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Final Salute

Members of Team Robins line Robins Parkway to pay their respects to Army Specialist Mark Downer, who was killed Aug. 5 while supporting combat operations in Afghanistan. Downer served in the 116th Operations Support Squadron here before transferring to the U.S. Army. He was a combat medic with the 1st Battalion, 32nd Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division. He deployed with his unit to Afghanistan in March.

U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

Civilian hiring freeze in effect

BY CAPT. MARY DANNER-JONES

Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs

Air Force officials announced the implementation of a 90-day hiring freeze effective immediately.

A firm commitment to keep spending within requested levels led to implement the hiring freeze across the civilian work force, officials said.

In addition to a 90-day hiring freeze, the officials plan to reduce temporary and term employees and will implement both the Voluntary Separation Incentive Program and Voluntary Early Retirement Authority program.

Officials project that all major commands, direct reporting units and field-operating

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NEWS

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Blood drives today

The Armed Services Blood Program will conduct a blood drive today from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Fitness Center Annex.

The American Red Cross will also conduct a blood drive today from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Bldg. 210 and from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Bldg. 640.

The ASBP plays a key role in providing quality blood products for service members and their families in both peace and war.

The American Red Cross collects blood in support of civilian agencies and national disasters.

For more information, call 2nd Lt. Kristen MacBride at 497-5262.

78th Air Base Wing Commander's Call rescheduled

Col. Mitchel Butikofer, 78th Air Base Wing commander, will host two commander's calls Aug. 26 at the Base Theater.

The first session will begin at 8:30 a.m. The second will begin at 1:30 p.m.

All 78th ABW personnel should attend one of the two sessions.

Then and Now:



Courtesy Robins History Office

The main gate to Robins Field in the early 1940s.



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

The main gate to Robins Air Force Base 2011.

Robins to celebrate 70 years

78TH AIR BASE WING
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

The Museum of Aviation will be the site of a celebration Sept. 17 marking the Air Force's 64th

birthday and Robins' 70th anniversary. Sen. Saxby Chambliss will be the guest speaker.

The celebration will include dinner, dancing and entertainment by Warner Robins native Bobbie Eakes, an actress

and singer.

There will also be an appearance by the Band of the United States Air Force Reserve.

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Little League World Series team member has base ties

BY JENNY GORDON
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For the third time in five years, the boys of the Warner Robins American Little League have made the trip north to the Little League World Series in Williamsport, Pa.

Joining the team of 14 players to the 65th World Series is Logan Arnett, son of Michelle and Billy, both longtime members of Team Robins. Michelle is a civilian pay program manager with the 78th Air Base Wing's Comptroller Squadron/Financial Management Analysis Office.

Husband Billy also works with the 78th in the Logistics Readiness Squadron.

Incidentally, both have been working at Robins for 23 years, with start dates of just one week apart.

Logan is a second baseman and pitcher, and has been involved in Little League play in Houston County since he was just five years old, says his proud mother.

"He had a very good year," said mom Michelle. "His goal this whole year long was to get where they are now. This is the

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Special from The Telegraph GRANT BLANKENSHIP

Maj. Gen. Robert McMahon, Warner Robins Air Logistics Center commander, takes the field to throw out the Little League Baseball Southeastern Region Championship ceremonial first pitch Aug. 13.

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UNIT PROFILE: Base Chapel Airmen Ministry Center

What it does

The Airmen Ministry Center's "Refuge" provides a safe haven for Airmen, allowing them to unwind in a positive environment after work. It is located in Bldg. 706 about 100 yards from the dorms. The facility is run by "Refuge Leaders," volunteer Airmen who work in units across the base. A free Airman's Dinner is hosted at The Refuge by different organizations Wednesday nights at 6 p.m. The Refuge acts as a doorway for Airmen to network and create relationships which enhance their personal and professional lives.

Why it matters

The Refuge provides relaxation, social interaction and fun for Airmen. It provides a place for mitigating stress that comes with being a young Airman. Having a place like this to go to at the end of a hard day is imperative for the mental health and well being of Airmen and ultimately the mission readiness of the Air Force. Social and spiritual security is synonymous with this program.



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

Airmen enjoy food and fellowship in a neutral atmosphere at the base chapel's Airmen Ministry Center.

By the numbers

300+

Hours the Refuge is open monthly.

52

Number of free meals provided per year.

16

Number of Refuge leaders participating in the Chapel's Airmen Ministry Center.

605

Average number of Airmen in attendance monthly at the Airmen Ministry Center.

What they say



Airman 1st Class Jared Willoughby
Refuge president

"The Refuge is a sanctuary for Airmen. Its amenities have brought the dorm community together numerous times. It's a safe and secure facility that allows us to harvest our spiritual needs."



Airman 1st Class Lylanie Basa
Refuge leader

"As a first-term Airman I found it hard to reach out after leaving home. The Refuge provided me the chance to escape my dorm room, meet amazing friends, and a good chance to network with a lot of important members on the base and in the community."

In the Spotlight



Walter Copeland

TITLE: Electronic mechanic, 566th Electronics Maintenance Squadron.

BACKGROUND: Copeland began his career at Robins in 1959, taking off four years to operate two service stations.

HOMETOWN: Rochelle, Ga.

"Right now I work the tubes, shaker and polarizer that go on the A-10 heads-up display. I always say it's the most important thing to the pilot because it tells him when he needs to bail out."

"I believe present-day electronics are much different than they were when I began my career 48 years ago. Some aircraft I've worked on include the B-52, F-106, F-4 and A-10. Over the years, technology has become very important to our country's defense."

"With this job, I like that people are nice and good to you. The job has been a steady job and has always fed me and my family. The changes and advancements I've witnessed have been phenomenal. These changes meant our skill sets would have to change, so learning has been and continues to be a never-ending process."

"My hobbies are fishing and hunting. The biggest fish I've ever caught was probably about a 5- or 6-foot shark, if you want to call that a fish."



Positive workplace relationships enable everyone to perform at their very best

Fuselage to become first flight, loadmaster trainer for Afghan AF

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A C-27A fuselage housed at Robins for the past year will become the first G222 flight and loadmaster trainer for the Afghanistan Air Force.

The 33,000-pound fuselage was loaded on a trailer Aug. 11 and taken into possession by the U.S. Army Program Executive Office for Simulation, Training and Instrumentation (PEO-STRI). It had previously been held by the U.S. Special Operations Command which in turn retrieved the aircraft from Davis-Monthan Air Force Base in Tucson, Ariz.

From Robins, the fuselage will travel to Savannah and on to Trencin, Slovakia, where it will be reconfigured by Virtual Reality Media for simulation training. From there it will be moved to Kabul, Afghanistan, where representatives from NATO Air Training Command - Afghanistan will hand it over to aircraft maintainers and pilots.

With the overall mission to help build and sustain an independent Afghan Air Force, the fuselage simulator will teach Afghans how to properly load and unload an aircraft and how to transport troops. It will also provide pre-flight cockpit as well as medical evacuation training – all in a controlled environment while not putting wear and tear on live aircraft.

The fuselage simulator is one of four G222 aircraft simulators under contract by Fidelity Tech-



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

The center wing is removed from a C-27A Aug. 11 in preparation for transport of the fuselage.

nologies to be built and eventually trained on by Afghan forces, according to Michael Younce, project director with PEO-STRI.

Two of those simulators will be used as flight training and basic aviation training devices, whose systems are subcontracted to Aeronautical Systems Engineering of Odessa, Fla. The other is an Mi-17 Russian helicopter, which will be used for flight training, also to be repurposed in Slovakia.

In 2008, the U.S. began working with Alenia North America to supply G222 aircraft to the Afghan Air Force. The program refurbishes retired planes from the Italian Air Force. To date there are 11 planes in the U.S., with a goal of 20.

It takes some effort coordinating aircraft from Italy to Afghanistan, said

Bill Wheaton, logistics specialist with the Center's Foreign Military Sales Office. Wheaton and his colleagues tracked the worldwide whereabouts of the C-27A and its parts prior to its arrival at Robins last year.

"They have a daunting task," said Wheaton, referring to training challenges faced by American trainers. "First, they're speaking English working with an Italian aircraft, and trying to train Afghans who speak Dari. They put in a lot of hours – and have a very important mission – while also doing operational missions to help supply the warfighters."

It took about six hours to remove the C-27A's center wing box, and load the 75-foot long aircraft on a flatbed trailer.

Industry visits

U.S. Air Force photo by RAY CRAYTON
Edward Manor, business development manager with 3M Abrasive Systems Division, St. Paul, Minn., visited the Workplace Occupational Safety and Health Team to discuss sanding, trimming and grinding processes using shrouded tooling. The team conveyed to 3M design engineers Robins' focus on containing dust through engineering controls like the tools pictured here.



ViewPoints

“Help others get ahead. You will always stand taller with someone else on your shoulders.”
 – **Bob Moawad**

Robins Pride ... let it show

BY COL. MITCHEL BUTIKOFER
 Installation commander

Team Robins is facing many challenges and opportunities. Our budgets and work force are constrained. We are being asked to become more efficient and effective. We need to work **smarter not harder.**

I know that Team Robins is ready to meet these challenges and opportunities. So it is easy to understand why I am excited to place renewed emphasis on “Robins Pride.”

Robins Pride is one simple way we can begin to meet the challenges ahead of us. As the new installation commander, I have a vision for Robins Air Force Base.

Simply put, I want this installation to be the community of choice for our uniformed and civilian personnel. Just as the city of Warner Robins is known

around the state and nation as one of the best places to raise a family, I want Robins to be one of those bases where people “beat down the door” to be part of our world-class team.

The 78th Air Base Wing is leading the way in demonstrating Robins Pride across the installation.

Our vision is to have an installation where we are all proud to work. Robins Pride begins with base appearance, extending well beyond the bounds of our individual workspace. This is our home and as such, everyone, regardless of duty title and organization, shares in the responsibility to keep our base beautiful.

I am asking you to first, lead by example and demonstrate your Robins Pride every day. However, if you see someone, for example, throwing a cigarette on the ground, dumping trash or



U.S. Air Force file photo by **TOMMIE HORTON**

Members of the 78th Medical Group collect trash as part of a recent base-wide cleanup. The next base cleanup week is set for Oct. 17-21.

parking on the grass, I’d ask you to remind them about our commitment to Robins Pride.

The vision is to make Robins the best place to live, learn, work and play. It starts with all of us

working together, doing our part and showing Robins Pride!

Editor’s Note: For more information on this program, contact **Wayne Puckett** at 472-1005.

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The action line is an open-door program for Team Robins personnel to give kudos, ask questions or suggest ways to make Robins a better place to work and live.

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 processes.

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On the Fly

Civilian employee outprocessing

The Work force Effectiveness Division of Civilian Personnel, along with other counterparts on base, conducted a Lean event to revamp the Robins Air Force Base Form 43.

The form covers out processing of civilian employees.

Employees who are resigning, retiring, transferring to another Air Force Base or federal agency, or going on leave without pay to accompany a military or federal civilian spouse, must complete the form.

The immediate supervisor will initiate a form 43 to out process departing employees. The employee will out process through each organization listed on the form and turn in the completed form to the civilian personnel customer service desk in Bldg. 376.

In the event of an employee's death, or if an employee leaves federal service without completing the form, the supervisor of record is responsible for completion of the form.

The form is located at the Air Force e-Publishing. Search by ROBIN-SAFB43, and on the Blue Star (IT Central) under Helpdesk forms, Checklist, and Request.

The completed form will be maintained by civilian personnel for 90

days and then destroyed.

Upcoming The Reserve Officers Association Chapter 36

will hold a general membership meeting and elect officers during a luncheon Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. in the Horizon Club's Georgia Room.

The luncheon is open to all current and retired officers. For more information, call Gerald Mekosh, chapter president, at 497-1727.

Due to the Labor Day holiday, **Central Georgia Marine Corps League Detachment #1373** will meet Sept. 7 at 7 p.m. at Flint Energies off Highway 96, between Sun Trust Bank and Houston County High School.

Bring your DD-214 or retired I.D. card and \$35. A short application will be provided. For more information, call John Harmon at 472-0853.

A "You Matter" Team **Robins Suicide Awareness Run/Walk** will be Sept. 9. Participants should meet outside the HAWC Bldg. 827 at 6:30 a.m.

For more information, call Capt. Anthony Wilson at 497-8398.

Et cetera

The following leave recipients have been approved through the Voluntary Leave Transfer Program: *Diane Whittle* of the 568th EMXS. POC is Thressa Gregory at 468-

4773 and *Dewitt Edenfield* of OO-ALC/GHGA. POC is Wanelle Collins at 497-4363.

To have the name of an approved leave recipient printed in the Rev-Up, e-mail Lanorris Askew at lanorris.askew@robins.af.mil or call 472-0806.

The **tuition assistance cutoff date** for fiscal 2011 is Sept. 18 for military members. For more information, call Garrett Gordon at 497-3410.

The **Robins Thrift Shop** is now open.

Shopping hours are: Wednesdays 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 to 6 p.m.; Fridays 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and the first Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Consignment hours are: Wednesdays 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 3 to 5:30 p.m.; Fridays 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; and the first Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The Thrift Shop is located in Bldg. 945, across from the BX. For more information, call 472-7480.

Robins continues to partner with **The Clean Air Campaign** in a continuing effort to help reduce traffic and air pollution.

To participate, sign up at www.logyourcommute.com/TeamRobins.

Volunteer registration for Airmen Against Drunk Driving is now



U.S. Air Force photo by TECH. SGT. VANN MILLER

Heart Link

David Johnson, Human Resources Flight chief, gives spouses attending the Heartlink and Spouse Immersion tour a brief update. The quarterly, day-long event introduces military spouses to the Air Force and the base's many helping agencies.

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Work Stress, Psychological Issues	Organizational Consulting Office	497-9803
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handled through Facebook to allow retirees who do not have access to the base network to volunteer.

Those wishing to sign up

can visit www.facebook.com/Robinsaadd and select "Like" at the top of the page.

Select "Events" on the

left side of the page and the date you would like to volunteer. Then, select "I'm Attending" at the top of the page for that date.

First class of worker helpers a success, new class of trainees now underway

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The first year on the job has been an unforgettable experience for F-15 aircraft mechanic DeWitt Paschal.

Don't bother bringing up his age either, since the 62-year-old former race car builder is known around the 561st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron as the seasoned veteran who can teach a thing or two to younger trainees.

"Mechanics are mechanics," Paschal explained. "I'm just working on an airplane instead of a race car. It's just awesome – I feel like a kid in a candy shop."

Paschal is part of the 402nd Maintenance Wing Wage Grade Helper Formal Training Program, created in early 2010 to address the projected Robins shortage of about 800 aircraft mechanics and sheet metal workers.

One of 204 initially hired last year, by late 2012 Paschal will have undergone an intensive two-year program consisting of valuable classroom instruction and on-the-job training.

The program's success is due to the dedication of many at Robins, including a team of 15 work leaders or supervisors who work closely with student trainees to ensure class teaching is re-emphasized at the job site.

Darrell Welch, training specialist program manager for the wing, said the program has been well received in the maintenance arena and in production.

He pointed out the importance early in the program of pairing trainees with good work leaders.

"When you hire an employee, he's going to end up looking just like the employee you put him with," he said. "For example, put him with the best mechanic you have, and he's going to turn out to be a pretty good mechanic."

Scott Brady, an F-15 work leader with the 561st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, currently trains 10 students with varying degrees of experience. He agreed that the program's early challenges were well worth the rewards.

"I enjoy their eagerness," said Brady, who has been at Robins for 11



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

Marquis Wimberly, a 402nd Maintenance Wing Wage Grade Helper Formal Training Program trainee, inspects an F-15 nose landing gear for FOD.

years. "It's a great opportunity for them to get aviation experience they didn't have.

"It's unbelievable how well it's going now," he continued, "I firmly believe this is exactly the direction Warner Robins needs to be going. We need to spend time on training. We need to show that we're trying to make a better work force and a better product for our customers."

In the beginning, the idea of getting the program up and running proved challenging.

For example, within a three-month period in 2010, courses were developed by instructors at Robins Maintenance University, and candidates were sought who possessed industrial, production machinery, automotive or other metal-related experience, or those graduates of vo-tech schools who did not have aircraft experience.

The candidates were hired throughout the spring and summer to undergo the first year of the two-year program. The first group began working full time in May and August of 2010.

"Robins is critical to the economy of Middle Georgia," said Marty Tucker, who was the 402nd Aircraft Maintenance Group deputy director at the time. "Over the past couple of years, the AMXG has hired 400-

plus technicians with a minimum of one year hands-on aircraft experience.

"As several supervisors have said, these are some of the best and brightest mechanics we have today," he added. "They are eager to learn and strive daily to improve their technical skills, ultimately ensuring Robins' success in the future."

A total of 181 students are on track to finish their first year.

Trainees begin at the WG-5 level. Once each becomes proficient in his or her respective aircraft work areas, and completes the required classes and final evaluation, they are promoted to WG-8. After another year of formal classroom training and on-the-job training, they are promoted to WG-10 and become journeyman mechanics.

To date, 90 percent of trainees have reached their promotion due date and have begun working on the next cycle of training requirements. The trainees have already invested 17,672 training hours in their aircraft sheet metal and maintenance instruction.

As the program grows, Robins recently hired 135 candidates who will undergo training during the next two years in aircraft maintenance as well as commodities.

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Social hour will begin at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Cost for the event is \$30.

The following is a list of unit representatives from whom tickets can be purchased:

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78th MDSS - TSgt Clavin Daniels 472-1574

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GRV - Nikki Davis 472-1403

78th SC - TSgt Felicia O'Neal 497-9329

116th CS/SCOT - SrA Kacy Gellins 241-4328

AFRC - CMSgt Michael Graham 397-7424



WHAT TO KNOW

See next week's Rev-Up for an article on Medal of Honor winner, retired Col. Joe Jackson, who will be attending the celebration commemorating the 64th Birthday of the United States Air Force and 70th Anniversary of Robins Air Force Base.

Two from Robins participate in 'military Olympics'

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW

78th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

Two Team Robins members recently spent time in Brazil competing in the military version of the Olympics.

In number of participants, the CISM Military World Games is second only to the Olympics as the largest sporting event in the world. The event featured 6,000 athletes from 110 countries, and is held every four years.



Goad

CISM is a French acronym for Conseil International du Sport Militaire, an organization promoting athletic competition among militaries around the world.

Eddie Goad, assistant director of the Fitness Center, participated in the games as U.S. All-Armed Forces men's basketball team representative on the tournament's technical committee. The U.S. team won the bronze medal.

Also competing in the swimming competition was 1st Lt. Rebecca



Gleason

Gleason from the 116th Air Control Wing. She did not place.

The games were held July 13-24 in Rio de Janeiro. Goad said the games were a big deal in Brazil, which is preparing to host the World Cup in 2014. Events were televised live and the basketball games were played in an arena worthy of the NBA, with thousands attending each game.

"I thought it was pretty spectacular," Goad said. "I just wish more people knew about it."

The games featured an opening ceremony, just like the regular Olympics, in which teams from each of the participating countries marched out. Soccer legend Espaco Rei Pele opened the games.

FREEZE

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agencies will be affected by these actions.

“We are operating in a very challenging fiscal environment and are focused on meeting mission requirements with a reduced budget,” said Lt. Gen. Darrell Jones, the Deputy Chief of Staff for Manpower, Personnel and Services. “We are mindful of the potential impacts of budget constraints on our civilian force and their families, which is why we are seeking to reduce the need for involuntary measures.”

The 90-day hiring

“We will do our utmost to provide timely, candid communication on specific efforts as details are finalized”



Lt. Gen. Darrell Jones
Deputy Chief of Staff for Manpower, Personnel and Services

freeze is intended to quickly reduce civilian strength levels to budgetary limits and enable future hiring to support the most critical mission requirements.

“We will do our utmost to provide timely, candid communication on specific efforts as details are finalized,” Jones said.

WHAT TO KNOW

For additional information on civilian work force reduction measures, personnel should call the Total Force Service Center at 800-525-0102.

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last hurrah.”

The Macon native, who turned 13 this past July, attends Bonaire Middle School, where he maintains an A average as an honors student. His favorite subject is math – and he’s played numerous school sports, but has yet to try out for track.

Asked about the sacrifices of being a Little League parent, Michelle noted that it’s all been worth it – daily practice,

WHAT TO KNOW

See the game brackets by visiting <http://www.littleleague.org/series/2011divisions/lbb/series.htm>

team outings and away games.

This will be the last year her son Logan can play Little League.

“I’m just telling him to let it all soak in and enjoy himself,” said Michelle. “Its been a very exciting and hectic schedule, but I don’t think any of us would trade what we’ve gone through. They had their

sights set on this all along.”

Joining the Arnett family is Brad Fink, the 78th Mission Support Group honorary commander. His son, also named Logan, will be playing in the Little League championship too.

Be sure to tune in to ESPN now until Aug. 28. The Warner Robins boys will be able to meet teams from Kentucky, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Rhode Island, Montana, California, and as far away as Taiwan, Japan, Saudi Arabia, Venezuela, Aruba, Columbia and Canada.

Think twice, energy has a price.

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Bldg. 794
For details, call 468-1256.

Hot August Night 5K
Wednesday
6 p.m.
Fitness Center

For details, call 468-2128.

Writing A Business Plan
Thursday
9 to 11 a.m.
Bldg. 794
For details, call 468-1256.

Pre-Separation Briefings
Thursday
1 to 2 p.m.
Bldg. 794
For details, call 468-1256.

Robins Idol
Amateur Solo Karaoke
Thursdays, Sept. 1, 8,
15 and 22
7 to 9 p.m.
Heritage Club lounge
Must be 18 years or older
For details, call 468-2105.

UPCOMING
High Falls Camping
Sept. 16
\$35 per person
Sign-up by Aug. 29
For details, call 468-4001.

Family Night BINGO
Aug. 29
6 p.m.
\$4 per pack for 10 games

Every child receives a prize
For details, call 468-4515.

EFMP Bowling and Information Fair
Sept. 10
1 to 5 p.m.
Bowling Center
For details, call 468-1259.

Summer Bash
Sept. 24
4 to 8 p.m.
Robins Park
Fun, food, rides,
entertainment and prizes
Armbands \$3 each, two for
\$5 or four for \$10
For details, call 468-5282.

Arts & Crafts Fair
Sell your craft items at Summer Bash
Sept. 24
4 to 8 p.m.
Robins Park
Tables \$10,
Spaces \$5
Register early
For details, call 468-5282.

ONGOING
Men's Locker Room Closed for Renovation
Now through Jan. 2
Fitness Center
Temporary shower trailer
is available.
For details, call 468-2128.

ITT Discounted Summer Tickets
Six Flags \$35
White Water \$30
For details, call 468-2945.

FSS Wireless hot spots
Participating facilities include
the golf course, base restau-
rant, Afterburner, Heritage
Club, Horizons, library and
bowling center.



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March to Remember

L-R, Master Sgt. Shane Stewart, Staff Sgt. David LeBlanc, Tech. Sgt. Christopher Ekstrom and Senior Airman Michael Mason-Love, 78th Security Forces Squadron, march through Hawkinsville Aug. 10 during their part of the squadron's 149-mile leg of the Ruck March to Remember. The 2,181-mile march, which commemorates the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks, began July 12 at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, and ends Sept. 1 at Ground Zero in New York.



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