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Commanding general puts priority on keeping Redstone secure

Work force gets praised for hard work, patience

By SKIP VAUGHN
Rocket editor

Maj. Gen. Larry Dodgen wanted to take some time to learn more about AMCOM after assuming command Sept. 10.

But then the unthinkable happened when the worst terrorist attack in U.S. history occurred the very next morning in New York and Washington, D.C.

Dodgen had to make important decisions regarding the security of the Aviation and Missile Command and Redstone Arsenal. Security increased at the gates; and workers had to adjust their reporting times.

On Thursday afternoon the new commanding general held a special town hall meeting to introduce himself to the work force, provide information about current efforts and answer questions.

"I thought it was important for us to clear the air and to share information about what has happened," Dodgen said in the filled Bob Jones Auditorium.

Security remained heightened but delays at the gates had decreased by that time. Workers were expected to resume their normal schedule this week.

"My first priority — and it will remain by first pri-

ority — is the security of everybody we have here on Redstone Arsenal," Dodgen said.

He cautioned that security will remain heightened because of the continuing national crisis.

"This is not over, this is going to be this way for a while," Dodgen said. "There's a lot going on, and there's a great reason for vigilance right now. And I don't think we're going to be standing down anytime soon."

Dodgen praised the work force for its talent, professionalism and hard work.

"The talent of this organization just shines through with me all the way," he said.

He assured the workers that there is a reason for any decision he makes and that he will not be arbitrary.

"We are secure, we're going to stay secure and we're going to get better," Dodgen said. "My concern is that we maintain that level of security and that we enhance it over the next few weeks."

Questions from workers during the 90-minute meeting included security measures, work hours and a few other issues.

"I want to thank you for all the hard work that's happened and your consideration and patience," Dodgen said. "It's not over yet. We're going to stay secure."



Photo by Skip Vaughn

MAKING A POINT— Maj. Gen. Larry Dodgen addresses the AMCOM work force during his first town hall meeting as the commanding general.

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Missile school soldiers helping with increased gate security



Photo by Sgt. Sharon McBride

CHECKING THINGS OUT— Pvt. Hasahn Wright, assigned to C Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion, checks under a vehicle hood during an inspection at one of the Arsenal gates. Soldiers like Wright are helping Department of Defense guards maintain security.

Students augment guards by inspecting vehicles

By Sgt. SHARON McBRIDE
Staff writer

Throughout the Army, servicemembers and civilians are seeing long lines at installation entrance gates because of tighter security measures after the terrorist attack Sept. 11.

To make the process go smoother here, soldiers assigned to the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School, 832nd Ordnance Battalion have been tasked on a daily basis to augment the Department of Defense guards already on duty.

The soldiers are students who have recently graduated from basic training and are waiting to start class at OMMCS. Traditionally soldiers awaiting their classes are tasked throughout the Arsenal to perform a variety of details, including serving

on the post funeral team and performing ground maintenance in the student areas.

"Our soldiers are very excited about gate duty," Lt. Col. Craig Cotter, 832nd commander, said. "It's a proactive way to go above and beyond their normal training.

"As we go through this period of heightened security, it's a great training event for our soldiers. We are complementing and enhancing the robust security that was already in place."

"The soldiers are in place to primarily inspect vehicles," Maj. Brian Dye, 59th Ordnance Brigade operations officer, said. Dye has been in charge of coordinating the soldiers with the Arsenal security. "They are not trained or authorized to perform law enforcement activities."

And although most of the soldiers are new to the Army, they have proved to be professional and courteous while performing this duty.

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Letters to the editor

Your outpouring of support appreciated

These past several days have been extremely difficult for all of us. We have witnessed acts of terrorism and cowardice; but we have also witnessed acts of compassion, courage and generosity.

I know we will recover from the recent tragic events. We are a proud and resilient people. But I know that nothing will bring back the lives of our loved ones or our friends. I know too that nothing will ever be the same. Sixty years ago our parents and grandparents awoke to discover that their country was under attack. Pearl Harbor changed America. The atrocities of Sept. 11 have changed America and the world once again.

I have implemented many measures to heighten security at Redstone Arsenal. My primary focus since taking command has been the safety of the thousands of Arsenal employees and residents and ensuring that we have been able to account for all of our civilians and soldiers.

At the same time, I must ensure that we are ready and

able to provide whatever support the Defense Department and our president require of us in the days ahead.

We are working with local officials to minimize delays at the gates to the Arsenal; but we must anticipate that this level of heightened security will be with us for quite some time. Your outpouring of support has been truly gratifying... from offers of money, assistance, blood donations, and counseling services, to personal calls of concern.

There are over 6,000 families directly affected by these attacks who are in pain. Now is a good time to reach out and embrace them, to provide them with the support they need.

God bless you... and God bless America.

Maj. Gen. Larry Dodgen
commander,
AMCOM and Redstone Arsenal

Terrorism unfair to the innocent

It's not fair that we have to wait hours in line to get onto Redstone Arsenal while choking on exhaust fumes. It's not fair that guards have to work double shifts in all weather to protect us. It's not fair that civilians have to work extra hours — giving up evenings and weekends with our families. It's not fair that thousands of innocent Americans died just so a few cowards could make a point. It's not fair that a few criminals can do so much to rob us of our precious freedoms to fly safely and comfortably, to drive our highways without worrying who will dart recklessly in and out of traffic or run red lights with impunity, to use our computers without continually improving our virus protection, to discard a receipt without worrying how someone will steal our identity. It's not fair that my insurance was canceled because a thief smashed my truck window and stole my computer soon after a coward hit my vehicle and left the scene.

Cowardly criminals are not fair, and it's time the vast majority of honest citizens started fighting back.

Morton Archibald
Huntsville

Gate 9 landscaping needs more work

I would like to say that it is a shame to look at the landscaping around the new Gate 9 while driving in and out of RSA every day as do hundreds of others. One would think that after the many thousands of dollars spent and considering the long length of time that it took to build this new entrance, this would be considered and treated as a showpiece; but it is instead crowded by dead shrubs, trees and weeds that are taller than the shrubs. One would think that after the expense that was made for this that it was to be a focal point to all that come to Redstone but instead it looks like an abandoned field. Now before someone tries to counter what I am saying by mentioning that if I think this is so bad that I could go clean it up myself, well remember that it is not my job to do. I don't know whose job it is but it is not mine and since I do pay more than my share of taxes then they should take care of this. The rest of the Arsenal is pretty much well kept but this area is not. Who has dropped the ball?

Name withheld by request

Editor's note: Redstone Arsenal Support Activity provided the following response. "The contractor who

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Redstone Arsenal gate hours change on schedule

Employees who work on Redstone Arsenal need to be aware of current gate hours. Gate hours have been changed to accommodate the traffic flow coming onto the Arsenal.

In response to the tragic events Sept. 11, Redstone Arsenal remains on heightened alert. However, everything possible is being done to reduce the long lines of traffic at the gates and to ensure your safety. You can help by giving yourself extra time to get to work, driving with extreme caution, and being courteous.

Listed below are current gate hours. You may want to keep this schedule in your automobile for easy reference. (Note: There is no Gate 6.)

- Gate 1 - Martin Road East — Open Monday through Friday 5:30 a.m. to midnight; weekends and holidays open 6 a.m. to midnight. (Note: Monday through Friday 5:30-8:15 a.m., inbound traffic only; 3-6 p.m.,

outbound traffic only.)

- Gate 2 - Buxton Road — Closed.
- Gate 3 - Redstone Road — Open Monday through Friday 5:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Closed weekends and holidays.
- Gate 4 - Patton and Neal Roads — Open (unmanned).
- Gate 5 - Hansen Road — Closed.
- Gate 7 - Martin Road West — Open Monday through Friday 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Closed weekends and holidays.
- Gate 8 - Goss and Patton — Closed.
- Gate 9 - Rideout Road — Open daily 24 hours. (Note: 5:30-10:30 a.m., right inbound lane is only for vehicles with three or more occupants.)
- Gate 10 - Patton Road — Open daily 5:30 a.m. to midnight.

Weapons prohibited from incoming vehicles

Motorists should be careful about what they bring onto Redstone Arsenal, particularly during these days of heightened security.

Guns and other weapons are prohibited from off post, according to Maj. Dave Dunn, the provost marshal. Drivers should have their security badge, an up-to-date decal, a military ID or military family mem-

ber ID.

"They shouldn't be bringing any weapons with them when coming onto the Arsenal because during searches they'll be confiscated," Dunn said.

Security at military installations increased after the terrorist attacks Sept. 11 on the World Trade Center in New York and the Pentagon in Washington, D.C.

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More Guardsmen, Reservists called to active duty

DoD RELEASE

WASHINGTON—Approximately 5,172 more Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve members have been called to active duty as part of the partial mobilization authorized by President Bush. This brings the total Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve called to active duty to 10,303 to date.

More than 3,000 of those called to active duty in this iteration serve in 12 different units from 11 states. These units will provide air refueling and joint communications. Additional security force personnel called to active duty are 78 Air National Guard members from 24 other units and 56 Air Force Reservists from 12 other units.

Also called to active duty are, approximately, an additional 2,075 Air Force Reserve individual mobilization augmentees, ordered to report for duty across the United States at several duty stations.

"No other single action more clearly demonstrates the national resolve than to mobilize the National Guard and Reserve forces of America," Craig Duehring, principal deputy assistant secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs, said. "These Guardsmen and Reservists are just the first to be put on partial mobilization orders. They're joining thousands of other Reserve forces members who immediately answered the call, either in a state active duty or federal volunteer status.

"I know I join millions of Americans in saluting them as they leave their jobs and communities to assist in the wake of (the Sept. 11) hideous acts of terrorism in New York, Pennsylvania and Washington."

This partial mobilization continues to demonstrate the vital role of Reserve forces in our national military strategy. The 1.3 million men and women who serve in the seven Reserve forces make up nearly one half of the U.S. armed forces, and are an integral part of our nation's military.

Soldier dies in motorcycle wreck

An Army reservist on full-time active duty was killed Saturday morning when his motorcycle collided with a car on Patton Road.

SSgt. Carl Alexander Collins, 29, of 326th Chemical Company at 2720 Patton Road, died from his injuries in the accident which occurred just before 9 a.m. The driver of the car, Constant Valerio, 75, was treated and released from Huntsville Hospital.

Huntsville police said Valerio and

Collins were both driving north on Patton Road. Valerio tried to make a U-turn, police said, and Collins collided with the driver's side of the car and was thrown from his motorcycle.

Collins was to be buried in his native Augusta, Ga. Survivors include his wife, Marsha Collins of Redstone Arsenal; a daughter, Jasmine Nicole Collins, 9, who lives with her mother, Almeuta Freeman, in Martinez, Ga.; and his parents, Dobbie and Mary Collins of Evans, Ga.

Gate landscaping unfinished

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constructed the rock wall installed the landscape at Gate 9. The government received a one-year guarantee on the shrubs and trees. The contractor has waited until the fall to replace the dead

plants in order to have a better survival rate. This work is scheduled to be complete by the end of September. HHC AMCOM is doing the routine maintenance for this area on a volunteer basis until a modification to the Arsenal-wide Grounds Maintenance contract can be negotiated and awarded. At that time, the contractor will maintain the area."

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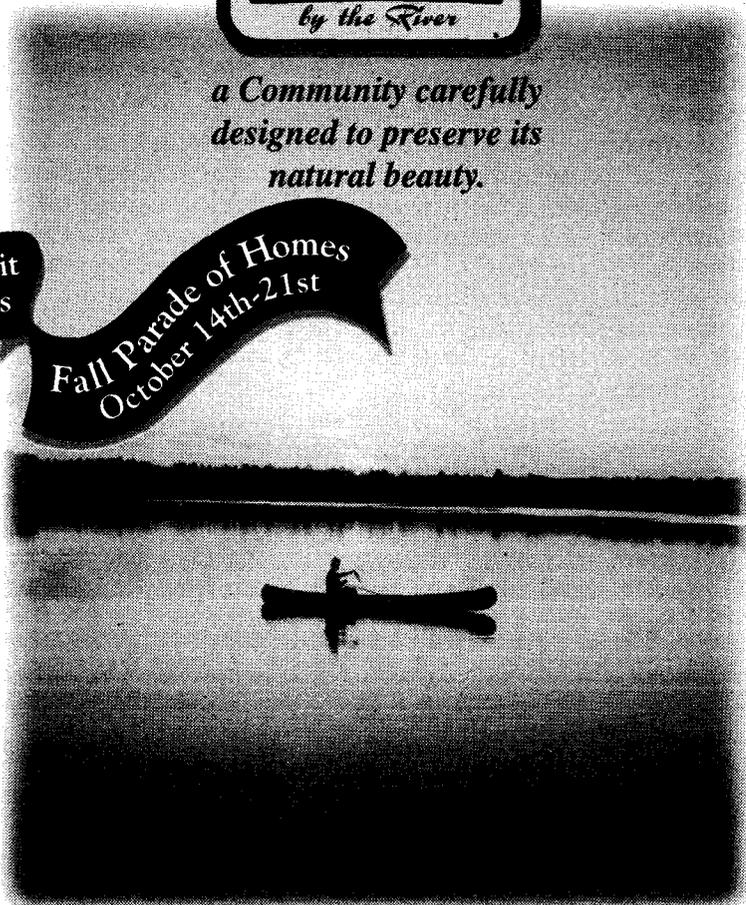


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Getting ready to deploy means more than just packing

Army Community Service helps military families with deployments

By Sgt. SHARON McBRIDE
Staff writer

In light of recent national events, our commander in chief has instructed everyone in the armed forces to be ready.

Being ready goes beyond just making sure your TA-50 is serviceable and packed, there are a host of items that servicemembers need to take action on to make sure they're ready in case of deployment.

"There's a complete checklist that soldiers should have done before they deploy," Juanita Adams, personal financial readiness specialist at Army Community Service, said.

Every servicemember needs an up-to-date, complete family care plan in place. Most soldiers already have a plan in place but it might need some fine-tuning, Adams said.

Recent events like divorce, child custody decisions, adoption, new births and the death of an appointed guardian or spouse can render a family care plan invalid.

Army Community Service provides a variety of material and resources for soldiers and their families to prepare for the



Photo by Sgt. Sharon McBride

CHECKING PAPERWORK— Army Community Service can help soldiers get ready for potential deployment. Juanita Adams, ACS personal financial adviser, and Ann Owens, Army Emergency Relief officer, are among the workers who can provide assistance.

unexpected, Adams said. These include Army Family Readiness Handbooks, Family Support Groups, a Family Assistance Center, and of course sources to help create feasible family care plans.

Family care plans can be simple or complicated depending on your family's needs, Adams said. For example, legal authorizations are necessary for guardians and others to take action on your behalf while you are gone. Soldiers should ensure their legal preferences are updated.

A good plan includes the names,

addresses and telephone numbers of all the people involved. Communication won't work if the people listed have recently moved or changed their phone number.

All family members should have access to important family papers; this includes birth certificates, marriage licenses, divorce decrees, adoption papers or other documents that determine custody or visitation rights. Also share with your family the locations of all insurance policies — especially if any documents have been drawn up in the past few weeks or months.

Powers of attorney should be current; once again check the expiration dates. If they have expired in the last few weeks or are about to expire, update them as soon as possible. Or if you are no longer comfortable with the person you have given a power of attorney to, change it now — don't procrastinate. Both temporary and long-term guardians should have powers of attorney so they can make important decisions about medical, school, and social services.

Financial arrangements should be updated as well. Family members and guardians need access to money while you're away to pay the bills.

There have been several horror stories where a spouse has deployed and accidentally taken both the checkbook and bank card and left the other spouse with no way to get money. Make dual arrangements if necessary so that won't happen to you.

Servicemembers also should ensure that they have a current will in place. Once again if you have changed your mind about anything contained in your will, get it changed as soon as possible.

ACS can also be a valuable tool once the deployment has occurred.

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Exchange service brings supplies to Pentagon recovery operation

AAFES acts quickly after terrorist attacks

By Sgt. THOMAS ORME
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — The flames of what could be called the "Pentacaust" — the assault on the Pentagon — still raged defiance against the hoses of the firefighters when the Army-Air Force Exchange Service sprang into action.

AAFES brought much-needed physical relief to military servicemembers and civilians struggling to deal with the tragedy in very real terms of life and death. Stocked with necessities for hygiene and snacks to tide over exhausted personnel with hungry stomachs and little time, AAFES provided an invaluable service, continuing its 106-year tradition best expressed the AAFES motto,

"We go where you go."

By Sept. 14, AAFES had shipped up a long tractor-trailer packed with goods from their Newport News, Va., AAFES distribution center. Their mission is called a TFE, for Tactical Field Exchange, said Brian L. DeMoss, area manager for Virginia and Washington, D.C.

"We provide all these items free," said DeMoss. "People are surprised and amazed at the quickness of support."

The TFE has a good selection of personal items, from towels and underwear to insoles and toothpaste. AAFES brought in many items from its warehouse and also brought in items donated by various companies that AAFES carries in its post exchanges.

DeMoss said any group involved in helping recover from the attack on the Pentagon can get supplies from the TFE.

"We have military, FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency), the FBI, and the Tennessee Search and

Rescue out here, to name a few. We are also probably the only source of flags still around at this point," De Moss said. AAFES is handing out small American to all who ask.

Because of the temporary ban on air travel after the attack, AAFES spokesman Capt. Thomas E. Johnson and SFC Jef Reilly, both stationed at the AAFES headquarters in Dallas, Texas, drove to the Pentagon to assist with supporting the troops.

"We expect to be here at least a week; however, we will remain as long as needed," Johnson said. He called the mission "unprecedented" for the United States, although comparable to what might be done abroad.

There have been more than 1,000 rescue workers who have used the TFE since opening at the Pentagon, Reilly said.

Editor's note: Sgt. Thomas Orme is assigned to the 214th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment, U.S. Army Reserve.

Donations sought for victims of terrorist attack on Pentagon

This is in response to public inquiries regarding donations in support of the relief and recovery effort for the Pentagon. The following organizations have established assistance that may be used by Department of Defense organizations; other federal, state or local agencies; or by DoD personnel and/or their families.

Monetary donations for victims and/or their families may be made to one or more of three relief societies or funds:

- Army Emergency Relief Society, Alexandria, Va.: contact Col. Greg Mason at (703) 325-0463; Internet web site:

<http://www.aerhq.org>; name of fund: the Pentagon Victims Fund, 200 Stovall St., room 5N13; Alexandria 22332-0600. (Make checks payable to the Pentagon Victim's Fund.)

- Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society, Arlington, Va.: contact John Alexander at (703) 696-4904; Internet web site: <http://www.nmcrcs.org>; name of fund: the Pentagon Assistance Fund.

- Federal Employee Education and Assistance Fund (FEEA), Littleton, Colo.: contact 1-800-323-4140 or (303) 933-7580; Internet web site: <http://www.feea.org>;

name of fund: the Federal Employee Education and Assistance Fund. Send checks to FEEA World Trade Center/Pentagon Fund, 8441 W. Bowles Ave., Suite 200, Littleton 80123-9501.

Donations of food and clothing for victims, victims' families, or the Pentagon emergency response teams: contact the Salvation Army at (703) 979-3380.

Donations of building equipment and materials: contact the Pentagon Renovation/Emergency Operations Site (PENREN) at (703) 528-9524.

Donations of volunteer services at the

emergency site (e.g., rubble removal): contact the Arlington County (Va.) Emergency Operations Center at (703) 228-7506.

Information technology support: contact Gen Loranger at the Network Infrastructure Services Agency - Pentagon (NISA-P) at (703) 695-3934.

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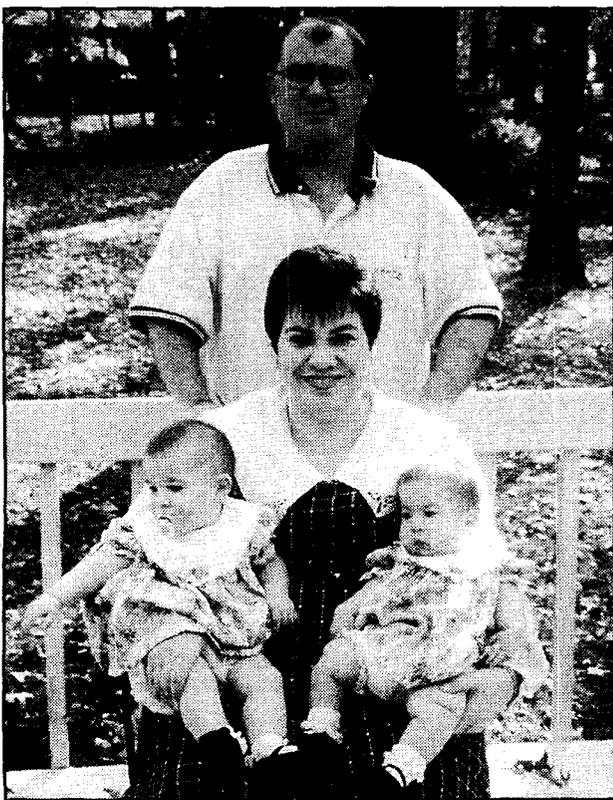
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Charity provides help for special needs in community



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THANKFUL FAMILY— Rick and Lisa Gray, with their twin daughters, Hannah, left, and Lauren, are grateful for the support from Technology Assistance for Special Consumers which helped the family with special services for Lauren who was born with arthrogryposis, a disorder that results in poorly developed muscles and stiff joints.

Many agencies depend on donations from Combined Federal Campaign

By SANDY RIEBELING
Staff writer

Lauren Gray is a little girl who gives "never" a new definition. She may never be able to sit, eat solid food, talk, walk, or even play with toys, the doctors told her parents when she was born. Fortunately, no one told Lauren that.

"She's very determined," her father, Rick Gray said, smiling in spite of the difficulties he and his family have faced since the birth of Lauren and her twin sister, Hannah, Feb. 19, 1999. "She works very hard to do new things every day. That she's able to do so much is a miracle. But we've had a lot of help."

Although Hannah was born perfectly healthy, Lauren faced multiple problems. Bilateral club feet and wrist contractures, which resulted in the hands and feet turned up at a severe angle, was the most obvious disorder.

During Lauren's first feeding at the hospital that night, she was unable to swallow and turned blue. Doctors said that Lauren's severely recessed chin, a condition called micrognathia, was part of the problem. This alerted doctors to more closely evaluate Lauren's condition. X-rays revealed fractures in her arm and leg that happened during routine care which led to the diagnosis of osteogenesis imperfecta, brittle bone disease.

Just a few weeks old, covered in a partial body cast with a feeding tube, she was transferred from Huntsville Hospital to Vanderbilt, and re-diagnosed with arthrogryposis, a disorder that results in poorly developed muscles

and stiff joints.

"I was born with a clubbed hand and one of my legs messed up," Gray, general supply technician, Integrated Materiel Management Center, said. "When I was young I was diagnosed with Spastic Cerebral Palsy. I had some corrective surgery and everything's fine. When Lisa and I talked about having kids, I wondered if what I had was hereditary."

Doctors assured Gray that his condition was the result of a brain injury and couldn't be passed to his children so he and his wife were delighted when they found out they were expecting twins. After Lauren's birth and diagnosis, and a more thorough investigation of Gray's disorder, it was determined that he did in fact have arthrogryposis and it is hereditary. Lauren's is a more severe case, pinpointed as Freeman-Sheldon Syndrome, also called Whistling Face Syndrome. The syndrome explained Lauren's severe reflux problems, difficulty in swallowing and broken limbs caused by inflexible joints.

The Grays transformed their home into a care center and at 7 weeks old, Lauren was able to come home for the first time. She had around-the-clock nursing care for about six months. Several pieces of equipment were brought to the home, including an apnea monitor to alert caretakers when her breathing stopped, an oxygen saturation monitor, oxygen and a suction machine.

Getting her home with adequate care was the first step. After losing the 24-hour nursing care, the Grays hired Vonnie Sanford, a private nurse to continue to work with Lauren and care for the twins. "Vonnie is so great with them. She works Lauren hard during the day but it's exactly what she needs."

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Gray and his wife Lisa were then faced with the challenge of creating a quality of life for Lauren. That's when they discovered Technology Assistance for Special Consumers or TASC.

"I can't possibly tell you all the great things this non-profit organization has done for Lauren and our family," Gray said. "They helped us get some of the equipment we needed. And when we couldn't get the exact chair we needed, they made one for Lauren until we could. She still uses it. They have brought in other agencies and even gotten the state involved to help us cover some of the costs for equipment."

"Lauren needs a wheelchair that costs \$11,000," he said "She also needed a stander that cost \$3,000. The insurance wouldn't pay for both. Her medical bills and devices are so expensive... even with two incomes and good insurance, sometimes the money just isn't there. Can you imagine what it's like to have to choose between those two because you can't afford them?"

TASC helped the Grays hook up with several sources that assisted with some of the expenses; and Lauren will be getting her wheelchair and needed accessories that go with it for her to function more independently and begin to look forward to preschool and classroom settings.

"Linda Rass, the director of TASC, has really been a champion for us," Gray said. "All of the people there are wonderful. It's an organization that helps children and adults with all kinds of software and devices. If they don't have something or can't get it, they try to make it. I know how Linda has to scramble for funds. But

I hope other people can see what she and the people at TASC mean to our family and families all over who have similar problems."

"Our motto is, 'Changing disabilities into capabilities,'" Rass said. "We have about 1,500 pieces of software and technology that helps people use communication devices, computers and adapted keyboards to speak and write and make choices. We adapt age appropriate toys so children can use them with just one button. We have a resource center where people can come and get information and borrow equipment to see if it's what they need or something they could possibly use. We do in-services at schools to show the teachers what's available. We do everything we can to serve the special needs of people."

Because of the devotion of family and community, Lauren does sit up; she is taking solid foods and is on her way to speaking and walking and who knows what else. She's been watching Hannah use a straw and has the family convinced that's her next accomplishment.

"I know if it weren't for TASC, Lauren wouldn't be anywhere near as developed as she is," Gray said. "And as parents, you want to do whatever you can to give your children a good quality of life with every opportunity to succeed. We're so grateful for all the people who have helped us, including supervisors who are understanding about special needs."

"We want people to know there is help out there if you have a special needs child or adult. And don't think you're alone. We're all in this together."

TASC is one of thousands of non-profit organizations listed in the Combined Federal Campaign agency list. The CFC campaign kickoff is 1 p.m. Oct. 2 at Bob Jones Auditorium.



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Among the many filing out after the meeting, John Kavanaugh of the AMCOM Safety Office pointed out that workers' concerns changed considerably

because of the world environment since the August town hall meeting.

"I think it was very positive," Kavanaugh said of Dodgen's presentation. "I think he responded very well to the questions that were presented to him and gave us information on current status to the extent that he could."

■ Soldier students tasked to inspect incoming vehicles

Inspection

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"There have been multiple phone calls from retirees complimenting the soldiers at the gates for their professionalism," Cotter said. "That is great because there are some young soldiers serving out there and it's a reminder of the security that the military can provide for the community."

Soldiers are also being used to watch gates that have been permanently closed. If anything unusual or suspicious happens, they will be the first to report it.

"And although many consider the waits at the gates far too long, in many ways we have advantages when compared to other posts like Fort Bragg (N.C.) and Fort Hood (Texas)," Cotter said. He said there

have been reports of people having to wait up to four to five hours to gain access to their installations. "Our population is small," Cotter said. "The waits at our gates are minimal when compared to posts like those. And the soldiers don't mind the duty. And the installation has been very appreciative of the support."

"Yes, the waits at the gates are an inconvenience," Dye said. "It's a completely different environment on this post than even a week ago. As Americans we are used to our conveniences and freedom."

"We wouldn't ask folks to wait in line unless it was absolutely necessary," Dye added. "As an installation we have to protect our assets and our national security. It starts with our programs all the way down to each individual. Yes, it's inconvenient, but necessary."

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Four local women unite for common cause

Fund-raising walk in Atlanta helps breast cancer research

By **BETH SKARUPA**
Staff writer

Rather than celebrate her 40th birthday with black balloons and "Over the Hill" signs, Phyllis Norton chose to celebrate her health by training for a three-day, 60-mile walk to raise funds for breast cancer research.

Once she decided, there was no turning back. She sent letters to close friends and family asking them for pledges to help raise at least \$1,900 and began a rigorous training schedule. Her husband, Lt. Col. Dave Norton of the Missile and Space Intelligence Center, and their children, Ben, 10, and 3-year-old twins Aaron and Matthew, supported her decision from day one. They rallied to the task, cheering her on and donning in-line skates or riding bicycles to accompany her on some of her walks.

"I didn't give myself time to think about it, I just did it. I signed up. I really wanted to do something big for my 40th birthday because I can," she said. "I read about how many women are diagnosed with breast cancer each year and all of a sudden a big party seemed trivial - a waste. I started training right away."

She also sought out others in town who had committed to participating in the Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day walk in Atlanta. She found three women, Melinda Seigler, Melissa Johnson and Beth Baslock, who quickly became friends as they spent hours training together between March and September.

Seigler, like Norton, decided to participate in the walk to celebrate a landmark birthday - her 50th. United Way's Tennessee Valley Combined Federal Campaign director, Seigler said the walk will accomplish one of four goals she set for herself this year. Those goals included doing something physically challenging, learning to golf, being confirmed at St. Thomas Episcopal Church and getting certified as a master gardener. Raising money for breast cancer research is important to her because she lost her grandmother and



Photo by Beth Skarupa

TRAINING TIME—From left Melissa Johnson, Melinda Seigler, Phyllis Norton and Beth Baslock walk together to train for the Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day fund-raising walk Oct. 5-7 in Atlanta. Johnson and Norton are stay-at-home moms; Seigler is United Way's Tennessee Valley Combined Federal Campaign director; and Baslock is a support contractor for NASA.

a special aunt to the disease.

"They both practically raised me, so I'm doing (the walk) in their memory and in the memory of friends that had breast cancer," she said. "The other thing I'm doing is selling T-shirts for the Liz Hurley Breast Cancer Fund."

Raising funds for breast cancer research is a cause Johnson also holds dear. An aerobics instructor and stay-at-home mom, she lost her mother to colon cancer last year. A close friend encouraged her to sign up for the walk after participating in it last year.

Baslock, an electrical engineer who works as a support contractor for NASA Systems Safety, said she's doing the walk in Atlanta because a friend who has breast cancer is determined to do it and she wants to be with her. As the only one in the group that has participated in an Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day before, Baslock serves as the team leader. The others turn to her for advice and guidance since she knows what to expect.

"I did my first 3-Day because a girlfriend asked me to go and keep her daughter company. I didn't know I'd be walking 60 miles, I didn't know I'd be sleeping in a tent, I didn't know I'd be taking showers

on a semi-tractor trailer," she said with a laugh. "Now I'm addicted."

Baslock is fervent in her desire to educate others about breast cancer and the need to fund research. Already the disease has touched her family several times. She said both her mother and grandmother are breast cancer survivors and her father had a tumor removed from his chest recently. About 10 percent of men get breast cancer.

All four women are looking forward to the three-day walk as a welcome adventure. They aren't concerned about their physical ability to complete the walk, but they are worried that rain will impede their progress. The idea of using "portapotties," sleeping in tents, and showering on the tractor-trailer is a little disconcerting too, they all agreed. Laughing, they assured each other that they can handle it.

The Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day the women are training for begins in Lake Lanier, Ga., Oct. 5 and ends in Atlanta Oct. 7. Participants will walk 20 miles each day and sleep in "tent cities" each night. The 3-Days, a national series of fund-raising walks taking place at different times in Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Colorado, Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco, Seattle and Washington, D.C.,

were launched in 1998. Created and produced by Pallotta TeamWorks, each walk attracts about 4,000 participants.

"This will be a very powerful, emotional experience for us," Seigler said. She's been told that they'll be walking with many women and men who are breast cancer survivors or who currently have the disease. Baslock participated in last year's 3-Day in Chicago and this year, too. She described walking with a man who was pushing his fiancé in a wheelchair. The woman had stomach and liver cancer that had come back after a remission. Baslock helped push the woman's wheelchair for 2-3 miles as she talked to the couple. Later, she learned that the woman died two months after that.

"Yes, tears are shed both at the opening and closing ceremonies and along the way," Baslock said. Yet all four women are already making plans to do one of the walks next year. Norton said she knew from the beginning that this wasn't going to be a "one time thing."

"So many wonderful things have already come out of this," Norton said. "I've met so many wonderful people and so many people have thanked me for doing this. I've even been applauded by people on the street who've seen me walking with my Avon Breast Cancer shirt on and men have yelled out, 'Way to go!' As an added benefit, I've lost 30 pounds too."

So far, Norton has walked 840 miles during training. She's raised \$2,323 and walked 16 miles in five hours. She's doing what she set out to do, celebrating her health with the knowledge of how fortunate she is - and honoring her Aunt Hattie that endured the pain of a mastectomy and chemotherapy, and her son Bryan that died from muscular dystrophy. She and her new friends alone have already raised over \$10,000 for breast cancer research and education.

For more information about how to make a donation for this year's 3-Day in Atlanta or how to sign up for next year's walks, call Norton at 922-1210. For more information about the Liz Hurley Breast Cancer Fund, call Seigler at the United Way of Madison County 536-0745, ext. 108.

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Soldiers, Marines gear up for annual Milstakes competition

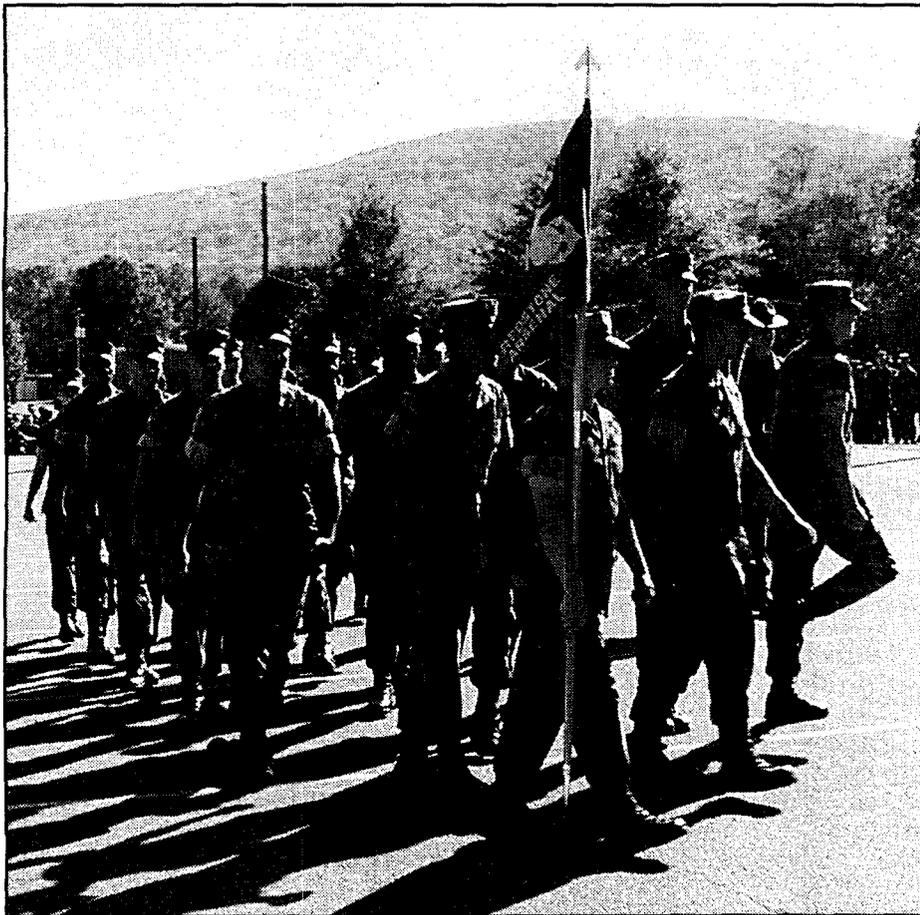


Photo by Sgt. Sharon McBride

TAKING TURN— Marines fielded a drill and ceremony team in last year's Milstakes competition. Soldiers and Marines within the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School are gearing up to compete again Friday.

By Sgt. SHARON McBRIDE
Staff writer

It's young against old, seasoned against green — the soldiers and Marines of the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School are getting ready for the annual Milstakes Competition to be held Friday.

All team rosters must be finalized by close of business today.

Units within OMMCS are fielding teams that will compete in a M-16 shootout, common task training tests, a ruck march, an obstacle course, drill competition and a physical fitness test, Capt. Carla Ashley, 832nd Ordnance Battalion adjutant, said.

At the end of the day, first, second and third place winners in each event will take home a streamer to attach to their unit colors. First, second and third best overall units will be decided as well.

"It's a great way to develop teamwork and build camaraderie," SFC Julius C. Morris, of the 832nd Ordnance Battalion, said. Morris is one of several noncommissioned officers tasked to grade and judge the day's events. "The overall favorite for soldiers seems to be the drill and ceremony event." This year's competition not only includes the traditional D&C competition but a freestyle D&C event, too. "All the students are looking forward to that," Morris said.

Preseason flag football champion crowned tonight in tourney final

Flag football is in the air for the soldiers of Redstone Arsenal.

The preseason tournament kicked off Sept. 17 and culminates with a final scheduled today at 6 p.m., according to recreation assistant Eddie Whitman.

The final four entering this week's play included HHC 59th, Charlie Company, Bravo Company and the NCO Academy. HHC 59th was scheduled to play Charlie in a winner's bracket game Monday. Bravo was slated to play the NCO Academy on

Tuesday to see who would play the HHC 59th-Charlie winner for the championship.

In games last Thursday night at the football field on Patton Road, the NCO Academy eliminated Headquarters & Alpha 12-6 and Bravo Company blanked Delta 36-0.

In earlier action last week, HHC 59th d. Headquarters & Alpha, NCO Academy d. Delta, HHC 59th d. Bravo, Charlie d. Marines, Charlie d. NCO Academy, and Delta d. Marines.

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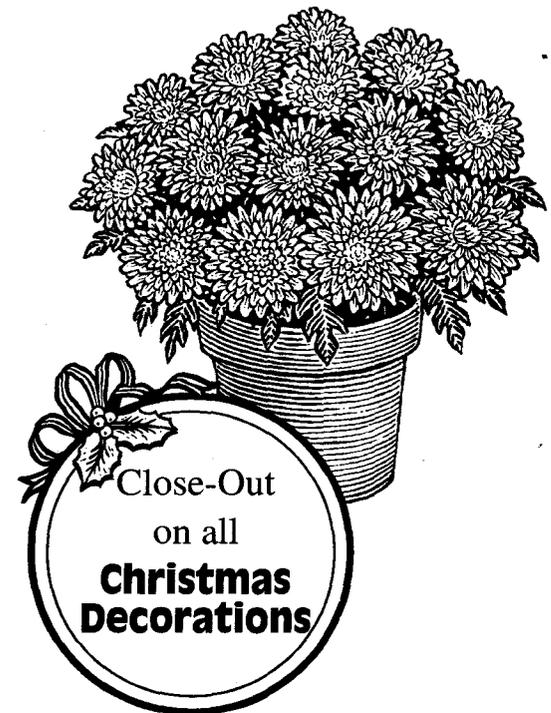
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By SANDY RIEBELING
Staff writer

The journey of a 26.2-mile marathon begins with the first step.

SFC Wanda Walters took that first step back in August when she made the commitment to the American Stroke Association to run in the Disney World Marathon, Jan. 6 to raise money and awareness for the cause.

Since then she's been putting one foot in front of the other — following a training schedule, working with a coach, keeping her body healthy and it's working. She's on track physically to meet the challenge but financially speaking, she needs some support.

"My stepsister, Helen, had a heart attack in July," Walters said. "She had bypass surgery and then a few days later, she suffered a stroke while she was in the hospital. She's paralyzed on one side and has lost her ability to speak."

Walters, a training NCO at the NCO Academy, had to make a \$4,000 commit-

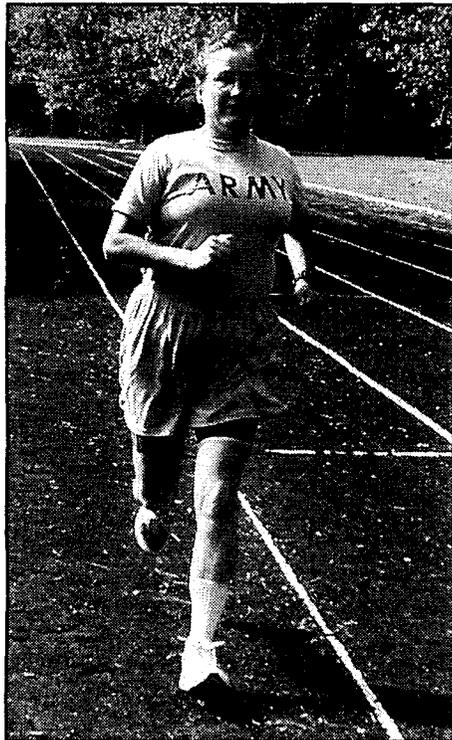


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ON TRACK— SFC Wanda Walters, training NCO, follows a strict training program in preparation for the Train to End Stroke marathon she will be running in January. Walters is running in honor of her stepsister who suffered a stroke three weeks ago. She needs donations to meet the \$4,000 entry goal.

ment to enter the Train to End Stroke marathon. The goals are set by the American Stroke Association, a division of the American Heart Association, which exists to reduce disability and death from stroke through research, education, fund raising and advocacy.

"I don't have much money raised now because I was putting a lot of effort into getting ready for the NCO of the Quarter boards. I know a lot of cash prizes come with winning. If I win, that's where the money is going. That was yesterday. And of course, things have been uncertain around here with the terrorist attack (Sept 11.) But I still really want to do this. One way or another, I've already decided I am going to do this, but now it's time to get busy doing some fund-raising."

This will be Walters' first marathon. She was training while stationed overseas several years ago but when the embassy bombings occurred in Africa, security became an issue because she did most of her running off post. This time around she's training on the Arsenal. She completed her first race, the 10K Road Race on Monte Sano, earlier this year in 1 hour, 15 minutes, 23 seconds.

"I'm slow but steady," she said. "I guess I'm the turtle in the story. I'm not doing this to win. I'm not a world class runner but I am going to finish and I want to run the whole way. That's my goal."

Walters is training with a group of runners from North Alabama who will participate in either the Disney World Marathon in Florida Jan. 6 or the Reggae Marathon Dec. 8 in Jamaica, both sponsored by the American Stroke Association.

"I picked Florida because I have family there," Walters said. "I'm from a little town about 60 miles from Orlando — Avon Park. I'm on orders to go to Korea in January, two weeks after the marathon. I thought it would be nice to go down there, run the marathon, maybe take my daughter to Disney World before I go to Korea."

Knowing she has the support of her husband, Paul, a Redstone guard, and daughter, Devyn, 3, makes training a little easier. She still has to get up extra early to run before her regular Army physical training, three days a week. And her husband has had to put in extra time with their daughter but Walters said he's been really great about that.

"Now I just need to get the money raised," she said. "I'll be contacting local businesses and I'm hoping some of the classes here will think it's a worthy enough cause to donate some of their

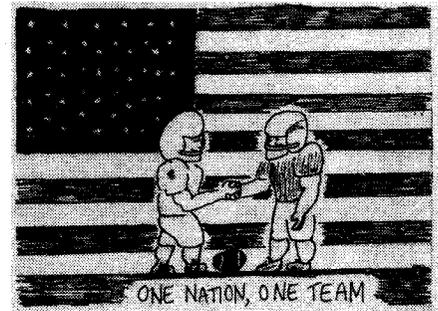
fund-raising class project money but I still need a lot of help."

The donation deadline is Dec. 10. Whatever funds she's lacking to her \$4,000 goal will have to come from her personal account. Anyone interested in donating can call Walters at 895-8458. Checks should be written to the American Stroke Association and can be mailed to: 1352 Apt. A Hermes Rd., Redstone Arse-

nal, Ala., 35808. Walters turns in money weekly and a receipt is sent to the donor from the ASA.

"I'm running in honor of Helen," she said. "But I would be proud to run in honor or memory of other stroke victims. I'll have their names on my race shirt. I think it will give me inspiration to know I'm running for individuals. And I'll be praying for them while I'm out there."

Skip's Picks



South Carolina Gamecocks should stem Crimson Tide

By SKIP VAUGHN
Rocket editor

Here are my predictions (54-14 record) for selected games this week in major college football:

- Alabama at South Carolina — **South Carolina**
- Auburn at Vanderbilt — **Auburn**
- Arkansas at Georgia — **Georgia**
- LSU at Tennessee — **Tennessee**
- Mississippi State at Florida — **Florida**
- Ole Miss at Kentucky — **Ole Miss**
- Jackson State at Alabama A&M — **Jackson State**
- Air Force at San Diego State — **Air Force**
- Army at Boston College — **Boston College**
- Brigham Young at UNLV — **Brigham Young**
- Washington at California — **Washington**
- Clemson at Georgia Tech — **Georgia Tech**
- Wake Forest at Florida State — **Florida State**
- Penn State at Iowa — **Penn State**
- Kansas State at Oklahoma — **Oklahoma**
- Memphis at Louisville — **Louisville**
- Nebraska at Missouri — **Nebraska**
- North Carolina at N.C. State — **N.C. State**
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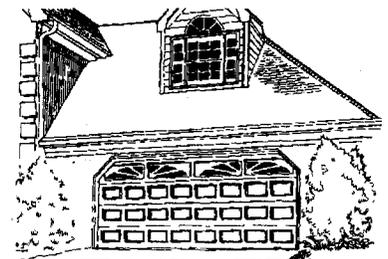
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By BETH SKARUPA
Staff writer

When Emily Springer was deciding whether to enroll in the Army Management Staff College's non-resident Sustaining Base Leadership and Management program, she didn't let the idea of a lot of hard work get in her way.

"I'm the type of person that if there's an opportunity out there and it can benefit you in the long run, I'll do it," Springer, a contract specialist in the Acquisition Center, said.

Her dedication paid off when she was recognized as "Best in Seminar" after graduating from the program in July. Both her fellow classmates and her professor voted to reward her for her academic excellence, fostering leadership and teamwork in others and commitment to professionalism.

"It was a nice acknowledgement from my peers," she said, explaining that she was usually the one in her seminar who would step up and get everyone on track for assignments because she wanted to get them done.

The non-resident SBLM program divides students up into groups or seminars of 15-20 people each. The first week, students travel to Fort Belvoir, Va., for an orientation and to meet each other. Then they go back to their hometowns to continue their coursework and participate in "virtual seminar meetings" once a week through the college's web-based "electronic campus."

Springer's seminar ended up with 16 people from Puerto Rico, Germany, Kansas, Mississippi, Georgia and



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DEDICATED STUDENT— Emily Springer, left, a contract specialist in the Acquisition Center, and Ondrea Neal, contracting officer, discuss the non-resident Sustaining Base Leadership and Management program she completed in July.

Alabama. Learning to work as a team and coordinate virtual meetings with people in different time zones were just a few of the program's challenges. The course is accredited and approved for 15 graduate credit hours by the American Council of Education College Credit Rec-

ommendation Services.

The program was divided into four terms and included 3-7 assignments, a research paper and a professional paper. In the first term, the seminar studied leadership and how each participant could improve on his personal leadership skills. This served as a building block and focus for them in the subsequent terms. National security strategy and national military strategy was studied during the second term and the sustaining base was studied during the third. The power projection platform and the process force projection were studied in the final term.

"We looked at how our Army has changed, how it is changing and what's coming in the future. I guess with (the terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, D.C. on Sept. 11), that shows you how our threat is changing," Springer said. "We don't concentrate so much on a nuclear threat as on terrorism as a threat and that really got reinforced the other day."

The program involves a large quantity of computer work, research and writing and lasts 11 months. Although work was not graded other than on a pass or fail basis, Springer said it was still difficult because if it was not up to the instructor's standards he would send it back to be done again. She did all her work in her spare time except for the virtual seminar meetings - her supervisor allowed her to participate in those on her office computer due to their timing.

"I completed my undergraduate and graduate degrees while I was working, so I was used to being disciplined with my time," she said. Now that she's completed this program, she says she's ready to have quality time to read whatever she wants to read. Despite being in school for

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Government agencies honored for excellence during annual event

Huntsville Corps of Engineers receives quality recognition

By CHERYL WISE and DEBORAH GRIFFIN
Strategic Planning Office

Aviation and Missile Command representatives attended the 14th annual Excellence in Government conference, Aug. 1-3 in Washington, D.C.

The theme this year was "New Leaders, New Opportunities." Keynote speakers included Secretary of the Army Thomas White; the director of OMB, Mitch Daniels; Education Secretary Rod Paige; Sen. George Voinovich; and former presidential adviser David Gergen. Newly-confirmed director of personnel

management, Kay Coles James, presided over the President's Quality Award ceremony.

Representatives from the Strategic Planning Office and the Research Development and Engineering Center were among approximately 1,100 attendees from government and academia. More than 900 public and private agencies exhibited products and services. This event is considered the premier management conference dedicated to improving the performance and reputation of our public sector.

The conference kicked off with Army Day, July 31. Lt. Gen. John Pickler, director of the Army staff, spoke on the responsibilities of leadership. He also recognized

the six selected Army 2001 President's Quality Award organizations. Presentations were also made by the awardees. Steven Randol, director of the DA Strategic Management and Innovations Division, concluded Army Day with an update on forthcoming strategic initiatives.

Excellence in Government 2001 was organized around three thematic tracks: Track 1, Leading and Achieving; Track 2, Innovation and Smart Results; and Track 3, The Business of E-Government.

A popular repeat speaker, Loretta LaRoche, stress management consultant, presented her humorous tips on managing stress, culminating with attendees standing, holding hands, swaying and singing "Amore."

The PQA applicants were reviewed through a comprehensive three-tiered evaluation process: an application review, conducted by a well-trained, highly qualified team of Award Program examiners; a site

visit to verify and clarify application information; and a final review by a distinguished Panel of Judges who recommended award recipients and award levels.

The conference culminated with the President's Quality Award Program. The President's Award for Quality was presented to the Grand Junction Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Grand Junction, Colo. Awards for Quality Improvement were presented to the Navy Public Works Center, San Diego, Calif., and the Army Corps of Engineers Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville. The Merit Award recipient was the 62nd Airlift Wing at McChord Air Force Base, Wash. These awards recognize federal organizations for their success in providing high quality products and services to customers and getting results.

Editor's note: Wise and Griffin are management analysts in the Strategic Planning Office

Course leads to honors for contract specialist

Specialist

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the past 10 years, she has found time to enjoy a variety of water sports with her husband, Steve, at their place on Smith Lake.

After a year of learning about how the Army functions and how to strengthen her leadership abilities, Springer thinks she is

better prepared to work with others as part of a team and to focus on the soldier when working in acquisitions. She also is grateful that she had a good instructor for her seminar, Mike Konopka.

Those interested in learning more about the program can go to the web page www.amsc.belvoir.army.mil or call the director of the non-residence program, Linda Ryder at (703) 805-4705 or DSN 655-4705.

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Local community Taylor-made for family program manager

New arrival ready to help people with special needs

By **SANDY RIEBELING**
Staff writer

Now that Natalie Taylor has settled into her new position as the Exceptional Family Member Program manager at Army Community Service, she needs a new theme song.

"My husband and I joked a lot about being 'On the Road Again,' because of all the traveling we did," Taylor said.

Taylor's husband, Bryan, was working at Redstone three years ago when a chance meeting brought these high school sweethearts back together. Taylor was living in Texas working as a civilian at Sheppard Air Force Base. They married in December 1998 and she was able to get transferred to Maxwell Air Force Base near Montgomery, with the ultimate goal of relocating to Huntsville, where Bryan has a 15-year-old son, also named Bryan. "We spent a lot of weekends on the road driving up to see Bryan. He's a really great kid. He and his dad are close and we knew how important it was for them to be able to be together."

Of course, when the job at Redstone became available, it was a blessing for the whole family. Taylor arrived in July and has spent the last few months getting acquainted with her job and the community, which are closely linked due to the nature of her work.

"Information and referral of community resources is a big part of my job," Taylor said. "I have already learned a lot about what kinds of services are here. I've also been working with the schools and meeting with contacts at a variety of organizations that help families with special needs."

The Exceptional Family Member Program is a mandatory enrollment program that works with military and civilian agencies to provide coordinated medical, educational and community support services to individuals with special needs. Documentation of special needs is used by military personnel agencies when consider-

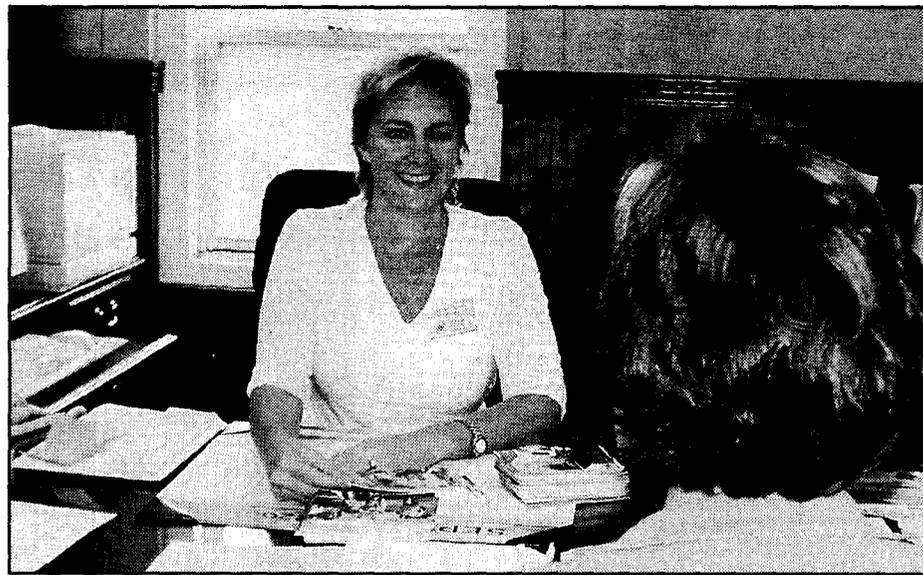


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PEOPLE PERSON— Natalie Taylor, new Exceptional Family Member Program manager at ACS, spends time talking with people in the community about available services and the possibility of creating a few new projects.

ing reassignment.

An exceptional family member is a child or adult with any physical, emotional, developmental or intellectual disability that requires special treatment, therapy, education, training or counseling.

"I want people to know who I am so that if they have any concerns with an exceptional family member, be it at the beginning of their tour, in the middle or when they're getting ready to move, they can come see me or call me."

Taylor was quickly initiated into her job when a family from California called her because they were going to be relocating to Redstone in the spring and they have twin daughters with Cerebral Palsy.

"She wanted information about the school systems and what location would be the best place to live for the services she needs," Taylor said. "She was already enrolled in EFMP. But it's nice that we've talked and she knows where to come to get help when she gets here. And if I don't have an answer, I'll make sure I find it."

One of Taylor's concerns is that people who should be enrolled in the program aren't, especially people with asthma.

Dependents diagnosed with these conditions should be enrolled in EFMP, along with the more obvious physical and mental problems.

"Even something people might think is minor, like depression, is important," Taylor said. "Being able to get needed prescriptions is something to consider during relocation, especially overseas."

Besides tending to the families enrolled in EFMP, Taylor coordinates community events such as Special Olympics track and field coming in October, Exceptional People day at the fair this month, and two bowling events, one held at Rocket Lanes on the Arsenal each year.

She also works with the Special Needs Resource Teams that partner with Child and Youth Services and the community health nurse to ensure children with special needs are enrolled in the best placement in child care services.

"I'm spending time getting situated but I do have some projects I would like to get started," Taylor said. "I'd like to do a needs assessment with EFMP families to see if there's interest in a support group. I'd also like to set up a data base so that when training is available in the community, new resources, new laws come out, special meetings are scheduled, I can contact people

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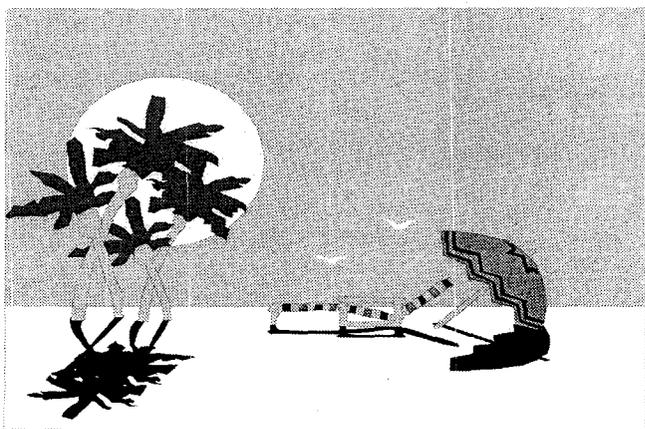
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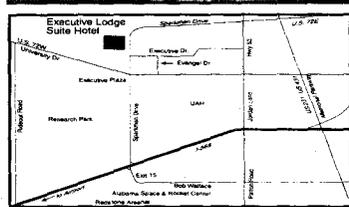
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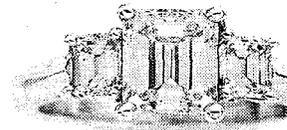
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Army buys into wholesale logistics program for 21st century

*New way of doing business
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By SKIP VAUGHN
Rocket editor

Item managers have literally been driving the same car for the past three decades.

How so, you might ask? Well, they are using the same outdated system for buying and selling spare parts that they – or their predecessors – used back in the 1970s. Sure, the system has been tweaked and improved in various ways through the years but it's still basically the same.

That won't be the case much longer.

The Wholesale Logistics Modernization Program will replace the old ways of doing business – in particular, the Commodity Command Standard System and the Standard Depot System.

"Those are two old legacy systems that have been around since the 1970s," Don Cobell, WLMP deputy change agent for the Aviation and Missile Command, said. "They're outdated. They're batch process systems, as opposed to real time."

This is going to happen throughout the Army Materiel Command beginning next year. "It should be in place throughout AMC by August 2003," Cobell said. First online will be AMC headquarters in Alexandria, Va., and the Communications-Electronics Command, Fort Monmouth, N.J., in July 2002. CECOM will be followed by the Tank-automotive and Armaments Command, Warren, Mich., in October 2002. And then comes the Aviation and Missile Command in February 2003 followed by the Soldier Biological and Chemical Command, Natick, Mass.,



Photo by Skip Vaughn

AGENTS FOR CHANGE— Those involved in making preparations for the Wholesale Logistics Modernization Program include Norm Myers, a change agent consultant for WLMP who works for Computer Sciences Corporation; and Don Cobell, WLMP deputy change agent for the Aviation and Missile Command.

in May 2003 and the Operations Support Command, Rock Island, Ill., in August 2003.

Not only is this system new and improved, it also represents a standard way of doing business. Currently the subordinate commands have their own unique systems for their various commodities.

"Today they do everything individually," Norm Myers, a change agent consultant for WLMP who works for Computer Sciences Corporation, said. "And that's a

major change as they now become one big business."

The Army Materiel Command awarded a \$680 million, 10-year contract to Computer Sciences Corporation, out of Morristown, N.J., on Dec. 29, 1999 to implement and run the new system. The tool or motor for this new vehicle is called the Enterprise Resource Planning System; and the software vendor is Systems Applications and Products, a company started in Germany.

Expected benefits from the Wholesale Logistics Modernization Program include the following: speed, standardization, adaptability to change, and cost savings. The savings should result from shutting down the 3,000 interfaces that are currently being used.

"You're getting better and more accurate answers in real time (under the new system) rather than waiting till the next day," Myers said. "It's a tremendous and powerful tool for AMCOM, the ability to have real time updates. We don't have that right now, and it's really frustrating for the community."

His work right now includes education, getting the item managers and everyone else ready for the new way of doing business. And that means trying to overcome the predictable reluctance on the part of many people to make a change, even for the better. Some people are just content to keep driving their old gas-guzzler.

"They're old and outdated," Cobell said of the current systems. "And they need to be brought up to the 21st century."

For more information about the Wholesale Logistics Modernization Program call Cobell 955-8160, Myers 876-9287 or 885-7675, or access the following web site: www.wlmp.com.



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Sports & Recreation

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.

Hunter safety briefing

The mandatory Hunter Safety Orientation will be held 4:30-6 p.m. 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 assigned to Redstone must have a current Alabama drivers license, or a copy of PCS orders assigning them to Redstone in order to obtain a resident Alabama hunting/fishing license. For more information, call Outdoor Recreation 876-4868/6854.

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.

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Directed energy symposium

The fourth annual Directed Energy Sym-

posium 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 symposium 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.

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 Federal 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 Thursday 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.

Retired officers

The Retired Officers Association will hold its monthly luncheon meeting today at 11 a.m. 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.

Enlisted spouses

Everyone is invited to the next Enlisted Spouses Club meeting Oct. 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room of the Challenger Club. For more information, call Sonya West 726-9394.

Blacks in government

The Huntsville-Madison County Chapter of Blacks In Government will hold a general membership meeting Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at the Community Room in the Piccadilly Cafeteria, Madison Square Mall. This meeting is open to chapter members only. For more information, call Mary Peoples 955-4275.

Administrative professionals

Oct. 16 is Manager's Awareness Day. Take your Supervisor to lunch. The International

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Redstone Rocket 4 Day 3 Night Resort Vacation Give-Away Contest

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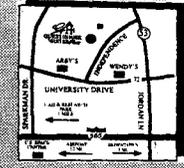
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Association of Administrative Professionals will meet at the Officers and Civilians Club at 11 that morning. The menu will include tossed salad, chicken exotic – sauteed chicken with stir fry vegetables and a rich Oriental sauce flavored with soy sauce, ginger, garlic, light brown sugar and teriyaki sauce – rice, Belgian carrots, choice of lemon or chocolate cream pie, rolls, butter, coffee and tea. Cost is \$10.56 per person and includes gratuity. The program will consist of a couple of the IAAP members telling about what IAAP is and its accomplishments as it would relate to the admin professional and management and how they can work together in today's environment. For reservations call Bonnie Gamino 955-1934.

Sergeants major

The Sergeants Major Association will hold its monthly meeting Oct. 18 from 6:30-7:30 a.m. at the Redstone Golf Course. For more information, call Jean Rose 313-1659.



Miscellaneous

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 donations

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.

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.

Financial managers

The Huntsville/Redstone Chapter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers announces that Frank Arcari of National Headquarters ASMC will present an "Overview of the Certified Defense Financial Manager" program Oct. 11 from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. in Bob Jones Auditorium. Arcari will also present a broad overview of the core competencies, necessary for successful completion of the CDFM examination. This presentation is sponsored by ASMC with no charge to the attendees, but all attendees must register in TIPS by Sept. 28. For more information, call Jackie Shaw 876-8932.

Volunteer tutors

The North Alabama Center for Educational Excellence is looking for volunteer tutors who can help sixth through 12th graders in all levels of math, science, social studies, English, French, Spanish and computer skills. They should be available two afternoons per week for one to two hours. For more information, call David Price 858-4600.

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Photo by Sgt. Sharon McBride

They're here...

Sgt. Chad Wilson, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 59th Ordnance Brigade supply sergeant, issues berets to soldiers assigned to HHC on Sept. 18. Other soldiers assigned to the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School, the Aviation and Missile Command and the Medical Department Activity should have their initial issue in the next few weeks. Before soldiers are allowed to wear the new headgear they must be instructed on the proper wear and participate in a beret ceremony.

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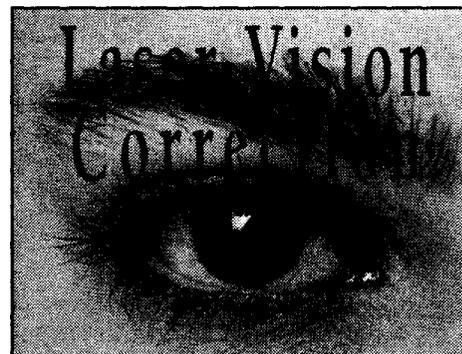
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Professional development

The annual Blacks in Government (BIG) Professional Development Seminar will be held Dec. 6 in the Tom Beville Center. Cost is \$125. For more information, call 551-7230 and leave a voice mail. Your call will be returned.

Housing yard sale

The Family Housing Yard Sale is scheduled for Oct. 6-7, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. "This is a great opportunity to dispose of those things you no longer need and provides others the prospect of finding treasures," a prepared release said. "Good selling and shopping to all!"

Piano lunch and learn

The AB Stephens music store on Drake Avenue is offering a Christmas Carol class for beginners, with instructor Dawn Johnson. "Bring your brown bag lunch and learn how to play Christmas carols in time for the holiday season," a prepared release said. Monday classes are 11:30 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. Oct. 8-29. Tuesday classes are noon-12:40 p.m. Oct. 9-30. Cost is \$39. There are limited spaces available.

Army family team building

Army Family Team Building (AFTB) Level I classes will be held Oct. 2-4, from 6-9 p.m., at Army Community Service,

building 3491 on Honest John Road. "Level I is designed for new Army family members – but even the more experienced will be surprised by what they'll learn," a prepared release said. "This is 'Army 101' – everything you ever wanted to know but didn't know who to ask! Our program proudly serves Redstone Arsenal and the surrounding communities." Space is limited and child care is free. Call 876-5397 by Thursday to enroll.

Operations research seminar

Redstone Arsenal- Huntsville Military Operations Research Section will sponsor a professional development seminar, "An Implementation of Operational Synthesis," Oct. 10 from 8:30-11:30 a.m. at the SELA Auditorium, building 5400. This seminar is presented by the Marine Corps Combat Development Command. For more information call Ray Livingston, RAHMORS president, 726-3937 or Mike Kelly, vice president, 971-7341.

Masquerade ball

The Janice Mitchell Isbell Academy will hold a Masquerade Ball, Nov. 2 at 7 p.m. at the Officers and Civilians Club. Tickets are \$50 for couples or \$30 singles. The academy's goal is to re-mediate students (grades K-5) who have learning disabilities and/or are performing below grade level. After accelerating them to grade

level, they will be prepared and equipped to return to their regular schools. The Isbell Academy is located in the New Shiloh Church Ministries' Youth Building at 5101 Mastin Lake Road. For more information call Patricia Hill, executive director, or Augustus Smith Jr., principal/administrator, 746-9206.

Bicycle found

A men's blue and silver, 26-inch, 10-speed Huffy bicycle was found in the area of gate 8, Goss Road. The owner should contact the Provost Marshal Office, Investigations/Inspections Division, building 3421 (Gray Road), or call 876-2090 /3449, to identify or claim this property.

Spot bid sale

The Disposal Operations at Marshall Space Flight Center will hold a drop-by Spot Bid Sale, Oct. 3, from 9 a.m. till 2 p.m. The sale will consist of eight laptop computers, 42 computer systems and assorted furniture to include chairs, book shelves, credenzas and a computer desk. Disposal Operations is located at Intergraph Building 21, 470 Dunlop Boulevard, Huntsville. For more information call the sales hotline 544-4667, Greg Tate 544-1774, or access the General Services Administration web page as follows: www.gsaauctions.gov.

Benefit concert

Huntsville Community Chorus Association will present a benefit concert, "A Celebration of America," at 3 p.m. Sunday at the First United Methodist Church, 120 Greene St. downtown. This Red Cross-sanctioned event is in memory and in honor of the victims and the rescue teams of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on

the United States. There is no admission charge; donations will be accepted for the American Red Cross National Disaster Relief Fund. For information call Bob Gustafson, HCCA president, 461-8838 or the HCCA office 533-6606.

Education for soldiers

Servicemembers have until Oct. 31 to make an irrevocable decision to convert from VEAP to the MGIB, according to the Education Center. To be eligible for this conversion, a soldier must: serve continuously on active duty from Oct. 9, 1996 through April 1, 2000, be a VEAP participant on Oct. 9, 1996, completed requirements for a secondary school diploma (or equivalency certificate) or have successfully completed the equivalent of 12 semester hours in a program of education leading to a standard college degree, make a lump sum payment of \$2,700, or have \$2,700 reduced from pay within 18 months of signing DD Form 2366. This program is open to all U.S. Military Academy and ROTC scholarship graduates, Section 903, Enlistment Bonus, and Loan Repayment Program participants who meet the aforementioned eligibility criteria. Section 901 recipients are not eligible. Reserve/Guard members serving on active duty may be eligible. The VA will not authorize benefits to any individual while the \$2,700 is being reduced from pay. Visit the Education Center, building 3222, to sign up for this conversion. For more information, call 876-9761.

PX news

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Thrift shop

The Redstone Thrift Shop invites you for shopping, consignments and donations. "It may be more of a challenge getting to us these days, but we are here to support this community and encourage you to stop by," a prepared release said. "We are now accepting winter clothing and Halloween items for consignment and of course, we try to make room for furniture when at all possible. Furniture sells very well in our shop and we are always looking for good

pieces to display. This month, September, we would like to recognize our 'Volunteer of the Month,' Ivan Grant. Mr. Grant has been volunteering with us for a little over a year. Being retired military, he offers his skills in various jobs around the shop." Consignments and donations are taken during regular store hours from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays, and from 9-5 Thursdays. If interested in consigning, call management 881-6992.

Levy briefing

All active duty personnel on orders for reassignment are required to attend the levy briefing scheduled for 1 p.m. Thursday at building 3447. Spouses are encouraged to attend. Representatives from finance, military personnel, housing, Army Community Service and transportation will be on hand to answer any questions. For more information call Mary Breeden, relocation assistance program manager, 876-5397.

Manager serves exceptional family members

Taylor

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in the program that may be interested and get them the important information."

She's also interested in offering classes and bringing presentations of services on the post.

It's a big undertaking but Taylor feels up to the job. She is, after all, "an Air Force brat" and "loves the military services." She graduated from high school at Torrejon AFB, Spain. Her father retired after 30 years in the Air Force. Her mother spent five years in the Marines. She

spent 18 years working at Sheppard AFB before moving to Maxwell in 1999.

"My weekends are spent at dirt bike races," she said. "Bryan and Bryan love it. I'm just a cheerleader right now but I am learning how to ride. It's scary as heck."

Taylor's new leisure interest is running and she's looking into an aerobics class. Her longtime passions are travel and the theater. "I'm looking forward to seeing 'Beauty and the Beast.'"

As she and Bryan prepare to build a house in Huntsville and deepen their roots in the community, Taylor is ready to give up her old theme song. Perhaps it's time to start singing, "Sweet Home Alabama."

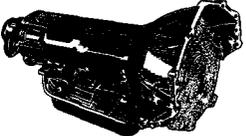
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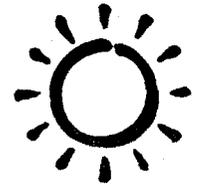
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