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The Air Force Thunderbirds, which headline the 2009 Robins Air Show Saturday and Sunday, perform precision aerial maneuvers demonstrating the capabilities of Air Force high performance aircraft to people throughout the world.

Here comes the Thunder!

Rain or shine, the Air Force's premiere aerial demonstration team to headline Robins Air Show

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW
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The Thunderbirds will bring a little more muscle to this year's Robins Air Show.

The Air Force's aerial demonstration team, the marquee event of the show, is coming this year with new planes that have more horsepower.

Staff Sgt. Randy Redman, chief of community relations for the team, said the extra kick will allow the team to perform some new maneuvers. One of those is a "diamond take-off," in which the team will execute a diamond-shaped loop on takeoff that it had not been able to do with previous versions of the F-16 that the team flew.

"They've never had the horsepower to do that before," he said.

The new model is Lockheed Martin's Block 52 F-16, which has an additional 3,600 horsepower.

Weather forecasts are calling for a chance of rain over the weekend, but Maj. Joseph Speight, the air show coordinator, said the show will go on "rain or shine."

Robins employees who want to get a preview of the Thunderbirds show to which is open to the general public Saturday and Sunday should step outside at 2 p.m. today. That's when the team is scheduled for a rehearsal.

The team is made up of six planes, and all except one of the pilots have flown combat missions in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The Thunderbirds were created in 1953 and perform approximately 70 shows per year around the world. Pilots are selected through an arduous process, Sergeant Redman said, and they typically serve a two-year stint, with half of the team rotating out each year.

ROBINS AIR SHOW PARKING INFO

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- ▶ Lot behind Bldg. 210
- ▶ Lot south of Bldg. 300
- ▶ Lot east of Bldg. 215
- ▶ Lot east of Bldg. 359

Guests must enter the base through the Russell Parkway gate. All other base gates will be closed.

Volunteers and signs will direct all air show guests to available parking areas.

Complimentary transportation service from the parking lots to the air show will be provided.

For more information about parking, see page 9 in the Robins Air Show guide enclosed.

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U.S. Air Force photo by TOMMIE HORTON

Col. Jose Rivera (left), 5th Combat Communications Squadron commander, pins the Bronze Star medal on Senior Master Sgt. Bobby Simmons Jr. in a ceremony April 23.

Robins sergeant earns Bronze Star medal

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Senior Master Sgt. Bobby Simmons Jr. of the 5th Combat Communications Squadron is a veteran of many deployments, but his most recent tour in Afghanistan was a little different.

Sergeant Simmons worked as a mentor for Afghan troops, and in addition to finding it rewarding, his efforts earned him a Bronze Star.

"I loved the experience," he said after having the medal pinned in a ceremony Thursday. "From the start they treated us as

if we were family. I have a good feeling about the Afghan people."

Col. Jose Rivera, commander of the 5th Combat Communications Group, pinned the medal in front of a couple of hundred of 5th CCG members in the ceremony in Coates Hall at the 116th Aircraft Control Wing.

"His character is represented in everything he does," Colonel Rivera said after the ceremony. "It comes as no surprise to me that his efforts over there were recognized with a Bronze Star."

Sergeant Simmons is a 21-year veteran of the Air Force.

According to the citation he mentored Afghanistan's only deployable signal battalion that "successfully executed 10 national-level operations shoring up Afghan national pride and confidence in the Afghan National Army."

He also commanded 425 convoys that covered 2,500 miles and "ensured the communication support element's development and ability to simultaneously provide contingency support and command and control to two displaced Afghan National Army corps and the Afghan National Military Command Center."

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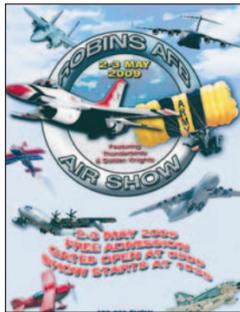


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U.S. Air Force photo by TECH. SGT. JUSTIN PYLE

The Air Force Thunderbirds solo pilots perform the crossover break maneuver during a show March 11 at Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.

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All pilots in the Air Force can perform the same maneuvers as the Thunderbirds, but the team executes those maneuvers with wing tips inches apart. Sergeant Redman said a key factor in selection is personality and ability to represent the Air Force.

"We have to be able to talk to anybody anywhere about what the Air Force does and they have to have the personality to go along with that," he

said.

The mission of the Thunderbirds, he said, is to act as ambassadors for the Air Force, spur recruitment, and instill pride within the Air Force to promote retention.

"We are talking to the kids about the next generation to enter the Air Force," he said. "The Air Force needs us to represent the best that the Air Force has to offer."

After the show, which is scheduled for 3 p.m. both days, the pilots will be available to meet with the public and sign autographs.

Air Show Lineup

- Golden Knights - Opening Show
- Ed Hamill - Opening Teaser
- Sky Soldiers - 4 x AH-1 Cobra Demo
- C-130 Static Line Personnel Airdrop
- Navy F-18 Demo
- Thunderbird Engine Run
- Commemorative Air Force - Battle of Midway
- GEICO Skytypers Demo
- F-15E & F-4 Demos/Heritage Flight
- Ed Hamill Aerobatic Act
- Team Robins Fly-by
- Golden Knights - Full Demo
- Thunderbirds

- Lineup subject to change

Volunteer efforts help rebuild homes, lives

BY TECH. SGT.
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More than 85 people from Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command turned out April 25 to repair five area homes as part of Rebuilding Together 2009.

Rebuilding Together is the largest nonprofit home repair organization in the country. It has more than 200 affiliates, including one in Warner Robins.

Volunteers donate their time and skills to help low-income homeowners by providing material and labor for routine maintenance projects the owners cannot afford or accomplish on their own.

"I'd say our usual clients are single women over the age of 70, widowed, and living on a fixed income," said Neal Snyder, Headquarters AFRC Rebuilding Together coordinator. "Most of the time, you can tell basic periodic or preventative maintenance hasn't been done in many years," said Mr. Snyder who is also a program analyst for the headquarters.

Although Rebuilding Together is a charity, the homeowners are treated with respect, according to Mr. Snyder.

"We always refer to the folks as clients and think of the projects as pay projects," he said. "It just so happens the negotiated rate is \$0."

Repairs made by volunteers from the headquarters and their families ran the gamut from replacing and repainting window trim to installing new vinyl siding

and everything in between.

Ms. Doretha Hamilton, a Rebuilding Together 2009 client, said the volunteers can never know how much their time and efforts are appreciated, especially by someone who lives by herself.

"I've been on dialysis for nearly 10 years and the Rebuilding Together waiting list for two," said Ms. Hamilton.

"I could never accomplish what these [volunteers] and their families have done in one day," she said. "They're wonderful people."

Maj. Gen. Hanferd J. Moen Jr., director of Air, Space and Information Operations at the headquarters, said his involvement in the program is simple.

"Warner Robins really is a military community built around the base, and we get incredible support from the local community," he said. "This is a good chance to help those who can really use the help."

Mr. Snyder shares the general's feelings about why volunteers participate in Rebuilding Together.

"Speaking for the majority of the people I work with on these houses, we're not working for their gratitude," said Mr. Snyder.

"We're getting satisfaction from having the skills, abilities, time and means to be able to help others," he said. "People need help. I feel like I've led a very blessed life and I've got the skills and ability to go out and help someone else."

Besides volunteering his carpentry skills, General Moen said it's important for senior leaders to get



U.S. Air Force photo

Maj. Gen. Hanferd "Rusty" J. Moen Jr., director of Air, Space and Information Operations, Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command, cuts a piece of lumber Saturday. Rebuilding Together assists low-income homeowners with repairs they would not otherwise be able to accomplish on their own.

involved and to support the volunteers.

"To be out with your folks and to show support and appreciation for them is important," said the general, "not only for what they do day-in and day-out at work but in efforts like this. It is neat to see the sons, daughters and families out giving back together."

Headquarters AFRC's participation in the program expanded years ago when Retired Lt. Gen. James E. Sherrard III, then the AFRC vice commander, sought a teambuilding opportunity to bring headquarters members together.

The closest affiliate was in Macon during the initial years, but Col. Rick Ryder and Chaplain (Col.) Larry Welton soon brought the program to Warner Robins where the partnership has flourished ever since.

Assisting low-income clients is just one of Rebuilding Together's focuses. Volunteers also help disabled veterans, families in need and victims of disasters.

People can learn more about the Rebuilding Together program by going to its Web site at www.rebuildingtogether.org.

Safe Site status grows as VPP challenges met

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The list of workplaces at Robins earning Safe Site status keeps getting bigger.

In the Commander's Safe Site Challenge, 12 workplaces on base have won gold, 82 have met silver level requirements and 58 have achieved bronze recognition, said Melanie Clearman, program manager for the Voluntary Protection Program at Robins.

That's a total of 152 workplaces with some form of Safe Site recognition. Ms. Clearman said 260 workplaces on base are involved in the Safe Site program.

The aim of the Safe Site Challenge is to improve

workplace safety and ultimately help the entire base win Star recognition. That is the highest honor in the Occupational, Health and Safety Administration's Voluntary Protection Program.

"I believe that the success of our VPP efforts is directly related to the locally developed Commander's Safe Site Challenge," Ms. Clearman said. "Sites which have accepted the challenge are motivated to make their workplace safer and healthier."

The latest to win gold status is the engineering data office of the 584th Combat Sustainment Squadron. The office is only

the sec-



ond in the 542nd Combat Sustainment Wing to win gold status.

The office is made up of 32 people, said section chief John Fowler. The unit won silver in October and since that time has worked to make further safety improvements, he said. The office has also mentored other units in the wing looking to earn Safe Site status, he said.

Among the focus of the

group is ergonomics.

Employees are encouraged to stand up at least once an hour and do stretches that may occur from sitting at a computer for a long period of time. A poster by each computer gives a list of stretches that can be done.

He also said the office has put focus on home safety, encouraging employees to have a fire extinguisher and a fire alarm in their homes. When the initiative began only two employees had a fire extinguisher at home, and now every employee has one. They also have a meeting every Monday morning to discuss health and safety.

"We really believe in it," he said of the VPP program. "We are really into it. We want to take care of one another."

He also said the unit isn't stopping its efforts with the gold honor. The office is currently working to make sure employees have emergency kits for tornados and floods.

Also recently the 78th Air Base Wing Inspector General office and the 78 ABW Weather Flight have been award Silver Safe Site status.

Ms. Clearman said improving safety at home is an important aspect of the VPP program.

"That is the ultimate goal - safe at work and at home, she said."

AWARD

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►The base composts all yard waste, using 927 tons of compost in base beautification projects, diverting the waste from the landfill and saving \$174,000 in disposal costs.

►Using 70 flex-fuel vehicles, which can run E-85, a fuel made up of 85-percent ethanol.

►Reducing energy consumption by converting virtual computer servers.

Robins officials will collect the award in a ceremony June 17 at the National Institute of Health in Bethesda, MD.

Robins health officials offer prevention advice, tips against new flu strain

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Although there have been no confirmed H1N1 flu cases at Robins, health officials here are urging caution to prevent the kind of outbreaks that have hit Mexico and parts of the U.S.

Col. Steve Lamb, the Public Health Emergency Officer for Robins, said the H1N1 virus is a concern because it is a different strain of the flu that commonly hits here in the winter months. The strain, commonly referred to as the swine flu, normally occurs in pigs.

“It’s one previously not seen in humans,” said Colonel Lamb, who is commander of the 78th Aerospace Medicine

Squadron. “It could sweep through a non-immune population.”

The symptoms are the same as the seasonal flu, he said, and the only way anyone would know they have it is by having a test done.

Frequent hand washing with warm or hot water is one important precaution against spreading the virus. Other recommendations include:

► Stay home from work if you start to have mild symptoms. Seek medical attention if the symptoms become more serious.

► Avoid contact with anyone who shows symptoms

► Cover nose and mouth with tissue when coughing or sneezing

► Avoid touching your

eyes, nose or mouth

The symptoms to watch for include sore throat, body aches and fever of 100.5 or higher. If anyone learns they have been exposed to H1N1 flu, Colonel Lamb said, they should get checked if it is within seven days of exposure.

After seven days without symptoms there is no cause for concern, he said.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported Thursday that 109 cases in eleven states had been confirmed in the U.S., with one fatality, a 23-month-old child in Texas.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has urged against referring to H1N1 as the swine flu to avoid the false inference that the illness is food borne.

Deployment opportunities abound for Air Force employees, including civilians

BY CAPT. BOB EVERDEEN
AFMC Public Affairs

The operations tempo for Air Force employees—both civilian and military—is still high; but volunteers for extended deployments have dropped by more than 20 percent in the past two years.

According to an internal Air Force Materiel Command memo released April 21 by Gen. Donald Hoffman, AFMC commander, more volunteers are needed to maintain a steady-state deployment cycle.

“These declining numbers result in the need to fill deployments with non-volunteers and, in turn, negatively impact the mission and families through compressed deployment preparation time and unplanned retirements and separations,” the general said.

As the Air Force continues to support joint operations around the globe in defense of our national interests, AFMC has done “an excellent job” providing volunteers to fill 365-day extended deployments.

“We need to ensure our best and brightest support the fight, and we need to actively engage with our Airmen to encourage them to take on these mission-critical assignments,” General Hoffman said. “Our civilian team plays a vital role here, too.”

Air Force Secretary

Michael Donley and Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz released a memo March 8 outlining opportunities for DOD civilians to serve in global expeditionary positions through a program called the Civilian Expeditionary Workforce, or CEW. Initial guidance on CEW will be released in the near future.

“While every civilian will not deploy, it is our goal to create opportunities for those who seek this chance to expand their horizons and service to the Air Force,” the memo stated. The Office of the Secretary of Defense has “directed commanders at all levels to support those civilian employees wishing to volunteer. We share that expectation.”

In 2007, more than 1,100 DOD civilians volunteered to fill 129 Provincial Reconstruction Team positions in Iraq. With that overwhelming show of support, OSD sought more opportunities for civilians to fill and the Combatant Commands identified more than 150 unfilled requirements for 2009.

“The bottom line is that we need to redouble our efforts to get the word out on extended deployment opportunities, and then support our volunteers whenever possible,” General Hoffman said. “We are an expeditionary Air Force and deployments

not only support the joint fight, they also increase individual expertise and credibility for future service within our Air Force.”

Details about extended deployments are available for military people through their respective Functional Area Managers and deployment cells. Civilians can visit www.cpmc.osd.mil/expeditionary for more information about CEW.



U.S. Air Force photo by TECH. SGT. ERIK GUDMUNDSON

F-16 Fighting Falcons, like the one shown here, fly nearly all of the Air National Guard air sovereignty alert missions in the United States.

ANG chief discusses air sovereignty missions

BY MASTER SGT.
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New commitments need to be made to the nation’s Airmen and others who defend North America from threats to its air sovereignty, the Air National Guard’s senior officer told members of Congress April 22.

Lt. Gen. Harry M. Wyatt, director of the Air National Guard, testified before the House Armed Services’ readiness committee in a hearing on the nation’s air sovereignty alert operations.

Air Guardsmen operate 16 of the 18 ASA sites located across the United States to protect its airspace. The ASA mission relies on a host of agencies including U.S. Northern Command, North

American Aerospace Defense Command and the Federal Aviation Administration.

“Their service displays a commitment to job number one, defense of the homeland,” General Wyatt said. “Our reluctance to treat air sovereignty alert as an enduring mission continues to impact the men and women serving in this very important mission area.”

The general said past funding for the mission has been inconsistent and equipment is quickly nearing the end of its service life.

About 80 percent of the Air Guard’s F-16 Fighting Falcons, which fly the largest portion of the nation’s ASA missions, will reach the end of their life span in eight years.

Officials also said the average age of Air Guard aircraft is more than 25

years, with KC-135 Stratotankers being the oldest at 49 years. KC-135s also support the ASA mission through aerial refueling.

General Wyatt said if Air Guard units received the “fifth-generation” fighters sooner, the readiness issues could be avoided.

“Every day without a solution, this situation becomes more and more urgent,” General Wyatt told the committee. “The risk of doing nothing is unacceptable and we are examining all options to address recapitalization of these aircraft.”

In addition to equipment, General Wyatt pointed out the need to recognize ASA as a steady-state mission, which would provide predictability to Guardsmen serving on year-to-year state active duty tours to support it.

Robins promotion ceremony unites two generations of Airmen

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW
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Retired Air Force Maj. William C. Robinson is a highly decorated World War II pilot, but when he spoke to members of the 5th Mob last week at Robins, he primarily wanted to talk about the efforts of another pilot – his wife.

Sitting on the front row as Mr. Robinson spoke to over two hundred Airmen at a promotion ceremony was his wife, Barbara, who also happens to have been a World War II pilot. She was among 1,102 women who flew as Women Airforce Service Pilots, or WASP. Their primary mission was to fly ferrying operations for the military in the States, which freed up male pilots to fly in combat.

“The real reason I am here is because of my wife,” said Mr. Robinson, who was awarded a Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal with six oak leaf clusters. “She took me on the second airplane ride I ever had. She claimed I became a cadet just to prove I could do it.”

They came to Robins for the promotion ceremony of their granddaughter’s husband, Tech. Sgt. Michael Goodman. They “tacked on” his new stripes, punching him on the arm after he donned his jacked.

Mr. Robinson, wearing his old Air Force uniform, spoke to the 5th Mob members about his experiences flying combat missions in



U.S. Air Force photo by TOMMIE HORTON

Promotion ceremony attendees give Barbara Robinson and her husband Retired Air Force Maj. William C. Robinson, both WW II pilots, a standing ovation.

the Pacific, but he talked more about his wife and the need to recognize the WASPs. Ms. Robinson is one of only about 300 who are still living. Both are 87.

Mr. Robinson urged the 5th Mobsters to support a bill in Congress, Senate Bill 614, which calls for giving WASPs the Congressional Gold Medal, which is the nation’s highest medal for civilians.

“They deserve it,” he said. “They didn’t think about their lives. These girls had no benefits. They paid their way to training and when they were disbanded they paid their way home.”

Although they flew for the military, the WASPs were denied full military status. Despite not flying in

combat, Mr. Robinson said, they put themselves at great risk. He noted that many died in training, mostly flying planes that had been used in combat operations. The pilots had to take up collections to buy coffins and send the bodies home, he said.

Col. Jose Rivera, commander of the 5th Mob, told the group after Mr. Robinson’s talk that they should take inspiration from the couple’s experiences.

“If you ever had a doubt about what service to this country means as we are working out there in Iraq and Afghanistan, if you ever had a doubt of what means to be an American, you need to think about the Robinsons,” he said.

Commentary

"Neither a wise nor a brave man lies down on the tracks of history to wait for the train of the future to run over him."

— Dwight D. Eisenhower

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Col. Warren Berry
78th Air Base Wing
Commander

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Bombs on target

Airmen work to ensure munitions hit targets when launched from F-22 Raptors

Airman 1st Class Amber Wagner inspects a Joint Direct Attack Munitions after it's loaded onto an F-22 Raptor April 14 at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska. Airman Wagner, assigned to the 525th Aircraft Maintenance Unit, ensured the JDAM dropped by the 525th Fighter Squadron was successful.

U.S. Air Force photo by SENIOR AIRMAN JONATHAN STEFFEN

Out of the shadow of darkness comes light

Rounding the bend in the river I could barely make out the bank as I slowly paddled my pirogue between fallen trees and stumps. The rain was coming down much harder now and the occasional flash of lightening would provide intermittent glimpses of what lay in my path.

The pirogue was a project my dad and I had made several years earlier and though she could glide through the water barely skimming the surface, I knew how easily she would tip over if she suddenly got lodged on a submerged log.

The Ochlockonee River, just west of Tallahassee, Fla., was known for being full of stumps and fallen trees providing an ideal home for big catfish. I had fished there on many occasions and absolutely loved the feeling of isolation that this river had to offer.

Catfish are nocturnal creatures becoming more active at night just like many of the other wildlife that live deep in the swamps and marshes adjacent to the Ochlockonee River watershed. My plan was to search out a bend in the river which would have a deep hole and string a trot line from one of the low hanging

willow branches across the bend.

There was no moon tonight so I had to depend on my senses and take extreme care to avoid an accident. I was out here for one purpose: to fill an ice chest with my limit of channel cats.

Under the cover of darkness, night time catfishing on the Ochlockonee River in North Florida can be a thrilling experience, but you must be careful and observant in order to have a successful trip.

For U.S. Airmen, the darkness of night in Iraq brings a different set of concerns. The experience gained as a mine-resistant, ambush-protected vehicle, or MRAP, turret gunner on a night-time combat patrol in Southern Iraq is one few of us can understand. What we do understand is the need for alertness and quiet observation.

Airman 1st Class William Logsdon from Vacaville, Calif., is one of the many Airmen who can tell you in great detail what it's like to roll out of a forward operating base under the cover of darkness while perched alongside his M-240 machine gun in the turret of an MRAP.

This young man who had yet to attain the legal drinking age

before participating in his first combat patrol has the responsibility for making sure his assigned sectors are covered. The crew is always ready for the unexpected.

The MRAP is a massive vehicle, yet fear of the unknown is the common denominator for these night-time warrior Airmen. In anticipation of an upcoming patrol, Airman Logsdon explained that he spends hours prepping his weapon system before a mission.

In fact he proudly explained that he can disassemble and reassemble his weapon in just under 60 seconds, providing the confidence that, if necessary, he could solve any malfunction in a stressful situation. Training is the key to success.

The combat patrol covers many miles of Iraqi highway and smaller intersecting roadways. Along these roadways are check points occupied by Iraqi army and Iraqi police personnel. Airman Logsdon said their work is paying off because he sees significant progress in how the Iraqi army and police are stepping up and taking charge of the security in their country.

Driving between these check-

points requires a diligent sense for maintaining 100 percent situational awareness. Airman Logsdon accomplishes this through the use of night vision goggles which he says gives you a sense of being right out of the movies by illuminating an incredible expanse of desert terrain.

Warrior Airmen such as Airman Logsdon know all too well the threats they face on a daily basis yet they go about their daily duties with a sense of accomplishment and great pride in what they have done to assist the people of Iraq in their quest for peace and prosperity.

Yes, the emotion, danger and excitement of a night-time combat patrol in Southern Iraq makes a fishing or hunting trip back in the states seem like a walk in the park. But, for Airman Logsdon, a third-generation veteran, and a young man who can't wait to get home and relax at the lake with his first legal beer, its just another day at the office. Air Force junior enlisted Airmen own the night.

— This commentary was written by Lt. Col. Gregory Laffitte, 887th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron.

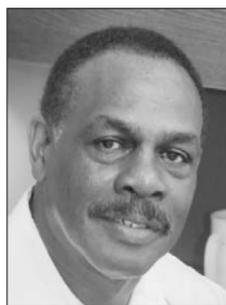
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What movie do you never get tired of seeing?



Airman 1st Class Jeremiah Stone
52nd CBCS

"The Fast and the Furious. I'm a car fan."



John Marlin
78th CEG

"The Ten Commandments. It shows what the power of God can do for those that believe and trust him."



Shirley Sexton
Wynn Dining Facility manager

"Sleepless in Seattle. I just love that movie."



Yamaan Robinson
402nd CMXG

"The Usual Suspects with Kevin Spacey. It's a classic."

Robins set to celebrate Asian Pacific American Heritage Month

Robins is celebrating Asian Pacific American Heritage Month with a list of events and activities that will include something for everyone.

The planning committee, which has more than 50 members, has been event planning since February to ensure the month is a success and everyone has the chance to come out, support and get a taste of the Asian Pacific American Heritage culture.

According to Capt. Jesse Herrera, Observance Month Committee liaison officer, the big events to look out for are the APAH Cultural Fair on May 15 and the grand finale, the APAH Family Party on May 29.

“The fair will have cultural display from Guam, Philippines, Japan, Korea, Samoa, Hawaii and Vietnam,” he said. “Each tent will have some food tasting.”

Foods will include such delicacies as sushi, coconut candy, guyuria (pronounced gu-zu-ria), roskette (pronounced rose-ke-ti) and more. The fair will also sell Bento Boxes, which are APAH lunch boxes, for \$5.

To culminate Asian Pacific American Heritage month, the committee is sponsoring the APAH Family Party.

“We are planning to infuse your night with APAH entertainment to include an APAH buffet where you can get a taste of the Asian Pacific American Heritage cul-

ture,” said Capt. Herrera. “The party will be May 29 from 6 to 10 p.m. We promise you will not be disappointed.”

Asian Pacific American Heritage Month was enacted by Public Law 102-450 on October 28, 1992. The purpose of the law was to honor the achievements of Asian Pacific Americans and to recognize their contributions to the United States.

This recognition was the culmination of the efforts of Jeanie Jew in the 1970’s to establish Asian Pacific American Heritage Week.

Following the United States bicentennial in 1976, Ms. Jew realized that Asian Pacific Americans were “excluded from those stories during celebrations of the country’s bicentennial. We were literally ignored even though we were part of building this country.”

A year later, Ms. Jew enlisted the support of Rep. Frank Horton, R-N.Y., who, along with Rep. Norman Mineta, D-Calif, introduced House Resolution 540. This resolution proclaimed the first 10 days of May as Asian Pacific American Heritage Week. Senators Daniel Inouye and Spark Matsunaga introduced similar legislation into the Senate.

May was selected for the recognition because two significant events in history took place in that month: Japanese immigrants first arrived in the

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

May 1- Kickoff and cake cutting at BX atrium, 11 a.m.

May 1-20- School poster board and diorama contest

May 8- Bowling tournament at Robins Lanes, noon to 4 p.m.

May 11-15- School book reading

May 15- Cultural Fair, in Bldg. 905 parking lot, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

May 29- Family Party at Base Restaurant, 6 to 10 pm.

United States on May 7, 1843, and the transcontinental railroad was completed on May 10, 1869 (Golden Spike Day). Furthermore, since school is still in session during May, educators could capitalize on the opportunity to include APA history into the curriculum.

On Oct. 2, 1978, President Jimmy Carter signed the Joint Resolution and the first Asian Pacific American Heritage Week was celebrated in May 1979. In 1992, the week was expanded to a month-long recognition when President George Bush signed the law permanently designating May of each year as Asian Pacific American Heritage Month. The law was unanimously supported by both the House of Representatives and the Senate.

— APAH committee

IN BRIEF

BLOOD DONOR APPRECIATION

A Blood Donor Appreciation Ceremony will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Museum of Aviation Hangar One to thank all one-gallon donors as well as welcome new donors to the process.

Col. Debra Bean, 78th Air Base Wing commander, will host the event. The ceremony is being sponsored by Maj. Robert Gates, Armed Services Blood Program chief, Southern Region, Ft. Gordon, Ga.

Maj Gates would like to express his gratitude to all “seasoned” and new donors, as well as to all

commanders, chiefs, and supervisors that make it possible. The ASBP comes to Robins every other month to collect blood to send to deployed United States military personnel.

There will be over 30 one-gallon donors being recognized. The next blood drive will be May 29 at the

Cotton Auditorium and at the Old Gym Basketball Court from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

To request more information regarding the ceremony or to schedule an appointment for the next blood drive, contact Staff Sgt. Garah M. Hammack at garah.hammack@robins.af.mil or 327-7931.

Military disciplinary actions

Courts-Martial

►A staff sergeant was found guilty in a special court-martial of being derelict in the performance of his duties by failing to wear his ballistic vest; of wrongfully using his government travel card for unauthorized cash advances; of sexually harassing a fellow Airman and initiating conversation of a sexually explicate nature; of unlawfully touching two fellow Airmen with his arms, hand and beret; and making a false and fraudulent claim against the government for lodging reimbursement. The accused received a sentence of reduction to E-2, 46 days confinement, and a bad conduct discharge.

►An airman 1st class was found guilty in a special court-martial of wrongfully communicating a threat by stating, “I will kill you” or words to that effect; and by



wrongfully and recklessly waving a loaded firearm, conduct likely to cause death or grievous bodily harm. The accused received a sentence of reduction to E-1, forfeitures of \$300 pay per month for six months, 30 days confinement, two months hard labor without confinement and a reprimand.

►An airman 1st class was found guilty in a summary court-martial of wrongfully using methamphetamine. The accused received a sentence of reduction to E-1 and 10 days confinement.

Article 15s

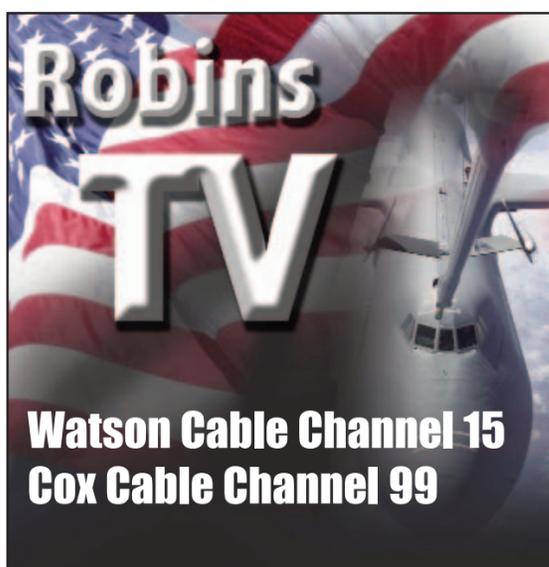
►A senior master sergeant was derelict in the performance of his duties by willfully misusing his government travel card. Punishment was suspended reduction to the grade of master sergeant, forfeiture of \$150 per month for two

months and a reprimand.

Discharges

►A senior airman received an Under Honorable Conditions (General) service characterization for misconduct: minor disciplinary infractions. This member made a false official statement, was derelict in the performance of his duties on two occasions, disobeyed a direct order, was disrespectful to a noncommissioned officer and failed to report to duty on time on two occasions.

►An airman basic received an Under Honorable Conditions (General) service characterization for misconduct: commission of a serious offense, other serious offenses. This member was previously punished under Article 15, UCMJ, for stealing an Apple iPhone and an XM Satellite Radio, property belonging to two different military members.





The Aircraft Firefighting Training Facility, fueled by liquid propane, provides firefighters hands-on, realistic aircraft firefighting experience that is normally scenario driven. U.S. Air Force photos by ED ASPERA

Training event helps Robins assess, standardize response capabilities

Robins was the site of an All-Hazards Response Training event April 20-24. The training, which was given by a team of contractors from L-3 Communications, provided exercise evaluation team training, several table-top exercises and a functional exercise for first responders with heavy involvement from the 78th Medical Group.

The functional exercise, which was held April 22, simulated an aircraft crash with casualties and was

observed by visitors from HQ Air Force Materiel Command, the Air Staff and the Air Force Civil Engineer Support Agency.

The All-Hazards Response Training was intended to assist Robins in assessing its response capabilities to any incidents, specifically Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear incidents, and its use of the Air Force Incident Management System.

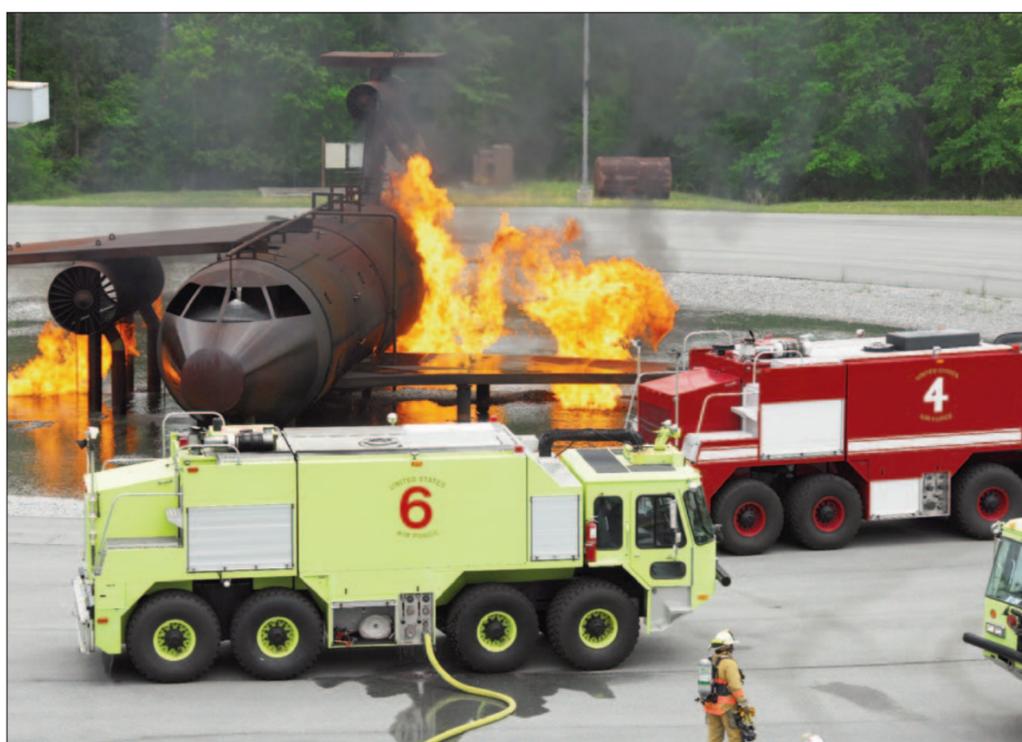
— Staff reports



First responders arrive at the scene of a simulated aircraft fire during a recent training exercise.



Bryan O'Leary, a Robins firefighter, assesses one of the victims during the exercise.



Robins fire trucks surround the burn simulator during the first round of training.



The 78th Medical Group Field Treatment Team provides on-scene medical care along with the Houston County Emergency Services personnel.

78th FSS BRIEFS

FRIDAY

Starting May 1, The Afterburner, which proudly brews Starbucks coffee, will be open Monday – Friday from 5 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come in and enjoy a May special of Venti Raspberry for 10 percent off. Afterburner is located in the Base Restaurant, Bldg. 166 on Byron St. Afterburner offers a variety of hot and cold beverages, pastries and snacks. For more information call 222-7827 or 926-6972.

Compete for your chance to win a Wii game console by playing Fitopoly. Pick up a game card at the fitness and center starting May 1. Increase your chances of winning by being active in May Fitness Month events. Kick off May Fitness month with the following activities: May fitness fun run at 2 p.m., cardio abs from 4 to 4:30 p.m. May 1; fitness assessments and body fat analysis (all day at the fitness center) May 4; power yoga from 5 to 6 p.m. May 5; HAWC fun run at 2 p.m. May 6; first sergeants fitness challenge at 7:30 a.m. and HAWC healthy weight from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; belly dance/body sculpt from 11 a.m. to noon on May 8. Most activities will be held at the fitness center unless noted. Sponsored in part by Verizon Wireless. No federal endorsement of sponsor intended. For complete details and schedule of events call the fitness center at 926-2128 or the HAWC at 327-8480 or visit www.robinservices.com.

A First Friday “Travel to the East” and special learn to play will be held at the Heritage Club and Horizons May 1 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. with food being served from 5 to 6 p.m. Menu will include fried rice, egg roll, sweet and sour chicken. First Friday means great food, chances to win prizes, entertainment and drink specials. Members must be present to win. Cost is members free and nonmembers \$5. For more information call 926-2670.

MONDAY

Learn a new skill or brush up on an old one starting May 4 in the community center. Piano class-

es May 4, 11 and 18 from 7 to 8 p.m., cost \$65 per person; salsa and belly dancing May 5, 12, 19 and 26 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. and belly dancing from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., cost \$40 per person (when you register for one class, get the other for free) and free Bridge lessons on May 6, 13, 20 and 27 from 6 to 8 p.m. For more information call the community center at 926-2105.

Come out and enjoy a fruits/vegetables carving class with Chef Douglas on May 4 from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Arts & Crafts Center. A pre-registration is required for \$20 (includes supplies). For more information call the Arts & Crafts Center at 926-5282.

THURSDAY

The Airman and Family Readiness Center holds classes each month in Bldg. 794 for active duty, retired, reserve, spouses and family members.

►A great opportunity is now available to active-duty spouses. This program, accessed through Military OneSource, provides counseling and funding, up to \$6,000 to assist with licensure, certification or education opportunities leading to employment opportunities. Just call the Military OneSource Center at 1-800-342-9647 to speak with a career and education consultant. For more information call the A&FRC at 926-1256 or visit www.militaryonesource.com.

UPCOMING

A yard sale will be held May 9 from 8 a.m. to noon in front of the Heritage Club, Bldg. 956. Set up starts at 7:30 a.m. and tables can be purchased in advance for \$7 per table (limit three per person). For more information call the community center at 926-2105.

A Mother's Day brunch will be held May 10 at Horizons from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Brunch will include breakfast and dinner entrees, omelet station, carving station, salad bar, dessert and ice cream bar and more. Cost is \$12.95 for members, \$15.95 for guests and \$8.95 for chil-

Celebrating success



courtesy photo

Celebrating the 4th Annual Robert L. Scott, Jr. Memorial Golf Tournament income of \$115,000 are (l-r) committee co-chairman and super sponsor Lowell Register, (retired) General Al Hansen, chairperson Carolyn Crayton, WR-ALC commander Maj. Gen. Polly Peyer and committee co-chairman Gene Dunwoody.

dren (3 – 10 years old) and children two years and younger are free. For more information call Horizons at 926-2670.

The Gaudet All Star Baseball Camp is scheduled for June 5

for children of Robins. This free camp covers six areas - hitting, pitching, catching, infield, outfield and rules with umpires. Learn from those who know best: retired pros, local area coaches and college and high school players. Children will learn through a systematic approach to the fundamentals and strategies of baseball and softball with hands-on experience. Participants will also receive a free T-shirt and passes to the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame and the Georgia Music Hall of Fame. . Session I is for ages 6,7,8 and 9 year olds and will be from 8 to 11:30 a.m. Session II for ages

10,11 and 12 year olds is from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Registration will be taken at the community center on a first-come first-served basis. Permission slips will be completed at that time. For more information, call Ruby Wasway at 926-2105.

ONGOING

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, sponsored by Coca Cola and Chase Bank. Air Force-wide, twenty-five \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded. Nominees must provide an essay of no more than 500 words.

The essay title for this year is “The High Cost of Freedom.”

Essays exceeding 500 words (excluding title) will be disqualified.

Essays must be typed in 12-point Arial or Times New Roman font, single-spaced, with double-spacing between paragraphs, and submitted on standard white bond paper with one-inch margins top and bottom and one-and-one-quarter inch on left and right sides. Essays must be submitted electronically on a CD and have applicants' name, date written and word count (do not write SSAN on the CD), entry form (make sure all information marked with an asterisk is provided) and a current college/university acceptance letter for new students or official transcripts for students already enrolled.

Nominations are due to Sherry Trauth, FSS Marketing, located in Bldg. 983 by July 1. Late submissions will not be accepted. For more information, visit www.afclubs.net or call 926-5492.

Editor's note: Have an opinion? If you have any suggestions for topics or would like to sound off on my top five, email kendahl.johnson@robins.af.mil.



MOST POPULAR BOARD GAMES

As a collector of board games, I often turn to the Internet for information on the hottest games. My favorite Web site of all time is www.boardgamegeek.com, which maintains a database of more than 40,000 board games. One of my favorite features of the site is users can rate and make comments on board games, helping me make informed decisions on what games to buy and what ones to pass up. Here's a list of the top five games at the Web site, based on user ratings:

5 Through the Ages: A Story of Civilization
Through the Ages is a civilization building game. The goal is to develop your civilization, not to destroy other ones. Military strength is just one aspect of your nation, as well as population, production or science. Victory is achieved by the player whose nation produces the most culture during the game.

4 Twilight Struggle
Twilight Struggle is a quick-playing, low-complexity, card-driven war game for two players. The game map is a world map, whereon players move units and exert influence in attempts to gain allies and control for their superpower.

3 Power Grid
The object of Power Grid is to supply the most cities with power when someone's network gains a predetermined size. Players mark pre-existing routes between cities for connection, and then bid against each other to purchase the power plants that they use to power their cities.

2 Puerto Rico
Players are plantation owners in Puerto Rico in the days when ships had sails. Growing up to five different kind of crops: corn, indigo, coffee, sugar and tobacco, they must try to run their business more efficiently than their close competitors; growing crops and storing them efficiently, developing San Juan with useful buildings, deploying their colonists to best effect, selling crops at the right time, and most importantly, shipping their goods back to Europe for maximum benefit.

1 Agricola
In Agricola, you're a farmer in a wooden shack with your spouse and little else. On a turn, you get to take only two actions, one for you and one for the spouse, from all the possibilities you'll find on a farm: collecting clay, wood, or stone; building fences; and so on. You might think about having kids in order to get more work accomplished, but first you need to expand your house. And what are you going to feed all the little rugrats?

Source: www.boardgamegeek.com

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.

78th FSS PHONE DIRECTORY

- Services926-5491
- Community Center926-2105
- Outdoor Rec926-4001
- Arts & Crafts926-5282
- Horizons926-2670
- Heritage Club926-7625
- Library327-8761
- HAWC327-8480
- Fitness Center926-2128
- Fitness Center Annex926-2128
- Youth Center926-2110
- ITT926-2945
- Bowling Center926-2112
- Pine Oaks G.C.926-4103
- Pizza Depot926-0188

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

CHAPEL SERVICES

Catholic
Catholic masses are at the chapel each Saturday at 5:30 p.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. Contemporary service meets at 6 p.m. in the Chapel sanctuary. The gospel service meets at 8 a.m. at the Chapel. Religious education meets in Bldg. 905 at 9:30 a.m.

NOW PLAYING



**MAY 1
7:30 P.M.
RACE TO WITCH
MOUNTAIN**

A taxi driver gets more than he bargained for when he picks up two teen runaways. Not only does the pair possess supernatural powers, but they're also trying desperately to escape people who have made them their targets. Rated PG



**MAY 2
7:30
I LOVE YOU
MAN**

Peter is a successful real estate agent who, upon getting engaged to the woman of his dreams, discovers to his dismay, that he has no male friend close enough to serve as his Best Man. Peter immediately sets out to rectify the situation, embarking on a series of bizarre and awkward man-dates, before meeting Sydney a charming, opinionated man with whom he instantly bonds.



**UPCOMING
MONSTERS VS.
ALIENS**

When California girl Susan Murphy is unexpectedly clobbered by a meteor full of outer space gunk on her wedding day, she mysteriously turns into a giant and is instantly labeled a “monster” named Ginormica. The military captures and hold Ginormica in a secret government compound with other monsters.

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

All-Air Force puts on shooting exhibition in convincing 94-71 victory over All-Army

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW
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It was supposed to be an exhibition game when the All-Air Force and All-Army basketball teams faced off at Robins on Monday, but judging by the intensity level, the large crowd that showed up might have thought they were watching the Armed Forces Championship.

Although Army was within reach for much of the game, the Air Force team pulled away in the end for a 94-71 win.

Air Force coach John Bailey wasn't gloating after the game, however. He noted that Army didn't play three team members who have been on the All-Armed Forces team in the past.

He seemed more excited about the crowd of more than 300 people that packed into the main gym of the Fitness Center to watch the contest. He said the crowd, which included a vocal contingent of Army fans, helped spur on a spirited contest.

"I thought the intensity level was wonderful," he said. "I was real excited to see the people who came out to support the team."

The two teams put on a good show, with both raining three pointers and hitting the floor often in scrambles for loose balls.

Army had a 9-7 lead with 13:52 left in the first half, but then Timothy Anderson hit a three pointer to give Air Force the lead, and the team held it for the rest of the game.

Air Force led 61-41 with



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

All-Air Force forward Staff Sgt. Miguel Stewart goes up for a rebound in his team's game against the All-Army team. Stewart, who is a member of the 78th Security Forces Squadron, is one of four Robins players trying to make the final All-Air Force squad.

15:38 left, but Army fought back to make it 70-62 with 7:32 to go. Air Force, however, then went on a tear to end with a decisive victory.

Anderson, previously a starter for the Air Force Academy, led the team in scoring with 16. The former Mountain West Conference Defensive Player of the Year shot 6-for-6 from the floor, including from behind the three-point line.

"You could see the kid can play," Bailey said.

Anderson currently is an assistant coach at the Air Force Academy prep school. He wasn't bragging after the game either.

"We were inconsistent," Anderson said. "At times

we looked good and at times we looked bad."

Danny Nwaelele, also a former Air Force Academy basketball player, was the second leading scorer for the Air Force with 15 points. Bobby Driver led the Army with 17.

Four Robins Airmen are on the team, although the roster of 16 will be cut to 12 before the tournament. Tysen Pina, a captain in the 116th Air Control Wing, started at center and ended with four points and five rebounds. Miguel Stewart, a staff sergeant in the 78th Security Forces Squadron, scored 10 points to lead the Robins players in scoring. Khenz Jacinthe, a senior airman in the 78th

Logistics Readiness Squadron, had five points. Darnell Stephens, a first lieutenant in the 78th Comptroller & Contracting Squadron, did not score but had a rebound.

Bailey and the two assistant coaches on the team are Robins civilian employees. The tryout and practice for the All-Force team has been held at the Robins Fitness Center main gym since April 17.

The two teams met again for an exhibition at Fort Benning on Thursday night. They will go to Millington, Tenn., on May 11-18 for the Armed Forces tournament. The Marines and Navy are also competing.

► Sports briefs

SHOOT FOR THE STARS

Register now for the "Shoot for the Stars" basketball camp June 8-12 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Robins Youth Center Gym. Cost is \$65 per youth. The camp is led by Michael Douglas, former Harlem Globetrotter. Youth meet and spend the week with special guest professional athletes and former members of the Harlem Globetrotters and former NBA players. The camp is geared toward teaching fundamentals of basketball for ages 7 to 14 years old. For more information, call Ron Hayes at 926-2110.

SOCCER CAMP

Sign up today for the British Soccer Summer Camp from Aug. 10 - 14. Cost is \$63 for three - four years old and \$86 for five - 16 years old. Receive a free soccer jersey when you sign up. For more information call Ron Hayes at 926-2110.

PING PONG

A ping pong tournament will be held at the fitness center annex May 13 starting at 11 a.m. Please contact Scott Peavy at 926-2128 to sign up. For more information call the fitness center at 926-2128.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Team Robins Airlift and Tanker Association will hold its 2009 annual golf scholarship tournament at Pine Oaks Golf Course on May 8 at 12 p.m. Contact Capt Erik Stengel at 327-9288 to sign up your team.

BOX SCORE

| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | Total |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-------|
| All-Army..... | 39 | 32 | - 71 |
| All-Air Force..... | 50 | 44 | - 94 |

3-point goals: All-Army 8-20 (DRIVER 5-7), ALL-Air Force 11-27 (ANDERSON, Timothy 4-4); **Rebounds:** All-Army 35 (THOMAS 8), ALL-Air Force 48 (MAJOR, Jammal 8); **Assists -** All-Army 6 (WATERS 3), ALL-Air Force 20 (McCRAW, 5). **Total fouls -** All-Army 9, ALL-Air Force 12.

ALL-ARMY

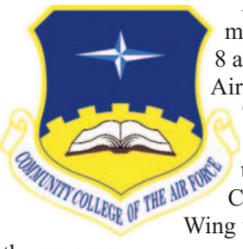
DRIVER 6-13 0-0 17; WATERS 5-11 1-1 12; THOMAS 4-9 2-4 10; MOORER 3-4 3-3 9; VANDINE 2-6 1-2 6; HALL 2-4 0-0 4; WHITE 1-4 2-2 4; EARNHARDT 2-6 0-0 4; LEGREE 1-8 0-0 3; THOMPSON 1-5 0-0 2; BURNS 0-1 0-0 0. **Totals** 27-71 9-12 71.

ALL-AIR FORCE

ANDERSON, Timothy 6-6 0-1 16; NWAEELELE, Danny 4-6 4-4 15; STEWART, Miguel 5-6 0-0 10; GRAY, Robert 4-8 2-2 10; HAWKINS, Brandon 2-5 4-6 9; WALLACE, Travis 3-4 0-0 6; LOMBARD, Micah 2-4 0-0 6; LEWIS, James 2-3 1-1 5; JACINTHE, Khenz 2-5 0-0 5; PENA, Tysen 2-5 0-1 4; BACHELOR, Rico 2-7 0-0 4; MAJOR, Jammal 1-4 2-2 4; McCRAW, Matt 0-7 0-0 0; COLEN, Drew 0-3 0-0 0; GRAY, Marico 0-2 0-0 0; STEPHENS, Darnell 0-2 0-1 0. **Totals** 35-77 13-18 94.

POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE

Robins Community College of the Air Force graduation set for May 8



More than 200 Team Robins members will be graduating May 8 at the Community College of the Air Force graduation ceremony.

The ceremony begins at 2 p.m. at the Base Theater. A reception will immediately follow. Col. Debra Bean, 78th Air Base Wing vice commander will preside at

the ceremony.

Graduate dress is service dress; military should wear uniform of the day. Civilian dress is business attire. For more information, call the Education Office at 327-3402. Following is the list of Robins graduates:

Chief Master Sgt. Hiram Ortiz
 Chief Master Sgt. Kenneth Boothe
 Chief Master Sgt. Roger Brodzinski
 Senior Master Sgt. Bobby Simmons
 Senior Master Sgt. Bryan Lee
 Senior Master Sgt. David McElligott
 Senior Master Sgt. Debra Jamison
 Senior Master Sgt. Donald Ward
 Senior Master Sgt. Gerald Bynum
 Senior Master Sgt. Phillip Franks
 Senior Master Sgt. Randall Ussey
 Senior Master Sgt. Richard Hairr
 Senior Master Sgt. Ricky Clark
 Senior Master Sgt. Robert Spears
 Senior Master Sgt. Roderick Jones
 Senior Master Sgt. Rondey Bullock
 Senior Master Sgt. Vera Romano
 Master Sgt. Aaron Robinson
 Master Sgt. Angela Edwards
 Master Sgt. Angela Thomas
 Master Sgt. April Farmer
 Master Sgt. Arlo Southall
 Master Sgt. Billy Bailey
 Master Sgt. Bruce Ballard
 Master Sgt. Carol Jones
 Master Sgt. Charles Spratt
 Master Sgt. Cherri Corbin
 Master Sgt. Christina Kibler
 Master Sgt. Derrick Paul
 Master Sgt. Donald Payne
 Master Sgt. Eric Tolson
 Master Sgt. Erik Walker
 Master Sgt. Frederick Transburg
 Master Sgt. Jackie Horsley
 Master Sgt. James Dallas
 Master Sgt. James Dock
 Master Sgt. Jamie Dutcher
 Master Sgt. Janice Spivey
 Master Sgt. Jason Boster
 Master Sgt. Jeanguy Fleury
 Master Sgt. Jeffery Gombos
 Master Sgt. Jeffrey Ossman
 Master Sgt. Jessica Reyes
 Master Sgt. Joe Greene
 Master Sgt. JuanCarlos Cueto
 Master Sgt. Justin Ivie
 Master Sgt. Keith Robinson
 Master Sgt. Kenneth Foote
 Master Sgt. Lisa Gonzalez
 Master Sgt. Michael Coscarella
 Master Sgt. Michael Towe
 Master Sgt. Patricia Bascom
 Master Sgt. Peter Portera
 Master Sgt. Razina Tolbert
 Master Sgt. Robert Fernandez
 Master Sgt. Robert Rose
 Master Sgt. Shane Whitford
 Master Sgt. Shannon Wallace
 Master Sgt. Shannon Yarbrough
 Master Sgt. Sharon Royster
 Master Sgt. Shawn Moore
 Master Sgt. Shirley Bush
 Master Sgt. Stephen Anderson
 Master Sgt. Steven Brown
 Master Sgt. Steven Denney
 Master Sgt. Sydney Parker
 Master Sgt. Tasha Hargrove
 Master Sgt. Tenisha Mitchell
 Master Sgt. Thomas Opp
 Master Sgt. Thomas Walker
 Master Sgt. Timothy Jones
 Master Sgt. Timothy Leahy
 Master Sgt. Timothy Leanhart
 Master Sgt. Tracy Eppinger
 Master Sgt. Vincent English
 Master Sgt. Wendy Albee
 Master Sgt. William Quarles
 Tech. Sgt. Albert Foley
 Tech. Sgt. Antwan Royster
 Tech. Sgt. Brian Myers
 Tech. Sgt. Charles Gillespie
 Tech. Sgt. Christopher Ekstrom
 Tech. Sgt. Clark Gilleo
 Tech. Sgt. Colin Campbell
 Tech. Sgt. Daniel Box
 Tech. Sgt. Daniel Slater
 Tech. Sgt. Darrell Crowe
 Tech. Sgt. Demetrious Salinas
 Tech. Sgt. Derek Hudson
 Tech. Sgt. Donnelle Butler
 Tech. Sgt. Felicia O'Neal
 Tech. Sgt. Gregory Mills
 Tech. Sgt. Harvey Riley
 Tech. Sgt. James Brown
 Tech. Sgt. Jason Sommers
 Tech. Sgt. Jeffrey Grunewald
 Tech. Sgt. Jerrod Tracht
 Tech. Sgt. John Boris
 Tech. Sgt. Joseph McCormick
 Tech. Sgt. Julie Boekers
 Tech. Sgt. Justin Cook
 Tech. Sgt. Kirsten Guy

Tech. Sgt. Larry Blow
 Tech. Sgt. Linzy Clifton
 Tech. Sgt. Lora Wolski
 Tech. Sgt. Makeisha Laplante
 Tech. Sgt. Matthew Grumbach
 Tech. Sgt. Melanie Moore
 Tech. Sgt. Peter Whitten
 Tech. Sgt. Richard Sheppard
 Tech. Sgt. Samantha Knight
 Tech. Sgt. Thomas Hale
 Tech. Sgt. Timothy Neal
 Tech. Sgt. Tina Reagan
 Tech. Sgt. Tyrone Melton
 Tech. Sgt. Vanessa Kidby
 Tech. Sgt. Yvette Blanton
 Tech. Sgt. Zenobia Bell
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 Staff Sgt. Aaron Arcega
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Camellia Gardens deadline May 6

Wednesday is the last day to submit names of people to be memorialized at this year's Camellia Gardens Memorial Service.

The service, which pays tribute to deceased members of Team Robins, will take place May 21 at 10 a.m. in the tranquil garden across from the officers' club.

The annual ceremony is a project of the 78th Air Base Wing Base Chapel. Honorees can be civilian or military members. Submit the following information:

►Complete name and, if military, rank of the person to be honored. If military, designate active duty or retired and branch of

service

►Birth and death dates.

►Reproducible photo--preferably black and white, and at least 2x3.

►Family-related information, such as name, address and phone number of next of kin.

►Name, address and telephone number of the person

or organization nominating the honoree.

►Military unit or organization honoree was assigned and predominant responsibility while at Robins.

There is no fee to honor an individual. However, contributions in the name of the honoree will be accepted and appreciated.

To ensure inclusion in this service, e-mail Chaplain (Capt.) Michael Newton at michael.newton@robins.af.mil, Staff Sgt. Devin Jacobs at devin.jacobs@robins.af.mil, or Staff Sgt. Sherene Fenton at sherene.fenton@robins.af.mil, or call the chapel at 926-2821.

AF on EPA list of nation's top 50 Green Power Purchasers

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EPA today released a list of the nation's top green power purchasers. The list is led by Intel Corporation, PepsiCo, Kohl's Department Stores, Dell Inc., Whole Foods Market, The Pepsi Bottling Group, Inc., Johnson & Johnson, U.S. Air Force, Cisco Systems, Inc. and the City of Houston. The nation's top 50 purchasers are buying more than 11 billion kilowatt-hours of green power annually, equivalent to the carbon dioxide emissions that would be produced from the electricity use of more than 1.1 million average American homes.

For the second year in a row, Intel Corporation is the nation's largest single purchaser of green power

with purchases of more than 1.3 billion kWh of green power per year. This corresponds to CO2 emissions from the electricity use of nearly 130,000 average American homes.

Kohl's who more than doubled their green power purchase secured a No. 3 spot on the National Top 50 list. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., Dannon, Sony DADC and Motorola for the first time appeared on the National Top 50 list securing the No. 15, No. 33, No. 40 and No. 44 spots, respectively.

EPA's Green Power Partnership works with more than 1,000 partner organizations to voluntarily purchase green power to reduce the environmental impacts of conventional electricity use. Overall, EPA Green Power Partners

are buying more than 16 billion kWh of green power annually, equivalent to the CO2 emissions from electricity use of more than 1.5 million American homes.

Green power is generated from renewable resources such as solar, wind, geothermal, biomass, biogas, and low-impact hydropower. Green power electricity generates less pollution than conventional power and produces no net increase in greenhouse gas emissions.

For more information on the top 50 list of green power purchasers visit <http://www.epa.gov/greenpower/toplists/top50.htm>

Information on EPA's Green Power Partnership is available at <http://www.epa.gov/greenpower>.

How you can help in the war on terrorism

RECOGNIZING SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY

Identifying suspicious activity is not a hard science. You have to rely on your judgment. Your suspicion of a threat could be confirmed with one incident or it could take a series of incidents. In the long run, it comes down to:

- Experience
- Judgment
- Commonsense

These examples of possible suspicious activity may not always justify reporting, but awareness is key.

- Unusual Requests for Information
- Unusual Interest in High Risk or Symbolic Targets
- Unusual Activity
- Fraudulent Identification
- Avoiding Community Contact
- Unusual Purchases or Thefts

Report all suspicious activity by calling 926-EYES or emergency 911.