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# ROBINS REV-UP

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## Air Force announces Force Structure changes

### Robins to receive 103 civilians under workforce realignment

BY ROBINS  
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Force structure changes announced by the Air Force Friday will result in a reduction of eight personnel in the Robins workforce.

The changes that will take effect in Fiscal Year 2010 are a result of Air Force-wide efforts to make the nuclear enterprise more robust, bring key work back

under internal Air Force control, and restructure combat air forces. Other drivers include efforts to improve emphasis on acquisition excellence, better support program management and sustainment functions, and bolster support for Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance capabilities.

Overall, Robins will gain 103 civilian positions, 11 full-time reserve positions and one traditional reservist position, while it

will lose 121 active duty military positions and two traditional Air National Guard positions.

Among the specific changes: The Warner Robins Air Logistics Center will see an increase of two civilian positions, while the 78th Air Base Wing will gain one military position, the 330th Aircraft Sustainment Wing will gain 25 civilian positions, and the 542nd Combat Sustainment Wing will gain 35 civilian positions.

The largest wing on the base – the 402nd Maintenance Wing – will lose 123 military and two

civilian positions, as a result of the inactivation of the 653rd Combat Logistics Support Squadron.

Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command will see an increase of 11 full-time reservists, one air reserve technician, and three civilians.

The force structure changes announced are not unique, since the Air Force continually conducts manpower reviews to ensure forces are aligned against its highest priorities and to help the service operate within its budget.



For more details about the Fiscal 2010 Force Structure realignment, read the Fiscal Year 2010 Force Structure Announcement at [www.af.mil](http://www.af.mil).



U.S. Air Force photos by SUE SAPP

A C-130H3 taxis from the Robins runway. The aircraft has four 8-bladed propellers whereas the normal C-130 has four 4-bladed propellers, giving it increased capabilities. Modification is managed by the C-130 Aircraft sustainment group, with oversight by the SOF/SPO organization.

## Commanding performance

### Berry bids farewell to base, community

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Col. Warren Berry has been in the Air Force for 21 years, but the outgoing commander of the 78th Air Base Wing calls his experience here “probably the most rewarding challenge I’ve had in my career.”

He will relinquish command in a ceremony July 8, turning the reins over to Col. Carl A. Buhler, who is currently commander of the 379th Expeditionary Maintenance Group in Southwest Asia.

Colonel Berry said the challenging part of his job here is the expansive nature of Robins, which includes such diverse groups as the 116th Air Control Wing, the Air Force Reserve Command Headquarters and the 5th Combat Communications Group, not to mention the flagship Warner Robins Air Logistics Center. The only other base he has served at with as many diverse missions is Ramstein Air Base in Germany.

The 78th ABW is charged with providing the services that those varying units need to succeed.

“I think the challenging part of this is that an air base wing doesn’t serve itself,” he said. “The air base wing exists as an enabler of other missions on the base. It’s trying to find ways to say ‘yes’ and to balance all those competing priorities. There’s just so many competing interests that you really have to get creative sometimes to find solutions that don’t involve lose-lose but involve win-win.”

The rewarding part, he said, is seeing how the people in the wing operate under those complex circumstances.

“Overall, the rewarding part is just watching the professional Airmen and civilians in



Col. Warren Berry  
 78th ABW  
 Commander

## Robins gets peek at unique C-130H3

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C-130 maintainers at Robins got a look last week at a unique version of the venerated cargo plane.

The Wyoming Air National Guard flew in the C-130H3, which is one of only two that has a new 8-blade propeller on each of its four engines. Most C-130s are powered by 4-blade propeller units.

The propeller was developed to help C-130s on skids get off the ice while resupplying scientists working in the Arctic and Antarctica, said retired colonel Manny Macias, a consultant for Hamilton Sundstrand, the company that makes the propellers.

The 8-blade propellers give the plane more thrust, which helps the plane compensate for the resistance that the ice puts on the skids.

However, the Air Force is now looking at the propellers for other uses, including Special Operations. The crew made the stop at Robins after visiting Air Force Special Operations Command at Hurlburt

Field in Florida. Special Ops finds the 8-blade configuration especially attractive because the plane is much quieter, said Mr. Macias.

The plane’s crew gave the propellers rave reviews.

Col. Dennis Grunstad, commander of the 153rd Airlift Wing, flew the plane into Robins.

“If we could afford it for the whole fleet, I think it would be a significant upgrade,” he said.

In a time of serious belt-tightening in the Air Force, the cost might be the biggest impediment to the propellers getting put to widespread use. Mr. Macias said equipping a C-130 with the propellers costs about \$2 million.

But the propellers come with several advantages.

The additional thrust makes the planes more fuel efficient, Col. Grunstad said, and the planes have significantly less vibration.

The blades are made of Kevlar, com-

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Col. Dennis Grunstad, 153rd Air Wing commander, talks about the improvement the eight propellers make in the capabilities of the C-130 H3.

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The all-time AF record for donations, set in 2005, was \$7.372 million. This year shattered that record by over \$105,000, bringing total donations to over \$7.477 million – an amazing 129.9 percent of the \$5.757 million goal for 2009. Robins’ goal for 2009 was \$76,391, however, it was well surpassed with local contributions from active duty, retired and civilians totaling \$91,260.

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this wing perform the way they do every day," he said. "They are a remarkable lot. I've said it before, but 98 percent of what happens in this wing doesn't require a decision from me, and 99.9 percent of the time, they get them all right. They are a great group of people."

Although he regrets leaving Robins, he is headed for an intriguing job at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., where he will be working for the Joint Chiefs of Staff. His official job title is assistant deputy director for

political military affairs for the Western Hemisphere.

The job involves developing military strategy, military policy, and engaging the militaries of other countries in the Western Hemisphere. It will also thrust him into one of the most significant national security issues of the day – the growing violence among drug traffickers in Mexico and other Latin American nations. He will be working with those nations to try to help figure out ways to fight the tide of violence and drug trafficking. It's a challenge that he is looking forward to tackling, he said.

Asked at the end of the interview whether he had any other parting words, Colonel Berry turned his attention outside the gates of Robins. While every Air Force base where he has served has some level of community support, he said, Warner Robins takes it up a notch.

"Out of all of the communities I've been too, you come here and there's something different," he said. "It's palpably different. It's noticeably different. It's better. It's hard to put into words what that 'it' factor is but you really notice it; their support to the base and mission has absolutely been critical."



U.S. Air Forcefile photo by CLAUDE LAZZARA

Col. Warren Berry, 78th Air Base Wing commander, will relinquish command July 8.



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

Maj. Tony McPheeters, navigator, and Capt. K. C. Young, pilot, talk with David Richards and Woody Battle, about the advantages of the 8-bladed C-130.

# C-130

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pared to the aluminum on standard C-130 blades. Mr. Macias said that means the blades will last longer. Also, he said, with the current C-130 propellers the entire propeller unit must be removed if a blade must be repaired or replaced, but with the 8-blade propeller a blade can be removed individually.

Those who work on the

C-130 at Robins came out to examine the plane while it was refueling.

"It looks different, that's for sure," said C-130 Chief Engineer Randy Ivey.

In addition to its military duties, the Wyoming ANG also uses C-130s in wildfire work. The one brought in last week has been used in firefighting, but not since it has had the new propellers installed.

However, crew members said additional thrust will aid in firefighting

because the planes fly at maximum load, and fly as low as 150 feet when dropping fire retardant.

Capt. K.C. Young, a C-130 pilot in the Wyoming ANG, has about five hours in the plane with the 8-blade propellers.

"It's incredible," he said. "It's like flying a whole new aircraft."

With over 50 years in production, the C-130 has been in continuous production longer than any other military aircraft.



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## Annual Independence Day Concert set to kick off tonight at 8 p.m.

Motown legends The Miracles will team up with the Band of the U.S. Air Force Reserve to launch an Independence Day Concert celebration tonight at McConnell-Talbert Stadium on South Davis Drive in Warner Robins.

The free concert will begin at 8 p.m. with the National Anthem and a scheduled F-15 flyover.

"Last year was a

record-setting crowd, and this year we are expecting just as big attendance for the celebration," said Allen Tatman of the Warner Robins Civitan Club.

Mr. Tatman recommends everyone watch the show from inside the stadium as the fireworks are set to music, "making the spectacular display that much more stirring and enjoyable to

watch." The stadium bleachers offer seating; however, attendees are welcome to bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating on the infield. Food and beverages will be available. Bags and containers are subject to search. No alcoholic beverages or glass containers and no pets are allowed. —courtesy AFRC Band

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# BUILDING BLOCKS



## Lego simulation helps C-130 mechanics learn 'process flow'

BY LISA MATHEWS

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George Barnes, a consultant who works with the C-130 maintenance organization to help implement Air Force Smart Operations for the 21st Century, is conducting training sessions that are fun, funny and enlightening for mechanics.

Using Lego blocks, training groups divide up into different areas to build aircraft. In the first round of the simulation each area must complete assigned work on five aircraft and hand carry them to the next area around a table. Any aircraft that are damaged or not built to specifications must be discarded. Thus, if station three has a breakage in an aircraft, that person must wait for station two to deliver a group of five before they can move any of their aircraft to the fourth station.

In this simulated operation flow, "mechanics in the downstream operations – push sequence – are very frustrated," Mr. Barnes said, "adding that it's not much unlike real-world operation.

"Mechanics wait; they wait for previous operations to be completed; they wait for parts to be delivered; they wait for inspections," he said. "The reason this phase of the simulation is so powerful is that it mirrors the daily work

life of the mechanic."

Another variable involves having some stations performing much more work to the aircraft than other stations. Through this simulation, mechanics can easily see where backlogs and work stoppages occur. They also see the vast amount of work in progress that builds up with this type of flow.

During a recent training session, it took the group more than 13 minutes to complete the first airplane for delivery.

For the next part of the training, Mr. Barnes had the mechanics organize their work areas in a constant flow around the table; i.e., station one was followed by station two, which was followed by station three. When the group assembled their parts, they could then pass them to the next station.

The constraint was that the first station could not pass another part until station two had passed its work to the third station.

The time it took to complete the first good airplane in the second round of the simulation was less than half the time the first simulation took.

Another factor in both of these simulations was that the workers were only allowed a certain number of pieces needed to complete their work. Once they ran out, they had to go to a station holding the spare pieces and get more.

During the final round of the simulation, Barnes even-loaded the work – for those areas that had been taking longer, he took some of their work and had other stations do more. He also included a quality inspector on one of the work stations. To further assist in the flow, the extra pieces were divided among the work stations so that the mechanics would not have to stop to go get another supply of Legos.

"During this phase of the simulation it is amazing to see the change in behavior and culture. By allowing everyone to be involved, and transitioning the culture to a team environment where everyone participates, the team then creates a 'pull' by using standard work," Mr. Barnes said.

The end result was that the first plane was delivered complete in less than two minutes.

Jonathan Burch, a C-130 sheet metal mechanic, participated in the simulation exercise.

"I had heard about this training and was anticipating going to it," Mr. Burch said. "I really learned a lot from this class, and my co-workers and I all felt that our instructor, George Barnes, did an excellent job with the presentation.

"It was astonishing to see how much waste and unnecessary effort it took to get the first simulated plane built in the

first phase of the simulation. With each subsequent phase, the team became more effective and we eliminated more waste. At the same time, we became more productive and were actually exerting less effort," he added. "By phase four – flexible work force, standard work – we were doing one-piece flow and everyone was working together and having fun doing it."

Mr. Burch said he viewed his work site in a new way when he returned to the job the following day.

"When I returned to work on my plane, I couldn't help but wonder why this flow concept has not already been put into place at our work site," he said.

To date, Mr. Barnes said that about 300 mechanics have gone through the simulation training.

"The flow simulation is a very powerful tool that demonstrates how teamwork, standard work and involvement can change behavior. At the beginning of the simulation, the behavior was negative and several times comments were made about 'just another program,'" Mr. Barnes said.

As the simulation evolved, the same transition happened with the mechanics behavior.

"Understanding, acceptance and relating to their own personal experiences were expressed," he said.



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George Barnes, standing, assists Michael Bauer during a training session.



Using the lego simulation, mechanics can more easily see the flow through a process.



Melvin A. Scott, a C-130 mechanic, concentrates on the task of assembling a lego aircraft.

## Robins breaks ground on new command center

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW

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Construction is expected to begin soon on the long-awaited new Robins command post.

Officials gathered June 24 for a ground-breaking ceremony for the building that will house base emergency operations that are currently in three separate locations.

Col. Warren Berry, commander of the 78th Air Base Wing, began the ceremony by pointing out the large sign that identified the project.

"You have no idea how good that sign looks, to actually have the opportunity to be here for a ground-breaking for our command post," Colonel Berry said. "It's been a little while in coming."

The 14,000-square-foot building is expected to cost \$4.6 million, and completion is expected in late 2010. It will be located in the area next to Burger King, between the 78th Air Base Wing headquarters and the

Furniture Store.

Colonel Berry said having it next to the headquarters is a far better location, and it will also have better equipment for its operations.

"Putting all of them under one roof, right next to the person who has ultimate responsibility, is just a huge boon to our mission effectiveness all the way around," he said.

The building was funded through a congressional insert in the fiscal 2008 budget, Colonel Berry said. In attendance at the ceremony were representatives from the offices of Congressman Jim Marshall and U.S. Senators Saxby Chambliss and Johnny Isakson.

The construction is in partnership with the Army Corp of Engineers.

"This really is going to be a state of the art facility for us," Colonel Berry said. "Our command post, if I could get a bus out here and take you to that facility, you would be amazed at what they currently work in."

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U.S. Air Force photo by STAFF SGT. DETRA MASON

Staff Sgt. Heather Chapman, 116th Civil Engineering Squadron, works on a munitions maintenance facility in Israel. 116th Airmen spent 19 days in the country constructing a munitions maintenance facility, latrines and lighting protection systems.

## 116th ACW lends helping hands to build military facilities in Israel

BY STAFF SGT.  
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116th ACW PA

A team of Airmen from the 116th Air Control Wing recently spent nearly three weeks in Israel building facilities.

The 40-person team spent 19 days constructing lighting protection systems, shower latrines and a munitions maintenance facility for the Israel Defense Force.

“The National Guard Bureau works with the Israeli readiness department for training programs,” said Master Sgt. James Love, 116th Civil Engineering Squadron first sergeant.

The munitions maintenance facility is the oldest of the three projects the team worked on as part of a partnership started in 1996.

The all-Guard team has been constructing the facility for five years utilizing annual tour days to get troops experience, Sergeant Love said.

Israel was the first pick in a list of five countries to possibly travel to and get Prime BEEF (Prime base engineer emergency force) training.

“Our unit has all of its training requirements up to date and the Guard Bureau was impressed enough to give us our first choice,” Sergeant Love

said. Getting hands-on experience is one benefit of going on temporary duty; going overseas to get the training is an added bonus.

“I volunteered so that I could go somewhere I have never been,” said Staff Sgt. Daniel Miller, who works in the 116th CES Power Production shop.

Sergeant Miller installed lighting protection on two sunshades and the munitions maintenance facility during his first TDY.

“This was a once-in-a-lifetime experience,” he said. “I had a great trip and would go again if the opportunity should arise.”

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Construction on the Marine Corps Reserve Center here is in full swing. The \$20.2 million project is the result of the Base Realignment and Closure Commission, and will serve as the new location of a Marine Corps Reserve helicopter unit. Construction is scheduled for completion in April 2010. The 40,375-square-foot building is adjacent here..

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### LARGEST MILITARY EDUCATION FAIR

The summer of 2009 marks a milestone in voluntary education programs for military personnel as the Defense Activity for Non-traditional Education Support commemorates its 35th anniversary at the Department of Defense Worldwide Education Symposium July 27-31 at the Marriott Marquis Hotel in downtown Atlanta

For the first time ever, the conference will feature the World's Largest Military Education Fair, and servicemembers from all branches of the Armed Forces are invited to attend. Military personnel in uniform will be admitted free to the education fair July 29 from 10:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will

be more than 160 colleges, universities and educational vendors on display. Adult family members with a military sponsor also are welcome to attend at no charge.

"The goal of the fair is to give the military unique access to the specialized Worldwide Education Symposium exhibits," said Master Chief Petty Officer Tim Zernick, DANTES Special Enlisted Advisor. "In doing so, I hope it will motivate them to work toward attaining some form of higher education – either a college degree or technical certification – while at the same time improving their chances for advancement."

More than 2,000 military and civilian personnel and 160 exhibitors from across the country and around the world are expected to attend the symposium.

"Every servicemember who comes to the education fair will have a positive experience that shows them a pathway to achieving their potential," said Zernick. "This type of access only comes along once in a lifetime."

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## Holiday time to renew, commitment to principles

On July 4, 1776, the Declaration of Independence was unanimously adopted by the Second Continental Congress, announcing the American colonies' separation from Great Britain, and marking the birth of the United States of America. Two hundred thirty-three years later we continue to honor the principles of individual rights and personal freedom expressed in our founding document.

While the Fourth of July is a



**Gen. Donald J. Hoffman**  
AFMC commander

day for celebration, fun and camaraderie, I also like to think of it as a renewal of our commitment to the Declaration's principles. It took great personal courage by our founding fathers to commit their future and their fate to independence and it took a lengthy debate to achieve consensus.

Today's debates cover a wide range of issues – America at war, the struggling economy, deficit spending – and the strategy, weapon systems, and priorities our armed services will

support. Despite disagreements – some of them quite heated – the commitment of Air Force Materiel Command, the Air Force and its sister services to this nation is not debated.

I join all of the Command's senior leaders in saluting all of you who so skillfully carry out the AFMC mission. Your work reflects the dedication to the principles that have sustained this great nation since its founding.

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday.

## 'Celebrate our independence, we must'

Time and again, we are reminded of the astonishing vision of our nation's forefathers. Consider the thoughts and sentiments of John Adams. David McCullough's Pulitzer Prize-winning biography on the man who would be our second president noted Adams' emotional letter to his wife, Abigail, on the occasion of the American colonies' vote for independence from British rule.

"The second day of July 1776 will be the most memorable epocha in the history of America," wrote Adams. "I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the Day of Deliverance by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other from this time forward forever more."

Of course, Americans have long celebrated Independence Day on the Fourth of July, the date Congress passed the Declaration of Independence. Nonetheless, Adams' joyous call for celebration greatly describes our traditional Independence Day festivities. Certainly, he'd be pleased and proud to see we



**Maj. Gen. Polly A. Peyer**  
WRALC commander

mark the birth of our nation with the gusto he saw fitting 233 years ago.

And so it should be. We are obliged to celebrate this holiday heartily and with great zeal. It is, perhaps, the greatest of American holidays. It commemorates the beginnings of the freedoms and advantages so special to our nation – the way of life so many in this world want and hope for, and that we are so blessed to call ours.

Yet, as we celebrate the truest meanings of Independence Day, we must also remember that these gifts have always come with a cost.

As our earliest leaders forged a new nation, they did so knowing war was already under way and the path ahead was rife with

peril. Indeed, as the delegates debated and voted in Philadelphia, British ships and soldiers had been gathering off New York for a month – a show of British might that grew ever greater in the following months.

In the days prior to that momentous vote, Adams had expressed concern for "the bloody conflict we are destined to endure." He knew declaring independence was important; but he also recognized we would have to fight long and hard to actually achieve it. Even amidst the elation of his letter to Abigail, Adams was moved to confess that he was well aware of the "toil and blood and treasure that it will cost us to maintain this declaration."

This weekend, we arrive at July 4, 2009, and we're still fighting for those freedoms declared at the birth of our nation. Most notably, we're still a patriotic people willing to fight for those freedoms. All of us here at Robins, military and civilian, support and defend the liberty set out for us in the Declaration. And throughout our history, brave citizens of our nation have put their very lives on the line for those "unalienable rights."

So celebrate our independence, we must. Celebrate as President Adams and all the

courageous patriots who've gone before us would want us to on this special day. Enjoy your well-earned time off fully with family and friends. And, please, take a moment to honor and appreciate what we have as Americans, and the precious price we continue to pay for our freedoms. Most important, remember those who are deployed even now to distant lands in service to our country, far from their homes and loved ones on a day typically spent together with them.

I also must remind you to take those Voluntary Protection Program principles with you this weekend to the picnics, cookouts, parades, fireworks shows, beaches and ballgames – everywhere you may roam for the Fourth of July. Please, watch out for each other and come back to work safe and sound when the fun and festivities are done.

Last, as your commander, I want to thank every member of Team Robins for the work you do to preserve the principles of liberty and individual freedom we celebrate on this historic day. I'm continually in awe of your performance and proud to serve with each of you.

Brian and I wish you and your families a safe and happy Independence Day!



## What does patriotism mean to you?



**Ann Hedley**  
WRALC/DPT

"I think of red, white and blue and the flag. It's people working together as one common bond. That's what it should be."



**1st Lt. Pam Stauffer**  
116th ACW/PA

"It's supporting America in the capacity you're in, whether military or civilian, and understanding and executing the responsibilities that go along with your role."



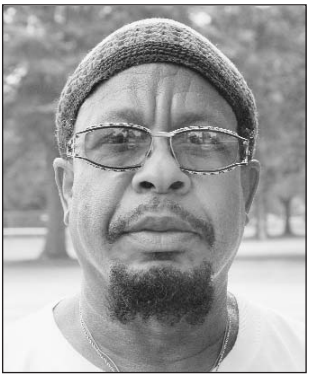
**John Beasley**  
Museum of Aviation

"God, country, respect, dedication and freedom."



**Johnathan Jackson**  
WRALC/XP Youth Apprentice

"A deep love for your country and the desire to serve when called upon."



**Roderick Phelts**  
402nd Maintenance Wing

*Today's thoughts are from Roderick Phelts of the 402nd Maintenance Wing. His unit delivers parts between different shops. He has worked at Robins for 31 years, and took time to talk about:*

***integrity***

# IN MY OWN WORDS..

My first, second and third line supervisors have influenced me as far as integrity. My first line supervisor is Yamaan Robins, second line is Stanley Knight, and my third line supervisor is John Jackson.

From them I've learned integrity, that teamwork does work, and keeping a positive attitude in the midst of adversity and confusion is important. They have shown me they are people of their word, and

I feel confident and trust them with my career. They will do the right thing. Integrity, they have, and they have influenced me a lot to do better as a human being.

At one time the work environment was real hostile. They came in and did what they said they would to eliminate that problem. They helped me really want to come to work and do my job in the most fulfilling way I possibly

can. So far things have been pretty good. When I see them I can greet them with a smile and shake their hands and I feel good about working for them.

People are a lot happier now and that makes a big difference. When you work with a group of men who come from all walks of life, different areas and different ethnic backgrounds, it makes a big difference to have integrity, and

they make that difference. When people are in a bind, they will come to rescue them, and we need that.

They have improved communications as far as letting us know what is going on, and being truthful. They did what they said they were going to do. A man's word is his bond, and they truly have shown that.

This is the second in a regular feature in which Team Robins members are asked to give their thoughts on targeted areas of improvement. Those areas are trust, successful communications, grievances, recognition, teamwork, success, integrity, fairness, the Big Picture, and diversity. If you would like to participate, call Wayne Crenshaw at 222-0807 or e-mail him at [wayne.crenshaw.ctr@robins.af.mil](mailto:wayne.crenshaw.ctr@robins.af.mil).

## CONGRATULATIONS ENERGY WARRIORS

Thanks to the energy conservation efforts of Team Robins members, the base saved more than \$13,000 in energy costs over the 2009 Memorial Day holiday. Keep up the good work Robins.

— *Courtesy Robins Energy Office.*



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## 78th FSS BRIEFS

### SATURDAY

**An Independence Day pool party will be held July 4** at the Heritage Club and Horizons pools. Cost is \$2 per person and includes fun in the sun, music, free games and prizes. For more information call outdoor recreation at 926-4001.

### SUNDAY

**Texas Hold 'Em will not be held July 5** due to the holiday but will be held on July 7 at 6 p.m. For more information call the Heritage Club at 926-2670.

### TUESDAY

**The teen center will hold money matter classes on Tuesdays** at 4 p.m., career launch classes on Wednesdays at 4 p.m., passport to Manhood classes on Thursdays at 4 p.m., Keystone meetings on Thursday at 5 p.m. and advisory council meetings every other Thursday at 5:45 p.m. For more information call the teen center at 327-6831.

### UPCOMING

**A First Friday "Happy Birthday America" will be held at the Heritage Club** and Horizons from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. July 10. Food will include fried chicken, corn on the cob, potato salad and watermelon. A wine tasting will be held in the Daedalian room from 5 to 6 p.m. First Friday means great food, entertainment and drink specials. Cost is members free and non-members \$5. For more information call Horizons at 926-2670.

**Youth fall soccer and start smart soccer registrations are going on now through July 11** from noon to 6 p.m. Monday – Friday. The cost is \$55 for kids 5 – 18 years old and the start smart soccer for children three – four years old. Apply in person at the center or call 926-2110 for more information.

**A Super Sunday Brunch will be held July 12** from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Brunch will include breakfast and dinner entrees, omelet station, carving station, salad bar, dessert and ice cream bar and more. Cost

is \$11.95 for members, \$14.95 for guests and \$7.95 for children (3 – 10 years old) and children two years and younger are free. For more information call Horizons at 926-2670.

**It's time to ride and bike across Robins** July 18 starting at 7 a.m. For more information call the fitness center at 926-2128.

**A yard sale will be held July 18 from 8 a.m. to noon** in front of the Heritage Club, Bldg. 956. Set up starts at 7:30 a.m. and tables can be purchased in advance for \$7 per table (limit three per person). For more information call the community center at 926-2105.

**Bring your lawn chairs and blankets to Movies Under the Stars** July 24 for a presentation of "The Bee Movie." The movie will start at dark behind the Heritage Club. For more information call the community center at 926-2105.

**Sign up today for the British Soccer Summer Camp** to be held Aug. 10 - 14. Cost is \$63 for three – four years old and \$86 for five – 16 years old. Receive a free soccer jersey when you sign up. For more information call Ron Hayes at 926-2110.

### ONGOING

**Information Tickets and Travel has the following tickets:**

► Summer Waves, Jekyll Island, Ga. for \$14.50 adults and children three years and younger are free; Wild Animal Safari located in Pine Mountain, Ga. for \$16 for adults, \$13 for children three – 13 years old and seniors 60 years and older and St. Augustine Alligator Farm for \$13 adults and children three – 11 years for \$6.50. For more information call the ITT office at 926-2945.

**A summer sizzle customer appreciation will be held at the base restaurant** now - July 31. Pick up a scratch card with a purchase of \$4 or more for a chance to win prizes. Prizes include a flat screen TV, travel mug, free lunch and more. For more information

## Education fair



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**Members of Team Robins browse the booths of over 20 college and universities for information at the education fair June 25** hosted by the Robins Education & Training office.

call the base restaurant at 926-6972.

**The Council of College and Military Educators is offering scholarships** to United States service members and their spouses who are working towards the completion of higher education degrees. For more information visit <http://www.ccmeonline.org/nashville10.aspx?session=scholarships>. Application deadline for both scholarships is Sept. 1. For more information call the Education and Training Office at 327-7330.

**The Instant Payback club drive has kicked off.** New members will receive three months free dues and zero percent introductory rate for six months. All new members can register on-line at [www.afclubs.net](http://www.afclubs.net) for a chance to win \$250 by completing the on-line survey. Receive discounts on every club meal purchase and cash back (2% on base/1% off base) on everything you buy with your MasterCard.

The club drive will end Aug. 15. Sponsored in part by Chase. No federal endorsement of sponsor intended. To apply on line go to [www.afclubs.net](http://www.afclubs.net) or call 1-800-569-1285 or visit Horizons.

**Universal Orlando's Military Salutes a Universe of Thanks for serving our nation to active duty,** retired, reserve, National Guard and eligible ID carrying (100 percent Permanently Disabled Veterans) has a special offer. Receive a complimentary two-park unlimited admission tickets (retail \$124.99) plus save up to \$35 for each two-park unlimited admission tickets for family and friends. Purchase tickets through Dec. 18, 2009. For more information call ITT at 926-2945.

**A new convenience is available at the main fitness center,** Bldg. 826. A grab-n-go breakfast is available Monday – Friday for dorm residents only. Call Wynn Dining at 926-4766 one day in advance

between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. to place a breakfast order of three choices (breakfast 1 - biscuit, bacon, egg, cheese, yogurt, fruit, OJ; breakfast 2 - biscuit, sausage, egg, cheese, yogurt, fruit, OJ and breakfast 3 - cereal, milk, yogurt, fruit, OJ). Breakfast orders will be ready for pick up at the main fitness center from 6 to 10 a.m. the following day. For more information call the fitness center at 926-2129.

**The Afterburner, which proudly brews Starbucks coffee, is open Monday – Friday** from 5 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come in and enjoy a June special of a tall Verona coffee with midnight layer cake or strawberry shortcake for only \$4.25. Also in June, come in between 8 to 9 a.m. and receive 10 percent off any coffee purchase. Afterburner is located in the Base Restaurant, Bldg. 166 on Byron St. Afterburner offers a variety of hot and cold beverages, pastries and snacks.

For more information call 222-7827 or 926-6972.

## 78th FSS Independence Day hours

### OPEN

- Auto Hobby Shop, open July 5 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Equipment Rental Center, open July 3 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Fitness Center, open July 3 and 4 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Flight Kitchen, open 24 hours a day
- Golf Course normal hours and tee times
- Heritage Club Pool, open July 3 - 5
- Horizons Pool, open July 3 - 5
- Lodging, normal hours
- Indoor Pool, open July 3 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Pizza Depot, open July 5 from noon to 3 p.m. (limited menu & no deliveries)
- Wynn Dining Facility, normal hours

### CLOSED

- Aero Club administration and sales, closed July 3
- Airman and Family Readiness Center, closed July 3

- Airman Leadership School, closed July 3
- Arts & Crafts Center, closed July 3
- Auto Hobby Shop, closed July 3 and 4
- Base Library, closed July 3 - 5
- Base Restaurant, closed July 3
- Bowling Center, closed July 4
- CDC East & West, closed July 3
- Community Center, closed July 3
- Military Education & Training Office, closed July 3
- Equipment Rental Center, closed July 4 and 5
- Family Child Care, closed July 3
- Fairways Grille, closed July 3
- Fitness Center Annex, closed July 3 - 5
- Flight Line Dining Facility (fast food), closed July 3
- Food Service office, closed July 3
- Heritage Club, closed July 3 (No Bingo or

- Texas Hold 'Em)
- Honor Guard/Mortuary Affairs/Readiness (answering machine checked every 2 hours)
- Horizons, closed July 3 - 5
- Human Resource office, closed July 3
- Indoor Pool, closed July 4 and 5
- Information, Tickets and Travel, closed July 3 - 5
- Marketing, closed July 3
- Military Personnel Section, closed July 3
- Pizza Depot, closed July 3 and 4
- Professional Development Center, closed July 3
- Resource Management office, closed July 3
- Skeet Range
- Teen Lounge, closed July 3 and 4
- US Veterinarian Services, closed July 3
- Wood Hobby shop, closed July 3 and 4
- Youth Center, closed July 3 and 4

## DONATE YOUR LEAVE

Employee-relations specialists at 926-5307 or 926-5802 have information and instructions concerning requests to receive or donate annual leave.

To have an approved leave recipient printed in the Robins Rev-Up, wings should send information to Lanorris Askew at: [lanorris.askew@robins.af.mil](mailto:lanorris.askew@robins.af.mil). Submissions run for two weeks.

### 78th FSS DIRECTORY

- Services .....926-5491
- Community Center .....926-2105
- Outdoor Rec .....926-4001
- Arts & Crafts .....926-5282
- Horizons .....926-2670
- Heritage Club .....926-7625
- Library .....327-8761
- HAWC .....327-8480
- Fitness Center .....926-2128
- Fitness Center Annex .....926-2128
- Youth Center .....926-2110
- ITT .....926-2945
- Bowling Center .....926-2112
- Pine Oaks G.C. ....926-4103
- Pizza Depot .....926-0188

Additional information on Services events and activities can be found in **The Edge** and at [www.robinservices.com](http://www.robinservices.com)

### CHAPEL SERVICES

#### Catholic

Catholic masses are 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

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

#### Jewish

Jewish service is Fridays at 6:15 p.m. at the Macon synagogue.

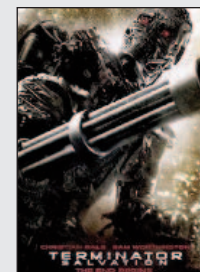
#### Orthodox Christian

St. Innocent Orthodox Church service is at the chapel on the second Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m.

#### Protestant

The traditional service meets Sunday in the Chapel at 11 a.m. Contemporary service meets at 6 p.m. in the Chapel sanctuary. The gospel service meets at 8 a.m. at the Chapel. Religious education meets in Bldg. 905 at 9:30 a.m.

### NOW PLAYING



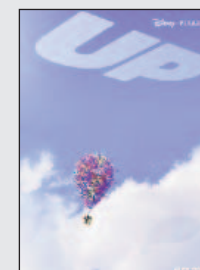
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**UPCOMING  
UP  
RATED PG**

Carl Fredrickson is a 78 year old balloon salesman who finally fulfills his lifelong dream of a great adventure when he ties thousands of balloons to his house and flies away to the wilds of South America. But he discovers all too late that his biggest nightmare has stowed away on the trip – an overly optimistic 8-year-old Wilderness Explorer...

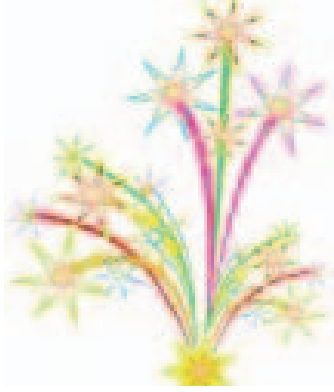
Tickets: \$4 adult; \$2 children (11 years old and younger. For more information, call the base theater at 926-2919

## THINK BEFORE YOU DRINK!

Have a plan in place to make it home. If that plan falls through, call Airmen Against Drunk Driving at 22-0013.

## HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY





## CRITICAL DAYS OF SUMMER

# Fourth of July safety

We are rapidly approaching the half-way point in the 101 Critical Days of Summer Campaign. Thus far, leadership engagement and use of personal risk assessment is paying dividends with no Team Robins fatalities. Continued focus and attention on mishap prevention on-and off-duty is the only way to proceed.

According to the National Safety Council, the combination of travel, alcohol and fireworks makes July the nation's deadliest month and the 4th of July our most dangerous holiday. Based on statistics gathered from the National Transportation and Safety Board, July 4,

2005 was the most lethal holiday ever for drivers, with alcohol factoring into nearly half of all motor vehicle deaths during that holiday.

The Air Force Culture Assessment Safety Tool PMV-4 survey is an excellent tool for assessing driving attitudes and providing reasonable alternatives for driving stressors.

AFCAST is available at [www.afcast.org](http://www.afcast.org).

The National Council on Fireworks Safety says that each year between 7,000 and 10,000 people are injured by fireworks nearly half of whom are under the age of 15.

Children between the ages of 10 and 14 are at three times the risk of fire-

works injuries than the general population. About a third of the injuries are from small firecrackers, 21 percent from bottle rockets and 20 percent from sparklers. Fireworks can also cause property damage.

The National Safety Council advises that the best way to safely enjoy this 4th of July is to watch a public fireworks display conducted by professionals.

Make the commitment to emulate the summer safety theme "Live to Play, Play to Live." Enjoy your holiday, while ensuring effective risk management is part of your daily life.

— *78th Air Base Wing Safety Office*

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