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It was a busy and productive year for Team Robins. The Rev-Up would like to take a look back at the 10 most memorable stories from 2007.

U.S. Air Force celebrates 60 years of excellence

The month of September was a month of celebration, as the Air Force celebrated its 60th anniversary. Members of Team Robins joined together to recognize and honor 60 years of Air Force history in a retreat ceremony. It was an opportunity to reflect on the many accomplishments of the Air Force and its members

Air Force and its members over the past 60 years.
"For six decades, we've had men and women from all walks of life who answered their nation's call to serve in a variety of ways - as active duty Airmen, as citizen Airmen in the Reserves or National Guard, as civilian employees

or as community leaders who support the installation and our families," said Col. Theresa families," said Col. Theresa Carter, 78th Air Base Wing commander. "Even the newest and most sophisticated aircraft or weapons systems are inef-fective without talented Airmen to operate and maintain them and the various systems and facilities that support them because of the proud her-

itage and legacy we have."

Maj. Gen. Tom Owen,
Warner Robins Air Logistics
Center commander, the most senior ranking member of the base, and Airman Savannah Taylor, the youngest stationed here, cut the birthday cake.





NASCAR takes a spin at Robins In March, Team Robins was visited by an elite Air Force team, the Air Force sponsored Wood Brothers "Normally we only get to visit places in the Do

Racing Nextel Cup No. 21 pit crew.
The race team, usually with a show car and occasionally the driver, visits several different Air Force bases and local events near NASCAR races supporting Air Force recruiting and retention efforts.

Although the driver is in high demand, the pit crew

doesn't get requested for too many appearances.
"We (pit crew) don't get to go to too many events,"

said Mike Moore, Woods Brothers jack man. "Normally we only get to visit places in the Detroit

The team's visit to Robins was culminated by a pit crew competition between the various organizations. sorted by rank. Although Team Robins had some fast pit stops, the cream of the crop was the professionals of the Air Force No. 21's crew led by Gary Smith, team pit crew coach. They did a two tire change in 5.82 seconds.

New facility paints bright future

In May, members of the Robins community and distinguished guests gathered at the large aircraft corrosion con-

trol hangar for a ribbon cutting.

Maj. Gen. Tom Owen, Warner Robin Maj. Gen. Tom Owen, Warner Robins
Air Logistics Center commander, said
the opening of the facility is, "about
keeping Robins Air Force Base and the
Warner Robins Air Logistics Center's
future very bright."
The project cost approximately \$80
million and is the largest construction
project to take place at Robins. The facil
type measures approximately \$225,000

ity measures approximately 225,000 total square feet and has two 65,000 square foot hangar bays, one for painting and the other for depainting and a com-mon central facility systems and process equipment plant.

The facility was designed around the need for a facility to house a C-5 Galaxy for paint application and removal. It optimizes the paint removal and applica-tion process for both the C-5 and the C-17 Globemaster III and increases the level of safety for the painters.





Contract awarded for new commissary

In July, the Defense Commissary Agency awarded a \$15.8 million contract to Caddell Construction Company for the building of a new commissary at Robins

Terry Landreth, Design Branch chief for the 778th Civil Engineer Squadron, said plans were in the works for the store, which will be located across 11th Street and face the existing Base Exchange on Macon Street, about two years ago. The 15-month construction project will result in a new 70,000-square-foot store.

The facility's new parking lot will provide space for about 314 patrons and Commissary employees. Once completed, patrons will have a bit farther to walk, but the store's improved amenities will make it worth the trek. New lighting and a new state-of-the-art deli and bakery are just some of the features that will woo customers.

Customers will also enjoy a 40 per-

cent larger general sales area and graband-go section as well as wider aisles and a ground-level entry.

MWD dies defending freedom

In October, Arras, a 5-year-old Dutch sheppard explosives detector and patrol dog in the 78th Security Forces Squadron who was assigned to the 447th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron and Joint Operations, Sather Air Base, Iraq, was killed when he touched a location that was electrified by power cables during a search for weapons and explosives in a building.

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Arras entered a building and set off an explosive, saving the life of his handler, Staff Sgt.

Marcus Reaves, a military working dog handler who had worked with Arras for six months of the 18 months the dog served with his unit. Sergeant Reaves was knocked unconscious by the explosion and thrown nearly 30 feet from the site.



78th CEG transforms to an all civilian workforce

In May, the Rev-Up announced that members of the 78th Civil Engineering Group would be tak-ing on a new look as active-duty members depart and an all-civilian workforce is created.

The change is part of an Air Force Materiel Command initia-tive and affects Hill Air Force Base, Utah, Eglin AFB, Fla., and Robins. The three bases were the only remaining AFMC bases to maintain a mixture of military and civilian personnel in the civil engineer career field, said Bob Farrell, deputy base civil engi-

Approximately 267 military members will be phased out of the group during the transition and 100 new civilian positions will be created in their absence. The transition is expected to be completed by the

summer of 2008

The 78th CES saw the largest impact as a result of the transition, losing 210 active-duty members with only 78 new civilians to be

hired to replace them

The majority of the military personnel will begin leaving Team Robins for new assignments in January. Military who are relocated or assigned based on the transition will have report no later than Jan. 1, said Chief Russell Thornbury, chief enlisted manager for the 78th CES.

Some members whose assignments at Robins are over before the transition begins will PCS to new assignments before January.

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222-0013, 335-5218 335-5238 or 335-5236 Total rides given this year: 573

Days without a DUI: 47 Last DUI- 116th AMXS –



Holiday Hours



Open and shut

The 78th Services Division announces its holiday hours, 4B



A photographic year in review

The Rev-Up remembers eye-catching photos from the past year, 1B

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Holiday Concert

Annual Air Force Reserve Command concert a success, 6B

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ALC lands supporting role in Predator, Reaper programs

Force Materiel Command announced the Warner Robins Air Logistics Center would be designated as the System Support
Manager for the MQ-1
Predator and the MQ-9
Reaper programs. The management responsibilities were given to a four-person team

given to a four-person team from the 560th Aircraft Sustainment Group.

"It's a big deal to be recog-nized as the SSM for the Predator and Reaper pro-grams. It has been a chal-lenge but we are on our way. lenge, but we are on our way

to establishing the best possible sustainment program, said Cindy Scheideler, sus tainment program manager for the team.

The management responsibilities involve the sustainment of the predator system, a system of four unmanned-aerial vehicles, a ground control station, a Predator Primary Satellite Link and about 55 personnel. The system's primary mission is interdiction and conducting armed reconnaissance against critical, perishable targets.



NCO Academy set to close

Robins NCO Academy will deactivate in late summer 2008, just two years after celebrating its 50th birthday. The school is tentatively set to graduate its last class of noncommissioned officers in May 2008 before deactivating in

the July or August timeframe.
Robins NCO Academy is one of the two smallest schools among the Air Force's nine NCO academies. The other is located at Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas

The two schools run flights of 40 to 50 students. Their larger sister schools typically run flights of 150 to 170 stu-

and other remnants of the school's heritage will be absorbed by the Air Force his-torian and digital photos of other relics from the school's ast, such as its signs, will go the Enlisted Research Institute the final resting place to be determined

Residents relocated as privatization force moves

In February, base housing officials announced Pine Oak and Crestview residents would be receiving notices notifying them to find other living arrangements so demolition of 137 units could begin.

The announcement was just one of many throughout the year regarding the privatization of base housing. The purpose of privatizing Robins was to provide quality afford-able housing to Airmen and

many of the homes on base do many of the homes on base do
not meet the Air Force standards, said Lt. Col. Steven
Keller, commander of the
778th Civil Engineer
Squadron. In August, the RevUp announced that the privatiration contract, with a \$40.8 million total development cost, had been awarded to Hunt Building Company of El Paso, Texas. Hunt took ownership of all of Robins housing Oct. 1.

VDATS becomes family tester for AF, DOD

When Team Robins members began working to create a common-core tester as a solution for testing problems here at the Warner Robins Air Logistics Center, few members of the team would have guessed the tester would become a member of both

family of testers.

In 2000, Dempsey Ventress, engineer
element chief with the 402nd
Support Selectronics Maintenance Support Squadron, came up with the original con-cept for the common-core tester. He solicited other members of the electronics and software community to help his concept reach fruition. In 2005 the concept received \$57 million in funding from Air Force Materiel Command as part of trans-



STORIES

F-15s move to a new home — Maj. Gen. Tom Owen, Warner Robins Air Logistics Center commander, held a cere-mony marking the completion of a move by the 561st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron with their F-15 Eagles.

The move allows additional work in excess of \$50 million per year for Robins. It also removes the need to spend more than \$17 million to build

Robins reserve unit loses friend — Lt. Col. Glade Felix, a member of the 622nd Aeromedical Staging Squadron, died of apparent natural causes while deployed Southwest Asia June 11.

3-D film to give workers 'A Second Chance' at safety — A professional film crew spent five days using Robins as its back drop for a safety film designed to help workers develop a safer culture both at work and wherever else life takes them. The film, titled "A Second Chance," will be used by the Department of Defense.

Noons receives go ahead on \$21 million software support facili-Robins receives

Government officials helped secure funds for a \$21 million software support facility at Robins. The 80,000 square-foot facility will help the WR-ALC continue to provide software that aids the warfighter. The 402nd Maintenance Wing and the 402nd Software Maintenance Group hope to break ground on the facility in the spring of 2008.

Fitness Center gets 5-stars six years in a row

The Robins Fitness Center staff's commitment to excellence has led them to be awarded the 5-Star Award for an unprecedented six years in a

The center was one of four installation fitness programs that earned 5-star status at the 2007 Air Force Fitness and Sports Awards ceremony Nov. 27 in Orlando, Fla.

Recognition like this definitely makes the staff feel appreciated and validates their com-mitment to excellence in all we said Ed Miles, 78th Services Division director. "It establishes the benchmark for others out there competing with us...as fitness centers across the Air Force get better, the real winners are the personnel who use the facilities and programs." Each year criteria for the 5-

Star Award is reviewed at the Air Force Services Agency in San Antonio, Texas and is made a little tougher each time. The chalnge for the fitness center staff to review the criteria and improve the facilities, programs, training and services to meet or exceed requirements.

"I like dealing with the cus-

tomers and doing personal train-ing the most," said Master Sgt. Demetrius Miller, fitness center manager. "Being able to help them exercise safely and making sure they don't hurt themselves while they are working out is

rewarding."

Mr. Miles said John Enterman, former fitness center director who left in November, had a real desire to build and maintain a first class program that addresses total fitness for everyone on base.

Implementing new programs



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Airman 1st Class Candace Covil, fitness apprentice, assists Sherrod Baldwin as he works out on the pectoral fly machine

can be tough sometimes according to Sergeant Miller, but he said what helps the most is that the staff truly works together as one unit

Installation leadership has provided the resources required to sustain the programs and services base personnel want such as free aerobics classes, new cardio and weight equipment and lock-

and weight equipment and tock-er room projects, said Mr. Miles. "We want to keep the string going...to be the best in the Air Force," said Mr. Miles. "It won't be easy though, the hiring freeze and budgets cuts make attaining 5-stars tougher and tougher with each new year."

Master Sgt. Richard Maci

section chief, said by 2009 there won't be any military per-sonnel working in the facility. Sergeant Macias, who left for

almost a year on a deployment to almost a year on a deployment to Afghanistan, said throughout all of the changes that have occurred the high operations tempo has stayed constant despite the loss of manpower. "Wing runs are a perfect example," said Sergeant Macias. "Some may think they happen in a vacuum, but in reality our peo-

a vacuum, but in reality our peo-ple make it happen."
"It's a diverse environment and you get a lot of experience with a lot of different people," said Staff Sgt. Dashonna Thomas, who has been at the fit-ness center since 2004 ness center since 2004.

Sergeant Thomas, a front desk supervisor at the center, said there has always been a lot of changeover with personnel, but they've managed to put the pieces back together every time.

"We have a mission to accomplish no matter what, and it helps to always put the customers first."

Sergeant Thomas said the fit-ness center evaluates what worked and what didn't over the past year and that's one way the staff determines how to improve processes or modify programs. Feedback from customers is

extremely important as well.

"We're all ears and would

appreciate feedback from our appreciate reedback from our customers if they have programs and services they'd like to see us offer," Mr. Miles said.

A triathlon for novices, adding different events to the winter and summer sports days are a few ideas the staff has that

are a few ideas the staff has that are still in the conceptual stage for 2008.

The Five Star programs provide annual recognition, acknowledging bases that have reached the highest standard of achievement in all areas of pro-gram management. The comprehensive program recognizes excellence in five areas of operations, programs, training, facili-ties and customer service.

"I'm extremely proud of the fitness center staff and all they've accomplished," said Mr. Miles. "It takes each and every member giving it their best every day for recognition like this to occur...our folks give it that effort and Robins is indeed fortunate to have the first class fitness program that we do."

"We're grateful for Airmen who demonstrate that the defense of freedom is an unyielding endeavor and live by ideals that never take a holiday. Wherever your service takes you this holiday season, be safe, proud and certain that all Americans value and appreciate you. We remain amazed by what you do every day for our great nation. You have our heartfelt thanks."

— Michael Wynne, Secretary of the Air Force and T. Michael Moseley, Air Force Chief of Staff

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Q: I've heard "VPP" mentioned a lot lately. Does it have anything to do with Air Force Smart Operations for the 21st Century?

The Voluntary Protection Program falls in very well with the goals of AFSO21. VPP has a focus on safety and health. One of the areas of AFSO21, which I've discussed in this forum which I've discussed in this forum before is 6S and safety is a large part of 6S. As the old saying goes, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."



This might be a cliché, but it has very all meaning for us here at Warner bbins Air Logistics Center. Both AFSO21 and VPP are heavily

reliant on a change in our culture. For VPP to work, we must empower our work force to speak up when they see something that can put themselves or others at risk. Both programs look for ways to improve our processes while ensuring the safety and health of our workers when they are performing their

jobs.

This center has been a leader in the Air Force and the Department of Defense in our Lean and AFSO21 jour-ney. We now have the opportunity to again step forward as the Air Force leader in the VPP world. Just as we have embraced the methodologies and processes of Lean and AFSO21, so must we embrace this opportunity to continue making our work areas safer and health ier for everyone.





Col. Theresa Carter 78th Air Base Wing commande

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Political e-mails sent to on base accounts

I am getting e-mails on my base e-mail account soliciting political support. I had sent an e-mail to the Robins e-mail to the Robins
Postmaster as to how I was
getting the e-mails that were
not even addressed to me. He
told me that my e-mail address
was spoofed and there was
nothing I could do, except
delete the message. Isn't this
inappropriate for political
emails to be sent to base email accounts?

Colonel Carter's

Coloner Carlos C Response:
Our Air Force messaging systems support our Air Force missions, and are for official or authorized use only. Due to the increase and nature of sponfed and spammed e-mail spoofed and spammed e-mail messages, there is no foolproof method of stopping these types of e-mails. Air Force Materiel Command and Air Force enter-Command and Air Force enterprise network professionals are constantly working to filter as much unsolicited e-mail as possible. However, our network users can also perform steps at their level to help automatically delete such messages by using Microsoft Outlook's Junk E-mail filtering capability, based on the information provided by the offending e-mail's message header. For assistance in setting a Junk E-mail filter, contact your Zone Help Desk personnel at 926-HELP (4357).

The jolly old elf visits Robins

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Santa Claus reads "The Night Before Christmas" to preschool children at a holiday party at the library Dec. 10. North American Aerospace Defense Command's NORAD Tracks Santa Operations Center

Iracks Santa Operations Center will be ready to kick into high gear beginning at 4 a.m. Dec. 24, 2007. During the 24 hours the center will operate, approximately 800 Santa tracking volunteers will cycle through answering telephone, calls and e.m. wills from telephone calls and e-mails from children around the world who wish to get a fix on Santa Claus' The NORAD Tracks Santa Web

site, www.noradsanta.org, went live Nov. 16 and has already gar-nered an amazing 330,000 unique visitors from 167 countries. This year, the public and children can participate directly in the following ways: Children and parents can count-

Children and parents can count-down with the NORAD Tracks Santa Web site at www.noradsan-ta.org where there is a different activity occurring in the North Pole Village every day. On Dec. 24, children will be able to close-ly follow Santa's progress ly follow Santa's progress around the world. Information will be available in English, French, German, Italiar Japanese and Spanish



Remember Airmen and their families this holiday season

The holiday season is a time of celebration, giving thanks, family gatherings and anticipation of a visit by that iolly ol' elf.

At our many deployed locations around the world, we have chaplains, first sergeants and services profes-sionals doing everything possible to bring good cheer and celebration to Airmen during this holiday season.

But amid the excitement

and preparation, please do not

forget that we are a nation at war. We need to ensure we continue to support our deployed heroes and their loved ones.

Some of our families are alone for the first time during the holidays. Some of our Airmen will be deployed for the first time — away from families, spouses and little ones. Instead of explaining how Santa gets into a house with no chimney, they will be reassuring a sad little girl or boy that next year will be dif-

These Airmen and their families back home are our responsibilities. We have to reach out and bring the families into the fold. We must do this so our deployed Airmen can rest easier, knowing their families are not alone.

Please make contact with

the families of your deployed unit members. Let them know about unit events or get togethers. Take them if trans-

portation is a problem. Do what you would want others to do for your family when you are deployed.

Let's make this holiday season a joyful celebration. Be a good Wingman and don't let anyone suffer because we overlooked them. Reach out.

- This commentary was written by Col. Thomas S h a r p y 92nd Air Refueling Wing commander.

Drinking and driving: It's just not worth it in writing stating your career is closing, cabs start coming out The holidays are finally

here, and that means holiday parties and some down time to let loose, relax and party with family and friends.

While most condone hav-

ing a good time, ensure you have a plan so you don't end up in the new "civilian below-the-zone" program. We all know the program: It takes a bright, young Airman and makes them a civilian in no time and is usually accompanied with a dishonorable dis-charge — all because of not

having a plan.

The Air Force continues to draw down numbers to a current number of 316,000. So knowing that cuts are going to be made, why put yourself in a situation that has the potential to turn into an alcohol-related incident and put yourself at

Yes, it is bad to ruin your career over one night of drinking. Although there is nothing over if you receive a citation for driving under the influ-ence, we all know it is very I've known too many

good Airmen who could have been outstanding leaders in our Air Force. Instead, they got the early exit because of an incident that could have easily

been prevented.

Losing a career is bad.

Losing a life is worse. A good friend of mine took it a step further and ended his life; all due to making a decision to get behind the wheel after drink-

My teacher, mentor, and friend took his own life after receiving his second DUI. He felt that his career was going to be over and that his children. one with special needs, would lose all benefits and he would not be able to take care of them. He took what he thought was his only way out, and in

the process devastated his family, friends and a group of young Airmen that looked up to him, me included.

All of this could have been avoided in a multitude of ways. Every base I've been too has had an Airmen against drunk driving program, which provides a free ride home with a simple phone call. One simple phone call and the Air Force would still have an excellent technician and I

would still have my friend.
Some folks are still worsome tons are sun worried that calling Airmen against drunk driving will somehow get back to their unit and will reflect badly upon them. This is ludicrous and it's a poor excuse — not a reason, but an excuse — and is easily remedied. Call a cab!

The price of a cab compared to the price of dealing with a DUI is a bargain. It may seem strange, but when 2 a.m. rolls around and the bars begin

of the woodwork looking to take people home. Don't let money be an excuse to not use this available resource.

Let's make sure we look

after each other and ensure that any preventable incidents are actually prevented. We cannot afford to lose our people to senseless acts of irresponsibili-

The affects of losing those close to us have lingering ramifications, trust me I know. So enjoy the holidays and have fun with your friends and family, but try to avoid making a decision that will have longlasting consequences on your career, or what would be left of it. Don't let yourself or some one else drive after drinking.

Drinking and driving; it's

just not worth it!

-This commentary was
written by Tech. Sgt. Larry W. Carpenter Jr., 92nd Air Refueling Wing Public Affairs

Sweet sorrow

Robins couple bids farewell to base after combined 78 years civil service

BY 1ST LT. SEQUOIYA L. LAWSON

After a long and illustrious civil service career that spanned nearly 80 years combined, Walter and Jane Floyd will retire this month.

Although the jobs that originally brought them to Robins may be long gone, the couple says after working at Robins for nearly four decades each, they know that people have pretty much remained the same.

"People want to work and they want to do a good job," said Mr. Floyd, a flight deputy chief in the 402nd Electronics Maintenance Group. "Faces change and names of course, but there are really good people everywhere."

Having worked his entire 41year career in Bldg. 640, Mr. Floyd said the two things he'll miss the most are the friendships he's made over the years and having a role in defending the country and supporting the military as a civil service employee.

"You know people always

"You know, people always say they'll keep in touch, but time and space gets in the way," he said. "I'll always take pride in my service because it's truly been a blessing."

Mrs. Floyd echoed the comments of her husband of more than 37 years.

"I'm definitely going to miss

being here. I'm still fascinated when I see all the airplanes doing their thing," said Mrs. Floyd, their thing," said Mrs. Floyd, reminiscing back on her more than 36 years of watching air-craft fly through Robins. Both were born and raised in

Eastman where they met and married, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd moved to Warner Robins in 1971 to be closer to the base. Mr.



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

Walter and Jane Floyd are retiring with a combined total of 78 years of service.

them," he said. "I mainly worked on F-106 aircraft com-"I mainly ponents and it was a great little

Mrs. Floyd took a job as a cashier at the commissary on base, which was located at Gate 4 then, but chuckled explaining that her first base job probably wasn't the fondest of memories. "There were no UPC labels,

no debit cards and no prices on food at all," she said. "I mean not even the green beans had labels and you had to memorize all of

and you had to memorize an or the prices and ring everything up by hand very fast."

Keeping up with the high tempo of the commissary was definitely what made Mrs. Floyd take a downgrade from a General Schedule 3 cashier to a

GS 2 clerk typist.

"Had I not taken that downgrade I would probably still be at 1971 to be closer to the base. Mr.
Floyd had been working as an avionics apprentice since 1966 after he got out of high school.
"I worked when most avionics still had vacuum tubes in grade! would probably still be at the commissary," she joked. But that downgrade paved the way for a better job; just six weeks later she accepted a job as a GS 4 steno secretary for the security police, which in the early 1970s was mostly civilian employees. Mrs. Floyd then worked as a

secretary in the 19th Bomb Wing in the budget office when Robins still maintained a B-52 mission.

For the last 30 years, Mrs. Floyd has been a packaging specialist and works in the 586th Combat Sustainment Group. Her function has been identified as one that will be transferred

under the management of the Global Logistics Support Center. The one thing they say that's kept them centered and happy in life is their faith and involvement in their church, Peachtree Baptist Church in Byron. Mr. Floyd is a deacon, and Mrs. Floyd played the piano for more than 10 years.

The Floyds are charter members of the constituted church

bers of the constituted church and were there in the very beginning when there were less than a dozen members who began a mission in a barn across from where the modern facility stands today just past I-75 on Watson Blvd.

The Floyds have a 32-year-old son, a 5-year-old grand-

daughter and twin grandsons who are two and a half.

"We are looking forward to being with (our grandchildren) when we are fresh and can really have some quality time instead of working all week and squeezing things in on the weekends," said Mrs. Floyd. Other than spending time with family, the Floyds haven't made solid plans,

but they do want to do some-thing useful.

"There are a lot of great places to volunteer around here," said Mr. Floyd. Home projects, reading and sitting by the fire are on the list as well, but they both

on the list as well, but they both say working again is definitely not in the plan.
"Some people work at Robins for years then turn right back around after retirement and come back as a contractor," said Mrs. Floyd. "If I were going to do that Levuld how jurce stead do that, I could have just stayed in the job I have."

"I think what I'll miss the

most is a sense of involvement in the Air Force mission," said Mrs. Floyd.

The case of the **Dorm Cookie Caper**



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP Airman 1st Class Samuel Clayton,78th Security Forces, receives a tin of holiday cookies at his dorm room from Senior Master Sergeant Timothy Delaney, 78th SFS first sergeant, Dec. 19. In a "Dorm Cookie Caper" Robins Chiefs Group and the base first sergeants joined together to distribute 396 tins of cookies with a card and a bow to dorm residents here for the holidays. Master Sgt. Michael Caudill, 5th CBCSS first sergeant said, "We want to take care of our next generation Airmen. Some can't go home for the holidays, some are away from their families for the first time, and that can be tough. This is to let them know someone cares for them"

Airman Clayton was surprised at his room by Sergeant Caudill, Sergeant Delaney, and Chief Master Sergeant "Opie" Hurst Wednesday. "I appreciate it. It shows that people care about us and they are there all the time, not just when there may be a problem," he said as he munched on a cookie.



Ph0tographic Year in review



Reagin Buchner, 3, holds onto her flags as the Band of the United States Air Force Reserve begins the Independence day concert July 3.

The Robins Rev-Up recalls some of its most eye-catching images of 2007



Capt. Sammy Stover, 330th Combat Training Squadron, attaches a flag to a pole before it is raised at Andersonville National Cemetery Nov. 2. Robins Riders, the base motorcycle club honored veterans with a ride to Andersonville and posted 181 flags there for the Veterans Day holiday.



Airman 1st Class Robert Crawford salutes as the flag is raised during the 9-11 Remembrance Ceremony outside Bldg. 905.



Tops in Blue Tour vocalists flirted and sang to audience members during their stop at the Warner Robins Civic Center in February.



U.S. Air Force photo by TOMMIIE HORTON David Umphreyville (left) and Clint Wynn (right) members of the World Champion Warner Robins American Little League get a view of the cockpit of one of the 19th Air Refueling Group's KC-135 Stratotankers during their visit to Robins in October.



Tech. Sgt. John Ainsworth views a 4-minute 3-D safety demo through special goggles at the 78th Civil Engineer Group complex August 22.

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FRIDAY

A New Year's Eve gala will be held at the enlisted club with entertainment by "E-Minor" in the ballroom. Tickets are on sale at the officers' club through today for \$25 for members and \$30 for guests. \$25 for members and \$30 for guests. Tickets purchased after today are \$30 for members and \$35 for guests. The club will open at 8 p.m. with entertainment begin-ring at 9 p.m. The evening will be made complete with heavy hors d'oeuvres, breakdast buffet, champagne and party hats and favors. For patrons' convenience, 20 rooms will be available at lodging, Room reservations are not required, but can be made through the officers' club can be made through the officers' of cashier. For more information call 926-

Bring in the New Year at the officers' club. Amenities will include a buffet dinner, party favors, champagne at midnight and a continental breakfast. Featured entertainment will be "A Family Affair."

Purchase tickets today for \$40 per member and \$45 per nonmembers. Tickets purchased after today are \$45 for members and \$50 for nonmembers. For patrons' convenience, 20 rooms will be available at lodging. Reservations for these rooms can be made through the officers' club cashier. Tickets go on sale at the cashier office Monday. For more infor mation call the officers' club at 926-2670.

TUESDAY

All active duty and retired military members and their families are invited to a traditional Christmas meal at the Wynn Dining Facility. The meal will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. today for Airmen and Airmen with families and served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. today for Airmen and Airmen with families and guests and retirees with families. The evening meal for Airmen only will be served from 2 to 4 p.m. Enjoy steamship round, roast turkey and baked harn, combread dressing, fice pilal and mashed potatoes, peas, green beans, cream com and more. For more information call the dining facility at 926-6596.

WEDNESDAY
Enjoy M.U.G and Mic Night on
Wednesdays at the enlisted club, locate
of In Bidg. 956. Participants may bring
musical instruments, show their talent and
bring their own mugs and get retills (up to
24 ounces) for only \$2. The fun begins at
7 p.m. Cost for entry is \$2 for normembers. For more information call the enlistend funnes at 90-67-675. ed lounge at 926-7625.

THURSDAY

Every Thursday night is Karaoke night with DJ Rockmaster "D" from 8 p.m. to closing. For more information ca the enlisted club at 926-7625.

UPCOMING
Make plans to attend Last Friday
2007. You could win a complimentary pair
of tickets to the New Year's Eve party, an
Atlanta or Savannah getaway, an MP3 Atlanta or Savannah getaway, an MP3 player, lap top computer or digila camera by joring the Robins Enlisted or Officers'. Club and filling out an entry form at Last Friday 2007. This event, in the tradition of First Friday, will be held at the Robins Officers' Club Dec. 28 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Individuals and families are welcome and it is open to all ranks and grades. Plus if you join that day, delectable hors:

d'oeuvres and beverages, created by resi-dent chef Douglas Goodridge, will be on the house. Those who are already mem-bers need only attend lunch and fill out an

bers need using active in utility and in the dail in the dail entry form.

There will be fun, food, entertainment and chanoss for cash and prizes.

Current members who recruit a friend to join that day will have the opportunity to fill out two entry forms for the prize drawings.

Those who join the club during the event will take ophetors of added time.

will take advantage of added sign up incentives. They will have the opportunity incentives. They will have the opportunity to fill out two entry forms for the drawings, a scratch card with a guaranteed cash prize, six months free dues, and a Coupon ValYou Pack to use at the clubs and other participating Services facilities. Current and new members will also receive the latest information on Chase club card benefits such as Cashaback and travel points. Information will also be available. Or Blad decouptor, extreed to portful.

able on Plus! discounts, catering benefits and other information to put the club and

club card to work for you.

The club drive ends Dec. 31 and we I'lle club grive ends Dec. 31 and we want to do this fun event to give people one last chance to take advantage of the six month free dues and other incentives available during the club drive.

For more information, call the club at 926-2670.

A First Friday "Welcome 2008" will be held at your Robins Enlisted and Officers' Clubs from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Officers' Clubs from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Jan. 4. First Friday means great food, chances to win cash and prizes, entertain-ment and drink specials. Members must be present to win. Cost is members free and nonmembers \$5. For more informa-tion call the clubs at 926-2670.

The school age program and child evelopment center-east will provide development center-east will provide childcare Dec. 20 - Jan. 4 from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. during another Houston County school break. All family member program facilities will be closed Dec. 25 and Jan. 1. Parents will need to provide their current total family income information (LES/pay

Send in the clowns

The Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Ringling Clowns, also known as the Ambassadors of Laughter, will visit the Base Library for a special storytime with the children Jan. 2 at 3 p.m. There is no charge for this event. For more informa-tion call 78th Services Division at 926-5492.



statements) to the assigned facility.
Children ages 4-5 years old who currently attend a Pre-K program will receive care at CDC-East in Bidg. 943. Children 5-12 years old will attend the school age program in Bidg. 1021. Parents may submit the online child care request form on the Sentence Web bids of the Webberger. Services Web site at www.robinsser-vices.com - one request per child. For more information about Youth and CDC services, call Vera Keasley at 926-6741

Sunday champagne brunch will be open Jan. 6 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and is open to all ranks and grades at the Robins Officers' Club. Enjoy all-you-care-to-eat breakfast, dinner entrees, carving station, salad bar, dessert and ice cream bar and much more. Cost is \$12.95 adults, \$6.95 children (3 to 10 years old) and children 3 years and younger are free. This date is the only one for January due to the renovation. For more informa-tion call officers' club at 926-2670.

Private pilot ground school registra-tion is now through Jan. 7 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with school starting Jan. 7 – Feb. 29. One hundred percent tuition is available for active-duty military. Cost is \$665 and is due at the time of registration Register soon as classroom seating is limited. For more information, please call the aero club at 926-4867.

A BIG bingo "Winter Wonderland" will be played Jan. 10 and a membership bar bingo to be held Jan. 16. Joint Forces Bingo is located in the east wing of the Robins Enlisted Club. The hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday with games starting at 7:15 and Friday with games starting at 7:15 pm. Games begin at 2:45 pm. on Sundays. Enjoy har bingo five nights a week at 6 pm. Any one with an active duty, reserve, guard, retired, DoD or family member identification card is eligible roley. The entry fee is free to all Robins' olub members, bona fide guests and active duty or retired widow dub members and \$5 for eligible non-dub members. Binno will be feeded and 15 for more. club members Bingo will be closed Jan. 15. For more information call the enlisted club at 926-4515 or Teresa Resta at 926-1303.

A Give Parents a Break and Hourty
Care will be held Jan. 11 from 6:30 to 10
p.m. at he Child Development Center
East and School Age Program (unless
otherwise posted). Advance sign-up is
required. An advance \$6 nonerfundable
deposit is required by the prior Monday for
hourly care. Cost is \$3 per child per hour
for children six weeks to 12 years old.
New enrollees must have un-to-date shot New enrollees must have up-to-date shot records for their children and required forms prior to making reservations. For more information call the child develop-ment center at 926-5805.

Time to take a resolution support walk on Jan. 17 starting at 11 a.m. For more information call the fitness center a

The officers' club will be closed Jan. 13 – 27 for kitchen hood and duct renova-tion. Please utilize the Pizza Depot, On Spot Café or Enlisted Lounge during this time. For more information call the offi-cers' club at 926-2670.

A Children's Art Show will be held Jan. 30 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Child Development Center East and West. For more information call the Child Development Center East and West at 926-3080 or 926-5805.

926-3080 or 926-5805.
A pool tournament is slated for Jan.
10 in the community center. Prize will
be awarded for first place winner. Teams
need to register by Jan. 9. For information
call the community center at 926-2105.

Outdoor Recreation For more informa-tion on these programs and events call outdoor recreation at 926-4001. ▶Outdoor Adventure invites you to a 10K walk-Volkssport Jan. 1 at the Silver Comet Trail located in Powder Springs, Georgia. This paved trail accommodates hikers and strollers. Cost is \$35 per person and includes transportation and entry. Bus will depart outdoor recreation at 8:30 a.m. and will return at 3 p.m. Sign up by Dec. 31. Join outdoor recreation on a Georgia Aquarium trip to be held Jan. 19. Meet at

PJoin outdoor recreation on a Georgia Aquarium trip to be held Jan. 19. Meet at outdoor recreation at 8 a.m. with a depar-ture of 8:30 am. Bus will arrive back at 6 p.m. Cost is \$56 for individuals (13 - 54 p.m. Cost is \$56 for individuals (13 – 54 years old); \$51 senior citizens couples (55 years and older) and \$47 per child (up to 2 years old). Cost includes transportation, parking, Georgia Explorer, Osan Voyager, Cold Water Quest, River Scout, Tropical Diver and 4-D theater preview. Deadline to sign up is Jan. 11. A minimum of 10 people is required for outdoor recreation to host the trip.

ation to host the trip.

Join outdoor recreation on a horse-back riding trip to Rancho Loma Linda in Cochran, Ga. March 22. Meet at outdoor Cochran, Ga. March 22. Meet at outdoor recreation at 5.30 am. with a departure of 9 a.m. Cost is \$90 per person. Package includes travel, two-hour guided horse-back ride and lunch. Age requirement is 10 years and older. Long pants and closed toed shoes are required. Deadline to sign up is March 6. A minimum of 10 people is required for outdoor recreation to hear the xire. host the trip

Arts & Crafts Center The Arts & Crafts Arts & Crafts Center The Arts & Crans Center will be closed Dec. 28 for inventory. The wood and auto hobby shop will remain open. For more information, on the following, call the Arts & Crafts Center at 926-5282.

▶ Scroll saw Dec. 26 from 6 to 8 p.m.,

st \$12

► Beginning matting and framing Jan. 8 and 10 from 6 to 9 p.m., cost \$12.50 (both days)

▶Pastels with Tracv Jan. 23 and 30

Prastes with racy Jan. 23 and 30 from 5 to 7 p.m., cost \$30 (both days)

►Oils with Tracy Jan. 9 and 16 from 5 to 7 p.m., cost \$30 (both days)

►Watercolor painting (winter scene) Jan. 10, 17, 24 and 31 from 1 to 3 p.m., cost

►Acrylic painting (winter scene) Jan 10, 17, 24 and 31 from 10 a.m. to noon, cost

►All ages acrylic Jan. 8. 15. 22 and 29 from 4:30 to 6 p.m., cost \$7 kids/\$10

rrom 4:30 to 6 p.m., cost \$7 kids/\$10 adults

▶All ages encaustic Jan. 7, 14, 21 and 28 from 5 to 7 p.m., cost \$15

▶Drawing (depth) Jan. 11, 18 and 25 from 10 to 11:30 a.m., cost \$7 kids/\$10 adults

▶Lathe class (woodshop) Jan. 9, 16, 23 and 30 from 6 to 8 p.m., cost \$45 (4

weeks)

Wood shop safety classes are held Tuesdays at 6 p.m. and auto shop safety and orientation classes are held every

and onentation classes are held every Wednesday at 6 pm. and every Saturday at 11 am. free of charge. Registration is not required. ▶ Do-ly-yourself framing is available Monday through Thursday from 9 am. to 5 pm. and Fridays from 10 am. to 5 pm. and Endays from 10 am. to 5 pm. and Endays from 10 am. to 5 pm. more yourself framing, during the evening and Saturdays, is scheduled by appointment only. nt only

Advance registration and payment is required for all classes. Classes are sub-

ject to change without notice.
All classes are open to active duty, reserve and retired military and family members and DOD civilians. For more information, please call the Arts & Crafts information, please of Center at 926-5282.

ONGOING
The Community Center will be coordi-The Community Center will be coordinating the Congressional Award, a non-competitive program recognizing young people's achievements. The Award is open to all young people 14 – 23 years old. Those who complete the program are presented with bronze, silver or gold awards from Senators and Members of Congress during local, state and national ceremonies. Individuals who are registered in the program set and achieve challenging goals in four program areas: voluntary public service, personal development, physical fitness, and ment, physical fitness, and ment, physical titness, and expeditions/explorations activities. To earn awards, individuals will work with an advi-sor to set individual goals and plan activities to reach these goals. For more infor-mation call the community center director Ruby Wasway at 926-2105.

The Child Development Centers East and West have openings for ages six weeks - 12 months, toddlers and preschoolers. Both centers are accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children and offer full

time care. Hourly care is available at CDC West. The centers provide care for children 6 weeks, enrichment programs for 3 - 5 year olds and evening hild care once a month. For more information call Child Development Center East or West at 926-5805 or 926-3080.

Applications are being accepted for spring soccer and baseball coaches. No experience required, training will be provided. Apply in person at the youth center or call Mr. Ron Hayes at 926-2110

Information, Tickets and Travel Robins Enlisted Club, Bldg. 956 has the following tickets for sale. For more information on these or other events, call 926-2945.

≥945.
 Tickets are available for the Atlanta
Thrashers and Atlanta Hawks home
games. Prices vary based by ticket location.

tion.

Daytona 500 tickets are on sale now.
Great American Race Feb. 17 \$95
Superstretch Tower Offer-Feb. 16 and 17
for \$140 and Nextel Fanzone and pres Feb. 17 \$80.

The FOX Theatre presents, "The Lion King" April 5 for \$68.50 and April 26 for \$71.00 at 2 p.m. A limited number of tickets are available.

The bowling center has the following specials. To learn more call 926-2112. ► Have an office Christmas party at Robins Lanes. Reserve the lanes any afternoon from 1 to 5 p.m. Bowl three fugames for \$5 per bowler, including shoe rental.

ental.

▶Come out to an after Christmas party

▶ come out to an after Christmas party blow-out Dec. 26 and 27. Bowl all day for \$1.75 a game. ▶ Enjoy Thunder Alley glow-in-the-dark bowling Dec. 26 and Jan. 2 from 2 to 4 pm. at the Robins Lanes Bowling Centre Cost includes all the games participants can bowl in two hours and shoe rental for \$6.

 Celebrate New Year's Eve bowling from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Dec. 31. Cost is \$ for adults and \$10 children (5 years old

for adults and \$10 children (§ years old and older) per person and includes bowling, snacks and party favors. Children 4 years and younger bowl free when accompanied by a paying adult.

▶All retirees receive one free game of bowling with one paid game when they show their retiree ID card along with coupon on page 7 of the December Edge for the month of December.

Pine Oaks Golf Course has the follow

ing specials. To learn more, call 926-4103. ▶Give the gift of golf this season by purrecising punch cards. A walking punch card \$100, nding punch card \$100, nding punch card \$190, north-AGF range punch card \$35. These punch cards are good for 10 eighteen-hole rounds or 20 nine-hole rounds.

▶The golf pro shop Christmas sale will be Dec. 14-23 with a chance to receive a

be Dec. 14-23 with a chance to receive a 10 to 50 percent savings. During this sale, select a balloon and pop it to find out what discount you will receive on your pur-

chase.

►Every Monday through Thursda

December and January pay only \$17 for green fee and cart starting at 2 p.m.

Play golf on weekends (Saturday and Sunday) in December and January pay

Sunday) in December and January pay only \$22 for green fee and cart or pay \$20 after 1 p.m.

In December enjoy weekly specials at the Fairways Grille for only \$5.95 (includes drink): Dec. 117 to Jan. 4: choose from the menu; Dec. 22-24; Dec. 29-30: hamburgers and hot dogs avail-able at pro shop; Lunch is held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

NOW





THE BASE THEATER WILL BE CLOSED SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, REOPENING AFTER THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY.

Amy Adams, James Marsden The tale follows the beautiful princess Giselle as she is ban-ished by an evil queen from her magical, musical animated land-and finds herself in the gritty reality of the streets of modern-da Manhattan. Shocked by this strange new environment that doesn't operate on a "happily ever after" basis, Giselle is now adrift in a chaotic world badly in need of enchantment. Rated PG.

DEC. 29 1:30 P.M.

MR. MAGORIUM'S WONDER EMPORIUM Portman

Mr. Magorium's Wonder Emporium is the strangest, most fantastic, most wonderful toy store in the world. In fact, it's a magic toy store and everything in it comes to life-including the store itself. The emporium asks only one thing of its customers-you must believe it to see it. Rated G.

DEC. 29

BEOWLII F Anthony Hopkins, Robin Wright Penn

In the age of heroes comes the mightiest warrior of them all, Beowulf. After destroying the overpowering demon Grendel, he incurs the undying wrath of the beast's ruthlessly seductive mother, who will use any means possi-ble to ensure the revenge. The ensuring epic battle resonates throughout the ages, immortal ing the name of Beowulf. Rated

CHAPEL **SERVICES**

Catholic

Catholic masses are held at the chapel each Saturday at 5:30 p.m., Sunday at 9:30 a.m., on Holy Days of Obligation at noon and 5 p.m. vigil the day before, and Monday through Friday at noon. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is Saturday from 4:30 to 5:15 p.m

Islamic Friday Prayer (Jumuah) is Fridays at 2 p.m. in the chapel annex rooms 1 and 2.

6:15 p.m. at the Macon synagogue.

Orthodox Christian

St. Innocent Orthodox Church ervice is at the chapel on the sec ond Tuesday of each month at 5

otestant The traditional service meets Sunday in the Chapel at 11 a.m. sunday in the Chapel at 11 a.m. featuring hymns, anthems, congregational prayers and readings. Contemporary service meets at 6 p.m. in the Chapel Sanctuary, singing the latest praise and worship music. The gospel service meets at 8 a.m. at the Chapel, praising God with inspirational music. Religious educati in Bldg. 905 at 9:30 a.m.

The chapel helps with spiritual needs that arise. For further information, call the chapel at 926-



Courtesy photo Above, Robins Elementary Chorus members Gavin Combs and Riley Smith salute during the song, "We Thank You" which the chorus dedicated to all veterans, military and their families.

POW holiday salute



Retired (Col.) Birch McVay, a World War II veteran and ex-prisoner of war, gets a hug from Robins Elementary Chorus member Gen Giacoletti. The chorus performed for the American Ex-Prisoners of War, Middle Georgia Chapter, Christmas dinner Dec. 2 at the officers club. The children made and presented cards to all of the members and each child was given a 2007 Ex-POW club ornament.

HOLIDAY HELPERS

Family 2 Family program continues holiday tradition, plans for growth

BY 2ND LT. SARAH MEINECKE

Boxes filled with food and presents sat in a warehouse on Robins Air Force Base waiting to be doled out to about 200 needy families in both the mil-itary and the surrounding community.

Between the boxes and tables were volunteers and organizers who were lending a ich-needed hand to the Family-2-Family program the 116th Air Control Wing has sponsored for more than a

sponsored for more than a decade.

But as big of an undertaking as Family-2-Family already is, there are plans to expand the program to be a base-wide event, helping all Robins families next year.

"It's going to expand to be bigger and better." said Mai.

bigger and better," said Maj. Gwen Taylor, who was instru-mental in bringing Family-2-Family to the 116th. "It's so daunting, so exciting. We've never done it before, so we are looking forward to it."

Major Taylor was talking about forming a board of direc-tors for Family-2-Family, which will have involvement from those throughout the base. The first meeting took place Dec. 13, but before Major Taylor, and 116th Family Support coordinator, Eileen Byrd, could worry about that, they had to com-plete the task at hand.

That involved making sure all of the boxes of goods were ready to be handed out to the various families participating in the program. It started 12 years ago for the purpose of helping out families in need



photo by TECH. SGT. TIMOTHY NEVILLE Eileen Byrd, 116th Family Support coordinator, organizes goods will be given out to needy families through the 116th Family-2-Family program.

during the holiday season. This year, nearly 200 families from two local school systems and within the military, will be receiving boxes that contain food, clothing and toys. "It's a great feeling," said

Major Taylor, of helping out the various families. "It's the only program I know of (where you) get immediate gratification from helping someone" someone."

on Dec. 13, first sergeants and unit commanders presented the gift boxes to the members of the military who were recommended by those same people. The military members remain completely anony. remain completely anony-mous, while the volunteers get to see the joy the program brings when the boxes were delivered to the schools
Dec. 18.

While unit commanders and

first sergeants are in charge of providing names of those who could benefit from Family-2-Family, it is the school system that gives out names for community members in need.
"To see the faces when we

drive up, I have seen principals cry," said Major Taylor, of delivering to the schools.

But getting to that point is a huge undertaking — starting in October, with the official kickoff of the event. By December, Family-2-Family wraps up and the task of sorting through the large quantities of donated food, clothing and presents begins.

As the end neared, however, Major Taylor, Ms. Byrd and a host of volunteers had every-

thing ready for delivery.

"This is the biggest (Family-2-Family) to date,"
Ms. Byrd said.

IN BRIEF

RAYER LUNCHEON SET FOR JANUARY

The National Prayer Luncheon will be held Jan. 29 at 11 a.m. in the Museum of Aviation Century of Flight Hangar. Guest speaker for the event will be Chaplain (Brig. Gen.) Cecil Richardson, Air Force Deputy Chief of Chaplains. Special guest musician will be Judy Martin

Admission is \$3 and tickets may be purchased through the Base Chapel. For more information call 926-2821

ROBINS TAX CENTER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Robins is looking for vol-unteers to serve as tax advi-sors at the base tax center. No prior tax preparation experi-

ence is necessary.

The IRS will provide certification training here Jan. 7-11. Each volunteer must be certified in order to prepare taxes. Volunteers should be active-duty military, retirees and their dependents. Volunteers should commit to working at least two days a week if possible and not be slated for a TDY during the tax filing season which runs Jan. 21 through April 16. All interested volunteers

may contact Master Sgt. April Farmer at 327-4581 or via e-mail at april.farmer@robins.af.mil.

TROOPS TO TEACHERS

Bill Kirkland, representa-tive for the Troops to Teachers program, will be at the Robins Education Center Dec. 21 from 10 to 11 a.m. to take questions about the cooperative program between the U.S. Department of Education and the Department of Defense that provides referral and place-ment assistance to men and women who have served as members of the Armed Forces and are seeking a second career as teachers in public schools. He will also discuss the Spouses to Teachers pro-

The briefing will be in Bldg. 905, room 141, no reservations needed.

For more information, contact Andrea Harris at 327-7312, or Mr. Kirkland at bill.kirkland@gapsc.com.

CHANGES TO DEFENSE TRAVEL SYSTEM

Effective now DTS has a Centrally Billed Account, which is a credit account assigned to the Traffic Management Office for travelers who do not have an indi vidually billed account or Government Travel Card.
These travelers will now be able to book reservations in DTS by using the CBA account number designated for Robins TMO. These travof their orders to TMO by e-mail at 78lrs.lgrt.pax@robins.af.mil or fax to 926-9384 before the ticket can be issued. Use of the IBA/GTC is mandatory for all official travel and use of the CBA will be on a case-by-case basis. Contact Master Sgt. Charles Irvin at 222-0115 or Hope Johnson at 222-0110 with any questions.

78th Services Division holiday hours

- <u>Open</u>

 ►Arts & Crafts Center, open Dec. 31 ▶Base Library, open Dec. 17
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 20 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.,
 Dec. 21 and 22 from 10 a.m.
 to 5 p.m., Dec. 23 from 12
 p.m. to 5 p.m., Dec. 26 and
 27 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.,
 Dec. 28 and 29 from 10 a.m.
 to 5 p.m., Dec. 30 from 12
 p.m. to 5 p.m., Dec. 31 from
 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
 ▶Base Restaurant, open
 Dec. 31
- Dec. 31
- Dec. 31
 ▶Bowling Center, open Dec. 24 from 1 to 6 p.m.; Dec 26 and 27 from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Dec. 28 from 11 am. to 11 p.m.; Dec. 29 from 1 to 11 p.m.; Dec. 30 from 1 to 6 p.m. and Dec. 31 from 1 to 5 p.m. (apen bevulina) and 0.
- p.m. (open bowling) and 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. (New Year's . Party)
- sted Club, open Dec. ▶ Enlisted Club, open Dec.
 30 (Football Frenzy
 Festivities) 11 a.m. to 7:30
 p.m. and Dec. 31 at 8 p.m.
 for New Year's festivities
 ▶ Fitness Center, open Dec.
 24 and 31 from 8 a.m. to 2
 p.m., Jan. 1 from 8 a.m. to 2
- ▶Fitness Center Annex.
- operi Dec. 31 from 6 to 9 a.m. ▶Flight Kitchen rema

- ▶ Flight Kitchen remains open
 ▶ Golf Course, open Dec. 24
 and Jan. 1 (normal hours)
 ▶ Human Resource Office, open Dec. 26 28
 ▶ Lodging, normal hours
 ▶ Marketing Office, open
 Dec. 26 28
 ▶ Cofficers' Club, open Dec. 23
 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for
 Sunday Brunch and Dec. 31
 at 6:30 p.m. for New Year's
 festivities
 ▶ Teen Center, open Dec. 26
 -29 from 2 to 8 p.m.
 ▶ Wynn Dining Facility, open
 Dec. 24 and 25 normal
 hours and Christmas Meal
 served from 11 a.m. to 2
 p.m. on Dec. 25
 ➤ Youth Center, open Dec.
 31 from noon to 5 p.m.
 Closed
- Closed

 ►Aero Club, administration and sales closed Dec. 25
- and Jan. 1 ▶Arts & Crafts Center,
- closed Dec. 24 25 and Dec. 28 (inventory) and Jan. 1

- Auto Hobby, closed Dec. 24 27 and Jan. 1 and 2
 Base Library, closed Dec. 24 and 25 and Jan. 1

 Base Restaurant, closed Dec. 24 and 25 and Jan. 1

 Deli operations, closed Dec. 17 Jan. 1

 Mobile trucks will run reduced routes Dec. 19 21; all routes closed Dec. 24 Jan. 1 and will resume normal hours Jan. 2

 All snack bars will close at 1 p.m. from Dec. 19 21 with all snack bars, closed Dec. 24 Jan. 1. Night shift operations closed Dec. 17 Jan. 1
- Jan. 1 ▶Vending, closed Dec. 24 –
- Jan. 1

 Administration Office, closed Dec. 24 and 25 and Dec. 31 and Jan. 1

 Bowling Center, closed Dec. 25 and Jan. 1

 CDC East & West, closed Dec. 24 and 25 and Jan. 1
- Dec. 24 and 25 and Jan. 1
- (Open only for children pre-registered on Dec. 31) ►Community Center, closed Dec. 23 25 and Dec. 29 -
- ▶Enlisted Club, closed Dec. 24 - 26 and Jan. 1 and 2 ▶Equipment Rental Center/Outdoor Recreation
- closed Dec. 24 and 25 and Jan. 1 and closes at 1 p.m. Dec. 31
- ▶Family Child Care, closed Dec. 24 and 25 and Dec. 31
- ▶Fitness Center, closed Dec. 25
- ▶Fitness Center Annex closed Dec. 24 and 25 and
- ▶Flight Line Dining Facility, closed Dec. 24 and 25 and
- ►Food Service office, closed
- Dec. 24 Jan. 1 ▶Golf Course, closed Dec.

- 25
 ►Honor Guard/Mortuary
 Affairs/Readiness, normal
 hours of operation,
 Administrative office closed
 Dec. 24 and 25 and Jan. 1
 ►Human Resource Office,
 closed Dec. 24 and 25 and
 Jan. 1 and closes at 1 p.m.
 Dec. 31
- Dec. 31
 ►Information, Tickets and Travel, closed Dec. 24 and 25 and Jan. 1 and closes at 1 p.m. Dec. 31

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►Marketing Office, closed Dec. 24 and 25 and Jan. 1 Dec. 24 and 25 and Jan. 1 and closes at 1 p.m. Dec. 31 b-Officers' Club, closed Dec. 24-26 and Dec. 30 and Jan. 1 and 2. Club will also be closed Jan. 13-31 for repairs. Pizza Depot, closed Dec. 24-26 and Dec. 31 and Jan. 1 Resource Management office/NAF, closed Dec. 24 and 25 and Jan. 1 Skeet Range, closed Dec. 24 and 25 and Dec. 31 - Jan. 1

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 ►Teen Center, closed Dec. 24
 and 25 and Dec. 30 Jan. 1

 ►Vet services, closed Dec. 24
 and 25 and Jan. 1

 ►Wood Shop, closed Dec. 24
 26 and Jan. 1
- ▶Youth Center, closed Dec.24 and 25 and Jan. 1

Happy Holidays





Sounds of the Holiday Season*

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Above, Major Chad Steffey, commander of the Band of the United States Air Force Reserve, conducts the band during their annual holiday concert for the local community Dec. 13 at the Museum of Aviation.
This annual event featured songs from the band's "Happy Holidays" series, including a mixture of classic holiday carols, novelty segments and sing-alongs.

At right, Chief Master Sgt. Jay Willis, with back up singers Staff Sgt. Frances Hudlow, Senior Airman Heidi Dickinson, and Master Sgt. Janis Thrift, sings a Do-Wop version of "Rudolf the Red-Nosed Reindeer."

