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National Guard unit supports Army helicopters worldwide

Depot maintenance soldiers under Readiness Directorate

By SKIP VAUGHN
Rocket editor

It's a good relationship that has gotten better, according to National Guardsmen.

Since 1997 a National Guard unit providing Army aviation support has been under the Aviation and Missile Command. The Aviation Depot Maintenance Roundout Unit, based at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., was formerly under the Industrial Operations Command, Rock Island, Ill.

The unit joined AMCOM in the realignment that put the depots under the commodity commands they support. Corpus Christi Army Depot, Texas, and Letterkenny Army Depot, Pa., went to AMCOM under the same move.

"It's just been a very positive and integrated working relationship," Lt. Col. Bruce Wilhelm, deputy commander since 1998 for the Aviation Depot Maintenance Roundout Unit, said. "In my eyes, I'd say there's mutual respect for roles and responsibilities."

"We're an aviation asset that's finally aligned with aviation," Sgt. Maj. Doug Freburger, senior operations NCO for the unit, said.

Wilhelm and Freburger made their periodic visit to Redstone last week. Their unit is assigned to the Readiness Directorate within the Integrated Materiel Management Center.

The unit, authorized 1,436 National Guardsmen altogether in five states, includes a headquarters at Aberdeen and four aviation classification repair activity

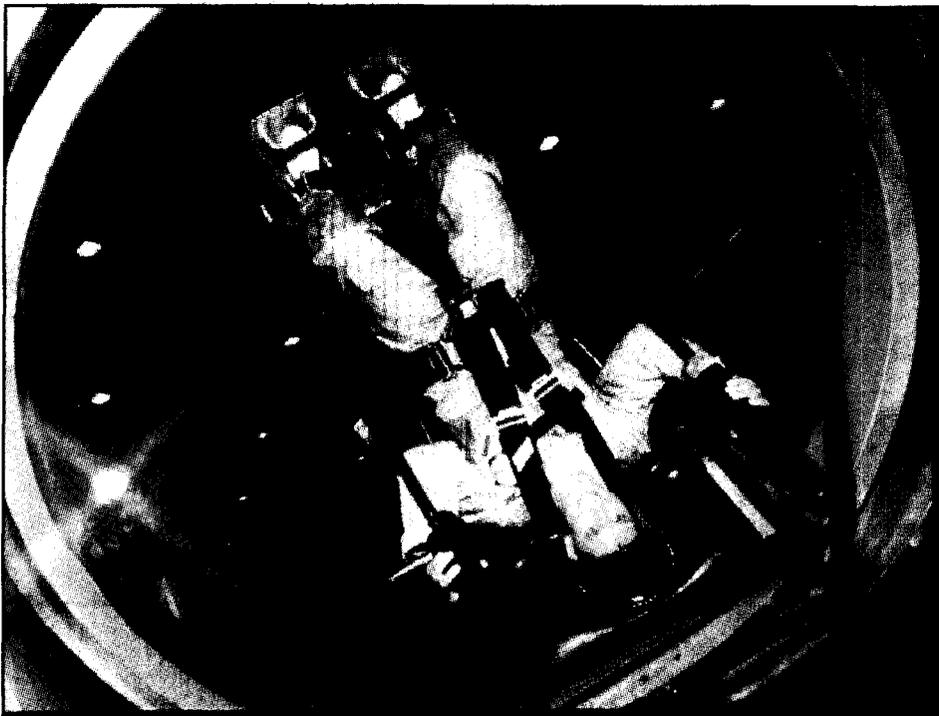
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PLANNING SESSION— From left are Lt. Col. Bruce Wilhelm, deputy commander of the Aviation Depot Maintenance Roundout Unit at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.; Dirk Sibert, contingency planner for Readiness Directorate; and Sgt. Maj. Doug Freburger, senior operations NCO for the unit. The two National Guardsmen visited Redstone last week. Their unit is under the Readiness Directorate within the Integrated Materiel Management Center.

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By JIM BOWNE
For the Rocket

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The discounted five-day camp programs include Space Camp, Space Academy, Advanced Space Academy, and Aviation Challenge (MACH I, II, and III). Nor-

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Final look at lessons from history

I felt compelled to respond to last week's (Nov. 28), "Another Look at History Revisited," from Mr. Bob Smith, whose letter responds to a previous letter to the editor. The subject is the American Civil War, fought between the United States and the Confederate States of America from 1861 to 1865.

Mr. Smith disagrees with the previous letter writer's use of the phrase, "War Between the States," and the assertion that the American Civil War was not caused by slavery, hence his diatribe about "revisionist" history.

I am amused that semantics dictates this old argument. Frankly, I prefer "The War of Northern Aggression," but I am not foolish enough to believe that the American Civil War was not caused by slavery.

Mr. Smith refers to the "moral and financial lifestyle," directing his disdain at the Southern plantation class, ignoring the manufacturing class that dominated the pro-Union states who practiced the same "slavery" by dictating meager wages to "free" laborers. The profit motive lived quite well all over the United States. I am not an apologist for

Southern slavery. Nor can I ignore the jingoistic notion that Southern slavery was worse than Northern slavery. Either condition was reprehensible.

The economic rivalry of the North and South, fueled by the arguments about Southern slavery and States Rights, greed by Northerners and Southerners, and the inexcusable distrust of each side led to the explosion of the American Civil War. Addressing the war, the focus became Southern slavery, but it was only a tactic used by Abraham Lincoln to stop the rebellion, not a conspiracy to end de facto Southern slavery.

Jesus said, "Let he who is without sin cast the first stone." In other words, my friends, both sides shared the blame for the American Civil War. We've learned lessons from that experience and still apply them today.

Voltaire said, "I may disagree with what you say, but I'll defend to the death your right to say it." Viva la liberty!

Holt Busbee
AMRDEC

Editor's note: This is the final letter the Rocket plans to publish on this subject.

Soldiers treated to holiday meals

On Redstone Arsenal, there are hundreds of young soldiers away from home for the first time. With this in mind, individuals from defense contractor Northrop Grumman teamed up with families from Williams Elementary and Middle School (which serves children of soldiers stationed at Redstone) to offer Thanksgiving meals at their homes to soldiers. On Thanksgiving morning, a full bus of soldiers met families from Williams and Northrop Grumman in the parking lot of Williams School. Families were assigned 2-4 soldiers to take home for Thanksgiving dinner, and brought the soldiers back at a specified time.

Northrop Grumman coordinator

Kevin Wilson and Williams teacher Patti Lovejoy McKee worked with Redstone public affairs point of contact Sharee Miller to make this program come together. One participating civilian mentioned that cooperative events such as these help soldiers to not only feel appreciated, but they also provide civilians with a personal way of saying "thank you" to the brave men and women in uniform.

Schools, organizations and companies wishing to participate in this Thanksgiving program next year can call Mrs. McKee at 428-7540.

Patti Lovejoy McKee
Williams kindergarten teacher

Resident wants power answer

I'm upset about the power outage we had in the housing area on Monday, Nov. 12. Even though we received prior notification that the power was going to be cut off so that work could be done for the newly built homes, it was still an inconvenience.

Prior to the power outage I called the phone number on the memo and spoke to Mr. Davis. I asked why on a day that everyone is going to be home since it's a holiday, and he said that the decision was made based on the day care children and the church. What he said was in order

not to inconvenience the children at the day care and the people that work at the church, that it would be the best time. I'm very upset because the day care and the church took priority over the people who live in the housing area. We too have children, and as far as I'm concerned the number of children in the housing area exceeds the number of children at the day care. Just as easy as it was for the memo to be typed and approved, it could of been just as easy

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Gate traffic comes to light

Those of us who "try" to exit the Arsenal from Goss Road in the afternoon are at a great disadvantage now that the traffic light has been turned off. Traffic leaving post has a straight shot all the way out Rideout Road and drivers don't slow down in any lane. Traffic backs up on Goss Road as drivers fear for their safety while waiting and hoping for an opening in oncoming traffic. With Gate 8 closed, the only alternative is to weave back through the OMMCS area and try to exit Gate 10. Then we run into the road construction.

Since we have no reason to believe the security system will change any time soon, this situation should surely be looked into.

Name withheld by request

Editor's note: Redstone Arsenal Sup-

port Activity provided the following response:

"The traffic signal at Goss Road and Rideout Road was placed on flash when direct access to the post from Rideout Road to Goss Road was blocked. Turning the signal on at certain times like 3 to 4 p.m. may create possible unsafe travel conditions for those individuals exiting the installation on Rideout. In an attempt to create safer driving conditions in and around Goss and Rideout, we have reduced the speed limit in the area of Gate 9 in order to improve safe traffic movement during the busiest times. In addition, on Nov. 10, Gate 8 (Goss and Patton Road) was opened up to traffic. Opening this gate should reduce the amount of traffic needing to exit the post from Goss Road onto Rideout."

Kudos for proactive security steps

Great appreciation is due our garrison commander's proactive security procedures. I have, over the past month, noticed the professionalism of the National Guard unit working the gates.

I was concerned a few weeks ago when I noticed those same soldiers had

no magazines (some call it a clip) in their weapons. The magazine is what holds the bullets used to deter our enemies and defend our people. Some personnel on Redstone Arsenal have voiced their somewhat uneducated opinions about the

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Redstone Rocket has holiday break

The Redstone Rocket staff will celebrate the holidays by taking a two-week break Dec. 26 and Jan. 2. Our last issue of

the year is Dec. 19 and our first issue of the new year is Jan. 9. We hope you enjoy the upcoming holiday season.

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■ Reader upset about outage

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to find another place for the children of the day care to be moved to another facility while the work was being conducted. May I suggest the After School Services building. The power was out from 9 a.m. to 1:10 p.m. What would have happened if the food in the refrigerator got spoiled?

I really think housing needs to make better decisions, and get the housing community feedback since we are the

ones being affected after all. Also I heard a couple of weeks ago about the water in Redstone Arsenal testing positive to some chemicals, why didn't we hear about it? What is it that we're drinking? I think we have the right to know. We need answers, Housing!

Name withheld by request

Editor's note: Redstone Arsenal Support Activity provided the following response. "A power outage was scheduled a week in advance for Monday morning, Nov. 12 to install a master electrical power meter in the main electrical lines that served a portion of the family

housing area, the Bicentennial Chapel, the Child Care Center and the Youth Center. The outage was scheduled to minimize the impact on all Redstone employees, residences and their families. The choice of the Veterans Day holiday presented no impact on the Chapel and the Child Care Center and hence the employees and families which utilize those facilities, since both were closed for the holiday. We try not to shut the power off to the Child Care Center when open due to the number of children being housed and the strict regulations under which the Child Care Center has to operate. If this had been scheduled for a Saturday, we would have affected the same

family housing units that were affected on Monday. If we scheduled it for Sunday, we would have affected the same population plus the services at the Chapel. We scheduled the outage for four hours hoping to have the power turned back on sooner. The power was cut off at 9 a.m. and restored at 11:40. A second brief outage was required from 1:05 to 1:15 p.m. to make the final electrical tie-in. We are sorry for the inconvenience but this work had to be performed in order to complete the electrical distribution system in the housing area. We do not know of any problems with the quality of the drinking water on Redstone Arsenal at this time."

■ Proactive steps applauded

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issue. Some were "uncomfortable" having soldiers with loaded rifles working at the gates. Question: Would you hire a carpenter who didn't use nails when building a house? The answer is obviously a resounding "No." Loaded weapons are a necessary part of equipping American warriors for our defense and well-being. Someone's discomfort about the issue bears no weight in the face of our garrison commander's responsibility to keep us safe.

In 1983, a Marine Corps colonel was instructed to have his men post a ready

defense around the Marine Barracks during peace-keeping operations in Beirut, Lebanon. The young Marines stationed outside were given loaded magazines but were told to keep them in pouches on their belts until needed. One morning while standing post in front of the barricades that surrounded the barracks, a terrorist drove a bomb-laden truck past those same Marines, ramped the barricades, and slammed the truck into the barracks. The force of the explosion leveled the building and killed 282 Marines and sailors. The guards said the man was seen grinning when he zipped by them at 50-plus mph. You may ask, what were those Marines at the front gate doing? Answer: They were

pulling the loaded magazines out of the ammo pouches on their belts and attempting to load their weapons to shoot the driver. National policy made the decision to have those weapons unloaded and it cost us 282 lives. Dear God, let us learn from our mistakes.

Since last week, every soldier I've seen has had a magazine inserted in his/her weapon. I, along with 282

deceased American servicemen, heartily applaud our garrison leadership for taking the steps necessary to secure this highly important base despite the concerns of "gun-haters" and "peace-niks." Get used to it folks — some really twisted people want to kill Americans and we must be ready to crush their efforts with a viable, swift and terrible force.

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Gate entry procedure shouldn't deter guests

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Dan Ahern, director of community and family activities, wants to assure everyone who is eligible to use morale, welfare and recreation facilities that he and his staff are doing everything to make it as easy as possible to do so. To make it easier, anyone who is an eligible patron and doesn't already have a decal and badge — this includes spouses of government workers; retired civilians and their spouses, and government contractors who work on post and their spouses — will be allowed access to Redstone Arsenal by showing their MWR club card, golf card, or Child and Youth Services patron card with a picture form of identification.

"Of course the easiest way to access our

Even if you don't have a badge or decal, but are otherwise eligible to use MWR services, you may still access those services by showing your MWR card with picture ID at the gates.

services is if you already have an Arsenal access badge, military or civilian ID, and a decal on your car," Ahern said. "If you are eligible to receive badges and decals, by all means do so immediately to ease your entry through the security gates."

With a decal, your vehicle is not going to be subjected to daily entry searches each time you come onto the Arsenal — only the random level of searches as prescribed by the current force protection level. But even if you don't have a badge or decal, but are otherwise eligible to use

MWR services, you may still access those services by showing your MWR card with picture ID at the gates.

Business is down at several MWR facilities, most notably the golf course, which has suffered an approximate 26 percent decline in play and revenues since Sept. 11. Ahern thinks part of the problem is the normal seasonal tapering off of business as the weather gets cooler, but a big reason for the decline is the "guest factor." Each authorized user of the golf course can bring up to three guests.

"The normal way to play with a guest would be to say, 'meet me at the golf course.' But everyone who used to meet at the MWR facility with their buddies (guests) who were not authorized MWR users simply can't do it that way any more. The guest has to meet up with their sponsor (the authorized patron) off post and ride together," Ahern said.

There are no problems hosting parties or other private functions on post that will have numerous non-Arsenal guests in

attendance. The authorized patron who will be hosting the party will simply need to provide a list of invitees to the club personnel so that coordination can be made with the Provost Marshal Office and the guests will be admitted through the gate.

All club facilities are still operating. MWR catering operations also suffered a big decline in business after Sept. 11. Eighteen parties were canceled in the last half of September for an estimated loss of \$22,000, according to Ahern. People probably just assumed their guests wouldn't be able to get on post, or didn't want the hassle of getting them on.

"The process has now been simplified and their guests can attend events without hassle," Ahern said, adding that the guest roster that includes the date, time, host's name and gate the guests will be entering "works just fine."

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NCO Academy members donate time in community

Selfless service projects encouraged year-round

By Sgt. SHARON McBRIDE
Staff writer

The cadre who train soldiers at the NCO Academy want their students to leave with something extra after graduation, a commitment to the Army's value of selfless service.

Throughout the year, it's not uncommon to see students from the academy as well as cadre involved in community projects throughout Huntsville.

Habitat for Humanity, involvement with Boy Scouts, the local court system's Phoenix Program, collecting food and money for various charitable programs are among the organizations and projects that the academy is involved in year-round.

"We highly encourage community service projects as a part of our curriculum, but it is not a graduation requirement," SFC Kelvin Spencer, the Advanced NCO Course senior small group leader, said. "We encourage our students to give back to the community, not only here but when they get back to their permanent duty stations, too."

It's a commitment that has spawned a new program at the academy. "Tiny Soldiers" is a spinoff of Junior ROTC programs in high schools, said SFC Archie Scott, the program's creator. Scott is also the senior small group leader for the academy's BNCOC course.

"With this program we are trying to instill values and discipline at a younger age," he said. It was also created to help children with their academics. Currently, the

program has 36 children from Terry Heights Elementary.

"Many of the kids come from single parent households," Scott said. These children can be considered "at risk." For most this is their first experience with soldiers and the military.

"But it's not only about the military, it's about life in general," Spencer said. Besides teaching military subjects like drill and ceremony, those who volunteer in the program also teach healthy life skills, like personal grooming and saying no to drugs.

"Skills that will hopefully follow and help them throughout their school age years," Spencer said.

So far the program has been a hit.

"We have received nothing but positive feedback from the parents," Scott said. The idea is to teach them early so when they get older they won't end up in trouble or in programs like the Phoenix Program. The Phoenix Program is a court referral program that is geared toward juveniles that are first offenders.

The academy generally graduates 40 ANCOC and BNCOC classes per year. At a minimum, each class is involved in one community project.

"Every day we get more and more requests for soldiers to volunteer within the community," 1st Sgt. Victor Blade, BNCOC first sergeant, said. "When people in the community see uniforms — it not only helps with recruitment, it actually helps improve the reputation of the Army."

"As soldiers we definitely can make improvements in other people's lives," 1st Sgt. Loris Kirkpatrick, ANCOC first sergeant, said. "We are not just soldiers, we are a part of the community."

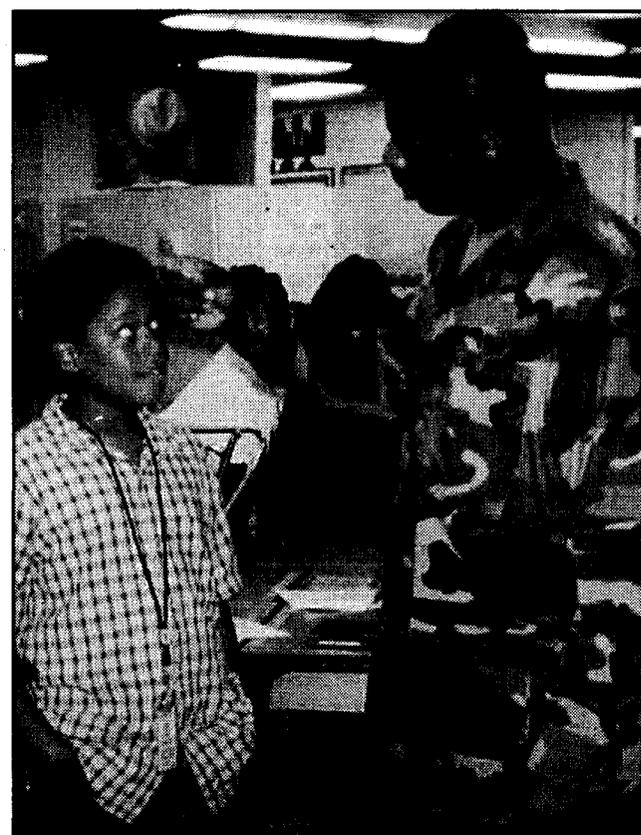


Photo by Sgt. Sharon McBride

GOOD EXAMPLE— SSgt. Sidney Waller, a Basic NCO Course student from Fort Benning, Ga., gives a "little soldier" some grooming tips. The program is one of several that students and cadre from the Academy participate in throughout the year.

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vation Army and get some."

IMMC's "SOS Angels" program continues through Dec. 13. Gifts will be turned in that morning from 7-10 in building 5309, room 9123.

Volunteers and their phone numbers include: Green 842-9369, Barbara Calloway 313-1637, Charlotte Rutherford 313-1396, Vanessa Adair 876-3394, T.J. Longoria 876-6869, Nadine Manderson 842-8714, Belinda Leak 876-5956, Judy Rodriguez 876-1155, Darnesheia Alexander 313-1300 and Alma Morgan 313-2445.



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SEASON'S GREETINGS — Volunteers for the SOS Angels program include, from left, Judy Rodriguez, Nadine Manderson, Terry Green, Charlotte Rutherford, Belinda Leak and Vanessa Adair. Not pictured are Barbara Calloway, T.J. Longoria, Alma Morgan and Darnesheia Alexander.

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Making a list

Sarah Brazzel, left, and Glenda Waters make a final check of the seating arrangements for Team Redstone's Holiday Party scheduled for Friday evening at the Officers and Civilians Club. Brazzel and Waters are both members of the Holiday Party Working Committee that has worked hard to ensure that the party will be an event to remember. Brazzel works in the Protocol Office, and Waters works for the Command Analysis Directorate.

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Redstone fire chief hangs up hat after 27 years of service

Thomas Stephens got his start as crash firefighter in Marines

By SANDY RIEBELING
Staff writer

"I worked with him since '92," Art Murtha, fire inspector, said. "He was a bear. With him it was always do it the right way or pay the consequences. It's what made him a great chief. He earned the respect of everyone in the department. I was sorry to see him go."

Redstone Fire Chief Thomas Stephens retired Nov. 2 after 27 years in service as a Department of Defense civilian firefighter.



Courtesy photo

FOND FAREWELL— Redstone Fire Chief Thomas Stephens says goodbye to the crews at his retirement party Nov. 2.

A Gadsden native, Stephens caught the firefighting bug while serving as a crash firefighter in the Marine Corps in 1970. Following his discharge in 1973, Stephens took a job as a firefighter at Redstone Arsenal, and later moved his wife, Charlene, and son, Adam, to Arab where the family still resides.

Stephens, however, did not spend his whole career at Redstone. He served as a firefighter, apparatus operator and in 1982, was promoted to captain. He moved to Fort Lee, Va., to serve as the assistant fire chief in 1985 and then three years later, took the same job at Fort Benning, Ga. It wasn't until 1989 that Stephens was able to transfer back home to Redstone. In 1995 he was promoted to Redstone's fire chief.

"The chief was a real people person," Murtha said. "If you had a problem, all you had to do was go and tell him and he'd find a way to help. He really stuck up for us."

Stephens' accomplishments include an associate degree in fire science technology from Calhoun Community College and a bachelor's degree in business administration from Athens State. He is a certified DoD fire officer VI, fire inspector II, HAZMAT technician, airport firefighter and fire instructor II. He also holds a national registry certification as a fire instructor IV. He has taught many fire and emergency services classes including a stint as a fire science technology professor at Calhoun Community College.

Upon his retirement, Stephens was the chief administrator of a 53-person emergency response unit operating out of three stations with four engine companies and a training facility. Stephens also spearheaded an effort that resulted in Redstone Arsenal becoming recognized as an official training site for the Alabama Fire College and Standards Commission. Through this agreement, Red-

stone has been able to train and certify its own firefighters as well as many from the surrounding area at no cost.

Through the years he has been recognized many times professionally for exceptional performance, extraordinary contributions and faithful service to the Army, the community and his fellow man.

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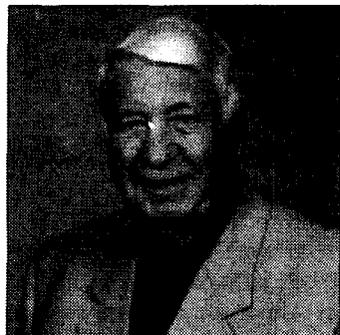
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Colonel Dison is retired from NASA as a Senior Contracting Officer and from the U.S. Army Reserve Program. He is a Life Member of the Retired Officer's Association, the Korean War Veteran's Association, and the Purple Heart Association.



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Active woman has more than Christmas spirit



Photo by Beth Skarupa

GIFT OF GIVING— Marie Southworth, one of the many people who contributed shoeboxes full of supplies for children to Operation Christmas Child, looks over some pieces she's been sewing into doll quilts. She plans to donate the quilts to Christmas Charities when they're finished.

Volunteer activities, zest for life keep 86-year-old 'young at heart'

By **BETH SKARUPA**
Staff writer

Whether she's packing shoeboxes with items for Operation Christmas Child at the Bicentennial Chapel or making doll quilts to donate to Christmas Charities, Marie Southworth enjoys using her time and talent to give to others. That's why she remains active in volunteer activities year-round.

For the past 15-20 years, she has been participating in projects like Operation Christmas Child that give wrapped shoeboxes full of supplies to needy children around the world at Christmas. She also has sent boxes to soldiers, since she knows firsthand how much they are appreciated. She sent many packages to her husband Roy when he was in the Army.

"Over the years I've sent packages to 'Any Soldier' filled with cookies, candy, gum, paperback books, because that's all they're really interested in," she said. "Also I put in chapstick because I remember when my husband was stationed in Okinawa, it would get warm and their lips would get chapped. If they don't want it, they can throw it away."

She has been active in the Huntsville community ever since she moved here in

1967. She was a docent at the Weeden House and volunteered for Meals on Wheels until 1989 when her husband became ill. After he died, she continued to volunteer at her Episcopal church, the Church of the Nativity in downtown Huntsville.

"I'm 86, I'm getting kind of old, so I'm cutting down on what I do," she said laughing.

Although she says she's cut down, she still stays busy. She gives tours of the 142-year-old church, is a member of the Altar Guild and works on publishing information from the church archives in the church bulletin.

"I find it very interesting to look at the

handwritten minutes of the Vestry. They're hard to read, done with a fine pen ...I have no picture of the original church, but I think it's very historical. And the men — there were 56 people in the church — the men put in the money and the women did all the work ... If they needed to repair a window or replace carpeting, it was the women that got in there and did it."

Originally from Seattle, Wash., Southworth taught home economics to senior girls at a high school in Maryland for several years. She has a bachelor's degree in home economics from the University of

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Operation Christmas Child a labor of love for chapel volunteers

Shoeboxes filled with gifts on way throughout world

More than 130 shoeboxes were collected in October from the Bicentennial Chapel as part of Operation Christmas Child.

As in past years, the Catholic and Protestant communities filled empty, gift-wrapped shoeboxes with toys, school supplies, and small gifts for shipment to children ages 2-14 in countries all over the world.

Sixteen volunteers sorted and delivered 10 large cartons in early November to a local collection center, this year being West Huntsville Baptist Church. On Nov. 20, all boxes collected in Huntsville were shipped to Atlanta where they are being processed for transportation to more than 80 countries. The shipping donation of \$5 per box was paid for by the Redstone Arsenal Chaplains' Fund.

Operation Christmas Child is a project of Samaritan's Purse, a Christian relief and evangelism ministry led by Rev. Franklin Graham, son of Rev. Billy Graham. Shoebox gifts have been delivered to some of the world's most remote regions; and for most of the children, they will be the only Christmas gifts they receive.

Filling the boxes has become a much



Photo by Susan Carr

GIFT WRAPPING — Volunteers at work on Operation Christmas Child include, from left, Pat and John Hevorah, and Ursula Bremer.

anticipated tradition at the chapel, with numerous comments about how much fun it is to shop for items for the boxes, and how best to wrap the box lid separately from the box bottom. Some people begin to collect school supplies and save shoeboxes when the back-to-school sales begin in the summer.

For information on next year's Operation Christmas Child program, call the Bicentennial Chapel at 876-2409.

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■ Guardsmen provide aviation maintenance support

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depots. The four are as follows: the 1106th in Fresno, Calif., which supports the West Coast, Alaska and Hawaii; 1107th in Springfield, Mo., the Central U.S.; 1108th in Gulfport, Miss., the Southeast region; and the 1109th in Groton, Conn., the Northeast region.

"Those units provide backup aviation intermediate level maintenance and specified depot program support to the National Guard fleet during peacetime," Wilhelm said. "Each AVCRAD supports between 13 to 15 states/territories, each with approximately 500 to 600 aircraft (mainly helicopters). And then upon mobilization, they become an Army Materiel Command/AMCOM asset."

None of the program elements is mobilized so far, he said. Since the beginning

of October, the unit has sent a soldier from its headquarters to the AMCOM operations center here for 2-3 weeks at a time. The fifth such soldier arrived last week. The unit expects to continue this rotation schedule through January.

"We're just putting more attention beyond deliberate planning on possible support scenarios," Wilhelm said when asked the potential impact of the current world situation on his unit's mission.

"We train as we fight every day if we're called to active duty," Freburger said.

The 1106th just completed a scheduled support operation in Korea which involved fielding AH-64D Apache Longbow helicopters. Some 24 Apache Longbows, most equipped with fire control radars, were fielded Oct. 3-20 to the 1st Battalion, 2nd Aviation Brigade. "They are the 2nd Infantry Division's attack battalion and they're the first in that theater

to get the Longbows," Wilhelm said.

In this fielding the 1106th soldiers performed the vessel offload and assisted with the reassembly, inspections, paperwork and limited test flight support.

"I thought it went very smoothly," Wilhelm said. "Had one day that was slow — it was actually the first maintenance day — due to rain. But other than that, it was a well-planned and executed mission."

The 1109th was involved in the multinational Bright Star exercise in Egypt from September to November.

"Their mission was to provide backup aviation maintenance for all U.S. Army helicopters supporting the exercise," Freburger said. "That entailed the offload of the vessel, the exercise maintenance support, and then they redeployed those aircraft by sea back to the United States. We had a total of 47 soldiers supporting. It (the exercise) went off as scripted."

Wilhelm, deputy to unit commander Col. Ronald Eaton, was here Nov. 26-29 to review the logistics operations plans to

support soldiers in Southwest Asia. The unit's mission essential tasks include supporting deploying forces, receiving and storing components, serving as the aviation branch within the Army Materiel Command's logistics support element, providing two deliberate major theater war contingency organizations and a smaller-scale contingency organization which all include a post support piece, and augmenting Corpus Christi Depot for surge workload.

"It's more a part of the deliberate planning process," Wilhelm said of the impact from the current world situation, "but kind of mixed with it is looking toward what we might do in regards to crisis planning. For example, they've already stood up the logistics support element in Southwest Asia. That theater support command which is the 377th TSE, headquartered out of New Orleans, is the TSE for 3rd Army which is the Army component under CENTCOM (U.S. Central Command)."

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Tennessee Volunteers get nod over LSU for conference title

By SKIP VAUGHN
Rocket editor

My college football predictions went 17-4 last week to finish the regular season 247-81.

Tennessee and Louisiana State will play in the Southeastern Conference championship game Saturday at 7 p.m. in

Atlanta. Last week Tennessee (10-1) advanced by upsetting Florida 34-32 while LSU (8-3) beat Auburn 27-14.

The Tennessee defense is a little too strong for LSU so the Volunteers should come out on rocky top.

Look for my bowl predictions in next week's *Rocket*.

White Tigers roar to Huntsville girls soccer championship

Post team wins under-10 title

By SANDY RIEBELING
Staff writer

Redstone's White Tigers were on the prowl for a victory heading into the city championship game for girls under-10 soccer against the Patriot Strikers Nov. 4 at Cove Park.

Team confidence was high as the White Tigers took the lead early and kept it throughout, winning the title 3-1.

"It was a great ending to a season of hard work," coach Monte Perry said. "I told them how proud I was of them before the game. Regardless of the outcome I felt these girls were already winners. Then they did it. They pulled out a great win."

The Redstone team ended their regular season 7-2-2. The White Tigers went on to win three of the four games in their tournament bracket which was good enough to get them into the final with the Patriot Strikers.

"It was an exciting game," assistant coach Maj. Doug Oyler said. "But what was even better was to watch how the girls progressed from the beginning of the season. At first the girls all ganged in on the ball. Then they started learning positions and how to play to support their team. That's really the whole point at this age. Winning is great but we wanted to let the girls have fun, learn a little about soccer and hope that they'll continue to play down the road."

Midfielder Tatum Perry loves playing soc-

cer and had a feeling, like most of her teammates, that the White Tigers would prevail.

"One of the reasons we won, I think, is because we're fast," she said. "There's something special about our team. Mom's a good coach. She makes us hustle and she never lets us say, 'I can't.'"

One of the biggest team challenges, according to Oyler, is learning how to play together quickly. Unlike most club teams with steady coaches and players who grow up playing together, military children move about every two years which means new coaches, new teammates and new soccer parks.

Five of the 11 team members played on a team last year coached by Oyler.

"These girls have never ending energy," Perry said. "We have some aggressive girls on our team. They know how to support each other. Our lead scorer, Morgan Hutto, is an outstanding athlete. We have a couple of newbies to soccer this year but they did great. We have the girls rotate positions to give them perspective. Each one of them has something special that adds to the team."

"We play well together," Paige Oyler said. "It's a lot of fun. But the best moment was winning the championship."

Team members include Georgia Newman, Kristen Erdley, Kamaren Braxten, Rebekah Brooks, Erin Homan, Sarah Macedonie, Jackualynn Talley, Morgan Hutto, Tatum Perry, Paige Oyler and Kyandra Ravenel. Stephanie Erdley was the team mom.



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IN ACTION— Coach Monte Perry and assistant coach Doug Oyler watch the play as Tatum Perry (5 in white), and teammate Kyandra Ravenel (18), attack the ball during the championship game.

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Expert says watch what you eat during the holiday season

Extra pounds from indulging can be headaches to work off

By ROSEMARY GATES
Fox Army Health Center dietitian

Nutrition! Who wants to discuss healthy eating this time of year? While a couple of days of dietary indiscretion probably won't make a big impact on your overall health, you can potentially add quite a few additional pounds if not careful. Between the office potlucks and formal and informal get-togethers with friends and family, it can get tough wading through all that delicious food and not coming out a hefty 5-10 pounds heavier

by the New Year.

Here are a few suggestions to help you get through the holidays:

- Fill up on the low calorie foods first such as lean meats (turkey, ham, lean roast beef and chicken) as well as plain vegetables with low calorie dip and fresh fruit salads such as ambrosia. Then when you indulge in that delicious pound cake, you won't feel like eating quite as large a serving. Or have one of those desserts made with gelatin and whipped topping. It hits that sweet tooth without adding all those extra calories.

- Try to avoid snacking on those salty, high fat chips during the football games. The salt may help you retain more fluid

and the oil those chips are fried in contributes a lot of extra calories you don't need. Try low fat microwave or air-popped popcorn or pretzels (you can get them unsalted if you desire) to snack on. Or try munching on some fresh fruit for a snack. The natural fiber will help fill you up and keep you satisfied for a while.

- Remember alcoholic beverages contain almost as many calories as fat. Note the following calorie content: distilled spirits, 100 calories/1.5 ounce; wine cooler, 215 calories/4 ounce; beer (regular), 150 calories/12 ounce; and dry wine, 80 calories/4 ounce.

- If you just want to have all those traditional foods you usually have over the

holidays, remember to keep your serving size to 1/2 cup per food item and don't go back for seconds. Try to wait at least two hours before eating again.

- Don't starve yourself all day so you can indulge in a big meal. Your body tends to store most of the calories when a large meal is consumed. Food is burned more efficiently if you have several small snacks throughout the day. You'll also be less hungry and less able to rationalize overeating.

And if despite your best efforts you still gain a couple of pounds, remind yourself that if you hadn't been careful about how you ate, you could have gained twice as many pounds. Enjoy!

■ Woman stays busy volunteering at 86

Spirit

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Maryland and a master's in early childhood education from Alabama A&M University. She specialized in teaching tailoring and used to make all her own clothes. She also taught in the early education field at A&M for a few years.

She lived all over the world with her husband – including Iran for two years – while he was in the Army, but she said they had never lived in the “deep South” before coming to Huntsville. They moved here because Roy had to set up a new office for Bell Aero Systems, Textron.

Southworth was happy to make Huntsville her home, although she continued to travel all over the world with her husband for years. She said Textron developed a large spotlight used in helicopters to shine down at people for mob control

and she accompanied her husband to Israel, then later to Los Angeles, Hawaii, Japan, Korea, Saigon, Thailand, Iran, Hong Kong, India, Germany and England when he was working on the project.

“It was three months, so we went around the world in 90 days, not 80,” she said, laughing again. After working for Textron, her husband opened a helicopter flight school at the old Huntsville Airport for a year, then ended up working for the government at Redstone Arsenal.

Southworth has one daughter, Anne Marenka, who works in the Software Engineering Directorate, as well as two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She still travels with her daughter and is planning to take an Alaskan cruise in August. Despite the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11 and increased security, she has no qualms about it.

“I took my first airplane ride in 1949, so no, I'm not nervous about traveling,”

she said. “If it's my time, it's my time.”

She definitely seems like the kind of person who can handle whatever comes her way. She survived the destruction of her home during the 1989 tornado in Huntsville. She and her husband barely had time to take cover, but they ran into the kitchen and lay down on the floor as the roof was torn off their house.

“Of course, when the roof comes off, the walls fall down. The rain came in and I watched as all my tickets and papers and things I'd had on a bulletin board in the kitchen floated by us,” she said. “When it happens, you're not sure if it's over or not.

Then my husband got up to find his dog. I think he was more worried about that dog than the house.”

The dog was found, everything that could be salvaged from the house was salvaged and the house was rebuilt exactly as it had been. And Southworth continues to give supplies to needy children throughout the world each Christmas.

“Those kids just have nothing. Even with the Taliban, you see them taking shoes off dead prisoners because those shoes are better than no shoes,” she said. “People here just don't understand what that's like. We have so much.”

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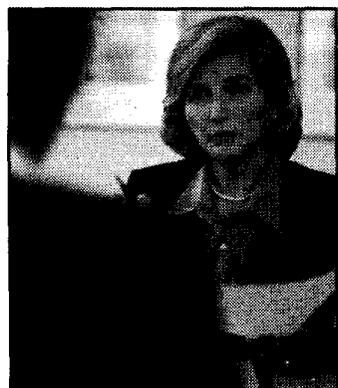
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Introduction to HTML and Web Design	
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Tae Kwon Do classes

Youth Services will host Tae Kwon Do master Jeffrey Davis every Tuesday and Thursday from 5-6 p.m. and 6-7 p.m., and Saturday from 7-8 a.m. or 8-9 a.m. Age limit is 5 years to adult. Class members may attend one to three classes per week. Classes will be held at the Youth Center, building 3148. Cost is \$40 per month for first family member, \$33 for second member, and \$28 for the third family member. Anyone interested must first register through Central Registration, building 1500, for \$15 per person or \$35 per family per year. For more information, call 876-3704 or 313-3699.

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Conferences & Meetings

Retired officers

The Retired Officers Association will hold its informal monthly breakfast at 8 a.m. Saturday at Mullins Restaurant. For more information, call retired Lt. Col. Bill Aldrup Jr. 881-0652.

Warrant officers

The Redstone Arsenal Chapter of the Warrant Officer Association meets on the second Wednesday of each month. The next WOA meeting is Dec. 12 at 11 a.m. in the Officers and Civilians Club.

Union meeting

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Airborne association

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Cost analysts

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Resource managers

The American Society of Military Comptrollers luncheon is Dec. 13 at 11:30 a.m. at Trinity Personal Growth Center, Airport Road. Ronald Grimes, of NASA Protective Services, is to speak on Home Security. Cost is \$9 for members, \$10 for non-members. For reservations call Mary Ann Green 313-0561.

Aeronautics and astronautics group

The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA), Alabama-Mississippi Section will have its December dinner meeting Dec. 13 at the Radisson Suite Hotel, 6000 South Memorial Parkway. Social begins at 6:30 p.m., with dinner at 7. Scheduled speaker is Robert V. Garvin, recently retired from General Electric. Regular admission is \$22, and student admission is \$12. Reservations should be made via email with Arloe Mayne at ArloeWJr@cs.com (preferred), or by calling 881-7124 by noon Monday.

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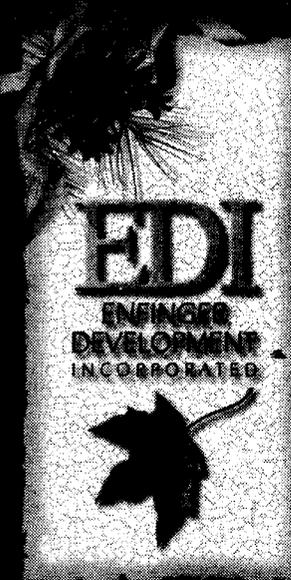
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Apprentice program

The Department of Defense initiated the Science and Engineering Apprentice Program in 1980, at the direction of the Executive Office of the President, to involve academically talented high school students in hands-on research activities and student-mentor relationships during the summer. This program is designed for students who have demonstrated aptitude and interest in science and engineering courses and careers. A major benefit of the program is the pairing of students with university and professional research and engineering mentors. The high school program is designed for students who are U.S. citizens and 15 years old by the beginning date of the program, June 10, 2002. The College Apprentice Program is designed for undergraduate students who have completed the SEAP and are enrolled in a scientific or technical college major. Other criteria are stated on the applications. Both programs are fast paced and require disciplined professional work habits. Junior and senior scientists and engineers gain additional experience by serving as mentors through the process of guiding first time students through interactive research processes. The points of contact for applications include the

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Photo by Beth Skarupa

Just like home

From left Ann Owens, Army Community Service personal financial readiness manager, Pvt. Paul Bonomo and Sgt. Matthew Osborne decorate the Christmas tree at ACS. Osborne expects to spend Christmas with his wife near Eglin Air Force Base this year and Bonomo will return to his hometown of Queens, N.Y. Both soldiers are members of Headquarters and Alpha Company, 832nd Ordnance Battalion.

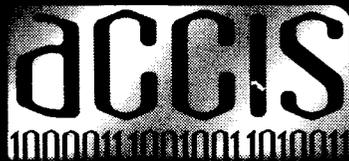
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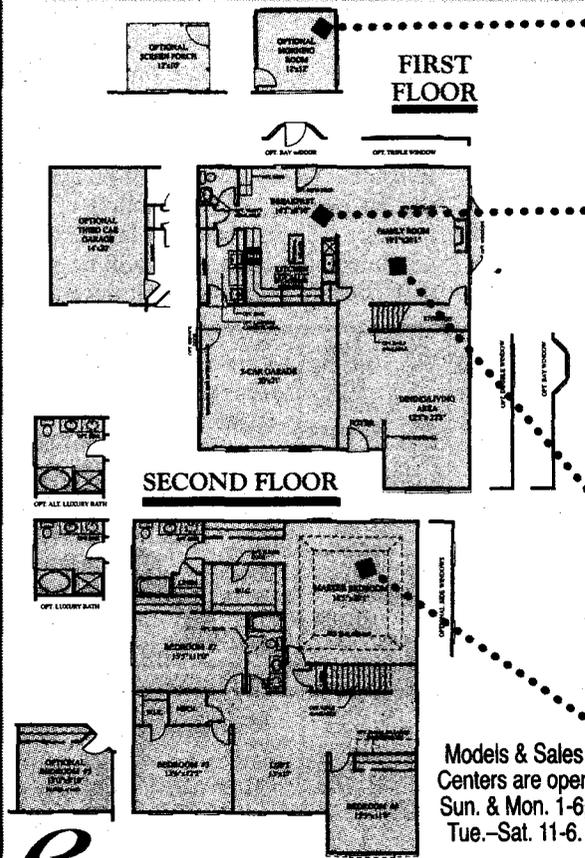
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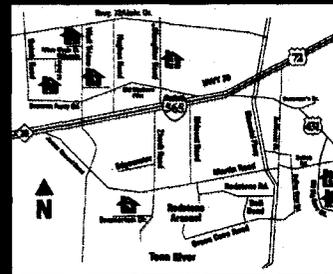
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senior counselor at all public, private and parochial high schools and the college placement services. Possible career placement areas at the Aviation and Missile Command include physics, chemistry, computer science, engineering and mathematics. The deadline for postmarking applications is Jan. 31, 2002. If the student is unsuccessful in receiving an application from the high school senior counselor, or college placement service, call the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center, Customer Support C, Betty Duke located in building 5308, at 313-4790.

New Year's Eve gala

The Officers and Civilians Club will have a New Year's Eve Party, Dec. 31. You can choose between three different parties: One, the ROCC Gala will have dinner served 7-9 p.m. and live music by "The Usual Suspects," \$35 per person or \$65 per couple; ticket price includes dinner, entertainment, full breakfast, party favors, and champagne for toasting; limited seating of 336. Two, the Firehouse Pub will be in full swing from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m.; tickets are \$15; karaoke, hors d'oeuvres, and champagne for toasting; limited seating of 100. And three, the Challenger New Year's Party where doors open at 8 p.m.; continental breakfast 12:30-1:30 a.m.; \$15 per person ticket price includes DJ, cash bar, continental breakfast, party favors, and champagne for toasting; limited seating of 60. Plus there is an all inclusive lodging

package which includes lodging on Redstone Arsenal in cottages or deluxe hotel rooms, transportation to and from the New Year's Eve Gala, dinner and dance, as well as a complimentary bottle of champagne in your room. There are 66 deluxe rooms for \$115.50 per couple and five cottages for \$135.50 per couple. For your tickets, call 830-CLUB or call Redstone Lodging 837-4130 or 876-5713 for the New Year's Eve Gala Package.

Angel tree at PX

Child and Youth Services is sponsoring the Redstone Arsenal Angel Tree program which began Nov. 10. The Angel Tree will be set up at the Post Exchange lobby (civilians and contractors can also participate by coming by the mall area to pick up an angel or star from the tree — no ID is required to get into the front mall area of the PX). Angels and stars on the tree will contain an age, sizes or wishes for a Christmas present that a child may not otherwise receive. Presents should be wrapped with the star attached to the outside. Turn the presents in to the PX or to Youth Services, building 3148, through Dec. 14 after 12:30 p.m. For more information, call 313-3735.

Online auction

Redstone Arsenal MWR will be conducting an ongoing online auction of NAF property. This first sale will feature assorted trailers, but other items will be sold as they become available. Visit the web site

at www.redstonemwr.com For questions or assistance, go into "policies and procedures" for contact information.

Holiday party

Tickets are on sale for the Team Redstone Holiday Party, Friday from 6 p.m. to midnight at the Officers and Civilians Club. Dress is coat and tie (includes members of the military). Reserve a table, or tables, for you and your friends, have your photo taken, a great dinner, and dance away the evening. Tickets are \$20 per person. For tickets and reservations call Acquisition Center, Debra Kelley Long 876-4153; Corporate Information Center, Kelly Miller 955-7111, Pat McCrary 842-9161 and DJ Roberts 876-9079; Command Analysis Directorate, Glenda Waters 876-4414; Command Group, Sarah Brazzel 876-7136 and Brenda Dunn 876-7503; Integrated Materiel Management Center, Pat Carter 876-1735; Internal Review and Audit Compliance, Eura Reaves 842-6949; Lead AMC Integration Support Office, Annie Powers 955-8868; Legal Office, Capt. John Faris 876-9911; Public Affairs Office, Jim Bowne 955-9173; and Redstone Arsenal Support Activity, Sue Paddock 876-6299.

Florida Tech

Registration for the spring semester at Florida Tech, Redstone Arsenal Graduate Center, is under way in room 4326 of building 5304. For more information, call 881-7878.

Weather alert information

If inclement weather causes Redstone Arsenal to close or delay its opening, tune in to any of the following stations for the most current information: Radio — WAHR, 99.1FM; WDRM, 102FM; WEKR, 1240AM; WEUP, 1600AM; WGSV, 1270AM; WJAB, 90.9FM; WLRH, 89.3FM; WRAB, 1380AM; WRSA, 97FM; WTKI, 1450AM; WVNN, 770AM; WWIC, 1050AM; and WZYP, 104.3FM. Television — WAAY (Channel 31), WAFF (Channel 48) and WHNT (Channel 19). Two additional methods have been implemented to provide current information about delays or closures. You can call 955-8445 to hear a recorded announcement or you can log on to the Team Redstone Internet site (www.redstone.army.mil) and click the button for weather alert information.

Merit awards

Officer and Civilian Women's Club dependents (high school seniors or college students), spouses, and members may compete for merit awards to pay for tuition, books and fees for undergraduate or graduate level studies. To be eligible to apply for merit awards, the club member must be an OCWC member in good standing as of Oct. 1, 2001. Applicants have four topics from which to choose an essay theme: How I See Myself in Ten Years, My Personal Ambitions and Goals, How

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LARRY'S DECEMBER PISTOL & PAWN GUN SALE IN STOCK INVENTORY ONLY 500 RIFLES RED-TAGGED RIFLES EVERY PREVIOUSLY OWNED CENTERFIRE RIFLES RIFLE & CENTERFIRE SPORTING RIFLE IS RED-TAGGED WITH SALE PRICE INCLUDED ARE RIFLES FROM WINCHESTER, REMINGTON, BROWNING, RUGER, SAVAGE, AND MANY MORE	BUCKSHOT AND SLUGS 12GA, 16GA, & 20 GA. MIXED BOX OF 5 SHELLS YOUR CHOICE \$10.00 ONE LOT ONLY	NEW 3X9X40 RIFLE SCOPES MATT BLACK FINISH BLAZER BRAND RETAIL 60.00 \$29.99	NEW SHIPMENT SOVIET M.44 PARATROOPER CARBINES NICEST LOT WE'VE EVER SEEN WITH FOLDING BAYONET (CALIBER 762X54) SALE \$99.99
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NEW 22 MAGNUM SINGLE SHOT PISTOL (ADJUSTABLE SIGHTS) RETAIL 169.00 SALE \$99.99	SMITH & WESSON 9 M/M COMPACT BRAND NEW MODEL 908 RETAIL \$450.00 SALE \$333.00	15X45X50 SPOTTING SCOPE FREE TRIPOD 200M VARIABLE SALE \$44.00	OUR LAST 20 SKS RIFLES ORIGINAL 10 SHOT UNISSUED SEMI-AUTO 762X39 CALIBER SALE \$177.77
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Army Values Have Affected My Life, or My Personal Hero. The deadline for submissions is Feb. 5. Students receiving fully paid scholarships and previous OCWC award recipients are not eligible for these awards. The applicant's primary residence must be within a 50-mile radius of the Huntsville area. For an application, call Chris Swart 722-3087.

Parenting preschoolers

A free class for parents of children ages 1-4 will be held Dec. 12 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Neighborhood Center, 1413 Nike St. Learn discipline methods that work, how to prevent tantrums, and routines to make life easier. Free childcare is available for those who preregister. To register or for more information, call the

ChildWise Program 876-2798.

Substance abuse class

December is Drug and Alcohol Abuse Awareness Month. Fox Army Health Center will offer a class titled "Substance Abuse Awareness," Thursday from 1-2 p.m. in the commander's conference room, first floor of building 4100. For more information, call the Public Health and Education Center 842-0196.

Toys benefit concert

The Rocket City Barbershop Chorus and the Sweet Adelines will perform a Christmas concert, Saturday at 7 p.m. in Roberts Hall on the campus of University of Alabama-Huntsville to benefit Toys for Tots. Price of admission is a new toy.

Marines will be on hand to accept your donations.

Prayer breakfast

The next IMMC Nondenominational Prayer Breakfast is Dec. 18 at 7 a.m. at building 5308, room 8124 (conference room). "No food or drinks will be served, but you may bring your own, or feast on the spiritual message that will be served," a prepared release said. "Everyone is welcome and invited to attend." For information call Clifton Canady 955-7224.

Eating and stress

Fox Army Health Center will offer a one-hour workshop designed to aid adults who are experiencing difficulties as a result of using emotional eating as a coping mechanism for handling stress. The class,

titled "Emotional Eating and Stress," will be held Dec. 11 from 2-3 p.m. in the MEDDAC classroom located on the second floor of Fox Army Health Center, next to the Optometry Clinic. Class participants will explore the relationship between eating and stress, determine how much stress they have, and discuss alternative stress management techniques. For more information, call the Public Health and Education Center 842-0196.

Resource managers holiday social

The American Society of Military Comptrollers will hold its annual Holiday Social from 4:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday at the Rustic Lodge. There will be door prizes, entertainment (DJ), and a barbecue dinner. Everyone is invited and the cost is \$5. For reservations and ticket information, call Tammy Moore 876-0351.

Santa run

The Sergeants Major Association will sponsor its annual "Santa Run," Dec. 15 beginning at 9 a.m. The run features Santa, Elves, and members riding on fire trucks through all of Redstone's housing areas passing out candy to the children. In addition, Santa will be along to hear those Christmas wish lists. So kids, remember, on the morning of Dec. 15, when you hear the sirens blaring in your neighborhood, come out for treats and a visit from Santa. For more information, call C.J. Johnson 955-8703.

Catholic community

Our Lady of the Valley Catholic community at Bicentennial Chapel will hold a healing mass at noon Friday. Christmas Around the World Celebration is 5 p.m. Sunday. Weekend mass is scheduled 5 p.m. Saturday and 9:30 a.m. Sunday.

English as second language

Classes on English as a Second Language are designed to improve people's English speaking skills. They also offer an opportunity to make friends with people from around the world. For more information, call Rosie Douglas of Army Community Service 876-5397.

Retirement seminars

Doug Dutcher of the Benefit Advisory Group Inc. will conduct retirement seminars Dec. 12-13 from 1-3 p.m. in the union office, building 3202. A \$5 fee will be charged for non-AFGE members. To reserve a seat, call 876-4880 or 881-7430 by close of business Monday.

Master's degrees

Nova Southeastern University will hold an information and registration meeting on its Master of Business Administration program from 6-8 p.m. Dec. 13 at Calhoun Community College, conference room 101E, at 102 Wynn Drive. For more information, call 800-672-7223, ext. 5039.

Thrift savings briefings

SFC Lolethia Gordon of Military Personnel Office will conduct Thrift Saving Plans Briefings, open to the Redstone community, at 1 p.m. Dec. 12-14 in Bob Jones Auditorium.

ARMY POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS REDSTONE ARSENAL AND HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA AREA

ANNOUNCEMENTS AS OF NOV 30 01	POSITION TITLE	CLOSING DATE	ORGANIZATION LOCATION	PAY PLAN & SERIES	GRADE LEVEL	POT GIRD	PAY RANGE (FROM - TO)	WHO CAN APPLY?																													
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01BK0031507AC2	Supv Program Analyst	5-Dec-01	PEO Aviation	GS-0343	14	14	73,268 - 95,249	X																													
01BK0013900B4DW	Supv Training Instructor (Elec)	5-Dec-01	OMMCS	GS-1712	12	12	52,139 - 67,776	X																													
01BK0032227B1	Supply Mgmt Spec	5-Dec-01	LOGSA	GS-2003	12	12	52,139 - 67,776	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
01BK0035677VW1	Electronics Engineer	6-Dec-01	SMDC	GS-0855	14	14	73,268 - 95,249	X																													
AC-02-317	Log Mgmt Spec	7-Dec-01	Army Intern	GS-0346	7	11	29,273 - 38,053	X																													
S01CE0037670LM5	Accounting Technician	7-Dec-01	CofE Huntsville	GS-0525	6	6	26,449 - 34,380	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
01BK0038367	Procurement Technician	7-Dec-01	Acq Center	GS-1106	6	7	26,449 - 38,209	X																													
01BK0041467RC1	Management Analyst	10-Dec-01	Acq Center	GS-0343	11	11	43,503 - 56,552	X																													
S01CE003967CM5	Environmental Engr	10-Dec-01	CofE Huntsville	GS-0819	13	13	52,139 - 67,776	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
S01CE0033967CM5	Safety Technician	10-Dec-01	CofE Huntsville	GS-0019	7	9	29,392 - 46,736	X																													
S01CE0029629CM5	Mech Engr, Elec Engr	10-Dec-01	CofE Huntsville	GS-0830-0850	15	15	86,182 - 112,037	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
01BK0043853ES2	Budget Analyst	10-Dec-01	RDEC	DE-0560	2	2	23,729 - 46,736	X																													
01BK0041143JW1	Admit Support Asst	11-Dec-01	SMDC	GS-0303	7	7	29,392 - 38,209	X																													
01BK0040933PO1	Intelligence Specialist (I And TS)	11-Dec-01	ISD	GG-0132	11	11	43,503 - 56,552	X																													
01BK0044085DT2	Program Support Asst	12-Dec-01	AMRDEC	DK-0303	III	III	29,392 - 42,321	X																													
01BK0039089FM2	General Engineer	12-Dec-01	AMRDEC	DB-0801	3	3	52,139 - 80,607	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
01BK0030281EDB1	Budget Analyst	12-Dec-01	RASA	GS-0560	9	9	35,954 - 46,736	X																													
01BK0039239ES2	Program Support Asst	12-Dec-01	AMRDEC	DK-0303	2	2	23,729 - 34,380	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
01BK0043710ES2	Aerospace Engineer	12-Dec-01	AMRDEC	DB-0861	3	3	52,139 - 80,607	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
01BK0035767DT2	Armmu/Expl Support Asst	13-Dec-01	AMRDEC	DK-0303	3	3	29,392 - 42,321	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
S00CE043077CM5R2	Electrical Engineer	13-Dec-01	CofE Huntsville	GS-0850	9,11	12	42,091 - 65,735	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
S00CE043077CM5R2	Electrical Engineer	13-Dec-01	CofE Huntsville	GS-0850	12	12	51,650 - 65,735	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
01BK0040607VW1	General Engineer	14-Dec-01	SMDC	GS-0801	14	14	73,268 - 95,249	X																													
01BK0036045BM1	IT Specialist (PLCYPLN)	20-Dec-01	CIC	GS-2210	14	14	73,268 - 95,249	X																													
00BK032894ES2	General Engineer	31-Dec-01	AMRDEC	DB-0801	2	3	29,392 - 67,776	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
01BK0001385ES2	Aerospace Engineer	31-Dec-01	AMRDEC	DB-0861	2	3	29,392 - 67,776	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
AGM92700	Medical Technologist	12-Jan-02	Army Intern	GS-0644	5,7,9	11,12	23,633 - 73,330	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
01BK000012JH3	Equipment Spec (Air)	6-Feb-02	IMMC	GS-1670	12	12	48,223 - 62,686	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
01BK000002JH3	Equipment Spec (Gen)	6-Feb-02	IMMC	GS-1670	12	12	48,223 - 62,686	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
AGM1428029	Counseling Psychologist Social Worker	8-Mar-02	MEDCOM	GS-0180-0185	9,11	12	35,818 - 73,330	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
AGM93436	Pharmacist	26-Apr-02	Army Intern	GS-0660	9,11	12,13	35,808 - 80,279	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
AGM1427198	Nurse	30-Apr-02	MEDCOM	GS-0610	9-12	12	35,808 - 80,363	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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X-BL-02-3282-JB	Engineering Technician	5-Dec-01	Office Sec of Army	GS-0802	6	6	29,392 - 38,209	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
X-TM-02-3301-EL	Supv Electrical Engr	10-Dec-01	CofE Huntsville	GS-0850	15	15	86,182 - 112,037	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
X-TM-02-3301-EL	Supv Mechanical Engr	10-Dec-01	CofE Huntsville	GS-0830	15	15	86,182 - 112,037	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
X-BL-01-3022-JB	Electronics Engineer	31-Dec-01	Office Sec of Army	DB-0855	2	2	23,729 - 56,552	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
X-JB-02-3343	Medical Clerk (OA)	7-Dec-02	Office Sec																																		

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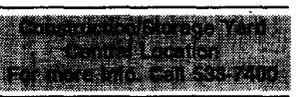
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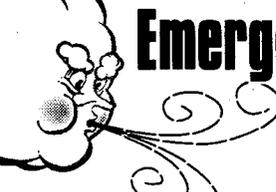
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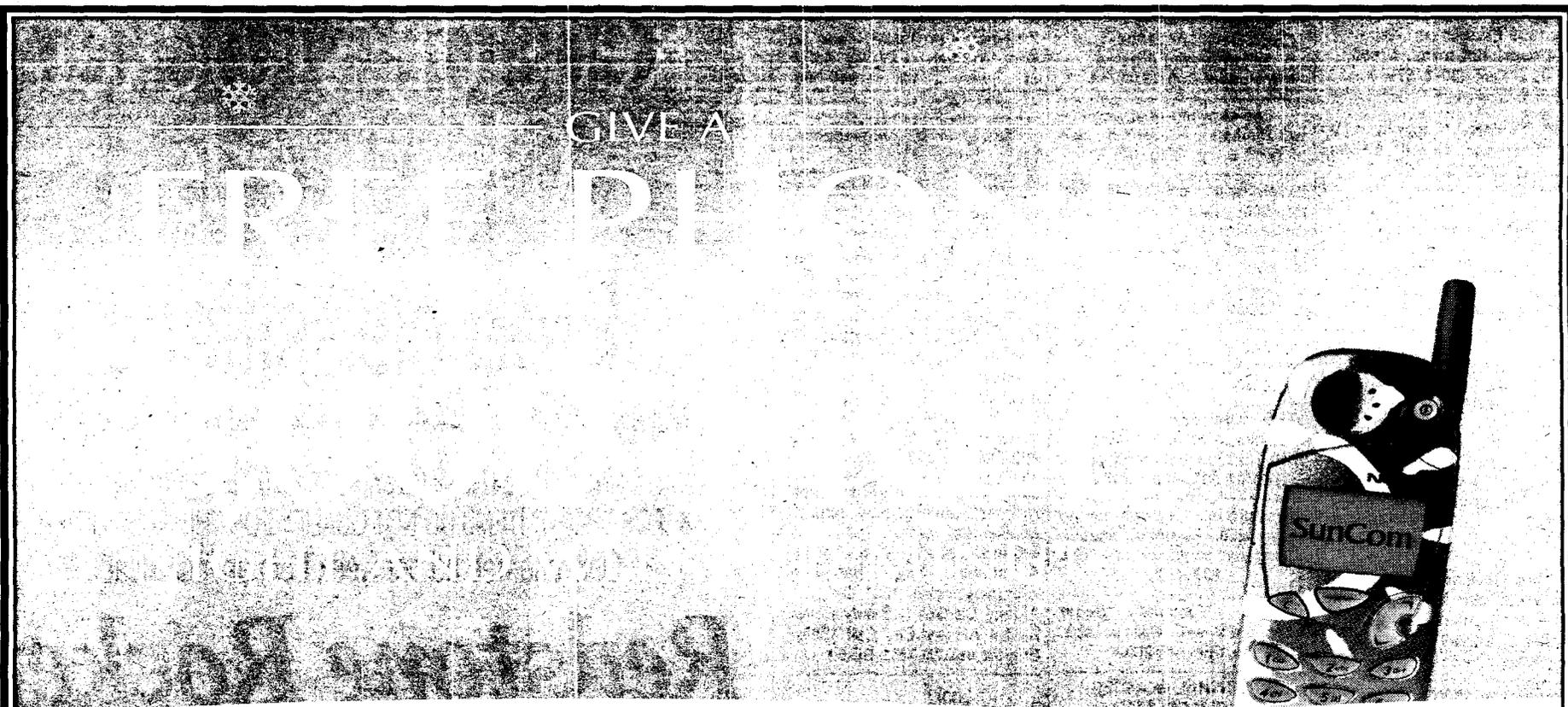
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