

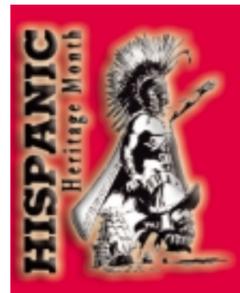


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Commissaries nix certain coupons

FORT LEE, Va. - Commissaries are no longer accepting "home-printed" coupons as the grocery industry comes to terms with the fraudulent use of Internet coupons. "We still gladly accept manufacturers coupons - the kind you clip out of newspapers or magazines or that you receive in the mail. What we're not accepting are coupons that have been downloaded from the Internet and printed with a home computer because it's too difficult for our cashiers to tell if they are valid," said Bob Vitikacs, the Defense Commissary Agency's director of operations and product support. To protect against loss, DeCA officials decided to immediately suspend acceptance of home-printed, photocopied or facsimile-generated coupons - color and black-and-white. - Rick Brink



Celebrate Hispanic Heritage month

■ **Espectaculo Hispano!**, a picnic under the stars, sponsored by the Hispanic Heritage Committee, will be Saturday beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Museum of Aviation amphitheater. Non-perishable food will be collected to benefit Meals on Wheels and Macon Rescue Mission. ■ The Hispanic Heritage Month Observations luncheon will be Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Enlisted Club. Retired Lt. Gen. Leo Marquez will be the keynote speaker. For more information, call Joshua Peacock at 926-5485. ■ The "Orgullo Hispano" - Our Proud Hispanic Heritage Informational Symposium will be Sept. 23 at 9:30 a.m. in the Smith Community Center ballroom. The symposium will feature Dr. Gabriel Rincon-Mora, senior design engineer, inventor and author; Liz Garcia, Director of the Georgia Music Hall of Fame; Hector Hernandez, chief engineer, Avionics Management Directorate/Avionics System Engineering Division; and Master Sgt. John A. Maldonado, chief, maintenance support, Leo Marquez Award winner.

Robins airman dies in Qatar

Fuels family mourns as base suffers first OIF casualty

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Robins has suffered its first casualty of Operation Iraqi Freedom, a death met on both sides of the ocean

near Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar. Brown had been serving in the 379th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron in Qatar since early July. Funeral services were held Thursday at the Robins chapel. He was buried at Magnolia Cemetery in Warner Robins. Lt. Col. Laura Sylvia, 78th

LRS commander, said the LRS family "is grieving a tragic loss." "All of Robins is saddened by the knowledge we've lost one of our own," she said. "Sgt. Brown was a valued member of our team and a friend to us all in the squadron. He will be sorely missed."

Brown's area of expertise was POL - Petroleum, Oil, Lubricants - a community whose members say is "a closely knit family." One of them, Senior Master Sgt. Arthur Jones, fuels manager for the 78th LRS fuels management flight, said every

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That's all folks



U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp

Airmen from the 78th Operations Support Squadron comb the flight line bright and early Tuesday morning looking for foreign objects that could be hazardous for aircraft. The FOD walk was all that remained after the Open House and Air Show that attracted 150,000 guest to Robins last weekend. People from a variety of units and directorates participated.

The Robins Open House and Air Show lasted just 16 hours, but it took hundreds of days and thousands of man hours to make it all seem like another smooth-running, incident free and safe extravaganza. And the planning paid off. As 150,000 spectators flocked to the flight line during the two-day event, the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds demonstration team, several civilian aerobatic acts and Air Force aircraft ripped across the Middle Georgia sky. That's the story you saw. Here's the story you didn't see. In this week's edition of the Rev-Up, we will highlight just a small number of the people who put their hearts and souls into the planning that made this year's event look easy.

Remembering 9/11

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The wife of an Air Force major came to the Robins Chapel Thursday because "it's important for us to remember everyone who has served for our great nation." Dianne Alexis, wife of Maj. Martin Alexis of Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command, was among a sea of faces - military and civilian - who attended the chapel's solemn, patriotic memorial observance. A large poster of the World Trade Center's twin towers in flames and a five-sided poster of the Pentagon stood as silent reminders on the altars, flanked by two red carnations - one for each anniversary year. Pat Watson, owner of Pat's Florist located in the Base Exchange, donated two red roses to add to the center of large wreath the chapel ordered for the service. She said she did so "because so many loved ones have been lost."

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U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp
Laura Booker reflects during the moment of silence at the 9/11 observance in the base chapel Thursday.

Robins kicks off 2003 CFC

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When Maj. Gen. Donald Wetekam, Center commander, addressed the 2003 Combined Federal Campaign key workers and monitor volunteers at the Museum of Aviation's Vistascope Theater Sept. 5, he didn't need notes or a prepared speech. Expressing his joy at helping to kickoff yet another year's CFC, Wetekam said though some often view the CFC as just another campaign, it's important to remember the real meaning behind it. "The CFC is about an



U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp
Ella Williams, CFC chairperson, says one of the main goals of this year's campaign is to make 100 percent contact with base personnel.

opportunity to give back," she said. "It's an opportunity to give to those who are less fortunate. So, as you track your goals this year, let's not forget that this is about doing something good." Themed "What makes America Great," this year's

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Robins 3-day forecast
Today Partly cloudy and warm
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Saturday
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member of the POL community worldwide is considered family, and "we lost a valuable family member." Jones described Brown as "a true professional. If you wanted a job done right the first time, he was the one you would call on."

One of the men Brown supervised at Al Udeid, Airman 1st Class Edwin Gonzeles-Lewis, said Brown was "our POL brother - a man second to none." Gonzalez gave one of the eulogies at a packed memorial service held Tuesday at Al Udeid.

"In my short career in the Air Force, I have never met someone like him, someone who in so little time could teach me all about life," Gonzeles-Lewis said. "All of us who worked for him knew what kind of person he was - a very caring individual whose main concerns were always our safety, the mission and getting us back the same way we came in."

Brown's supervisor and friend in Qatar, Master Sgt. James Walton, wrote a poem he read at the memorial service. Walton, deployed from Seymour-Johnson Air Force Base, N.C., said Brown would be best remembered for his smile and for being able to motivate people. He concluded the poem on an especially poignant note: "...I know it was your time to go. But save a seat for me Man, I'll see you soon. Walt."

Staff Sgt. Brandi

Man

Man, you left me over here in the desert all alone.
We had so much in common, now it's all gone.
Wives, kids, likes, dislikes, beliefs and the list goes on and on.
I know that the Father has taken you to a better place, and that I should rejoice instead of sulking in sorrow.
But you were more than a subordinate, you were a man on a mission that motivated others to follow.
You left 15 young men that don't understand the reason why. I'm going to help them through this, but for me, man you became the brother I lost in '93.
We made plans to have our families meet when our tour of duty was over.
Now I got to remain strong in faith and spirit, and make sure the young men that you know would follow you to the ends of the earth, make it home safely, as your planes rolls down the runway at Dover.
But I'm going to be alright you see, 'cause that's the way I know you'd want me to be.
God took one of his saints today.
Grandma taught me that God don't make mistakes.
I just wish that we had more time to accomplish the things we started.
So I'm ending this by saying, that I know it was your time to go, but save a seat for me man, I'll see you soon, Walt.

Master Sgt. James D. Walton, Brown's supervisor in Qatar, read this poem at a service for his fallen comrade Tuesday night.

Atkinson, an activated Reservist who worked with Brown at Al Udeid, also eulogized Brown, giving insights others had shared with her. She described him as "a mentor who led his troops as if they were his brothers."

"When the Lord takes me, I want to be remembered as someone who did their best to make this world a better place as Sgt. Brown did while he was here," she said. "I knew him for one short month, but I will remember him for a lifetime."

Another member of the Robins POL community, Staff Sgt. Derek Thompson, is also deployed to Al Udeid

and worked with Brown. Thompson said Brown was "a great guy, a good friend and a great family man." He had visited Brown's home and met his family.

Brown's supervisor at Robins, Otis Williams, fuels operations superintendent for the 78th LRS, said Brown was "fair, just, impartial, an excellent supervisor who had the respect of personnel working for him." Williams said he had heard that in addition to being a great family man, he was popular with the neighborhood kids, with whom he played basketball.

During Brown's 14-year career, he earned the Air Force Commendation Medal

with four devices, Air Force Achievement Medal with two devices, National Defense Service Medal with one device, Southwest Asia Service Medal with one device, Kosovo Campaign Medal and the Kuwait Liberation Medal.

Brown was stationed in numerous assignments throughout his career. At Yokota Air Base, Japan, he was honored as the 374th Supply Squadron's Outstanding Airman of the Year in 1993. While stationed at RAF Lakenheath, England, his efforts directly contributed to the 48th Fighter Wing's earning the Certificate of Merit for the Best Tactical Evaluation within Allied Forces Central Europe.

At Cannon Air Force Base, N.M., Brown garnered several distinctive awards, including the Air Combat Command's Drake Trophy Award, the American Petroleum Institute's Trophy and designation as the Air Force's Best Fuels Management Flight - all in 1999.

A native of Coatopa, Ala., Brown is survived by his wife, Candice, and three children, Sonny and Nisha Luka, and Devina Brown. A memorial fund has been set up for the family. People may make donations to Bank of America in care of the Brown's Family Memorial Fund, account #003266716150, routing number #061000052. For more information call Bank of America at (478) 328-1231.

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campaign officially began Monday and will run through Oct. 17.

Ella Williams, CFC chairperson, said one of the main goals of this year's campaign is to make 100 percent contact with base personnel.

"We can't tell employees to whom to contribute, but we certainly want to give everyone the opportunity to contribute," she said. "Giving to the CFC is important because when you do, you are contributing to charitable organizations, at the local, state, national and international levels. Just a few minutes of our time can mean meals for hungry children, help for the elderly, further work on cures for dis-



U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp
Maj. Gen. Donald Wetekam, Center commander, addresses the CFC key workers and monitor volunteers at the Museum of Aviation's Vistascope Theater Sept. 5.

eases, as well as better lives and renewed hope for millions of people in our vast community."

Williams said the coordinators of this year's campaign have worked very hard putting it together and as always expect to have a successful year.

Last year Robins' personnel raised \$1,295,383 with 36 percent of those dollars going directly to local charities. This year, the 41st of the campaign in Middle Georgia, Robins' goal is to raise \$1,250,000.

According to Wetekam, an active participant in the campaign for 30 years, 96 percent of last year's campaign contributions to the Middle Georgia campaign came from Robins.

Tech. Sgt. Vincent Dewberry, 78th Security Forces Squadron key worker, said he's glad to be a part of it this year.

"We should all give back to the community," he said. "Any contribution that helps people get the help they need is great."

According to Williams, deployed military members aren't counted in this year's goal and won't participate in the local campaign.

The CFC began in 1961 as a way to consolidate the many informal charity solicitations into one, federally organized charity drive. Since that time, millions of dollars have been raised to help local, state, national and international charities.

The campaign covers a 10-county area, which stretches as far north as Baldwin County and as far south as Dodge County.

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Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Daniel Nigolian set the central theme of the service - remembrance rather than grief or mourning. The terror attack, he said, tested America as a people and as individuals, and America passed the test.

Nigolian said the service was more "a celebration of who we are and where we've been ... to celebrate the fact that we've passed through the fire and come out the better for it - determined as never before to see right prevail in the world."

The Band of the Air Force Reserve's brass group played patriotic music, the base Honor Guard presented the colors,

and Airman 1st Class Deborah Varella sang the national anthem and "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies," whose words, she said, she had feared would make her falter. They did not.

The service concluded with Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Thomas Fey leading a prayer, a moment of silence and "Taps" played by Airmen 1st Class Michael Richter and Tom Salyers.

Corrections

Gerry McGowan and Billy Keith were misidentified in the Sept. 5 edition. McGowan was in the photo on the right, and Keith was in the photo on the left. In the same edition, James G. Katsekis' title was incorrect. He is a contracting officer in the operational contracting division, Contracting Directorate. The Rev Up apologizes.

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Maj. Sam Simpliciano, 78th Operations Support Squadron and Open House and Air Show director, makes sure the Open House and Air Show events run smoothly Sunday.

Breathing easier now

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With Robins' Open House and Air Show behind him, the guy who pulled it all together is breathing easier and planning a family vacation in the not-too-distant future.

Maj. Sam Simpliciano of the 78th Operations Support Squadron and Open House and Air Show director, had been involved with planning four air shows in the past, two of them at Robins, but still was surprised at the pace the show took the week before opening day.

"I had my own little piece of air shows before," he said. "Being involved with the show in its entirety was very different. It was a lot more than I thought it would be. I was glad to have so many great people working with me to help me along. They all worked hard and understood what had to be done. Their hard work made the show a success. I would like to say thanks to Team Robins for stepping up and making this a great air show."

Saturday's weather probably kept attendance lower than expected. An estimated

60,000 came out for the show Saturday, but 90,000 were there Sunday. That's unusual, Simpliciano said, because Sunday has traditionally been the lighter attendance day.

"Members of the air show committee all acted professionally and understood what had to be done. The planning process began last summer, and the first meetings of key people at Robins who had worked previous shows were held in November. In February and March, the core committee of 40 to 50 people with varying degrees of experience began to look at their specific roles in the show's production.

"I worried a lot, but that's why we have meetings," Simpliciano said. "As long as the committee was moving along and meeting goals, I knew that in the end everything would be fine."

The biggest glitch, he said, was the uncertainty of Saturday's weather. Simpliciano said the planners worked with the Federal Aviation Administration and separate performers because some could fly despite the weather. Some were restricted against high altitude

demonstrations. In addition, because of Friday's weather, about a dozen aircraft scheduled for static display could not fly in.

"We worked around the weather, making schedule changes and put on a good show for the crowd," Simpliciano said. "I was confident we would get it done, and we did."

He said he had fielded dozens of phone calls in the planning stages, mainly from those new to air shows. The answers were easy, he said, and there were no surprises.

The air show had become his full time job for the past three weeks.

"When it was all done, I went home happy, elated that we had two days of safe, enjoyable flying," he said. "I also breathed a sigh of relief."

Now he's looking forward to some time with his family — his wife, Michele, and their children Jennifer, 14, and Kenneth, 10.

"I have worked air shows before, and Michele knew it could get busy," Simpliciano said. "She and the rest of our family have always been great supporters of what I do. I am blessed to have them."

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Civil Engineers field a cast of hundreds

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When fire ants attacked the food concessions, a first lieutenant relatively new to the Robins Air Force Base sprang into action.

It was a minor glitch in a major operation for 1st Lt. Nadja Frank, who represented the 78th Civil Engineer Group on the open house and air show committee.

Backed by hundreds of CE people, Frank ensured the group's long list of taskings got done in time for the show. The jobs included sup-

plying 120 Porta-Potties; six 400-gallon water buffalos – large drinking water tanks on wheels; 20 military-style tents for air crew hospitality, civilian performers, distinguished visitors, communications and public address systems. Some of the tents sheltered security people directing traffic and staffing entry control points.

CE also erected 4,500 feet of orange snow fence used for crowd control and made more than 2,500 sandbags to hold down tents, cover electrical wires and anchor signs and stanchions. The team also

made all the air show signs and built about 350 stanchions to hold them. The structure shop built the air boss booth – a trailer-mounted facility housing the air show boss and announcer. Maj. Glenn Sigley, 78th Operations Support Squadron Commander and air boss, said it was the best air boss booth he had ever seen.

The electrical section played a huge role in the air show production, rolling out a 900-pound spool of cable – 1,060 feet of inch-and-a-quarter primary cable. Tech. Sgt. Dennis Kesner and seven members

of the CE electrical section team also ran 1,700 feet of extension cords – about 200 outlets – and hooked up two air conditioning units and lights for the hospital tents. He said the team spent the three weeks prior to the air show making extension cords and panels and the week before, setting everything up. They worked Monday and Tuesday taking everything down.

CE's fire trucks and emergency responders were at the flight line on stand by both days.

The final report: "Everything

worked great," Kesner said.

Frank agreed, commending the CE team on jobs well done. Problems were few, and solving them was easy.

"We called out the fire ant patrol during the attack of the ants," she said. "Mother Nature will have her way, so some food tents were moved out."

Another minor problem was a borderline break that was gushing water on the ramp. Frank also served as coordinator for the 37 off-base exhibitors who had booths at the show.

Protocol: Taking care of business

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Whether they were getting tents or port-a-potties, the Center's Protocol office made sure the distinguished military and civilian guests were taken care of during the 2003 Open House and Air Show.

According to Gayle Martin, chief of protocol, the protocol office participated in "weeks and weeks" of preplanning so everything would be in place for the arrival of the special guests.

In addition to their other duties, a 10-member team headed by Capt. Sarah Shelton, deputy chief of protocol, booked caterers, made sure enough electricity was supplied by Civil Engineering, ensured there was sufficient seating, and provided transportation to the public affairs booth.

"Everything went well," said Martin. "We didn't have any complaints."

Martin said the only problem they had was explaining to other air show attendees in a diplomatic way why they could not use the DV facilities.

"We had great support from the community including the Air Force Association and the chamber," she said. "Overall, I would say we had a successful event."

The protocol office has a two-fold mission to provide protocol support to the Center's Commander, Vice Commander and Executive Director and to act in an advisory capacity regarding protocol matters and events to personnel of the Center and some hosted units. The Commander's Action Group and Protocol support military and civilian distinguished visitors and military protocol events. Protocol and Public Affairs work together on the air-show DV area and many other projects.



Martin

All smiles

Six-year-old Khari Alston was excited by the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds' performance. Alston was one of 150,000 guests who attended the Air Show Sept. 6 and 7.



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Shuttle buses run smoothly

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With three previous air shows behind him, Tech. Sgt. Thomas Kinley knew exactly what was needed to run efficient vehicle operations.

As transportation coordinator, his job focused on shuttle-bussing tens of thousands of people to the flight line and providing special transport vehicles.

Kinley, who is with the 78th Logistics Readiness Squadron's vehicle operations section, arranged shuttle bus routes and pickup points and acquired vehicles for performers and static crews. About 30 shuttle buses ran each day from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

"At the end of the air show both days, there was a lot of traffic because everybody was trying to leave the base at the same time," Kinley said. "Still, I think everything on the transportation side went smoothly. There were no accidents; people got where they needed to be, and everybody got home safe. That's all we ask for."

Security plan executed with perfection

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From 2nd Lt. Keith Quick's perspective – security and parking – the air show went off without a hitch.

With air show veteran Master Sgt. Edward Glover at his side, the team of Quick and Glover planned the security setup for the show – flight line, parking areas and traffic control points. The 78th Civil Engineer Group led by 1st Lt. Nadja Frank, supported security efforts with traffic flow engineering and infrastructure support.

"It was a completely incident-

free air show," Quick said.

"Security was very tight, and we were extremely pleased."

The 78th Security Forces Squadron created a multi-jurisdictional law enforcement team with members from the FBI, OSI, Georgia State Patrol, Houston County Sheriff's Department and Warner Robins Police Department.

"This team of experts developed a solid security plan that was executed by motivated law enforcement professional personnel," Quick said. "A fully integrated force could be seen performing traffic controls duties, foot and crowd patrols and spe-

cial tactical response duties."

The Georgia State Patrol provided an eye in the sky with its helicopter. This airborne unit, piloted by Corporal Hamilton Halford, surveyed the traffic situation and made recommendations the ground unit allowing them to quickly reroute traffic to minimize congestion. The Warner Robins Police Department also provided officers and police dogs to help with security measures.

The Houston County Sheriff's Department, led by Capt. Alan Everidge and Sgt. Mike Stokes, demonstrated what Quick termed "their department's extraordinary commitment to Robins and all

Houston county residents by providing first-class police services."

"We couldn't have controlled the criminal activity and enforce state and federal laws, without the talents and resources of the Houston County Sheriff's Department," Quick said.

"I would like to thank everyone for their cooperation and support for the show," Quick said. "It was really a pleasure working with everyone. The complete lack of significant incidents over the weekend is attributed to the level of vigilance demonstrated by a unique band of 'Brothers in Blue.'"



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Above, Tech. Sgt. Jamie Leach, Thunderbird crew chief, fastens a helmet on Shane Amaya, a fifth-grader from Lindsey Elementary School. Right, Maj. Dann Carlson, Thunderbird pilot, answers questions from Starbase Robins students Sept. 5. Leach and Carlson discussed the importance of teamwork and goal-setting with the students at the Museum of Aviation's Century of Flight Hangar.

Adrenaline junkies: Thunderbirds visit Starbase Robins students

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Zippering across the sky in patriotically painted F16s may be their job, but the aerobatic dance the United States Air Force Thunderbirds Demonstration team calls work left Starbase Robins students in awe.

Discussing the importance of teamwork and goal-setting, two members of the Thunderbird team visited with students at the Museum of Aviation's Century of Flight Hangar Sept. 5.

Maj. Dann Carlson and Tech. Sgt. Jamie Leach spoke to students from Lindsey Elementary School about what it means to be part of the Thunderbird team.

Leach, who spends a lot of time in the back seat of the Thunderbird's F-16s, compared the thrills and chills of the high-altitude ride with that of a roller coaster.

Carlson agreed, calling the 130-man team adrenaline junkies.

"It's great to strap on a



roller coaster for a living," he said.

He also explained that it takes a lot of hard work, teamwork and discipline.

"I knew I wanted to be a fighter pilot in high school, so I knew I had to work on my grades and set goals that would help me broaden myself," he told the group. "If you set a goal and follow through on it, you can do anything you want."

Carlson, in his second year with the Thunderbirds,

flies the No. 8 jet as the Advance Pilot and Narrator. Arriving at each air demonstration site in advance of the main contingent, he ensures all arrangements for the performance are complete. Carlson also narrates each demonstration and flies orientation flights.

Leach, in his third year, is an aircraft crew chief who makes sure that when the Thunderbirds enter their cockpits they are ready for take off.

After talking to the group and answering their questions, which ranged from how much do you make, to who is your role model, the two posed for pictures with the class.

"This is the meat of what we do," said Carlson. "Going out and talking to the kids and getting to inspire them is a great part of this job."

The speakers may enjoy what they do, but the students reaped the real benefits.

"I learned a lot about what I would have to do to be an Air Force pilot," said Jennelle Gordon, fifth grade student from Lindsey Elementary. "I also learned that you have to work very hard to be successful, and you have to be patient."

The Thunderbirds presented the class with 50th anniversary posters of the Thunderbirds and a large poster of a Thunderbird flight over the Wright Memorial commemorating 100 years of powered flight.

Legal office ensures details aboveboard

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Shutter

In today's society, it seems everything is saturated with legalities - and Robins' recent air show was no exception.

From working out contract details of seven air show performers and many vendors to ensuring local funding was legally sound, Mike Shutter, director of civil law for Robins' Legal Assistance Office, made sure every participant was flying right.

"It took about two months to get everything lined up like it should be," he said. "We had to review the legal agreements with all the civilian performers and vendors, and address any ethical questions that may have come up in the process."

Shutter, who has assisted in at least 10 of Robins past air shows, worked with Maj. Sam Simpliciano, air show chairman, local cham-

bers of commerce and others to make the base's air show and open house a success.

"We worked with the Warner Robins and Macon chambers of commerce making sure all fundraising efforts for the event were meeting all the legal requirements, as well as addressing any ethical issues that could possibly arise," he said. "After all was said and done, it turned out to be one of the best air shows

I've been a part of at Robins."

This year's event was Robins' first air show to feature a 15- by 20-foot Jumbotron, displaying three minutes of local advertising each hour of the air show, with the other 57 minutes capturing images from the two-day aviation spectacular. The large TV was provided free of charge by Atlanta-based company, XL Inc.

Community supporters of the air show, such as Warner Robins Chamber of Commerce executive assistant, Amy Grubbs, whose business raised funds for the event, said the air show's outcome was beyond their expectations.

"It was very well organized, and the crowd containment was superb," she said. "Everyone did a won-

derful job making everything run smoothly."

Macon Chamber of Commerce President and Chief Executive Officer, Chip Cherry, agreed.

"This was a great opportunity to drive home the reason why we support Robins," he said. "It was nice to work with Robins to show Middle Georgia what Robins is about. I'm very pleased that we were able to generate enough resources to get the air show going."

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78th Medical Group says problems minor

Most of the medical problems associated with open house and air show were minor, the 78th Medical Group coordinator said.

Maj. Brian Meier, an optometrist in charge of flight medicine, said his responsibilities were organizing first aid support and flight line response in case of a major performance accident.

A total of 180 medical personnel worked either in a medical tent or rode golf carts in the ramp area. The carts, supplied with ice water, sun-tan lotion, bandages and aspirin, also stood ready to transport those injured to the medical tent.

Meier said two or three

headaches or cases of dizziness Sunday morning, and eight to 10 cuts, scrapes, bruises and one insect bite Sunday afternoon occupied the team.

One person suffered a seizure in an otherwise light medical day Saturday. The Houston County paramedics took the person to Houston Medical Center.

The flight medicine team was stationed at three different locations on the flight line, prepared to respond in case of an aircraft accident.

"Medically, the show went off without a hitch," Meier said. "We were prepared for the worst, and we were pleasantly surprised that our ser-

vices were hardly needed."

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Center commander reflects on 9/11

By Maj. Gen. Don Wetekam
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Wetekam

Two years after the events of Sept. 11, 2001, we must pause to remember and honor the victims of the deadliest terrorist attack ever launched against America in New York City, Washington D.C. and Pennsylvania.

Thousands died and many were injured. We will never forget how public safety personnel, military service members and other citizens at the sites responded so courageously. Healing was found in the

national outpouring of compassion for those lost.

The attacks were intended to assail the principles, values and freedoms of the United States and the American people, intimidate the nation and weaken the nation-

al resolve.

But that didn't happen. As President Bush has stated, "From the tragedy of Sept. 11 emerged a stronger nation, renewed by a spirit

of national pride and a true love of country." Americans will not bow to terrorists!

The terrorists sealed their fate when they attacked us. History has called us to defend our liberty and lives. We have responded to the attacks with commitment and action, to root out and punish terrorists and those who harbor them. We will not leave the safety of America and the peace of this planet at the mercy of mad terrorists and tyrants.

We also must remember those who have been lost in operations since Sept. 11 in the global war

against terrorism, a necessary and successful campaign quickly mounted in response to the attacks. The Air Force has played a prominent and sustained role in Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Noble Eagle to protect American skies. We honor the sacrifice of those who have been lost and take pride in the accomplishments of all who serve.

As Americans, we must pause and recognize Sept. 11 as both a day to remember those taken from their families, loved ones and fellow citizens and a day for Americans to recommit to our

nation, our freedoms and to each other. At a joint session of Congress, President Bush said, "We are a country awakened to danger and called to defend freedom. Our grief has turned to anger, and anger to resolution. Whether we bring our enemies to justice, or bring justice to our enemies, justice will be done."

We owe that to the victims who lost their lives. We owe it to the heroes who tried to save the victims. And we owe it to the civilized people of this world.

May God continue to bless America.

Are you in a leadership position?

By Col. Bruce A Litchfield
Director, WRALC/LS



Litchfield

Question: Are you in a leadership position? Over the years, I've had the opportunity to ask that specific question in a variety of forums. In most cases, people in supervisory jobs will raise their hand and take credit for being a leader.

The remaining folks look perplexed wondering why anyone would ask such a question. Before reading any further take a moment to think about what your response would be.

In my book the answer is easy - everyone is a leader in a leadership position. In the most basic terms a leader is someone who influences others to achieve an outcome. Depending on the situation, the outcome may have enormous impact or simply satisfy need. In the enormous category, the leadership of President Reagan is credited with helping to bring down the Berlin Wall and the end of the Cold War. On a smaller scale, a local baseball coach was able to develop a team of average players into champions.

Closer to our work here at Robins, thousands of people are taking on the task of supporting systems that are critical to our nation's defense. Wow! Think about it ... Warner Robins Air Logistics Center has a major role in preserving the inalienable right of all Americans to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Each and every member of our work force has a leadership position in determining the out-

The neat thing about pride is that it's a personal choice. You choose to either contribute to making things better for an organization or to being part of the problem. You choose to lead in a positive way that results in success. Given the fact that our mission is to deliver combat capability essential to win on the battlefield, there is no choice but to be the winning team.

come of how well we support the systems.

Okay, so you're not convinced you are in a position to influence what goes on in your workplace. Let me try to explain. The Center's success depends on teamwork.

Regardless of our job, we rely on others for such things as parts, information, repair activities, funding and much more. An effective team requires everyone working in coordination toward a common objective. Your understanding and approach to teamwork has a great influence on what happens in the workplace.

It's human nature to judge people based on their behavior. That means your co-workers are continually assessing where you fit into the team - this applies even if you're not the boss. So often the tendency is to focus exclusively on the example the boss sets. There is no question - the boss establishes the tone for an organization and must be held accountable for performance. However, to achieve success, everyone must come to work with an attitude to make things better.

I have never worked in an organization that is perfect - some have been exceptionally great places while others were, let's say, less than great. The difference between the great and not so

great was the pride folks had in what they accomplished. Pride drives an attitude that will not allow anyone to settle for less than his or her best effort. Pride is contagious. It fosters respect for what you do, whom you work with, and the quality of work you perform. Pride means the difference between going through the motions and achieving spectacular results.

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So let's put the pieces together. Robin's mission is critical to our nation's security; success in our mission requires teamwork; a team is comprised of individuals; individuals on a successful team have pride; pride is a personal choice to make things better. By making things better, you are in a leadership position. Therefore, you are a leader with direct impact on our outcome.

Please make the most of your leadership position. We're all counting on you.

Air Force celebrates 56 years of service

**By Secretary of the Air Force
Dr. James G. Roche
and Chief of Staff of the Air Force
Gen. John P. Jumper**

In 56 years, the U.S. Air Force has earned its wings as the world's greatest air and space force. Our airmen and our technology are the best our nation have to offer, an achievement that flows from the contributions of every airman - whether active, Guard, reserve, civilian or retired.

On Sept. 18, the anniversary of our creation, remember that through your integrity, selfless service and incomparable excellence, Americans find strength and confidence in the Air Force's ability to answer our nation's call, no matter when or where we're needed.

We celebrate the Air Force's birthday as we continue to support Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Your tireless commitment, agility and professionalism are the foundation for integrating air and space power into a successful joint and coalition combat operation - one that has already crushed a tyrannical regime and is now helping to blaze the trail of freedom for millions in Iraq.

Yet, as we celebrate, we recognize that this success is not without costs. We appreciate you and your families' extraordinary sacrifices.

Let's take this special occasion to remember the airmen who made the ultimate sacrifice to ensure the security of America and the opportunity of freedom for those who have never before tasted liberty.

The Air Force's legacy has soared in its short history and greater opportunities are on the horizon - opportunities you'll meet with the same courage, commitment and confidence that define our first 56 years.

America is proud of our Air Force, and Americans are proud of you. Happy Birthday!



Roche



Jumper

Action Line is an open door program for Robins Air Force Base personnel to ask questions, make suggestions or give kudos to make Robins a better place to work and live.

Please remember that the most efficient and effective way to resolve a problem or complaint is to directly contact the organization responsible. This gives the organization a chance to help you, as well as a chance to improve their processes. To contact the Action Line, call 926-2886 day or night, or for quickest response e-mail to one of the following addresses: If sending from a military e-mail system



Col. Tom Smoot, Jr.
Commander,
78th Air Base Wing

Commanders' Action Line

Maj. Gen. Donald Wetekam
Commander,
Warner Robins
Air Logistics Center



select, Robins Commanders Action Line from the Global Address List. If sending from a commercial e-mail account (AOL, AT+T, CompuServe, Earthlink, Bellsouth etc.), use action.line@robins.af.mil.

Readers can also access Action Line by visiting the Robins Air Force Base homepage. Please include your name and a way of reaching you so we can provide a direct response. Action Line items of general interest to the Robins community will be printed in the Rev-Up. Anonymous Action Lines will not be processed.

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Freedom of speech applies to all

The base wide distribution of the flyers for the technology show at the Smith Community center sponsored by AFCEA included the phrase "God Bless the USA." I find this religious reference highly offensive. Please inform present and future organizations that might be distributing flyers, e-mail notices and other forms of notifications and bulletins that religious propaganda is not appropriate on a federal installation.

Col. Smoot replies: Thanks for your inquiry. The technol-

ogy show that you are referencing was sponsored by a private organization, namely, the Armed Forces Communications-Electronics Association. This is an event hosted every summer at Robins. AFCEA has many military and civilian members who work here and has a large national following. However, none of this should be interpreted to indicate the association is endorsed by the United States government; the Department of Defense, the U.S. Air Force or Robins Air Force Base leadership. Because this is a private organization, they are therefore free to advertise their event as they see fit, as long as the advertisements do not violate established federal statutes. At present, the phrase "God Bless the USA" is

considered protected speech under the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, and this organization has the right to use it in their advertising. I understand your position, and can sympathize with your concerns, but understand that this phrase is a nationally recognized statement, and not indicative of one religion over another. Free speech is a right we all enjoy as Americans. We try to foster an open environment on Air Force bases that allows our people, and the organizations that serve them, to express their views. Of course, there are some forms of speech that are restricted. For the most part, we give wide latitude to information distributed by base or U.S. government-related organizations, such as AFCEA.



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78th LRS supply operations section chief's job goes up in smoke

David Durham, chief of the 78th Logistics Readiness Squadron's Supply Operations Section had two major jobs for the open house and air show.

The fruits of his labor went up – and down and sideways – in smoke.

Durham's role as a member of the air show committee was to obtain 18 drums of oil used to create smoke trails from Air Force Thunderbird jets and smoke grenades – 18 red and four yellow – for each jump team performance. Durham is chief of the logistics squadron's supply operations section and a veteran of past air shows.

He said getting the supplies together ran "the smoothest I have ever seen... uneventful."

This year, Robins was able to get eight drums of smoke oil Moody Air Force Base, Ga., had left over from a previous show and 10 additional drums from Defense Logistics Agency, which had them in stock.

The initial plan was to have the 55-gallon drums shipped from Moody. Instead,

the resourceful Logistics Readiness Squadron used the trip as highway training for new military members. They drove to Moody and transported the smoke oil back to Robins.

The smoke grenades, which add color to jump team performances, were in stock in base's munitions area because they are also used in exercises.

"Maj. (Sam) Simpliciano kept us well informed," Durham said. "This was the

best run and best organized show I've ever seen. I played a very small role, but was

involved enough in the process to recognize that everyone did a super job."

Simpliciano, operations officer for the 78th Operations Support

Squadron, was air show chairman.

– Chris Zdrakas

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U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp
Air show attendees watch the United States Air Force Thunderbirds' performance.

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'My job was managing chaos'

By Chris Zdrakas

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Now that it's over, Capt. Bill Hill has time to take a big picture look at his role as ground support boss for Robins' Open House and Air Show.

"My job was managing chaos — a big coordinator of the efforts on the ground and the person in charge of getting the right people together to work out issues. But the credit all goes to the hard workers and excellent volunteers who supported me for the last few months preparing for the event."

He also wore another hat. As the 78th Communications Squadron's maintenance flight commander, he coordinated the communications setup for the show. He described both roles as challenging and fun.

"I was happy to do it," Hill said. "I had worked air shows before at other bases. They are a lot of hard work, but a lot of fun. It's pretty rewarding when folks come out and enjoy themselves."

Wearing his ground support boss' hat, he helped coordinate where everything went on the ramp and field — Porta-Potties, concessions stands, tents, equipment, as well as certain transportation and security issues.

"We had to make sure aircrews who were performing had food and water, that static displays had water delivered to them, that trash was picked up," he said. "The ground support boss does all the non-flying parts of the show; the air boss takes care of scheduling flying events."

He said teamwork was the key factor in making everything come together. While he was overall coordinator, others worked static display park-



U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp

Air show attendees look at NASCARs, one of the static displays that fell under Capt. Bill Hill's direction as ground support boss.

ing, layout of concessionaire booths, the distinguished visitors area and other aspects of what's needed on the ground.

"Surprisingly, there weren't many glitches from one day to the next," he said. The problems — things like getting more chairs to a tent or making sure someone had water — were minor and easy to solve. When trash piled up in heavily

trafficked areas, for example, he adjusted the waste collection rounds accordingly.

"There are always a lot of little things that need to be done," he said. "A good plan only survives the first hour of an air show."

The communications setup was extensive. The public address system requirements involved running hundreds of

feet of cable to speakers, handling telephone line circuits, supplying amplifiers, CD players, tape players and wireless microphones. The sound system used for the air show could be compared to the ones used at large rock concerts in a stadium, he said.

Squadron staff ran speakers along 1,200 feet of crowd line. Existing speakers at mid-ramp, intended to notify people on the ramp of safety concerns like lightning, were pressed into service. Hill said kudos for working the sound system during the show belong to Joe Alcorn of the Directorate of Maintenance and his support crew, which he said did "an outstanding job."

Hill's team reprogrammed and signed out about 69 land mobile radios, which kept him and the air boss and the rest of the air show staff in communications. The team also provided air to ground communications the air boss used to direct aircraft during the show.

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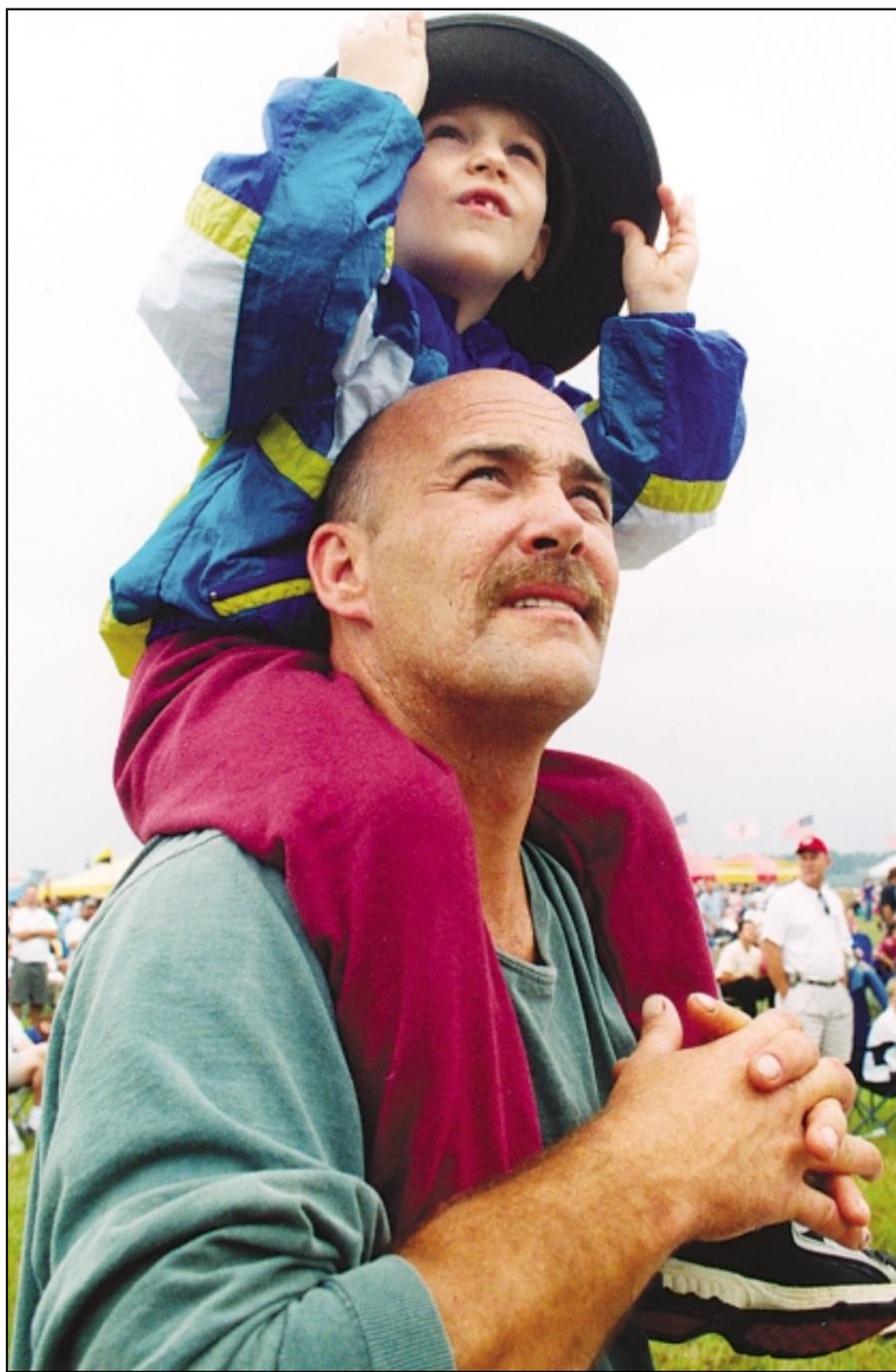
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The Thunderbirds take to the skies over Robins Air Force Base.

Open House and

Air Show 2003



Ft. Valley residents Joshua Bittner, 4, and his dad, Rob Bittner, get a good view of the aerial acts.

U.S. Air Force photos
by Sue Sapp



Crowds walk through the cavernous C-5 Galaxy. The aircraft is the military's largest cargo transport.

Rain or shine, the 2003 Open House and Air Show Sept. 6-7 drew more than 150,000 people from near and far who came to Robins Air Force Base for a chance to feel, see and hear America's military up close and personal. Saturday's cooler temperatures and temperamental skies didn't deter 60,000 people who trekked to the base to see aerial performances by the United States Air Force Thunderbirds, celebrating their 50th year of aerial demonstrations.

Sunday's weather was picture perfect, drawing more than 90,000 to see the Thunderbirds as well as sneak a peak at an F-117th Stealth Fighter that awed the crowd with a several flyovers. Civilian performers such as Lima Lima, Red Eagle, Pat Phillips and Tora Tora kept the crowd looking skyward with exciting acrobatic maneuvers. From the thundering sound of the sleek F-104 Starfighter streaking by during low-level runs, the ear-splitting roar of twin F-15 Eagle air superiority demonstrations, to the nearly silent and slow flight of a Wright Flyer replica, the day was filled with enough highlights to more than quench the thirst of the most discerning of aviation enthusiasts.

On the ground, air show guests queued up to walk through the cavernous C-5 Galaxy, drawing oohs and aahs from those who had never seen anything so huge. The 116th Air Control Wing's E8-C Joint STARS on static display was immensely popular. Visitors waited patiently for their chance to tour the plane and talk to crews who fly this one-of-a-kind mission.



A large crowd gathers to watch one of the many performers at this year's air show.



A replica of the 1905 version of the Wright Flyer draws large crowds. Visitors were allowed to sit in the 'cockpit' and take the controls.



To see this story in streaming video, go to <http://www.robins.af.mil/pa/stream/index.htm>

LEAVE/ TRANSFER

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

- Robert C. Hawthorne, PKOE. Point of contact is Debra Lomax at 926-5020.
- Cheryl K. Peace, PKOS. Point of contact is Debra Lomax at 926-5020.
- Dallis Gibson, MANMPC. Point of contact is Mario Largaespada 926-4686.

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 Angela Trunzo by fax at 926-9597, or e-mail at angela.trunzo@robins.af.mil. Submissions run for two weeks.

STREAMING VIDEO

FULL STREAM AHEAD*

*To view streaming video, go to
<http://www.robins.af.mil/pa/stream/index.htm>*

- Gyro Shop produces small components that form the heart of an aircraft flight system
- Gov. Sonny Perdue gets an F-15 orientation flight
- The Combined Federal Campaign begins

*Videos are best viewed with the latest version of Windows Media Player (version 9).

ROBINS REPORT

News from around base — Watson and Cox Channel 15
Friday — 8 p.m.
Sunday — 1:30 p.m.
Monday — Noon

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.

Protestant General Services take place every Sunday at 11 a.m. This service includes some traditional and contemporary worship styles in music and in format. **Protestant Inspirational Services** take place every Sunday at 8 a.m. **Protestant Contemporary Services** take place 11 a.m. each Sunday at the Base Theater. This service is very informal, with a praise team assisting in singing and includes both traditional and contemporary styles of music and worship.

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

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

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

MOVIE SCHEDULE

Friday
7:30 p.m. — Pirates of the Caribbean — Johnny Depp, Geoffrey Rush

Set in the Caribbean Sea in the 17th century, this is the story of a gentleman rogue of a pirate, Jack Sparrow, who teams up with the daughter of a governor to stop the evil plan of a ship of dangerous pirates who are trying to reverse an ancient curse that leaves them stuck between life and death, with the light of the moon revealing their skeletons, like some kind of undead monsters.

Rated PG-13 (action/adventure violence) 143 minutes

Saturday
2 p.m. — Lara Croft Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life — Angelina Jolie, Gerard Butler

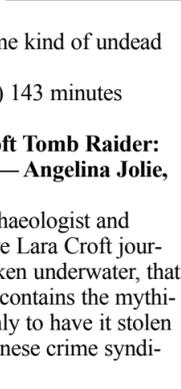
This time around, archaeologist and explorer extraordinaire Lara Croft journeys to a temple, sunken underwater, that leads to a sphere that contains the mythical Pandora's Box, only to have it stolen by the leader of a Chinese crime syndicate.

Rated P-13 (action violence and some sexuality) 110 minutes

7:30 p.m. — American Wedding — Jason Biggs, Alyson Hannigan

With East Great Falls High now just a memory, the kids have grown into young adults ready to wreak havoc with a new rite of passage - Jim and Michelle are getting married! Stifler plans to be there (bridesmaids!), and more importantly to throw the ultimate bachelor party (strippers!). Finch is all for the hedonistic rituals, but not for letting Stifler steal the maid of honor, who happens to be Michelle's sexy younger sister, Cadence.

Rated R (sexual content, language and crude humor) 101 minutes



ROBINS BULLETIN BOARD

Troops to Teachers information session

You may be eligible for up to \$5,000 in federal assistance from the Troops to Teachers Program to assist you in getting certified. Or you may qualify for a one-time bonus of up to \$10,000 for teaching in a high-needs school. Bill Kirkland, program manager for the Georgia Troops to Teachers Program, will be at the Robins Education Center in Building 905 Tuesday from 10 to 11 a.m. to meet with interested military personnel. For more information, visit www.proudtoserveagain.com. For additional information, members may contact Fran Sheridan, guidance counselor, at 327-7325.

POW/MIA Recognition Ceremony

The Robins Air Force Base 2003 POW/MIA Recognition Ceremony will be Thursday at 3:30 p.m. at the NCO Academy flag staff area. In the case of inclement weather, the ceremony will take place at the NCO Enlisted Club. Retired Brig. Gen. James Sehorn will be the guest speaker for this year's recognition ceremony. The program will include opening remarks by Chief Master Sgt. Kathy Mast, WR-ALC command chief master sergeant, and closing remarks by Brig. Gen. Darryl Scott, WR-ALC vice commander.

Third Annual Mega Case Lot Sale at Robins Commissary

The Third Annual Mega Case Lot Sale at Robins Commissary will be Thursday and Sept. 19, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Sept. 20, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, contact Teena Standard, store director, at 926-3714.

Officers' Hail and Farewell

A standup Officers' Hail and Farewell, conducted by Maj. Gen. Donald J. Wetekam, Center commander, will be Sept. 19 at 4 p.m. in the Officers' Club ballroom. For more information, contact Capt. Bernabe F. Whitfield at 926-3703, or by e-mail at Bernabe.Whitfield@robins.af.mil.

FMA golf tournament

The Federal Managers' Association will host its' annual golf tournament at Waterford Golf Club Oct. 3 at 1 p.m. Cost of participation is \$40 per player and includes green and cart fees, lunch and prizes. Entry deadline is Sept. 29. To sign up or for more information, contact Tena Dominy at 926-0793.

78th ABW Enlisted Promotion ceremony

The 78th Air Base Wing Enlisted Promotion ceremony, hosted by Col. Marvin T. Smoot Jr., 78th Air Base Wing commander, will be Sept. 30 at 3:30 p.m. at the Smith Community Center main ballroom. Those being recognized will be notified by their respective first sergeants. Commanders, supervisors, family members and friends are encouraged to attend. For more information, contact Senior Master Sgt. Editha S. Garcia or Senior Airman Jessica R. Jackson at 926-0792.

Scholarship applications

Retired Maj. Gen. Cornelius Nutgeren Scholarship applications are being accepted for the academic year 2003-2004. The scholarship was established in 1998 by the Middle Georgia

Affairs Committee to honor the service of Nutgeren as commander of the Warner Robins Air Logistics Center. A scholarship for \$750 will be awarded to a military or civilian employee of Robins. To be eligible, the individual must be enrolled in one of the educational programs conducted on-base. Applications are available at the base college offices and the Education and Training Office. Applications must be completed by Oct. 3. For more information, contact the Base Education and Training Office, Building 905, Suite 113, or call 327-7304.

Robins Thrift Shop

The Robins Thrift Shop is taking donations on consignment. Everything from baby items to weight equipment can be sold. The shop is located on Page Road, Building 288, just inside gate 5. Store hours are 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays and the shop will be open Oct. 4. Also, the thrift shop is looking for volunteers to fill various positions. If you have any questions, call 923-1686.

Robins Health Fair, Oct. 28-29

There will be a health fair Oct. 28 and 29 at the Smith Community Center ballroom from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. each day. The health fair, hosted by the Employee Relations Section of Civilian Personnel, will feature representatives from various federal health plans and will provide 2004 updates on coverage and information on their respective plans. Workload permitting, supervisors may excuse employees without charge to leave to allow attendance.

FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER

Family Support Center sponsored classes, workshops, and seminars are open to all Team Robins personnel and their eligible family members. The FSC is located on Ninth Street in Building 794. For additional information, or to make a reservation, call 926-1256.

Training Day

The FSC is undergoing a transformation process to better serve customers. In order to become proficient, the FSC will be closed for routine business every Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. In case of emergencies, there will be someone at the front desk in Building 794, or at 926-1256 to take your information and pass it to the appropriate FSC staff member. If you have concerns or questions, call FSC Director Christine Parker at 926-1256.

TAP workshop

The next three-day Department of Labor sponsored Transition Assistance

Program Workshop is Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day, 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. Reservations are taken on first-come, first-serve basis. If you register for a session and find you can not attend, contact the FSC to cancel your reservation — there is a waiting list.

Community tour

The FSC is sponsoring a Community Tour for all Team Robins members and their eligible family members, Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Meet at the FSC. The tour includes a "windshield" view of Macon's downtown and residential historic district with commentary on the history of Macon and its people, past and present.

Federal job class

Federal employment uses a differ-

ent hiring system than the civilian sector. The "How to Apply for a Federal Job" class helps to increase hiring possibility by educating personnel about the variety of federal jobs, the qualifications and the classification process, and the steps involved in applying for these jobs. The next federal jobs class is, Wednesday, 9 to 11 a.m., in Building 905.

Resume workshop

The Transition Assistance program is offering a workshop on Resume Construction, Sept. 19, 9 a.m. to noon, Building 905, room 137. To attend this workshop, participants must have attended the resume research and writing class. A hands-on approach is used for those who are struggling with the mechanics or having difficulty getting started. Participants bring prior job information to draw from, as they are walked through the steps; the objective is to have a draft completed by workshop's end.

SERVICES BRIEFS

Bowling Center

926-2112

No-tap bowling will be Sept. 19 from 6 to 9 p.m. A strike is counted when at least nine pins are knocked down. Bowl six games of no-tap for a chance to win special prizes. Cost is \$15 per bowler.

Civilian Recreation

922-4415

■ Watch the movie "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" at Robins Park Sept. 19 at 8 p.m. Moviegoers are invited to bring lawn chairs and blankets to this free event. Concessions will be on sale. For more information, call Lynne Brackett at 922-4415.

■ All kids will receive a prize when their family attends the Family Night Bingo Sept. 29 at the Smith Community Center. Doors open at 5 p.m. and games start at 6 p.m. Cost is \$3 per game pack.

■ Earn up to three free T-shirts with the walking program now underway through Civilian Recreation. Participants may call, write or e-mail Civilian Recreation for maps detailing different routes around their work area. Categories include "Walking to Macon" (20 miles), "Walking to Atlanta" (100 miles) and "Walking Across Georgia" (250 miles).

Enlisted Club 926-4515

A membership appreciation dinner is slated for Wednesday from 5 to 7

p.m. Primary members are free, guests are \$5, and nonmembers are \$10.

Enlisted Club 926-4515

and Officers' Club

926-2670

Travel the World on Us and Win Cold Hard Cash, the Air Force and Robins combined club membership campaign, is underway until Oct. 31. New members will receive six months free dues and a chance to win \$2,000, \$1,000 or \$500 in the cold hard cash drawing. New and current club members will be eligible to win up to \$5,000 worth of travel vouchers to redeem at Information, Tickets and Travel. For more information about membership and its benefits call the Officers' Club or the Enlisted Club.

Fitness Center

926-2128

Thirty-minute body assessments to measure body fat, strength, endurance and flexibility will be available Sept. 19. Call the fitness center to make an appointment.

Golf Course

926-4103

■ A 4-person ABCD scramble will be Saturday. Cost is \$20 for annual green fee members and \$25 for guests and includes green fee, golf car, range balls, lunch and prizes. Sign up at the pro shop.

■ Pine Oaks Golf Course will celebrate family golf Sept. 20 from noon - 1:15 p.m. and 1:30 - 2:45 p.m. Cost is \$10 per family and will include helpful hints for parents on "raising golfers" and demonstrations from John Anderson, the golf pro and manager. Clubs and unlimited balls will be available for families to try their skill on the golf range for an hour. The celebration will continue with a four-person, nine-hole scramble with a 3 p.m. shotgun start. Divisions will include couples, parent and child 15 years and younger and parent and child 16 years and older. Cost is \$25 per couple and includes green fee, golf car, range ball, food and prizes. For more information, call 926-4103.

ITT 926-2945

NASCAR tickets are on sale at ITT for the Aaron's 312 Busch Race Oct. 25 and the Georgia 500 Winston Cup Race Oct. 26 at the Atlanta Motor Speedway. Cost for both races is \$45 per person.

Outdoor Recreation

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Escape on a gambling getaway to Biloxi, Miss., Nov. 9 through 12. The trip package will include four-night and three-day deluxe accommodations, two free breakfasts and one dinner. The cost of the trip includes double occupancy for \$175. Transportation departs Nov. 9 at 9 a.m. and returns Nov. 12 at 6 p.m. A \$50 non-refundable deposit is required at the time of registration. Register by Oct. 10.

Unseen hands

Captain clears the way for Thunderbirds' visit to Robins Open House and Air Show

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From the runway to take-off, Capt. Abby White and a host of others helped make the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds' visit to Robins unforgettable.

White, C-5 production team lead, and Thunderbirds coordinator for the air show went by the book - the Thunderbirds manual - when planning the team's visit to Middle Georgia.

"It took about 100 days of preparation to work out all the details of their visit," she said. "I started out talking to them three times a week, but as the air show got closer, it went to nearly three times a day."

Details of the visit, such as hotel stay and ordering the flight team's smoke oil had to be arranged months in advance.

With the Thunderbirds arriving three days ahead of show time, White and a group of about 20 at Robins were busy arranging entertainment, such as free rounds of golf at Houston Lake Golf Course, making 20 public appearances throughout Middle Georgia and provid-



U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Sean P. Houlihan

Members of the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds stand at attention before their performance.

ing other items of hospitality for the crew. Thirty-three vehicles were provided for the Thunderbirds to help them make their way around town.

"There were a lot of 30-day and 60-day deadlines we had to meet to make sure everything went according to plan," she said. "Some unexpected things came up along the way, like the Thunderbirds' recognition ceremony that recognized five outstanding junior enlisted members stationed at Robins. We didn't find out about it until Tuesday during a planning meeting, but it all worked out."

David Mann, C-5 Directorate production section chief, who served as the Thunderbirds' maintenance point of contact at the air show, said timing of event details was everything.

"It was very time-consuming trying to have everything at the right place, at the right time," he said. "Not a whole lot was going on in the early stages of planning, but the closer it got, the more hectic it got. It was all worth it though, when I heard that the Thunderbirds referred to this as one of the best air shows they've had."

Black Knights demonstrate KC-135R Stratotanker

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The 19th Air Refueling Group's Black Knights were in the sky and standing by at this year's open house and air show.

Maj. John Terry, 19th ARG executive officer, and Maj. Pamela Freeland, 99th Air Refueling Squadron readiness flight commander, conducted fly-bys of the Stratotanker, along with aircrew members, while other Black Knights were on-hand for tours of a KC-135R open for display.

1st Lt. Brad Winter, short-range flight scheduler for the 19th Operations Support Squadron, who served as the KC-135R representative at the air show, said with the Group's appearance in two air shows that weekend, preparation for the Group's part in the show was a bit tricky at times.

"We have to get Air Mobility Command approval to be in any air show," he said. "It's hard to plan things like this in advance. You never know what the weather will be like, and sometimes other things come up that throw things off."

The KC-135R demonstration flight's two passes illustrated the plane's capabilities by flying with the boom, KC-135R air refueling instrument, in the downward posi-

tion at 250 knots, and also flying at a rate less than 200 knots with its flaps extended and landing gear down to demonstrate its other abilities.

The 19th also fulfilled an air refueling requirement for the F-117 featured at Robins' air show. The mission was completed over South Carolina, en route to the event, to prepare the aircraft not only for Robins' air show, but also for the show in Peachtree City, Ga.

Despite the rush, Col. Raymond J. Rottman, group commander, said the event went smoothly.

"This was a wonderful opportunity to give something back to our great community," he said. "Our folks worked very hard to prepare for last weekend's events. They coordinated air traffic control, designed story boards highlighting our unique mission, and spit and polished our aircraft to show our pride."

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Public Affairs: The 'people' people

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While many of those who helped put the Air Show and Open House together dealt with the logistics of how to turn the flight line into a family-oriented showplace for two days, the Public Affairs office was dealing with people.

Tasked with providing information to would-be show goers, inviting distinguished visitors, coordinating media and a wide range of other publicity, the PA office worked its magic through communication.

"PA has a huge role in putting on the air show from a couple of different aspects," said Capt. Tisha Wright, Center public affairs air show point of contact.

She said things change with the tide when you're involved with the public and community and getting everything set up.

From ensuring distinguished visitors received invitations to coordinating the dissemination of information through



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newspapers, television, radio, billboards, posters, flyers and the Robins Web site, PA brought the show to the masses.

According to Wright, they also coordinated media flights with civilian acts and performers, as well as public appearances by performers at the Macon Children's Hospital.

Overall, the show and the coordination was hard work, but in the end a fulfilling experience that ended in a good show for all.

"There are high stakes involved when you're setting something up in the name of the general," said Wright.

Gulp! 75,392 ounces of beer

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When the 78th Services Division's concession coordinator for Robins' Open House and Air Show asked the main concessionaire how much food the air show crowd consumed, he was expecting a count of hamburgers, hot dogs and sausages.

Instead, Lou Truckenmiller, a manager for contractor Umbrella Food Systems, told Bob Carter that his 29 concessions sold enough hot dogs, sausages and hamburgers to reach from Warner Robins to Macon. Meanwhile, the Services Division sold

75,392 ounces of beer at the six booths it operated. Also big sellers were soft drinks, including frozen lemonade, and fresh fruit smoothies.

The concessions give organizations on base a chance to make money for their private organization funds.

Private organizations, such as the 78th Civil Engineer Group's Booster Club and the 78th Communications Squadron's Unit Advisory Council, volunteer to staff the booths and receive in return a percentage of profits.

In all, 302 workers were needed per shift per day to get the job done, Carter said.

Carter, Services Division

resource management flight chief, said he received no negative reports about concessions and that the food and beverage services ran as planned.

He said part of the credit for smooth-running operations should go to Services' civilian recreation director, Lynne Brackett, who supported him in the concession effort.

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Joint STARS aircraft a big draw at air show

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Aviation enthusiasts stood in line for hours waiting for the chance to step inside one of the 116th Air Control Wing's E-8C Joint Surveillance Targeting Attack Radar System aircraft during the Robins Air Force Base air show last weekend.

Base visitors got a first hand look at the state-of-the-art technology used in Operation Iraqi Freedom when members of the 116th performed a fly by and opened the E-8C to the public.

"Thousands of people took the time to board the JSTARS static display," said Lt. Col. George Riebling, 128th Airborne Command and Control Squadron commander. "It's always such a pleasure talking to visitors about the aircraft and our mission."

JSTARS provides theater commanders (ground and air) with ground surveillance to support attack operations and targeting that contributes to the delay, disruption and destruction of enemy forces. The 116th is the only unit that operates the E-8C aircraft.

More than 100 wing members representing 11 squadrons volunteered to support various air show activities: security forces, concession booths, trash and sanitation details, and assisting at the VIP tent.

Airmen 1st Class Sarah Straughn and Daniel Lattimore spent hours in the lab doing oil analysis for participating A-10 aircraft and the Thunderbirds.

"They used the optical emission spectrometer unit to



U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp

Air show crowds line up to walk through a Joint STARS aircraft.

analyze the aircraft oil system for wear metals to detect possible turbine engine failures," said Master Sgt. George White, 116th MXS. "In addition,

the airmen also supported the Peachtree Airport air show and helped the booster club sell hamburgers at booth 10."

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