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#### Directorate to break ground for new facility

The ground-breaking ceremony for the Large Aircraft Corrosion Control Facility will take place at 9 a.m. Wednesday in front of Building 51. Parking will be available in the lot behind the area, and those attending should enter through the guard gate onto the flight line to the event location.

— From staff reports

#### Parking lot near Building 55 to close Aug. 30

The parking lot west of Building 55 will permanently close Aug. 30 to permit relocation of the flight line fence and construction of new facilities in the area. Demolition of the area is tentatively scheduled to begin Sept. 16.

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#### Air Force taking applications for overseas study

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — The Air Force is offering three officers the opportunity to study overseas for two years through the Olmsted Scholar Program. Those selected will begin study for the 2005-2006 school year.

The program provides participants with an in-depth understanding of a foreign language and culture so they're aware of viewpoints and concerns of people worldwide, officials said.

It involves cultural immersion by an officer and his or her family, if applicable, and study at a university in the country's native language. Officials are selecting officers with demonstrated leadership and scholastic abilities.

Applicants must be a regular or Reserve line officer on active duty with between three and 11 years of commissioned service, and no more than 11 years of total service by April 1, 2005. Officers must have at least a 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale for their undergraduate degree. They must have achieved at least a 550 on each portion (verbal and quantitative) on the Graduate Record Examination. Finally, they must have scored at least a 110 on the Defense Language Aptitude Battery.

Applications are due by Oct. 15. Applicants should send completed applications to: HQ AFPC/DPAPE, 550 C St. W., Suite 32, Randolph AFB, TX 78150-4734.

For more information, visit [www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/pme/0-Olmsted.htm](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/pme/0-Olmsted.htm).

— Air Force Print News

# Center signs \$3.6 billion contract

Col. Bruce Litchfield and Patricia Martin, both standing, watch as Donna Walcott, a contracting officer, signs the contract between Robins and Rockwell Collins Aug. 6.



U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp

By Lanorris Askew

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Setting pen to paper Aug. 6, the Center's Combat Electronics Systems Directorate implemented a history making 10-year, \$3.6 billion corporate contract with Rockwell-Collins Corporation, a leading supplier of Combat Communications, Navigation and Avionics systems.

According to officials, the contract will dramatically reduce the number of contracts written to the vendor will reduce procurement administrative

lead-time allowing government and industry to share data to make decisions that increase war fighter capability at a reduced cost to the taxpayer.

Col. Bruce Litchfield, Combat Electronics Systems director, said the corporate contract, the largest single vendor contract ever signed here, is also one of the most comprehensive, long-term sustainment vehicles they've ever developed and put in place. He added that its reach goes far beyond Robins.

"The reason this family of contracts

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## ALC gets C-17s out on time

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Getting a perfect score is hard to do whether you're taking a test or out for a quick game at the lanes, but Maintenance Directorate officials here are boasting just that at getting C-17 aircraft back to the user on time and on cost, a record they hope will lead to future workload for the Center.

Lt. Col. Glenn Fyfe, C-17 partnership branch chief, said since the Globemaster's premiere here in 2000, the Center has gone 18 for 18 at getting the aircraft fixed on time and within budget.

"You've got a lot of people at the ALC doing whatever it takes to get the job done," he said. "The customers want their aircraft back on time so, the work force is putting in whatever resources they need to, to make sure that we deliver those aircraft when they need them."

In addition to the possibility of future workload, the reputation garnered in the past three years has also led to facility growth.

#### The tail of two aircraft

Not long ago when a C-17 underwent a modification or inspection here you could tell it from a mile away. The tail of the giant aircraft, which took the old home of the C-141, would stick out of the hangar. To solve this problem and give the Globemaster a little more privacy, modifications were made.

According to Bill Deaver, the hangar doors were raised from 46 feet to 58 feet allowing the aircraft to be completely inside all four dock spaces. In addition the concrete floor in

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## Home is where the heart is



U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Tim Beckham

Airman 1st Class Hugh Hermes, a computer systems technician with the 16th Airborne Command and Control Squadron, kisses his girlfriend Melanie and holds his son Luca Aug. 5 after a two-month deployment to Southwest Asia.

## Expert says Air Force must change

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Don't call Dr. Michael Hammer a management guru.

"Someone once told me that 'guru' is another name for 'charlatan,'" Dr. Hammer joked as he kicked off a two-day seminar Tuesday for about 500 Center leaders at the Museum of Aviation.

Dr. Hammer, a nationally-recognized expert in trans-

forming businesses, came to Robins to discuss ways that organizations have changed and will continue to change.

Even successful organizations like the U.S. Air Force must continue to change, he said.

"You have an Air Force that was crafted in a world that does not exist any more — a Cold War world," he said. "The world is changing so rapidly

that the main issues on our

radar screens did not even exist (or were unfamiliar) five years ago."

Dr. Hammer, who holds a doctorate from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, listed the Al Qaeda terrorist network, wireless Internet and other features of our everyday life today as examples of these transformational forces.

The change message gained the audience's interest when

Dr. Hammer pointed out that research showing what he called "value added time" was only 5-10 percent of the time involved in completing a process.

Value added time is work the customer "doesn't mind paying for," he said. The rest of the typical process time was used in "non-value added time" — work that is necessary

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## Portion of Perry Street to close Saturday



Shrad Amrit,

778th CES architect, said part of Perry Street will close Saturday as a result of the concrete barriers project.

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The recently changing landscape of Robins may have some people wondering what's next, but according to Shrad Amrit, 778th Civil Engineering Squadron architect, the end result will be a safer and more secure Robins for both people and assets.

One of the more visible efforts to improve security and comply with antiterrorism and force protection standards is the installation of barriers by the Civil Engineer Squadron.

The project costs nearly \$3 million and is funded by Air Force

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U.S. Air Force file photo by Sue Sapp

Workers install concrete barriers around Building 210 early this summer. The barriers will provide for a safer and more secure base.

Robins 3-day forecast

Courtesy of 78th OSS/OSW

Today Mostly cloudy with isolated thunderstorms



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Saturday Partly cloudy



90/63

Sunday Partly cloudy



92/65

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gets the name 'corporate contract' is because anyone in the Air Force, and for that matter, anyone in the Department of Defense who has sole source spares, repair actions or engineering and logistics sustainment services requirements from Rockwell-Collins can use it without having to develop their own contract and incur all of the overhead and lead-time that goes with that process," he said.

The contract, which went into effect immediately, applies to all items where Rockwell Collins is the Original Equipment Man-

ufacturer, and builds a bridge between government and industry that takes advantage of the expertise both entities bring to the table. It was developed by members of the Center's LS Strategic Sourcing Team, program managers Mike Myers and Karla Darcey and contracting officer Donna Walcott, to enhance weapon system availability and accelerate delivery of a full range of Rockwell-Collins products and services.

Harry Gregory, senior vice president and general manager for Collins Aviation Services, said he appreciates and values the confidence the Center and the Air Force have placed in Rockwell-Collins.

**What to know**

The purpose of the contract is to cut back on the number of contracts written, reduce the amount of administrative lead time for procurement actions and allow for the sharing of data between government and industry in order to make the best decisions possible on supporting the war fighter.

"We reaffirm our total commitment to work with you as your partner in developing and implementing an innovative 'out-of-the-box' solution and in defining a new partnership between industry and our depots, so we can help contribute to

your success in providing affordable, effective and responsive support to our war fighters," he said during a conference call. "The whole goal was to develop a partnership where we can increase the effectiveness and the efficiency by which we sustain our war fighting equipment."

As a part of the contract, a formula pricing agreement has also been developed so price negotiations are facilitated and administrative lead-time is drastically shortened. Colonel Litchfield also said the contract's joint forecasting provision allows managers to take a more holistic view of their weapon systems support and provides them insight to make changes nec-

essary to keep the systems operational.

"We're really taking a step forward in our long-term supportability posture for systems we maintain," he said. "Instead of just buying parts, we say we expect a certain amount of capability delivered and maintained in the field. This allows Rockwell-Collins and the government to jointly decide what it takes to keep (operational) parts on the aircraft and on the shelf, whether it's to do modifications because of (needed) upgrades or parts that are no longer manufactured and you have to substitute components."

The colonel said nothing would be leaving the base as far as workload is concerned.

"What we hope to gain out of this is workload coming to the base through the partnership," he said. "What we hope to do is by teaming with Rockwell-Collins, they might hire back to us (to the Center through a Direct Sales arrangement) some of their repair activities. So, in fact, at the worse case, there is no manpower movement off the base, and at best case, workload will actually be added."

With the ink barely dry, the two parties agreed that now the real work begins.

"We've produced paper, now it's time to produce hardware for the folks out in the field who need it," said Colonel Litchfield. "And now we have the contract vehicle to do it."

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one dock was leveled, and weight and balance pads were installed for all three landing gear on the aircraft. In the future, one more dock will have the same renovations, and the remaining two docks will be leveled.

Next year Building 82 will also have one set of hangar doors raised and the other set of hangar doors will be renovated to provide a total of two inside dock spaces for the C-17 in the building.

"When these door renovations are completed, the C-17 will have a total of six inside dock spaces," said Mr. Deaver.

He added that in fiscal 2007, new paint and repaint facilities will be open which will accommodate the C-17 and all large body aircraft in the Air Force inventory.

**The customer is always right**

Since the old saying states the customer is always right, positive responses from the users have been welcomed.

"Users are happy because they're getting their aircraft back when they need them,"

said Colonel Fyfe. "They have said great things about the quality of the work being done and being done accurately."

One example of this according to the Maintenance Directorate's depot maintenance partnering section is the response received when a C-17 aircraft from Altus Air Force Base, Okla., had to be repaired on a "drop in" basis because of a manifold fault defect.

On this occasion Boeing and MA worked together to diagnosis the problem, determine a repair procedure, and complete the repair.

"This was a stellar integrated effort on everyone's (Boeing and Robins) part," wrote Arthur Martinelli, of the C-17 System Program Office, in a thank you letter. "Make no mistake, I know getting to the root cause and the ultimate fix was definitely not through happenstance. Thanks for the quick repair. Altus needed this jet badly."

Colonel Fyfe said the Center hopes to get a greater workload for the C-17 and is currently in discussion with Boeing and the C-17 System Program Office to make sure there is plenty work to do in the future and that their role

increases over time.

"In addition the Air Force has agreed to partner with Boeing to share workload and to repair the aircraft for the customer, which is AMC," he said.

"The partnership between Boeing and the Center combines the best from industry with the best of the Center's Maintenance Directorate to provide superior weapon system support for the war fighter now and in the future," said Mary Lou Schoo, depot maintenance program analyst. "Through this partnership, Boeing and the Maintenance Directorate work closely together to meet the users need for quick turn around time on their aircraft."

According to officials from the Maintenance Directorate's depot maintenance partnering section, this partnership is anticipated to grow as Boeing and the Maintenance Directorate continue to explore ways to provide the best support possible for the war fighter.

"The recent award to Boeing of a multi-year maintenance contract for the C-17 Globemaster transport aircraft will present many opportunities for this partnership to grow," said Ms. Schoo.



U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp

Dr. Michael Hammer speaks at the Museum of Aviation Century of Flight Hangar Tuesday.

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to achieve value added time – and "wasted time" which adds nothing.

Dr. Hammer also addressed reorganization – a topic of particular interest to the audience which is beginning a Center reorganization.

"Reorganization is a useful adjunct to improving processes," he said.

If an organization's structure makes sense to people inside and outside, he explained, everyone will find it easier to communicate.

Robins' current work in Lean is also complementary to process improvement, he said.

"(Lean) gets your head on straight in ways of thinking about change," he said.

Those in attendance found Dr. Hammer's message especially important in this time of accelerating change.

"His presentation gives us hope that we can change our processes and get better products and services out to our customers, the war fighters," said Cindy Reynolds, chief financial officer for the Center's strategic airlift directorate. "It has given me a broader perspective on change."

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# Robins employee receives international honor

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Albert Ewell has received various certificates and awards in his 19-years with the International Logistics Division, but none of them compare to the one he received June 27.

In a private ceremony amid celebrations of the Japan Self Defense Forces 50th anniversary, the man known fondly as "Tiny" by friends and co-workers said he reached the pinnacle of his career when he was presented an award by Gen. Yoshimitsu Tsumagari, the JASDF Chief of Staff.

Mr. Ewell, the only American in a group of 40 receiving the award, said it was a tremendous honor.

"It was unbelievable and the highlight of my career," he said.

The award, which included a large framed letter of appreciation written in Japanese script and translated to English, a plaque and a crystal cube etched with the F-15 and the JASDF 50th anniversary logo, honored Mr. Ewell's nearly two decades of work as a Department of Defense civilian and contractor supporting the Japanese F-15J/DJ fleet through the of F-15 System Program Office's Technical Coordination Group.

During his tenure Mr.

## What to know

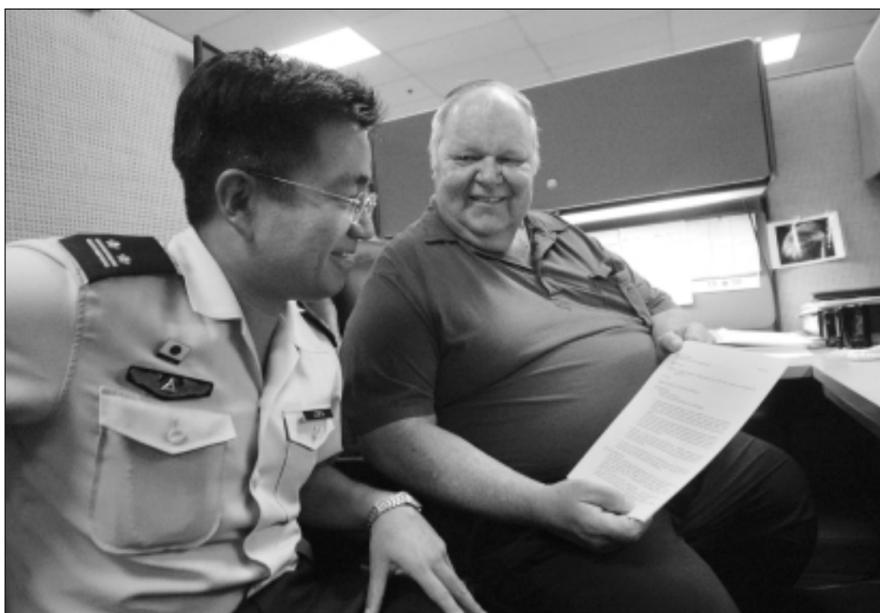
Mr. Ewell was the only American among the 40 award recipients. The presentation ceremony was held at Iruma Air Base, Japan, and recognized the contributors to the success of the JASDF over the 50 years.

Ewell has provided technical and logistics assistance to Japan. During that time he has worked with nine Japanese foreign liaison officers assigned to Robins, helping to ensure all Japanese F-15 aircraft are kept current regarding improvements, modifications, upgrades and safety-related information for their fleet of aircraft.

In addition to those duties, he makes sure the liaison officers are acclimated to their new environment and have everything needed during their two- or three-year stay here.

"I get to know them from the very beginning and try to help them get in place in the United States and Warner Robins," said Mr. Ewell. "I try and help make them a part of the family in the community and make sure their transition is as smooth as possible."

Lt. Col. Nobuaki "Lucky" Utata, the current Japanese



U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp

Lt. Col. Nobuaki 'Lucky' Utata, the Japanese foreign liaison officer at Robins, works with Albert 'Tiny' Ewell Monday in Mr. Ewell's cubicle. Mr. Ewell was recently honored for almost two decades of work as a Department of Defense civilian and contractor supporting the Japanese F-15J/DJ fleet through the of F-15 System Program Office's Technical Coordination Group.

foreign liaison officer, said he enjoys working with Mr. Ewell, and he and his predecessor, Lt. Col. Fumitaka "Kojak" Hozumi saw the celebration of the JSDF's 50th anniversary as the perfect time to show their appreciation for all the work he does.

Calling him the not so tiny "Tiny," Colonel Utata said the two men share a special bond both on and off the clock.

"He helps me answer questions for my country, and after five, he takes care of my family," said Colonel Utata.

During business hours Mr. Ewell researches questions from Tokyo and gives them to Colonel Utata who in turn translates the responses into Japanese.

Mr. Ewell also participates in semi-annual meetings that provide a vehicle for having

face-to-face discussions concerning F-15 aircraft logistic and technical support issues. Six months later, the team from the technical coordination group and sister organizations go to Japan for an in-country review where they discuss issues of common interest and specific concerns they may have with their F-15s.

"The Japanese Air Force

comes to us asking for information concerning their planes, and we do the research and get back to them with the answers they need," he said.

The assistant Japanese country manager, who stands 6-feet, 4 inches, began the journey that would lead him to his award in 1971 when he was hired as maintenance mechanic. In 1974, when the U.S. Air Force accepted their first F-15 aircraft delivery, he was the first aircraft mechanic to perform maintenance from Robins. Three years later he was accepted in the Upward Mobility Program as an F-15 Aircraft Equipment Specialist – which ultimately led to his career in the Foreign Military Sales International Programs.

In 1985 when Japan entered the Technical Coordination Group, he was assigned as their country manager for the F-15J/DJ aircraft.

Bob White, F-15 International Logistics Division branch chief, said Mr. Ewell is very deserving of the award.

"The whole organization is honored," said Mr. White, "The fact that he was chosen for this reflects so positively on LFI. It's an honor for the organization, Robins and the United States Air Force that one of our employees has been selected for something like this."

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Reserve Command and Air Force Materiel Command.

When complete, the barrier plan will establish a controlled access campus area around Buildings 210, 214, 215 and 220.

"The contractors working on this project have reached the point where they see the need to close Perry Street," Mr. Amrit said.

In order to keep the area safe and

to create more controlled parking in the area, the plan is to permanently close Perry Street north of Richard Ray Boulevard. The road closure will take place Saturday.

The road will be closed to all traffic. Visitors and occupants of neighboring buildings will be able to access



**Terry Landreth** said the street closure will increase safety.

Buildings 220, 210, 221, 155 and 222 by driving north on Page Road or Byron Street to First Street.

Mr. Amrit said it's important for those traveling near these construction areas to be aware of upcoming impacts to traffic patterns.

"The contractors working this project have proven themselves capable of doing the job and doing it well," he said. "They have been given the go ahead to begin what is called co-phasing which will speed the project up."

Co-phasing means more than one

phase of the project may be worked at the same time. The initial part of the co-phasing, set begin in a few weeks, will be the barrier installation on the north and west side of Building 210.

"Drivers will feel the impact when traveling north on Page Road," said Mr. Amrit. "The lane closest to Building 210 will be temporarily barricaded while the barriers are put in place."

In addition to the temporary blockage, the parking lot behind Building 210, which has been closed since the renovation of the building began, will

continue to be closed until that portion of the co-phasing project is complete.

Terry Landreth, 778th CES design branch chief, added that safety is the most important issue.

"The project has already addressed another safety concern at the corner of Byron Street and Richard Ray Boulevard by creating an inverted corner and moving the stop bar up to make traffic visibility better," he said.

The project which began in early January, is expected to be complete by November.

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# Newcomer briefing puts Airmen in touch with Robins' resources

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*Editor's Note: This is the last in a five-part series on the permanent change of station process.*

Moving to a new location brings many questions that can sometimes overwhelm the mind. But having the right resources at your fingertips can help ease the stress.

The first Wednesday of each month, the Military Personnel Flight, along with about 20 base agency representatives, gather at the Enlisted Club to provide information to new Airmen and their families.

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Cheryl Howell, human resource advisor for the Military Personnel Flight's Customer Service Section, said the newcomer briefing is a great resource.

"It's an orientation briefing for all newly assigned military members at Robins," she said. "People need to know where organizations are physically located and exactly what services are offered. Spouses are encouraged to attend as well."

Recently, local community leaders have made appearances at the briefing to offer information about the surrounding community, Mrs. Howell said.

"The mayor of Warner Robins and a representative of the Chamber of Commerce have started attending the briefing to give newcomers a sense of the



U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp  
Cheryl Howell, right, human resource advisor at the Military Personnel Flight, helps an Airman with her PCS process Wednesday.

community and how it stands behind them. It's a great way to let them know what's out there for them."

Newly assigned Airmen and their families are provided information about the services organizations offer and the people to contact if they have questions.

Master Sgt. Jackey Gates, who recently moved to Robins after serving a one-year remote assignment at Osan Air Base, South Korea, said the briefing offered an array of contact information for nearly every situation that an Airman could encounter during an assignment.

"I love it here," the superintendent of the career enhancement, reenlistment, extensions, officer and enlisted promotions section of the MPF said. "The atmosphere is great. Everyone has been very informative and if they didn't know something, they'd look for it on the spot. It's very helpful, especially for new Airmen."

After the newness of an assignment wears off and everyday life becomes routine, it's only a matter of time before Airmen like this master sergeant embark on the PCS journey again.

## Safety Office offers back to school safety tips

By Lee Ann Allen  
Center Safety Office

It's that time of year again, summer vacation has ended and it's time to return to school.

You may be nervous to send your kindergartner off to his or her first day, maybe you're anxious to get "the kids out of your hair" or maybe you're even sending one of your children off to finish his or her last year in high school.

We all have one thing in common, we care about our children's safety. We want them to enjoy their years in school and to return safely to us each afternoon.

One way to ensure their safety is to go over a few, simple rules. Practice with younger children how to safely wait for and board the school bus. Go over safe bicycling procedures if they'll be riding. And, don't forget older children who may be driving. They are at particular risk and need your guidance.

### Riding in a car

You might have heard before that most traffic crashes occur close to home – they do.

■ Safety belts are the best form of protection passengers have in the event of a crash. They can lower your risk of injury by 45 percent.

■ You are four times more likely to be seriously injured or killed if ejected from the vehicle in a crash.

■ Everyone needs to be buckled up properly. That means older kids in seat belts, younger kids in booster seats and little kids in child safety seats.

### Walking, biking to school

Because of minimal supervision, young pedestrians face a wide variety of decisions making situations and dangers while walking to and from school. Here are a few basic safety tips to follow:

■ Mind all traffic signals and the crossing guard – never cross the street against a light, even if you don't see any traffic coming.

■ Walk your bike through intersections.

■ Walk with a buddy.

■ Wear reflective material - it makes you more visible to

street traffic.

### Riding the bus

School bus transportation is safe. Even so, last year, about 26 students were killed and another 9,000 injured in incidents involving school buses. More often than not, those deaths and injuries didn't occur in a crash, but as the students were entering and exiting the bus. Remember these safety tips:

■ Have a safe place to wait for your bus, away from traffic and the street.

■ Stay away from the bus until it comes to a complete stop, and the driver signals you to enter.

■ When being dropped off, exit the bus and walk ten giant steps away from the bus. Keep a safe distance between you and the bus. Also, remember that the bus driver can see you best when you are back away from the bus.

■ Use the handrail to enter and exit the bus.

■ Stay away from the bus until the driver gives the signal that it's OK to approach.

■ Be aware of the street traffic around you. Drivers are required to follow rules of the road concerning school buses, however, not all do. Protect yourself and watch out.

*Editor's note: Information*

*above is provided from the National Safety Council at [www.nsc.org/mem/youth/](http://www.nsc.org/mem/youth/). I urge you to explore the National Safety Councils Web site for further information. Also make sure to check out the resources area for other organizations that offer interesting and helpful information.*

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# It's tough to transform without changing

**By Gen. Gregory S. Martin**  
Air Force Materiel Command commander



**Gen. Gregory S. Martin:** If the people we deal with daily can understand us better, our value to the war fighters can do nothing but increase.

The men and women of Air Force Materiel Command are experiencing the most extensive transformation to occur in the command's 12-year history, perhaps even more significant changes than those required when Air Force Logistics Command and Air Force Systems Command merged to form AFMC.

But one thing is certain as we chart our future – it's tough to transform without changing.

After all, we have been dominant in five major conflicts – operations Desert Storm, Deliberate Force, Allied Force, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom – in the past 13 years.

Our forces dominated in large measure because of the decisive effects of this nation's air and space power. That air and space power came from the people of AFMC who provided war-winning technology, acquisition support and sustainment to the war fighter.

So, if ain't broke, why fix it?

The answer is simple: the dedicated Airmen and Air Force civilians of our command do not receive the respect and appreciation they deserve for the outstanding work they do. It is up to leadership to figure out why that is and fix it!

The entire Air Force rides on the backs of our people and yet, often, they feel like outcasts. Why? I believe it's because we are often perceived to be late to deliver, over budget, and not relevant in fielding new tech-

nologies – some of which are out of date when finally delivered.

True or not, that is the way we are perceived by many of our contemporaries. We can continue to live with that perception by trying to explain that "we're different," while fighting from the bottom up to preserve our funding, manpower and relevance.

Or we can consider the reality of our Air Force's vector and transform ourselves accordingly.

When I came into this command, I tried to understand our headquarters structure, our field organizations and our work units. I tried to relate them to my experiences as I have grown up in our Air Force.

It became apparent that we had not chosen organizational, programmatic, financial, accounting or personnel models consistent with the rest of the Air Force or appropriate to the "business environment" we live in, versus the "business world" we thought we resembled.

We were trying to act like a business, but the environment in which we operate does not conform to the business world. The result in some instances was confusion, frustration and conflict.

We are a military organization and we are bound by the rules and directives that support our national security. National security is our purpose for being.

We can conduct ourselves in a "business-like" manner, but don't be confused; we are a military organization, not a business.

We cannot think of ourselves as different from the rest of our comrades-in-arms. We are a critical part of the United States Air Force, and we are structuring ourselves with that mindset.

It is true that we may have some different missions or rules to deal with, but our basic structure and the basic processes we use to accomplish our missions need to be consistent with the rest of our Air Force.

I recall the days when our fighter squadrons couldn't fly a schedule with less than 50 percent deviation every day.

Today, however, they have few deviations, day after day. Sortie rates went up because commanders changed their organizations into product-oriented, resource-earning, goal-driven units with clear metrics to guide their decisions.

The time has come for similar change in AFMC.

Our change began last October when the program executive officer location was moved from Washington D.C. to our centers.

The whole purpose of the PEO restructure was to reconnect the AFMC people and infrastructure with the acquisition community and harness the value of our people and infrastructure to facilitate successful program execution – to me that means relevant systems, on time and on cost.

The PEO restructure is undoubtedly the driving force – the foundation behind AFMC's transformation.

The PEO restructure was the right thing to do, and it will improve our ability to accomplish our mission.

But to further the transformation, Headquarters AFMC and our center staffs have to accurately determine the right size of our "work units" – wings, groups, squadrons – first at our product centers with similar structures to be developed for our logistics and test centers.

Our success is dependent on defining and implementing the right training, the right processes, the right tools and the right metrics to ensure that all concerned know how they are doing in producing and delivering relevant systems on time and on cost, every time.

Our work units will be structured in a way that the people assigned to each organization will be directly accountable to their unit commander or director.

And like it or not, when dealing with billions of taxpayers' dollars, as we do, the single most identifiable measure of our performance is cost.

There are all kinds of excuses for program cost growth, but in the end, if you don't use attrition-based planning to determine the schedule and cost, if you don't know the incremental value and cost of the people assigned to a project with regard to the total program cost – and account for it, you will always be over budget.

We must turn our organizations, work units and offices into resource earning units.

We must know what our people cost, how many it will take to do the job based on the amount of work they can produce per hour – and with attrition-based planning factored in – know how many of those hours

it will take to complete the job.

Without this very basic approach we can't build a reliable schedule and expect our customers and Headquarters Air Force to provide us the resources necessary to maintain the heartbeat of AFMC.

Once fully transformed, AFMC will be positioned for better customer focus.

Recent history shows that even if the cost for a given system is more than anticipated, the war fighting customer doesn't seem to complain because in the partnership relationship, trust and confidence help provide realistic expectations with a better understanding of risks.

Under our new operating structure, we will have more connectivity to the "external factor" – agencies and individuals that have influence over what we do.

It is incumbent upon us to make it easier for Congress, the private sector science and technology community, other commands, the Air Force acquisition community, our employees' union, Headquarters Air Force, and other entities outside AFMC to understand and relate to what we do.

If the people we deal with daily can understand us better, our value to the war fighters can do nothing but increase.

Again, it's tough to transform without changing. But we must transform if we expect the men and women of AFMC to continue to deliver war-winning capabilities on time and on cost while at the same time receiving the credit they deserve for the great job they do every single day.

## Commander's Action Line

**Col. Greg Patterson**  
Commander,  
78th Air Base Wing



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

Readers can also access Action Line by visiting the Robins AFB homepage at <https://www.mil.robins.af.mil/actionline.htm>. 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.

Security Forces.....	327-3445
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MEO.....	926-6608
Employee Relations.....	926-5802
Military Pay.....	926-3777
IDEA.....	926-2536
Base hospital.....	327-7850
Civil engineering.....	926-5657
Public Affairs.....	926-2137
Safety Office.....	926-6271
Fraud, Waste and Abuse hotline.....	926-2393
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## Drivers using turn lane illegally on Tenth Street

Today, while trying to turn left into the Burger King parking lot at the drive through entrance, I was nearly hit twice by people driving in the center turn lane. The majority of the people driving on Tenth Street heading towards Robins Parkway use this turn lane as a regular driving lane instead of driving in the correct lane and then merging into the left turn lane when appropriate. Usually they get in

the center turn lane immediately after turning the corner in front of the service station or turning left onto Tenth Street from the commissary. Granted, traffic is heavier during the 4 p.m. rush to leave the base, but in both cases the other driver had a clear lane to his right to drive in. Something needs to be done to stop this from continuing before someone is seriously injured.

**Commander's reply:** Thank you for your concern for traffic on Robins. Traffic congestion at the intersection of Robins Parkway and Tenth Street is critical during rush hour. Because of that, a sec-

ond left turn lane was provided to help alleviate the backup of traffic on Tenth Street. The addition of this lane has proven to be helpful, aiding in processing about twice the amount of traffic flow as before. The pavement paint scheme on this stretch of Tenth Street was done following strict Department of Transportation guidance. Occasionally, some motorists disregard driving rules and regulations to expedite their time of travel. On those occasions, effective enforcement should be used to discourage further similar occurrences. In addition, we remind everyone that defensive driving techniques will increase safety during rush hour traffic.

## Remember to slow down

There have been

# 495

speeding tickets issued year to date.

## How the points add up

Accumulating 12 traffic violation points within a year may cause drivers to lose base driving privileges for up to 6 months. Speeding violation points are based on the number of miles over the posted speed limit.

10 miles = 3 points
11 - 15 miles = 4 points
16 - 20 miles = 5 points
21+ miles = 6 points

Source: AFI 31-204



Airmen Against Drunk Drivers is a 24-hour-service that provides rides to those who have consumed alcohol and need transportation home. The program is run by volunteers from across base, and those who use the service aren't subject to adverse action. To request a ride, call: 335-5218, 335-5238 and 335-5236.

## Robins DUI tracker

Robins has adopted a zero tolerance policy for drinking and driving. In addition to an incentive for no DUIs and putting up signs to keep the message in drivers' minds as they leave the base, the Rev-Up will run weekly numbers of DUIs.

August: **0** August 2003: **1** Year to date: **40\*** 2003: **63** As of Wednesday Number of days since last DUI: **12**

\*one of this year's DUIs involved a civilian who is not connected to the base

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# Group hopes to prevent tragedies one ride at a time

By 2nd Lt. Sequoiya L. Franks  
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Jason Mayne is an only child – but he hasn't always been. This past Memorial Day, his 18-year-old sister Leslie was killed by a drunk driver.

"I've had a very close relationship with my sister, and now she's gone," the 116th Air Control Wing first lieutenant said.

But Lieutenant Mayne didn't want his sister's tragedy to be in vain, so he began to ask how he could get involved with reviving the Airmen Against Drunk Driving program here.

The program is made up of volunteers who provide free rides to military identification card holders who find themselves too intoxicated to drive.

The program was founded in 2000 at the 116th ACW. Today, volunteers from the 116th ACW and 19th Air Refueling Group offer free rides to any military members, regardless of rank, and their ID carrying family members.

No names are used, and there are strict rules of engagement volunteers must follow to ensure the protection of everyone involved.

Safety is paramount, so an ID must be shown before a ride is given.

AADD will travel as far as South Beach Nightclub in north Macon, and there will always be a member of the same sex present for those who need a ride.

Volunteers are equipped with an AADD kit that includes a cell phone, rules of engagement, a tracking sheet used only to document the number of persons "saved," directions to the most popular clubs, an emergency contact



Courtesy photo

First Lt. Jason Mayne's sister, Leslie, above, who was killed by a drunk driver, led him to join Airmen Against Drunk Driving.

## How to help

AADD is taking volunteers from the 116th ACW and the 19th ARG to be drivers, give briefings and do fundraisers. Meetings are held Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. in the Wing conference room Building 2078, Coats Hall. For more information, contact 1st Lt. Jason Mayne at commercial 327-2513.

sheet, and a sickness bag.

Lieutenant Mayne said he is only the advisor, and those who do the work include committee members Staff Sgt. Kera Douglas, president; Tech. Sgt. Kameron Baskerville, vice-president; Airman 1st Class Asha

Peterson, secretary; Senior Airman Sharitta Watson and Airman 1st Class Jennell Evans, treasurers.

If you'd like to volunteer but don't want to be a driver, AADD is also looking for people to give briefings to promote the organization and conduct fundraisers.

AADD stresses that because this effort takes dedication and commitment, only serious members should volunteer.

"If AADD prevents one other person, just one, from having the same happen to them, then I'm all for it," said Lieutenant Mayne. "We're not trying to save the world, but prevent alcohol related tragedies one ride at a time."

## ROBINS CLUBS

**Aerospace Toastmasters** meets the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 11:30 a.m. in the Contracting Directorate conference room, Building 300, west wing. For more information, contact Keith Dierking, 926-0420.

**Air Force Association Carl Vinson Memorial Chapter 296** meets the second Wednesday of the month at 11:30 a.m. in the Daedalian Room of the Officers' Club. For more information, contact Julie Vick at 926-2264 or Lynn Morley at 926-6295.

**Dixie Crow Chapter of the Association of Old Crows**, a professional Electronic Combat organization, meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 11:45 a.m. in the atrium of the Officers' Club. For more information, contact Julie Vick at 926-2264 or Wes Heidenreich at 929-4441.

**The Air Force Cadet Officer Mentor Action Program (AFCOMAP) Middle Georgia Chapter**, a professional organization dedicated to the mentoring and professional development of all Air Force officers and officer candidates, meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 11:30 a.m. in the Daedalian Room of the Officers' Club. More information can be found on Robins homepage under Special Functions.

**National Contract Management Association** usually meets the third Wednesday of the month at the Officers' Club at 11:30 a.m., but that can change depending on speaker availability. For information, call Michelle Idone at 926-2231.

**Officers' Christian Fellowship** meets Tuesdays at 7:15 p.m. at a member's home. The organization encourages all military members to grow in their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ through prayer and fellowship together. OCF serves all active duty officers, enlisted personnel, guard and reserve members, ROTC cadets/midshipmen, international military personnel and civilian employees of military retirees. For more information, contact Capt. Melissa

Cunningham at melissa.cunningham@robins.af.mil or 1st Lt. Ann Walsh at ann.walsh@robins.af.mil

**Procurement Toastmasters Club**, open to all of Team Robins, meets the first and third Thursday of each month at noon in the Contracting Directorate's conference room, north end of Building 300. For information, call Lily Fickler at 926-2855.

**Ravens Toastmasters Club** meets the first and third Wednesday of each month at 11 a.m. in the Special Operations Forces Management Directorate's conference room No. 1, Building 300, East Wing, door E-4. For information, call Eddie Sanford at 222-3052.

**Robins Top 3 Association** meets the third Thursday of each month at 3 p.m. at the Enlisted Club. For information, call Master Sgt. John Maldonado at 926-7686 or Senior Master Sgt. Cynthia Cummings at 327-7639.

### VFW meetings

■ The Combat Veterans Group (CVG) meets the first Saturday at 1 p.m. For more information, call Cary Stokes at 836-2284.

■ The Military Order of the Cootie and the Military Order of the Cootie Auxiliary meet the second Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 922-2154.

■ The House Committee of VFW Post 6605 meets the second Wednesday at 7 p.m. For more information, call 922-2154.

■ The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6605 and the Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW meet the third Tuesday at 7 p.m. For more information, call 922-2154.

All of these monthly meetings are held at VFW Post 6605 at 1011 Corder Rd., Warner Robins.

*Editor's Note: Information is provided by club members. To have your club or group's information included or updated, submit it to Angela Trunzo in Building 215, Room 111, by e-mail at angela.trunzo@robins.af.mil or by fax at 926-9597.*

## Night of swing dancing set for Aug. 21

The Houston Arts Alliance presents "A Night of Swing" at the Museum of Aviation Century of Flight Hangar Aug. 21 from 7-10 p.m.

The Georgia Big Band will perform American classics from the 30s and 40s.

Professional dancer Paula East will teach the foxtrot and tango – participation is mandatory.

Participants must bring their own food and drink, picnic or gourmet style.

Tables for eight are \$200 or \$25 for unreserved seat-

ing. Military discounts are honored. Seating is limited, and proceeds will benefit the Houston Arts Alliance.

For more information, call 329-0299, Monday through Friday, 9-1 p.m.

– From staff reports

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# All in a day's work

"I've been doing sandwiches on base since January 1998. I moved from Building 301 to open the snack bar in Air Force Reserve Command June 18. I love it. It's been a nice change.

"I like the people, and have a good time with them. It's fun to work with the public and serve them. You'd be surprised how happy it makes you to make someone else happy and satisfied.

"Want a sandwich?"



U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp

Kathy Ramshur ■ Deli Operator ■ AFRC Building 210 snack bar

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U.S. Air Force photos by Sue Sapp

## summer bash is a smash

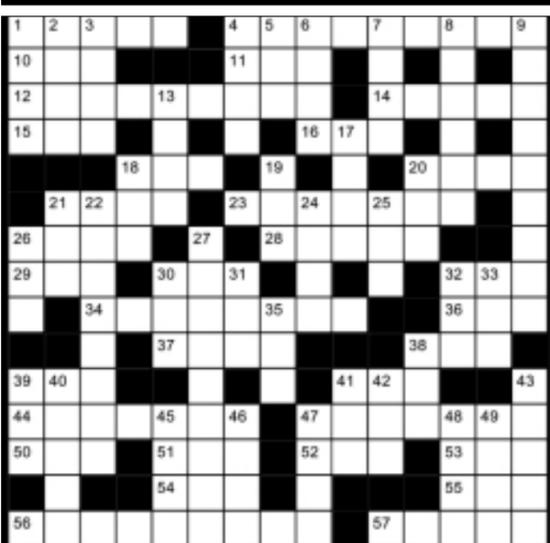


Top, Baylee and William Irby enjoy one of the many rides at the Let's Celebrate Summer Bash at Robins Park Aug. 7. Above, Robby the Robin greets visitors at the bash. Right, fireworks light the night sky over Duck Lake as the day's events come to an end. Below left, Reagan Harper eats some cotton candy.



Bash attendees ride a train, one of the many attractions at the Summer Bash. The event also featured a three-lane bungee run, 18-foot slide, rock climbing walls and prizes.

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE



### Alphabet Soup: AFSCs

By 1st Lt. Tony Wickman  
Alaskan Command Public Affairs

#### ACROSS

1. AFSC 11  
A/B/E/F/G/H/K/R/S/T
4. AFSC 12  
A/B/E/F/G/K/R/S/T
10. Oklahoma town
11. Due
12. AFSC 91C
14. Terror
15. A type of military pay allowance
16. Dined
18. AFSC 1C1X1, in short
20. Swain
21. Org. concerned with protecting civil rights
23. AFSC 15W
26. First African-American male to win Wimbledon
28. Chubby
29. Federal org. for environment
30. 23rd letter of Greek alphabet
32. Mock
34. AFSC 88P
36. Tribunal
37. Sea eagles
38. CBS show Judging \_\_\_\_\_
39. 7th letter of Greek alphabet
41. Former Vietnamese leader Ho \_\_\_\_\_ Minh
44. Toiling
47. AFSC 8P000
50. Fox competitor
51. \_\_\_\_\_ Paulo, Brazil
52. Can. province
53. Automotive org.
54. Term of familiar address, especially for males
55. In launch tests, site of activity, in brief
56. AFSC 61S
57. AFSC 2FOX1

2. Fox show American \_\_\_\_\_
3. Spiritual leader Dahli \_\_\_\_\_
4. Fibroid
5. Wonder
6. Designer Wang
7. Yawn
8. Berlin Airlift commander
9. AFSC 8R000
13. AK island occupied by Japan in WWII
17. Dorothy's friend
18. Pub order
19. Military pay statement
20. Gamble
21. Cleopatra killer
22. AFSC 52R
24. Air Force guide for CBRN warfare, in short
25. Mil. cockpit essential for 1 ACROSS
26. Air Force deployment set, in short
27. AFSC 13A
30. The Pit and the Pendulum author
31. Charged particle
32. AFSC 13B or 1A4X1, briefly
33. Earning
35. Co. head
38. Demeanor
39. Flightless bird
40. Agenda
41. Dupe
42. Shack
43. Clothe
45. Book identifier
46. Mongolian desert
47. Paint
48. Atoll
49. British hereditary title

#### DOWN

1. Warsaw \_\_\_\_\_

For puzzle solution, see Aug. 20 edition of the Rev-Up

#### Puzzle solution for Aug. 6



## FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER

**Family Support Center sponsored classes, workshops, and seminars are open to all Team Robins personnel. For more information, or to make a reservation, call 926-1256.**

### Community tour

The FSC community tour for all Team Robins members and their eligible family members will be Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Meet at the center.

This tour is designed to help newcomers become familiar with the surrounding communities, including activities and places of interest. The tour day includes information on Macon's downtown and historic districts, a visit to the Ocmulgee Indian Mounds, a trip through Ft. Valley, and concludes with a visit to the county seat in Perry.

### Resume and cover letter

There will be a resume and cover letter workshop Wednesday, 9 - 11 a.m., Building 945, FSC annex.

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

### Salary negotiation class

A salary negotiation class will be conducted Thursday, 8 - 10:30 a.m., Building 905, Room 138.

The average person looking for employment assumes salary offers are predetermined and not negotiable. Because they may be uncomfortable talking about money, or unsure when or how to do so, the first salary offered is usually accepted. One concept discussed will be how and why inaccurately reflecting your qualifications and value to the employer affects salary offers. This session is designed to assist you in an overview of how to determine your worth and know if the

salary is negotiable, including how to and when not to factor in benefits packages. Strategies and tips are provided to assist in overcoming your discomfort and empower you in gaining a better salary.

### Bundles for babies & infant care

The Air Force Aid Society will conduct a Bundles For Babies & Infant Care class Aug. 25, 8 a.m. - noon, Building 827, (old base gym) HAWC classroom.

The course is for all active duty Air Force families preparing for a new baby. Discussions will cover early childhood development, attachment, infant care, practical preparation and financial preparation. At the end of the session, a bundle is presented, compliments of the Air Force Aid Society. The bundle includes a thermal weave plaid cotton crib blanket, a hooded towel and wash mitten, a white knit crib sheet, a 2-pack printed cotton receiving blanket, a 4-pack cotton diapers, a 2-pack sleep-n-play, a 3-pack onesies and a pair of booties.

### The spouse's connection

The FSC will offer the spouse's connection, Aug. 25, 9-11 a.m., in Building 945, FSC annex.

Tired of staying home? Need to get out? Want to make new friends? We have just the thing you are looking for. Let's get together for conversation, laughter, fun and refreshments. Come and learn about the fun things to do in Middle Georgia and make a new friend in the process.

### Sponsorship training

The FSC will offer training for both beginner and experienced sponsors Aug. 26, 2 - 3:30 p.m., Building 945,

FSC annex. The training provides sponsors information on types of information to send to the PCSing member and where to obtain it; different ways to communicate with the inbound member; and information regarding their responsibilities to the assigned member and his or her family, if applicable.

### Financial workshop

The Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Middle Georgia, a nonprofit organization funded by the United Way, will conduct a free "Money and Credit Management" workshop Aug. 27, 1 - 4 p.m., Building 905, Room 127.

A comprehensive workbook is provided to all attendees. Information on credit management, debt reduction and consumer rights will be presented at this workshop. Assistance will be provided in the development of spending and savings plans so that financial goals may be realized. This workshop is open to all Team Robins members.

### Transition assistance

Transition Assistance has a four-step process for ensuring active duty personnel are prepared to separate from the military. The process begins with

- attending a pre-TAP information class 18 to 36 months prior to separation;
- attending a resume and writing class around the 10th month;
- attending the three-day Department of Labor workshop at the sixth month; and
- attending interviewing process class at the fifth month.

These classes are offered throughout the year. Personnel approaching separation should schedule pre-separation and Individual Transition Plan counseling appointments with a TAP representative.

## SERVICES BRIEFS

### CDC East and West

The Child Development Center has immediate openings for limited number of children, ages 6 weeks - 6 months and no waiting for ages 3 - 5. Child care fees are determined by total family income and cover 50 hours of care per child, per week. These National Association for Education of Young Children accredited centers in buildings 943 and 946, Tenth Street, are open Monday - Friday, 6:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. To register, go to [www.robins.af.mil/services](http://www.robins.af.mil/services) or visit the Family Child Care office, second floor of Building 767, Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. To tour a facility, call Pam Martinez at 926-5805 or Tommy Henson at 926-3080. For more information, call Vera Keasley, FCC coordinator, at 926-6741.

### Enlisted Club

A Members First Plus membership luau will be held Wednesday from 5 - 7 p.m. Cost is free for members, \$7.95 for guests and \$10 for nonmembers.

### ITT

The Skills Development Center and

ITT have joined forces to sell excess inventory at the yard sale at the Smith Community Center, Building 767, Saturday, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Join ITT on a day-trip to the Mall of Georgia Sept. 18. Mall of Georgia features Dillard's, JC Penney, Lord & Taylor, Nordstrom and Rich's - Macy's, plus more than 225 other stores such as A/X Armani Exchange, Ann Taylor, Barnes & Noble, Banana Republic, Delia's, Pottery Barn, Restoration Hardware, and Williams-Sonoma. A 57-passenger tour bus, featuring on-board restrooms, will be reserved for this shopping trip. Cost is \$30 for club members and \$35 for non-club members and includes complimentary breakfast. The tour bus will depart from the parking lot across from the Smith Community Center at 8:30 a.m., and departure from the mall will be at 7 p.m. A minimum of 30 people must sign up by Sept. 3 at ITT. For more information, call 926-2945.

Busch Gardens and Sea World are holding military appreciation days

through Nov. 11. Ticket cost is \$45.

### Officers' Club

Dance the night away to big band sounds Saturday from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Come early and order dinner from the menu. Dining is available from 6 - 9 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

A Boss N' Buddy night will be held Wednesday at 5 p.m. at the Wellston behind the Officers' Club. A trivia contest will be held along with free tacos and wings. For more information, call the club at 926-2670.

Come out Aug. 27 for a boot scootin good time with a Texas buffet from 6 - 9 p.m. Country music will be played from 7:30 - 10:30 p.m. Cost is \$13.95 for members and \$14.95 for nonmembers.

### Skills Development Center

Clip the customer appreciation coupon in the August Edge magazine to receive 20 percent off on framing of military memorabilia (excluding flag box cost). This special includes three lines of engraving on a plate for free.

## 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 Macon synagogue.

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

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

## Reunion concert set for Sept. 12

There will be a reunion concert Sept. 12 at 5 p.m. at the Base Chapel. The concert will feature Robins Gospel Experience Choir, Robins Chancel Choir, New Hope Baptist Church of Perry Inc. Male Choir and a special guest choir.

— From staff reports

## MOVIE SCHEDULE

*Adult tickets are \$3; children (11 years old and younger) tickets are \$2. For more information, call the Base Theater at 926-2919.*

**Friday and Saturday 7:30 p.m. — Spiderman 2 — Tobey Maguire and Kristen Dunst**

Peter faces new challenges as he struggles with "the gift and the curse," trying to balance his dual identities as Spider-Man and as a college student. He finds that his personal relationships are in danger of unraveling. His life-long yearning for M. J. becomes even stronger as he fights the impulse to reveal his secret life and declare his love. Peter's life is about to become even more complicated as he encounters a formidable new foe Dr. Octavius.

Rated PG-13 (stylized action violence) 128 minutes

**Saturday 2 p.m. — Sleepover — Alexa Vega and Mika Boorem**

Before her freshman year in high school, Julie has a slumber party with her best friends and they end up having the adventure of their lives. In an attempt to cast off their less-than-cool reputations, they enter into an all-night scavenger hunt against their "popular girl" rivals. Hijacking dad's car, sneaking into clubs, evading Julie's mother, and even a first kiss — anything is possible at Julie's sleepover.

Rated PG (thematic elements involving teen dating, some sensuality and language) 90 minutes



# PT keeps 5th Mob fit for mission success

By Holly J. Logan  
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You've got to be in shape if you're a member of the Mob - the 5th Mob that is.

The 5th Combat Communications Group has a physical training program fashioned after the Navy Seals' fitness routine, and ensures its 700 troops have the staying power to meet mission requirements and live up to Air Force fitness standards.

Capt. Todd Nerlin, who helped develop the 5th Mob's program, said troops' fitness test scores since the program began in May 2003 reflect the program's positive impact.

"Almost 18 percent of the people from the 5th Mob who have taken the (Air Force Fitness Test) have scored a 90 or above (which equates to an excellent)," the Plans and Operations Flight commander for the 5th Combat Communications Squadron said. "We've heard really good things from the troops about how it has increased their physical fitness."

Second Lt. Johnny Calhoun, chief of operations for the 52nd Combat Communications Squadron, said the program takes a proactive approach to preparing for the war fighting mission.

"We have a high operational tempo, and you don't want to get to the area of



U.S. Air Force file photo by Sue Sapp

The 5th Combat Communications Group physical training program borrows from the Navy Seals workout.

responsibility and find that you don't have people who have the physical stamina to do the mission," he said. "We do about 15 minutes of stretching, and then we do a graduated series of calisthenics, based on the person's ability levels starting in the program."

The lieutenant said the workout program - which spreads cardio and strength training activities over a five-day schedule - includes ruck sack marches that have troops carrying nearly 40-pound sand bags on their backs.

They also do wind sprints, formation runs as well as cir-

cuit training.

"These exercises have been proven by the Navy Seals, an elite group with an elite mission which requires them to be at the highest level of fitness possible," he said. "If this workout gets Navy Seals prepared for their mission, certainly this will be sufficient for us."

Tech. Sgt. Lisa Wilson said the program has made a lasting impact on her personal life as well as her ability to contribute to the mission.

"Before arriving at the 5th Mob in June of 2003, I had no exercise program in place," the noncommissioned officer

in charge of the 5th Combat Communications Support Squadron's Contingency Plans and Training said.

"After a few weeks of participating in the program, I was inspired to adapt to a healthier lifestyle and to getting myself in shape."

The sergeant, who used to smoke a pack of cigarettes a day but has been smoke-free for nearly nine months, said she owes her new, improved lifestyle to the program.

"I am very dedicated to staying in shape now, and I know that the 5th Mob PT program is a great contributor to that attitude."

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## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Bowling Center

Pick up a three-level punch card and start earning rewards with Bowl for the Stars and Strikes through Aug. 31. Bowlers will have a chance to win a magnum red and blue sparkle ball and a bowling bag. For more information, call 926-2112.

Two can bowl for the price of one on Friendly Fridays in August from 1 - 4 p.m.

Let's roll back to school will be Aug. 27 from 6 - 9 p.m. Cost is \$15 per person and includes pizza and a drink.

### Fitness Center

The outdoor running track is open.

A body fat analysis is slated for Wednesday from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the center. Wear a comfortable shirt and shorts and don't exercise before the assessment. For more details, call 926-2128.

### Golf Course

A Cha Cha Cha tourney is scheduled for Aug. 28, with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$40 for annual green fee members and \$55 for guests, which includes breakfast, lunch, drinks on course, green fee and cart fee.

Beginning in September, the golf course will offer children, ages 8 - 13, a new program which makes learning golf easy, affordable and fun. Golf 4 Kids provides children with a solid foundation about the game. For \$50, participants will receive eight hours of small group instruction in three supervised on-course playing experiences, a T-shirt, cap, golf towel, neon tee pack and bag tag, rules and etiquette brochures and a graduation certificate. Children graduating from the program will receive a free set of Ram junior clubs. Classes will be held from 4:30 - 6 p.m. Sept. 13, 15, 20, 22 and 27 for ages 8 - 10; and Sept. 28 and 30, Oct. 5, 7 and 12 for ages 11 - 13.

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## ROBINS BULLETIN BOARD

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### Quarterly awards ceremony

Maj. Gen. Mike Collings will host the Robins quarterly awards ceremony today, 2 p.m., at the Museum of Aviation, Century of Flight Hangar. Robins' outstanding performers from the Warner Robins Air Logistics Center, 116th Air Control Wing, Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command, 78th Air Base Wing, 19th Air Refueling Group and the 5th Combat Communications Group will be honored. It's encouraged to show your support by displaying your unit guidons and having noisemakers. The Spirit Award trophy will be presented to the unit displaying the most spirit and pride. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Jessica R. Jackson, WR-ALC/CCC, 926-0792.

### OSC coffee

The Robins Officers' Spouses Club special activities coffee will be Thursday at the Museum of Aviation from 10 a.m. - noon. This is a free event with representatives from both Robins and the surrounding communities. Come out and see what the Robins Officers' Spouses Club and Middle Georgia has to offer you. For more information, contact Jenny Braden, special activities chairperson, at 923-3938.

### ASMC luncheon

The American Society of Military Comptrollers Middle Georgia Chapter luncheon will be Aug. 25 at 11:30 a.m. at the Officers' Club. Cost is \$8 and includes club sandwiches with potato

salad. Steve Edwards, with the Georgia Bureau of Investigations' financial investigations unit, will discuss identity theft. Tickets may be purchased from Kathy Piper at 327-1410, Amy Galeazzo at 472-0381 and Betty Enge at 926-5485. RSVP with a ticket representative by Thursday.

### 78th ABW Enlisted Promotion ceremony

Col. Greg F. Patterson, 78th Air Base Wing commander, will host the 78th ABW Enlisted Promotion ceremony Aug. 31, 3:30 p.m., at the Vista Scope Theater, Museum of Aviation. Those being recognized will be notified by their respective first sergeants. Commanders, supervisors, family members, and friends are encouraged to attend. Show your unit's pride and spirit; come and join us in congratulating our new promotees. For more information, contact Master Sgt. Sharon Ward or Staff Sgt. Jessica Jackson at 926-0792.

### Live fire training

The 78th Security Forces Squadron conducts live fire training at the base firing range, located on the north-east side of Robins, adjacent to the horse stables. The range is off-limits to all persons, unless scheduled for training or official business. Nearby housing residents should warn children of the hazards of playing near the ranges. The ranges are clear-

ly marked with signs, red flags, red beacon and streamers during weapons firing. Security forces are conducting day and night fire year-round. A red beacon for night operations has been installed so Robins personnel will know of the location and dangers of the firing range at night.

### Lost and found

One bowling bag with contents and one gym bag with contents have been found. To identify lost property, call Investigator Genis Hall, found property custodian, 78th Security Forces Investigations, at 926-5271.

### Red Cross needs volunteers

The Houston Middle Georgia Chapter of the American Red Cross needs volunteers for Robins' clinics, Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. If interested, call Mary Jennings at 923-6332, Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

### Boy Scout Troop 220

Boy Scout Troop 220 meets every Tuesday night from 7 to 8:30 at 1082 Hawkinsville St. For more information, call Mary Pangborn at 929-5742 or Dennis Collier at 953-8124.

### Girl Scouts leaders needed

Girl Scouts of Robins is in need of leaders and co-leaders. The troops meet on base. If interested, contact Ginny

Luther at (800) 868-4475 extension 133.

### Zero Overpricing Program

The Zero Overpricing Program aims to reduce overpricing in Air Force acquisitions. If the current catalog price for an item is incorrect submit an AF Form 1046 to WR-ALC/PKPB, Attn: ZOP Monitor, 235 Byron St., Robins AFB, GA 31098. For more information, contact Cassandra Tharpe, WR-ALC/PKPB, at 926-7118 or visit <http://pkec.robins.af.mil/pr/pkpb.htm>.

### Robins Thrift Shop

The Thrift Shop is taking donations on consignment. The shop is located on Page Road, Building 288, just inside gate 5. Store hours are 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

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# Radios to migrate to narrowband

The Land Mobile Radio migration to narrowband at Robins will happen the weekend of Oct. 9-11.

The following LMR equipment is narrowband compatible: MTS 2000, XTS 3000, XTS 5000, ASTRO Saber (hand held radios), MCS 2000, ASTRO Spectra (vehicular radios), and the ASTRO Spectra consolle (base stations).

The hand held radios indicate the model number on the front cover.

All vehicular and base stations must say "ASTRO" Spectra not just Spectra on its front cover. The MCS 2000's model number is on the front face plate.

If in doubt, ask your Net Manager or call the Personal Wireless Communications Systems office at 926-0066.

If you own radios not listed above, please contact the PWCS facility for compatibility information.

Prior to Oct. 9, radio users should ensure their equip-

ment is in good working condition.

Migrating to narrowband will not fix a broken radio. If equipment is broken, give it to your Net Manager.

Your Net Manager will open a job ticket and deliver the radio to the 78th Communications Squadron PWCS office in Building 270, on the corner of Byron Street and Martin Luther King Boulevard.

If your Net Manager is not available, call 926-HELP

(926-4537), and select option 3 to open a job ticket.

You will need to know the serial number of the radio when you call this number.

We can not overstress the importance of coordinating with your PWCS Net Manager on all radio issues.

Net Managers must know the status of all LMR's they are responsible for in order to make this migration a seamless transition.

– From staff reports

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# Security awareness integral to base safety

As most people know, the Department of Homeland Security has upgraded the terror alert status from yellow to orange.

Intelligence has been received indicating possible terrorist activity.

Base employees and residents need to remain vigilant. Any suspicious activity

needs to be reported to the proper authorities. Even the smallest bit of information can save innocent lives. Terrorists usually work in groups of two to five and only have a little bit of information. The whole pie is usually pieced together to form the deadliest of outcomes.

Anyone who is in doubt about the information they have seen or received, report it anyway and let the proper authorities decide for you.

– Staff Sgt. Christopher Navarro, 78th Security Forces Squadron

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