auburn University; William Harmon, University of Virginia; Andre' Hazzard, Lee High; Chad Hellums, Buckhorn High; John Holden III, Johnson High; Amy

Liewellyn, University of Alabama; Christina Lovejoy, Tennessee State University; William Lucas, Whitesburg Baptist Christian School; Marc Mahanna, Sparkman High; Marketha McCaulley, Tuskegee University; Tiffany McCoy, Southern University; Nathan Pierce, Calvary Baptist Academy; Amy Ratledge, Freed-Hardiman University; Quinta Reed, Bob Jones High; Gerald Teague, Alabama A&M University; Jesse Viviano, Bob Jones High; Aaron Yarnell, Sparkman High; and Rachell Yarnell, Auburn University.



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GEICO opens military service awards program

GEICO RELEASE

WASHINGTON— The GEICO Military Service Awards program, sponsored by the GEICO Philanthropic Foundation, is in its 14th year and has been kicked off for 2001. The program is looking for individuals who meet the eligibility requirements.

The program honors one enlisted member from each of the five military services, and one enlisted member from the Guard/Reserves, for outstanding service to the military and/or civilian community.

"Too often, enlisted military members make outstanding contributions to the public good that go unrecognized beyond the boundaries of their immediate environment," Richard Kidd, assistant vice president of military services at GEICO, said. "When we honor these six enlisted members for their valuable contributions to the community, we honor all enlisted

members whose dedicated service on and off the job helps keep our country strong."

Through each service's established procedures, each unit/base/post/activity, active duty, Guard/Reserve, may nominate military enlisted personnel who have provided outstanding service to the military or civilian community in one of the fields recognized by the awards. Nominations are due to each service no later than Nov. 2.

Awards are presented in three categories: (1) Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention, (2) Fire Safety and Fire Prevention and (3) Traffic Safety and Accident Prevention. Each winner will receive a \$2,500 cash award, a plaque commemorating their accomplishments, and an all expense paid trip to Washington, D.C., for the awards ceremony to be held April 29, 2002.

For more information, contact your base safety or personnel officer. Locally call Dorothy Patrick 837-0551.

■ Rescue work under way after Pentagon attack

Pentagon

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building's 10 corridors, the area from Corridors 2 to 6 were closed. Offices were doubling up in the undamaged areas.

"First and foremost, the Department of Defense is open for business," Pentagon spokeswoman Torie Clarke said during a morning press conference Sept. 12. "We're operating and functioning very well."

Clarke said the department's priorities are to care for the injured and the dead and their families. Pentagon officials are also working closely with the president and the national security team to "ensure the safety of the American people and our men and women in uniform around the world," she said.

Pentagon officials are also working closely with law enforcement and intelligence agencies to determine who was responsible for the attacks in New York and here and what the U.S. response will be.

DoD has set up a Pentagon Family Assistance Center at the Sheraton Crystal City Hotel at 1800 Jefferson Davis Highway in Arlington, Va. "This will fold into one place all the family assistance efforts for the department," said David Chu, undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness. This is the place for all family assistance — civilian and military. Officials asked families not to go to the Pentagon for information.

DoD will release a phone number once it is established. Chu emphasized that once it is available, the number would be just for the families, and asked that friends not call the number and tie up the lines. He said specialists in dealing with such tragedies are manning the center. Local chaplains, social workers and medical personnel have been augmented by personnel from Norfolk, Va. These people dealt with the aftermath of the terrorist attack on the destroyer USS Cole last October.

Hundreds of firefighters were still working to extinguish the blaze in the Pentagon roof. Fire officials said the construction of the Pentagon has contributed to this "very stubborn blaze." The Pentagon's roof consists of a layer of masonry, topped by wood, topped by slate. The officials said the fire was hard to control because it ignited the wood and was traveling between the concrete and slate layers. Firefighters were bringing in experts and special equipment to deal with the blaze.

The Army is the executive agent for military assistance for the disaster. All services are cooperating in providing some security, medical aid and some search capabilities. Some 2,800 Virginia, Maryland and District of Columbia National Guardsmen have been called up to help with the disaster.

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld was meeting with President Bush, Vice President Cheney, Secretary of State Colin Powell and the rest of the national security team.

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Money talks for annual Combined Federal Campaign

Kickoff ceremony scheduled Oct. 2

By **SANDY RIEBELING**
Staff writer

America is in peril. Death, destruction, pain and despair fill our airwaves and our souls. But America will survive. If history tells us nothing else, it lives as a testament to the spirit of the people of this country. We will help each other through the darkness and into the dawn of a new day.

Caring for one another, be it our next door neighbor or strangers hundreds of miles away, is what the Combined Federal Campaign is all about. The Tennessee Valley CFC kickoff ceremony will be Oct. 2 at Bob Jones Auditorium. Maj. Gen. Larry Dodgen, commander of Aviation and Missile Command and Redstone, is the chairman.

Each year the CFC allows federal employees and military personnel the option to set aside a portion of their pay through payroll deduction or by cash contribution to designated health and welfare charities — local, national and international agencies.

"We're doing our kickoff celebration a little different this year," said Gay Money from AMCOM, who is serving as chairman, Local Federal Coordinating Committee, 2001 campaign. "Instead of using the video sent to us by OPM (Office of Personnel Management) — they send us one every year — we decided to do our own video using real life stories of people here in our community. We want people to see how their giving affects people close to them."

This year's CFC slogan, "Caring for Communities" fits right in with the original video presentation, put together in great part by Claus Martel, AMCOM historian who is assisting with the campaign this year.

An agency fair in the lobby of the auditorium which includes more than 40 agency information booths will begin the program at 9 a.m. Another new twist to the celebration will be the photo montage prelude at 12:30 p.m., set to gentle music



Photo by Sandy Riebeling

SILENT AUCTION— Gay Money, Local Federal Coordinating Committee chairman for the Tennessee Valley Combined Federal Campaign, holds a signed print of Tiger Woods, donated by the famous golfer. This is just one of many items available in the CFC silent auction fund-raiser, conducted through the CFC web site.

and featuring people from the federal work force, their families and people from the community.

At 1 p.m., the University of North Alabama marching band and Butler High cheerleaders get the program hopping. B-Team Angels from the Association of Retarded Citizens, Fayetteville, Tenn., will also perform. Guest speaker John

Croyle, executive director, Big Oak Ranch Inc., will round out the program. Erin Dacy, news anchor from WAAY-TV, will narrate the video production.

Money personally donated three pairs of college football game tickets to be given away as door prizes: Alabama vs. Mississippi State, Auburn vs. Mississippi State and Alabama A&M vs. Morris

Brown. She along with an appointed committee have been working for several months to gather items for the CFC silent auction, conducted through a new web site, www.cfc-huntsville.com, which unlike years before, will allow all federal agencies within the Tennessee Valley campaign access to bid for items.

"We've got an autographed picture of Tiger Woods, a signed football from Tommy Tuberville, an autographed Hot Wheels car from Kyle Petty, an American flag and lots of other items. We're still hoping for more donations. We've written letters, letters and more letters for donations to the silent auction."

The overall campaign goal is \$1.55 million for the Tennessee Valley. Team Redstone's goal is \$582,110. Last year's campaign brought in \$1,671,806 with \$612,834 coming from Team Redstone.

The CFC is split into geographical locations with the Tennessee Valley encompassing six Alabama counties: Madison, Morgan, Marshall, Cullman, Lawrence and Limestone; and Lincoln County, Tenn. Personnel from 34 federal agencies in these counties make up the Local Federal Coordinating Committee and serve as the board of directors. They approve the budget, local applications, campaign oversight and hiring of the Principal Combined Fund Organization. United Way was selected as the PCFO, acting as a contractor to handle the disbursements of donated funds to designated organizations.

Training for monitors and solicitors is under way. The goal is to give every federal worker and military personnel the opportunity to donate. Solicitors will distribute forms that allow for a one-time cash donation or for payroll deduction. Contractors on post and retirees are also welcome to make cash contributions but will not be directly solicited.

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Professional hockey

Tickets for the National Hockey League preseason game between the Nashville Predators and the Columbus Blue Jackets are now on sale from the Civilian Welfare Fund Council. The game is to be played at the Von Braun Center, Friday at 7 p.m. Tickets to the game can be purchased by calling Randy Bigler (Sparkman Center) 955-0505, Melanie Klinner (SMDC) 955-5816 or Jerry Campbell (OMMCS) 876-8138. Only a limited number of tickets are available, so call soon.

Hockey opener

The CWFC has obtained 50 tickets to the Nashville Predators opening game against the St. Louis Blues on Oct. 6. Cost is \$60 per person which includes the ticket and bus. Seats are in Section 117. Departure time from the Arsenal will be approximately 2 p.m., but the actual time will be confirmed at a later date. For reservations call Mary Ann Meyer-Schuck 313-5924.

Pineapple Open

Register now for the seventh annual Pineapple Open Golf Tournament, sponsored by the Officer and Civilian Women's Club. The tournament is a four-person scramble (A, B, C, D players flighted by handicap), Sept. 28 (rain date Oct. 12) at

the Redstone Golf Course. Entry deadline is Sept. 24. Registration begins at 7 a.m., with a shotgun start at 8:30. Prizes include a \$5,000 hole-in-one, flight prizes, longest drive, most accurate drive, closest to the pin, and door prizes. Lunch, prizes and awards will follow the tournament. Registration is \$45 for members, \$60 nonmembers, lunch only \$8. Fees include golf, cart, range balls, lunch and prizes. For more information call Diane Davis, Pineapple Open chairman, 772-2471.

Tournament volunteers

There are immediate volunteer opportunities for the seventh annual Pineapple Open Golf Tournament. No experience necessary; no golf knowledge needed. Positions include registration personnel, hole watchers (sit under tree in lawn chair and watch the golf balls fly), drink cart drivers, and scoreboard posters (no math skills needed). Apply today. Applicants will be accepted for immediate employment on Sept. 28. Call Diane Davis 772-2471.

Hunter safety briefing

The mandatory Hunter Safety Orientation will be held 4:30-6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, Oct. 18, Nov. 1 and Nov. 15 at the Recreation Center, building 3711. Persons (including guests) hunting on Redstone Arsenal must attend one of these classes to hunt on the Arsenal. Active duty personnel

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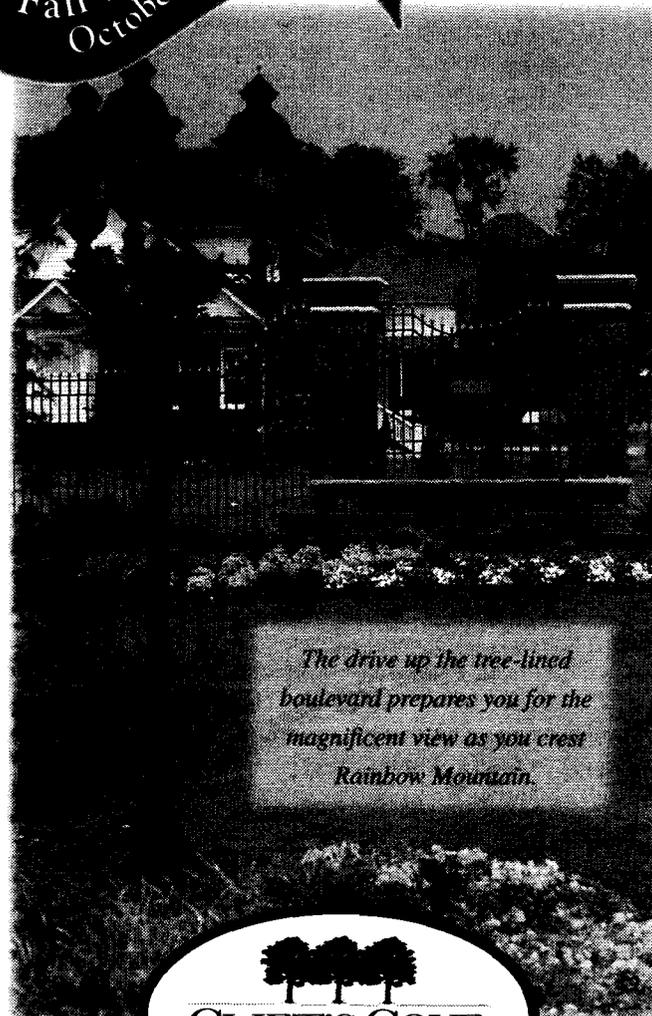
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Bowling event

Redstone Lanes is having the "Bowl Hog Wild" event through Oct. 31. This is open to all MWR patrons of legal drinking age and does not preclude their immediate family members. Participants may complete the entry form at Redstone Lanes; and after 20 games, local prizes are awarded, your promotional card is stamped, and you are entered to win the Grand Prize 2002 Harley-Davidson Sportster motorcycle to be given away at the end of the event. For more information, call 876-6634.

Golf benefit

The Grissom High School Softball Booster Club is sponsoring a Golf Tournament, Oct. 27 at the Municipal Golf course to raise monies for the 2001-02 softball season. It will be an 8 a.m. shotgun start with lunch and door prizes following. The cost is \$50 per person (includes fees, driving range balls, barbecue lunch and cart). Individuals or teams may sign up by calling Sherry Hilley 842-6715.

Unaccompanied spouses

Army Community Service, in a continuous effort to support the needs of soldiers and their families, has formed a new group. This group is for geographically separated spouses and is being organized to provide a social outlet for wives who are unable to accompany their husbands to temporary or permanent duty stations. Its first outing will be Saturday at 7 p.m. at Casa Mexicana on Jordan Lane between Drake and Bob Wallace. Free childcare will be provided. For more information and to RSVP your attendance and need for childcare, call Kristi Foster 876-5397 by Thursday.

Walkathon

Greater Huntsville Chapter of Links Inc. will hold its annual Walkathon for Health

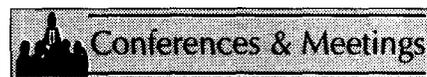
and Hunger, Sept. 22 at 8 a.m. at TC Almon Recreation Center, Point Mallard Park, Decatur. For more information, call Gina Jones 852-0482.

Bowling league

The Friday night mixed bowling league needs four bowlers (male or female). If interested call Naomi Hodges 883-2612 or Redstone Lanes 876-6634, or add your name to the signup sheet at the bowling center.

Softball tournament

The Meek High School Band of Champions will hold a Men's "E" Class Softball Tournament and a Women's Softball Tournament, Saturday at Cleghorn Park in Arley. Entry fee is \$65 per team plus the cost of one umpire per game. For more information, call Dianne (205) 221-5952 or Donna (205) 221-2558.



82nd Airborne association

The Vulcan Chapter of the 82nd Airborne Division Association meets on the third Saturday of each month. Membership in the association is open to anyone who is airborne qualified, as well as anyone who has served in a unit assigned or attached to the 82nd Airborne Division. Anyone interested in the association or attending the meetings can call Barry Simpson 533-3000 or Dennis Camp 883-7488.

Engineering management

American Society for Engineering Management 2001 Conference will be held Oct. 11-13 at the Huntsville Marriott. For more information, call Angel Armstrong 842-9416.

Directed energy symposium

The fourth annual Directed Energy Symposium will be held Oct. 29 to Nov. 1 at the Huntsville Marriott, Space and Rocket Center. This symposium will bring together government, industry and academic leaders to present papers and discuss the future of directed energy including basic research, technology efforts, current programs and systems. The sym-

posium will include a forum for national and technical policy makers to discuss their visions for directed energy. The symposium chairman is Dr. Randy Buff, randy.buff@smdc.army.mil. For general information on the symposium and short courses call Jeanne Weaver, symposium coordinator, 533-6365.

Sergeants major

The Sergeants Major Association will hold its monthly meeting and annual election Thursday, from 6:30-7:30 a.m., at Redstone Golf Course. For more information, call Sgt. Maj. Bob Furia 842-9770.

Alcoholics anonymous

An Alcoholics Anonymous group meets each Thursday at 11 a.m. in Sparkman Center building 5304, room 4309. For information call 313-1478. The Redstone Arsenal Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets each Wednesday at noon and Friday at 5:15 p.m. in room 11 of Bicentennial Chapel.

Federal bar association

The North Alabama Chapter of the Feder-

al Bar Association will present Dr. Ronald Olsen, former NASA, southern regional inspector general, and former general counsel for the Chem-Stone Corporation, at its monthly luncheon meeting Sept. 27 at 11:15 a.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club. Olsen will discuss criminal liability in government contracting. Call Laura Owens 842-0543 for reservations.

Parenting teen-agers

A series of sessions on "Parenting Your Difficult Teen-ager" will begin Thursday at 5 p.m. at Behavioral Medicine, building 3325. Six sessions, lasting from 90-120 minutes, will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5 p.m. This seminar begins with the six main reasons why a teen-ager gets into trouble and proceeds directly to the specific strategies needed to stop the teen-ager's seven big guns of truancy, running away, suicidal threats, violence, teen-age pregnancy, alcohol and drug use, and disrespect. Each parent is shown how to maintain a position of authority while restoring nurturance and tenderness that

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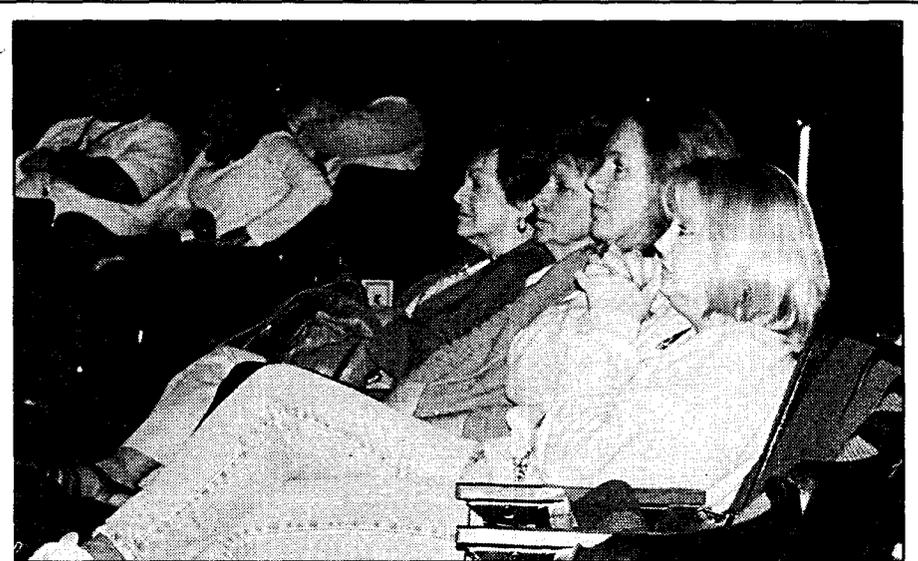


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Mourning time

Among those attending Friday's broadcast at Bob Jones Auditorium of the memorial service from the Washington Cathedral are, from left, Karen Profozich, Pat Oliver, Arletta Coberly and Suzanne Thigpen, all with the Civilian Personnel Operations Center.

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Retired officers

The Retired Officers Association will hold its monthly luncheon meeting at 11 a.m. Sept. 26 at the Officers and Civilians Club. Scheduled speaker is Edgar Welden, sports enthusiast, traveler and author. For more information, call retired Navy Cmdr. Matthew C.F. Boenker 885-4274.

Armor association

The 70th Heavy Tank Battalion/Armor Association will have its annual reunion Sept. 20-23 at Research Park Holiday Inn near Madison Square Mall. For more information, call Hugh Cort Jr. 882-6312.

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Jack Daniels tour

The CWFC Jack Daniels Tour is Saturday. Pickup points and times for the bus trip are as follows: Redstone Arsenal, Goss and Bomfort Roads, 12:45 p.m.; Hazel Green, strip mall area at Bobo Section (Diannes Wallpaper and Michaels Sports Bar), 1:15 p.m.; and Fayetteville, McCauley Funeral Home Parking Lot, 1:45 p.m. Please be at the designated location at least 15 minutes prior to departure time. This trip is open to the entire Red-

stone community. The event includes the bus to and from the Jack Daniels Distillery, a tour of the distillery, barbecue dinner, samples of Jack Daniels products and dancing under the stars. The cost is \$30 per person. To join in this event, call Mary Ann Meyer-Schuck 313-5924.

Retirement ceremony cancellation

Thursday's quarterly retirement ceremony for military retirees has been canceled. The next ceremony will be announced later. For information call MSgt. Loew, RASA Support Operations, 876-2819.

Logistics achievement awards

Starting this year, the IMMC will present two Ernest A. Young Logistics Achievement Awards - the Management/Executive Award for GS-13s and above (or military equivalents) and the Professional/Technical Award for GS-13s and below (or military equivalents). Eligible population for the awards includes all Team Redstone personnel who contribute to the logistics mission at AMCOM and meet the awards criteria. The awards will be presented to the winners at a luncheon/ceremony Oct. 30 at 11:30 a.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club. For more information and awards criteria, call Anne Hughes 876-1757 or Debbie Oldani 842-6783.

Thrift shop

The Redstone Thrift Shop is accepting

applications for donations in support of Arsenal and local community activities. All requests must be from charitable organizations with federal tax exemption status. Requests must be in writing and received by Oct. 10. Send your request to: Redstone Thrift Shop, Attn: Mary McCarthy- welfare chairperson, building 3209, Redstone Arsenal, Ala., 35898.

Abandoned vehicles

The Provost Marshal Office said the following abandoned vehicles will be disposed of within 45 days: 1979 Ford LTD, gold, vehicle identification number 4U6311137734, originally located at the Auto Craft Center and impounded Jan. 17; 1984 Pontiac Bonneville, beige, VIN 1G2AN69A7EB218084, originally located at the Housing Area and impounded Aug. 8; 1985 Chevrolet Van, gray, VIN 1GCEG25Z29K7173398, originally located at the Auto Craft Center and impounded Aug. 20; and a 1985 Ford Thunderbird, red, VIN 1FAPP6042KH188398, originally located at the Auto Craft Center and impounded Aug. 20.

Young Marines

The Young Marines of North Alabama, open to boys and girls ages 8-17, will hold Recruit Training beginning Sept. 27. Parent's orientation is Thursday at 6 p.m. at the Marine Corps Reserve Training Center, 3506 South Memorial Parkway. For more information, call Amy Wisdom 536-2054.

Industrial security seminar

The North Alabama Chapter of the American Society for Industrial Security will sponsor a seminar with a focus on high technology security concerns Oct. 17 at the ADTRAN Conference Center (East Tower). A registration fee of \$45 includes continental breakfast, lunch, breaks and all seminar materials. For more information, call Jackie Albrecht 535-5905 or Stan Miller 772-8718.

Designers show house

Women's Guild of the Huntsville Museum of Art and ASID will present the 2001 Designers Show House, Sept. 8-23 at the Ledges of Huntsville Mountain, southeast Huntsville off Carl T. Jones Boulevard. Admission to the cottage-style home is \$15 per person; groups are welcome. Proceeds will benefit the Huntsville Museum of Art. For more information, call Kay Eastin 551-0055.

Big Spring Jam tickets

Your Civilian Welfare Fund Council has advance Big Spring Jam weekend passes for sale until Sept. 25. The advance price is \$25 vs. \$30 at the gate. Payment is by check only, made payable to Big Spring Jam. Children under 12 are admitted free with a paid adult pass. For the schedule of events, check out the BSJ web site as follows: www.bigspringjam.org. You can

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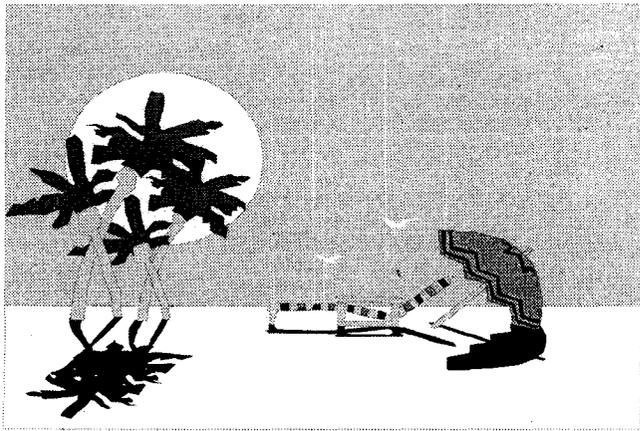
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