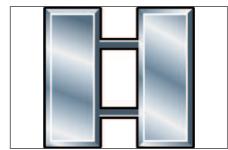




The 566th Electronics Maintenance Squadron uses more than 1,500 pieces of equipment valued at more than \$153 million dollars. The equipment supports the repairing and testing of numerous weapon systems.

Captain promotions



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Six decades of service



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Contract

awarded

to Boeing

BY JENNY GORDON

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An \$11.75 billion contract

has been awarded to The

Boeing Co. of Huntington

The 10-year Indefinite-

port of the C-17 platform.

Delivery/Indefinite-Quantity

contract is for sustainment sup-

The contract, which has cur-

rently obligated \$3.8 billion on

Beach, Calif.

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CFC update

This year's six-week Combined Federal Campaign has currently reached a total of \$487,436 as of

"50 Years of Caring" is the theme of this 50th CFC anniversary.

The Middle Georgia CFC, which covers 17 counties, has a goal of \$1.5 million. This includes the Robins goal of \$1.4 million.

In 2010, Robins employees gave more than \$1.6 million. Of that \$1.6 million amount, more than \$650,000 in CFC designations was awarded to local organizations. Robins has exceeded its goal every year during the last 10

78th Force Support Squadron leadership change

Alexander Kovras was appointed to leadership of the 78th Force Support Squadron Oct. 13 in a ceremony in the Heritage Club Ballroom. Col. Roger Johnson, 78th Mission





observe Halloween Oct. 31.

Trick-or-treating hours are from 6 to 8 p.m. Vehicle operators must slow down during these hours for trick-or-treaters

Residents who are participating need to ensure an exterior light is on during these hours, while those not participating should leave exterior lights off. The security forces squadron will increase safety and security measures in the housing areas through its annual Halloween Pumpkin Patrol. Anyone with questions about trick-or-treating this year should contact 2nd Lt. Andrea DeMelo at DSN 472-8133 or commercial 222-8133.

Phantoms and vampires

It's almost Halloween ...the time of year that beckons thoughts of ghosts, phantoms, and vampires. In the energy world we frequently see spooky energy use caused by "phantom loads."

Phantom loads is the term used to describe electrical consumption that occurs when all of the obvious electrical devices like heating, ventilation, air conditioning, major appliances and lights are turned

A phantom load is simply electrical consumption that cannot be readily accounted for. The main cause of phantom loads is "Energy Vampires." Energy Vampires are electrical devices that consume power in your home and workplace even when they appear to be turned off, but are actually operating on a low power mode.



Maj. Gen. Robert McMahon, Warner Robins Air Logistics Center commander, briefs Secretary of the Air Force Michael Donley, at the Mission Control Room in Bldg. 215 Monday. The MCR is where center senior leaders meet each week to discuss what their individual teams are doing to help the ALC achieve its vision of being "A

SECAF: Stay focused on readiness during challenging times

BY JENNY GORDON jenny.gordon.ctr@robins.af.mil

Robins Air Force Base hosted Secretary of the Air Force Michael Donley Monday and Tuesday.

Arriving to a sunny and warm middle Georgia day, Donley took a tour of the base before speaking to an audience of 250 during an All Call at the Heritage Club Ballroom on Monday.

Maj. Gen. Robert McMahon, center commander, greeted the packed room of Team Robins members from across the installation.

"It is an honor for us to have the Secretary of the Air Force here to share some of his thoughts, ideas and vision," McMahon said. "We are appreciative of the leadership [Secretary Donley] has provided us."

Donley, currently in his fourth year as secretary, said it had been more than 20 years since his last visit to Robins. He complimented the strong community support enjoyed by the base and recognized the importance of Team Robins to the nation.

"This is a great mission, and it's extremely important to the

warfighter to have their equipment coming here for refurbishment and overhaul," he said. "It has always been to me a remarkable process: these aging airframes come in, get completely torn down, and leave here almost like new aircraft. Everything you do here is critical."

He reiterated the accomplishments of Robins over the past year, pointing out that the center started fiscal 2011 with 25 late aircraft, yet began fiscal 2012 with none. He also applauded the ongoing work to improve working conditions and safety.

While Airmen are doing outstanding work all across the Air Force, the service finds itself in extremely challenging times and faces a very complex security environment, Donley said.

"Our Air Force is fully engaged today in four major lines of operation, with finishing the mission in Iraq and Afghanistan," he said. "We continue to fight against Al Qaeda and its global affiliates, and are also supporting the NATO mission in Libya."

Donley also discussed the budget constraints facing the nation and the potential effects of those on the Air Force.

"Our Air Force last year



Secretary of the Air Force Michael Donley fields a question from a member of Team Robins during his All Call in the Heritage Club Monday. Donley told the crowd difficult choices will be faced, but taking care of people and advancing Air Force capabilities are priorities.

identified \$33 billion in efficiencies across the future years defense plan, which we were allowed to reinvest into the Air Force," he noted. "But we know going forward that efficiencies alone will not be enough."

Expected reductions in future defense spending are in line with what military leaders had anticipated, Donley said, and will extend roughly into the next 10 years. Although implementing the reductions will be tough,

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202nd EIS settling in at Robins

BY JENNY GORDON jenny.gordon.ctr@robins.af.mil

The move was an emotional one for the 202nd Engineering Installation Squadron of the Georgia Air National Guard, which officially made Robins its new

home Sept. 1.

For the past 59 years, unit members had called the six-acre compound at the Middle Georgia Regional Airport home. Its facilities in Macon,

which included a building dated from World War II, were a comfortable reminder of generations of memories.

"We left a lot of history out there, but we got a serious upgrade," said Lt. Col. Bill Lipko, detachment commander. "We're here, and we love it."

Lipko was referring to the squadron's new ly in a move-in phase in

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U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

accommodations, current- Lt. Col. William "Bill" Lipko, 202nd EIS detachment commander, shows where he plans to hang the unit logo in the new multipurpose

a sustainment task order, will provide three years of materials, three years of engine repairs and overhauls, and one year of program management and engineering support, according to Robert N. Jones, Jr., the C-17 lead contracting

officer with the Aerospace Sustainment Directorate, Globemaster Division. "It was a culmination of a lot of hard work by many parties," said Jones. "It provides the Air

Force with a mechanism to

continue its relationship with

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Retiree **Appreciation** Day set for Saturday

BY JENNY GORDON jenny.gordon.ctr@robins.af.mil

Military retirees from all branches of the service are welcome to attend Saturday's Retiree Appreciation Day.

The annual appreciation day is held to inform, assist and honor all retired military members, spouses, surviving spouses and family members with base access from across the service.

The day's festivities will begin with breakfast from 6:30 to 8 a.m. at Wynn Dining Hall.

Door prizes and registration will take place from 9 to 9:30 a.m. at the Heritage Club in Bldg. 956. This year's guest speaker is MaryTherese Tebbe, 21st Century Partnership executive director.

Wellness checks and exhibition booths will be conducted in the Heritage Club's east wing (bingo room) from 12:30 to 3 p.m. A door prize giveaway will be from 2 to 3 p.m.

The event is sponsored by the 78th Air Base Wing.

For more information, call Ernie Munson in the Retired Activities Office at 327-4707.

THINK SAFETY

Days without a DUI: 41 Last DUI: 78th LRS - courtesy 78th Security Forces

AADD To request a ride, call 222-0013.



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Safety slogan for the week of Oct. 23 - 29: "Think safety ... the life you save may be your own."

Besides face shields, safety glasses, hard hats and safety shoes, protective equipment includes a variety of devices and garments such as goggles, coveralls, gloves, vests, earplugs and respirators.



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UNIT PROFILE: 78th FSS Marketing Office

What it does

The 78th Force Support Squadron Marketing puts together all of the advertising materials for events on base, including posters, a 32-page, full color magazine, flyers and basewide emails. They brief military and civilian new comers twice a month, 116th Air Control Wing and 78th Air Base Wing weekly. They also brief at Heartlink and other

Why it matters

The FSS Marketing Office is the number one source of information for upcoming FSS events. It keeps the base population abreast of the events, services and programs available to Team Robins



U.S. Air Force Force photo by SUE SAPP Sherry Trauth, Venus Mansourzadeh and Shane Warren work on items for the upcoming Military Retiree Appreciation Day.

By the numbers

Large events promoted each

Number of employees

Money earned for fiscal 2011 \$400K after payroll and other costs.

each year.

Posters created

produced each

1,500

Issues of the 78th FSS Edge 12

What they say



"Everything we do benefits everyone at Robins. The goal of our events is to in some form or fashion enhance the morale of the base. Customer satisfaction is rewarding.

Sherry Trauth illustrator

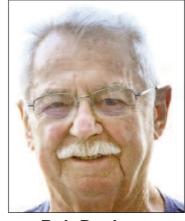


Mansourzadeh

"Every day is something different. I especially like seeing people's faces when they win prizes at Summer Bash, the Travel Show and other yearly

events.

In the Spotlight



Bob Denison

TITLE: Museum of Aviation volunteer

BACKGROUND: Denison has volunteered at the museum for the past five years. He volunteers twice a year, staying at least one month working on projects as needed.

HOMETOWN: Warner Robins,

"My project this time is working on the UC-78, better known as the Bobcat or Bamboo Bomber. It's a twin-engine trainer that was used in 1942. I'm putting it back together down in the World War II Hangar."

"I like airplanes and old cars." "I enjoy restoring antique cars - vintage Chevrolets."

"I enjoy the camaraderie of the people here, and working on airplanes, which I did for 20 years in the Air Force. I retired in 1974."

"I was a flight engineer, flying what you call the Dew Line for two years where all the radar sites were in the Arctic. I was also in the Philippines flying C-54s into Vietnam five days a week."

Most interesting place ever visited: The Far East. "I lived in Japan for eight years."

"I've been married for 55 years to my wife, Toshie. I also have two boys."

Two of a kind

New FlashJet robot scheduled to join inventory

BY JENNY GORDON

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A contract for a new FlashJet depaint robot has been approved, and is scheduled to arrive at Robins and become operational by July of

The new robot will join the 402nd Maintenance Wing's other existing FlashJet, which will also receive an upgrade next summer.

The new system will have a huge impact on production, according to Ben Hatcher, 402nd Commodities Maintenance Support Squadron production engineer.

The existing FlashJet has been around since 2000, and operates 20 hours a day, six days a week.

Basically how the FlashJet works is that as paint is vaporized from an airplane part, a really bright light, which flashes very rapidly, generates a lot of heat. As this is happening, carbon dioxide pellets are being blasted through the surface of the aircraft part.

Next, a giant vacuum cleaner comes along and vacuums away the paint particles and pellets that may remain. This goes through a Hepa

vac and charcoal filter before being released back into the environment.

All this happens in a room, separated by another room where an equipment specialist manages the way the system moves across the surface needing work.

"Our people have been removed from the environment that contains potential hazards," said Hatcher.

Depending on how big an aircraft part is, how old the paint is, or how the paint was applied, the depaint process can take anywhere from a few hours to a workshift or longer.



FlashJet to depaint a C-17 radome.

U.S. Air Force file photo by SUE SAPP Ernest Carter, machine operator, operates the robotic

ABU mandatory wear date, Nov. 1

All Airmen must begin wearing the Airman Battle Uniform Nov.1, and the phase out date for wear of the battle dress uniform and desert combat uniform is the same date.

The ABU was authorized for wear in November 2006, and clothing allowance increases to offset the transition were effective in October 2007.

Airmen are reminded there are several points to consider when wearing the ARLI

- ▶T-shirts must be desert sand (light tan) in color and must have a crew neck.
 The ABU shirt is authorized for wear with the olive drab green and desert flight suits. Desert-sand colored turtle necks are authorized in cold weather.
- ►Socks worn with the ABU boot must be sage green or any color authorized with non-ABU utility uniforms. The desert tan boots are no longer authorized with the ABU.
- ►ABU patrol caps are the authorized headgear for wear with the ABU outside

the AOR. Organizational caps are no longer authorized.

- ▶If crease on sleeve is not consistent with correct rank placement, ironing the sleeves to move the crease is authorized. ABU sleeves may be rolled up in the same way as BDU and DCU sleeves.
- ▶ Trousers must be bloused. If tucked in, trousers will present a bloused appearance.
- ▶No badges, patches or insignia are authorized for wear on the right pocket. No patches are authorized on the ABU, and command insignia isn't authorized on the ABU.
- ▶Optional accessories, such as gym bags, backpacks, briefcases and hydration systems must be black, OD or Air Force sage green. ABU pattern items are authorized.
- ►ABU wear for commercial travel is only authorized when travel is continuous to and from home station to deployed locations.
 - ►All-purpose environ-

mental clothing system jackets replace the BDU and DCU Gore-tex jackets. Mixing and matching of patterns isn't authorized. Gore-tex rank insignia is authorized until ABU rank is widely available.

Officers can wear subdued pin-on rank on the APECS. Fleece liners are authorized as liners only (not for outer wear), and can be black or sage green.

- ▶Gloves can be black or sage green. Material can be leather, suede or knit. Watch caps must be black or sage green.
- ▶Black scarves are authorized with the APECS and must be tucked in. Black earmuffs are authorized.
- ► Mixing and matching camouflage patterns, specifically the ABU, DCU or BDU patterns is authorized in deployed locations. This applies to outer garments and tactical items only. Utility uniform coat and trousers must match.

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WHAT TO KNOW

For more information regarding proper wear of the ABU, contact the Air Force Personnel Center Call Center at DSN 665-5000; commercial (210) 565-5000; or toll free, 1-800-616-3775 – select options 1, 1, 2.

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CONTRACT

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Boeing, and to maintain the support that we need for this vital platform that is used for all types of operations, including humanitarian and peacekeeping efforts."

The contract's second task order will next include maintenance and modification work performed at Robins, San Antonio, Texas, and in Long Beach. Overall, in addition to program management and

program management and maintenance, and modification activities, the contract will include: engineering; quality assurance; long-term sustainment planning; unique foreign military customer services; material management, and field services encompassing several partnerships among the three Air Logistics Centers where

About 10 percent of the contract supports foreign military sales to the United Kingdom, Australia, Canada, United Arab Emirates, Qatar and to NATO strategic airlift capability.

The contract's acquisition cycle began in May of 2009, with the final award made this past Oct. 1. The Robins Aerospace Sustainment Directorate Contracting Section is the contracting activity.

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the former 116th Air Control Wing headquarters. The move was the result of a 2005 BRAC announcement.

Offices and work stations throughout the building are filled with dozens of boxes, equipment and furniture. Lipko estimated it can take up to a year for everything to be properly configured.

If you're not familiar with the 202nd EIS – one of 16 such squadrons throughout ANG – its team of enlisted and officer engineers, drafting, cable and electronics professionals design and install communications infrastructure. A few of their duties include building antennas, towers, fiber optics, and surveillance, access control and intrusion detection systems anywhere in the world.

Of the squadron's 111 current members, 42 are deployed fulfilling a sixmonth requirement for both Joint Expeditionary and U.S. Air Forces Central Command taskings. Some will start coming home this month, with all due back by November.

"The interesting thing that we're doing in our community – and for the first time in its history – is we're working for the Army," said Lipko.

The 202nd is part of a rotation with two other Guard units currently in Afghanistan working alongside the Army's 228th Theater Tactical Signal Brigade, Task Force Spartan.

A total of 79 in this particular group, Task Force 300, are being led by the 202nd squadron commander, Lt. Col. Doug Walker.

Although the unit has been deploying since Sept. 11, Lipko noted that work-

ing for the Army has opened up a new experience by being outside the wire at forward operating bases where attacks can happen at any time.

maintenance wings work.

"We're doing the same job we've always done, but in a different environment," he said. "Our Airmen attended the same Combat Skills Training as their Army counterparts prior to this deployment."

Among its many roles, the 202nd takes care of communications infrastructure for 27 other locations, including 165th Airlift Wing in Savannah, and ANG units in Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Always active in the community, they also assisted with other Guard units during the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta, the 1994 flood in Macon and Hurricane Katrina.

In the last few years, a few interesting activities included establishing radio sites in Incirlik, Turkey, which helped extend communications for the airlift mission into Iraq, as well as building low-frequency antennas in the Azores, complete with 12 100-foot towers.

Now settling into three locations at Robins – with its administrative wing in Bldg. 2078 – work stations in one area sit empty. The squadron's entire section of drafting and engineering personnel is overseas.

A multipurpose training room is teeming with furniture, cabinets, plaques, trophies, boxes overflowing with squadron memorabilia, and posters depicting photos dating to the 1950s.

Lipko added that it can take time to verbally communicate exactly what the squadron's many accomplishments and duties are, so plans are to help tell the 202nd story through pictures. He wants to make their new home a show-

case just like it was at their old location.

"We are transplanting our history. Those pictures really mean a lot to us," he said. "Once all members return, we will begin preparing for an operational readiness and unit compliance inspection, and settling into our new life at Robins."

Time in the states will be short – once the inspections are complete; it will be time to deploy and do it all over again.

Just like its squadron patch says, "Global Technicians, Anytime-Anywhere."

ViewPoints

"We learn something every day, and lots of times it's that what we learned the day before was wrong."

- Bill Vaughan

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Smiles and chicken sandwiches

Robins director puts new twist on meaning of perception is reality

BY KIM LYNN

Center Plans and Programs director

Last month I had an opportunity to visit the Chick-fil-A corporate headquarters in Atlanta, with Col. Chris Davis of the Warner Robins Air Logistics Center's Aerospace Sustainment Directorate.

Col. Davis, members of his leadership team, and I were hosted by Pat Braski, the operator of two local Chick-fil-A restaurants.

On the bus to Atlanta, Mr. Braski asked the group, "What does a smile have to do with the size of a chicken sandwich?"

Well, none of us had a clue, so he explained that Chick-fil-A has an extensive customer feedback process.

Selected customers are asked to fill out a questionnaire, and the first question asked is, "Were you greeted with a smile by your server?"

The following questions range from speed of service and cleanliness of the dining area to temperature of the waffle fries and whether correct change was given.

In the middle of the questionnaire is a question which asks, "Was the size of the chicken fillet in your sandwich (a) smaller than you expected, (b) larger than you expected, or (c) about what you expected?"

Mr. Braski told us that the analysis of responses showed there was a direct correlation between people answering "yes" to the question about being greeted with a smile and answering "(b)," that their chicken fillet was larger than they expected, and vice versa – no smile, smaller-than-expected chicken.

The empirical data from Chick-fil-A indicates there is very little variation in the size of the fillets, so the difference would appear to be based on customer perception.

The statement, "Perception is reality," is somewhat cliché, but in the case of Chick-fil-A, it is true.

And it can be true for us here at Robins.

The first of the ALC's three focus areas is "Exceed Warfighter and Customer Expectations."

While clearly is it paramount that our performance should be measured against quantitative standards, we know our customers, being human, will also view that performance through the lens of their perceptions – good or bad – whether or not those perceptions are accurate.

Years ago I had to listen to an Air Combat
Command action officer
disparage WR-ALC's ability to manage programs;
his only previous history
with Robins was a bad
experience with the installation's Transient Alert
organization.

All of us have had encounters with people in the service industry who were rude, indifferent, incompetent, or even hostile – and most likely that left a lasting negative impression not only about those individuals, but the organization or company

Engaging with warfighters and other customers through emails, phone calls, conferences, tours, meetings or other occasions provides us with an opportunity to affect customer perception for the good —

our equivalent of the server's smile.

Kim Lynr

Warner Robins Air Logistics Center Plans and Programs director

they represented.

Fortunately, the reverse can be true: we may have had an experience that, while not completely satisfactory, was made much easier to live with because someone was kind, attentive, sympathetic, or as helpful as he or she could be.

Engaging with warfighters and other customers through emails, phone calls, conferences, tours, meetings or other occasions provides us with an opportunity to affect customer perception for the good – our equivalent of the server's smile.

Certainly ours is a complicated business, and I'm not suggesting that

folksiness is a substitute for performance.

But, when we understand how attitudes inform and affect peoples' perceptions, we have a responsibility to make our personal encounters with warfighters and other customers as professional and pleasant as possible.

Seeing each other as individuals, recognizing our mutual dependencies, and being respectful of different perspectives can generate boundless goodwill and positive customer perception.

If a server's smile can make a chicken sandwich seem bigger, just imagine what your great attitude can do for the reputation of Team Robins.

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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

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 Rev-Up.

For more information, visit

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To contact the Commander's Action Line, call 468-2886 or e-mail action.line@robins.af.mil.

CROSSWALK SAFETY

Will you please help with the problem we are having with people driving through a crosswalk while a pedestrian is in the crosswalk? Is doing this a violation of traffic law?

The crosswalk I am referring to is located behind Bldg. 54, adjacent to gates 50-23, 50-24 and 50-25. How long will this go on before someone is injured or killed?

I would suggest base leaders observe the crosswalk one morning or afternoon and see this dangerous activity. Thank you for your help.

COL. BUTIKOFER RESPONDS:

Thank you for identifying this concern as we are also concerned about potential safety hazards on the installation. We've discussed this with our 78th Security Forces Squadron. It is against the law for vehicles to drive through a crosswalk once a pedestrian has entered the crosswalk. It specifically states that "drivers are to stop and remain stopped to allow a pedestrian to cross the roadway

within a crosswalk when the pedestrian is upon the half of the roadway upon which the vehicle is traveling." However, it is always wise for pedestrians to exercise caution when entering a roadway – even within a crosswalk. People often assume pedestrians always have the right of way but pedestrians, too, have a responsibility under the law to ensure vehicles have sufficient time and distance to stop before they enter a crosswalk.

The crosswalks behind Bldg. 54 are in a congested area. As

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issue citations to drivers not abiding by the law.

You can also help. If you notice a driver violating these rules, call our 78th Security
Forces' Base Defense Operations
Center at 468-2187 with a vehicle description and, if able, a license plate number. Thanks again for giving us the opportunity to

address this important issue.

our security forces patrols to

remain vigilant in this area and



STRAIGHT TALK HOT LINE

Up-to-date information during base emergencies 222-0815

On the Fl

Captains list

The following Team Robins first lieutenants have been selected for promotion to the rank of captain.

> **Jason Adams Amanda Alpaugh** Joshua Altchuler **Nathan Anderson** John Brewer Joseph Buckmanellis **David Cardona Jeffery Carter Ryan Comer Ryan Cortner Daniel Crum Christopher Curtis Dean Daly** Angela Eide Franklin Elliott **Degen Fain Isaac Flores Curtis Floyd James Garner** Michael Gaspar Maria Gutshall **Jeffery Guynn** Michael Holden **Hunter Horste** Nathan Kirschke **Scott Klier Christopher Knoll** Alessandra Krauss **Kyle Larson Donald Lewis Christina Loft Tyler Lohrenz David Marble Keith Maren Carter Matherly** Whitney Maynard Joseph McLoughlin **Christopher Mikhak** John Miller **Ernest Nisperos Matthew Nolte Abby Olson Casey Ordoyne**

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DAU program graduates

The Defense Acquisition University-South Region, Program Management Office Course, Part B, is the capstone course of the Level III certification in the Program Management career field.

During the past four weeks, the PMT 352B class participated in a series of 10 interconnected exercises to deepen and broaden acquisition and sustainment knowledge, hone team and interpersonal skills, and further develop critical thinking.

The following Robins employees successfully completed PMT 352B 11-034 class:

Jeff Bridger Maj. Micah Edgar Maj. Lori Gibson **David Hand**

Dennis Kicklighter Phyliss Larry Morgan Mathew Kim Powell **Shane Sparks**

Upcoming

The Robins Chapel will sponsor a free fall festival Nov. 2 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Robins Park.

Active duty members, Reservists, deployed families, and civilians, are invited. Activities will include prizes, treats, face painting, pony, and hay rides. For more information, call the chapel at 926-2821.

The Robins Chiefs Group will host a Chief Master Sergeant celebra**tion** Nov. 3, at 3:30 p.m. at the Heritage Club to congratulate the newest top 1 percent of the Enlisted force. For more information call Chief Master Sgt. Patrick McCarn at 472-5291.

Et cetera

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

Kristey Davis of the 78th MDOS/SGOC. POC is Tech. Sgt. Darren Wagoner at 497-7721.

To list a leave recipient in the Rev-Up, email Lanorris Askew at lanorris.askew@ robins.af.mil.



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Cycle safety brief

Don Johnson, chief motorcycle rider coach, briefs Col. Edward Conant, Air Force Materiel Command Safety director, on some of Robins' motorcycle safety initiatives during his recent visit to the Robins' motorcycle range.

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Finances & Work-Life Balance **Health and Wellness Education Health Screenings** Work, Personal or Family Issues Work Stress, Psychological Issues Mental Health & Substance Abuse **Unplanned Pregnancy Suicide Prevention** Sexual Assault & Victim Advocacy

Crime Victim Advocacy

Airman & Family Readiness Center 468-1256 **Health and Wellness Center** 497-8480 **Civilian Health Promotion Services** 497-8030 **Employee Assistance Program** (800) 222-0364 **Organizational Consulting Office** 497-9803 **Houston Healthcare** (478) 922-4281 **Houston Healthcare** (478) 922-4281 **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline** (800) 273-8255 **Sexual Assault Response Coordinator** 468-2946 **Victim Witness Assistance Program**

AFMC Wellness Support Center — www.afmcwellness.com

Note: Unless otherwise noted, numbers listed in the Rev-Up are DSN numbers. If calling from a commercial or off-base phone, dial prefix 222 if listed as 472; 327 if listed as 497; or 926 if listed as 468.

History revisited, 129th ACS reactivated

By Master Sgt. Roger Parsons 116th ACW Public Affairs

In 1996 the Georgia Air National Guard 129th Air Control Squadron was deactivated after a rich 47year history. But, history came full circle Oct. 10 during the 129th Combat Training Squadron's activation ceremony at the Museum of Aviation Century of Flight hangar.

The 129th was originally constituted and allotted to the National Guard Bureau as the 129th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron in March 1949. It was organized and assigned to the Georgia Air National Guard in May 1950.

Since its inception, the 129th has been redesignated four times and has seen action in a number of operations.

The recent restructuring of the 116th Air Control Wing to the current 116th ACW/461st Air Control Wing active associate construct, created a need to activate an Air National Guard CTS for combat training.

According to Col. Kevin Clotfelter, 116th Operations Group commander, the wing wanted a unit with ties to Georgia.

"We discovered the 129th had historically had a command and control mission, and when we saw that, we felt like we had a winner," said Clotfelter.

The 129th "schoolhouse" will train new ANG E-8 Joint STARS aircrew and instructors to feed a critical resource to combat-



U.S. Air Force photo by MASTER SGT. ROGER PARSONS Col. Kevin Clotfelter, left, 116th Operations Group commander, congratulates Lt. Col. Lynn "Velcro" Morris, 129th Combat Training Squadron commander, during ceremonies reactivating the 129th under the CTS designation.

ant commanders.

Many of the men and women who make up the squadron have hundreds, and some have thousands, of combat hours.

Lt. Col. Lynn "Velcro" Morris took the reins and became the 11th commander in 129th history. Looking out over the formation, Morris encouraged the Airmen to be proud of the squadron's heritage and excited about its future.

"To quote Bear Bryant, 'Show class, have pride, and display character. If you do, winning will take care of itself," he said.

Former Major Leaguer big hit at Hispanic Heritage banquet

BY MASTER SGT. **ROGER PARSONS**

116th ACW Public Affairs

ispanic Heritage month ended Oct. L15 with a night of inspiration and celebration at the Hispanic Heritage banquet at Robins Horizons Club.

Luis Salazar, former baseball major leaguer and current manager for the Atlanta Braves' minor league club, the Lynchburg Hillcats, captivated the audience with his comeback story.

Salazar was struck in the face by a foul ball during a spring training game between the Braves and the St. Louis Cardinals March 9. Amazingly, two weeks after the injury which required surgery to remove his left eye, Salazar returned to Champions Stadium.

"There's always hope in life; never give up; enjoy your life; enjoy your family; because there's only one life to live and don't take it for granted," said Salazar.

Salazar shared how honored he was to receive the invitation to speak and thanked banquet point of contact Capt. Terri Prosperie, the 116th Air Control Wing Hispanic Heritage committee and



U.S. Air Force photo by MASTER SGT. ROGER PARSONS

Capt. Terri Prosperie, 129th Combat Training Squadron, briefs former Major League baseball player Luis Salazar and his son, Carlos, on the mission and capabilities of the E-8 Joint STARS aircraft Sunday while Brig. Gen. William Welsh, 116th Air Control Wing commander, and Master Sgt. Jimmy Bush, 116th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, look on.

base leadership for making his visit possible.

"It's a very special place you guys have down here," he said.

Organizers of the banquet expressed their appreciation as Salazar was presented with an original John Stango painting representing his Tops rookie

baseball card.

Commanders Brig. Gen. Welsh, 116th ACW, Col. Mitchel Butikofer, 78th Air Base Wing, and Col. Evan Miller, 402nd Maintenance Wing, each thanked Salazar for sharing his story and in military tradition presented him with their challenge

WHAT TO KNOW

Each year a different unit on base hosts the National Hispanic Heritage Month celebration. This year the 402nd Maintenance Wing, commanded by Col. Evan Miller, took the lead hosting six events during the month-long celebration.

coins. Welsh also presented Salazar with a flag flown on the E-8 Joint STARS over the skies of Afghanistan Sept. 11, 2011.

After the presentations, the festivities moved to the dance floor as the nine-piece Acento Latino band from Atlanta, Ga., entertained more than 150 people who gathered to celebrate the rich Hispanic heritage at Robins.

KEEP'EM FLYING AFSO21

Team Robins member honored for six decades of service

BY KENDAHL JOHNSON kendahl.johnson@robins.af.mil

hile many employees are counting down to when they can retire, one Robins worker has no plans of hanging it up, despite having worked here for 60 years.

On Thursday, Sammy Dame, a 406th Supply Chain Management Squadron functional systems administrator, was recognized for his six decades of service.

Maj. Gen. Robert McMahon, Warner Robins Air Logistics Center commander, presided over the ceremony.

When Dame began working as a file clerk at Robins in 1951, he had few goals or aspirations.

He certainly didn't anticipate working here for 60 years. He was simply looking for work and knew it was a "good job with good pay and benefits."

The pay, what he called big money at the time, was a mere \$2,450 a year.

After working one year, he enlisted in the Air

Force and served four years on active duty.

In 1956, he resumed his civil service career at Robins and has worked here ever since.

Despite being eligible to retire for many years, both for age and length of service, Dame gets a little irritated when people ask him when he's going to hang up his hat.

"I have no immediate plans to retire," he said. "Why should I retire? I like my job; I like my coworkers; I am already doing all the things I'd do if I retired. I don't feel the need to turn it loose yet."

His coworkers aren't ready to let him go, either.

"He brings so much knowledge and expertise to the table," said Bonnie Jones, 638th Supply Chain Management Group director. "Not many people get the opportunity to work with someone who has so much experience, and I am proud of him."

Dame said it isn't the money that keeps him going, it's the job satisfaction.

"I have truly enjoyed being part of Team



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPE

Sammy Dame and wife, Annie, are proud members of the Robins workforce.

Robins," Dame said. "I love working for the Department of Defense and being involved in the defense of our country.

"We can help keep our country strong and our citizens can sleep better at night knowing we have a strong and capable defense system," he added.

Another reason he continues to work day after day at Robins is his carpool partner relies on him.

He rides to work daily with his "bride" of 50 years, Annie, who works in electronic warfare and will soon have 48 years of federal service.

Hugh Foskey, 406th

SCMS director, said he is not only proud of what they both do on base for their jobs, but also of the work the Dames do in the community.

"They truly give back to the community," he said. "They are true ambassadors for this base and the air logistics center."

Although no one knows how long Dame will continue his service – some speculate they will gather again in 10 years to award him his 70-year pin – one thing is for sure: coworkers will continue to tap into his wealth of knowledge and wisdom while he's here.

Freeze holiday weight gain with AFMC program

WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Ohio —

Looking for a way to maintain your weight and heart health during the hustle and bustle of the upcoming holiday season? Then don't miss the opportunity to enroll in the Air Force Materiel Command Freeze the Gain Holiday Challenge. Online enrollment at www.afmcwellness.com is open from now through Nov. 11.

Freeze the Gain is a holiday weight maintenance program that aims for participants to maintain — not gain — weight during the 10-week period of the challenge, which runs from Nov. 14, 2011, through Jan. 3, 2012.

Participants who weigh-out, gaining no more than two pounds of their starting weight, will receive a completion award. A food and activity log book will be distributed to participants at the official weigh-in to help with tracking, and aid in maintaining your weight.

A study at the National
Institutes of Health found that
most weight is gained during the
six-week interval between
Thanksgiving and Christmas.
Although the weight gain during
this time may seem lower than
expected, it was also determined
that the same gained weight is not
lost in the following spring or
summer months.

Each participant will need to enroll online, complete an official weigh-in, attend two Freeze the Gain official classes — Stress



WHAT TO KNOW

For an official weigh-in, call the Robins Health and Wellness Center at 497-8480 or Robins Civilian Health Promotion Services at 497-8030.

Management and Lose Your Excuse, and finally weigh-out.

To enter, FTG participants must be enrolled online at the Wellness Support Center at www.afmcwellness.com. Online enrollment is open from now through Nov. 11. Official weighins take place Nov. 2 through Nov. 11.

Steps to complete online

enrollment In addition to the official weighin, participants must enroll online to take part in Freeze the Gain. Weigh-in information cannot be entered until you have completed online enrollment. If you don't already have access to the Wellness Support Center at www.afmcwellness.com, you must take the Health Risk Appraisal, or HRA. Completing the HRA is not required for active-duty participants. Note that completing the HRA does not enroll you in the Freeze the Gain

holiday challenge.

The below steps will guide you through the FTG registration process:

First select your status from the below options:

- First-time visitors to the Wellness Support Center website who do not have an account, begin at Step 1 below;
- Civilians with an existing Wellness Support Center account who need to retake the HRA can log-in and begin at Step 4 below;
- Active-duty members and civilians with current completed HRAs can log in and begin at Step 5 below.

Step 1: Go to

www.afmcwellness.com

Step 2: Click on the 'civilian wellness' or 'active-duty' wellness links

Step 3: Create your new account by selecting your own login ID and password

Active-duty members can create an account and access the site without taking the HRA and proceed to Step 5

Step 4: Click on 'Take the assessment now' and answer all of the questions

Step 5: From the Home Page, under programs, click the 'FTG Enroll Here' link

Step 6: Click 'Yes, Enroll Here' on the bottom of the page

See a CHPS or HAWC staff member to officially weigh-in. Once the online enrollment and official weigh-in is complete, participation will be official.



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CONSERVE ENERGY

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Donley said the savings are achievable.

are achievable.

"To get these savings, we will need to accept greater risks in some areas," he said. "We're going to terminate some programs, streamline and

delay others, and continue

to drive efficiency in our

operations."
Donley said supporting service members and their families will remain job one, which includes ensuring wages and benefits packages are sustainable into the future.

"We are committed to making sure that the United States continues to have the world's finest Air Force for generations to come," he continued.

Balance will be important as well, whether across core functions, on readiness and modernization needs, or across active duty, Reserve, and Air National Guard components, Donley said.

"In the Air Force, we have determined that balance is key to our resourcing strategy to accommodate the uncertainty in the fiscally challenged future we face," Donley said.

Donley also told the audience that Air Force depots must not be consolidated to fewer than three.

"These are large, complex activities," he added.
"Further consolidation of these large facilities would displace our skilled workforce. This would be cost prohibitive."

Although the Air Force of tomorrow will likely be smaller, Donley said expectations are that it will remain fully effective. This means that many installations will look and operate differently.

However, taking care of people and advancing Air Force capabilities, through programs like the Joint Strike Fighter, the KC-46A and the Long Range Strike family of

systems, will remain priorities, Donley said.

While at Robins AFB on Monday, Donley also took a tour of the Warner **Robins Air Logistics** Center's Mission Control Room in Bldg. 215; received briefings on workplace safety and health; took an Occupational Safety and Health improvements tour of Bldg. 169; learned about the center's high velocity maintenance successes; and toured the Special Operations Forces Extendable Integration Support Environment Lab.

Donley concluded his visit Tuesday morning with an early breakfast with Airmen at the Wynn Dining Facility, followed by additional briefings on the C-17 Combined Program Office, and Command and Control, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance synergy. He also toured C-5 Maintenance Steering Group 3 and F-15 re-wire areas.

Team Robins wraps up successful Sports Day

Robins concluded an extremely successful Sports Day, as more than 500 participants competed in 10 events. There were 110 total teams, with 30 units being represented. Three squads -- the 78th Medical Group, the 78th Logistics Readiness Squadron, and the 54th Combat Communications Squadron -- competed in every event.

The 78th MDG took top honors, with 55 total points. The final results by unit and points follow:

> 1st, 78th MDG - 55 2nd, 78th SFS - 49 3rd, 54th CBCS - 29 4th, (tie) 78th CPTS - 26 402nd EDMX - 26 5th, 78th LRS - 24

The winners in the 10 events are:

5k Run

1st Men and Women, 78th MDG 2nd Men, WR-ALC/GR

2nd Women, WR-ALC/GRU 3rd Men, 402nd

3rd Women, 78th SFS

Golf

EMXG

1st, 53rd CBCS 2nd, 78th LRS 3rd, WR-ALC/GRC

3-on-3 Basketball 1st , 78th ABW/SC 2nd, 402nd EDMX 3rd, 78th MDG

Dodge Ball

1st, 78th CPTS 2nd, 78th ABW/SC 3rd, 78th MDG

Kick Ball

1st, 78th SFS 2nd, 54th CBCS 3rd, 78th CPTS

Bowling
1st WR-ALC/C

1st, WR-ALC/GRC 2nd, 402nd EDMX

3rd, WR-ALC/PK
Combat Fitness

Course

1st, 78th SFS 2nd, 78th LRS 3rd, 78th MDG

Gator Ball

1st, 78th SFS 2nd, 78th CPTS 3rd, 54th CBCS

Adventure Run

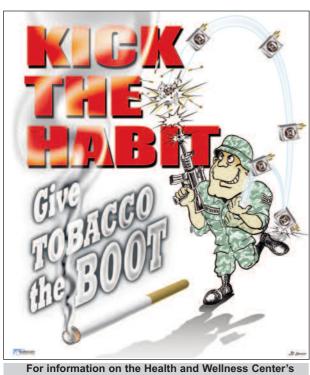
1st, WR-ALC/GRM 2nd, 689th CCW 3rd, 402nd EDMX

Tug Of War

1st, 78th MDG 2nd, 54th CBCS 3rd, 78th SFS

Congrats to all who participated and a hearty kudos to the Fitness Center staff, who worked hard to put on a successful 2011 Sports Day.

– By Kendahl Johnson 78th Air Base Wing Public Affairs



Smoking Cessation Class, contact the center at 497-8480.

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HAPPENINGS

ON TAP Boss N' Buddy Today 4 to 5 p.m. Heritage Club Lounge For details, call 472-7864.

Texas Hold 'Em Saturday and Oct. 29 Signup at 1:30 p.m. Games start at 2 p.m.

Heritage Club Lounge \$10 for club members \$15 for guests For details, call 472-7864. **Give Parents A Break**

Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Youth Center and **CDC** East \$15 per child For details, call 468-2110.

WWE "Bragging Rights" **PPV** Sunday

Members FREE Guests \$5 For details, call 472-7864.

Money Credit Management Monday 1 to 3 p.m.

Tuesday

9 to 11 a.m.

Bldg. 794 For details, call 468-1256. **Resume Writing**

Bldg. 794 For details, call 468-1256. **Bundles for Babies & Passport to Parenthood** Tuesday 8:30 a.m. to noon Call 327-8389 to sign up.

Heart Link/Immersion Tour Oct. 28

For details, call 468-1256.

8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bldg. 794 Sign-up by Wednesday. For details, call 468-1256.

Preseparation Briefings Thursday 12:30 to 4 p.m. Bldg. 794 For details, call 468-1256.

UPCOMING Wild Adventure Tickets at ITT Kid-O-Ween Now - Oct. 30 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wild Adventures Phobia Now - Oct. 29 Both events open to all ticketholders. \$30 for 1 day \$41 for 2 days Passport holders \$67 and \$88 For details, call 468-2945.



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Pink Picnic

Barbara Dooley, breast cancer survivor, author, radio and television personality, and wife of Vince Dooley, former UGA athletic director and coach, speaks to attendees of the annual breast cancer awareness luncheon Oct. 11 at the Museum of Aviation.

Home of the Blue

Housing office offers home safety advice

ROBINS HOUSING MANAGEMENT OFFICE

For most people, their home is their safe haven. No one wants to think about being injured or killed at home. Yet, every day in homes across America, 55 people die and another 58,000 are injured and need medical care.

There are many simple things that can help save lives and prevent injuries. Installing the right safety products and planning can prepare you to deal with whatever may arise.

This is the second of two simple home safety tips to be shared by the Robins Housing Management Office. This week we will look at five things to do in the home to prevent fire and burns.

Did you know that having working smoke alarms cuts your family's risk of dying in a home fire almost in half? Protect your loved ones from fires and burns in the home.

Things to do today:

- 1. Have working smoke alarms and have fire drills. If you build a new home, install fire sprinklers.
- 2. Stay by the stove when cooking, especially when you are frying food.
- 3. Keep space heaters at least 3 feet away from anything that can burn. Turn them off when

you leave the room or go to sleep.

- 4. If you smoke, smoke outside. Use deep ashtrays and put water in them before you empty them. Lock matches and lighters in a place where children can't reach them.
- 5. Only light candles when an adult is in the room. Blow the candle out if you leave the room or go to sleep.

For more information on housing privatization operations, contact Hunt Military Communities at 478-225-9374 or the housing management office at DSN 468-3776.

Editor's note: Home of the Blue is a recurring series in the Robins Rev-Up.



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Sparky the Fire Dog waves to children at Child Development Center West Oct. 11 during a visit for Fire Prevention Week. The fire department hosted a number of events during the week to help raise awareness.

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