## **Return to Standard Time Sunday**

The return to Standard Time from Daylight Savings Time will occur Sunday at 2 a.m.

Clocks will be set back one hour to 1 a.m.

Employees on a shift when time "falls back" to standard time will be credited with the actual number of hours worked.

Any time worked in excess of eight hours will be paid at the



appropriate overtime rate or as compensatory time.

For more information, contact your human resource specialist at 222-0601.

## Pancake Flip Wednesday

There will be a free pancake flip Wednesday from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at Robins Park.

This event is sponsored by the Robins Chapel and Airmen's Ministry for all Team Robins personnel and family members.

Col. Carl Buhler, 78th Air

Base Wing commander, said the pancake flip is a 50-year tradition of the U.S. Air Force Air Demonstration Squadron "Thunderbirds."

He served as a maintenance officer with the unit and decided to bring the event to the Robins community.



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## Requirements Symposium kicks off Nov. 16

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW

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Hundreds of business representatives from around the world will be in Perry soon for a symposium about Robins' 'future needs.'

The event, the 8th Annual Requirements Symposium, Nov. 16-18, is expected to bring nearly 1,000 people to the Georgia National Fairgrounds & Agricenter. Sponsored by the Robins Regional Chamber of Commerce, the symposium is conducted each year to give industry a head start on helping the base. Robins officials give detailed explanations on an array of its anticipated needs so businesses can be prepared when it comes time to compete for contracts.

"It (the symposium) provides communications between government and industry, and gives industry insight so they will be further along," said Chuck Pollard, program manager in the Enterprise Acquisition Division.

The event has grown steadily each year, setting a record in 2009 with more than 900 participants, including 561 attendees from more than 300 companies.

This year, the event will kick off Nov. 16 with a golf tournament at Pine Oaks Golf Course, followed by vendor exhibits and a social at the Museum of Aviation.

The symposium itself will

begin Nov. 17, with featured speaker Deryl Israel, Warner Robins Air Logistics Center executive director. Briefings – including one by Headquarters, Air Force Reserve Command, which is participating in the symposium for the first time – and breakout sessions will follow.

Also, for the first time since 2008, the symposium will include "white paper" briefings. In white paper briefings, Robins engineers invite companies to pro-

pose solutions to problems the engineers are experiencing. The engineers can then use the proposals to request funds to fix the problems.

The symposium is financed by the chamber through fees charged to business attendees; however, the event is free for all Department of Defense employees.

For more symposium information, visit www.wrcoc-air.org and click the Requirements Symposium link.

## **MEETING OF MINDS**

# Community leaders from across AFMC share information, ideas with commander

Air Force Materiel Command Public Affairs Report

Eighteen civic leaders from across Air Force Materiel Command met with the commander Oct. 28 for a discussion of challenges that lie ahead in five significant categories tied to the AFMC mission.

The civic leaders are members of the command's Community Liaison Program, a group of 40 people representing each of 10 communities where AFMC has installations or a major organization. The CLP meets twice annually to hear updates on important AFMC and Air Force issues, to share information with Gen. Donald Hoffman, AFMC commander, and to brainstorm ideas of mutual benefit.

The five categories of the AFMC mission in which the group seeks to participate are acquisition reform and community support, education and workforce development, telling the AFMC story, recapitalization, and energy use and conservation.

Speaking about constraints on Defense Department's resources



U.S. Air Force photo by RON FRY

Robins liason Mary Therese Tebbe (center) and other members of the Community Liaison Program meet with Gen. Donald Hoffman, commander of Air Force Materiel Command, Oct. 28, at command head-quarters to discuss issues of mutual interest.

that will come into play over the next two years, Hoffman said, "I see them as opportunities. Resources will always be limited, but when things are especially tight, motivation gives us the opportunity to change things that may have been too difficult in the past."

He shared with the group Secretary of Defense Robert Gates' outlook for the future: "We are taking a hard, unsparing look at how DOD is staffed, organized, and operated." The CLP serves to maintain strong ties between the Air Force and its neighboring communities. The group's chairperson, Mary Therese Tebbe, one of four Robins representatives on the CLP, emphasized the program's commitment to working closely with the command.

"We're very proud of what our Air Force does," she said. "You've got an incredible story to tell and we want to help you

▶ see MEETING. 8A

## Expeditionary Combat Support System: Reshaping AF logistics

BY ROY SWYGERT

WR-ALC Plans and Programs Office

The Expeditionary Combat Support System was the focus of two briefings here in October by a team from the Systems Integration Division in Air Force Materiel Command's Directorate of Logistics.

ECSS is designed to provide Air Force leaders and logisticians with a commercial off-the-shelf and proven solution for accurate logistics and supply chain management planning, total asset visibility, positive inventory control, and time-definite delivery of parts to Airmen. The system will translate into improved support for the warfighter at less cost.

The briefings were used to kick off the 24-month preparation cycle for the implementation of ECSS at Robins.

"ECSS will touch everyone here," said Deryl Israel, Warner Robins Air Logistics Center executive director, in his opening remarks at the



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Israel said although the implementation date for ECSS at Robins appears to be far off, Robins personnel must start now to learn about the system and prepare for the transformation.

"Let's embrace ECSS, and let's get it deployed," he said.

"ECSS is coming," confirmed Don Pugh, chief of Enterprise Integration in the Systems Integration Division, Directorate of Logistics, at AFMC.

"We (all) must make ECSS site readiness a priority."

Pugh said ECSS will replace approximately 240 legacy systems, which are becoming increasingly harder to maintain, as well standardize Air Force's logistics and supply chain management business processes.

▶ see ECSS, 8A

## **Energy 'plans and programs'**

The Center's Plans and Programs Directorate may not be the largest organization on base, but the XP Staff has taken the importance of conserving energy to heart and is doing their part to cut the power bill here at Robins.

Each branch within the directorate has eliminated unnecessary electrical appliances which drain energy even when not in use. Unused computer equipment has been removed from the offices. Unused coffee pots have been unplugged and stored or discarded.

Mike Watson, XP facility manager, said each office has an end-of-day checklist which reminds the last person leaving to ensure all electrical appliances and



lights are shut off for the evening. Printers, paper shredders, computer monitors, coffee makers, and other appliances are turned off or unplugged so as not to drain energy during the night when the offices are empty.

He also explained since the 1980s, Robins has used

individual cubicle office solutions when designing administrative areas. When XP was planning and designing the Center Business Office, several issues were considered — financial, efficiency and quality of life — which resulted in some energy savings. Instead of individual cubicles to accommodate eight personnel, an open-floor plan with freestanding desks was designed.

This approach took advantage of adequate existing overhead lighting, natural sunlight from the windows and a much more efficient flow of air throughout the workspace, all of which would have been blocked by

see ENERGY, 7A

## Switchboard switchover

An automated system will soon do much of the work currently performed by switchboard operators

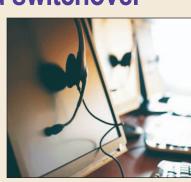
Called the Interactive Voice Response System, it will provide callers the telephone numbers of base employees and organizations – to include frequently called numbers – and, if requested, transfer callers to requested numbers.

The IVR system, which is capable of answering 18 callers simultaneously, will also reduce the time it takes for callers to receive assistance.

A reduced number of operators will assist with those calls the IVR system cannot support.

The IVR system is scheduled to launch in mid-November, according to the 78th Air Base Wing's Communications Directorate.

More information about the sys-



tem will soon be posted on the Communications Directorate's internal webpage, accessible by employees through the blue star icon on their desktops. Employees will also receive more information about the system via e-mail and through the Splash Page closer to the implementation date.

For additional information on the IVR system, call 926-7654.

- Courtesy 78th Communications Directorate

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Hello and Goodbye
The 402nd Maintenance Wing will host the Warner Robins Air
Logistics Center's, monthly Hail and Farewell today from 4 to 5 p.m.
in the Horizons Club Ballroom. This month's event will feature a
sports trivia game and a special farewell to Maj. Gen. Polly Peyer,

WR-ALC commander. Dress is uniform of the day or civilian casual.

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Get Out

## **Working Together**

## Supervisor credited for leadership skills, 'model' work ethic

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW wayne.crenshaw.ctr@robins.af.mil

Rusty Hodge worked as an avionics mechanic at

Robins for 26 years before becoming a fulltime supervisor, and he's quickly made the most of the opportunity.

Three years ago Hodge became a first-line supervisor in the Pave Penny shop of the 566th Electronics

Maintenance Squadron.

Rusty

Hodge

Since then, he has guided the shop through a period of rapid growth and successful efforts to apply Lean principles. He was also recognized with the Foster Leadership in People award for his efforts to promote better employee and management relationships.

Although he never went the Voluntary through Leadership Program, Hodge said he learned much from the supervisors he had over the years and is applying

those lessons.

"It's different," he said of being a supervisor. "You've got different challenges. But it's rewarding when you've got a lot of work going on, you've got a good line going, and you see the stuff going out

to support the warfighter. That's the main thing."

Pave Penny is the radar system for the A-10. The shop has seen its workload increase dramatically, now maintaining more than 100 items per month. Yet, through Lean principles, the shop now does with 15 people what it once did with 26.

The shop has won numerous awards for its efforts to improve safety and become more efficient, but Hodge gives the credit to his team.

Jackie Cleghorn, 566th EMXS squadron director, wrote in a letter recommending Hodge for the FLIP award that Hodge is "a true leader rather than just a boss and manages the Pave Penny crew by setting a sterling example."

Cleghorn also credited Hodge with helping the crew become a "widely-recognized model cell for Robins," and for encouraging his workers to further their education through college and the Voluntary Leadership Program.

Michelle Hand, an electronics technician who works under Hodge, said he is a "people person" who treats employees with respect.



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

## **Celebrating Heritage**

Levi McKenna enjoys an ear of roasted corn during Native American Heritage Observance activities Wednesday. Robins' annual celebration kicked off with the free corn roast, artifact identification, and primitive skills demonstration. The observance will continue with volunteer readers and archaeological presentations at local schools. On Nov. 23, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., there will also be a luncheon at the Heritage Club. Tickets are \$13 and can be purchased through Nov. 10 from unit NAHO representatives. For more information on NAHO activities or ticket POCs, call Linda Fountain at 926-6001.

## Robins is hands-free device zone, no exceptions

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW

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Although talking on a cell phone while driving is still legal in Georgia, it is not inside the gates of Robins.

Drivers on base continue to violate the ban against using a cell phone while driving, said Master Sgt. Paul Diedrich, 78th Security Forces operations superintendent.

"Driving through the base, I see it a lot," he said.

And it is not as if drivers don't know the regulation. Diedrich said when drivers using a cell phone spot a patrol car they will usually put the phone down.

Drivers on base can talk on a phone when driving if they have



a hands-free device, but with just a cell phone they can neither talk nor text.

While Georgia still allows talking on a cell phone when driving, it has banned texting.

Diedrich said the best choice for drivers is to put their full focus on driving.

"It distracts them and they are not giving their full attention to driving," he said.

cell phone and feel they need to

If drivers get a call on their

typical. Each citation counts for three points, with 12 points over a 12month period resulting in suspension of base driving privileges.

take it, they should pull over to a

safe place to take the call, he said. According to figures from

police services, 15 citations were

issued for cell phone use in

September, which is considered

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# SnapShots



U.S. Air Force photo by TOMMIE HORTON

Members of the 78th Medical Group collect trash during the clean up effort.



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More than 100 bags of trash – about 300 pounds – were collected Oct. 27 during the a base-wide clean up. Col. Carl Buhler (above right), 78th Air Base Wing commander, led the effort. Organizations policed their immediate work areas, while personnel from the 78th ABW policed some of the high-traffic areas on base. Cigarette butts were the primary source of trash. Smoking is only authorized in designated areas and butts must be placed in the proper container as they present a potential fire hazard and not doing so is littering. "It's all about taking pride in the appearance of our base and community," said Chief Master Sgt. Patrick Bowen, Robins command chief.



U.S. Air Force photo by **CANDICE ALLEN** 

Master Sgt. Sharon Milliner, an operational plans manager, rakes leaves around Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command. More than 20 headquarters personnel joined in the base beautification effort.



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Members of the 78th Force Support Squadron make their contribution to the clean up.

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## Remember those who serve

Despite the rhetoric and divisiveness we witnessed during this election year, there is one topic where Congress historically votes with one voice: supporting our military and our veterans.

In early October, Congress approved the Veterans Benefits Act of 2010. This comprehensive bill encompasses a wide spectrum of benefits – from the rights of active-duty troops to veterans' employment programs - previously covered by multiple, individual pieces of legislation.

On Oct. 13, President Obama signed the Veterans Benefits Act of 2010 into law, signaling the solidarity of our nation's leaders

in recognizing the importance of supporting our military veter-

A year earlier, this spirit of giving back to our veterans came to fruition in the Post-9/11 GI Bill. Introduced in August 2009, this bill provides financial support for education and housing, and marked a historical first: the opportunity to transfer unused educational benefits to spouses or dependents.

These actions by our president and Congress represent not just



Gen. Donald Hoffman Commander Air Force Materiel Command

these legislative efforts are significant and valued by our veterans, what they really value is recogni-

the respect which our country has for its veterans, but also recognition and thanks to all who serve. As a nation we've asked so many veterans to risk their well-being and their lives in stepping up to the military actions directed by our commanders-in-chief.

The United States is doing a better job of remembering and caring for its veterans. Although

tion as simple as a "thank you" from family, friends, and even strangers.

I am always humbled when an elementary school child comes up to me and says, "Thank you for giving me my freedom." Even though I know she has been trained to say that to those in uniform, and may not know the difference between a corporal and a general, the fact her teachers or parents instructed her is significant. It reflects the high esteem America's population has for those who have served and continue to serve.

Happy Veterans Day, America.

## Show veterans your appreciation

Ordinary people accomplishing extraordinary things. Simply put, that's who veterans are.

Young and old, rich and poor, black and white, and nearly every category in between, they are the men and women who served or still serve America.

Most have endured great hardships and drastically-altered lifestyles. Some have experienced the horrors of war. All sacrificed so we could enjoy the freedoms we have.

Today, more than 23 million living Americans are veterans. Their ranks include young men and women who gave the best years of their lives to our all-volunteer military ... from the more than four million veterans who've served since the Gulf War to Corporal Frank Buckles, a military ambulance driver and the last surviving WWI veteran.

We celebrate Veterans Day on the anniversary of the armistice which ended WWI, the resolution which began on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month. President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed "Armistice Day" to begin on November 11, 1919, to honor WWI veterans. In 1954, President Dwight Eisenhower signed an amendment to the law to have the day honor ALL veterans, thus renaming the holiday "Veterans Day."

How can we honor veterans on Veterans Day? Whether or not you know someone who has served, there are a number of simple things you can do to show your appreciation for veterans:

Visit a Battleground. Here in Georgia, there are a number of battlegrounds, museums, or

"Our veterans from every era are the finest of citizens. We owe them the life we know today. They command the respect of the American people, and our lasting gratitude."

memorials which exist within a few hours' drive which are not only educational, but inspirational as

The various sites include scenic Kennesaw Mountain, Chickamauga, Pickett's Mill, the Army Infantry and the Civil War Naval museums in Columbus, and, of course, the Museum of Aviation. These places commemorate the service and sacrifices of veterans in wonderful settings which are ideal for a family to spend an afternoon, or an entire weekend.

Communicate with the troops. Most servicemen and women, both past and present, are happy to have a conversation with interested countrymen.

Going to a local VFW or American Legion event can be both educational and entertaining. Sending cards (especially those which are homemade), letters, and care packages to deployed or hospitalized vets warms not only their hearts, but will warm yours, as well.

I have seen more than a few "tough guys" in uniform shed tears of appreciation for simple gestures from unknown supporters. Volunteer at the VA hospital in Dublin. Just listening to the stories of veterans brings a wealth of knowledge, understanding and appreciation.

Invite veterans you

know to dinner. Make a special cake or meal for them. Let them share their stories and their patriotism with your family and friends.

Visit a cemetery where veterans are interred. The closest national cemetery is near Andersonville, where you can learn the story about the tragedy, and the triumph, of American prisoners of war. Many local cemeteries also have a significant number of veterans' memorials. Clean up the grave sites, and place flowers and/or flags on

Our veterans are the finest of citizens. We owe them the life we know today. They command the respect and lasting gratitude of every American.

> - Commentary by Col. Chris Lauritzen, 78th Dental Squadron commander

# Helping make a difference

Editor's note: The following is part of an ongoing series of personal accounts from those who have benefitted from the Combined Federal Campaign.

To share your CFC story, contact Maj. Wade Cornelius at wade.cornelius@robins.af.mil or at 222-3470.

One of the most cherished jewels in our family was my grandmother. She was always there for me and her other grandchildren, giving us that special gift or preparing that special meal.

When my grandmother lost her right leg, she required a lot of the same attention she had given us over many years. I would call my grandmother everyday to see if she was okay or needed anything.

When I questioned her about



Combined Federal Campaign

what she had eaten, she would say I'm not sure what I'll have today, but I will for sure have some lunch. She went on to tell me she received a meal everyday from Meals on Wheels, and the people who delivered them were nice and friendly. I made sure I found a way to be at the house on several occasions when the meals were delivered (I wanted to see who was visiting my grandmother).

The people were professional volunteers and very trustworthy; I

even knew some of them!

I really came to appreciate the Meals on Wheels program and the people who delivered the meals.

They provide companionship to lock-ins, as well as hot meals.

I was really shocked when I took my grandmother to the doctor one day, was about to lock the house, and she said, "No. Leave it unlocked ... they are going to bring my lunch while we are gone." Just as she said, the meal was on the table when we returned.

That year I made my first contribution to Meals on Wheels.

After my grandmother passed, I decided to continue to donate what little I have to help support this 'generosity of time and love.' Knowing there are elderly and disabled who depend on the program is all the satisfaction I need to give.

## **CFC Monitors**

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The most efficient and effective way to resolve a problem or complaint is to directly contact the responsible organization. This gives the organization a chance to help you, as well as a chance to improve its process-

Please include your name and a way of reaching

you, so we can provide a direct response. Anonymous action lines will not be processed. Discourteous or disrespectful submissions will also not be processed.

Commander's Action Line items of general interest to the Robins community will be printed in the Robins

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# On the Fly

## **Award winner**

The Warner Robins Air Logistics Center's Small Business Office is the winner of the 2010 Air Force Materiel Command's Special Achievement Award in the "Activity" category.

The office will now compete for the Secretary of the Air Force award.

## Mass flu immunizations

The 78th Medical Group will offer mass administration of this year's flu vaccine from Nov. 8-12 at the main medical clinic atrium in Bldg 700.

Immunizations will be available each day from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. All active duty, guard, and reserve members, as well as other Tricare beneficiaries and DoD civilian employees, are invited to receive the vaccine. The flu vaccine is mandatory for all uniformed personnel.

For additional information call the immunization hotline at 327-7922.

**Upcoming** 

Air Force Sergeants
Association Chapter 404
meets the first Friday of
every month at 11:30 a.m.
at the Wynn Dining
Facility. All enlisted and
retired enlisted members,
and their spouses, are welcome to attend.

The next meeting will be today at 11:30 a.m

For more information, contact Master Sgt. Bobbie Dobberstein at bobbie. dobberstein@robins.af.mil

or Master Sgt. Varnell Simpson at varnell.simpson@robins.af.mil, or visit www.afsa.com.

The Airman Ministry
Center is holding a donation drive for the
Airman's Attic. The AMC
will be collecting items
through Saturday from
members' houses. Items
can also be dropped off at
the Airman's Attic.

Any donation, no matter how big or small, is greatly appreciated. For more information, call Airman 1st Class Brandon Womble at 327-4269.

The Middle Georgia American Society of Military Comptrollers will host its **monthly meeting** Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. at Horizons.

The guest speaker is Kalwant Smagh, who will speak on the topic "Where We've Been, Where We're Going."

Cost is \$10 for members and \$11 for non-members. To reserve tickets, call Tammy Tanner at 327-8674.

The annual Team Robins Angel Tree Christmas Drive kicks off Thursday. The program solicits aid from the base community to ensure all children with ties to Robins have plenty of presents to open on Christmas Day.

The Angel Trees and collection boxes will be located at the Commissary and Base Exchange.

Donations will be taken through Dec. 12 to ensure timely delivery. Gift cards and monetary donations are also being accepted.

Checks should be made out to the Team Robins First Sergeant's Council. For late donations, contact Master Sgt. Jerry Sutton at 497-5127 or Master Sgt. Robert Wolfe at 926-8142.

A Warner Robins Marine Corps League Chapter is forming. A meeting is scheduled for Nov. 13 at 10:30 a.m. in the Eagle conference room at the Museum of Aviation. Those interested in joining should bring their DD-214 or retired ID card and \$35.

For more information, call John Harmon at 222-

The **78th Medical Group Pharmacy** will close Dec. 16 at noon to conduct mandatory training. The pharmacy will reopen Dec. 17 at 7:30 a.m.

Starting in January, the pharmacy will close at noon the fourth Thursday of every month for mandatory training.

## **Etcetera**

The following leave recipient has been approved through the Voluntary Leave Transfer Program:

— David Harp of the 78th Civil Engineer Squadron. POC is Danny Butler at 327-8950.

— *Wendy Gulley* of the 402nd Maintenance Wing. POC is Amanda Thrasher at 222-7300.

To have the name of an approved leave recipient



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## Perfect move

An F-15C credited with two aerial victories over Iraq during Operation Desert Storm was towed Friday to the Museum of Aviation. The F-15 will be used to support hands-on training of 402nd Maintenance Wing civilian aircraft technicians. "It was a perfect move," said tow chief Wilbert Boyd of the 561st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.

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printed in the Rev-Up, e-mail Lanorris Askew at lanorris.askew@robins.af.mil.

The Air Force Aid Society will award up to 3,000 college education grants to dependents of

Air Force members through the General Henry H. Arnold Education Grant Program.

Applications for these \$2,000 need-based grants are now available at www.afas.org.

Completed forms must be received no later than March 11.

Grant award selection will be heavily based on cost of tuition, family income, and the number of applicants..

## HRDC brings Airmen together to build relationships

BY TECH. SGT. KELLY OGDEN

Air Force Reserve Command Public Affairs

Nearly 350 people shared experiences last week at Air Force Reserve Command's Human Resource Development Council conference in Atlanta.

The HRDC's mission includes ensuring fair and equitable treatment of all members and creating an environment which optimizes the contributions of a diverse work-

Chief Master Sgt. Dwight Badgett, AFRC command chief master sergeant, said the HRDC mission is of the utmost importance to AFRC leadership.

"I want to make sure Airmen understand

the impact of HRDC at the command levels, as well as back at their home base," he said. "We need HRDC involvement in everything that touches an Airman's life from the first day an individual enters the military until the end of the person's career."

Maj. Sean Gustafson, the first reservist selected to fly as a Thunderbird pilot, said the distinctions between the Air Force Reserve and the Regular Air Force have changed in recent years.

"The lines between Reserve and active duty are beginning to fade," he told the audience, noting reservists continually prove they are an asset by being handpicked for positions normally filled by

active-duty Airmen.

The crowd came to its feet when Herbert Heilbrun talked about flying with the Tuskegee Airmen during World War II.

Heilbrun, who is white, told the audience how thankful he is to the Tuskegee Airmen who fought for their country, even when their country didn't always fight for

"Johnny, a Tuskegee Airman, and I led parallel but separate lives," he said. "I was taught things I didn't know about racism, indignities and injustices. He enriched my life and ignited a few candles." Heilbrun went on to tell a story of how he flew with a Tuskegee Airmen but never met the actual man until some 50 years

later. As fate would have it, he had actually met his friend many years earlier when he was in grade-school.

He recounted a story about growing up and going to grade school with only one black child in his class - his Tuskegee Airman friend, Johnny.

Heilbrun pointed to his old class photo and smiled. "We were standing beside each other," he said. "It was meant to be."

"This conference allowed Airmen to come together, experience several mentoring opportunities and interact with some of AFRC's highest levels of leadership," said Capt. Bernadine Ford, an HRDC event planner from Headquarters AFRC Manpower and Personnel Division.

## **ENERGY**

module walls. In addition, an old technology resurfaced - you could communicate with each other in the office without using email.

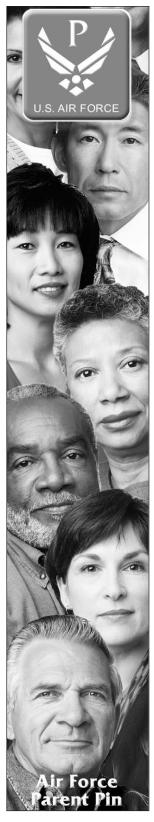
The staffers also check to make sure restroom lights and office lights are not left on overnight.

"It's a constant fight to keep lights turned off when others think they should be left on," said Watson. "But, we all have to do our part."

"Eventually, we find ourselves taking these things we learn at work home with us," he added. "My wife and I are always reminding one another to turn off lights at home when we are not using them."

Others within the directorate are also taking steps at home to reduce their energy consumption.

"We are in the process of replacing all the ceiling fans in our house to lighter, quieter, more energy-efficient models that, as a bonus, are much more attractive than the old ones," said Kim Lynn, XP director. - Courtesy Center Plans and Pro-



grams Office

TURN OFF THE JUICE WHEN NOT IN USE

## MEETING Continued from 1A

tell it."

In addition to meeting with Hoffman, the CLP members had a discussion with Paul Parker, AFMC's director of communications, installations and mission support, about energy use and conservation. Of particular interest was the subject of how local utilities can share costs for electric power generation and consumption with the Air Force.

The energy theme carried over to a tour of several sites at Air Force Research Laboratory, where CLP members received hands-on education about some of the

latest Air Force technologies, including some involving energy use.

The group's visit to Wright-Patterson also took on a historical flavor as members attended a reception at Hawthorne Hill, the Dayton, Ohio, home of the Wright Brothers.

Amanda Wright Lane, the great grand-niece of the Wright Brothers, is the newest member of the CLP and hosted the group at the Wright home.

The CLP will return to Wright-Patterson in the spring for its next meeting in conjunction with the command's semi-annual Senior Leaders Conference and the annual AFMC Outstanding Airmen awards banquet.

## **ECSS**

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"With ECSS, logisticians will be doing business in a standard way across the Air Force. This will be good for efficiency, effectiveness, and our ability to train our people," Pugh said, adding this standardization of processes will also help the Air Force better communicate with its suppliers and customers.

ECSS will be implemented in four releases. Each release will target certain logistics capabilities and replace certain legacy systems. Release 1 is scheduled to "go live" at Robins in November of 2012.

As part of a pilot program, Robins and Hanscom Air Force Base, Ma., started using some ECSS capabilities in late July. This is helping some users learn about ECSS prior to its full release.

To also help users, Pugh asked base leaders to appoint change agents in each organization to work with the Robins ECSS Support Office.

"Change agents are responsible for the flow of information to and from their organizations. They are the links to the Site Transformation Lead for Robins, Mary Kicklighter," he explained.

"Robins has always been responsive to making positive changes to its environment," Pugh said. "We are in a position to set ourselves up for success as we move into the future with this new logistics environment."

## **KEEP'EM FLYING AFSO21**

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## 78th FSS BRIEFS

#### **ON TAP** First Friday Bash

Today 5 to 6 p.m. Heritage Club and Horizons For details, call 926-2670

#### Mongolian BBQ

Today 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Golf Course, Bldg. 595

For details, call 926-4103. **Fitness** 

#### **Assessment Clinics**

Today and Nov. 19 2 p.m. Push ups, sit ups and run For details, call 222-5350.

## Texas Hold 'Em

Saturday Games begin 2 p.m. Heritage Club, Bldg. 956 For details, call 926-7625.

## **BINGO Room Renovation**

Saturday through Nov. 14 Bingo program relocating to Heritage Club Ballroom For details, 222-7864.

## **Sunday Brunch**

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Horizons For details, call 926-2670.

Texas Hold 'Em Tuesday 6 p.m.

#### Heritage Club For details, call 222-7864.

Introduction to resume and cover letter prep Wednesday 9 to 11 a.m. A&FRC, Bldg. 794

For details, call 926-1256.

## **Veterans Day Bowl**

Thursday 1 to 5 p.m. Veterans - \$1.75 per game For details, call 926-2112.

#### **UPCOMING** 9-Pin No-Tap

Nov. 13 6 p.m. \$15 per person Bowling Center For details, call 926-2112.

#### Pre-separation briefing

Nov. 18 1-2 p.m. A&FRC For details, call 926-1256.

## **Customer Appreciation**

**Thanksgiving Meal** Nov. 18 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Base Restaurant For details, call 926-6972.

#### **Ping Pong Tournament** Nov. 19

5 to 8 p.m. Heritage Club For details, call 926-2105.

**Thanksgiving Dinner** 

Nov. 25 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wynn Dining Facility For details, call 926-6596.

#### **ONGOING**

78 FSS Holiday Food Drive Now through Dec. 17 For details, call 926-2105.

#### **Club Drive**

Now through Dec. 31 Receive three free months dues and two free lunches For details, call 926-2670.

### **Frequent Flyer Challenge** Now through April 30

Aero Club For details, call 926-4867

### Glow-in-the-Dark Bowling Fridays and Saturdays

9 to 11 p.m.

For details, call 926-2112.

#### **Cheerleading Classes** Saturdays

Youth Center, Bldg. 1021 \$40 per month For details, call 926-2110.

#### **November Golf Special** Sunday through Friday

After 1 p.m. Pine Oaks Golf Course 18 holes, cart \$19 For details, call 926-4103.

#### **Football Frenzy**

Sundays Doors open at noon Heritage Club For details, call 222-7864.

## **Ballroom Dancing**

Thursdays 6 to 7 p.m. or 7 to 8 p.m. \$40 – 4 one-hour lessons \$70 – 4 two-hour lessons Heritage Club Ballroom For details, call 926-2105.

#### **Private Golf Lessons**

\$40 per half hour \$190 series of five Pine Oaks Golf Course For details, call 926-4103.

#### **Golf Punch Cards**

20 nine-hole rounds \$120, \$220 with cart For details, call 926-4103.

## **Guitar lessons**

\$85 per person Dates, times vary For details, call 926-2105.

#### The Afterburner

Located in Bldg. 166 5 a.m. to 1 p.m. For details, call 222-7827.

#### **Fundraising opportunity** Pine Oaks Golf Course

\$22 per player For details, call 926-4103.



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## Fore!

T.J. Dick hits a few golf balls on the driving range at Pine Oaks Golf Course. While many courses close in cooler climates, the course at Robins remains open year round. Its November special is 18 holes with cart, Sunday through Friday after 1 p.m., for \$19.

## **NOW PLAYING**

Tickets - \$4.50 adult; \$2.50 children (up to 11 yrs) For details, call 926-2919.







**SATURDAY** 6:30 P.M. THE AMERICAN

## 78th FSS

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► Outdoor Rec926-4001
► Base Chapel926-2821
► Arts & Crafts926-5282
► Horizons
► Heritage Club
► Library327-8761
► HAWC327-8480
► Fitness Center 926-2128
► Fitness Center Annex222-5350
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► Bowling Center 926-2112
► Pine Oaks G.C 926-4103
► Pizza Depot

## **RUNNING MAN**

## Robins weather flight officer finishes strong in Chicago Marathon

BY CHRISTINE MINER

Robins Public Affairs

A Robins officer was among those who crossed the finish line last month in the 2010 Chicago Marathon.

Capt. Jason Scalzitti, weather flight commander in the 78th Operational Support Squadron, completed the marathon in 4 hours and 21 minutes.

"I felt really great through 15 miles, and thought I'd finish below 4 hours. But my legs cramped up the last 11

miles or so," said Scalzitti.

Scalzitti got some extra motivation from family and friends who came out to cheer him on during the run in his hometown.

"My brother even jumped into the course and ran along with me for about a mile," said Scalzitti.

This was Scalzitti's second time competing in a marathon. The first time was in Hawaii in 2007; this time he shaved 30-minutes off his time.

The run was for a great cause;

Scalzitti personally raised more than \$500 for charity, which will be used for child-hood cancer research and treatment.

Scalzitti started training for the event last April, while deployed to Manas Transit Center in Kyrgyzstan. "I trained in the evenings on dirt paths along the perimeter of Manas," he said. "I started with short runs, 2.5 to 5 miles a few times each week and (gradually) built up to 7.5 to 10-mile runs twice a week with shorter runs mixed in between."

He was able to complete a 15-mile

run before returning home from deployment, and a 20-miler approximately three weeks before the Chicago marathon.

Overall, Scalzitti placed 12,954th just ahead of his wife, Laura, who placed 13,039th. He also placed 1412th in his age division.

However, Scalzitti is not planning to run another marathon anytime soon.

"I have to completely forget this marathon before I try another. My mind can't know what's coming," he said.

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