

Robins bids fond farewell to congenial command chief

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Although Chief Master Sgt. Carol Dockery's middle initials are 'A.M.', the Robins command chief said she's definitely not a morning person. However, her love for Robins and the Airmen who serve here are all the motivation she needs to get out of bed each morning and be an advocate and friend for the Robins' enlisted force.

The high-spirited energy that radiates throughout her workday is a storm of enthusiasm for making a difference in the lives of Robins' Airmen. While her heart beats strongly for helping Airmen be the best they can be, her time at Robins will end July 3 as she assumes the role of command chief for Air Force Cyber Command at Barksdale Air Force Base in Shreveport, La.

Chief Dockery, who has been the Robins command chief and the Warner Robins Air Logistics Center enlisted adviser since May 2007, said she will miss Robins, but appreciates the time she spent here.

"My departure is bittersweet, but I can't think of a better opportunity I've had to grow as a leader and as a partner with my boss than at any other job I've had," she said. "(I encourage people to) bloom where they're planted."

Chief Dockery said she has built amazing relationships while at Robins and will remember most the wonderful people she met and worked with here.

"We have accolades abound, but what I think most impressed me about Robins was the relationships that I've been able to build, not just

with senior leadership, but with others across Robins," she said.

Chief Dockery said she has enjoyed working with Robins' leadership — WR-ALC Commander Maj. Gen. Tom Owen, 78th Air Base Wing Commander Col. Warren Berry, and former wing commander Col. Theresa Carter, as well as other unit commanders base-wide.

The chief has treasured her investment in junior Airmen at Robins.

"They've got a fantastic crew (at the First Term Airmen Center)," she said. "Bringing in our recent accessions, wrapping our arms around them and teaching them about the Air Force and what we bring at Robins and how they're part of that broader family was just amazing."

Chief Dockery said getting junior enlisted Airmen involved in the community and teaching them about leadership and the challenges it brings has been truly rewarding.

Learning how to let go can be a challenge for the chief sometimes though.

"I think every time you go to a new base, you hold on to what your experience was from the past," she said. "I think we glorify bases so you go to (your next base) thinking, 'Wow, this is strange. This isn't the way I'm used to.'"

The dedication of Robins Airmen, both military and civilian alike will make this an ongoing challenge for the chief at her new assignment, she said.

In life's challenges, Chief Dockery has found lessons learned. She said every day is a chance to learn and grow.



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP
Chief Master Sgt. Carol Dockery, Robins command chief, takes a moment during a staff meeting to pose with Smokey Bear, who was there for a fire prevention briefing. It was just one example of Chief Dockery's good natured personality. Her bright smile and positive outlook will be missed, as she leaves Robins July 3 for a new assignment.

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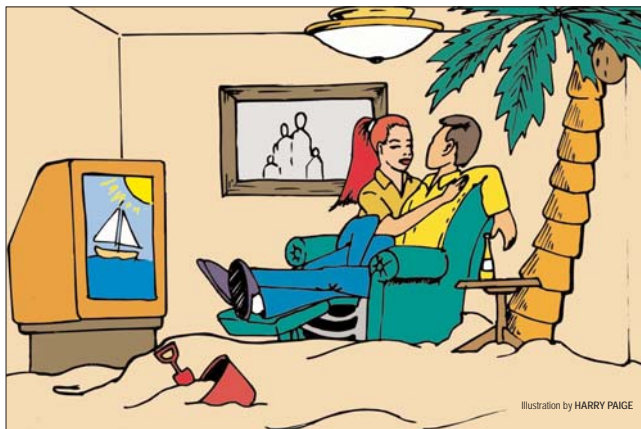


Illustration by HARRY PAIGE

'Staycations:' A popular alternative to stressful travel, pricey vacations

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High fuel prices have caused many people to put their vacation plans in park.

Judy Wilson, a secretary in the 642nd Combat Sustainment Group, and her husband, James, have decided

to take a break from their usual vacation to Panama City, Fla., and relax closer to home instead.

Mrs. Wilson said her family will vacation in Helen, Ga., a small town a few hours away from their home.

Vacationing closer to home isn't hard to do, Mrs. Wilson said. "Look at your home state because

there are a lot of things to do in Georgia that's within a reasonable distance," she said.

Robins has made it easier for people to have fun for less.

Karan Huddgens, assistant director of Robins' Outdoor Recreation, said the

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Aircrew training specialist garners AF-level award

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Dave Dawson equips Airmen in the 19th Air Refueling Group with the skills needed to survive in the deployed location.

As an aircrew training specialist in the 19th Operations Support Squadron, he teaches a myriad of skills to the 19th ARG's 110 plus aircrew members.

Mr. Dawson recently earned the 2008 Aircrew Flight Equipment Career Field Civilian of the Year Award at the Air Force level for his dedication to ensuring Airmen are mission ready.

The 47-year-old Hammond, Ind., native said he takes his job to heart.

"Basically, I conduct continuation training for the aircrew members," he said. "They all receive initial training prior to coming from another base to here. Depending on the currency of the training, whether it's biannual or triannual or initial training, I conduct the training for these individ-

uals in subjects like aircrew chemical defense and emergency egress. We also cover water survival, combat survival training, and we used to cover emergency parachute training."

The father of four trains not only Black Knights, but also provides some fire department training for aircrew member extraction and instructs flying crew chiefs.

"In general, we hope they never

have to use the training that we provide for them," he said. "I know (my job is) very important, especially with the ops team in the areas that they fly in nowadays and deploy to. If something does happen, we give them that confidence that they can pull back from their memory bank from training not just here, but from other training they've received since they've started flying to enable them to get to a place where they can get rescued and come back and fly again."

It's that commitment to taking care of Airmen that Lt. Col. Scott

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THE TWO-MINUTE REV

Autograph signing
The country music band Lonestar will be at the Base Exchange Thursday from noon to 1 p.m. to sign autographs. The group is here to perform at the annual Independence Day concert.

Road closures
The outbound lanes at Gate 5 will be closed from 5 a.m. July 12 to noon July 15 for road repairs. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd will be closed west of Perry Street and Page Road will be closed just north of building 292 and at the intersection of Martin Luther King Blvd. and Page Road. The Gate 5 inbound lanes will remain open during normal operating hours.

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"I let others be experts at what they're experts in and I respect what they bring to the table, regardless of what they wear on their sleeve," she said. "Whether you're an airman basic or a two-star general, I think everybody brings something to the table. If you're open to being a student, I think that there are more opportunities to grow as well as to influence."

Chief Dockery said leaving the Middle Georgia community will be tough.

"They open their arms, whether it's through the Chamber of Commerce, the various organizations on base that have donated their prayers to our Airmen in harms way as well as their monetary donations and their time," she said. "That has been the best."

Those who have worked closely with the Chief said they will miss the senior NCO with whom they partnered so well.

"Chief Dockery has been the perfect partner in leading this wing," said Col. Warren Berry, 78th ABW commander. "Her counsel is always spot on. Her outlook is always positive, and her focus is always squarely on the Airmen, both military and civilian."

Colonel Berry said he expects no less of Chief Dockery at her future endeavors.

"She'll take those same incredible traits to our newest major command, Air Force Cyber Command, and bring them the same success that always seems to follow her, only now it will be on a much grander scale and that's good for our Airmen and our Air Force," he said. "We'll miss Chief Dockery, but we will still hear from her and about her as she tackles her new



U.S. Air Force photo by CLAUDE LAZZARA

Chief Master Sgt. Carol Dockery will be taking her contagious smile and positive attitude to Barksdale Air Force Base, La., where she will be command chief for the Air Force Cyber Command.

challenges. She has raised our game and carried our flag proudly."

Col. Debra Bean, 78th ABW vice commander, said the command chief has made a positive impact on Robins.

"Chief Dockery is such an inspirational leader," she said. "Her energy, her humor, and her genuine nature motivate all of us who work with her. Her departure is such an incredible loss for Robins, but a big gain for the Air Force Cyber Command."

The chief's parting challenge is for Airmen to proudly wear the Air Force uniform and support Robins' efforts and initiatives and to continue to work hard and be successful.

"We have accomplished some amazing feats at Robins," she said. "Even when there were insurmountable odds, we came through with flying colors. Now, we didn't always have success, but we jumped right back in with both feet and did our best."

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Rizer, 19th OSS commander, said makes the training specialist a prized member in his unit.

"He has been an incredible asset to our unit," he said. "He's pretty much our lone life support instructor, so he has trained every one of our 110 plus aircrew members to make sure they're ready to go out and fight the global war on terrorism."

Colonel Rizer said it's the second time Mr. Dawson has won the award at the major command level and the first time such win at the Air Force level.

"I think it's great," he said. "It just reflects well on him and the whole team down here."

Capt. Joey Greene, the 19th OSS' assistant director of operations, said he's proud of his fellow Airman's accomplishment.

"The award was well deserved," he said. "He's definitely among the best of all the civilians I've worked with in my 19 years."

For the retired Air Force technical sergeant, he's simply honored to do his job.

"It's a great award and I'm very appreciative of it," he said. "It's a great job anyhow and to have somebody at the Air Force level recognize you, that's just an additional bonus."

Base housing gains new management

Base housing residents might notice a new logo making an appearance in the base housing communities next month.

Hunt Companies, the company who is in charge of Robins' base housing, is turning over the management of the base housing to another company, Pinnacle - An American Management Services Company.

Pinnacle already manages more than 30 properties for Hunt Companies, according to Danny Queen, community director for Robins Housing. He said Robins will just be "another success story in an already flourishing partnership."

He said the conversion will officially take place on July 1,

but it will be transparent to the housing customers.

"The only difference the customer will see is, I will be wearing a different shirt. I will go from wearing a Hunt shirt to a Hunt-Pinnacle shirt," Mr. Queen said. "Though the name is changing, we will continue to strive for that great customer service and maintenance we have always had."

He added, the faces meeting the needs of the base housing community will remain the same.

"We will have the same outstanding team ready to meet the needs of our residents," Mr. Queen said.

—By Amanda Creel



Will the rising fuel costs affect your summer travel plans?



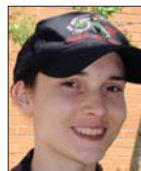
Eddie Lee Armstrong
402nd AMXG

It's affecting everybody and everything. My wife and I are pastors and have to travel to get to different engagements so it will be pretty costly.



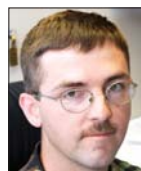
Master Sgt.
William Zurino
116th MOS

Definitely. We plan to go to all my son's college games out of state. We'll still go but we may get a rental vehicle instead. And we'll do vacation things closer to home.



Senior Airman
Cathryn McKay
5th CBCSS

I'm still going to travel. It will just cost me more. I did just cancel an airplane trip to Panama because tickets went up.



Staff Sgt. Greg Kuhse
373rd TRS Det. 6

Of course it will. Instead of two trips home to Michigan, it'll be one. The cost of the trip has gone from around \$200 to about \$800.



Staff Sgt.
Melissa Burns
5th CBCSS

Yes. I can't afford it. I just had another baby so it's hitting me pretty hard.

PUT YOUR HANDS TOGETHER FOR ...

The "Put your hands together for..." feature is a monthly installment to the Robins Rev-Up. Due to the overwhelming number of awards people at Robins receive, we just aren't able to cover them all. This feature is our way of ensuring we give credit where we can. To have an award included in the "Put

your hands together for..." page, submit a brief write up of the award and the people who have earned it. Photos may also be submitted, but space is limited. Submissions should be sent either by e-mail or brought to the Rev-Up office in Bldg. 905. Submissions that are brought to the office should be in

Microsoft Word on a CD. Photos can be e-mailed or delivered to the office too. For more information, contact Lanorris Askew at lanorris.askew@robins.af.mil or Kendahl Johnson at kendahl.johnson@robins.af.mil. Either can be reached by phone at 926-2137.



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Annie Piekarczyk (left) and Sophia Uddin were awarded \$1,500 scholarships from the Defense Commissary Scholarship for Military Children program. They were judged on submitted essays. Ms. Piekarczyk is the daughter of Pam and retired colonel Ed Piekarczyk. She will be attending the University of Illinois majoring in broadcast journalism. Ms. Uddin is the daughter of Chong and retired colonel Mohammed Uddin. She will attend Georgia Tech majoring in international business. The two winners also received gift packages for use in their dorm rooms.

AFMC Supply Chain Management awards



BONNIE JONES
Deputy Director,
642nd Combat
Sustainment Group
James K. Russelburg
Junior Supply Chain Member
(GS-14 and below)



MARGARET PADGETT
Director,
579th Combat
Sustainment Squadron
Outstanding Supply Chain
Manager of the Year
(O-6 and GS-15)

The Supply Chain Management awards acknowledge the outstanding contributions of designated supply chain managers at the air logistics centers and members of the supply chain.

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Aaron Miles
Douglas Tejeda
Rob Walker
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Rick Hosler
Roderick Walker
Ronald Anderson
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Marvin Howard
Gregory Pearson
Eric Reece
Jeffrey Ryburn
Marc Swift
Timothy Teamer
Jason Rootes
Corey Thomas
Mark Glidden
John Glass
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David Barber
Paul Diederich
Kristofer Lopez
Shane Stewart
Lawrence White
Darrin Landis
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Theodore Jackson
Timothy Brown
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Gillie Zamora
Bradford Godwin
Emilio Grant
Colin Richardson
John Hammack Jr.

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Harrison Rioslopez
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Omar Carrion
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Ronald Barthelt
Stephanie Frety
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Mark Maldonado
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SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Parents who are new to and reside on Robins may register their children in Robins Elementary School during the summer months.

The school is open from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. daily for registration. Parents can help the school system plan for the new school year by registering as soon as possible. School starts Aug. 8.

Kindergarten is an important part of the Robins school program. To be eligible for kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1 of the current year. For first grade, a child must be 6 years old on or before Sept. 1 of the current year.

The base school also has a pre-kindergarten program for 4 year olds. To be eligible, a student must be 4 years old before Sept. 1 of the current year.

Students entering school for

the first time are required to present a birth certificate, copy of the social security card, housing verification letter, copy of sponsor's orders and immunization records (not the

yellow shot record.) For more information, call 926-5003. All children between the ages of 7 and 16 years are required to attend school in the state of Georgia.

Military disciplinary actions

Commanders and first sergeants, in concert with the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, are responsible for ensuring good order and discipline on Robins Air Force Base. There are many avenues available to meet this responsibility. Examples include trials by courts-martial, Article 15s, administrative discharges, and the U.S. Magistrate's Court. Actions recently reviewed by the 78th Air Base Wing legal office include:

Article 15s

► An airman was derelict in the performance of his duties by wrongfully accessing non-Department of Defense chat groups on a government computer and circumventing and defeating security on a government computer by accessing non-DOD proxy servers to circumvent and defeat network security firewall. Member also failed to obey a lawful order issued to him by his supervisor. Punishment was 30 days extra duty and a reprimand.

► A senior airman wrongfully used marijuana. Punishment was reduction to the grade of airman basic.

► Two senior airmen wrongfully used marijuana. Punishment was reduction to the grade of airman, forfeiture of \$754 pay per month for two months and a reprimand.

► A staff sergeant was derelict in the performance of his duties by willfully failing to report sustained damages to a government vehicle. Punishment was suspended reduction to the grade of senior airman and 14 days extra duty.

► A staff sergeant failed to go

to appointed place of duty. Punishment was suspended reduction to the grade of Senior Airman, forfeiture of \$587 pay per month for two months and a reprimand.

► A staff sergeant was absent from her place of duty on numerous occasions and made several false official statements. Punishment was suspended reduction to senior airman and 14 days extra duty.

► A staff sergeant violated a lawful general regulation by wrongfully pursuing an unprofessional relationship with a subordinate. Punishment was suspended reduction to senior airman and a reprimand.

► A technical sergeant wrongfully used marijuana. Punishment was reduction to the grade of staff sergeant and a reprimand.

Discharges

► Two senior airmen received Under Honorable Conditions (General) discharges for drug abuse. The members had previously been punished under Article 15 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice for using marijuana.

► A senior airman received an Honorable Conditions discharge for Conditions that Interfere with Military Service.

► A staff sergeant received an Under Honorable Conditions (General) discharge for pattern of misconduct, conduct prejudicial to good order and discipline.

The member received several letters of reprimand for minor disciplinary infractions. The member's case was heard before an administrative discharge board before he was administratively discharged from the Air Force.

Unit merger to form 78th Force Support Squadron

Effective Tuesday, the 78th Mission Support Squadron will merge with the 78th Services Division to become the 78th Force Support Squadron.

"By combining the units will synergize their processes, improve customer service and ultimately save money," said Maj. Eddie Taylor, 78th FSS deputy director.

The standing up of the 78th FSS is part of an Air Staff Program Action Decision. All Air Force bases are projected to be in this structure by 2010, with most merging in summer 2008 or summer 2009.

The 78th FSS will consist of five flights: manpower and personnel, sustainment services, Airmen and family



DAVID QUINN
78th Force Support Squadron director

services, force development and community services. This new structure will also combine functional areas that already work closely with one another. For example, sustainment services will provide food, fitness and sports, and lodging operations.

Customers will continue to go to the same places or offices to receive their services after the merger.

"Operations will pretty much remain the same, with most changes being transparent to the customer," said Major Taylor, the 78th FSS Deputy Director. "After the merge, top-notch customer service will remain our top priority."

The inbound 78th FSS director, Mr. David Quinn, will take over the reins in a ceremony Tuesday at 10 a.m. in the Museum of Aviation, Hangar One. The

ceremony will effectively deactivate the 78th MSS and Services while standing up, or activating, the 78th Force Support Squadron.

Officials said it is an exciting time for both career fields and hopefully the beginning of something that will be successful and long-enduring for the Air Force.

— Submitted by 78th Mission Support Group



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base's pools and other amenities make relaxing near home possible.

Horizons and Heritage Club pools are open from noon until 7 p.m. most days from now until Sept. 1.

Robins ID cardholders and their sponsored guests can swim for \$2. Single season pool passes for senior airmen and below are \$20 and season family passes are \$45. Single pool passes for staff sergeants and above and for DOD civilians are \$30, with family passes costing \$55.

Robins also offers fishing at

its three on-base waterways: Luna, Scout, and Duck lakes.

Ms. Hudgens said for a minimal fee, those with base access and valid fishing licenses can fish at the lakes.

With its low-cost boat rentals, Robins even offers ways for base ID cardholders to enjoy off-base lakes, Ms. Hudgens said.

Robins' parks, pavilions, and Pine Oaks Lodge can provide a good place to get the party started.

"If people want to do a picnic, we have Gator Gardens, Robins Park, Water's Edge, and the Pine Oaks Lodge," she said. "Parks are \$25/day with a \$25 deposit. The parks include grills, restrooms, picnic tables,

playgrounds, and volleyball courts."

Pine Oaks Lodge can be rented for \$75/day with a \$50 deposit, both to be paid at time of rental.

For those who like to camp, Robins' FAMCAMP offers a place to pitch a tent or pull up a recreational vehicle for the night or even week. Lots offer hook-ups for electricity, water, showers, restrooms and laundry facilities.

If you plan to putt around this summer, the Pine Oaks Golf Course has some deals to bring your home vacation up to par.

"We've actually invented a deal specifically for the high gas prices," said Clay Murray,

Pine Oaks Golf course manager. "The deal is called POP (Pine Oaks Player) card. People that come in and play a round of golf get a punch card and we check off the round. When they play four rounds, they get the fifth one free."

Once the card is completely punched out, it goes into a prize drawing.

Mr. Murray said the deal will run through August 31.

On Mondays and Tuesdays, for \$20, golfers can get a round of golf with green fees and a cart at Pine Oaks Golf Course. Beginning at 4 p.m. on those days, the course's twilight special begins which includes green fee and cart for \$15.

Mr. Murray said people

can't beat the course's offer for golf close to home.

"Our rates are very competitive (and) the course is in great shape," he said. "If they're working on the base and they just want to stop here after work, they can stop in, play, and head home."

Mr. Murray said the course offers a variety of possibilities for the golfer, with specials on range balls also.

If getting away from home is still a desire, Robins' Information Tickets and Travel Office may have just the ticket to attractions closer to home.

From discounted tickets to Six Flags to great deals at hot spots like the Atlanta Aquarium, Preston Hoffman,

an ITT customer representative, said his office can help people vacation for less.

"We have a variety of things they can do," he said. "There are actually sales going on right now because of summer prices and everything."

Mr. Hoffman said ITT now offers Six Flags day passes for \$34, a better deal than the \$39 price at the gate.

Adult second-day passes for Wild Adventure Theme Park, a short distance from Robins, are going for \$41 at Robins' ITT. ITT also has many other deals on area attractions in Georgia and other states as well.

With a little planning, vacationing near home can be fun and affordable.

Moving claims to earn full replacement value

PCS-ing this summer? You now automatically receive full replacement value protection from the moving company on damage you might incur during your move! All household good pick ups after March 1 will receive full replacement value protection from the moving company or carrier.

While this isn't quite the same as getting all new stuff in every instance, carriers will replace missing items with new items, pay the full cost to replace

them or repair damaged items. This important benefit for Airmen comes with some changes to the process.

With the implementation of full replacement value, in most cases, you actually file directly with the carrier or moving company. This claim must be made within nine months of delivery. That's a big change from the two years that most Airmen are used to.

Claims for household goods picked up before March 1 may need to be filed under the old system, with the Air Force Claims Service Center, Dayton, Ohio. To determine which system your claim falls under, you may contact the Base claims office at 926-9276 or the AFSCS at DSN 986-8044 or 877-754-1212. Claims that fall under the old system may be filed online at <https://claims.jag.af.mil>.

Even if you fall under the FRV, you can still file a claim with the AFSCS but you'll only be paid the depreciated value of your damaged or lost goods. Likewise, if you miss the nine-month deadline, you can still file a claim up to the two year point with the

AFSCS for the depreciated value of your items.

Finally, if you're unhappy with what the carrier offers you, you still have the option of coming to the Air Force and filing with the AFSCS.

Although the timeline for filing a full replacement value claim is shorter, claims are

WHAT TO KNOW

The Base Claims Office and the Air Force Claims Service Center are always available to help. The Base Claims Office is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and can be reached at 926-9276.

much easier to file. Airmen are no longer required to get estimates of repair, a very time consuming part of the old claims process.

Now carriers are required to obtain the repair estimates. Carriers also don't require as much detail about the items because they no longer have to calculate depreciation.

Additionally, Air Force members, and civilians being moved by the Air Force, can now file a DD Form 1840R online. Visit <https://claims.jag.af.mil> and list the damage within 70 days of delivery. You'll get confirmation that your forms have been received and dispatched to your carrier.

Filing a DD Form 1840R online is not filing a claim. It's simply putting your carrier on notice that you've noticed additional loss or damage since delivery, but within 70 days. You'll still need to file your claim with the carrier within nine months.

Remember, if you want to recover money for your lost or damaged goods, you must both notify the carrier of your damaged or lost goods at delivery or within 70 days of delivery using the DD Form 1840R and file your claim within the required time frame. — Submitted by the 78th ABW Legal Office

Commentary

"Be at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let every new year find you a better man." — Benjamin Franklin

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

The most efficient and effective way to resolve a problem or complaint is to directly contact the organization responsible. This gives the organization a chance to help you, as well as a chance to improve their processes.

Col. Warren Berry
78th Air Base Wing,
commander

Please include your name and a way of reaching you so we can provide a direct response. Anonymous action lines will not be processed. Discourteous or disrespectful submissions will not be processed.

Action Line items of general interest to the Robins community will be printed in the Robins Rev-Up.

To contact the Action Line:
Call 926-2886 or for the quickest response, e-mail action.line@robins.af.mil.

<https://wwwmil.robins.af.mil/actionline.htm>

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- ▶ Services 926-5491
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- ▶ Military Pay 926-3777
- ▶ IDEA 926-2536
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- ▶ Housing Office 926-3776
- ▶ Chaplain 926-2821

HANDICAP PARKING PERMITS:

I have been made aware of some civil service employees who currently possess handicapped parking tags/privileges, yet still take advantage of the employee exercise program. I believe that if people possess the capability to engage in an employee exercise program and can take an afternoon walk, then they should be able to walk through a parking lot to work.

I suggest an audit be initiated of all handicapped parking authorizations and personnel who can walk, be given that opportunity to, once again.

COLONEL BERRY'S RESPONSE:
Thanks for your concern regarding the handicap parking program and the employee exercise program. These programs rely on the honor system to function properly. As with any honor

system, these programs can be abused easily if participants lose sight of the principles of fair play. Commanders, supervisors and policy wardens who know when it's being abused should act accordingly.

As a final note, please understand things are not always as they appear. Some employees who use wheelchairs can participate in the exercise program to do upper body exercises for

strength and cardio training. Exercise takes many forms and as long as supervisors apply the rules consistently, we should afford people the chance to exercise within their physical limitations.

In order to make the most of these and other benefit programs, we all must use these programs honorably and then understand things are not always as they seem.

Air Force Secretary: 'It has been an honor and a privilege'

To the Airmen of the United States Air Force, I salute you. Your dedication, motivation, and commitment are nothing short of remarkable. You are America's sword and shield, defending the United States and its global interests by delivering sovereign options in air, space, and cyberspace.

With watchful eyes and precision strike, you counter insurgents, enabling ground commanders in Iraq and Afghanistan to act freely. With humanitarian airlift, you expand our diplomatic options and serve as the face

of American compassion in countries such as Indonesia, Pakistan, Burma and China. With unwavering vigilance, you are America's strategic backstop, deterring any who might seek to harm us. You instill a confidence among our allies and joint partners that only American air, space and cyberspace power can deliver. You embrace speed, precision and crisp action, dominating with advanced tech-



Michael Wynne

nology. It is your nature to think forward.

Every day, you impress me with your innovative spirit and impetus for action. You embrace new organizing constructs and the culture of empowerment, enhancing our warfighter edge.

You accelerate new technologies to the field and create unparalleled interoperability for the Joint fight, assuring America's strategic advantage of technology dominance for future genera-

tions. You infuse America's Air Force with a vector and speed that is nothing short of extraordinary, ensuring the United States is prepared for any challenge - now and in the future. Your energy and drive are contagious.

Ours is the profession of arms. We are entrusted by the American people and our national leaders to protect and defend the ideals embodied in our Constitution, and thus secure our very way of life. Given this special trust and confidence, we hold ourselves to the highest standard of

accountability. Our values of Integrity first, Service before self, and Excellence in all we do form the bedrock of all of our actions.

My heart is filled with pride in the accomplishments of America's Airmen. It has been an honor and privilege to serve as your 21st Secretary of the Air Force.

On behalf of Barb and I, our thoughts and prayers shall ever be with you, your families, and the Nation that we serve. As always, the future of the Air Force rests in the best of hands - yours.

PITCHING IN AND PITCHING OUT



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

Fifty-five Airmen, seven first sergeants and a couple of chiefs spent Wednesday morning cleaning up the dorm areas. The group cleaned up and hauled away around 8,000 pounds of trash, leaves and debris.

Senior Master Sgt. Clifford Powers said this will be a twice-a-year effort, once in the spring and again in the fall due to a reduction in monies for base beautification projects. Contractors keep the grass cut, but fallen limbs need to be picked up, leaves need to be raked and trash needs to be discarded. The Airmen spend about three hours on the yard work and then are given lunch for their efforts.

"Dorm members should take responsibility for their quarters. And it helps with the up keep because the ones working will spread the word to the other residents to help keep things clean. Everybody had a good time today too with a lot of camaraderie," Sergeant Powers said.

Right, Airman 1st Class Candace Covil, 78th Services, enjoys the picnic lunch after participating in the dorm cleanup.



► IN BRIEF

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH OBSERVANCE

The Robins Hispanic Heritage Month Observance Committee will be meeting July 1 at 12:30 p.m. at Horizons (Bldg. 542).

Those interesting in participating are encouraged to attend; the group will begin meeting each Tuesday to plan this year's events. The theme this year is "Getting Involved: Our Families, Our Community, Our Nation."

For more information contact project officer Ed Armijo at 222-3793.

GETTING DEPLOYED? SIGN UP FOR AN AHAMS PIN!

AHAMS is the Automated Health and Morale System. You may be entitled to up to 30 minutes a week to call your family from your deployed location for free.

Send an e-mail from a .mil address with "Pin Request" in the subject line to 78cs.ahams.pr@robins.af.mil. A pin with instructions will be sent soon after.

DEFENSE ACQUISITION UNIVERSITY

The DAU Continuous Learning Center offers continuous learning opportunities designed to maintain currency and help AT&L employees meet the DoD requirement to complete 80 points of continuous learning every two years.

The center includes nearly 200 self-paced continuous learning modules that address topics important to the AT&L community.

The DAU would like to introduce the following Continuous Learning Modules now online: Marketing Research for Technical Personnel, Fiscal & Physical Accountability and Management of DoD Equipment Research, and Development and Engineering Command.

To register visit <http://clk.dau.mil>. For more information or to view the fiscal 2009 class schedule, visit www.dau.mil.

BLOOD DRIVES

Two organizations will be coming on base to take blood donations July 18.

Ft. Gordon will be collecting blood at Cotton

Auditorium (Bldg. 301) and Youth Center (Bldg. 1021), from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Donations at this location will go straight to our deployed troops.

The American Red Cross will be collecting blood at AFRC HQ (Bldg. 210) from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and in Bldg. 640 auditorium from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Donations at this location will help the local community.

For more information, contact Staff Sgt. Garah Hammack at 327-7931 or garahhammack@robins.af.mil.

HEALTHY START SCREENINGS

The 78th Medical Group will be providing Healthy Start school screenings for newly assigned and current Tricare beneficiaries -- from pre-k to 12th grade -- June 28, July 12 and July 26 from 9 a.m. to noon. No appointment is necessary.

Children will have vision, hearing and dental exams; all of which are required by the Georgia school system. In addition, height, weight and blood pressure will be checked and a scoliosis screening exam will be performed.

Immunizations will be available, so bring a copy of your child's latest shot record. Security Forces will also be providing finger printing services. The Georgia school forms 3300 and 3231 will be available and can be completed at the event. For more information, contact Staff Sgt. Robert Wilson at 327-8220.

BHO SCHOLARSHIPS

High school seniors who have been accepted into college are eligible to enter the Robins Air Force Base 2008 Black Heritage Observance youth scholarship essay competition. The prize is a computer. The application package and essay are due by July 1. For more information contact Ardell Johnson 926-0699 or Brenda Black 222-3838.

SPORT BIKE COURSE

The Sport Bike Course is a training course to familiarize, educate and train riders to operate their sport bikes safely. Riders should have at least one year riding experience and have completed the

Experienced Rider's Course.

The course's purpose is to familiarize riders with sport bike riding, and their bike's capabilities. It is not intended to prepare riders for track racing.

Numerous courses are available throughout the year. Visit the Robins home page to sign up for the following dates: July 11, 21; Aug. 8, 18; Sept. 12, 22; Oct. 3, 14; Nov. 14, 24; and Dec. 5, 15. For more info,

contact Jerry Moringstar at 926-6271.

TROOPS TO TEACHERS

Bill Kirkland, program manager for the Georgia, Troops to Teachers and Georgia Spouses to Teachers programs, will be at the Robins Education Center, July 18 from 10 to 11 a.m. to take questions about Troops to Teachers.

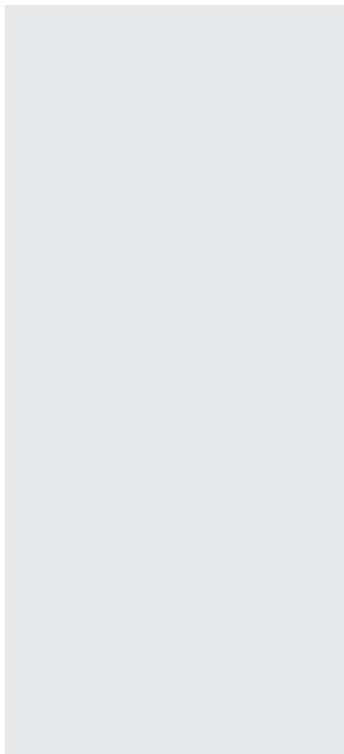
The program is a coopera-

tive program between the U.S. Department of Education and the Department of Defense that provides referral and placement assistance to men and women who have served the nation as members of the Armed Forces and who are seeking a second career as teachers in public schools.

For more information on the program, visit the following Web site: [\[toserveagain.com\]\(http://toserveagain.com\). Mr. Kirkland will also discuss the Spouses to Teachers. Information on this companion program can be found at \[www.spousestoteachers.com\]\(http://www.spousestoteachers.com\).](http://www.proud-</p>
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MEDICAL GROUP CLOSURE

The 78th Medical Group will close July 18 at 10 a.m. and will reopen July 21 at 7 a.m. For non-emergent issues call 327-7850.



2007 Water Quality Report

Robins Air Force Base Water System Permit No. 15.30042

Robins AFB Drinking Water Program

This Water Quality Report summarizes the quality of your drinking water during calendar year 2007. Robins Air Force Base (Robins AFB) met all safety and quality standards set by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) and the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Included in this report you will find detailed information about these standards and our efforts to meet them.



This report also provides detailed accounts of the detected water monitoring and testing results gathered from January to December 2007 for the Robins AFB Public Water System. Included are details about where your water originates, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. The purpose of this report is to advise consumers about drinking water quality and heighten awareness of the need to protect precious water resources. This report reflects the hard work and dedication of the 78th Civil Engineer Squadron, which operates and maintains the water distribution and treatment systems; the 78th Medical Group, which tests the drinking water for safety and quality; and the Environmental Management Division, who oversees the program and ensures compliance with our Georgia withdrawal and operation permits.

To comply with the Consumer Confidence Reporting Rule of the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act, the 78th Medical Group Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight issues this annual report on drinking water monitoring results. For additional information about this report or to provide input regarding the Robins AFB public water system, contact the Robins AFB Public Affairs Office at 926-2137. The base organizations that manage the water system have an open door policy with our residents.

the seven water supply wells located throughout the base. Public water systems are required to develop a Source Water Assessment Plan (SWAP) to identify potential sources of contamination and review the controls to mitigate any potential impact. Management strategies to control current and future potential contamination sources have been identified and implemented at Robins AFB. These controls are designated as adequate for the protection of our drinking water supply. Contact Public Affairs at 926-2137 if you have questions regarding the SWAP.

Notes About Contaminants

As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, naturally occurring radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in any source water BEFORE it is treated include:

- Microorganisms, such as viruses and bacteria, may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, and wildlife.
- Inorganic chemicals, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring, or result from storm water runoff or industrial sources.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, storm water runoff, or residential uses.
- Organic chemicals, originating typically from industrial operations and storm water runoff.
- Radionuclides, which can naturally occur, or are the result of mining activities.

Most surface water contaminants never reach the drinking water supply. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the US EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 800-426-4791.

Important Information About Lead

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Robins AFB is responsible for providing high-quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>, or through the 78th Medical Group.



Complaints regarding color, taste or odor? Please call the Civil Engineer Service Call Desk at 926-5657

Table Definitions

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG):

The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL):

The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

ppm: parts per million

ppb: parts per billion

pCi/L: picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

N/A: not applicable



Important Information About Radium

Analytical results from our 2005-2006 quarterly water testing showed that one of our seven water system wells produced water containing only slightly higher levels of radium 226/228 and gross alpha emitters than the standards set by the EPD. The well was disconnected from the water distribution system and will remain so until the water quality is restored through installing a treatment system, or by permanently closing the well.

Certain minerals are radioactive and may emit a form of radiation known as alpha radiation. As water passes through rock formations, radionuclides such as radium can dissolve into the water. Some people who drink water containing radium 226 or 228 or other radionuclides in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer. However, naturally occurring levels of radionuclides in drinking water are generally not considered to be a health emergency. The estimated health risks from low levels of radium are small, and short-term exposures pose an extremely small level of risk. A public notice on the MCL exceedance was performed in 2006.

We have completed a scientific investigation concerning the radionuclides. The results of the investigation provide us with choices for corrective actions to restore the well to safe, beneficial use. The 78th Medical Group will notify you immediately if there is ever any reason for concern about your water. If you have questions concerning this report, or any other aspects of Robins AFB facilities or operations, please contact the 78th Medical Group at 327-7555.

Reduced Monitoring Approved

The Source Water Assessment and Vulnerability Assessment show the Robins AFB water system's raw water is not in a high potential pollution risk status. As authorized by the EPD, our system has reduced monitoring requirements for certain contaminants to less often than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year and have been tested over a long period of time showing no levels of concern. The reduced monitoring requirements, called waivers, have been issued to our drinking water system for the following inorganic compounds: arsenic, asbestos and cyanide, effective January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2010. Additionally, our water system has a waiver for 31 synthetic organic compounds, effective January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008. Please contact the Robins AFB Public Affairs Office at 926-2137 if you have questions about drinking water waivers or wish to receive a copy.

Our Raw Water Source

Our drinking water is drawn from the Blufftown Aquifer, one of the best groundwater sources in the state. This is a safe and reliable source, providing high-quality water that is free of micro-organisms such as Giardia and Cryptosporidium that are sometimes found in rivers and lakes.

Rain water percolates down into the Blufftown Aquifer through layers of soil and sand, which act as natural cleansing filters to remove impurities. At Robins AFB, the drinking water aquifer is located over 300 feet below the ground surface and is separated from surface water by several thick clay layers. Robins AFB is permitted to withdraw water through

Water Quality Data

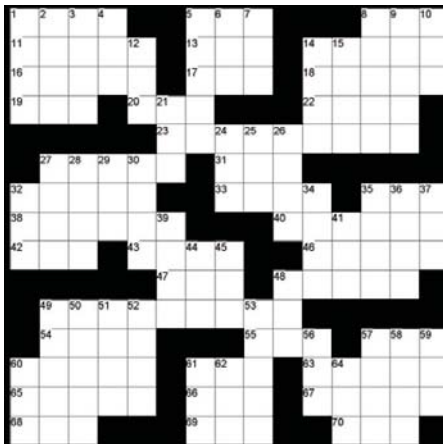
REGULATED SUBSTANCES

Non-Disinfection Contaminants & Disinfection By-products	Max Allowed (MCL)	Goal (MCLG)	Robins AFB Water System Highest Amt. Detected	Range of Detection	Year Sampled	Violation Y/N	Typical Source of Contamination
Total Coliform (number of positive sample results)	1	0	0	N/A	2007	N	Naturally present
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	1.92	0.25-1.92	2007	N	Natural / Additive
Nitrite (ppm)	1	1	0.7	0.0-0.7	2007	N	Erosion / Runoff from fertilizer use
Nitrate (ppm)	10	10	0.7	0.0-0.7	2007	N	Erosion of natural deposits
Alpha Emitter (pCi/L) (Inactive Well 19) (Active Wells)	15	0	16 ^a	16	2006	Y	Erosion of natural deposits
Radium-226 & 228 (combined) (pCi/L) (Inactive Well 19) (Active Wells)	5	0	8 ^b	8	2006	Y	
Copper, at tap (ppb)	AL=1300	AL=1300	800	0-800	2007	N	Erosion of natural deposits, corrosion of plumbing systems
Lead, at tap (ppb)	AL=15	0	2.5	0-2.5	2007	N	By-product of disinfection
Total Trihalomethanes (ppb)	80	N/A	1.1 ^a	0-1.1	2006	N	
Haloacetic Acids (ppb)	60	N/A	0 ^b	N/A	2006	N	
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL=4	MRDLG=4	1.2	0.4-1.2	2007	N	Water Additive

a. Data represents Well 19, which was taken out of service in 2006. Water from this well was not distributed to the Robins AFB water system during 2007.

b. Data was collected in a previous year, but is still considered representative of drinking water quality during 2007 by the EPD.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



The Treasure State's Base

By Capt. Tony Wickman
USAFE Public Affairs

ACROSS

1. USAF MAJCOM
5. Mil. field food
8. CBS morning show
11. With 65 Across; town home to the Treasure State's base
13. Charged particle
14. Broadcasted
16. First letter of the Hebrew alphabet
17. Compute
18. Form; appearance; semblance
19. Sea near Egypt
20. Sweet tuber
22. Fact, statistic, or code
23. LGM-30G based at the Treasure State base
27. Contempt
31. Flightless bird
32. Moderate to dark brownish gray
33. Corn holders
35. Opening
38. Sen. James E. ___; helped establish Treasure State base in 1939
40. B-17 ___ Fortress; first planes at Treasure State base 1942
42. Ancient
46. Heart part
47. John or Jane surname for the unknown
48. Musical practice composition
49. C-54; Treasure State base training for Berlin Airlift aircrews
54. Bronze coin and monetary unit of Papua New Guinea
55. Fury
57. Crazy ___ loon
60. Russian mountains
61. Big ___; London icon
63. USAF MAJCOM Treasure State base is assigned
65. See 11 ACROSS
66. A Gershwin
67. Trick or ___
68. German grandfather
69. Surgeon
70. Horse feed

DOWN

1. Gelatinous material
2. Perry Mason writer ___ Stanley

GARDNER

3. T for Gen. Moseley, CSAF
4. Head gear
5. Fla. town
6. Staff
7. Terminate
8. Persona non ___; person who is not welcome
9. Transformers actress Fox
10. Summer beverage
12. ...hallowed be ___ name...
14. Gen. officer's assistant
15. Muslim religious leader or chief's title
21. USAF E-2
24. Formerly
25. Actress Thurman
27. First king of Israel
28. Part of milk that coagulates when it sours
29. USAF officer eval
30. Type of admiral
32. USAF moving org.
34. Long thin, narrow strip of wood
35. Surround; enclose; hem in
36. Poker fee
37. Tiger's org.
39. Jedi who trained Luke
41. P.S. I Love ___
44. Angeles
45. Permit
48. Mistake
49. Narrow strip of flexible material for holding things together
50. Sluggish, tailless, gray, furry, arboreal marsupial
51. Scream
52. State home to Hanscom AFB, in brief
53. Col. ___ Axel Malmstrom; Treasure State base namesake
56. Dine
57. Toward the shore
58. Petty quarrel
59. Perform
60. Aliens' ship
61. Giant
62. Epoch
64. To and ___

SOLUTION



DONATE YOUR LEAVE

Employee-relations specialists at 926-5307 or 926-5802 have information and instructions concerning requests to receive or donate annual leave.

To have an approved leave recipient printed in the Robins Rev-Up, wings should send information to Lanorris Askew at: lanorris.askew@robins.af.mil. Submissions run for two weeks.

SERVICES BRIEFS

SATURDAY

Join Horizons for an elegant night featuring wine and cheese samples from around the world June 27 at 6:30 p.m. in the Georgia Room. Advance tickets are on sale now. Cost \$12 for members and \$15 for guests. Open to all ranks and grades. Enjoy musical entertainment by Carla Sands accompanied by Bob Cummings. For more information call Horizons at 926-2670.

WEDNESDAY

Enjoy M.U.G. night every Wednesday from 7 p.m. to closing at the Heritage Club. Customers may bring their mug and get refills (up to 20 ounces) for only \$2.

THURSDAY

Club scholarship submissions are due July 1. Robins Heritage Club and Horizons members and their families may apply for the Air Forces Services club membership scholarship program. Air Force-wide, 25 \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded. For additional information, go to www.afclubs.net or call 926-5492.

The establishment of the 78th Force Support Squadron (78th Services Division and Mission Support Squadron) will be held on July 1 at 10 a.m. at the Museum of Aviation Hanger One.

UPCOMING

Youth fall sports registration will be July 15 for tackle football (ages 11 - 12 years old), cost \$55; flag football (ages 5 - 10 years old), cost \$55; cheerleading (ages 5 - 12 years old), cost \$90; fall soccer (ages 5 - 18 years old), cost \$55 and start smart soccer (ages 3 - 4 years old), cost \$45. Hours to register will be Monday - Friday, 3 - 6 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Registrations accepted until teams are full. Coaches are needed in all areas. To register or for details, visit the youth center in Bldg. 1021 or call 926-2110.

Sign up today for the British Soccer Summer Camp to be held July 28 - Aug. 1. Cost \$60 for three - four years old from 9 to 10 a.m. and \$75 for five - 17 years old from 9 to 11 a.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Receive a free soccer jersey when you sign up. For more information call Ron Hayes at 926-2110.

Private pilot ground school registration is now through July 7 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with school running July 7 to Aug. 29. Cost is \$665 and is due at the time of registration.

A bug's life



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP
Dylan Diamond, 12, shows off the butterfly he made at the summer reading program, "Time to get Caught in a Story," Farbod Zahiri, library volunteer, read the book "Bugs, Beetles and Butterflies" to the group attending and the children were able to get a close-up view of some bugs.

water. Anything else that can be donated will be greatly appreciated. Drop box locations: fitness center, fitness center annex, Wynn Dining, Army & Air Force Exchange Service Main Exchange, commissary and Military Personnel Flight. For more information call Airman 1st Class Diane Flowers at 926-6596 or Airman 1st Class Candace Covill at 926-2128.

The Rewards Yourself club drive will begin July 15. Chase Bank and Air Force Clubs will launch an enhanced Cash-back, Military Free Cash Rewards Program. Additionally, new club membership applicants can choose between a MasterCard or a limited-use Proprietary membership card. New members will receive six months free dues and a scratch-off card for a chance to win between \$5 to \$100. Six-months free dues not applicable to members who switched cards. The club drive will end Oct. 15. For more information call Horizons at 926-2670.

ONGOING

"Time to Get Caught in a Story" is the theme for the summer reading program that runs through July 21. The program starts at 10 a.m. for preschoolers and 11 a.m. for school-age children.

Operation Macon Relief is collecting items for the victims of the Mother's Day tornado. Items include: baby items, children clothes (ages one - 17 years old), men and women clothing (18 years and older), any size shoes, cleaning products, disposable towels/rags, canned goods, dry goods, non-perishable food items and bottled

water. Anything else that can be donated will be greatly appreciated. Drop box locations: fitness center, fitness center annex, Wynn Dining, Army & Air Force Exchange Service Main Exchange, commissary and Military Personnel Flight. For more information call Airman 1st Class Diane Flowers at 926-6596 or Airman 1st Class Candace Covill at 926-2128.

The Airmen Against Drunk Driving program provides rides

free of charge to all Robins DOD card holders. Coverage is from Perry to Macon. For a free, anonymous ride, call 222-0013. The 78th Services Division also offers designated driver programs. To learn more call 926-2670.

Find out how the 78th Services Division rates!

Go to www.robinservices.com and click on the ICE icon. At the next screen, click on the activity link that you want to give a rating and/or comment. Please provide contact information about yourself if you want to receive an answer.

To learn more about ICE, call Services Marketing at 926-5492.

Also you can give us your opinion and ideas by filling out a comment card. Comment cards and drop boxes are located in all 78th Services Division facilities.

SERVICES PHONE DIRECTORY

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► Community Center	926-2105
► Outdoor Rec	926-4001
► Arts & Crafts	926-5262
► Horizons	926-2670
► Heritage Club	926-7625
► Library	327-8761
► HAWC	327-8480
► Fitness Center	926-2128
► Fitness Center Annex	926-2128
► Youth Center	926-2110
► ITT	926-2945
► Bowling Center	926-2112
► Pine Oaks G.C.	926-4103
► Pizza Depot	926-0188

Additional information on Services events and activities can be found in The Edge and at www.robinservices.com

CHAPEL SERVICES

Catholic

Catholic masses are held at the chapel each Saturday at 5:30 a.m., Sunday at 9:30 a.m., on Holy Days of Obligation at noon and 5 p.m., vigil the day before, and Monday through Friday at noon. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is Saturday from 4:30 to 5:15 p.m.

Islamic

Islamic Friday Prayer (Jumuah) is Fridays at 2 p.m. in the chapel annex rooms 1 and 2.

Jewish

Jewish service is Fridays at 6:15 p.m. at the Macon synagogue.

Orthodox Christian

St. Innocent Orthodox Church service is at the chapel on the second Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m.

Protestant

The traditional service meets Sunday in the Chapel at 11 a.m. featuring hymns, anthems, congregational prayers and readings. Contemporary service meets at 6 p.m. in the Chapel sanctuary, singing the latest praise and worship music. The gospel service meets at 8 a.m. at the Chapel, praising God with inspirational music. Religious education meets in Bldg. 905 at 9:30 a.m.

NOW PLAYING



FRIDAY — 7:30 P.M.
THE STRANGERS
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SATURDAY — 7:30 P.M.
THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA: PRINCE CASPIAN
PG

Please make note of new movie showtimes. Also note that there will be no movies showing over the July 4 Holiday weekend.

Tickets: \$4 adult; \$2 children (11 years old and younger). For more information, call the base theater at 926-2919

A terrifying suspense thriller about a couple whose remote getaway becomes a place of terror when masked strangers invade. The confrontation forces Kristen and James to go far beyond what they thought themselves capable of if they hope to survive.

The Pevensie siblings are magically transported back from England to the world of Narnia, where a thrilling, perilous new adventure and an even greater test of their faith and courage awaits them. During their absence, the Golden Age of Narnia has become extinct. Narnia has been conquered by the Telmarines and is now under the control of the evil King Miraz, who rules the land without mercy. The children will soon meet an intriguing new character: Narnia's rightful heir to the thrones, the young Prince Caspian, who has been forced into hiding as his uncle Miraz plots to kill him in order to place his newborn son on the throne.

Local basketball team to enter national spotlight

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A group of young basketball players from Middle Georgia are building a reputation as being one of the toughest in the state. The Perry Knights, a 12-and-under Division II Youth Basketball of America team, recently won the state championship and will soon have a chance to showcase their talents on the national level.

The Knights, a team of nine players, including five whose parents work at Robins, received an invitation to compete in the YBOA National Championships in Orlando, Fla. July 26 to Aug. 2. "This is by far our biggest opportunity," said head coach Terry Sams, a program monitor in the 559th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron. "We have a real chance to win the tournament and that means exposure for our players and potential endorsements or sponsorships."

Sams has been coaching for more than five years on base. He got involved when his son, T.J., became old enough to start playing organized ball. Several years ago, he was asked to coach as an assistant in the YBOA league. This is his first year as a head coach and he is thoroughly enjoying it.

"I've fallen in love with coaching," Sams said. "It is amazing to teach kids, who don't know how to dribble or shoot, the fundamentals of playing basketball. You watch them grow and develop year after year and it's very rewarding."

His teams have reached varying levels of success throughout the years, including several base championships. This is the first

year a team he helped coach has climbed the YBOA ranks to first place. But it wasn't an easy climb. Early in the season, the team struggled.

"My players have always had the skill and talent to win, but we needed to work on the mental aspect of the game," Sams said.

Once the players were able to develop mental skills to match their physical skills, they started winning. Another contributor to the team's success was Sams' ability to keep many of the same players on the team year after year.

"We've been playing together for a long time now and we are used to playing with each other," said power forward Eric Lockett, son of Antoinette Simmons of the Warner Robins Air Logistics Center Plans and Programs Office. "We've been successful and if we play like we know we can, we will win the national championship."

Eric's teammate, point guard Detraivious "Trey" Dennis, son of Staff Sgt. Keith Hagan of the 78th Security Forces, agreed.

"We have a good roster. Everyone knows what they are



Courtesy photo

Members of the Perry Knights basketball team display trophies for winning the Youth Basketball of America 12-and-under Division II state championship. The team will now compete in the YBOA national championships in Orlando, Fla.

supposed to do and they do it," he said. "I think we'll do really well in the tournament."

One potential obstacle that could prohibit the team from competing for the title is the large financial cost. The team must raise \$5,000 by July 9 to cover tournament fees and travel expenses.

"The amount of money we need now is a little bit beyond what we can get from washing cars or selling donuts," Sams said.

The team has received some support from Perry Parks and

Recreation Department, which provides a practice facility and a van for travel to and from tournaments. The Midsouth Federal Credit Union has also supported the team financially, but Sams said he is still well short of the overall goal.

"I would hate to deny our kids this opportunity because we couldn't raise enough money," he said.

Anyone wishing to make a donation to the team can contact Sams at 919-5134.

Marathon sign ups on pace to shatter 2007 record

If current figures are an accurate predictor, the 2008 U.S. Air Force Marathon appears well on its way to shattering last year's registration record of more than 6,700 runners and could approach the 10,000 mark.

As of June 13, the total number of runners registered for the 12th annual event stood at 2,326. That compares with 1,013 total registered runners at the same time a year ago, or about a 130 percent increase.

According to Molly Loudon, marathon director, enhanced marketing and publicity efforts combined with strong word-of-mouth from previous marathon participants is helping fuel the surge in registration.

"For the past three years, we have stepped up marketing," Ms. Loudon said. "We've consistently attended regional marathon expos and advertised in national magazines. Also, word of mouth is a huge factor, and the marathon has received fantastic reviews from past runners on running blogs like marathonguide.com."

Registration numbers are confirming high interest in both the full and half marathon. The figures show 1,098 runners registered for the full marathon, compared to 512 for the same time last year; the half marathon has received 885 registrants, compared to 333 a year ago.

Ms. Loudon said runners planning to participate in this year's marathon are encouraged to register early. For more information or to register for the marathon, visit www.usafmarathon.com.

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Kiley Glass

TITLE: Protestant religious education coordinator for the Robins Base Chapel

BACKGROUND: Before coming to Robins she served as a missionary in India and China and helped minister to inner city youth in Philadelphia. Then she took a sabbatical to become a mom.

HOMETOWN: Bedminster, N.J.

ON WHY SHE IS GLAD TO MINISTER TO THE ROBINS COMMUNITY:

"I am so glad to be able to be back in the saddle professionally. I have been so happy to be able to do what I love serving people and helping people. I love being a part of the Robins community. It's been another cross-cultural experience for me. I have been as happy as a clam."

HOBBIES: Making homemade soaps and reading