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The Commanders Action Line is an open-door program for Team Robins personnel to give kudos, ask questions or suggest ways to make Robins a better place to live, learn, work and play. The most efficient and effective way to resolve a problem or complaint is to directly contact the responsible organization.

That gives the organization a chance to help you, as well as a chance to improve its processes. If you do contact the Commanders Action Line, please fully explain whom it is you want to recognize and why, what you have a question about, or your suggestion. Discourteous or disrespectful **submissions will not be processed.** **Commander's Action Line items of general interest to the Robins community will be printed in the Robins Rev-Up.**

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2017 STATE OF THE BASE

Base Leadership provides update on Robins ...

By TECH. SGT. KELLY GOONAN

Robins Public Affairs

The 2017 State of the Base was held April 4 at the Museum of Aviation and hosted more than 200 community leaders from across seven communities: Warner Robins; Perry; Macon; Hawkinsville; Cochran; Dublin; Eastman; and Peach County.

Col. Jeff King, Commander 78th Air Base Wing, began by speaking about a few outcomes from the previous year.

The 78th Air Base Wing underwent a higher headquarters inspection from Air Force Material Command and emerged with an overall effective rating while producing the fewest number of deficiencies across the command during the last two years. Additionally, the base was awarded its first Air Force Outstanding Unit Award in eight years and over 40 higher headquarters-level awards from the Air Force sustainment center, AFMC and the Air Force. The safety and "Caring for People" metrics are also moving in the right direction, he said.

"We've just hit a 15-year low in workers compensation payouts," King said. "This is as safe as the base has ever been. Those dollars saved in worker compensation payouts can be reinvested into new weapons systems."

King went on to say that the air base wing continues to provide power projection for its 36 mission partners and continues to complete missions that impact every combat command.

"We deploy the 5th Combat Communications Group into places we don't even talk about, we generate aircraft to return to the field, and we repair parts for all our sister services," King said. "Those parts are sent everywhere across the world to all services in our multinational partners so Robins Air Force Base continues to be a vital part to our defense posture."

King also touched on the 2016 economic impact of 2.86 billion dollars, showing a 4-percent increase from 2015 and explained that the base has awarded \$490 million in contracts to firms in Georgia.

"More than half of those were awarded to firms in Houston County," King said. "The impact of those contracts will be felt locally as well as across the state."

In addition to Col. King, five panelists were present to speak on their units' specific roles at the base.

Maj. Gen. Derek Rydholm, Air Force Reserve Command Plans and Programs commander, said the command is looking forward to moving into its new Consolidated Mission Complex which broke ground earlier this year.

"Right now we're spread out over about a mile for our command staff members," Rydholm said. "This will not only consolidate us into one area but will also free up prime real estate for the base which will help cut down on construction projects the base would have to otherwise undergo."

Brig. Gen. John Kubinec, Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex commander, expressed concern over the Air Force's size and aging fleet.



"The Air Force and our country needs the work that the air logistics complex produces now and into the future more than ever," he said. "So let there be no doubt that the ALC is a vital cog in our nation's defense, and thanks to the support you provide and to the great work that our men and women do every single day: we will continue to do what our nation asks of us."

Tom Fischer, Air Force Sustainment Center Engineering, Robins Operating Location director, represented the 1,700 scientists and engineers and 400 engineering technicians at Robins who collectively donated more than a year's worth of time for the STEM program last year.

"There isn't an aircraft that's flying missions around the world that a Robins engineer hasn't touched," he said. "Things don't fly without a Robins engineer's hands on them."

Lt. Col. Tom Grabowski, 116th Air Control Wing vice commander, discussed the need for hiring in every job specialty code that can be imagined. From communications and electronics to engineering, he encouraged anyone who'd like to be a part of the Georgia Air National Guard to seek their recruiters.

Col. Tim Brester, 461st Air Control Wing vice commander, expressed his sincere gratitude for the community's continued support of their mission and their troops' families.

"We absolutely couldn't do our complex and challenging mission without the community's support," he said.

Finally, during the question and answer session a gentleman asked the panel to redefine what Kubinec said about the Air Force being the smallest and oldest it's ever been and to elaborate upon the readiness of the Air Force.

"Let there be no doubt your Air Force is ready to fight tonight and defend our country," Kubinec said. "We are still, and will remain, the greatest Air Force on

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— BRIG. GEN. JOHN KUBINEC

WR-ALC COMMANDER

this planet, but that doesn't mean that we don't have challenges. And, its incumbent for us as leaders to not only be ready to fight tonight but to be ready to fight tomorrow."

Further driving home the point, Rydholm provided some statistics from the first gulf war.

"During the first gulf war we had 500,000 plus active duty military, we have 317,000 now," he said. "We had 3,000 combat coded fighter aircraft, we're down to about 1,400 right now. We had 134 combat coded fighter squadrons, we have 55 now."

"We were fighting one war in Iraq, we're fighting in about five different countries right now," he added. "So, when we talk about oldest and smallest, our airframes are tired and need to be recapitalized. The work that's done here helps to do that. It's the advocacy from our elected officials and the people that see the need for a strong military that we need to continue. We need your support and we'll do just fine."

The State of the Base provides a public forum where community members receive first-hand information and have direct questions answered by top base leaders.

In this platform leaders from Robins meet annually to brief the community on their priorities, progress and partnership opportunities.

SPEAK UP!

Knowing sexual assault reporting process empowers victims

By Holly Logan-Arrington
ROBINS PUBLIC AFFAIRS

You can't always control what happens to you, but you can choose what you'll do about it. This is true even for those who've been sexually assaulted.

Sexual assault is intentional sexual contact, characterized by use of force, physical threat or abuse of authority or when the victim does not or cannot consent.

It includes rape, nonconsensual sodomy (oral or anal sex), indecent assault (unwanted, inappropriate sexual contact or fondling), or attempts to commit these acts.

Sexual assault can occur without regard to gender or spousal relationship or age of victim. Consent shall not be deemed or construed to mean the failure by the victim to offer physical resistance.

Consent is not given when a person uses force, threat of force, coercion or when the victim is asleep, incapacitated or unconscious. Whether you've been sexually assaulted or you know someone who has, being educated about sexual assault reporting procedures equips people to be their own advocate or help someone they know.

"The majority of Airmen will not commit sexual assault or be victims of sexual assault, but sexual assault in the Air Force is a problem and it affects all Airmen if one person is sexually assaulted," Jayne Bishop, Sexual Assault Response coordinator, said. "Leadership does not require rank or position. Any Airman can and should take action to lead their peers and set an example for compassionate and professional support for victims of sexual assault."

There are two types of reporting in sexual assault cases: restricted and unrestricted.

Restricted Reporting

Active-duty military, military dependents 18 years of age and older, Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard members, and Defense Department civilians are eligible to make a restricted report.

- Contact SARC
- Command is not notified
- SARC Victim Advocate attends to victim needs - provides non-clinical support
- May receive medical care
- May receive counseling
- May make unrestricted reporting decision at a later date
- SVC

Unrestricted Reporting

Active Duty military, military dependents 18 years of age and older, AF Reserve and ANG members in Title 10 status, and DoD civilians are eligible to make an unrestricted report.

- Contact SARC
- Command is notified
- SARC Victim Advocate attends to victim needs — provides non-clinical support
- Investigation initiated
- May receive medical care
- May receive counseling
- SVC

Independent Reporting

If you tell anyone, who subsequently notifies command, Security Forces, or Air Force Office of Special Investigations, or if someone observes the assault and notifies command, SFS, or OSI, an investigation is launched. Assault becomes unrestricted reporting.

- SARC Victim Advocate attends to victim needs — provides non-clinical support
- May receive medical care
- May receive counseling

For more information, call the SARC office at 478-327-7272.



Sexual Assault Awareness & Prevention Month Events (2017)



SARC Office
Bldg 707

For more information please call:
Comm 478-327-7272; DSN 497-7272

Events by Date:

- 1-30 April - Traveling Clothesline of Courage – Various Locations Around the Base
- 1-30 April - Macon Crisis Line & Safe House Donations
- 7 April - Super Hero Run, 0715, Starts at Warrior Field (Base Track)
- 10 April - Line Dancing Class, 9-11 AM, Main Gym, email Darlene Mannings for sign-up
- 11 April - Self Defense Class, 1200 or 1600, Bldg 301 Annex Gym, email Capt Chapov for sign-up
- 12 April - Courage Walk, meet at 1000 between buildings 300-301, walk at 1030
- 13 April - Survivor T-Shirt Painting, 1430-1630, Bldg 707, email Anera Harrell for sign-up
- 17, 18, & 22 April - WRPD Firing Range (Open to Civ) – 6-8:30 PM Mon. & Tues./8 AM-Noon Sat.
- 21 April - Shoot for the Cause Basketball Tournament, 1030, Base Main Gym
- 26 April - Meet SAPR Team (Open to All Supvr's), 10:30-2 PM, email Felicia Clark-Reid for sign-up
- TBA April - Parking Lot Blitz – Various Locations Around the Base



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Listing by Event:

- **Courage Walk (POC: SrA Raven Williams)**
 - 12 April - meet at 1000, walk at 1030 between buildings 300-301
- **Line Dancing Class (POC: Darlene Mannings)**
 - 10 April, 9-11 AM, Main Gym
- **Macon Crisis Line & Safe House Donations (POC: Capt Selena Kimsey)**
- **Meet/Greet Robins AFB SAPR Team (POC: Felicia Clark-Reid)**
 - 1-30 April, 10:30-2 PM, Building 707
- **Parking Lot Blitz**
 - TBA April; Various Locations Around the Base
- **Self Defense Class (POC: Mark French)**
 - 11 April – Self Defense Class, 1200 option, Bldg 301 Annex Gym
 - 11 April – Self Defense Class, 1600 option, Bldg 301 Annex Gym
- **Shoot for the Cause Basketball Tournament (POC: Angie Richardson)**
 - 21 April; 1030, Base Main Gym
- **Super Hero Run (POC: Lesley Darley)**
 - 7 April; 0715, Starts at Warrior Field (Base Track)
- **Survivor T-shirt Painting (POC: Anera Harrell)**
 - 13 April - Survivor T-Shirt Painting, 2:30-4:30 PM, Bldg 707, email Anera Harrell for sign-up
- **Traveling Clothesline of Courage**
 - 1-30 April; Static Display at Various Locations Around the Base
- **WRPD Firearm Safety Class (POC: Tequita Rawls)**
 - 17, 18 and 22 April - 6-8:30 PM Monday & Tuesday / 8 AM-Noon Saturday

For more information
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Comm 478-327-7272;
DSN 497-7272

AFMC promotes social fitness through spring Wingman Day

By DIANE L. WARHA
Air Force Materiel Command Health and Wellness Team

WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Ohio -- Wingman Day remains a tradition in the Air Force community and supports a culture of caring and commitment to each and every Airman. It reinforces the Air Force wingman concept as the foundation to build resilient Airmen. On Wingmen Day and every day, we encourage you to pause, appreciate each other, and focus on unit wellness. During Spring Wingman Day activities, our topic focuses on social fitness and the importance of positive connections in our everyday exchange with family and those in the workplace.

Social fitness is defined as the ability to engage in healthy social connections and social networks to promote overall well-being and optimal performance. Social connections include the following: our behavior toward each other, mutual benefits from our relationships, and building positive relationships to increase our resiliency. The connections we build and the bonds we make increase our resilience to withstand everyday pressures and accomplish the mission.

Three strategies to strengthen social fitness include the following: a clear sense of mission and purpose, development of healthy communication skills, and choosing to act on what you know and feel with respect. Mission and purpose asks us to examine what role we play in our families, in our jobs, and in the world. Reflecting on who we are contributes to a strong sense of self and helps clarify where we fit-in. Developing healthy communication skills asks us to note that effective and positive communication between people aids in social fitness and may reduce stress levels. Making positive behavioral choices may advance an objective or goal and influence our social environment. When problems arise, look at issues with curiosity and an open mind, because challenges are not always threats and may actually be an opportunity for change.

Social fitness begins with you. Social connections are a personal choice to build healthy relationships through deliberate action to connect with others. Opportunities to engage in social activities are wide spread. Programs are offered through the Airman and Family Readiness Center, fitness programs, sport leagues, and in the faith-based community.

When we are aware of the benefits of social fitness we understand the importance of: mission and purpose, effective communication, social support, and connectedness. These concepts are the key message of Comprehensive Airman Fitness, or CAF, which promote a holistic approach to taking care of people. On Wingman Day and throughout the year we continue to highlight the importance of situational awareness, accountability, team building, and mutual support. As Wingmen we strive to stay alert, be involved, take action, and maintain a culture of respect and resiliency.

The importance of recognizing that we are all unique, we all belong, and we all make a difference every day remains vital to making positive social connections. Respect yourself and others to create a culture of caring in the Air Force and in our communities. Social fitness begins with you.

Team Robins Wingman Day TODAY!

SUPER HERO RUN

Starts: 7:30 a.m.
Meet at Football Field at 7:15 a.m.

Robins Connect Block Party

Walk-Up Team Challenges

Corn Hole

Chiefs vs Colonels Challenges

Unit Sports Day Challenges Include:

- Golf • Bowling • 3 on 3 basketball
- Dodgeball • Ultimate Frisbee
- Beach Volley Ball • Gator Ball
- PT Challenge

FSS Wingman Day Lunch Specials

- FREE BBQ Sandwich, Baked Beans & Chips (while supplies last)
- Pay As You Go:

Food Trucks, Pizza By the Slice, Lunch Specials at
Golf Course • Heritage Club • Bowling Center

WORKSHOPS:

- 0900-0945: Laugh Your Way to a Better Work Life-Provided by 78MDG
- 1000-1045: Financial Class-Provided by First Command
- 1100-1145: Ensuring Fitness Assessment Success-Provided by Health Promotions
- 1300-1345: Financial Class-Provided by First Command
- 1400-1445: Surviving Seasonal Allergies-Provided by Health Promotions

Earn points for your unit by attending these mini life skills classes

The following organizations will be closed or go to minimum manning to support or participate in the Wingman Day Event.

Closed Facilities:

- 78th Comptroller Squadron (base finance)
- 78th Medical Group
- Airman & Family Readiness Center (available for emergency Air Force Aid Loans only)
- Military Personnel Section
- OSS-Host Aviation Resource Management Office only
- Equal Opportunity Office
- Chapel
- Public Affairs

Minimum Manning:

- Base Education and Training
- Judge Advocate Office (customer service in building 708 will be closed)
- Civilian Engineering (open for customer service only)

78th SFS gets **HOT** new ride

By **TOMMIE HORTON**
Robins Public Affairs

The 78th Air Base Wing Security Forces Squadron recently received a new law enforcement patrol vehicle which arrived fully equipped and ready for service.

The Ford Taurus was acquired through the Department of Defense's Joint Service Law Enforcement Vehicle Equipment Standardization, or JSLEVES, initiative.

The DoD is leasing the vehicles for department funded installations through General Services Administration at a significant savings to the government. Acquisition and maintenance costs are not absorbed by the local unit with this effort.

The appearance of the 78th SFS's new sedan is more comparable to law enforcement vehicles off base, making it more recognizable by the public. Its powerful V6 engine is built to run rigorous 24-hour patrol schedules on eco-friendly E85 fuel.

"It not only looks better, but it runs and feels better too," said Staff Sgt. John Duffin, 78th SFS shift supervisor.

Up until now, patrol vehicles would arrive at the unit as standard sedans and would require outfitting with multiple modifications such as lights, sirens, radios and partitions. Those modifications would cost around \$6,000 per vehicle.

The police interceptor package installed on the Taurus at the factory includes everything needed for security forces to perform their mission upon delivery.

Having the car outfitted at the factory also means the equipment wiring is neatly installed and more reliable. The lights and sirens are pre-programmed at the factory.

The backseat is caged and doesn't have door or window controls.

"These features make the car safer and more suitable for transporting suspects," said Duffin.

Eventually, all vehicles in the 78th SFS fleet will be replaced with JSLEVES vehicles through attrition. That includes trucks, SUVs and K-9 units. All K-9 vehicles will be fully equipped SUVs. The unit typically replaces a vehicle every three to four years and expects to have its fleet full of JSLEVES vehicles around the year 2020.

"In the past, we would have to strip the older cars of all of their added equipment and store those parts in a warehouse prior to taking them out of service," said Master Sgt. Alvin Arguello, 78th SFS supply logistics manager. **"That process will no longer be necessary,"** he said. **"Retired JSLEVES vehicles will be sent back to GSA the same way they were received."**

The JSLEVES initiative marks a win for Air Force SFS units as well as the Defense Department.



"It not only looks better, but it runs and feels better too."

— STAFF SGT. JOHN DUNFFIN
78th SFS shift supervisor



Burn, Baby Burn ...

By ED ASPERA
Robins Public Affairs

Being a firefighter on base requires being prepared for just about anything. And, to ensure they're ready to handle even the worst of scenarios, they train ... a lot.

Following their recent Airport Rescue Fire Fighting Live Fire Training, we took time out to talk with Javie Blanco, Base Fire Department Assistant Chief of Training, to find out a little bit more about it.

Q. How many crews were trained?
A. The whole work package (shift) was trained as required by our annual training plan which incorporates using three days in the week to capture all personnel. About 60 personnel.

Q. This was the first time I've seen the single fire truck shoot a constant stream of three or two nozzles to the mock aircraft, does that procedure have a name?
A. The training we performed was called modulation. It allows the apparatus to provide agent while moving around a plane crash. This technique is mostly used with aircraft crashes.

Q. What is the name of the tower where the controller releases the fuel, and what type of fuel is used?
A. The tower is the Aircraft Fire Training Facility control center. It runs the trainer and uses propane.

Q. Why does the mock aircraft configured the way it is?
A. This particular trainer simulates a large-frame aircraft to include three simulated aircraft engines and ground fires from debris.

Q. How many firefighters are in each fire truck?
A. The ARFF trucks are P-23 s and are manned with a minimum of 3 personnel at all times.

Q. Are all the trucks that were used configured the same or do some contain specialty tools?
A. All are P-23s and are configured the same. Equipment is kept in the same compartments for familiarity. Each truck is configured for 3,300 gallons of water, 500 gallons of foam and 500 pounds dry chemical.

Q. What's the name of the tool used to pry the aircraft door open? It looks like a specialty crow bar.
A. It's called a Haligan Tool

Q. How often is this training conducted?
A. Training is conducted at a minimum semi-annually and as needed or requested.

Q. Is there a name of the movement the firefighters use to approach the aircraft with the fire hose?
A. Our main objective and first objective is always life, which requires us to always provide a rescue path with fire agent for the aircraft crew.

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Art of the Possible

Newsletter

31 March 2017

SPECIAL TO THE REV-UP

AIR FORCE SUSTAINMENT CENTER

Welcome to the First Issue of the Art of Possible Newsletter!

Welcome to the first edition of the Art of the Possible (AoP) Newsletter. This newsletter is a monthly publication intended to keep you informed with news and developments related to AoP and its implementation. This newsletter will report on AoP activities, introduce you to best practices and AoP practitioners across the Center, answer Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs), dispel common misperceptions, and provide an overview of upcoming institutionalization activities. If you have any comments, questions, or suggestions for future topics, please forward them to the AFSC AoP Workflow, AFSC.DP.AoPWorkflow@us.af.mil.

Do You Really Understand Art of the Possible?

AoP is a constraints-based management system designed to create an environment for success by creating a culture of problem solvers, defining processes as machines, eliminating constraints, and continuously improving. AoP is the framework for how the AFSC conducts business and how we strive to achieve world class results and warfighter support. AoP is a deliberate scientific approach to cost reduction through improved process control. In addition it drives action, focuses improvement efforts on processes to resolve constraints, and optimizes available resources ensuring cost effective readiness. Utilizing AoP, AFSC has realized \$2.4 billion in cost savings and avoidance, seen dramatic improvement in depot production, and improved processes across the Center.

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In 2015, AFSC established Strategic Objective 7.1 to “institutionalize AoP across the AFSC to achieve the right results, the right way.” As part of that effort, Mr. Allen, the Center’s Executive Director, identified five AoP Subject Matter Experts (AoP SMEs) with a special set of Center-level responsibilities. These responsibilities include formally defining AoP and its core tenets, standardizing AoP tools, approving changes to AoP, coordinating with AFSC/DPD to develop standard AoP training, and acting as trusted cross-location advisors to AFSC/CC, ALC/CCs, wing/CCs and CLs, and directorate civilian leaders on AoP implementation and execution. These AoP SMEs are Mr. Mike Arnold, 448 SCMW; Ms. June Biancalana, OO-ALC; Mr. Doug Keene, WR-ALC; Mr. David Mann, OO-ALC; and Ms. Janis Wood, OC-ALC.

Did You Know? METL and Art of the Possible

AoP should be implemented on the processes that are critical to an organization successfully accomplishing its mission. Units wishing to implement AoP must first know their critical processes. AoP SME experience in implementing AoP, particularly in staff and overhead organizations, has shown that there can be significant confusion in identifying an organization’s critical processes. Mission Essential Task Lists (METLs) are used across all services. Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Manual (CJCSM) 3500.04D defines an essential task as “Tasks based on mission analysis and approved by the commander that are absolutely necessary, indispensable, or critical to the success of a mission.” A unit’s METL is a complete list of all such tasks for the unit. In implementing AoP, AFSC squadrons and divisions should develop a METL and “get in the struggle” by simply picking an essential task upon which to implement AoP. Additional information on how to use METLs with AoP is available on the AoP SharePoint site. AoP SMEs are also available to provide mentoring and coaching in the identification of essential tasks and implementing AoP processes.

Have a question or want to share a best practices, or lesson learned? Contact

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Upcoming Events:

Advanced Level Workshops

18-19 Apr 17, Scott AFB
20-21 Jun 17, Robins, AFB
Dates TBD Nov 17, Tinker,
AFB

Senior Leader Course

14-16 Aug 17, Tinker AFB

Stock Take II

22-23 Jun 17, Robins AFB

AoP FAQs & Common Misperceptions:

AoP and CPI

AoP is not Continuous Process Improvement (CPI). It is a constraints based management system that is THE enduring management system for AFSC. AoP is an iterative process rather than a one-time event. AoP utilizes CPI tools to eliminate constraints. AoP provides an end to end view of critical processes and uses data to identify the constraint most impacting the process. CPI is the discipline and set of tools employed to address and resolve constraints. In the simplest sense, AoP identifies the right problem to be resolved and CPI addresses it.

AoP SharePoint: <https://cs4.eis.afmc.af.mil/sites/1508/AFSCWay/default.aspx>

Upcoming Topics: AoP Training and AoP in a non-production environment



The VIP treatment



Above: Betty Cantrell, 2016 Miss America, performs for the 2017 International VIP Tour at the Museum of Aviation. The Georgia Department of Economic Development chose Houston County as host site for the International VIP Tour. Each year, the state highlights assets across Georgia to a delegation of dignitaries from around the world. The group included Consulate Generals from 24 countries. Two premier Houston County facilities, Sandler Nonwoven & Museum of Aviation, were on the itinerary. About 60 guests, including local and state officials, plus community and business leaders were in attendance.



This Week in History:

The U.S. Declares War on Germany

By Dr. William Head

Robins Air Force Base historian

One hundred years ago, on April 6, 1917, the U.S. House of Representatives approved President Woodrow Wilson's declaration of war articles by a vote of 373 to 50.

Two days earlier the U.S. Senate had voted 82 to 6 to declare war against Germany. When the President signed declaration bill, America formally entered World War I.

When World War I broke out in July and August of 1914, President Wilson pledged to keep the United States neutral.

This was a popular decision among the vast majority of Americans. Maintaining a neutral posture proved difficult since Wilson was pro-British, and that nation was America's closest trading partners and political ally.

To that end, tension soon arose between the United States and Germany over the latter's attempted quarantine of the British Isles through the use of mines and U-boats or submarines.

Several U.S. ships traveling to Britain were damaged or sunk by German mines, and in February 1915, Germany announced unrestricted warfare against all ships, neutral or otherwise, that entered the war zone around Britain.

One month later, Germany announced that a German cruiser had sunk the *William P. Frye*, a private American vessel.

Wilson was outraged, but the German government apologized and called the attack an unfortunate mistake. On May 7, 1915, the British-owned *Lusitania* ocean liner was torpedoed without warning just off the coast of Ireland.

Of the 1,959 passengers, 1,198 were killed, including 128 Americans.

The German government maintained that the *Lusitania* was carrying munitions, but the U.S. demanded reparations and an end to German attacks on unarmed passenger and merchant ships.

In August, Germany pledged to see to the safety of passengers before sinking unarmed vessels, but in November sunk an Italian liner without warning, killing 272 people, including 27 Americans.

With those attacks, public opinion in the United States began to turn irrevocably against Germany.

Even though, the President won re-election in November 1916 declaring he kept America out of war, the advent of war soon became imminent.

Late in 1916, Wilson's efforts to mediate a peaceful and "non-victorious" end to the war failed.

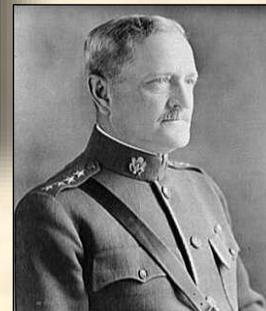
Worse still, in January 1917, British operatives intercepted a cable from the German foreign minister, Baron von Zimmerman to the Mexican President Venustiano Carranza, offering to help return all lands Mexico had lost in 1848 to America if the Mexicans would attack the U.S.

When the British presented the telegram to Wilson he was outraged and sought a reason to declare war.

That reason soon came in February 1917, when



Above: President Wilson requesting a declaration of war from Congress on April 2, 1917. **Left:** "The New York Times" reports on the sinking of the *Lusitania* by Germany, in which 128 were Americans. **Below:** John Pershing was promoted to the rank of four-star general after the war. In the '20s he became the America's first five-star general.



areas as far as Germany itself.

Thus, after four years of bloody stalemate along the western front, the entrance of America's well-supplied forces into the conflict marked a major turning point in the war and helped the Allies to victory.

American ground forces

Germany, determined to win its war of attrition against the Allies, announced the resumption of unrestricted warfare in war-zone waters.

Three days later, the United States broke diplomatic relations with Germany, and just hours after that the American liner *Housatonic* was sunk by a German U-boat.

On Feb. 22, Congress passed a \$250 million arms appropriations bill intended to make the United States ready for war.

In late March, Germany sunk four more U.S. merchant ships, and on April 2, President Wilson appeared before Congress and called for a declaration of war against Germany.

It was one thing to declare war and, yet another to send troops to fight.

Indeed, it was not until June 26, the first 14,000 U.S. infantry troops known as the Rainbow Division, commanded by Gen. John J. Pershing, landed in France to begin training for combat.

Still, it was not until a year later, that the American's had enough troops to begin to take offensive action. Pershing refused to blend U.S. forces into British and French units.

In the summer of 1918, American units defeated German troops at Chateau Thierry and Belleau Woods to help stop the infamous Ludendorff Offensive Germany's last great offensive.

During the Saint-Mihiel offensive, Gen. Billy Mitchell, between September 12 and 16, led 1,481 U.S. Army Air Service aircraft against German targets all along the battle front and in the rear

and airpower spearheaded the great Allied offensives of the fall of 1918 that led to the signing of an armistice and cease fire on Nov. 11, 1918 on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month.

More than two million American soldiers had served on the battlefields of Western Europe. The total number of military and civilian casualties in World War I was more than 40 million.

Of those, 20 million were killed in action, nearly half dying of disease and wounds. Another 30 million were wounded, many severely.

In 1919, in the aftermath of war, an influenza epidemic broke out, mostly among the surviving wounded civilians and combatants.

Ultimately, this led to more than 11 million military and about nine million civilian deaths.

While American casualties were significant, the official total of 116,516 dead and 323,000 wounded pales by comparison to the 200,000 killed in World War II and 600,000 lost in the Civil War.

It is worth noting that of those who died, 53,402 were killed in action and 63,114 died from wounds or disease, mostly influenza. World War I still ranks as one of the bloodiest conflicts in human history.

Team Robins Quest for Zero



Heat Stress Focus

The Team Robins Quest for Zero (Q4Z) Heat Stress Focus is simply a reminder that hot temperatures are just around the corner, so the potential for heat-related conditions can easily escalate.

The week is designed to focus on mishap prevention and remember to be proactive about activities accomplished in the hot months ahead.

The "Heat Stress Focus Week", April 10 through 14, will provide timely and relevant safety information to identified audiences to help prevent heat stress related mishaps, save lives and preserve our work force capability.

We do this by raising awareness of day-to-day hazards of working or playing in extreme temperatures both on and off-duty. Information will be provided in a range of outlets throughout the focus week to remind base personnel of the dangers of heat stress.

Commanders, directors, civilian leaders and supervisors set the safety attitude within their units and work centers by ensuring their personnel know the expectations when it comes to safety on and off the job.

Supervisors, in particular, need to know and understand they're accountable for the overall safety within their work centers.

During the Heat Stress Focus week, we have provided various training materials for your use to enhance your safety and health program. We strongly encourage you to use these training materials during your work center safety meetings and briefings. Information can be found at the link below on the Team Robins Safety SharePoint Site:

<https://cs2.eis.af.mil/sites/21134/rafb/default.aspx>

Once on the site, go to "Supervisor Safety Tool Box" and the sub folder titled "3rd Quarter Heat Stress Focus FY 2017". If you have questions related to those materials or heat stress in general, contact the 78th Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight at DSN 497-7555.

Editor's Note: If you have trouble accessing the materials or if you have any questions, please call Kat Blakley at DSN 468-5655 or 6271.

Keeping Kids Safe

Family Advocacy Program: Preventing Child Abuse is Everyone's Job

By HOLLY LOGAN-ARRINGTON
Robins Public Affairs

It takes two to bring a child into the world, and it takes everyone to keep that child safe.

April is Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month, a time when the Defense Department educates its workforce on its role in preventing child abuse and providing children a safe environment in which to grow and learn.

DOD's 2017 focus for the month is "Step up – keep kids safe and supervised – engage and pay attention, prevent accidents. Speak up – if you witness abuse or neglect, call it in -we all have a role to play in protecting children. Reach Out – it's ok to ask for support – recognize when you are struggling and get help."

John Reeves, Family Advocacy officer for the Robins' Family Advocacy Program, said child abuse prevention reaches beyond a child's home.

"Children have a right to be safe and provided an opportunity to grow, learn and thrive in a positive environment," he said. "Since children are a community's future, it is the responsibility of everyone in the community to do all they can to help children thrive and not be destroyed by child abuse. When we all play a part in prevention, then together, we can all make a difference in our future."

Robins AFB's primary tool to help prevent child abuse is the Family Advocacy Program.

"FAP provides parenting and couples' enrichment classes to support parents and give them tools in their toolboxes for healthier living," Reeves said. "FAP also offers New Parent Support Program (NPSP) services to expecting parents and those with children up to aged 36 months."

NPSP services are provided by nurses and social workers who bring individualized educational services into the home, making it more convenient to parents so they don't have to drag out new baby or toddler for appointments.

"Staff focus on parents' concerns, as well as helping the parent monitor the ages and stages of the child's development," Reeves said. "Additionally, NPSP offers the monthly Passport to Parent class for expecting parents and DADS: The Basics for those dads just entering the trenches of fatherhood. DADS is offered twice a year with the next one rolling out this month."

All FAP classes are open to anyone with base access. NPSP services are available to Tricare eligible beneficiaries.

To learn more or find out how to get involved in Child Abuse Prevention, people can call FAP at 478-327-8398.

IN 60 SECONDS, YOU CAN DO YOUR PART TO PREVENT CHILD ABUSE



- It only takes a minute to reach out to a parent under stress to offer help.
- It only takes a minute to listen - understand that everyone gets frustrated or overwhelmed from time to time.
- It only takes a minute to mention community resources which support families & prevent abuse, like Family Advocacy.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR APRIL

April 10, 17, 24 – **BLUE MONDAY**, Wear Blue in recognition of **Child Abuse Awareness**, Photos can be submitted to Robins.fap@us.af.mil for Facebook spotlight.

Through April 30 – *Pinwheels for Prevention* Table Display, Bldg. 700, 78th Medical Group Atrium

Through April 30 – *Pinwheels for Prevention and Awareness Sandwich Board/Display*, Exchange and Russell Parkway Gate

April 14, 21, 28 – **DADS: The Basics** class for new or expecting dads, 1 to 3 p.m., Family Advocacy Program, Bldg. 700, 655 7th Street RAFB (Registration required: 478-327-8398)

April 18 – *Passport to Parenthood* (for expecting parents), 8:30 a.m. to noon, HAWC, Bldg. 827, (Registration required: 478-327-8398)

April 28 – *Child Abuse Mandated Reporting Training*, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Rainbow House, 108 Elmwood, Warner Robins (Registration required: 478-923-5923)

May 6 – *No Excuse for Child Abuse 5K & 1 Mile* (5K at 8 am, 1 mile fun run at 9 a.m.) Central Ga. Technical College, 80 Cohen Walker Drive, Warner Robins

For more info on events, contact Robins AFB Family Advocacy Program 478-327-8398



APRIL MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

★ **One FREE Game Per Day**
Month of April

To register, complete the application on the next page and email it to Tequita Rawls at tequita.rawls@us.af.mil, or bring it to the SARC office in Bldg. 707.

*Hosted by Robins Lane Bowling Center

★ **Half Price Golf for Kids**
Month of April
Military Children Can Play For Half Price
Monday - Sunday
*Hosted by Pine Oaks Golf Course

★ **Story Time**
& Spring Crafts
April 11, 10:30 a.m.
*Hosted by Base Library

★ **Purple Up!**
April 21, All Day
We Encourage Everyone To Wear Purple
And Publically Recognize Military Kids!
*Hosted by FSS

★ **Blue Plate Specials**
Every Mondays in April
Purchase one get the second 1/2 Off
All Military With Their Spouses
Kids 12 and Under Eat FREE
*Hosted by Base Restaurant

★ **Egg Hunt**

April 8, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Egg Hunt is an annual family event.
Fun day activity for kids of all ages
Hot Dogs & Chips
*Hosted by Youth Center

★ **Start - April 8, 9 a.m.**
End - April 9, 9 a.m.
Movie Games S'mores
Pizza
*Hosted by Outdoor Recreation

★ **Family Night at the Club**
April 22
Saturday Brunch, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Spaghetti & Meatballs and Pizza, 5 - p.m.
*Hosted by Heritage Club

★ **Golf Cart Drive-In
Movie**

April 28, 7:15 p.m.
Movie: Zootopia
Pine Oaks Golf Course
*Hosted by Outdoor Recreation

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Airmen



The Robins Air Force Base 2016 Air Force Assistance Fund campaign is in full swing and runs through May 5.

This year's six-week campaign includes an installation goal of \$75,522, with the theme of "Airmen Helping Airmen."

The annual effort raises funds to provide support throughout the Air Force family, to include assistance with emergency needs, education, or to secure a retirement home for widows or widowers of Air Force members in need of financial aid.

"This is one of the rare opportunities to directly help our members. You can see your donations at work in your unit," said Master Sgt. Jason Clark, AFAF installation project officer. "It's a great program, and one I believe in."

As a flight chief with the 78th Security Forces Squadron, Clark is all about looking out for those around him, to include a team of over 150 military and civilian members.

"Our job is about taking care of people: people always," he said. "It's what we've got to do for our deployed and those put in difficult spots. We are going to need everyone's help to reach our goal... and our goal is to help people."

During the next several weeks, unit project officers will be making 100 per-

cent contact throughout the installation, to include nearly 5,000 Reserve, Guard and active duty personnel at Robins. They will be available to answer additional information about the charities, answer questions and offer the opportunity to contribute to this year's campaign.

AFAF affiliate charities, which support active duty, retirees, Reserve, Guard and dependents, include the Air Force Aid Society, which provides millions of dollars in direct assistance to Air Force members and their families.

That includes emergency assistance, such as interest-free loans, grants and other means of assistance; millions in education programs, such as merit scholarships, education grants for children and spouses, and loans and youth employment skills.

It also provides money to community programs, including child care, readiness and spouse and parenting programs.

The General and Mrs. Curtis E. LeMay Foundation awards grants to enlisted and officer retirees' surviving spouses; the Air Force Enlisted Village provides assistance in the form of a home in a safe, dignified and caring community; and the Air Force Villages Charitable Foundation/Blue Skies of Texas, cares for widowed spouses.

Retirees or civilians who would like to contribute may contact your organization's unit project officers for info.

Unit Project Officers are:

78th CEG

James Hanchett

78th ABW/SC

Master Sgt. Clinton Everling
Tech. Sgt. Kellie Roberts

78th ABW/WSA

Staff Sgt. Joshua Jones
A1C Pamela Ridley

78th MDG

Capt Winnie Odhiambo
Staff Sgt. Louise Sargent
Master Sgt. Ellis Coley

461st ACW

Master Sgt. Jeffery Grenfell
Tech. Sgt. Dustin Pennington
Master Sgt. Nicholas Billow

638th SCMG

Master Sgt. Aquincy Robertts
Lt. Ashley Houser

5th CCG

Lt. John Brautigam
Lt. Jennings Fairchild
Staff Sgt. Alacia Hatten

AFLCMC

Teresa Summers
Tech. Sgt. Joe Treece



Camellia Gardens Memorial Ceremony

Base officials will pay tribute to the living and deceased Team Robins members (military and civilian) at the annual Camellia Gardens Memorial Service in the Museum of Aviation Century of Flight Hangar on May 25, at 10 a.m.

A guest speaker will provide the memorial address and the Robins Honor Guard will deliver a 21-gun salute followed by taps.

Nominated individuals are eligible if Robins Air Force Base was their last duty station.

If you would like to submit a family member, friend or coworker to be recognized (Nomination Deadline: May 12), Use the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/S38H8HV>

For more information, contact the Chaplains office via email at 78abw.hcworkflow@us.af.mil or by phone at 478-926-2821.

What's Happening

78th FSS

On-Spot Café Special

Club Sandwich, Fries &
Medium Drink
\$5.50
Bowling Center -
478-926-2112

DEERS/ID Card Appointments

If you need: A New ID Card, PIN Re-
set, DEERS Update, and Designated
Agent Letter.
Schedule appointments at
[https://rapids-appointments.dmdc.
osd.mil/](https://rapids-appointments.dmdc.osd.mil/) on any computer or mobile
device.

Base Library Hours

Tuesdays through Fridays
10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.
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11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
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days, closed
Base Library
478-327-8761

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Fairways Grille

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Mondays through Sundays
7 to 10:30 a.m.
Pine Oaks Golf Course
478-926-4103



Golf Cart Drive-In Movie (Pine Oaks Golf Course) "Zootopia"

April 28 at 7:15 p.m.

"Zootopia"

Cost \$5 Adults, \$3 Kids 5 & up
Includes 1 Golf cart per family & Re-
freshments. For details, call Outdoor
Recreation - 478-222-1107.

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like it enough to proceed in obtaining
a private pilot's license.
The cost is \$50 to \$105 per flight.
The club is located in Bldg. 186.
Call 478-926-4867 for details.



Help Wanted:

Unaccompanied Housing Manager

We are seeking one highly skilled staff sergeant to fill an upcoming military position vacancy in 78th Civil Engineer Group, Unaccompanied Housing Management. Applicants must be currently serving in the pay grade of E5. E5's with a line number to E6 are not eligible to apply.

UH Managers carry the reporting identifier 8H000/ADL and are assigned for a minimum of two years with the option to extend for one additional year. This would be a PCA position, so once members are selected, they will PCA and your unit will be able to work a backfill for your unit vacancy.

Qualifications

Highly motivated personnel dedicated to ensuring residents receive quality service. Must have excellent leadership and communication skills. Must be of good moral character and have demonstrated sustained excellence in duty performance reports. The right candidate will be highly organized and able to maintain records and prepare reports and schedules. Applicant must have accounting skills to project and execute dormitory budget Certification of Government Purchase Card use. Must have Facility Management/Safety understanding.

Cannot be in up-grade training and cannot be on any medical waivers or profiles. Applicant must be able to lift more than 45 pounds

Job Description

Ensures a high quality-of-life standard for about 400 permanent party dormitory residents. Mentors residents and assists them in their adjustment to military life, the development of military attitude and their enhancement of social skills. Coordinates and advises unit commanders and first sergeants on all matters concerning dorm residents and their quality of life. Manages individual room assignments, terminations and maintains occupancy listings. Ensures dorms meet public health and safety standards.

Accounts for furniture, appliances, recreational equipment and supplies.

Maintains and coordinates work order requests and repair records to ensure all actions are completed in a timely manner. Supervises Bay Orderlies to ensure daily maintenance and cleanliness standards are met. On call to provide emergency after hours support to unit leadership and dorm residents.

Ensures fire, safety, and health inspections are completed. Conducts tours of dorms with base/unit leadership and distinguished visitors. Computer and interpersonal communications skills are a definite plus. Expect non-traditional staggered work schedules to allow for 24/7 coverage and leadership/mentorship of dormitory residents.

All E5 nominee names should be submitted to 78 CEG/CEIH Dormitory Office, Bldg. 780 by April 28 with unit leadership recommendation and concurrence of release and member's SURF, last three EPRs and PT Test scores. The members should be eligible to be released from the losing unit by May 30.

Please call the dorm management office at 478-327-6110 for more info.

An individual has not started living until he can rise above the narrow confines of his individualistic concerns to the broader concerns of all humanity.

Martin Luther King Jr.



**KEEP
CALM
AND
AIRMAN
ON**

(U.S. Air Force graphic/TOMMIE HORTON)



Parting Shot

Tech. Sgt. Priestly Mitchell, 556th Rapid Engineer Deployable Heavy Operational Repair Squadron Engineer (RED HORSE) Squadron, removes a ground rod at Robins Air Force Base, Ga, April 3 as Master Sgt. Zachary Glunn operates an Excavator. The 556th RED HORSE, located at Hurlburt Field, Florida, is working to build permanent structures for the 5th Combat Communications Mobility Training site. (U. S. Air Force Photo/TECH. SGT. KELLY GOONAN)