



**Voluntary Protection Program efforts resulted in a reduction in lost workday injury rates at Robins for fiscal 2008 through fiscal 2010.**

## 402nd commander gets new assignment

Brig. Gen. Lee Levy, commander of the 402nd Maintenance Wing, will become the director of logistics at Air Mobility Command headquarters at Scott Air Force Base, Ill.

Col. Evan Miller, currently vice commander of the Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center, will be his replacement.

Date for the change has not been announced.



Brig. Gen. Lee Levy



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## AF officials announce additional force management measures

### FROM AIR FORCE NEWS

Air Force leaders announced involuntary force management programs Wednesday to reduce personnel as a supplement to the voluntary programs announced in December.

These measures are part of the Air Force's multi-year Force Management Program aimed at shaping and sizing the force.

With more Airmen choosing to stay in the Air Force, retention is at the highest level in 16 years.

Air Force leaders implemented a tailored, multi-year program in 2010 to reduce the number of personnel to operate at the service's authorized end strength levels. According to Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz, even with those efforts, the Air Force ended fiscal

2010 approximately 2,300 officers over end strength.

"Retention projections for fiscal years 2011 and 2012 continue to be high," General Schwartz said. "Without additional measures, we could grow to 7,000 over our authorized end strength by the end of fiscal year 2012. Based on these projections, and our need to operate within our means, the secretary of the Air

Force and I made the decision to intensify force management actions to meet our congressionally mandated ceiling by the end of fiscal year 2012."

The fiscal 2011 involuntary force management efforts predominantly affect officers.

"We were successful in managing enlisted end strength levels last year using a combination of voluntary programs, accession

reductions, technical training eliminations and date of separation rollbacks," said Brig. Gen. Sharon Dunbar, the director of force management policy. "We plan to continue use of this strategy over the next year."

For all Airmen, there will be programs to reduce personnel at various phase points along a

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## ASD, 638th get high marks during inspection

### BY WAYNE CRENSHAW

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The Aerospace Sustainment Directorate and the 638th Supply Chain Management Group were rated "in compliance" in all areas examined in last week's compliance inspection.

The team from the Air Force Materiel Command Inspector General's office briefed the results to the organization on Monday. The possible results were "in compliance," "in compliance with comments" and "not in compliance," so both units had the best possible outcome.

"Our 'in compliance' assessment from the inspector general confirms to others what I get to see every day, which is approximately 2,400 professionals adhering to Air Force standards, and doing their jobs with very positive attitudes," said Col. Howard Davis, ASD director. "Each and every member of the ASD put forth a tremendous effort in preparing for the inspection, but it's no different than what they do every day."

In addition to getting an overall "in compliance" rating, all three squadrons in the 638th



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**The Aerospace Sustainment Directorate provides program management for F-15, like the one above, as well as the C-5, C-130, J-STARS and other aircraft. The 638th SCMG manages repairable aircraft components common to all aircraft in the Air Force inventory, plus it manages parts unique to the aircraft managed at Robins.**

were found in compliance.

"I am very proud of the 1,200 Air Force Global Logistics Support Center team members at Robins in achieving an 'in compliance' during the inspection," said Bonnie Jones, 638th director.

This rating, the best we could achieve, is a direct result of a robust self-inspection program, the dedicated support of our men

and women, and the integrated product focus we have with the Aerospace Sustainment Directorate. Together we did an outstanding job focusing on compliance and delivering support to the warfighter."

In the ASD, the F-15 Foreign Military Sales Team, F-15 Flight Data Recorder Team and Tri-

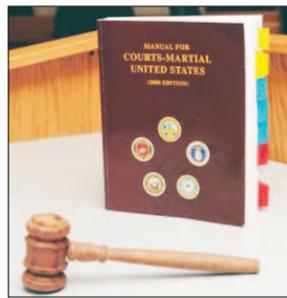
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## Officials announce court-martial sentence for former command chief

The week-long court-martial of Chief Master Sgt. William Gurney, the former command chief of Air Force Materiel Command, concluded Jan. 28 with a six-member panel of male officers sentencing the chief to 20 months confinement, reduction to rank of E-1 and a dishonorable discharge for 15 violations of the UCMJ.

Of those violations, Chief Gurney initially had pleaded guilty to seven violations of Article 92 for dereliction of duty for failing to maintain a professional relationship with seven different female Airmen, all who were junior in rank to him; one violation of Article 92 for wrongful misuse of government property for other than official purposes; one violation of Article 120 for indecent conduct with a female master sergeant; and four violations of Article 134 for committing adultery with four separate female Airmen, all who were junior in rank to him.

During the court-martial, the panel found the chief guilty of two violations of Article 93, maltreatment. They



found him not guilty of one violation of Article 120, unwanted sexual contact; and two violations of Article 134, misuse of official position. When the court-martial began, there were 19 charges against him. One charge of obstruction of justice was dismissed by the judge during the arraignment portion of the trial.

Before sentencing, Chief Gurney stood before members of the court to apologize for his actions.

"I would not wish this on my worst enemy," he said.

He said he hopes the trial brings a measure of closure for all involved, and he publicly apologized to the 10 women named in the case, and to his

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## Boiling point

### BY TECH. SGT. VANN MILLER

78th Air Base Wing  
Public Affairs



Boilers aren't complex. They essentially turn cold water into hot water or steam.

But the equipment has come a long way over the years.

That's why Robins engineers are looking at replacing all of the boiler systems on base, which on average are more than a decade old. Newer models, which allow greater control of steam output, could lower Robins' annual natural gas bill almost \$1 million.

They're also looking at positioning boilers closer to facilities and other measures

to reduce the size of the steam distribution system, as well as the possibility of replacing the entire system.

The ideas are currently being analyzed to determine not only their practicality but cost, according to Nancy Manley, director of the 78th Civil Engineer Group's Asset Management Division.

The improvements, which will have no significant adverse effect on the people or mission, could conceivably be accomplished within a two- to three-year period, she said.

## AF MEDICAL SERVICE TO CLOSE 78TH MDG INTERNAL MEDICINE CLINIC

The Air Force Medical Service has decided to close the Internal Medicine Clinic at Robins.

In preparation, the 78th Medical Group is working closely with its Managed Care Service Contract provider, Humana, to transfer internal medicine patients to a robust network of local internal medicine physicians to help beneficiaries who have intricate medical issues.

"Internal medicine is extremely complex," said Lt. Col. Duane Bragg, 78th Medical Support Squadron commander. "Qualified internal medicine physicians require extensive training and years of experience to effectively man-



age this portion of the patient population, and maintaining an acceptable level of care here was proving to be a very difficult challenge."

Bragg said the clinic's goal is to ensure internal medicine patients are provided the best healthcare possible - the "Right Care" at the "Right Place."

All internal medicine patients have been provided a letter with instructions on how to transfer their enrollment to a network provider.

In addition, The 78th MDG will conduct town hall meetings to answer patients' questions about the clinic's closing. The town hall meetings will be Tuesday and Wednesday at 6 p.m., and Feb. 12 at 10 a.m. at the Base Theater.

Individuals with questions about transferring to a Humana provider can also contact Karen Cody at 497-8338 or visit the TRICARE Service Center.

For a list of internal medicine primary care managers, visit [www.humana-military.com](http://www.humana-military.com) or call 1-800-444-5445.

### THINK SAFETY



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— courtesy 78th Security Forces

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## Town hall provides forum for information exchange

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Nearly 100 residents of Turner Park, Crestview and Forest Park turned out last week for a town hall meeting.

The residents received information on a range of topics, from the rules against solicitation, the potential for a curbside recycling program, and where to go to get information about delays or closings during adverse weather, to speed limits, weapons registration, and more.

Speakers during the two-hour gathering included leaders from Robins' weather flight, security forces squadron and fire department, as well as representatives from the base housing office and Hunt Military Community, the company which manages the properties.

"I felt more connected to the residents than I ever have," said Bob Sharples, capital assets manager for the base housing office, following the meeting. "We learned a lot about them, and they learned a lot about base services and housing management."

One of the most important issues was electrical metering.

Previously, the houses were not metered and residents could use as much electricity as they wanted. However, meters have been installed on each home, and residents will soon pay for the electricity they use over a specified amount.

Residents are currently receiving "mock electricity bills." Housing officials explained this is to allow residents to see how much electricity they're using, as well as housing officials to establish average amounts of electrical use by similar-sized homes.

When the "mock" billing period ends, residents will be allowed 110 percent of the average for their size home. They will have to pay for the amount they use which is over that. The averages will continually be adjusted.

Danny Queen, community director for Hunt, explained the metering is an Air Force initiative to help reduce energy costs.

Residents were also asked how many would support a curbside recycling program, and



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP  
**Kimberly Mlinaz of the Base Legal Office talks to attendees about door-to-door solicitation in residential areas.**

nearly all said they would.

The response was not a surprise to Col. Carl Buhler, 78th Air Base Wing and installation commander.

"Curbside recycling is the one issue I'm almost always asked about in conversations with residents," he said. "It will be a big win for our environment, community, and the Air Force as a whole."

Queen said negotiations are ongoing with Happy Hour, the contractor for base recycling, but it's not certain whether it will be implemented.

The housing areas had curbside recycling in the past, he said. However, it wasn't used enough to make it economical for Happy Hour to collect the items.

Lisa Keller, whose husband serves in one of the Marine units which recently relocated to Robins, was among the residents who attended the meeting.

Her husband has served in the Marines for 16 years, and she said this is the first time they have been at a base which had town hall.

"I thought it was a fantastic idea," she said. "I learned about some things I hadn't heard of."

The base housing office and Hunt plan to make the town hall a quarterly event. In the interim, housing officials will provide updates to residents on the issues discussed during the first meeting.



U.S. Air Force file photo by RAYMOND CRAYTON

**Capt. Landon Culpepper, 559th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, gives a tour of the C-5 maintenance area during a Heart Link class and Spouse Immersion Tour.**

## Heart Link class, tour introduce new spouses to Air Force life

Spouses new to military life are encouraged to sign up for the upcoming Heart Link class and Spouse Immersion Tour set for Feb. 11.

Organized by the Airman & Family Readiness Center, the quarterly, day-long event introduces military spouses to the Air Force and the base's many helping agencies.

The class will begin at 8:30 a.m. at the A&FRC in Bldg. 794. After an introduction to various support agencies from around the installation, spouses will experience some flight kitchen cuisine and then go on a community tour.

The tour will include visits to the C-5 and F-15 areas on the flight line and showcase Team Robins' contributions to airpower. It will also include stops at various off-base points of interest, including Warner Robins City Hall, where Mayor Chuck Shaheen and Col. Carl Buhler, 78th Air Base Wing and installation commander, will meet the group and provide their perspectives on the importance of communi-

ty and base support to military families. The tour will end at the A&FRC at about 4:20 p.m.

Royce Williams, A&FRC community readiness technician, said military spouses should sign up by Monday by calling the center at 926-1256.

Mindful that an all-day event may create daycare challenges, officials encourage supervisors to give military members time off so their spouses may participate. Spouses may also call the Family Child Care Office at 926-6741 to find out whether they qualify for Air Force Aid Society-sponsored programs.

Officials add the success of the class and tour can, in part, be contributed to the collaborative efforts of members of Robins' Integrated Delivery System, the 402nd Maintenance Wing and the 78th ABW, and community partners such as the Museum of Aviation, the Warner Robins Convention & Visitors Bureau, and 21st Century Partnership. — *Staff report*

# Snap Shots



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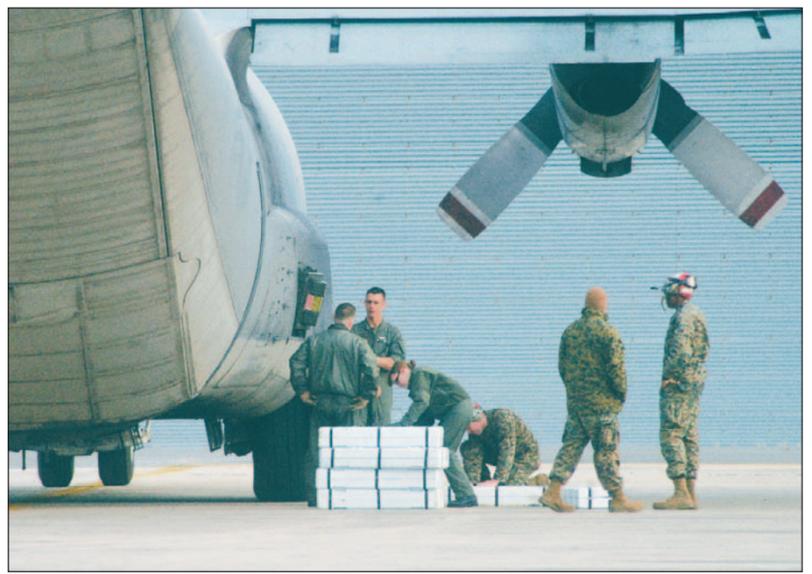
Above, Nancy Moody has her ID checked by Senior Airman Jessica Alcaraz, 78th Security Forces. Moody was riding the BiRD route to Robins.

At left, Alcaraz waits for a BiRD bus at the HOV gate. The gate, located at the North Davis Drive extension on the north end of the base, is open from 5:15-9:15 a.m. Monday through Friday, except holidays and family days. It is open to motorcycles, as well as vehicles with two or more occupants, including vanpools and the BiRD shuttle.



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The three sections of Marine Light Attack Squadron 773, one of which is located at Robins, were here all week flying training missions.



A group of the Marines unload ordnance for the exercise from a C-130 on the Robins flightline.

# ViewPoints

“Conscience is the inner voice that warns us somebody may be looking.”  
— H. L. Mencken

## First Sergeants lead from the front

BY MASTER SGT.  
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The first sergeant is not unique to the modern military. First Sergeants have been around since the very beginning of America’s armed forces.

In today’s Air Force, the first sergeant is charged with overseeing the morale and discipline of the unit and presenting a ready force to the commander—a great deal of responsibility for one individual to shoulder by him or herself. Thankfully, this is not the case.

First sergeants assist each other by sharing information and individual experiences.

At Robins, the primary forum

for them to do this is the First Sergeant Council, which meets every Friday morning in the Wynn Dining Facility.

Each week, the council hosts a guest speaker, who provides information on challenges facing the base and the Air Force. Guests range from Robins’ command chiefs to career assistance

advisors, dormitory management staff, and staffers from the Airmen and Family Readiness Center, Military Personnel Section, Medical Group, Fitness Center and Airman Leadership School.

In 2010, the council was led by four individuals clearly devoted to taking care of Airmen: Senior Master Sgt. Clifford Powers, president; Master Sgt. David Stewart, vice president; Master Sgt. Tina Robinson, recorder; and Master Sgt. Tamara Jones, treasurer. During the year, these four helped the council address a variety of important issues, from uniform changes to the modifications to the Air Force fitness program.

Additionally, they piloted the council’s efforts to provide

Thanksgiving meals to Robins’ families in need, Christmas gifts to children through the Robins’ Angel Tree, and emergency assistance to Airmen throughout the year via the council’s Airmen Relief Fund.

The council recently elected its executive committee for 2011. Stewart was elected president; Master Sgt Jeremy Lindner is vice president; Robinson will serve a second term as recorder; and Master Sgt. Charisse Bruce was elected treasurer.

While the council will tackle a number of equally important issues in the year ahead, perhaps none will be bigger than how to support commanders and lead Airmen in a fiscally-constrained environment.

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## Commander’s Action Line

The action line is an open-door program for Team Robins personnel to give kudos, ask questions or suggest ways to make Robins a better place to work and live.

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

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 also not be processed.

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

For more information, visit <https://wwwmil.robins.af.mil/actionline.htm>. To contact the Commander’s Action Line, call 468-2886 or e-mail [action.line@robins.af.mil](mailto:action.line@robins.af.mil).

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### REQUEST ADDITIONAL HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES

I work in the west wing of Bldg. 301 and normally arrive at work between 8 and 8:15 a.m.

I have a permanent, state-issued, handicapped parking placard. Starting about three months ago, the available handicapped parking spaces have been occupied when I arrive for work. This includes the area between buildings 300 and 301, the area along the side of the east side of Bldg. 301, and the parking lot behind Bldg.301.

I need some help to resolve this issue. Because I have had to walk farther than I really am able, it has caused me physical problems. I am also worried about falling, if my foot “goes out on me” during one of these extended hikes into the building.

### MISUSED HANDICAPPED PARKING

I have tried every effort to solve this problem, but it still exists. I work in Bldg. 640. I should be able to use handicapped parking,

but I find myself having to park elsewhere almost every day.

The reason for this is the handicapped parking spaces are used by people who are not handicapped. I have been to my parking monitor on a number of occasions, and he’s had people move their cars. However, the following day it is the same thing.

If Security Forces would ticket those who are illegally parked, I think the word would get out.

Any help on this matter would be great!

### COL. BUHLER RESPONDS:

Thank you for your notes. The Base Traffic Engineer, Erica Orr, contacted both of your facility parking monitors. The handicapped parking request process is intended to be responsive to the needs of base employees.

Furthermore, individuals requiring handicapped parking should contact their unit parking monitor and present a state-issued placard indicating entitlement to handicapped parking

or a receipt for a state-issued handicapped vehicle tag. Upon receiving the documentation, the parking monitor submits an AF 332 (CE work order request) to the CE Customer Service Website. This will notify the Base Traffic Engineer, who will work with the parking monitor to develop a solution. For your particular issues, the 332 has been submitted, and Orr may be contacted at 497-2919 if needed.

For drivers illegally parking in handicapped spots, our Security Forces personnel cite vehicles not properly displaying handicapped placards. Violators are subject to suspension of base driving privileges, having their vehicle towed, or having an immobilizing boot placed on the vehicle.

Unit parking monitors are the first line of defense for these issues. However, the Security Forces can be reached at 468-2187 if a violation is spotted. Please call with the parking location, vehicle description, license plate number, and your call back number.

Thank you again for your notes.

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# On the Fly

## Clinic earns accreditation

The 78th Medical Support Squadron's Clinical Laboratory has been awarded accreditation by the College of American Pathologists, based on the results of a recent inspection.

During the CAP accreditation process, inspectors examine the lab's records and quality control procedures for the previous two years. They also examine staff qualifications, equipment, facilities, safety and overall management.

The inspection is designed to ensure the highest standard of care for patients, and the lab's director, Dr. R. Mohan Ram, was congratulated for service the clinic provides.

## Tax Center now open

The Robins Tax Center is open for the 2010 filing season.

The center is open Monday through Thursday from 8 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. on the second floor of the library in Bldg. 905. It will remain open through April 21.

The center provides free tax preparation and electronic filing services for active duty service members, retirees, Reservists, National Guardsmen, and eligible dependents.

Services are provided on a first come, first served basis.

For a list of required

documents, or for additional information, call 497-7390.

## Upcoming

February is **National Children's Dental Health Month**, an annual event sponsored by the American Dental Association to promote awareness of the importance of children having good oral health.

The theme for this year's campaign is "A Healthy Smile Looks Good Up Close."

Members of the 78th Dental Squadron will be providing oral hygiene demonstrations and discussing oral health topics with Robins area kids.

Planned visits include:

►Feb. 8 and Feb. 9, 9 a.m. to noon, CDC East and West.

►Feb. 9, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Base Exchange.

►Feb. 11, 8:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., Linwood Elementary.

►Feb. 16, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Base Exchange.

►Feb. 17, 9:30 a.m., Youth Program.

►Feb. 23, 9 to 10 a.m., Meadowdale Pre-K.

For more information, contact the 78th Dental Clinic at 497-8056.

There will be a **Career Expo here Feb. 17.**

More than 40 military-friendly organizations will be on hand to speak with and interview job-seekers.

All military and former military members may upload their resumes and pre-register for the event at [www.civilianjobs.com](http://www.civilianjobs.com).

For more information, call (678) 819-4132.

There will be a **Black Heritage Gospel Concert** at the Base Chapel on Feb. 20 at 3 p.m.

Choir rehearsals are Mondays at 7 p.m. at Agape Outreach Ministries, 295 North Davis Drive.

For more information, call Hildred Jones at 497-9733.

**Military Saves Week** runs Feb. 20-27, and the Robins Airman and Family Readiness Center will be offering the following activities:

►A booth with information on the Thrift Savings Plan, debt reduction and retirement. Feb. 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Base Exchange.

►A savings class, presented by Suntrust Bank. Feb. 23 from 10 to 11 a.m. in Bldg. 794.

►A Credit Card Cut Up class, presented by Robins Federal Credit Union. Feb. 24 from 10 to 11 a.m. in Bldg. 794.

►An Investing for Retirement class, presented by the A&FRC staff. Feb. 25 from 10 to 11 a.m. in Bldg. 794.

To register for a class, call 468-1256.

Air Force Reserve Command is **hosting a golf tournament** – the A3 Challenge Cup – on Feb. 25.

The event will take place at Waterford Golf Course and cost \$40.

To register, contact Chief Master Sgt. Robert



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Above, Patrick Collins of Defense Logistics Agency Warner Robins plays a saxophone solo Monday during the Black Heritage Observance Month proclamation signing at the Base Exchange.

Inset, Brig. Gen. Lee Levy, 402nd Maintenance Wing commander, signs the proclamation. After the signing, dancers from the Kali Dance Studio performed.

## Air Force workers can find help here

Finances & Work-Life Balance	Airman & Family Readiness Center	468-1256
Health and Wellness Education	Health and Wellness Center	497-8480
Health Screenings	Civilian Health Promotion Services	497-8030
Work, Personal or Family Issues	Employee Assistance Program	(800) 222-0364
Work Stress, Psychological Issues	Organizational Consulting Office	497-9803
Mental Health & Substance Abuse	Houston Healthcare	922-4281
Unplanned Pregnancy	Houston Healthcare	922-4281
Suicide Prevention	National Suicide Prevention Lifeline	(800) 273-8255
Sexual Assault & Victim Advocacy	Sexual Assault Response Coordinator	468-2946

AFMC Wellness Support Center — [www.afmcwellness.com](http://www.afmcwellness.com)

Wolfe at 497-1155 or Senior Master Sgt. Gary Drapeau at 497-1123.

contract unit in Bldg. 910 are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Services include stamp sales, money orders, flat-rate box and envelope sales, letter and package

mailing, and service to post office boxes. Full service hours will resume when the USPS awards a new contract.

For more information, call Margaret Rodeheaver at 468-8514.

## Etcetera

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career.

“Reducing officer and enlisted accessions will help us minimize the impact on active duty personnel who are currently serving,” General Dunbar said.

For junior officers, the plan includes force-shaping boards beginning this May. The FSB initially will consider year groups with excess officers in the judge advocate general, biomedical science corps and medical service corps competitive categories. The May FSB impacts officers in the 2006 through 2008 commissioned year groups. Officers not selected for retention by this FSB will be required to separate no later than Oct. 1, 2011.

Air Force officials also will conduct a reduction-in-force board in September for mid-grade officers. In lieu of meeting the board, eligible officers will have a one-month window in March to apply for voluntary separation pay, with separation by Oct. 1, 2011. The RIF board will consider all year groups with excess officers in the line-of-the-Air Force, chaplain, JAG, BSC and MSC competitive categories. This impacts officers in the 1999 through 2005 commissioned year groups. Officers not selected for retention by the RIF board will be required to separate no later than Feb. 1, 2012.

For both the RIF board and the FSB, Air Force leaders decided to apply a quality review of the entire competitive category, instead of the methodology used in past retention boards which focused only on certain Air Force specialties. The boards will

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**Brig. Gen. Sharon Dunbar**  
Director, Force Management Policy

retain the top 90 percent of officers within the affected competitive categories in eligible year groups. Following retention board results, Air Force officials will use the recently-announced officer cross-flow process to rebalance between line specialties as needed.

Officer over-strength challenges will require Air Force officials to conduct selective early-retirement boards for lieutenant colonels who have been twice deferred for colonel and for colonels with four or more years time in grade who have not met a SERB in the last five years. These boards will occur in October 2011 and January 2012 and will consider officers in the LAF, chaplain and MSC competitive categories. Officers not selected for retention by the SERB will be required to separate no later than March 1, 2012, for lieutenant colonels and June 1, 2012, for colonels.

“Air Force leaders announced last year that promotion opportunities would be reduced to 95 percent to captain and 90 percent to major.” General Dunbar said. “In addition to reduced promotion opportunities, our over-strength situation is such that offers of selective continuation may be limited.”

“We fully understand how difficult these actions are on the Airmen affected by them,” General Dunbar said. “This is why leaders at all levels will be engaged to assist Airmen with transition options.”

General Dunbar said that Airmen are a trained and ready resource possessing the skills needed by the Air Force Reserve or Air National Guard and almost every Airman transitioning as a result of force management is eligible to continue serving in the total force.

“The years they’ve invested in the Air Force so far can pay off for them,” said Chief Master Sgt. Larry Giles, the force requirements policy chief for the Air Force Reserve Command’s Reserve Personnel Directorate. “The Air National Guard or the Air Force Reserve are great alternatives for Airmen who don’t want to leave the Air Force all together.”

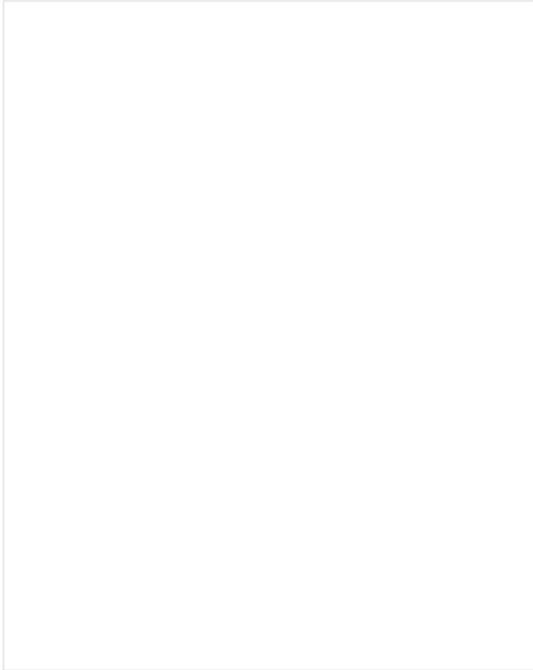
Airmen also are uniquely qualified for many federal civilian positions and receive veterans preference when applying for federal service, General Dunbar said. Transition to the reserve component or an Air Force civilian position allows Airmen to remain a part of the Air Force family.

Airman and family readiness centers around the world host the Department of Labor Transition Assistance Program, offering Airmen information about the GI Bill and vital resources for a successful transition from the Air Force.

For more information on force management programs, call the Total Force Service Center at 800-525-0102 or visit the Air Force Personnel Center website.



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## Tornados not only regional severe weather threat

Less than a month after a crippling winter storm impacted central and north Georgia, meteorologists and emergency managers here are shifting their focus to the spring severe thunderstorm season, while maintaining vigilance during the final weeks of winter.

In an effort to enhance planning and preparedness, the 78th Operations Support Squadron's Weather Flight is supporting Severe Weather Awareness Week, which begins Sunday.

"When asked what a person considers severe weather to be, the number one response is 'tornadoes,'" said Roddy Nixon, Jr., a weather flight senior meteorologist. "Severe weather includes tornadoes, but by no means is that the only severe threat in our area."

Severe weather conditions such as strong thunderstorms, large hail, damaging winds and flash floods also threaten this region, he said.

In an average year, the state of Georgia experiences six days with tornadoes, seven days with large hail equal to or greater than one inch, and 19 days with storms which produce damaging winds.

"What many people don't realize is more fatalities occur as a result of flooding than any other severe weather phenome-

### WHAT TO KNOW

When severe weather is forecast for Robins, the Weather Flight sends a message to the Robins Command Post, which then uses either the Giant Voice or siren system to alert the base populace.

na," Nixon said.

The most important lesson, according to Nixon, is severe weather preparation is everyone's business. In these challenging economic times, federal, state, and local disaster aid and response may be limited or unavailable, so the impetus on the individual to prepare is even higher.

"It is more critical than ever for individuals, families, businesses, and communities to have plans, test those plans, and adjust the plans as needed," Nixon said.

The Weather Flight highly encourages individuals, families and agencies to know safe evacuation routes and shelter locations, stock emergency kits, and practice disaster response.

Information to assist in these actions can be downloaded by clicking the "weather" link on the right-hand side of the Robins public homepage.

Applicable severe weather watches and warnings for Robins include:

► **LIGHTNING WATCH:** Conditions are favorable for the development and occurrence of lightning in and close to the watch area.

► **LIGHTNING WARNING:** Issued when lightning has been observed within a designated radius.

► **TORNADO WATCH:** Conditions are favorable for the development of severe thunderstorms and tornadoes in and close to the watch area.

► **TORNADO WARNING:** Issued when a strong rotation in a thunderstorm is indicated by Doppler weather radar or a tornado is sighted by trained personnel.

► **SEVERE THUNDERSTORM WATCH:** Conditions are favorable for the development of severe thunderstorms in and close to the watch area. A severe thunderstorm contains hail larger than three-quarters of an inch in diameter and/or damaging winds greater than 58 mph (50 knots or greater). Isolated tornadoes are also possible.

► **SEVERE THUNDERSTORM WARNING:** A severe thunderstorm is indicated by Doppler weather radar or sighted by trained personnel.

—Courtesy 78th OSS



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## 78th FSS BRIEFS

### ON TAP

#### First Friday

Today  
5 to 6 p.m.  
For details, call 472-7864  
or 468-2670.

#### Texas Hold 'Em

Saturday  
2 p.m.  
Heritage Club Lounge  
Members \$10, guests \$15  
For details, call 472-7864.

#### Valentine Sunday Brunch

Sunday  
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Horizons  
For details, call 468-2670.

#### Super Bowl Party

Sunday  
Heritage Club  
Pittsburgh vs. Green Bay  
For details, call 472-7864.

### UPCOMING

#### Karaoke w/Rockmaster D

Thursday  
8 to 11 p.m.  
Heritage Club

For details, call 472-7864.

#### Pee Wee Bumper League

Feb. 19 to April 23  
Bowling Center  
Cost \$25  
For details, call 468-2112.

#### Resume & Cover Letter

Writing Preparation  
Feb. 22  
9 to 11 a.m.  
A&FRC, Bldg. 794  
For details, call 468-1256.

#### Daytona 500

Sunday, Feb. 20  
Tickets through ITT office  
\$55 - \$199  
For details, call 926-2945.

#### 9-Pin No-Tap

Feb. 26  
6 p.m.  
Bowling Center  
Cost \$15  
For details, call 468-2112.

#### Ski Trip

Feb. 25-27  
Outdoor Recreation

\$250 per person  
Includes travel, hotel, lift ticket, ski session and lesson  
For details, call 926-4001.

### ONGOING

#### Frequent Flyer Challenge

Through April 30  
Aero Club, Bldg. 186  
For details, call 468-4867.

#### Nine-Hole

Tournament Package  
Pine Oaks Golf Course  
\$13, includes green fees, cart and range balls  
For details, call 468-4103.

#### Private Golf Lessons

Pine Oaks Golf Course  
\$40 per half-hour  
\$190 for 5 half hour sessions  
For details, call 468-4103.

#### Winter Golf Special

Sundays  
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Pine Oaks Golf Course  
Through Feb. 27  
Buy 3 rounds, get 1 free  
For details, call 468-4103.

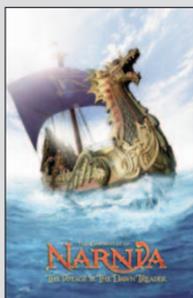


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## Storytime

Senior Airman Jason Looker, 78th Air Base Wing, and his wife, Nicole, read a book to their children, Katelyn, 3, and Caleb, 2, at the Base Library. The library is located in Bldg. 905 and is open Monday to Thursday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m.

## BASE THEATER — NOW PLAYING



**TODAY**  
7 P.M.  
CHRONICLES OF  
NARNIA: VOYAGE  
OF THE DAWN  
TREADER - PG-13



**SATURDAY**  
6:30 P.M.  
HOW DO YOU KNOW  
PG-13



**FEB. 11**  
7 P.M.  
GULLIVER'S  
TRAVEL  
PG



**FEB. 12**  
3 P.M.  
SEASON OF THE  
WITCH  
PG-13



**FEB. 18**  
7 P.M.  
THE FIGHTER  
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### TICKETS

**\$4.50**  
adult;  
**\$2.50**  
children  
(up to 11 yrs)

For details,  
call 468-2919.

### 78th FSS DIRECTORY

- ▶ FSS Administration . . . 468-3193
- ▶ Community Center . . . 468-2105
- ▶ Outdoor Rec . . . . . 468-4001
- ▶ Base Chapel . . . . . 468-2821
- ▶ Arts & Crafts . . . . . 468-5282
- ▶ Horizons . . . . . 468-2670
- ▶ Heritage Club . . . . . 468-2670
- ▶ Library . . . . . 497-8761
- ▶ HAWC . . . . . 497-8480
- ▶ Fitness Center . . . . . 468-2128
- ▶ Fitness Center Annex . 472-5350
- ▶ Youth Center . . . . . 468-2110
- ▶ ITT . . . . . 468-2945
- ▶ Bowling Center . . . . . 468-2112
- ▶ Pine Oaks G.C. . . . . 468-4103
- ▶ Pizza Depot . . . . . 468-0188

# AFAF campaign begins Monday

The 2011 Air Force Assistance Fund Campaign begins Monday.

The campaign, which runs through March 18, raises money for four charities which benefit active-duty Airmen, Air Force retirees and their families.

Only military members can be solicited but civilians can also contribute by contacting the project officer in their organization. All major organizations on base have a project officer; the 78th Air Base Wing project officer will service smaller associate units.

The local goal, which is based on the number of active-duty Airmen at Robins, is \$86,751.

For more information about the Robins AFAF campaign, contact Maj. Demetrius Brown, installation project officer, at 472-1036 or your unit POC listed to the right.

## **WR-ALC**

Maj. Demetrius Brown, 472-1036  
Tech. Sgt. Denise Alvarez, 468-1913

## **78th ABW**

Master Sgt. Ericka Hoskin, 479-7555  
2nd Lt. Suzanne Kelley, 497-3427

## **WR-ALC/GR**

2nd Lt. Randy Rogers, 497-9493  
1st Lt. Kyle Larson, 472-3151

2nd Lt. Philip Closson, 472-7639

## **402nd MXW**

Tech. Sgt. Michael Reid, 468-9906

Staff Sgt. Bryce Schubert, 468-1810

## **HQ AFRC**

Senior Master Sgt. Christopher Mozingo, 497-1094

Master Sgt. Leroy Jackson, 497-1670

Senior Master Sgt. Celia Henderson St. Louis, 497-2003

## **638th SCMG**

Master Sgt. Jackie Horsley, 497-3756

## **689th CCW**

Staff Sgt. Timothy Gordon, 472-1454

Senior Master Sgt. Terrence Jones, 468-1452

## **116th ACW**

1st Lt. Jacob Parr, 201-1875

Capt. Christopher Horsfall, 241-2611

Staff Sgt. Demond Bush, 241-4369

## Where the funds go

The Air Force Assistance Fund campaign supports four organizations: The Air Force Enlisted Village Indigent Widows' Fund, Air Force Village Indigent Widows Fund, Air Force Aid Society, and the General and Mrs. Curtis E. LeMay Foundation.

The Air Force Aid Society is the official charity of the Air Force. It assists active-duty personnel and their families in financial emergencies, as well as Reserve and Guard personnel in certain circumstances. Air Force retirees and widows may also be considered for help on a case-by-case basis.



## INSPECTION

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Annual Review Team were rated as outstanding teams.

Outstanding performers in the ASD were Joseph Shanyan, Stephen Strawn, Valerie Smith, Evelyn Ryberg, Tina Myers and Kimberly Dickerson.

Outstanding performers in the 638th were Timothy Keister and Tammy Tanner. David Burton in the 78th Logistics Readiness Squadron was also named an outstanding performer.

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family. He also offered an apology to his commanders and Airmen “for not living up to the core values that are instilled in us.”

Following sentencing, Chief Gurney’s case will move into legally required post-trial proceedings, during which he will have the opportunity to present matters for the convening authority’s consideration in determining a final sentence. However, by regulation that sentence cannot exceed that which the court hands down.

### **WINGMEN WANTED**

**ASIST – 926-2821;**

**327-8480**

**EAP – 327-7683;**

**926-9516**

**AIRMAN AGAINST DRUNK**

**DRIVING – 335-5218;**

**335-5236; 335-5238**

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