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Luther Smith Jr., a professor at Candler School of Theology at Emory University, speaks during the service honoring the birthday of civil rights leader, the late Martin Luther King Jr., on Jan. 18 at the Robins Air Force Base Chapel. Below, the honor guard presents the colors during the ceremony.

## Honoring King: Robins pays tribute to civil rights icon

### Speaker talks of dream of equality

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A steady stream of attendees made their way into the Robins Air Force Base Chapel for the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. 73rd birthday anniversary service on Jan. 18.

As excerpts from the famous speeches of the slain civil rights leader played over the loud speakers, an audience blended with various races settled in for a message from guest speaker Luther Smith Jr.

A professor at Candler School of Theology at Emory University, Smith spoke of his memories of King, the dream for equality and what the day meant to him.

He expressed his appreciation for the invitation to speak on what he calls an important day in an important time.

"Today is really to appreciate the witness of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and how he embodied the commitment to justice and righteousness," he said. "But it's to see it as more than Martin Luther King Jr., it's to remember our own need to be committed to the issues of justice and righteousness, and how easy it is to focus on King in a way that leaves us out of the equation."

Following the guest speaker, musical selections and scripture, the audience joined in a chorus of "We Shall Overcome."



One audience member said she felt it was a duty to participate in the day's service.

"I feel we tend to have gotten complacent, and it's time to step up and do things we should as African Americans," said Ganet James.

"If we don't stand up, then how can we expect others to do so," said James.

## Team Robins cutting time on C-5 maintenance, inspections

### 19th MXS, C-5 work force returning Galaxies to system

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C-5 Galaxy

Returning C-5 Galaxies to the field 30 days faster than before is great news for the customer and Robins Air Force Base. This decrease in time is possible, thanks to the teamwork of the 19th Maintenance Squadron and the civilian work force in C-5 Program Depot Maintenance at Warner Robins Air Logistics Center.



Lewit

By working cooperatively to satisfy the customer, these two groups are making giant strides in supplying airlift for the military.

Lt. Col. Bob Lewit, 19th Maintenance Squadron commander said prior to the establishment of the 19th MXS, C-5s would return home and not fly for approximately 39 days. This extended downtime was to perform isochronal inspections and other maintenance activities not required by depot maintenance.

"Since we are performing maintenance and inspections here, the jets go home and can turn around and fly in just a couple of days. The latest average is about nine and one-half days," he said.

Actually, they could turn around a lot sooner, but the home station takes care of a few extra inspections, he explained.

"The significance is that we are returning the C-5 which is a valuable asset and a rare commodity, back out in the system to support the effort," said Lewit.

"The purpose of our squadron is to complete isochronal inspections and perform field-level maintenance repairs while the aircraft are here in depot for extended periods of time," he said. "Depot owns the aircraft while they are here. We work on a space-available basis on a non-interference level."

Lewit said his squadron works side-by-side with depot by scheduling and monitoring very closely how to coordinate their inspection and repair activities while the aircraft are here.

"Because depot maintenance is under contract, and under time and financial constraints to get their work done and the planes out on time, they have parameters they must stay within," said Lewit. "Our job is to take advantage of aircraft downtime at PDM so the jets are ready to fly mission when they get home."

This may seem like no great task but, according to Lewit, the work done here by his squadron, in coordination with PDM, saves thousands of hours for the aircraft customers.

"We perform more than 4,500 hours of labor here so the home stations won't have to," said Lewit.

### Returning to provide vital airlift support

It takes a lot of airlift to rapidly ship materials overseas to forward operating locations. With the war going on, the sooner these C-5s can return to the system, the sooner they can

provide this vital lift.

Lewit said that since Sept. 11, the depot personnel have really done a lot of work. The 19 MXS is proud to have been a part of the team effort that pumped out five planes, he said.

The last of those two planes went to Dover Air Force Base, Del.

Lewit said it is the 19th's custom to send crew chiefs out to the home station when the planes are returned along with a booklet listing work done.

"When those jets got home they were top-notch and ready to go," he said. All workable problems had been identified and jointly corrected by the depot and the 19th.

The last C-5 arrived at Dover in early December and beat the latest average turn-around time by four days.

"We don't have to worry about daily flying schedules, so we have the opportunity to be more thorough and meticulous than C-5 isochronal inspections performed at home stations" he said.

### Working partnership

Tech. Sgt. Gregory Porter of the 19th MXS said all of this is possible because of the phenomenal working environment between the military and the civilian work force with PDM.

"We are able to work hand-in-hand with the senior leadership in the C-5 Directorate," he said.

"The ability to work together, to work through any issues that may arise on the aircraft, in turn gives a better product to the customer, which is what our objective is," he said.

Porter said, when the jets go back to the home station they don't see the 19th they see Team Robins as a whole.

### Following up

In addition to the work they already do, Porter said they have teamed up with the quality side of PDM to do quality follow-ups and to ensure there are no repeat discrepancies on aircraft.

"By doing this and providing a direct interface with the customer ensures they know what we can do for them and allows them to let us know what we can do better," he said.

"If we are not doing what they need, we are not doing a service," said Porter.

"We are the only unit of its kind in the Air Force doing this kind of mission and we are really proud of that," said Senior Master Sgt. Michael Rovinsky of the 19th MXS.

"We have been doing it since 1993 and our statistics are continuing to improve. The C-5 is high-visibility for the United States, and we are effectively adding C-5s to the country's inventory. And that is a huge accomplishment," said Rovinsky.

With only 126 C-5s in the inventory, adding to the inventory becomes even more significant.

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U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp

**OPEN FOR BUSINESS** – The Robins Air Force Base Tax Center opened for business Thursday with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. The center is located in Bldg. 905.

## President pledges pay raise, more money for defense

By Linda D. Kozaryn  
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — The United States "will not cut corners" when it comes to national defense, President Bush told about 1,500 members of the Reserve Officers Association here Wednesday.

"The tools of modern warfare are effective. They are expensive and in order to win this war against terror, they are essential," he said. "Whatever it takes, whatever it costs, this patient, this resolved nation will win the first war of the 21st century."

The president said the military takes top priority in the 2003 budget he'll present to Congress next week. It includes more than \$48 billion in new defense spending, and another pay raise for the military.

"This will be the largest increase in defense spending in 20 years," Bush said. It will be used to invest in more precision weapons, in missile defenses, in unmanned vehicles, in high-tech equipment for soldiers on the ground.

The nation asks much of its men and women in uniform and in return, they deserve every resource, every weapon needed to achieve a full and final victory, the president said.

"Today, the Guard and Reserve are fighting a two-front war, one in Central Asia and one here at home," Bush told the military crowd. "The Air Force alone has flown 3,000 sorties over Afghanistan, and more than 800 sorties to protect American cities."

Afghanistan's Taliban "is now out of business," he said. "We've smoked members of Al Qaeda out of their caves. We've destroyed their bunkers and the

global network of terrorists has seen the first glimpse of their fate."

The United States has also shipped food and medicine to the people of Afghanistan. U.S. officials have helped them organize a new government representing all the people. These gains are a tribute to America's military, the president said.

"There was no doubt in my mind that when I unleashed our great military, that our men and women would perform bravely. They have not let us down," he said.

The military has been relentless in its pursuit of the terrorists, he said. "No matter how long it takes, no matter where we have to look, our United States military will patiently and surely hunt down the murderers and killers and terrorists and bring them one by one to justice." The war began in Afghanistan,

but it is not going to end there, he said. The United States still faces "a shadowy enemy" and "danger and sacrifices lie ahead," he noted.

"We will not tire until every terrorist group of global reach has been found, has been stopped and has been defeated," he said. "The terrorists, the evil ones who targeted America, are learning something. They picked the wrong enemy."

The Reserve Officers Association presented its Minuteman of the Year 2002 award to the president. The award recognizes those who personify the ideals of the Minuteman, courage, love of country and selfless service. Bush was cited for providing steadfast leadership during a time of crisis and rallying the nation to defend freedom and democracy wherever they are threatened.

## Davis-Monthan pilot killed in A-10 mishap

DAVIS-MONTHAN AIR FORCE BASE, Ariz. (AFP) — An A-10 Thunderbolt II pilot assigned to the 355th Wing here was confirmed dead following a Jan. 17 mishap involving another A-10 on a training mission.

The other pilot successfully ejected and is being treated for minor injuries at a local hospital.

The mishap occurred at 3 p.m. MST 18.5 miles east of Douglas, Ariz., near the New Mexico and Mexico borders. The pilots' names have not been released.

Air Force and Army emergency teams responded to the accident and traveled to the crash site, which is in a remote area.

A board of officers, appointed by Air Combat Command headquarters at Langley Air Force Base, Va., will investigate the accident. Since the last 355th Wing accident on May 14, 1998, the 355th Wing has safely flown more than 140,000 hours.

Additional information will be made available as it develops.

## QF-4E accident report released

LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, Va. (AFP) — Air Force investigators have determined that maintenance errors resulting from an incorrect maintenance manual diagram caused an Air Force QF-4E drone aircraft to crash on Oct. 3 at Holloman Air Force Base, N.M.

## ROBINS BRIEFS

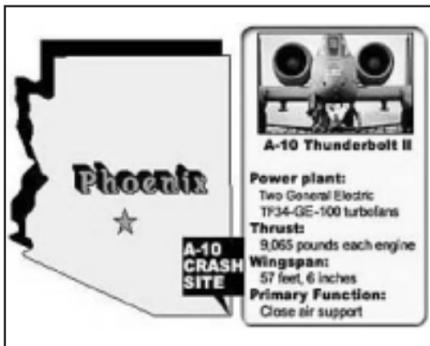
### Hail and Farewell

Maj. Gen. Dennis G. Haines, Warner Robins Air Logistics Center commander, will conduct a standup Officers' Hail and Farewell today at 4:30 p.m. in the ballroom of the Robins Air Force Base Officers' Club. Spouses are invited to attend the event and social that follows.

For more information, contact Capt. Jon Cory at 926-4711.

### 78th ABW promotions ceremony is Thursday

Col. Tad A. Smith, 78th Air Base Wing vice commander, will host the monthly 78th ABW enlisted promotions ceremony Thursday, at 3 p.m., in the Vista Scope Theater at the Museum of Aviation. The 78th Mission Support Squadron is sponsoring this month's ceremony. Commanders, supervisors, family members and friends are encouraged to attend and to show unit spirit by bringing noisemakers and unit guidons. Contact Master Sgt. David Lee at 327-7348 for more information.



U.S. Air Force graphic by Staff Sgt. James Garrett  
An A-10 Thunderbolt II pilot assigned to the 355th Wing at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz., was confirmed dead following a Jan. 17 mishap involving another A-10 on a training mission.

The drone, which was unmanned, was destroyed upon impact as it was taking off. No one was injured in the accident. The aircraft was assigned to Detachment 1 of the 82nd Aerial Target Squadron, whose parent unit is the 53rd Wing at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla.

The aircraft was participating in a training mission at the time of the accident.

According to an Air Combat Command accident investigation report released Jan. 17, maintenance workers installed the tri-axis rate gyro backward in compliance with an incorrect installation diagram in the aircraft's maintenance manual.

The tri-axis rate gyro provides measurements of pitch, roll and yaw to the automatic flight control system during automatic take-offs. The aircraft collided with the runway less than two seconds after takeoff.

### Security forces extend decal renewal deadline

The 78th Security Forces Squadron reminds drivers that 2001 decals on base-registered vehicles expired Jan. 1. Security forces have extended the deadline for registration renewal to Feb. 15. Identification card, driver's license, license plate number, proof of insurance and expired decal are required to renew. Decals may be renewed at Security Forces Pass and ID, Bldg. 263, Monday through Fridays from 7:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except Wednesdays, when the office closes at noon for training.

### Pass and ID closes Wednesday at noon

The 78th Security Forces Pass and Registration section closes every Wednesday at noon for administrative and training purposes. Hours of operation are 7:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, with the exception of Wednesday. Those requiring emergency service Wednesday after noon can call 926-3853.

## Support group provides updates on FEHB, TSP open seasons, insurance

### 78th Support Group

The following updates are provided regarding the Federal Employees Health Benefits and civilian Thrift Savings Plan open season effective dates.

Employees should review their Feb. 1 leave and earnings statement to ensure the FEHB enrollment code and premium, and/or TSP contribution amounts are correctly reflected for the elections they made effective Jan. 13. Elections effective that date will not show up on the Jan. 18 LES.

Civilian TSP contribution elections made during the Jan. 13-26 pay period will be effective on Jan. 27 and reflected on the Feb. 15 LES. TSP open season ends Thursday.

Elections made by Robins Air Force Base employees through Thursday will be effective Feb. 10, but will not be reflected on an employee's LES until normal processing using the modern system is

resumed, on or about March 11. Employees need to be reminded they will be liable for retroactive contributions which may occur as a result of Robins' deployment to the new modern system. Employees are encouraged to make their TSP contribution elections as soon as possible as it is anticipated that call volume and Web traffic will greatly increase as TSP open season draws to an end.

The Mail Handlers Health Benefit plan contracted with a vendor to issue their 2002 enrollment cards. The vendor is late in issuing the enrollment cards; however, Mail

Handlers is aware of the problem and is working the issue.

Employees who have not received their enrollment cards may use a copy of their SF 2809 for doctor visits; however, the SF 2809 is not accepted for prescriptions.

Employees may use the phone system 800-997-2378 to obtain a faxed copy of the SF 2809.

From the main menu, press 1 for health benefits, press # to skip the verbiage and then 8 to receive a faxed copy of the SF 2809.

For additional questions, contact BEST at 800-997-2378.

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## Armed Forces Ad No number yet

### Submission

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4:30 p.m.

Monday

Rev-Up office is located in Bldg. 215, Suite 106

## Job protection extends to Guard, Reserve

By Staff Sgt. A.J. Bosker  
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — By law, only Guard and Reserve people who are involuntarily called to active duty typically receive the broadest re-employment protection.

Now, thanks to a determination by the secretary of the Air Force, those same protections are being extended to Air Reserve component people who voluntarily returned to active duty to support Operations Enduring Freedom and Noble Eagle.

“Among other rights, the law — the ‘Uniformed Services Employment and Re-employment Rights Act of 1994’ — provides re-employment rights for a cumulative period of up to five years of active-duty service away from a civilian employer,” said Col. Ray Knapp, a personnel reserve advisor at the Pentagon.

“When you are involuntarily recalled, the (five-year) clock stops ticking,” Knapp said. “However, the clock does not automatically stop for those who volunteer for duty, even during a national emergency. Once they accumulate a total of five years of voluntary service, their employer is not required by law to hire them back.”

This difference in the law was not meant to harm the Guard or Reserve person who wanted to volunteer, he said. It was designed with the employer in mind.

“It’s a two-way street,” Knapp said. “We care about the employers of Reserve component members — the same employers who help us by supporting their employees who serve as Guard and Reserve members.”

“When reservists enter onto military duty even for short periods of time, it places an additional burden on the member’s civilian employer and coworkers who must either hire extra people or pick up the workload to fill the void,” he said.

The Air Force is built upon the all-volunteer force, and Air Force officials believe volunteerism is good not only for volunteers, but for their service and Air Force co-workers, Knapp said.

“We encourage and allow as much volunteerism as possible,” Knapp said. “However, under peacetime or non-emergency situations, the law limits how much time the volunteer can be away from their civilian employer.”

The law allows for an exemption to the five-year clock for periods of active duty during a war or national emergency declared by the president or Congress, Knapp said.

“It permits the individual service secretaries to determine, for a particular situation, that some in a volunteer status may also receive the same exemption as non-volunteers,” he said. “With over 9,000 volunteers coming on active duty since 9/11, the Air Force has decided to do this.”

Not every Air National Guard or Air Force Reserve person who is on duty will get this exemption, Knapp said.

“It’s limited to those who are ordered to active duty, or retained on active duty beyond their stated separation date due to Stop-Loss, in direct or indirect support of the national emergency,” he said. “The key words are ‘ordered to or retained on,’ and ‘direct or indirect support of the national emergency.’”

## Air Force prepares for modern personnel system

78th Support Group

The move to the Modern Defense Civilian Personnel Data System, also known as Modern DCPDS, is a Department of Defense-wide initiative affecting not only Robins Air Force Base employees, but all Air Force employees. Air Force will convert to the new Modern DCPDS on Feb. 15 and resume functional operations on March 8. Current permanent employees will not need to submit a resume for Air Force positions. Once an employee has self-nominated for a position, he or she will be considered based on the same criteria currently used.

This conversion is a part of the National Performance Review and reinventing the government to do more with less. It is a part of the DOD re-engineering effort to ensure that all components use the same automated personnel system for conducting business, instead of each agency having their own system. This initiative is necessary to reduce cost and eliminate redundancy. The present system, which is known as Legacy, has been identified as too costly to maintain, too difficult to modify, redundant and rapidly becoming obsolete since it was a mainframe-based system. The new modern system will eventually compensate for the projected losses planned in the personnel work force because of the DOD-mandated personnel regionalization.

Vacancies will be listed by base, with the area of consideration clearly identified, so that employees will know if they are eligible to apply and “self-nominate” for a given job. This process replaces the cur-

rent merit promotion and the central skills bank programs. Employees must self-nominate, if they choose to apply for the specific position being announced. “Each employee must now take responsibility for their own career by ensuring that they self-nominate for any position they are interested in being considered for. They must play an active part in their career,” Mary Beth Martinez, located in the staffing section of the Robins AFB Civilian Personnel Office.

All internal positions, to include promotions, reassignments and change-to-lower grades, will be announced for a minimum of five workdays. Announcements are scheduled to open each Friday and close the following Thursday. The new civilian personnel system procedure is explained in detail on the Air Force Personnel Center homepage. Employees may access the new vacancy announcement system using a computer or telephone. Employees are encouraged to use the AFPC homepage to obtain detailed information about the new procedures affecting their career advancement. For additional information, employees can access the Web site at [www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/DPC/](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/DPC/). Robins AFB employees may also access this information from Robins AFB homepage by using the Web address of <https://wwwmil.robins.af.mil>.

Employees can also sign up for an electronic e-mail notification system called Civilian Announcement Notification System. This system allows the employee to sign up, using their e-mail address, and automatically receive a list of new Air Force civilian job announcements.

## W-2s are in the mail ... read them carefully

By Tech. Sgt. Tim Dougherty  
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — Air Force people who spent time in a newly recognized combat zone area during the last part of the year should carefully review their W-2, and they might need to wait for a corrected form W-2C to arrive, Air Force officials said.

W-2 forms were mailed on Jan. 15.

“If you were entitled to combat zone tax exclusion during the final four months of 2001, we recommend you carefully review your W-2,” said Col. Martha Beatty, Air Force accounting and finance office director. “If you feel there are errors, delay filing your tax return until you contact your local finance office and see if you need a corrected W-2.”

The determination of CZTE and personnel system problems caused many pay records to update late, Beatty said.

A statement on January leave and earnings statements will remind people about the potential for errors.

President Bush signed an executive order on Sept. 19

that designated Afghanistan and the airspace above it as a combat zone.

Air Force people directly supporting operations in Afghanistan from other locations may also be eligible for CZTE if they are receiving imminent danger pay or hostile fire pay.

The Internal Revenue Service established a toll-free telephone number for military people or their families to call with any tax questions that may arise. Callers will not be limited to asking combat zone-related tax questions. The number is (866) 562-5227.

A recent letter sent out by the IRS to about 50,000 military people caused confusion about CZTE.

“The primary purpose of the letter was to update IRS records to ensure that certain extensions are allowed and that other types of actions are not taken against members who are serving in a combat zone,” Beatty said.

Although the IRS is drafting a follow-up letter that will be sent to try to clear up any confusion, the best advice is to simply disregard the original letter, Beatty said.

## 116th Bomb Wing celebrates awardees

### 116th Bomb Wing

Members of the 116th Bomb Wing were recognized for meritorious service over the last year. The ceremony was held on Jan. 12. The awards are as follows:

**Legion of Merit**

Col. Bob Doehling

**Air Medal**

Maj. Thomas Bell

**NATO Service Medal**

Maj. Thomas Bell  
Capt. John D. Erickson

**Georgia Distinguished Service Medal**

Lt. Col. Dan Zachman

**Georgia Medal for Valor**

Master Sgt. Thomas Southerland  
Master Sgt. Jack Hankins  
Master Sgt. Quent Mikeal



U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Faith Lawrence  
Command Chief Master Sergeant for the State of Georgia, Chief Master Sgt. Pearson DeLoach awards the "Chief's Coin" to Chief Master Sgt. Betsy Winn, of the 116th Bomb Wing, during an award ceremony held here on Jan. 13. Winn, the first female chief master sergeant with the 116th, was honored for her 20 years of service to the Georgia Air National Guard.



U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Tim Neville  
Maj. Gen. William Searcy, commander of the Georgia Air National Guard, pins the NATO Medal for Service on Maj. John J. Erickson during an awards ceremony for the 116th Bomb Wing on Jan. 13 at Robins Air Force Base. Erickson and Maj. Thomas A. Bell, center, received the NATO Medals for their service with NATO operations related to the Kosovo conflict in 1999.



U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. Rick Cowan  
Col. Tom Lynn, commander of the 116th Bomb Wing, congratulates Tech. Sgt. Terri Prosperie for receiving the Ninth Air Force Outstanding Air Reserve Intelligence NCO of the Year for 2001. Prosperie, with the 116th Operations Support Flight, along with other members of the 116th, was recognized for her achievements during an award ceremony for the 116th Bomb Wing held here on Jan. 13.

# AF relies on reachback capabilities

By Staff Sgt. A.J. Bosker  
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — In the ongoing war against terrorism, the Air Force relies not only on forward-deployed forces but also on reachback capabilities.

Reachback capabilities are those that support the theater commander without having to deploy to forward locations, said Maj. Gen. Daniel P. Leaf, director of operational requirements at the Pentagon.

Some of these, such as command and control functions, imagery and intelligence analysis, and supply depot processes, have fairly significant hardware and communication infrastructures.

"Reachback allows the Air Force to avoid spending the time transporting these assets to the theater, bedding them down, connecting them and actually getting them up and running," Leaf said. "We don't need the assets physically located on the deployed base proper to access their resources or capabilities."

"It's not unlike using commercial banking software that allows you to reach back to your bank or financial institution via the Internet," Leaf said. "I can get a statement, pay bills or do other things to achieve a desired effect. I don't need the bank branch office right here to access its capabilities or my money."

However, the Air Force needs the structure and process to integrate it all.

"In the case of our analogy, (the structure and process) is the software program," he said. "For us, it's our air and space operations centers that are deployed to the theater. These operations centers are where we bring all this data together to enable decision making by the combined forces air component commander or the theater commander."

Leaf can speak from personal experience as to just how effective and capable reachback really is during actual operations. He was the wing commander at Aviano Air Base, Italy, during Operation Allied Force.

"We did quite of bit of reachback," he said. "For the most part (these assets) were as capable and effective as if they were (at Aviano). They had the potential to be even more effective since it was possible to access a multitude of assets."

From the experiences and lessons learned in Operation Allied Force, Air Force officials implemented reachback training in various exercises

and scenarios.

However, this training goes beyond just teaching about reachback, Leaf said.

"We want to expand our ability to leverage these capabilities," he said. "We're really talking about the horizontal integration of all of our capabilities."

The goal is to reach a point where the maximum number of people or weapons systems that can take advantage of a capability or tool, are given ready access to it, Leaf said.

This evolution of reachback is a necessity in the current and foreseeable world security climate, he said.

"During the Cold War, our focus was primarily on the Soviet Union and Warsaw Pact threat," he said. "Now, we're not sure where we will be next. That unpredictability of where we may be called to apply air and space power mandates more flexibility."

"Reachback gives us this flexibility," Leaf said. "It allows us to more easily shift our efforts globally."

"This is important, especially if the Air Force is conducting several ongoing operations," he said. "Reachback gives us the opportunity for multiple theater commanders to access a capability and serve multiple customers simultaneously."

Leaf, talking about the Air Force men and women who provide this capability, said they are just as critical to mission accomplishment as the forward-deployed war fighters.

"Could we do it without them? Absolutely not," he said. "Anyone who doubts the significance of their role needs to think again."

"During Operation Allied Force, I needed everyone, from those who helped ensure the aircraft and munitions were ready, to those who provided the latest intelligence information, and even the technical sergeant who set up our first field kitchen at the start of operations," he said.

"There were people from all over who were contributing," Leaf said. "Their location didn't matter as much as the importance of their contributions."

## 1x1 Secrets



Leaf

# Rumsfeld says no evidence Osama bin Laden is dead

By Jim Garamone  
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — U.S. officials have no evidence that Al Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden is dead from a kidney ailment, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said on the NBC-TV program "Meet the Press."

Pakistan's President Pervez Musharraf advanced the opinion on Jan. 18 that bin Laden was dead.

"He could be dead, he could be alive, he could be in Afghanistan, he could be somewhere else," Rumsfeld said. "We're looking for him, and I think we'll find him."

Rumsfeld said some of the places most named as possible bin Laden refuges are Sudan, Somalia, Kashmir, Chechnya, Yemen and Saudi Arabia. "There are a number of places, but I don't think there are many places that would like to have him right now," the secretary said.

While the United States will capture bin Laden, the goal of the U.S. policy, he said, is to prevent terror attacks on the homeland, U.S. deployed forces,

U.S. allies and friends.

"Right now, bin Laden and (Taliban leader Mohammad) Omar are not currently functioning effectively leading their terrorist networks, they are being driven," he said. "They are running, they are hiding and we are after them."

Rumsfeld confirmed a report that local people in some places in Afghanistan did not help U.S. forces. He said support for the Taliban and Al Qaeda is particularly strong in some areas, and the local population did not help U.S. forces search cave complexes or other Taliban and Al Qaeda facilities.

He said U.S. forces relied on Afghans from other areas of the country or accomplished the missions themselves.

He said there is no need for more U.S. forces in the country, and there was no need for more Americans in Afghanistan in November and December.

Rumsfeld said he is getting ready to release the rules that govern military commissions shortly. "We've been fashioning exactly what the rules and

procedure might be (for the commissions)," Rumsfeld said. To date, U.S. officials have assigned no Taliban or Al Qaeda terrorist to be judged by the military commissions.

The secretary said U.S. forces are going to the Philippines to train the Philippine military and to participate in an exercise. Rumsfeld told Meet the Press host Tim Russert that the Philippine constitution forbids foreign troops from conducting military operations on its soil. U.S. troops will not participate in operations directed against the Abu Sayyaf terrorist group, but will train those who will conduct such operations. Rumsfeld also said the number of Americans in the Philippines will be around 600, not the 650 that has been reported.

Rumsfeld also discussed reports that Saudi Arabia has asked the United States to remove its troops from the kingdom.

He said the Saudis have not said anything to him about that, "and I would think I would know." He said the longstanding U.S.-Saudi Arabian relationship is strong.

## Medal of Honor recipient passes on

Air Force Print News

SAN ANTONIO — Medal of Honor recipient Master Sgt. Henry Eugene "Red" Erwin Sr., 80, of Leeds, Ala., passed away on Jan. 16.

Erwin served in the Army Air Corps in the World War II Pacific Theatre and was awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions.

On April 19, 1945, Erwin was a staff sergeant serving as a radio operator aboard a B-29 Superfortress bomber over Koriyama, Japan. He was also responsible for dropping phosphorus smoke bombs and one of the bombs launched by Erwin exploded in the launching chute. The burning phosphorus bomb shot back into the interior of the aircraft, striking him in the face and obliterating his nose and completely blinding him.

Erwin realized that the aircraft and crew would be lost if the burning bomb remained in the plane. He picked it up and instinctively crawled toward the copilot's window. Erwin located the window and threw the bomb out. Completely aflame, he fell back upon the floor.

The smoke cleared and the pilot pulled the plane out of its dive at 300 feet. Erwin's gallantry and heroism went above and beyond the call of duty and saved the lives of his comrades, according to the medal citation.

Two-and-one-half years and 41 surgeries later, Erwin was discharged from the military with the rank of master sergeant.

In August 1995, the Air Force honored Erwin by creating the Henry E. Erwin



Courtesy photo

Master Sgt. Henry Eugene "Red" Erwin Sr., 80, passed away Jan. 16. Erwin served in the Army Air Corps in the World War II Pacific Theatre and was awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions.

Outstanding Enlisted Aircrew Member of the Year Award. The award is presented annually to an airman, noncommissioned officer and senior noncommissioned officer in the active-duty or Reserve forces based on job accomplishments, sustained improvements which have major mission impact, leadership abilities, self-improvement efforts, and contributions to management goals.

## Senior leaders: Put survey at top of 'to do' list

Air Force Print News

SAN ANTONIO — Air Force leaders want Air Force people to speak their minds in the 2002 Chief of Staff Organizational Climate survey, available online Jan. 22 to March 8.

The survey, offered every two years since 1997, is designed to gauge how people feel about leadership, communication, supervision, training, job satisfaction and other aspects of Air Force organizations.

The 1997 survey gathered more than 200,000 responses and resulted in a number of quality-of-life and organization changes within the Air Force, survey officials said. The 1999 survey continued the process.

"The '99 (survey) put these types of issues into the cross hairs at every level of our Air Force, from the Pentagon, through the major commands and on down to the unit level," said Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Fredrick J. Finch. "With data like this, we can make this great Air Force of ours better yet."

## Info assurance blitz continues in 2002

**By Lt. Gen. John L. Woodward Jr.**  
**Air Force Deputy Chief of Staff for**  
**Communications and Information**

WASHINGTON - Last year we put a blitz on information assurance awareness and eliminated a multitude of vulnerabilities through the information assurance campaign. Twelve monthly themes focused our attention on a succession of important information assurance issues: from "Roles and Responsibilities" to "Threats and Countermeasures" ... from "Digital Devices" to "Computer Network Defense" ... from "Web Security" to "Information Assurance in the Expeditionary Aerospace Force."

Our collective knowledge in these areas has significantly improved. Many network vulnerabilities were also eliminated through aggressive problem identification and resolution, and the use of information assurance tools.

We covered much ground last year, but our

campaign is far from complete. More awareness and network protection actions are necessary before we can declare victory for the information assurance campaign.

In 2002, we must focus on information assurance activities directly supporting the war on terrorism. Our new campaign theme reflects this focus: "Defeating Global Terror ... Demands Effective Information Assurance."

This year, several operationally oriented information assurance themes have been planned, including "Contingency Planning, Operational Security, Remanence Security (Sanitization and Destruction)," and "Vulnerabilities and Incidents." We will also revisit some important 2001 themes, such as "Web Security, User Responsibilities," and "E-mail."

I highly encourage everyone to become fully engaged in the continuing information assurance campaign. We must keep the fire lit ... the war fighters depend on us!

## Information posted online monthly

Following is the 2002 Information Assurance Campaign theme schedule. Each month, except October, articles associated with the following themes will be posted to the publicly accessible Intercom magazine at <https://public.afca.scott.af.mil/public/intercom.html>.

- **January** — "Contingency Planning for the Global Strike Task Force" — Air Force Communications Agency
- **February** — "Portable Electronic Devices" — Air Force Pentagon Communications Agency
- **March** — "Securing Air Force Operations" — Air Combat Command and Air Intelligence Agency
- **April** — "Remanence Security" (Sanitization and Destruction) — Air Mobility Command and Air Force Special Operations Command
- **May** — "E-mail" — Air Education and Training Command and Air Force Weather Agency

• **June** — "Vulnerabilities and Incidents" — Air Force Office of Special Investigations and Air Force Information Warfare Center

• **July** — "The Air Force Enterprise Network" — Air Force Materiel Command and Air Force Network Operations Center

• **August** — "Public Key Infrastructure" — Air Force Reserve Command and Air National Guard

• **September** — "Viruses" — U.S. Air Forces in Europe

• **October** — No information assurance articles (Almanac issue)

• **November** — "User Responsibilities" (October theme) — Air Force Space Command and U.S. Air Force Academy

• **December** — "Web Security" (November theme) — Pacific Air Forces and "Information Assurance Campaign in Review" (December theme) — Air Force Deputy Chief of Staff for Communications and Information

## Commander's Action Line

Action Line provides me with a direct line of communication to the men and women of the Robins Air Force Base team. It is intended for questions, comments and suggestions of a constructive nature that will make this center and base a better place to work and live.

You may call 926-2886 day or night, or email to one of the following addresses: If sending from the military email system select WRALC/CCX Action Line from the Global Address List. If sending from a commercial email account (AOL, AT+T, CompuServe, Earthlink, etc.) use [action.line@robins.af.mil](mailto:action.line@robins.af.mil). All

Action Line items receive my personal attention. Items of base-wide interest will be published in the Robins Rev-Up.

**Maj. Gen. Dennis G. Haines**  
Warner Robins ALC commander



### Flight suit etiquette?

**Q:** Is it proper for Air Force military personnel to be in a bar or tavern after 6 p.m. in flight suits? I have witnessed this situation a couple of times in the last several months, and it did not seem right to me. It was my impression that flight suits were appropriate attire in an off-base restaurant or tavern only during the day (e.g., for lunch).

Thank you for your consideration.

**A:** Thank you for your call. You're absolutely correct in your concern about the inappropriate wear of the flight suit. AFI 36 - 2903 clearly outlines the appropriate wear of the flight dress uniform. Table 1.1 Attachment 1 states: flight dress uniforms have the same restrictions as the battle dress uniform. Table 2.6 states BDU authorized wear and restrictions as:

**Restrictions:** 1. Can not "go to establishments that operate primarily to serve alcohol" (off base). This is regardless of time of the day. 2. Eat lunch at restaurants where people wear business attire

**Optional:** 1. May be worn to eat lunch at local establishments where people wear comparable civilian attire. 2. Make short convenience stops (including shopping malls).

The bottom line here is that we reflect the proper military image to maintain good order and discipline. We represent the greatest Air Force in the world and should always wear the uniform proudly and properly. Remember; adherence to standards is mandatory, and more importantly; people are watching us.

### Parking problems at the BX

**Q:** The new Robins Base Exchange that we have is great and long overdue. But there is one problem that I think needs to be looked at. The parking at the new BX is terrible. In most lanes two cars can't pass each other, and what parking there is would be a lot better if they were laid out at an angle. The parking places are almost impossible to get into and out of. The person that designed the parking lot at the new BX must have been an engineer with no plans to ever park there.

**A:** We agree that the lanes do not provide enough room to properly negotiate our vehicles and the parking lot will have to be re-stripped with angled parking to provide adequate space for movement of vehicles. We will be working with the Army Air Force Exchange Service to correct the situation. Traffic flow will be improved tremendously when we complete the widening of the adjacent Macon Street.

This project's completion date is within the next 60 days. Please continue to drive cautiously and courteously around our new BX to enjoy its expanded products and services.

### Helping out our repair specialists

**Q:** The individuals who are sent to various buildings to perform work (renovation, painting, repair, etc.) need their managers to reserve them a parking place near

the building for which the work is being performed prior to their arrival. These individuals are required to carry large, heavy material, ladders, and other equipment to the work site. When they arrive at Bldgs. 300 and 301, they have no choice but to park in reserved parking. Recently during renovation of my office, they spent a lot of time moving their vehicle and being harassed because they were illegally parked. The 78th Civil Engineer Group management owes it to their employees to call ahead to the parking monitors and reserve the workers a convenient parking space.

**A:** I appreciate your concern for our civil engineers. Generally speaking, efforts are made to reserve parking spaces for maintenance teams during planned, large-scale work orders or projects, especially around Bldgs. 300 and 301 where parking is always an issue.

To accommodate the craftsman with large, heavy materials, several consecutive slots may be blocked off to facilitate the movement of such materials. However, on smaller scale work requests that are emergency or urgent in nature, the 78th Civil Engineer Group will respond on a priority basis. The nature and location of the call will determine the response priority. To know when and where any given craftsman would need a reserved space is virtually impossible. Civil engineering craftsmen normally try to park in maintenance driveways or other areas close to the building and not in reserved spaces. Civil engineers are extremely resourceful and can find or construct safe, temporary parking spaces in order to respond to the customer's needs more efficiently. We hope our customers are patient and understanding of the parking issues and provide some flexibility to the marked parking spaces in an effort to increase the quality of their working environment.

If you have any further questions, feel free to call 78th CES/ Customer Service Unit at 926-5657.

### Fraudulent leave transfer recipient

**Q:** What should a person do if he or she knows of another person that has been approved as a leave transfer recipient fraudulently? Is there a proper reporting process?

**A:** Thank you for your inquiry. We appreciate your efforts to help identify possible fraudulent leave recipient applicants. You may report your suspicion of a fraudulent leave recipient application to the employee's supervisor or to Barbara Williams, voluntary leave transfer program monitor, at 926-0677, and provide any facts that you may have in reference to the allegations of fraud.

An inquiry will be conducted and appropriate steps will be taken to remedy this situation.

### Manning at Robins' fire stations

**Q:** I would like to know why the level of fire protection has been dropped since we went to force protection condition BRAVO? Especially when we go on all of these anthrax calls and that kind of stuff. We are pay-

ing overtime for people to check IDs to come onto the base, but the level of fire protection has dropped.

Yesterday and today we had to close fire station three, by the commissary, due to not enough people on duty. The fire department is not working any overtime and the other shops are. The manning document I found is 44EF, the 1996 version is the current version in use. I do not see where in it, it gives the local people the authority to drop below the minimum manning number of 21.

**A:** I thank you for your concern. Per current FPCON checklists, we need to achieve 100-percent manning of firefighting vehicles in FPCON Charlie and Delta. The suspected anthrax calls require a limited hazardous materials response, which can be safely handled with less than 100 percent manning on all firefighting vehicles.

Our manning for fire vehicles cannot be compared to manning at the gates during peak hours. When the fire station by the commissary is closed our ability to respond is not degraded. Its vehicle is cross-manned from another vehicle, which is an acceptable Air Force fire protection manning option. AFMS 44EF is a manpower standard that addresses core manpower positions and not minimum manning for daily operations.

Our fire protection leadership works with our installation leadership to maintain proper manning of our fire protection fleet to meet the demands of the current situation in order to allow minimal impact to the various missions on our base. Our firefighters are absolutely the best. They have provided heroic efforts throughout this past year to respond to fires, personal emergencies, bomb threats, bio-threats and many other emergency situations.

We should all take pride in their professionalism, and thank them personally, when you see them in action, or in your area.

### Report time change request

**Q:** I was wondering if it is possible for you to reconsider the possibility of rotating the reporting times for the directorates?

**A:** Thank you for your call. We have looked carefully at the traffic patterns going through our gates from 4:30 a.m. to 10 a.m., with a view of going back to more normal shift reporting schedules.

However, the number of cars flowing through the gates is relatively balanced between 4:30 a.m. and 9 a.m. Therefore, we will need to remain on the flex-reporting schedule currently being used. We also discussed the possibility of rotating reporting times.

The overwhelming consensus was that it was preferable to remain on a fixed shift, where our people could make consistent arrangements in their schedules, rather than changing schedules every month to six weeks. Supervisors are allowed to change reporting times to assist employees on a case-by-case basis. If you have an appointment that requires a change of schedule for one day, I am sure your supervisor would approve a reporting time to accommodate your situation for that day.



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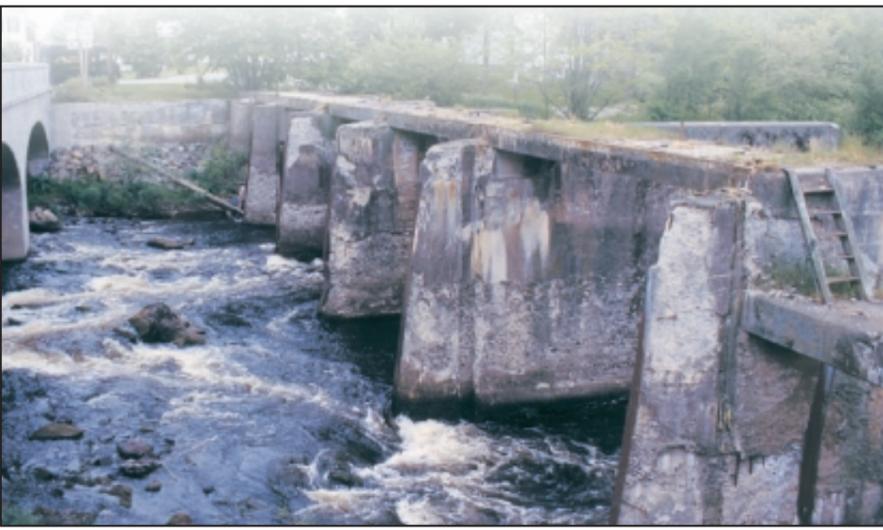
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Built in 1926, the East Machias dam in southeastern Maine had been out of commission since the 1960s. Air Force Reserve Command civil engineers spent the summer of 2000 dismantling the town's dam and hydroelectric station.

## Command receives thanks for helping environment

### Dam removal part of training exercise

By Senior Airman Robert N. Sperling  
Air Force Reserve Command News Service

A demolition project, designed to train Air Force Reserve Command civil engineers as well as eliminate a safety hazard and restore a river as a path for migrating fish, is netting the command a national award.

Seventeen Air Force reservists, some working for two weeks and others throughout the summer of 2000, removed the East Machias dam and hydroelectric station in southeastern Maine as part of the command's innovative readiness training program. In addition to helping the community by dismantling the abandoned dam, the IRT program provided a training opportunity for reservists to practice their skills.

Coastal America Partnership recognized their assistance during an awards ceremony at the Reserve Officers Association's annual convention in Washington, D.C., Tuesday. Nelson Gibbs, assistant secretary of the Air Force for installations, environment and logistics, will present the award to Lt. Gen. James E. Sherrard III, AFRC commander.



From left to right, Chief Master Sgt. Gil Taylor, Master Sgt. Ray Riel and Tech. Sgt. George Guilliams talk over ways to remove the hydrocone from the East Machias hydroelectric station. The reservists had hoped to remove, intact, the large, bell-shaped hydrocone from the bottom of the station's turbine house.

The Coastal America Partnership is a collection of organizations established in 1992 to protect, preserve and restore coastal watersheds by integrating federal actions with state and local government and non-government efforts.

In addition to other military services in the Department of Defense, the partnership works with other departments and agencies of the federal government's executive branch.

"(The East Machias dam removal team) is a striking example where desire and opportunity resulted in the melding of mission accomplishment, environmental stewardship and community involvement — a win-win across the board and an example for others to emulate," Gibbs said.

"I am particularly proud of the efforts of the Air Force Reserve troops who participated in the project."

Other project participants include members of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and state and local agencies.

Each award recipient will receive a letter of congratulations from President Bush.

In the letter, the president wrote, "The issues you are addressing cannot be solved by any one entity alone, and I am pleased to see that partnerships such as this are proving the value of collaboration. My administration strongly supports such efforts to bring together collective resources to meet common goals and address our challenging environmental and economic needs."



Tech. Sgt. George Guilliams uses a torch to cut through a steel reinforcement bar during demolition of the old East Machias (Maine) hydroelectric station. The station produced electricity in the southeastern Maine region for about 40 years.

## Opening doors to the future

### Starbase program promotes education, opportunities

By Geoff Janes  
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The key to the future is often through a door to the past, and at Robins Air Force Base there's a program designed to help children walk through it.

That door is the Museum of Aviation at Robins Air Force Base.

As part of a federally-funded program called Starbase, the museum is teaching children from schools in Middle Georgia the importance of math, science and technology.

"The students come to the museum once a week for five hours a day for five weeks," Wesley Fondal, director of Starbase Robins said. "They get hands-on training in math, science and technology. We teach them Bernoulli's principles and Newton's laws of motion."

He went on to say that one of the hallmarks of the program is rocket building.

"The kids love to do their rocket building," he said. "But before they do that, they learn about the principles and laws of why and how the rocket flies."

The Starbase program was inceptioned 10 years ago, and Robins is one of 39 bases that carries the program nationwide

But it's not a field trip – it's schoolwork. And it comes with a success rate that's easy to track.

"We give the children a test before they start the program and after it," he said. "We don't look at the actual score on the test but at the

knowledge gained from pre-test to post-test. We have to report the scores to Congress, and someone from the Department of Defense coordinates and tracks the scores – the gain in knowledge is usually between 29 and 30 percent."

And according to Brenda Latham, director of teaching and learning with the Bibb County Board of Education, the program has worked well for Bibb County.

"We have been associated with the program for the past few years and it's the most popular program we've ever done," she said. "It's very well planned and very well laid out. Our kids have made remarkable gains in math and science. Many of our children don't get the chance for the hands-on work."

But Latham said the program teaches more than that.

"One of my favorite parts is that it's interwoven with being a good citizen and teaches self esteem and how to work as a team."

And the program is reaching many local children – 15 schools, 37 classes and more than 740 students have completed the program for this school year alone.

The local program is intended for at-risk, fifth-grade students from the surrounding three school districts.

"We actually have a coordinator from each of the surrounding school districts, that is, Houston, Bibb and Twiggs counties," Fondal said. "They know the demographics of their schools and we deal with them



Brenda Sapp, one of the instructors of the Starbase program, talks to her class about a visit from retired Brig. Gen. Robert Scott.

U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp

*"I can see that their minds are engaged and maybe, just maybe, they'll remember later in their lives and pursue a career in aviation."*

1st Lt. Ben Washington  
air weapons officer and executive officer for the 12th Airborne Command and Control Squadron; Starbase volunteer

as far as choosing what schools should participate.

"Of course we have a lot more schools that should be participating than we have slots," he added. "So what we try to do is rotate them each year to try to get all the schools in."

Latham said there are so many schools in Bibb County wanting to participate that they've started a waiting list.

"We have so many schools wanting to participate that we're limited on how many schools we can send," she said. "To me, that speaks volumes."

Fondal said one of the reasons for the success of the program is that the learning environment is ideally suited for the children.

"We're in a great setting in the museum," he said. "There are so

many teaching aids for the science of flight. Air Force personnel come in and do some classes for us and we take (the children) down to the flight line to visit some of the airplanes."

1st Lt. Ben Washington, air weapons officer and executive officer for the 12th Airborne Command and Control Squadron, is one of the service members who dedicates his time to the Starbase program. "I like to lightly lecture about the fundamentals of flight and the basic components of an airplane," he said.

The most satisfying part of teaching the children "is definitely when they can answer questions about what we talked about."

"I can see that their minds are engaged and maybe, just maybe, they'll remember later in their lives and pursue a career in aviation."

Washington said it was an easy decision for him to take part in the Starbase program.

"My love for aviation began when my father, a retired non-commissioned officer, took me to practically every military static display aircraft that we came across," he said. "Exposure to those planes opened my eyes to a whole other world – one in which my childhood friends were not fortunate enough to be exposed to and understand."

"These children are, by and large, underprivileged and may not have a father or parents who take the time to show them such neat and wondrous things," he added. "So I try, in my limited capacity, to expose them to the world of aviation and hope that a little spark will light inside them which will lead them to aviation."

## Chemicals pose potential hazard

### Robins AFB Fire Department

Many products used in the home and workplace contain hazardous chemicals. Some of these products include gasoline, paints, paint thinners, batteries, inks, degreasers, cleaning agents, pesticides and aerosols.

Even small amounts of toxic chemicals may become a threat to health. Always read the label.

The words danger, warning and caution are serious warnings when on the product label. Danger is the most hazardous product. Warning or caution is less hazardous, and if there are no words on the label it is the least hazardous.

A hazardous product has at least one of the following properties, although there may be a

combination of two or more:

- Toxic — Poisonous or causes long-term illness. Pesticides, paint thinners, many auto products and some cleaners are toxic.
- Flammable — Burns easily. Gasoline, paint thinners, solvents and auto products are the most flammable home products.
- Corrosive — Eats through materials. Oven cleaners, drain cleaners, toilet bowl cleaners and auto batteries are common corrosive products.
- Reactive — Can explode when exposed to heat, air, water or shock. Today, there are few consumer products still on the market that are explosive.

#### Remain safe when handling chemicals

- Use the least toxic product.
- Read the label and follow the directions.
- Wear gloves and protective cloth-

ing if product is harmful when in contact with the skin.

- Wear goggles or safety glasses to protect eyes.
- Do not wear contact lenses when working with solvents or corrosive materials.
- Stop using the product if you become dizzy, sick to your stomach or develop a headache.
- Always use the proper ventilation; it is always best to use chemicals outdoors.
- Do not smoke when using flammable products.
- Keep flammables and combustibles away from all heat sources.
- Never mix household products, i.e., ammonia and bleach; toxic fumes or explosions may result.
- Dial 911 immediately if you suspect you or anyone in your family may have been poisoned or injured due to an exposure to a household chemical.

#### Safe Storage

- Buy only what you need and use it all up before buying more.
- Keep all products in their original container.
- Never put toxic products in a food or drink container.
- Never remove product labels. They contain important emergency treatment information.
- Keep all toxic products out of the reach of children.
- Keep hazardous products in a cool, dry place, away from pilot lights, stoves or water heaters.
- Store corrosives, flammables, reactive and poisonous products on separate shelves.
- Ensure that all containers have secure lids and caps.
- Do not stack products that may fall over and spill; stack products safely.

- Always return the product to its proper place after using it.
- Inspect your home for hazardous products and discard items that are old or not needed.



## Intramural basketball season on the floor

### 5th CCG steals game from 653rd

The intramural basketball season entered the fourth week of competition when two of the best teams in the league, so far, squared off Tuesday.

Lead by 12 points from Antonio Goldsmith the 5th Combat Communications team defeated the 653rd Combat Logistics Support Squadron team 46-35.



U.S. Air Force photo by 1st Lt. Bryan Reed Sean Hackney, No. 41, of the 653rd CLSS, spins around Ray Johnson, No. 11, of the 5th CCG.

| Intramural games this week |        |          |         |
|----------------------------|--------|----------|---------|
| Date                       | Time   | Home     | Visitor |
| Jan. 29                    | 6 p.m. | 93 ACW   | 116 MXS |
| Jan. 29                    | 7 p.m. | 5 CEG    | WR-ALC  |
| Jan. 29                    | 8 p.m. | 93 MXS   | OUTLAWS |
| Jan. 29                    | 9 p.m. | 19 ARG   | 78 MSS  |
| Jan. 31                    | 6 p.m. | 653 CLSS | WR-ALC  |
| Jan. 31                    | 7 p.m. | J-STARS  | 78 CEG  |
| Jan. 31                    | 8 p.m. | 78 CES   | 78 SFS  |
| Jan. 31                    | 9 p.m. | OUTLAWS  | 116 MXS |

| Over 30 games this week |        |        |          |
|-------------------------|--------|--------|----------|
| Date                    | Time   | Home   | Visitor  |
| Jan. 28                 | 6 p.m. | 78 CS  | 5TH MOBB |
| Jan. 28                 | 7 p.m. | 78 LG  | HQ AFRC  |
| Jan. 28                 | 8 p.m. | RNCOA  | 653 CLSS |
| Jan. 28                 | 9 p.m. | 78 CEG | 78 MDG   |

|         |        |          |        |
|---------|--------|----------|--------|
| Jan. 30 | 6 p.m. | 653 CLSS | 78 SFS |
| Jan. 30 | 7 p.m. | 78 CS    | RNCOA  |
| Jan. 30 | 8 p.m. | 19 ARG   | 78 OSS |
| Jan. 30 | 9 p.m. | 5TH MOBB | 78 LG  |

### 2002 INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

As of Jan. 22

| Team     | Wins | Loss | Tie | PCT   | GB  | Gave up | Points |
|----------|------|------|-----|-------|-----|---------|--------|
| J-STARS  | 3    | 0    | 0   | 1.000 | —   | 125     | 169    |
| 653 CLSS | 3    | 0    | 0   | 1.000 | —   | 115     | 135    |
| Outlaws  | 2    | 0    | 0   | 1.000 | 0.5 | 59      | 100    |

| Team    | Wins | Loss | Tie | PCT   | GB  | Gave up | Points |
|---------|------|------|-----|-------|-----|---------|--------|
| 78 SFS  | 2    | 0    | 0   | 1.000 | 0.5 | 72      | 97     |
| 5 CCG   | 2    | 0    | 0   | 1.000 | 0.5 | 98      | 109    |
| 78 MSS  | 1    | 1    | 0   | .500  | 1.5 | 47      | 30     |
| 78 CEG  | 1    | 1    | 0   | .500  | 1.5 | 86      | 75     |
| 116 MXS | 1    | 2    | 0   | .333  | 2   | 111     | 77     |
| WR-ALC  | 1    | 2    | 0   | .333  | 2   | 135     | 113    |
| 93 MXS  | 0    | 2    | 0   | .000  | 2.5 | 77      | 46     |
| 19 ARG  | 0    | 2    | 0   | .000  | 2.5 | 104     | 91     |
| 93 ACW  | 0    | 2    | 0   | .000  | 3   | 82      | 76     |
| 78 CS   | 0    | 3    | 0   | .000  | 3   | 136     | 129    |

### 2002 OVER 30 BASKETBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

As of Jan. 22

| Team     | Wins | Loss | Tie | PCT   | GB  | Gave up | Points |
|----------|------|------|-----|-------|-----|---------|--------|
| 78 MSS   | 3    | 0    | 0   | 1.000 | —   | 146     | 234    |
| 5TH MOBB | 2    | 0    | 0   | 1.000 | 0.5 | 82      | 98     |
| 653 CLSS | 2    | 1    | 0   | .667  | 1   | 155     | 145    |
| HQ AFRC  | 2    | 1    | 0   | .667  | 1   | 142     | 160    |
| 78 CEG   | 1    | 1    | 0   | .500  | 1.5 | 83      | 104    |
| 78 OSS   | 1    | 1    | 0   | .500  | 1.5 | 61      | 35     |
| 78 SFS   | 1    | 1    | 0   | .500  | 1.5 | 100     | 99     |
| 78 MDG   | 0    | 1    | 0   | .000  | 2   | 41      | 29     |
| RNCOA    | 0    | 1    | 0   | .000  | 2   | 56      | 43     |
| 78 LG    | 0    | 1    | 0   | .000  | 2   | 44      | 36     |
| 19 ARG   | 0    | 2    | 0   | .000  | 2.5 | 139     | 76     |
| 78 CS    | 0    | 2    | 0   | .000  | 2.5 | 52      | 42     |

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Skeet Range 926-4001

A \$2 trap-shooting day will be offered Tuesday at the skeet range. Cost is \$2 per round of 25 targets.

A scrap fun shoot is slated for Feb. 10, 1:30-4:30 p.m. Cost is \$3 per round of 25 targets for all active duty, retired and reserve military.

### Fitness Center 926-2128

Men's and women's varsity volleyball coaches are needed. Anyone interested should submit a resume, by Wednesday, to Kenneth Porter at the fitness center.

A predicted-time 5K Healthy Heart run/walk will be held on Feb. 9 at 11:30 a.m. The winner will be determined by which participants come in closest to a self-predicted time. Participants will be divided into four categories of 35 and younger males and females and 36 and older males and

females. T-shirts are available for \$5. Contact the fitness center to sign up.

Sign up for the Squadron Fitness Challenge on Feb. 15. Events for the five-person teams will include push-ups, pull-ups, sit-ups, a 1,000-meter indoor row and a one-mile run. One individual from each squadron will compete in each event. Points will be given for all places. The squadron with the most accumulated points will win the Squadron Challenge traveling trophy. Contact the fitness center to register.

Massage therapy is available at the fitness center. Victoria Warner, certified massage and sports therapist, accepts appointments between 11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays. Cost is \$45 per hour or \$35 per half hour. Take \$5 off the first visit through Thursday. Gift certificates are available. Call the center to set an appointment or for more information.



U.S. Air Force photo by Roberta McDonald

Runners and walkers in the Museum of Aviation Foundation Marathon 5K Run/Walk start their race at Gate 14 on Robins Air Force Base. The 5K was one of three races ran on Jan. 19. Runners attending the race day also participated in a half marathon and a marathon.

## Marathon goes off without a slip

### Rain kept away some, not all

By Rebecca Yull  
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The sixth annual Museum of Aviation Foundation Marathon, Half Marathon and 5K Run/Walk was a success on Jan. 19, according to coordinators.

Predicted rain may have kept some people away, said June Lowe, Museum of Aviation vice president. However, there was a showing of about 525 people, approximately 75 more than last year. "Every year it grows," Lowe said.

The day started with runners and walkers arriving to pick up their registration packets at 6:30 a.m. Every participant received a sweatshirt, number and box of cereal.

The marathon and half marathon started at 8 a.m. at Maj. Gen. Dennis G. Haines' command. The runners, both men and women, ranged in age from 10 to older than 70. The two races were run concurrently.

The 5K Run/Walk started at 8:15 a.m. at the command of Ginnie Haines, wife of Maj. Gen. Haines, Warner Robins Air Logistics Center commander. The men, women, girls and boys of this race ran the entire spectrum from younger than 10 to older than 70.

John Hunter was the race director and helped coordinate between the base, museum and the local running club, Robins Pacers. "The Air Force and Robins Air Force Base are doing us a real favor in letting us have this race, with all the increased security measures we have now," Hunter told runners during the opening ceremony.

Trophies were given to first-, second- and third-place finishers in a number of categories. Marathon and half marathon runners were also given medallions on ribbons as they crossed the finish line.

### Race results

| Marathon                         |                    |         |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|---------|
| <b>Female</b>                    |                    |         |
| First place overall              | Sue Bozgaz         | 3:33:22 |
| Second place overall             | Karen Dixon        | 3:38:40 |
| Third place overall              | Paula May          | 3:39:40 |
| First place masters              | Patti Minton       | 3:41:55 |
| Second place masters             | Susan Lance-Parker | 3:55:30 |
| Third place masters              | Ali Stout          | 4:02:54 |
| First place Athena               | Kendel Melin       | 5:25:43 |
| Second place Athena              | Linn Friedman      | 5:58:06 |
| Third place Athena               | Beth Terry         | 6:10:12 |
| <b>Male</b>                      |                    |         |
| First place overall              | Perry Slaughter    | 2:57:42 |
| Second place overall             | Rob Levinsky       | 3:00:05 |
| Third place overall              | Drew Rogers        | 3:06:53 |
| First place masters              | Tom Minor          | 3:10:39 |
| Second place masters             | Keon Lee           | 3:19:21 |
| Third place masters              | Reagan Rice        | 3:22:53 |
| First place Clydesdale           | Elbert Hurst       | 5:32:07 |
| Second place Clydesdale          | Dale Zanchi        | 5:49:42 |
| Third place Clydesdale           | Jerrett Roberts    | 5:55:40 |
| First place Active Duty Military | John Zimmerman     | 3:15:44 |
| First place Wheelchair Division  | Terry Blackwell    | 1:55:20 |
| <b>Half Marathon</b>             |                    |         |
| <b>Female</b>                    |                    |         |
| First place overall              | Emily Potter       | 1:24:28 |
| Second place overall             | Nancy Stewart      | 1:29:57 |
| Third place overall              | Kathy Woodard      | 1:36:08 |
| First place masters              | Sandy Mayfield     | 1:37:36 |
| Second place masters             | Linda Smith        | 1:39:52 |
| Third place masters              | Ann Hampton        | 1:46:25 |
| First place Athena               | Beth Shafer        | 2:39:16 |
| Second place Athena              | Diane Doss         | 3:08:39 |
| <b>Male</b>                      |                    |         |
| First place overall              | Alan Black         | 1:12:31 |
| Second place overall             | Mohamed Chakhte    | 1:18:28 |
| Third place overall              | Mike Westwood      | 1:19:34 |
| First place masters              | Marlon Fleeman     | 1:26:33 |
| Second place masters             | Gary Bell          | 1:29:08 |
| Third place masters              | Tim Holmes         | 1:30:21 |
| First place Clydesdale           | Kris Krueger       | 1:31:59 |
| Second place Clydesdale          | Donald Young       | 1:36:57 |
| Third place Clydesdale           | Paul Langan        | 1:38:29 |
| <b>5K</b>                        |                    |         |
| <b>Female</b>                    |                    |         |
| First place overall              | Jeni Osgood        | 20:12   |
| Second place overall             | Lesley Wilson      | 22:26   |
| Third place overall              | Albertine Stewart  | 22:30   |
| First place masters              | Mara Nance         | 24:46   |
| Second place masters             | Suzanne Busbee     | 26:04   |
| Third place masters              | Pam Nault          | 27:14   |
| <b>Male</b>                      |                    |         |
| First place overall              | Clint Watkins      | 16:55   |
| Second place overall             | Kelley Sanders     | 18:03   |
| Third place overall              | Rich Taylor        | 18:52   |
| First place masters              | Clark Walker       | 17:39   |
| Second place masters             | Paul Hoover        | 19:18   |
| Third place masters              | David McClure      | 19:38   |

# ROBINS BULLETIN BOARD

## Oratorical contest

Blacks In Government announces its 2002 oratorical contest student competition. The theme is "Web-Enabling the African American Community." Youth in grades nine through 12 are eligible to compete for awards and scholarships. For more information, contact T.J. Bradford at 329-9935 at home, 926-7851 ext. 114 at work or e-mail at Junius48@aol.com; or Kattie Kendrick at 922-3730 at home, 926-5933 at work or e-mail at Kattie@hom.net. The deadline for entry is Feb. 1.

## It's Girl Scout cookie time

Robins Air Force Base Girl Scouts will be taking orders for cookies between now and Sunday. The cookies will be delivered after Feb. 12 and payment may be made in advance or on the day of delivery. They cost \$3.25 per box. For more information, contact Janice Barnes, Robins AFB cookie chairwoman, at 923-0718.

## ETM luncheon

The second Engineering and Technical Management luncheon will be held at 11 a.m. on Feb. 19 at the Robins Air Force Base Officers' Club. The luncheon will honor the base mothers for the AFMC Engineering and Technical Management Awards from Robins AFB. The cost will be \$7.50 per person. All base scientists and engineers are invited. Contact D.R. Moody at 926-6617 for reservations by Feb. 11.

## Group accepts nominations

The Middle Georgia Chapter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers will offer two cash scholarships this year consisting of one \$1,200 distinguished award and one \$1,000 meritorious award. Nominees must be entering a

field of study directly related to financial and resource management.

To nominate a student, furnish a completed nomination form and two letters of recommendation – one from the high school principal or academic dean and one from a high school teacher. The application package should include a copy of the nominee's college acceptance letter, if possible; the applicants' scholastic achievements, leadership ability, extracurricular activities, career and academic goals; and documentation of financial need in letters of recommendation and summarized on the ASMC National Scholarship form attached. This is a required form and the information must be contained in the space provided.

Completed information for each nominee is due by Feb. 25. Mail nominations to: AFAA/Robins AAO, ATTN: Doug Wechsler, 320 Richard Ray Blvd., Robins AFB GA 31098-1638.

## OSC scholastic awards

Robins Officers' Spouses Club announces its annual scholastic achievement awards. Scholarships are available to high school seniors entering college in the fall and to OSC members

who are pursuing a degree. Applications are available at the Robins Air Force Base Thrift Shop, Family Support Center, Robins AFB Education Center and at the counselor's office of area high schools. For a complete list of eligibility requirements and an application, contact Nancy Pinaud, scholarship chairperson, at 923-6526. Applications must be postmarked by March 15.

## Scholarships available

Applications for the second Defense Commissary Agency/Fisher House Foundation Scholarships for Military Children Program are now available at the commissary and can also be downloaded at <http://www.commissaries.com>. Qualified sons and daughters of U.S. military ID card holders, including active duty, Guard, and Reserve members and retirees, may apply for the \$1,500 scholarships.

The deadline is Feb. 5. Student eligibility will be verified through the Defense Enrollment and Eligibility Reporting System before scholarships are awarded.

For more information, contact Fran Sheridan, education counselor, at 327-7325.



## Winner thanks her lucky stars

Carolyn Handley is the first weekly winner in the 2002 Thank Your Lucky Stars program. She will enjoy \$100 in bowling at Robins Lanes, compliments of the base restaurant. "This is our chance to give something back to our customers," said Jon King, base restaurant manager. (Courtesy photo)

## HONOR ROLLS

The U-2 Management Directorate announces its fourth quarter award winners.

**Master Sgt. Christopher N. Litsas**, U-2 Ground System Program manager, was named Senior Non-commissioned Officer of the Quarter. During the quarter he was assigned to assist the nine expeditionary reconnaissance squadron establish a forward operating location for the U-2 supporting Operation Enduring Freedom. Litsas ensured timely processing of issues related to this assignment. He assumed responsibility of contracting office technical representative when the deployed COTR left on emergency leave, supervising more than 40 contractors without missing a beat in his other duties. Litsas assisted in trouble-shooting multiple mission-critical aircraft and sensor problems. He also assisted aerospace ground equipment personnel in bringing a power generator back on line by single-handedly rebuilding a starter that had failed.

**Tech. Sgt. Barry L. Anderson** was named Non-commissioned Officer of the Quarter. His expertise in transportation enabled the U-2 Directorate to be the choice by Headquarters Aeronautical Systems Center Global Hawk System Office to handle a major part of the logistics trail for

another reconnaissance program. Anderson was also driven without hesitation to work more than 12 hours a day through a three-day weekend, ensuring material was shipped as fast as possible to provide swift support to the war fighter.

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**Robert Mike Poole**, production operation center office chief, Avionics Management Directorate, is the winner of the LY Director's Silver Eagle Award for the month of December. Poole streamlined the overall management process of avionics surge production and briefed Maj. Gen. Dennis Haines on the tools and results receiving outstanding feedback. Poole automated numerous data links to easily chart management data, developed new data elements to brief senior leadership in preparation of daily battle staff briefings and developed a means of archiving production data for future reporting purposes. He identified the need for additional resources to staff the surge center and ensured personnel growth met mission requirements while keeping in step with overall surge team responsibilities. Poole built efficient rotation schedules to maximize surge team coverage while minimizing overtime impact.

## LEAVE/ TRANSFER

The following people have been approved as participants in the leave transfer program.

- **Jeffrey Witmer**, C-141 System Program Office, Product Division. Point of contact is Ronnie Kennedy, 926-2941.

*Employee-relations specialists at 926-5307 or 926-5802 have information and instructions concerning requests to receive or donate annual leave. To have an approved leave recipient printed in the Rev-Up, directorates should send information to Rebecca Yull via fax at 926-9597, or e-mail at [rebecca.yull@robins.af.mil](mailto:rebecca.yull@robins.af.mil). Submissions run for two weeks.*

## Black History Month starts Feb. 1

### Main events

|                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| Bowl-A-Thon      | Today  |
| Old School Dance | Saturday                                     |
| Golf Tournament  | Feb. 8                                       |
| Health Fair      | Feb. 14 (tentative date)                     |
| Luncheon         | Feb. 21 (Rodney Coleman will be the Speaker) |
| Grand Finale     | Feb. 23 (Entertainment by 5 Men On A Stool)  |
| Gospel Concert   | Feb. 24                                      |

### Museum of Aviation activities

**Feb. 19** – A panel discussion geared towards administrative teachers. Location will be the base theater.

**On Feb. 18, 20 and 22**, 11:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m., the museum will show a Tuskegee Airman video in C-130 titled "Wings for these Men."

**On Feb. 19 and 21**, 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., and 2:30 p.m., the museum will give a guided tour of The Tuskegee Airman exhibits.

## TV SCHEDULE

These shows will air on Cox Cable channel 15.

### Friday

**Robins Report:** 8 p.m. – News from around base.

**Around Robins:** 8:30 p.m. – This week's Around Robins features a segment on the skills development center and what it has to offer. Gene Kirkland shows how to set up a plan for getting out of holiday debt on the money matters portion of the show. And Tech. Sgt. Vince Phillips explains how the base fitness center can help one set up a personalized fitness routine.

**Inside Robins:** 9 p.m.

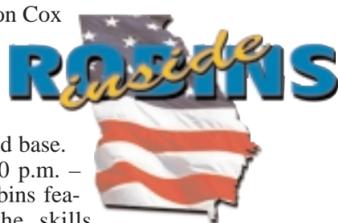
### Sunday

12:30 p.m. - **Robins Report**

1 p.m. - **Around Robins**  
1:30 p.m. - **Inside Robins**

### Monday

Noon - **Robins Report**  
1 p.m. - **Around Robins**  
1:30 p.m. - **Inside Robins**



## CHAPEL SERVICES

**Catholic** Masses are celebrated at the chapel each Saturday at 5:30 p.m., Sunday at 9:30 a.m., and on Holy Days of Obligation at noon and 5 p.m. and Monday through Friday at noon. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is on Saturday from 4:30-5:15 p.m.

**Catholic** CCD classes for ages 4 through adult meet every Sunday from 11 a.m. until noon — from September through May — at Robins Elementary School.

**Protestant** services take place every Sunday at: 8 a.m. inspirational; and 11 a.m. traditional.

**Protestant** religious education classes for people of all ages meet every Sunday — from September through May — from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in Bldg. 905.

**Holy Eucharist** is celebrated 10:30-10:55 a.m. each Sunday in the chapel annex.

**Jewish** service time is each Friday at 6:15 p.m. at the synagogue in Macon.

**Islamic** Friday Prayer (Jumua) is each Friday at 1:30 p.m. in the chapel annex Rooms 1 and 2.

**Community fellowship** and Bible study is held at 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays for the following groups: adult mixed, adult singles, adult women, youth and elementary school children. Free dinner is served from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Bible study follows.

The chapel helps with any spiritual needs that arise. For further information, call the chapel at 926-2821.

## MOVIE SCHEDULE

### All shows begin at 7:30 p.m.

#### Today — Ocean's 11 (PG-13)

Starring George Clooney and Matt Damon.

Dapper Danny Ocean is a man of action. Less than 24 hours into his parole from a New Jersey penitentiary, he is already rolling out his next plan. He follows three rules: don't hurt anybody; don't steal from anyone who doesn't deserve it; and play the game like you've got nothing to lose. Danny orchestrates the most sophisticated, elaborate casino heist in history. (some language and sexual content)

#### Saturday — Vanilla Sky (R)

Starring Tom Cruise and Penelope Cruz.

After his ex-girlfriend, Julie, drives the car into a tree David survives, but with his face horribly disfigured. Soon, however, his luck changes: Sofia declares her love for him and the doctors are suddenly able to rebuild his face. Strange and horrible things begin to happen and he starts to realize that his life has taken on a turn beyond his control. (sexuality and strong language)

## SERVICES ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Services Dining

With temporary changes in work schedules, lunch times for many base employees have also changed. To accommodate customers, the enlisted club will offer buffet items, the base restaurant will open its food fair line and Pizza Depot will serve sandwiches, salads and daily specials. Pizza at Pizza Depot will be available at 11 a.m.

Club members who do not have base ID cards can gain access to the base to dine at the clubs by showing their club card and another photo ID to the guard on duty at the gate. For more information, call the Robins Officers' Club at 926-2670 or the Robins Enlisted Club at 926-4515.

### Smith Community Center 926-2105

Pick up an application form for the 2002 Air Force Worldwide Talent Contest at the community center. Entertainment, technical and staff applications will be accepted. Visit the center between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Completed forms must arrive at the Air Force Agency prior to Feb. 22. For questions on eligibility and other details, call the community center.

A renovation of the Smith Community Center restrooms will begin Monday. Portable restrooms will be available in front of the center. Smith Community Center staff apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause.

### Officers' Club 926-2670

Enjoy a seafood buffet today, 6-9 p.m. Reservations are required. No a la carte menu will be offered but crab legs, shrimp, catfish, Maui Maui, chicken breast and round of beef. Cost is \$17.

Bring the children to Kids' Night at the officers' club Monday, 6-8:30 p.m. with buffet, movies and prizes. This meal is complimentary for children 10 years old and younger.

### Child Development Center 926-3080

Pajama literacy day will be held today. Children and teachers will spend the day reading stories in their pajamas. Parents and other volunteers are invited to read stories to the children throughout the day.

### Base Restaurant 926-6972

All base restaurant customers will have a chance to win with Thank Your Lucky



Stars through March 1. Look at receipts for a red star indicating that meal is free, plus half off the next purchase with a \$3 limit. Those who do not receive instant wins can write their name and phone number on the back of a receipt for another chance to win prizes worth \$100 in weekly drawings from Expressions; the base restaurant; Pizza Depot; Information, Tickets and Travel; a massage at the fitness center or a romantic dinner for two at the officers' club. A grand-prize winner will be drawn at the food show on Feb. 22 at 11 a.m. at the base restaurant.

### Civilian Recreation 922-4415

Civilian recreation bingo is offered every Sunday, Wednesday and Friday at 7 p.m. in the base restaurant, Bldg. 166, Byron Street. Cash prizes totaling thousands of dollars are available. Doors open at 5 p.m.

### Aero Club 926-4867

Take a romantic flight during February. The aero club will offer scenic flights for \$50 per couple during February. Call the club to make a reservation or for more information.

### Enlisted Club 926-4515

The club will offer Sunday brunch on Feb. 3 from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. This meal is complimentary to primary members and costs \$8.95 for guests and \$11.95 for non-members. Brunch is served at the enlisted club the first and third Sunday of each month.

Celebrate Super Bowl Sunday at the enlisted club Feb. 3 from 6 p.m. to close. Enjoy a dinner buffet, door prizes and more. This event is complimentary to members and costs \$5 for guests and non-members.

Club members can win a trip to a regular season National Football League game, the Super Bowl, the Pro Bowl, as well as a

trip for four to Disney World or Disneyland with Football Frenzy. Just come to the club to watch any televised football games and fill out an entry form. Club members can also be entered in drawings to win prizes such as T-shirts, CD holders and more. Supporting the Football Frenzy worldwide promotion this year are Miller Brewing Company, American Airlines, the Arlington Convention and Visitors Bureau and Double Tree Alana Waikiki. No federal endorsement of sponsors intended.

### Information, Tickets and Travel 926-2945

Special free offers are available for active duty military and their family members from Walt Disney World, Disneyland, Universal Hollywood and Universal Orlando. For complete details and offer restrictions, visit ITT. Ask about discounted tickets available for other Disney attractions and shows like Disney Quest and Sleuth.

Don't miss Military Night with the Macon Whoopie on Feb. 9 at 7:35 p.m. Discounted tickets are available at ITT. Tickets are \$10 for lower level and \$7 for upper level. The next home games will be at 7:35 p.m. on Feb. 2 against Columbus and at 5:05 p.m. on Feb. 3 against Florida.

### Base Library 327-7379

Children can enjoy stories and crafts at story time every Monday at 11 a.m. at the base library.

### Skills Development Center 926-5282

Sign up now for the oil on canvas class featuring still life. The class begins on Feb. 4, 5-8 p.m. Cost is \$40.

The Skills Development Center is temporarily located in Bldg. 983, 790 10th St. All services are still available and orders are still being taken for engraving, framing, awards and screen printing.

Expressions Gift Shop will hold an inventory reduction sale beginning Tuesday. Various arts and craft supplies will be on sale, including below-cost close-out prices on acrylic paints. Call 926-0304 for details.

The auto hobby shop has an experienced automotive service excellence-certified mechanic on duty Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Individuals may visit the shop for self-help Wednesday through Sunday. For more information, call the auto hobby shop at 926-2049.

## FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER

**Robins Air Force Base Family Support Center-sponsored classes, workshops, and seminars are open to all Team Robins Plus personnel and their eligible family members. Absences from duty sections to attend FSC offerings are the responsibility of the employee to coordinate with his/her supervisor. Because room assignments are subject to change, specific room numbers will be confirmed at the time of registration. The FSC is located on Ninth Street in Bldg. 794, across the street just before the Robins AFB Enlisted Club. Hours are 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For additional information, or to make a reservation, please call 926-1256.**

### Resume research, writing

A workshop on resume research and writing will be conducted today, 9 a.m. to noon, Bldg. 905, Room 138. To register for this workshop call 926-1256.

### Financial workshop

The Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Middle Georgia, a non-profit organization funded by the United Way, will conduct a free money and credit management workshop today, 1-4 p.m., Bldg. 905, Room 127. Call 926-1256 for a reservation.

### Pre-TAP briefing

A pre-TAP briefing will be conducted Tuesday 1-3 p.m., Bldg. 905, Room 250. The Transition Assistance Program is offering a briefing for personnel and their spouses who are within one to three years of separation or retirement. This session is designed to help individuals get a head start on long-range retirement and separation planning, benefits and other information. To register, call the center at 926-1256.

### Bundles for babies

The Air Force Aid Society will conduct a Bundles For Babies class Wednesday, 10 a.m. to noon, Bldg. 207. The class is specifically designed to assist new parents.

This program is open to all active duty Air Force members and their spouses, who are expecting a child, regardless of rank or number of children in the family.

To register, call the center at 926-1256.

### Resume, cover letter workshop

Reservations are being accepted for a resume and cover letter workshop Thursday, 9-11 a.m., Bldg. 905.

This class is designed to help the beginner get started and provide the more-advanced participant the opportunity to improve their product.

### 'Hearts Apart' meeting

The monthly "Hearts Apart" support group meeting is on Feb. 1, 6-7:30 p.m., at the center. This group is primarily designed to support spouses of military members who are away on a remote or unaccompanied assignment, long temporary duty assignment or deployment.

Suggestions for topics are always welcome. Advance registration is requested.

## Frequently asked questions

**Will the traffic management office assist me when I move into Base Housing?**

Once assigned a house on base, two options are available: a government move into new quarters or a Do it Yourself program. Base housing orders are required to authorize TMO assistance. The military member specifies his/her option at the time orders are prepared by base housing staff. If a base house is assigned during the military member's absence, the family may move into the house, providing Power of Attorney is in the family member spouse's possession. For more information, go to [http://www.robins.af.mil/fsc/Family%20Activities/guide.htm#TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT OFFICE \(TMO\): 926-2133](http://www.robins.af.mil/fsc/Family%20Activities/guide.htm#TRAFFIC%20MANAGEMENT%20OFFICE%20(TMO):926-2133).



### TAP workshop

The next three-day Department of Labor-sponsored Transition Assistance Program workshop is Feb. 4-6, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day, in the Smith Community Center ballroom. Personnel leaving the military within the next six months need to sign up as soon as possible. Spouses are encouraged to attend.

To make a reservation for this workshop, call 926-1256.

### Sponsorship training

The center's Relocation Assistance Program will offer training for both beginner and experienced sponsors on Feb. 5, 9-11 a.m., in Bldg. 905, Room 123. Advance registration is required.

### Education grant program

A \$1,500 scholarship will be awarded to spouses, sons and daughters of Air Force active duty, retired and deceased members, who are pursuing an undergraduate degree. Awards for the 2002-2003 academic year will be announced in June, with payment sent to the school by Sept. 1 of the academic year.

Applications can be picked up at the FSC, Bldg. 794, Monday-Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Applications are also available on the Internet at [www.afas.org](http://www.afas.org).

For additional qualifying categories or information, stop by the center to pick up a brochure.

### Morale calls

As mission allows, morale calls are available to immediate family members of a military member or a Department of Defense civilian. Family members may obtain a control number by stopping by the center, Bldg. 794, Monday-Friday, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., or by calling 926-1256. A Robins AFB operator will place the call once a control number has been issued. Calls may be placed at the center or from the family member's home.