

# ROBINS REV-UP 2.0

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## COOKING UP EXCELLENCE



George Pless, cuts vegetables at the Wynn Dining Facility in preparation for cooking stir fry. The Wynn Dining Facility will be competing in this year's John L. Hennessy Award competition, which recognizes excellence in (U.S. Air Force photo By Ray Crayton)

The Wynn Dining Facility is cooking up excellence for this year's coveted John L. Hennessy Award.

Established in 1957, the award recognizes excellence in Air Force food service operations. Judges evaluate Air Force food service on management effectiveness, force readiness support, food quality, employee and customer relations, resource conservation, training and safety awareness.

The award is named for John Lawrence Hennessy, a hotel and restaurant executive who led the Hoover Commission's Military Food Service and Commissaries task force to improve military food service. Hennessy began his hospitality career as a hotel freight elevator operator and worked his way up to vice president of Hilton Hotels.

Editor's note: For More photos, visit the Robins Homepage at [www.robins.af.mil](http://www.robins.af.mil)

## FRIDAY FLYBY



### Join a Winning Team

Team Robins is currently hiring multiple selectees for the following positions:

**Sheet Metal Worker (Aircraft)** — <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/451533400/>

**Aircraft Worker** — <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/445574200/>

## OPEN SEASON FOR LOGISTICS PROGRAMS

Open season runs through Jan. 13 for Air Force Materiel Command's now fully implemented Logistics Professional Development Program.

The platform encompasses the four logistics certification program stalls: Professional Maintenance Certification Program; Professional Supply Management Certification Program; Professional Deploy-

ment/Distribution/Transportation Certification Program; and the Professional Life Cycle Logistics Certification Program. All application packages will be vetted through the local PMxCP, PSMCP, PDDTCP and PLCLCP POCs.

Please direct program and application process questions to the following local POCs:

**PMxCP POC** - Felicia Clark-Reid, [felicia.clark-reid.4@us.af.mil](mailto:felicia.clark-reid.4@us.af.mil)

**PDDTCP POC** - Mitchell Moody, [mitchell.moody.1@us.af.mil](mailto:mitchell.moody.1@us.af.mil)

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## AFMC LAUNCHES WORKLIFE4YOU!

**ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga.** — This is a new service bundled with our long-standing AFMC Employee Assistance Program. WorkLife4You is available for civilian employees and their families.

Work/life specialists are available 24/7 to provide expert consultations and help you find quality child care, adult care, adoption re-

sources, fitness centers, schools, universities, home improvement professionals, movers and many other helpful resources nationwide. The program saves individuals an average of 13 hours per request.

Online tools and free educational kits are available as well. EAP and WorkLife4You services are available all day, every day by



calling 1-800-222-0364 or by visiting the websites listed below.

**EAP:** <http://www.foh4you.com/>

**WorkLife4You:** <https://www.worklife4you.com/index.html>

**Registration Code:** AFMC

## TRANSITIONING? YOU'RE STILL FAMILY

The Army & Air Force Exchange Service knows how to take care of its own.

When service members transition to Individual Ready Reserve status, they keep the shopping benefit they've earned.

"Soldiers and Airmen transitioning to IRR status are very much a part of the Exchange family and can still shop at the Robins Exchange," said Stephanie Wilson, Robins Exchange general manager. "Their Exchange benefit, including tax-free shopping and competitive prices, remains intact during their time in IRR."

Soldiers and Airmen transitioning from active duty and their families can continue to visit the Ex-

### Exchange giving away \$10K in gift cards

The Army & Air Force Exchange Service will continue its celebration of active duty troops and military families by giving authorized shoppers a chance to win \$10,000 in Exchange gift cards during the month of November.

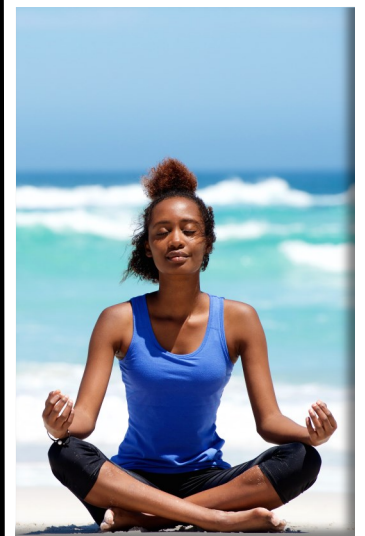
One grand prize winner will receive a \$5,000 Exchange gift card, while five runners-up will each receive a \$1,000 Exchange gift card. Shoppers can enter at [shopmyexchange.com/sweepstakes](http://shopmyexchange.com/sweepstakes) through Nov. 30.

The sweepstakes is part of the Exchange's Because of You program, which has expanded to celebrate military families and honor active-duty troops, allowing the Exchange to express gratitude for their service and sacrifice. Shoppers age 18 and older are eligible to enter. *\*No purchase is necessary to enter or win.*

change, Express, mall and food court. They can also shop online at [shopmyexchange.com](http://shopmyexchange.com) for exclusive military pricing on many items and an expanded merchandise selection.

Besides retaining shopping privileges, those in IRR status keep their Military Star card benefits.

If they don't have an account, they are eligible to apply for one.



### IDS Tip of the Week

Don't make a mountain out of a molehill.

It's easy to lose perspective when you're stressed out.

So instead; stop, breathe and refocus.

# Thoughts on Squadron Leadership

By Lt. Col. Nelson Rouleau  
12th Airborne Command and Control Squadron

I am of two minds when considering my time writing about leadership philosophy. On the one hand, I am bewildered as to what qualifies me to write about leadership.

If I've learned anything from those who have taken time to teach me, it's that leading is best done by the humblest of humans.

On the other, I've been taught that a meaningful piece of leading is about devoting time to share experiences with those who will replace us. If by somehow penning a page will allow me to pour a better-quality runway for my replacement, I am honored to do it. For what it's worth, my leadership philosophy follows.

The two passages on this page illuminate the topic of problems and the difficult thinking and communicating that is required to solve them.

Einstein's idea was that peoples' understanding is predicated on and limited to their experiences. Einstein was making the case for the advancement of knowledge, which frequently requires new solutions to existing problems.

He reminds us that today's answers will not endure forever. In fact, evolution of thought is mandatory if one seeks to answer tomorrow's questions. Similarly, Galileo's words warn of the tensions that arise between long-standing institutions with entrenched positions and individuals who are keen and have the and courage to challenge those positions.

In light of the complex problems we face, one must consider both Einstein's and Galileo's words carefully. Thus my leadership philosophy is founded on two lines of efforts: new solutions and courageous reasoning. The first line of effort, and possibly the most important, is providing new solutions to existing and emerging problems. Mission accomplishment is always number one, and undoubtedly thousands of distractions will tempt us to focus on something other than the mission. My role in this line of effort is to clearly identify mission objectives, inspire innovative solutions, monitor the progress towards these objectives, and not allow the routine to keep going.

The greatest challenge is to identify and implement necessary course corrections at the earliest opportunity.

The second line of effort is courageous and humble reasoning. Unsurprisingly, the problems that seek to mute or retard mission accomplishment will come gift-wrapped with deep-rooted positions.

My role in this line of effort is to have the sharpness and mettle to challenge those positions. In the past, more than one senior leader has offered the cliché, "Be careful what you are willing to fall on your sword for."

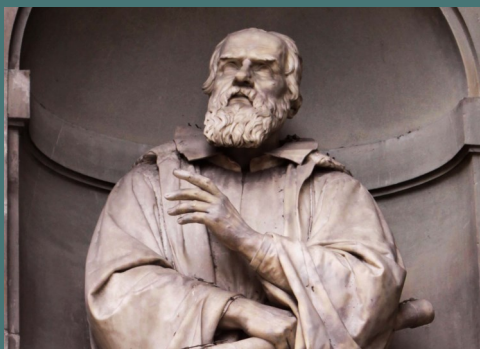
That counsel is improper. If something is preventing proper execution of our mission, I'm obligated to solve the problem. I understand I will be challenged, and I promise to not shy away from doing what is right for our squadron and the Air Force. In the long run, leadership models and clever catch phrases brief well, but do little pragmatically.

Thus, my leadership philosophy offers neither. Instead, my philosophy orbits around executing and inspiring innovative solutions and demonstrating the courage to not allow entrenched ideas to continue unchallenged. In the end, my leadership philosophy is predicated on the proposition of producing better *airminded* leaders than I could ever hope to be.



## ALBERT EINSTEIN

"We can't solve problems by using the same kind of thinking we used when we created them."



## GALILEO GALILEI

"... the authority of a thousand is not worth the humble reasoning of a single individual."

## GATE PROJECT: ONE DOWN TWO TO GO ...

BY GEOFF JANES  
ROBINS PUBLIC AFFAIRS

**ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga.** — And there ya have it, — one down two to go.

The Russell Parkway and MLK gates have resumed normal operations, and the Museum gate is closed until further notice. Phase 2 of the gate project starts Nov. 28 as construction moves to the Green Street Gate.

The Green Street Gate portion of the base's three-phase construction project to make entry and exit points safer is expected to last 21 days.

During that time period, The MLK Gate will remain open from 5 a.m. to 6 p.m. For morning traffic, three lanes will be used for inbound traffic until 8 a.m.

The Russell Parkway and the Watson gates will conduct business as usual.

To assist in relieving traffic, the Air National Guard Gate will be open from 5:30 to 8 a.m. for **inbound northbound traffic only**. It will be open for **outbound (northbound traffic only)** from 3 to 6 p.m.

The final phase of gate construction involves the Watson Gate and is slated to begin Jan. 5.

During that portion of construction, five lanes at the MLK Gate will be open from 5:30 to 8 a.m. to facilitate morning traffic.

Three lanes will also be open for inbound traffic until 7 p.m., with two outbound lanes open.

Once the Watson Gate is closed, the Green St. Gate will have normal operations and the Russell Gate will be open 24 hours.

The construction being performed at the gates is a necessity to help ensure not only security but employee safety while traveling in and out of the base.



Base leadership worked with local and state officials to maximize safety and minimize traffic hazards.

The construction involves the installation of traffic-calming devices and the installation of gate cameras.

Editor's Note: More information will be released as it becomes available. Be sure to check [www.robins.af.mil](http://www.robins.af.mil).

## COMMANDER'S ACTION LINE

The Commanders Action Line is an open-door program for Team Robins personnel to give kudos, ask questions or suggest ways to make Robins a better place to live, learn, work and play. The most efficient and effective way to resolve a problem or complaint is to directly contact the responsible organization.

That gives the organization a chance to help you, as well as a chance to improve its processes. If you do contact the Commanders Action Line, please fully explain whom it is you want to recognize and why, what you have a question about, or your suggestion. Discourteous or disrespectful submissions will not be processed. Commander's Action Line items of general interest to the Robins community will be printed in the Robins Rev-Up 2.0.

**78th Comm Group First Response Center** – 478-926-4357 or DSN 468-4357

**78th Civil Engineer Service Call Desk** – 478-327-7447 or DSN 497-7447

**78th Force Support Squadron CC** – 478-926-5023 or DSN 468-5023

**78th Medical Group Patient Advocate** – 478-327-8475 or DSN 497-8475

**78th Security Forces Squadron CC** – 478-926-3212 or DSN 468-3212

**Civilian Personnel Customer Service** – 478-222-0601 or DSN 472-0601

**Comptroller Front Office** – 478-926-4462 or DNS 468-4462

**Family Housing** – 478-926-3776 or DSN 468-3776

**Equal Opportunity** – 478-926-2131 or DSN 468-2131

**Household Goods** – 478-222-0114 or DSN 472-0114

**Inspector General Complaints** – 478-222-0818 or DSN 472-0818

**Inspector General Inspections** – 478-327-5523 or DSN 497-5523

**Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC)** – 478-327-7272 or DSN 497-7272

**Vehicle Dispatch (Transportation)** – 478-926-3493 or DSN 468-3493



Want to know more? Visit <http://www.robins.af.mil/News/Article-Display/Article/946495/king-were-at-our-best-as-a-team>

## MEET THE CHIEF



Above, Chief Master Sgt. Gary Sharp, Air Force Sustainment Center command chief, chats with a group of NCOs during a visit to Robins Air Force Base. Senior Airman Jessica St. Cyr, 78<sup>th</sup> Medical Group physical therapist, guides Sharp through the unit's physical therapy section. (U.S. Air Force photos by Tommie Horton)



## AFPC NEWS: 2017 COMBAT AIR FORCES SQUADRON COMMANDER CANDIDATES ANNOUNCED

**JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-RANDOLPH, Texas** – Air Force officials have selected 302 officers as the 2017 combat air forces squadron commander candidates.

Candidates are eligible for any worldwide command opening to include 365-day extended deployment command opportunities.

Wing and group hiring officials will use the candidate list to fill projected 2017 CAF squadron commander vacancies.

Members appearing on this listing may also be considered for other command opportunities outside of the CAF.

“Not all officers on the candidate lists will get command assignments,” said AFPC assignments officer Maj. Clint Carlisle. “The development teams typically select more qualified officers than there are projected vacancies to account for any unexpected events during the year.”

The development teams reviewed all aspects of the candidates' records, duty histories, demonstrated leadership ability, professional development and permanent change of station eligibility to identify the most qualified for command.

“The selection process is highly

competitive,” Carlisle said. “These candidates have demonstrated the leadership traits crucial for leading Airmen, setting goals and envisioning the future.”

Furthermore, for the first time, the CAF candidate list includes an additional 68 CAF members previously selected by Air Education and Training Command who also appeared on the recent HAWK squadron commander candidate list.

Capt. Ana Ruiz, CAF DT advisor at Air Combat Command, says this effort is groundbreaking.

“CAF wing commanders will no longer have to search through two separate listings to seek out new squadron commanders,” she said.

Ruiz recently took over as advisor to the ACC/A3 for all rated officer developmental matters, including this command DT.



Candidates will remain on the list if not selected for command until the list is superseded by the following year's results, unless they are removed for one of a variety of reasons such as selection for another assignment opportunity.

**Editor's Note:** *The candidate list is posted to myPers at <https://mypers.af.mil>. To view the list, select "Active Duty Officer" from the dropdown menu and search "CAF Squadron."*

# Youth Center, CDCs offer ways to keep Robins' kids busy during holidays

By Holly Logan-Arrington

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As the holidays approach, parents may be considering options for childcare as schools take a break.

Fortunately, Robins Air Force Base active-duty and retired military, Defense Department civilians, non-appropriated fund employees and base contractors don't have to go far to find quality care for their children.

Robins Youth Center, located in Bldg. 1021 at the corner of Ninth and Hawkinsville Streets, has programs Robins' youth can use to take boredom out of their vacation days.

Debra Bargie, Youth director for Youth Programs, said the center offers a lot of fun ways to pass the time.

The center will be taking youth to participate in the Feed the City community service project at Hope Church on Nov 18, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Nov. 19, from 6 p.m. to midnight, Robins Youth Center will host a Pre-teen and teen midnight-in. Youth must bring one toy with a value of \$5 to \$10, for a boy or girl, as admission to the event.

Robins' youth will be delivering Thanksgiving food items as part of a community service effort at the Community Outreach Center Nov. 22.

For youth who want to stick close to base, the center's Teen Room will be open Noon to 6 p.m. Nov. 21 through 23. The Teen Room will be closed Nov. 24 through 26 in observance of Thanksgiving.

To be eligible for the School Age Program, the child must be between the ages of 5 and 12 and be enrolled in the program; 5-year-olds must be enrolled in kindergarten.

For Open Recreation and the Teen Program,

youth must be 9 to 18 years old and must still be in high school to participate.

SAP is open Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. during morning hours and 3 to 6 p.m. for evening hours.

The School Age Program can accommodate up to 60 children. However, there is no restrictions on the number of youth in the Open Recreation and Teen Program.

"The SAP cost is based on total household income," Bargie said.

"For Open Recreation and the Teen Program, youth can purchase a quarterly membership for \$25 or \$50 for an annual membership. If a membership is not desired the youth would have to pay a daily use fee of \$3 each time he or she visits the Youth Center. For the School Age program the cost is based on total household income."

Open Recreation and the Teen Room is open from 3 to 7 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 2 to 10 p.m. on Friday. The Teen Room is also open on Saturdays from 5 to 10 p.m. unless there's a planned field trip.

With Christmas not far away, Robins Youth Center has its Christmas list ready to go.

Dec. 3, from 6 p.m. to midnight, the Youth Center will host its Passport to Manhood midnight-in for males only. The cost is \$10.

## FSS Thanksgiving and Family Day Hours, Nov. 24 & 25

### Services Activities

Bowling Center, open Thursday and Friday from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Fitness Center, open Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

FamCamp, open normal hours Thursday

Skeet range, open normal hours Friday

Education and Training, open normal hours Friday

Golf Course, open Thursday and Friday regular hours

Wynn Dining Facility, open Thursday, breakfast 6 to 7 a.m.; lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Dinner 4:30 to 7 p.m. open Friday, breakfast 5:30 to 8 a.m.;

lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Dinner 4:30 to 7 p.m.

Flight line Kitchen, open 24/7

Fast Food/snack bars, limited service Thursday

\* Unless listed all FSS activities will be closed Thursday and Friday. For more FSS hours, visit <http://www.robinsfss.com>.

### 78th MDG

78th Medical Group, All services, including pharmacy and central appointments will be closed Thursday and Friday.

Dec. 11, from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., the Youth Center will join in the Community Service and Christmas program at Dublin VA Hospital.

The youth will participate in the Community service effort at the Soup Kitchen Dec. 19 at 11 a.m.

Robins' youth will join in the Community Outreach Center Holiday toy drive Dec. 13 through 21. Toys will be delivered Dec. 23.

Finally, back at the center, the Teen Room will be open from Dec. 20 through 23, from 1 to 7 p.m., and closed Dec. 24 through 27 for Christmas.

The Teen Room will open Dec. 28 and 29 from 1 to 7 p.m., and Dec. 30 from 2 to 10 p.m. The youth center will be closed Dec. 31.

**Editor's note: For more information, call Robins Youth Center at 478-327-6834 or visit the center.**

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