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Tanya Thompson, 561st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron aircraft worker installs hydraulic lines in the airframe mounted accessory drive area of an F-15 during depot maintenance Feb. 16, 2017, at Robins Air Force Base. See more on page 4. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tommie Horton/Released)

COMMANDER'S ACTION LINE

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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.

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

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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 ABW Safety Office — 478-926-6271 or DSN 468-6271

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

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Submissions must be received by 4 p.m. Wednesday, the week prior to the requested Friday publication. They should be emailed to 78abw.pa.office@us.af.mil

Submissions should be of broad interest to the base populace. For information, call 478-926-2137.

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Make an impact on your community

Do you have an idea or experience that you want to share that you think would enhance the Robins Community?

Caring for People is an opportunity to not only enhance your installation but to make a positive impact for the entire Air Force Community.

An installation Caring for People Forum will be held March 3, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at the Horizons Event Center.

Representatives from across the installation will meet to identify the top two issues and proposed solutions for 14 different focus areas.

The top 28 issues will be used to develop the installation Community Action Plan. Any issues that cannot be resolved at the installation level will be forwarded to major command or Headquarters Air Force level for resolution.

If you have ideas or experiences that you want to share to enhance the Robins Air Force Community; this event is for you.

If you are interested in participating please contact your first sergeant. You may also contact Master Sgt. Angela Shunk by email angela.shunk@us.af.mil or by phone 478-808-8440 to register.

Please provide your name, organization, phone number, e-mail and indicate which focus group you would like to be in. WR/ALC Employees should contact Jennifer Spires by e-mail at jennifer.spires@us.af.mil

to register.

All attendees will be contacted with follow-up logistics in preparation for the event. Lunch will be provided for all registered attendees.

Attendance at the forum is authorized as an alternate duty location for civilian employees with supervisor's approval.

2017 Caring for People Focus Groups:

- **Family Support**
- **Guard Support** (*sponsored by the 116th Air National Guard*)
- **Base Housing**
- **Communication**
- **Mental Health Support**
- **K-12 Education**
- **Health & Wellness**
- **Single Airman**
- **Deployment Family Support**
- **Exceptional Family Member**
- **Child and Youth Programs**
- **Workplace Cohesion**
- **Team Robins Morale, Welfare and Recreation**
- **Diversity and Inclusion**



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Above, Tanya Thompson, 561st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron aircraft worker, and Alvin Abraham, 561st AMXS aircraft hydraulic systems technician, install hydraulic lines in the airframe mounted accessory drive area of the F-15 during depot maintenance here Feb. 16, 2017. (U.S. Air Force photos/TOMMIE HORTON)

Far left, Kenneth Johnson, 561st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron electronics technician, examines a wiring harness on the F-15 flown to Robins by Col. Christopher Sage, Seymour-Johnson Air Force Base, N.C. Feb. 16.

By **TIM KURTZ**

WARNER ROBINS AIR LOGISTICS COMPLEX

The F-15 flown into the Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex by a fighter wing commander has reached the half-way point in its programmed depot maintenance regimen.

As a gesture of thanks to the team that keeps his unit's fighter planes flying, Col. Christopher Sage, commander of the 4th Fighter Wing at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, N.C., personally piloted an F-15E into Robins on Nov. 30.

A memorable moment during the veteran pilot's visit was having his photograph taken in front of an F-15 stripped down

to a "cigar" – de-painted and de-winged for PDM.

That is the state his Eagle reached as of last week. Standing next to the fuselage in Bldg. 47 on Feb. 16, 1st Lt. Matt Treptau, operations officer for the 561st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, said the aircraft was in its fifteenth day in the repair gate — typically a 21-day stop along the PDM path for an F-15.

"This gate," he said, "is really the reason (aircraft) come to the depot."

The entire F-15 PDM process takes an average of 135 days, Treptau said. The complex team aims to trim that to 88 days.

The gates an F-15 passes through during PDM include in-processing, inspection, repair, buildup and operations check, and functional test flight.

78th Safety Break



PPE: Protecting our greatest assets

THERE ARE MANY JOBS WHICH EXPOSE WORKERS TO HAZARDS, AND WHILE THE AIR FORCE DOES ITS BEST TO ENGINEER THOSE HAZARDS OUT – OR AT THE VERY LEAST MINIMIZE THEM – THERE ARE TIMES WHEN PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT IS REQUIRED TO KEEP WORKERS SAFE ON THE JOB.

SHOP SUPERVISORS, IN CONJUNCTION WITH SAFETY, BIOENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING AND PUBLISHED INSTRUCTIONS, DETERMINE THE TYPE OF PPE REQUIRED FOR THE JOB TASK.

THE APPROVED LIST OF PPE IS ON THE TEAM ROBINS SAFETY SHAREPOINT SITE UNDER PPE APPROVAL LIST.

THE SUPERVISOR MUST TRAIN PERSONNEL HOW TO PROPERLY USE AND MAINTAIN THE REQUIRED PPE. TYPES OF PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO ITEMS SUCH AS GLOVES, SAFETY-TOED FOOTWEAR, EYE PROTECTION AND

HEARING PROTECTION.

WHEN PPE IS REQUIRED, THE WORKCENTER WILL PROVIDE IT TO THE WORKER.

AT NO TIME IS PERSONALLY PURCHASED PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT ALLOWED TO BE USED IN THE WORKCENTER OR ON THE JOB SITE. IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT WORKERS ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR PPE ACCORDING TO FEDERAL, DOD, AIR FORCE AND LOCAL INSTRUCTIONS.

AND, FAILURE TO WEAR PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT CAN LEAD TO POSSIBLE DISCIPLINARY ACTION.

EDITOR'S NOTE: IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS ABOUT THE USE OF PPE, CONTACT YOUR SUPERVISOR. IF YOUR SUPERVISOR IS NOT AVAILABLE, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT THE 78th AIR BASE WING SAFETY OFFICE AT 468-6271.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Museum of Aviation offers closer look at Tuskegee Airmen

By HOLLY LOGAN-ARRINGTON
Robins Public Affairs

Just stroll in to the Museum of Aviation's Scott Exhibit Hangar, just beyond the B-29 bomber display and you'll come face-to-face with relics of the Tuskegee Airmen, a group of men and women, African Americans and Caucasians, who were involved in the so-called "Tuskegee Experience," the Army Air Corps program to train African Americans to fly and maintain combat aircraft.

The Tuskegee Airmen included pilots, navigators, bombardiers, maintenance and support staff, instructors, and all the personnel who kept the planes in the air.

Mike Rowland, MOA curator, said the Tuskegee Airmen's story is truly inspiring.

"It's a great Air Force story," he said. "It's a great American story. We can all find inspiration and strength in the story of the Tuskegee Airmen."

The Tuskegee Airmen: A Proud Heritage Exhibit includes a simulated barracks building, hangar and a pilots' briefing room. The centerpiece of the exhibit is an aircraft scene featuring a Vultee BT-13 "Valiant."

"The Tuskegee Airmen trained in BT-13s like this one, and BT-13s were used at training bases throughout the country, including Cochran Field, located just up the road from Robins Air Force Base," Rowland said.

Another interesting artifact is a "Link" trainer, used to train pilots on instrument

flying, Rowland said.

"It's amazing to see how far flight simulators have come," he said. "There are also uniforms, models and equipment items on display. A colorful, 30-foot-long mural depicts pilots and aircraft in front of a hangar at Moton Field."

Much of the present Tuskegee Airmen exhibit was originally located in Hangar One, opening in 1997.

"We moved the Tuskegee Airmen exhibit to the Scott Hangar so it would be located with other World War II stories," Rowland said. "We had the barracks building moved as is and fabricated a new hangar façade. We didn't update the story line or exhibit text - that's something I'd love to do someday."

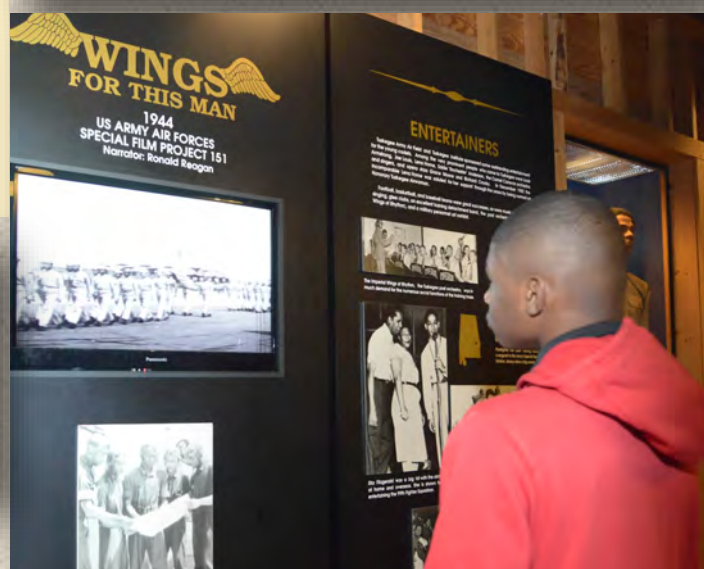
Active duty Airmen from Robins Air Force Base, including real-life pilots, were photographed for the mural and appear as aviation cadets.

The "new" Tuskegee Airmen exhibit opened in December 2011.

"It is one of the largest exhibits about the Tuskegee Airmen in the country," Rowland said.

The legacy of the Tuskegee Airmen lives on today through the 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing (AEW). The 332nd AEW is descended from the 332nd Fighter Group, the Tuskegee Airmen or "Red Tails" of World War II.

Editor's note: To learn more, visit the Museum of Aviation.



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Museum of Aviation curator

One Stop Shop

By **TOMMIE HORTON**
ROBINS PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Arts & Crafts, Outdoor Recreation and Information Tickets and Travel are all combined under one roof, and as a result of ongoing renovations, service is about to get even better.

There will be very noticeable differences once the improvements are completed by the end of March.

"This facility upgrade will improve our efficiency and help us to create a much better customer experience for our guests," said Bobby Roper, 78th Force Support Squadron Outdoor Rec, ITT, and Arts & Crafts director.

Customers will immediately notice one of the biggest improvements as soon as they walk through the doors. Upon entering, they will face a rounded counter staffed by friendly attendants ready to assist with their needs from any of the activities.

Behind the attendants, a TV monitor will display a variety of available products and services.

From the front counter, customers will also

have a clear view of the framing shop, engraving shop and available Outdoor Rec items.

Currently Outdoor Rec has a number of their offered products stored in bays behind the main facility. Space gained from the improvements will make room for many of those items to come inside to be placed on display for more convenient patron access.

Bringing those items inside will free up space for more big-ticket items to be stored outside.

"We're excited when we look at how these renovations will benefit customers and our staff as well," said Roper.

Some of the benefits staff will enjoy include larger work spaces in needed areas and improvements in some administrative areas. They will also gain a dedicated classroom in the process.

Building 948 has not always been home for all three activities, therefore combining them together was certain to create a need for changes in the floor plan.

Construction, which began in January, is being conducted in a manner which does not interfere with operations. Hours of operation, products and services available remain the same.



Top, Janice Ethridge, 78th Force Support Squadron picture framer finishes up a shadow box at the Arts & Crafts, Outdoor Recreation and Information Tickets and Travel building.
Middle, Outdoor Recreation items are also stored in bays behind the building.
Bottom, The shop provides engraving for going away gifts.

Military Appreciation games with the Macon Mayhem



What's Happening

Women's Beginner Golf Clinic

Saturday
11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
\$20 per person per class
Pine Oaks Golf Course - 478-926-4103 or DSN 468-4103

On-Spot Café Special

Club Sandwich, Fries & Medium Drink
\$5.50
Bowling Center - 478-926-2112 or DSN 468-2112

February Special Twilight

Every day
After 4:30 p.m.
Play as much as you can with cart!
\$15
Pine Oaks Golf Course - 478-926-4103 or DSN 468-4103

Horseback Riding Experience (Single Airman Only)

March 25
Register no later than March 23 at Bldg. 984, Outdoor Rec counter
Outdoor Recreation - 478-222-1107 or DSN 472-1107

Base Camp

April 8 & 9
Register NLT March 10
Bldg. 984, Outdoor Rec. - 478-222-1107 or DSN 472-1107

DEERS/ID Card Appointments

If you need: A New ID Card, PIN Reset, DEERS Update, and Designated Agent Letter, save time – schedule an appointment at <https://rapids-appointments.dmdc.osd.mil/> on any computer or mobile device.

Base Library Hours

Tuesdays through Fridays
10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Saturdays from
11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sundays, Mondays & Federal Holidays, closed



Travel & Recreation Show – Come see all the local travel and amusement opportunities both locally and in the surrounding states Thursday, March 23, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Heritage Club ballroom. For more information, call ITT at 478-926-2945.

Base Library
478-327-8761 or
DSN 497-8761

Join the Armed Forces Vacation Club

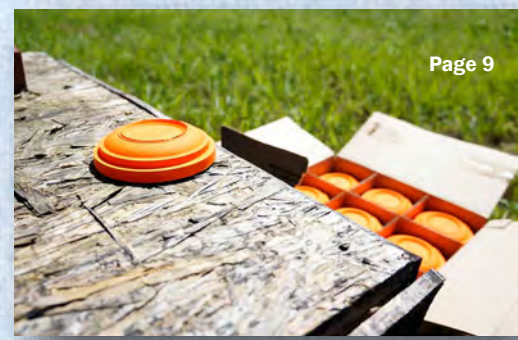
AFVC is free to join and open to all Active Duty, Reserve, Guard, DOD, Civilian Employees and retired members of the armed forces. Stay at a resort or vacation in some of the best places worldwide for seven days. See IT&T representatives, or go directly to www.AFVClub.com today!

Fairways Grille

Get your Rise 'n Shine breakfast serving every day
Mondays through Sundays
7 to 10:30 a.m.
Pine Oaks Golf Course - 478-926-4103 or DSN 468-4103

Arts & Crafts

Arts & Crafts Gift Ideas Include custom matting and framing, balloons bouquets, personalized pen sets, mugs, plaques, flags and retirement boxes. For more info, call 478-926-5282 or DSN 468-5282



No matter how hard the winds blow ...
No matter how tough the challenge ...

Like steel, I rise.

If you need help, it's only a phone call away

- Finances & Work-Life Balance — 478-926-1256
- Work, personal or Family Issues — 800-222-0364
- Work Stress, Psychological Issues — 478-327-9803
- Mental Health & Substance Abuse (Houston Healthcare) — 478-922-4281
- 78th MDG Mental Health Clinic — 478-327-8398
- Suicide Prevention Lifeline — 800-273-8255
- Sexual Assault & Victim Advocacy — 478-926-2946
- Crime Victim Advocacy — 478-327-4584
- Chapel — 478-926-2821

(U.S. Air Force graphic/GEOFF JANES)

Parting Shot

Col. Rod Bloker, (right) commander of the Defense Logistics Agency Aviation at Warner Robins, briefs Vice Adm. Thomas Moore, Naval Sea Systems Command commander, (left) and Rear Adm. Michelle Skubic, DLA, Land and Maritime commander, at Robins Feb. 9, 2017. The purpose of the visit was to observe DLA retail operation at the ALC and demonstrate how that retail concept could benefit naval shipyards.

(U.S. Air Force photo/RAY CRAYTON)

