

New Civilian Pay System starts soon

Robins will migrate to the Automated Time, Attendance, and Production System, or ATAAPS, Aug. 11. Air Force leadership committed to implementing the system to standardize civilian time and attendance processes. Units affected by the change include the 78th Air Base Wing, 461st Air Control Wing, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, the 638th Supply Chain Management Group, 5th Combat Communications Group and Air Force Sustainment Center Operating Locations.

For more information, contact 1st Lt. Parker Mayo at 472-0240. More information is available via the Robins Homepage at www.robins.af.mil or the Robins Splash Page.

Congrats Lt. Col. promotees

Page 7



Fast Forward Clinic

Page 2

ROBINS REV-UP

July 25, 2013 Vol. 58 No. 28

Base network migration begins Monday

BY 78TH COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTORATE

Robins will migrate its computer users into a central Air Force Network called AFNet beginning next week.

Technicians will migrate Robins workstations, network users and email, with the goal of collapsing all individual or stand-alone Air Force, Air Force Reserve, and Air National Guard networks into one network.

During the migration, Robins users should be prepared for occasional service interruptions. They should also expect to have to restore some features to their desktop environment such as Outlook preferences, SharePoint access and drive mapping

after they've migrated.

Users will be migrated in two phases; computers in phase one, email accounts in phase two. Individual user and organizational email accounts will be migrated in blocks during evening and weekend hours and will follow the computer migration phase.

Users will be notified of specific dates and times with a yellow eAdvisory at 72 hours and a red advisory 24 hours prior to migration.

The AFNet migration project places Air Force cyber operations under the operational control of a single commander. This approach will yield significant improvement in the Air Force's ability to fight daily virus

activity and malicious intrusion attempts.

Additionally, AFNet migration will centralize services like email and data storage, significantly improving network security and standardization. Operational and training costs will be reduced through the elimination of redundant systems and services.

The most visible change will be the change of email addresses. Rather than having an email address that ends with @robins.af.mil, it will end with an @us.af.mil address. The new address will remain with users for the duration of their affiliation with the Air Force.

As more bases join the AFNet, Airmen will be able to log into their accounts from

any AFNet base without requesting and creating an additional account, allowing access during deployments, TDYs and PCS moves.

Sites such as the Air Force Portal, Air Force Personnel Center, Defense Finance and Accounting Service, will also remain easily accessible regardless of duty location.

The migration will also result in a "consolidated" customer service help desk called the Enterprise Service Desk and is designed to serve as a "one-stop" shop for the resolution of common user problems.

For more information, click on the Blue Star icon on your desktop and select AFNET Migration or call 468-HELP.

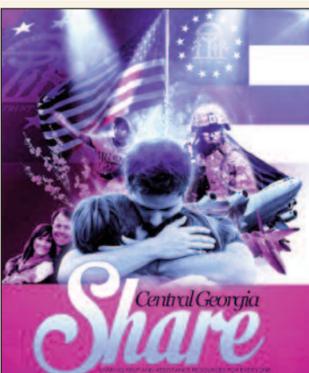
A Moment in Time

During World War II, the Wellston Air Depot was redesignated several times and ended the war as the Warner Robins Air Technical Service Command.

The number of personnel at Warner Robins ATSC peaked at 23,670 – 10,686 military and 12,984 civilians.

NEWS

YOU CAN USE



Furlough resources event

The Sharing Help and Assistance Resources for Everyone event, scheduled Aug. 9 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., will be conducted at the Courtyard Marriott in Warner Robins.

S.H.A.R.E is designed to inform families impacted by the furloughs and every Middle Georgian about help and assistance programs which can benefit them in a time of hardship.

Some of the onsite agencies which will be available include: banks, health providers, legal assistance, financial counseling and utility companies, among others.

For more information, call (478) 225-9005.

Community Assessment Survey nears end

The community assessment survey ends Friday.

Team Robins members who are asked to participate are encouraged to do so.

The assessment is designed to assist chaplains and people working in installation-level airman and family readiness centers, family advocacy programs, health and wellness centers, mental health clinics, and child and youth programs to better meet the needs of service members and their families.

Survey participation is completely anonymous.

Publication date change

Due to sequestration, the "Robins Rev-Up" will be published each Thursday until furloughs end. Because of the production schedule change, all submissions must be received by the Rev-Up staff no later than Wednesday at 4 p.m., the week prior to the desired week of publication.

As for stories which are already scheduled for publication, any and all revisions must be completed and returned to the staff no later than noon on Tuesday the week of publication.

NOT YOUR RUN-OF-THE-MILL OPERATION



U.S. Air Force photo by ED ASPERA

Above, Seaborn Roberts, a machinist on the Makino 5-Axis milling machine, measures the walls of a completed F-15 spar replacement part using a Stamerr digital micrometer. Below, the milling machine includes a spindle whose speeds are up to 33,000 RPMs.

Unique machine contours aircraft parts

BY JENNY GORDON

jenny.gordon@robins.af.mil

The Makino 5-axis milling machine in Bldg. 140 churns out aerospace components at incredible speeds, making it a truly unique capability when it comes to servicing its customers.

"This is one of the most reliable machines we have," said Joe Romanelli, 573rd Commodities Maintenance Squadron Industrial Machine and Tool Flight director. "Its specialty is that it's made for very large aircraft components."

The milling machine can manufacture airplane parts from aluminum blocks, taking up to a 6,000-pound piece of material and cutting it down to 25 pounds. All excess chips not used are



recycled.

It's been particularly busy the last few months crafting F-15 spars. It takes about 24 hours to produce a single spar, which eventually ends up as part of the aircraft's wing.

The horizontal machine includes a spindle whose speeds are up to 33,000 RPMs, or revolutions per minute, a measure of the frequency of a single rotation. In other

words, it's pretty fast.

Blocks of aluminum are loaded onto a pallet and entered into the machine. While you can't see what's going on inside, an experienced operator is at the helm of the controls, watching production from a monitor just outside. Everything is automated.

Once a part is loaded inside, it stays still while a spindle moves around, up and down, back and forth, across the material, basically cutting and contouring whatever aircraft part is programmed.

"As an operator you have to be able to feel vibrations from the machine and be attuned to the intricacies of its sounds," he added.

While the milling machine is extremely efficient, fast and dependable, it provides

► see MILLING, 9

461st ACW gets new leadership

BY LYNSEY SANDERSON

461st Air Control Wing intern

Col. L. Dean Worley, the first 461st Air Control Wing commander, relinquished command to Col. Henry Cyr, former 461st ACW vice commander, Tuesday during a ceremony at the Museum of Aviation.

Maj. Gen. H.D. Polumbo Jr., 9th Air Force commander, presided.

"The change of command ceremony and what it stands for is America at its best," said Polumbo.

"What you are witnessing, the passing of command from one leader to another is a testament to the strengths of our military and we expect our commanders to lead with pride and professionalism," he said.

"It has been an honor and a privilege to command at the 461st," said Worley. "Not only facing the

challenge of activating a new wing while engaging in combat in the Middle East but also simultaneously delivering capabilities around the world in the highest JSTARS tempo in the 22-year history.

"We could not do that without the commitment and sacrifice of our airman because they are significant."

Cyr agreed.

"Having been in JSTARS for more than 15 years, this is truly one of the most exciting times to be in JSTARS. We can showcase the capability of our platform all around the world and I am fortunate to stay here and be around the people in this wing for it is truly a blessing," said Cyr.

As the commander, Cyr is responsible for the worldwide



U.S. Air Force photo by MASTER SGT. ROGER PARSONS

Maj. Gen. Jake Polumbo, left, 9th Air Force commander, hands the 461st Air Control Wing guidon to Col. Henry Cyr during a change of command ceremony in the Museum of Aviation's Century of Flight Hangar Tuesday. During the ceremony, Col. L. Dean Worley relinquished command of the wing to Cyr who takes over after serving as wing vice commander for the past two years.

► see 461ST, 9

Page Two

ALL in a Day's WORK

Name: Corrine Jacox
Work title: Support Services Group chief
Unit: Defense Logistics Agency Distribution, Warner Robins
Hometown: Memphis, Tenn.
Number of years in federal service: 30 years

What does your work involve at Robins? "I have managing oversight of several programs, including inventory, facilities, storage management, re-warehousing functions and our resource office and Reservist program."

What do you enjoy most about your work? "I have migrated to many of my positions including as an accounting officer, receiving officer, transportation officer, and inventory officer to this position. I enjoy the diversity of learning the entire gamut of all the functions within distribution. It's been a career growth and very rewarding to learn how this process supports our warfighter and other government agencies."

How does your work contribute to the Robins mission? "We support our mission partners here by storing their items, making sure that



U.S. Air Force photo by MISUZU ALLEN

the correct items are brought in and stored until they're delivered."

What prompted your interest in your current career? "We had a depot in Memphis before it closed which had a very robust intern program. I came into this agency as a management assistant, which opened the doors for that internship from which I was selected."

What is something people would be surprised to know about you? "I really love jazz. I can sit back and just relax on some good jazz. I love the saxophone."

What was your first job? "Working myself through college at McDonalds. I was the drink lady!"

Furlough facility hours

The following Robins facilities have altered hours on Fridays during the furlough period.

- ▶ Airman and Family Readiness Center: closed except for emergencies
- ▶ Base Information Transport Center (Mail Center): closed
- ▶ Base Restaurant: closed
- ▶ Base Restaurant Snack Bars: closed
- ▶ Base Restaurant Mobile Service: 2 of 5 mobile food trucks operating. To receive mobile food truck service on Fridays call 472-7253 before the Friday you would like service to be added to the route.
- ▶ Base Safety: limited operations
- ▶ Child Development Center East: closed
- ▶ Finance Civ Pay and Disbursing Office: GTC, GPC, & Cash Collection Vouchers; and Budget Section: closed
- ▶ Equal Opportunity: limited operations
- ▶ Fitness Center Annex (Bldg. 301): closed
- ▶ Gate 1 Green St Gate: closed
- ▶ Gate 5 MLK Gate: closed
- ▶ Gate 4 Commercial Gate: reduced hours, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- ▶ Gate 14 Russell Gate: same as weekend hours, 5 a.m. to 1 a.m.

- ▶ History Office: closed
- ▶ Information Protection Office: limited operations
- ▶ Inspector General: limited operations
- ▶ Judge Advocate General: limited operations
- ▶ Main Fitness Center: reduced hours, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- ▶ Museum of Aviation (Government Offices): closed
- ▶ Public Affairs: limited ops (in Bldg. 270)
- ▶ Quick Turn: closed
- ▶ Robins Commissary: currently closed Mondays, will also be closed on Tuesdays.
- ▶ Robins Conference Center: closed
- ▶ Robins VTC Center (Bldg. 300): closed except for emergencies
- ▶ 78th ABW Protocol: limited ops
- ▶ 78th LRS Resources Office: closed
- ▶ 78th LRS Material Management: closed
- ▶ 78th Information Protection Office: limited ops
- ▶ 78th Medical Group Clinic: will be open Mondays through Thursdays, from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Fridays from 7 a.m. to noon. Prescription filling will end at 11 a.m. on Fridays.

QUALITY CARE

Fast Forward Clinic off to an outstanding start

BY OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE SERVICES

More than 300 medical visits have been provided to Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex employees at the FAST FORWARD facility since opening in June.

"Providing high quality, convenient and accessible industrial medicine care is the key to its success," said Col. (Dr.) Michael Rappa, Occupational Medicine Services chief with the 78th Medical Group.

Rappa reported that feedback from workers treated at the facility has been overwhelmingly positive, with an overall customer service rating of "Outstanding."

The facility in Bldg. 49 is staffed by a nurse practitioner who provides immediate care of complex employees who are injured at work.

Also on staff are rehabilitation specialists, who provide hands on therapeutic treatments

WHAT TO KNOW

Hours of operation

Nurse practitioner is available from 12:30 to 9:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.
 Rehab specialists are available from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Location

Building 49, industrial area

Contact

468-2038

to facilitate recovery from musculoskeletal injuries such as sprains and strains.

FAST FORWARD stands for First Aid Station, Treatment, and Forward Operating Rehabilitation of Workers Accentuating Restorative Dynamics. Services include workplace injury care, injury and illness prevention education, rehabilitation of musculoskeletal injuries and occupational medicine examinations.



U.S. Air Force photo by ED ASPERA

Cheunita Cruz, Fast Forward Clinic nurse practitioner, prepares to get a blood pressure reading from Kenneth Brown, C-17 mechanic, July 18 during the clinic's walk in hours. The new 2,000-square-foot clinic allows those who work in industrial areas of the Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex access to health professionals, notably within a few minutes' walk from most work sites.

THE AIR FORCE



Holding Airmen accountable: Mandatory discharge for sexual assault

WASHINGTON (AFNS) – The Air Force recently adopted two new measures to eliminate sexual assault from within the ranks, including requiring discharge for Airmen who commit sexual assault, and requiring the Air Force's most senior commanders to review actions taken on these cases.

According to Capt. Allison DeVito, chief of Judge Advocate General's victim issues and policy branch, both of the recent changes are part of the Air Force's initiative to combat sexual assault and to foster mutual respect and dignity among fellow Airmen.

When combined with existing programs, the Air Force's efforts to end sexual assault and support those who report it have been increasing significantly throughout the past year. At the same time, the Air Force is experiencing a surge in its prosecution rates for sexual assault, with similar results being shared by other services.

DeVito explained that, as of July 2, after completing any disciplinary action for sexual assault, commanders must initiate administrative discharge processing for any Airman, officer or enlisted, found to have committed a sexual assault offense.

This new requirement, which covers a wide-range of sex offenses, is triggered by a finding that the Airman committed the offense.

To read more, visit www.af.mil.

DOD leaders understand pain caused by budget cuts, Hagel says

WASHINGTON – Pentagon leaders understand the pain military and civilian workers are going through as the effects of deep spending cuts unfold, Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel said in South Carolina July 17.

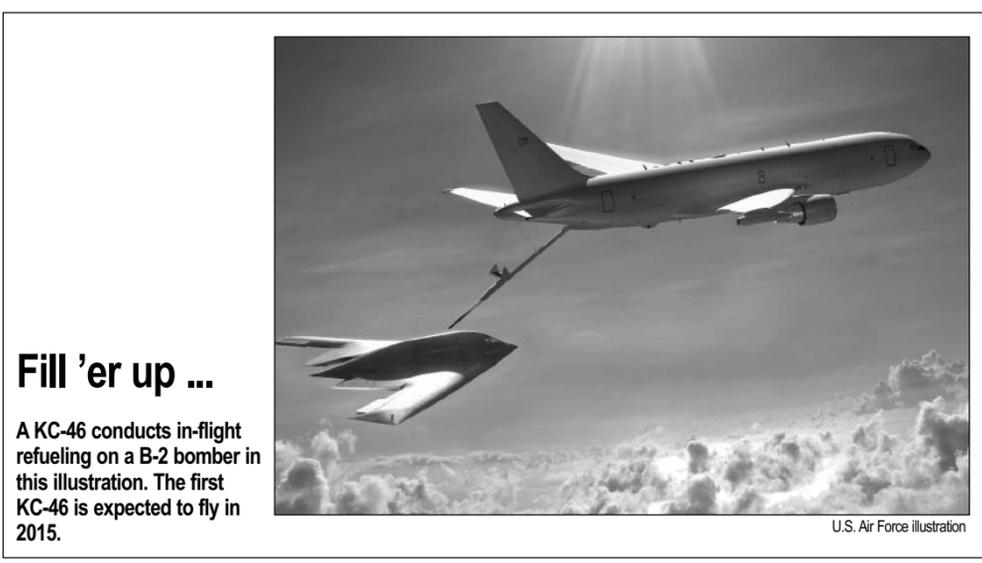
Speaking to civilian employees at Joint Base Charleston, Hagel assured them that Defense Department leaders know that furloughs and other sequestration effects are not just numbers, but people.

The secretary promised to work with Congress to end the next round of sequestration spending cuts scheduled to kick in when fiscal year 2014 begins Oct. 1. If sequestration continues into fiscal 2014, the planned defense budget would take a \$52 billion cut.

"We are unwinding from the longest war we've ever been in," Hagel said. "And as you do that, not unlike any other time in the history of our country -- World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Cold War -- there are ramifications and consequences to budgets, to capacity, capability, priorities."

The bottom line is that it is still a dangerous world, the secretary said, and while the challenges have changed, the need to confront them has not.

But the secretary said he must plan for it to happen, because it is still the law of the land under the Budget Control Act of 2011. That being the case, he



Fill 'er up ...

A KC-46 conducts in-flight refueling on a B-2 bomber in this illustration. The first KC-46 is expected to fly in 2015.

U.S. Air Force illustration

added, his responsibility for the nation's security includes preparing the department for the cuts.

To read the full story, visit www.defense.gov/news/newsarticle.aspx?id=120467.

KC-46 critical design review nearing completion

WASHINGTON (AFPS) – The Air Force and Boeing successfully conducted the KC-46 critical design review, or CDR, from July 8 through 10 at the Boeing facility in Mukilteo, Wash.

The CDR was the culmination of nine months of component and sub-system design reviews, which blended best practices of both the commercial and Department of Defense frameworks.

Currently, the CDR still has a few actions to finish, but the process is scheduled to be complete well in advance of the Sept. 24 contractual date.

"The efforts by the combined Boeing and Air Force team to get to this point in the program development have been tremendous," said Maj. Gen. John Thompson, the program executive officer for tankers. "For the warfighter, completion of this milestone is a big step forward toward beginning the recapitalization of the Air Force's legacy KC-135 fleet, delivering advanced and improved multi-mission capabilities to the fight on day one."

Attendees at the meetings included the Government KC-46 Program Office, Boeing, Air Mobility Command, Air Force and Department of Defense test and acquisition leaders, and the Federal Aviation Administration.

Thompson said that the overall design maturity of the tanker is at a high level, grounded in the commercial-derivative nature of the design approach, which is based on the Boeing 767.

The first fully-equipped KC-46 is projected to fly in early 2015 in support of engineering and manufacturing development activities.

To read more, visit www.af.mil



U.S. Air Force photo by SENIOR AIRMAN SCOTT SALDUKAS

Remembering fallen heroes

Senior Airman Arlin Vega salutes during the Fallen Heroes Memorial Ceremony at Kandahar Airfield, Afghanistan, July 12. The ceremony served as an opportunity for Airmen to honor those who have died while serving in Afghanistan. Brig. Gen. John Dolan, 451st Air Expeditionary Wing commander, said it should serve as "a reminder to why we are here." Vega is assigned to the 451st Expeditionary Maintenance Squadron.

448th SCMW director aims for forecast accuracy

BY MIKE W. RAY

Tinker Air Force Base Public Affairs

AIR FORCE SUSTAINMENT CENTER, Okla. – The new director of the 448th Supply Chain Management Wing, Steven Alsup, is focused on achieving a 70 percent Demand Forecast Accuracy Rate, "which will be a world-class benchmark when we hit it." Many major corporations "would love to even come close to 70 percent."

From July 2012 until Alsup's installment March 8, Col. Tim Henke, vice director of the 448th, served as acting director of the wing. During that period, the wing's demand forecast accuracy rate doubled from 29 to 58 percent.

Lt. Gen. Bruce Litchfield, Air Force Sustainment Center commander, challenged Alsup to double that rate.

"We're going to keep that as an 'art of the possible' goal that we set our sights on as we blow past the 70 percent initial target," Alsup said.

WHAT TO KNOW

The 448th SCMW is an innovative "virtual wing" comprised of 2,800 personnel. The wing's groups include the 638th SCMG at Robins, the 848th SCMG at Tinker AFB, Okla.; the 748th SCMG at Hill AFB, Utah; and the 948th SCMG.

The demand forecast accuracy rate entails "getting the right parts to the right people," and is a major contributor to cost-effective readiness.

Alsup recalled Litchfield has said, "Our ability to provide cost-effective readiness will determine the size of our Air Force. The size of our Air Force will determine our ability to fight and win the next war."

The 448th is addressing cost-effective readiness through several "targeted initiatives," including reduced over and under forecasting, analysis of chronically low forecast accuracy items, review of low- and no-demand assets and review of assets with estimated rates (improved forecasting tools).

Small variances in a forecast can mean literally hundreds of millions of dollars in spare buys – the wrong spare parts, or too few or too many spares, Alsup said.

Sequestration is affecting the 448th SCMW's forecasts. The operating commands have scaled down their activities, "which means weapon systems aren't breaking or needing spares that we previously purchased at the rates we had planned for," he said. The drop-off "also has the potential to throw off our forecasts for future supply requirements."

The 448th SCMW is responsible for the management of about 94,000 items, ranging from aircraft structural components such as wings and windshields, to blades and vanes that are components of engine core modules, said Alsup.

About 24,000 of those items are sustained by applying demand rates that are based on historical usage data and then applied to future pro-

grams to compute future requirements, he said. "These are the items we target for our Demand Forecast Accuracy improvement initiatives."

Budget cutbacks also have resulted in travel restrictions, which "make it difficult for 448th SCMW personnel to meet with suppliers, customers and partners within the supply chain community."

Planning in these "extremely uncertain budgetary times" is a challenge, he said. As a career civil servant who started working for the Air Force in 1985, "I've seen budgets go up and come down, and I've seen government shutdowns, but I've never seen budgetary times quite like these."

Nevertheless, the men and women of the 448th SCMW are "determined not to allow sequestration, travel restrictions and furloughs impact our ability to support the warfighter," he vowed.

Editor's note: To read the complete story, visit www.tinker.af.mil.

ROBINS REV-UP

COMMANDER
Col. Christopher Hill

HOW TO CONTACT US

Robins Public Affairs
620 Ninth Street, Bldg. 905
Robins AFB, GA 31098
468-2137
Fax 468-9597

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Submissions must be received by 4 p.m. Wednesday, the week prior to the requested Friday publication.

They should be e-mailed to lanorris.askew@robins.af.mil and vance.janes@robins.af.mil

Submissions should be of broad interest to the base populace. For information, call Lanorris Askew at 472-0806.

DELIVERY

To report delivery issues, call 472-0802.

The Robins Rev-Up is published by The Telegraph, a private firm in no way connected with the U.S. Air Force, under exclusive written contract with Robins Air

Force Base, Ga.

This commercial enterprise Air Force newspaper is an authorized publication for members of the U.S. military services. Contents of the Robins Rev-Up are not necessarily the official views of, or endorsed by, the U.S. government, Department of Defense, or Department of the Air Force.

The appearance of advertising, including inserts or supplements, does not constitute endorsement by the Department of Defense, Department of the Air Force, or The Telegraph.

Everything advertised in this publication shall be made available for purchase, use, or patronage without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, physical or mental handicap, political affiliation, or any other non-merit factor of the purchaser, user or patron.

INTERNAL INFORMATION CHIEF
Geoff Janes

EDITOR
Lanorris Askew

PHOTOGRAPHERS
Sue Sapp
Tommie Horton
Ed Aspera
Misuzu Allen
Raymond Crayton

STAFF WRITERS
Jenny Gordon
Holly Logan-Arrington

My educational journey: It doesn't have to be a race

BY TECH. SGT.
ANTONIO TRIGO
58th Maintenance Group

KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, N.M. – I enlisted in the Air Force in April 1999.

Like many who enlist, I signed up for the benefit of a paid education, in addition to the travel opportunities and honor of serving in the Air Force. I had a brand new wife and a baby boy, and joining was an excellent opportunity for my family.

I understood that accomplishing both my basic training and technical training courses would put me six classes away from a Community College of the Air Force degree.

My first duty assignment was Kunsan Air Base, Korea, in December 1999. I was immediately enrolled in upgrade training to achieve my journeyman skill level.

My supervisor made it clear that pursuing my education was important but completing my upgrade training was to be my main priority. After six months, I was able to complete the EOC exam of my upgrade training, allowing me the opportunity to focus on pursuing my CCAF requirements.

In September 2000, I prepared a degree plan with the University of Maryland University College to map a course to my CCAF and ultimately an undergraduate degree.

I completed a speech class prior to my short tour ending in Korea and was assigned to Dyess Air Force Base, Texas, in December 2000.

In 2001, with my second child on the way, I completed five CLEPS/DANTES to satisfy the remaining requirements of my CCAF and was awarded an AAS in Avionic Systems technology in March 2002.

Pursuing an undergraduate degree would prove to be difficult in the years following September 2001. I deployed in support of Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom, three separate times for four months each from November 2002 through July 2004.

It made sense to pursue my bachelor's degree from UMUC online, allowing me to meet the mission of the Air Force, be a husband to my extremely supportive wife and be a father to my growing family.

Robins second quarter graduates

Congratulations to the following Robins members on completing a degree or certificate program during the second quarter of 2013, Air Force Materiel Command's "Year of the Graduate."

The goal of YoGrad is to inspire those considering or currently working on an education plan to start, continue or complete that plan.

► Staff Sgt. Ashley Adkins
► Master Sgt. Kenneth Ake
► Maj. Eric Arcara
► Master Sgt. Christopher Baggett
► Staff Sgt. Jason Bailey
► Staff Sgt. Alexis Bartling
► Master Sgt. Anna Bennett
► Senior Master Sgt. Randy Brewer
► Staff Sgt. Kurt Brown
► Staff Sgt. Alvin Burton
► Chief Master Sgt. Gerald Bynum
► Maj. Timothy Casey
► 1st Lt. Maurice Cheeks
► Senior Master Sgt. Joseph Coll
► Capt. Aaron Dachroeden
► Staff Sgt. Christopher Darling
► 1st Lt. Andrea Demelo
► Tech. Sgt. Oliver Dexter
► Tech. Sgt. Richard Dimaggio
► Staff Sgt. Ryan Donnelly
► Capt. Jacob Dykstra
► Staff Sgt. David Estridge
► Tech. Sgt. Erin Everhardt
► Staff Sgt. Mark Fain
► Senior Airman Gary Ferguson
► Senior Master Sgt. Kelly Garrett
► Chief Master Sgt. Larry Giles
► Master Sgt. Michael Gonzales
► Tech. Sgt. Geovanny Govea
► 1st Lt. Daniel Haigler
► Capt. Clint Hammer
► Master Sgt. Kathleen Hansen
► Staff Sgt. Crystal Harris
► Senior Airman Damell Head
► Staff Sgt. Joshua Heisner
► Capt. George Hill
► Tech. Sgt. Christopher Hladky
► Master Sgt. Michael Holtzclaw

► Senior Airman Michelle Hooper
► Tech. Sgt. Christopher Hovanec
► Capt. Theresa Izell
► Staff Sgt. Stewart Jenkins
► Staff Sgt. Keith Jordan
► Staff Sgt. Nathaniel Keller
► Master Sgt. Brandi Kelly
► Staff Sgt. Crystal Kesey
► Master Sgt. Antonio Knowlton
► Master Sgt. Stephen Landry
► Senior Airman Samuel Lindsay
► Maj. Rosaiah Manigault
► Tech. Sgt. Ben Manley
► Staff Sgt. Michael Mason
► 1st Lt. Anthony Maxie
► Staff Sgt. Carissa McDonald
► Staff Sgt. Ryan McKee
► Senior Airman Malcolm McKnight
► Maj. Darryl McLean
► Master Sgt. Melissa Melichar
► Master Sgt. Jacob Miller
► Master Sgt. Aron Mitchell
► Tech. Sgt. Steven Moore
► Airman 1st Class Zachary Morris
► Staff Sgt. Steven Nevers
► Senior Master Sgt. Kenneth Nowinski
► Capt. Ryan O'Neill
► Senior Master Sgt. Dennis Orcutt
► Senior Master Sgt. David Papizan
► Staff Sgt. Jerome Pettigrew
► Master Sgt. Brantley Player
► Tech. Sgt. Jeffrey Portemont
► Staff Sgt. Jasmine Powell
► Senior Airman Jarvitz Richmond
► Tech. Sgt. Cindy Rositas
► Staff Sgt. Alexy Saltekoff
► Senior Master Sgt. Bryan Schexnayder
► Senior Airman Joshua Schoenhoff
► Airman 1st Class Shanelle Sotelo
► Staff Sgt. Marion Stephens
► Master Sgt. Joseph Sutton
► Master Sgt. Timothy Teamer
► Staff Sgt. Aaron Torres
► Tech. Sgt. Jamie Varner
► Master Sgt. Kendra White
► Master Sgt. Edward Wilson
► Senior Airman Gerson Zuniga

My wife and I greeted our third child in August 2004.

In September 2004, I was assigned to Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M.

I continued to take one or two classes each semester for the next eight years. In March 2008, I became a Field Training Instructor, earning a second CCAF degree in 2009 for Instructor of Military Science, along with a Certification for Instructional System Design and CCAF Instructor Certifications I & II.

As an instructor, I was afforded the time to commit to my educational

goals, and I became an advocate of the CCAF process to my students and coworkers. In May 2012, I earned both a bachelor's in Computer and Information Systems, along with earning a Computer Networking certification from UMUC's certification program.

For me it wasn't a race. I learned early on the importance behind balancing my professional development, my home life and my personal educational goals while serving in the Air Force.

UMUC's online degree plans allowed me the flexibility I needed to accomplish my goals.

On the Fly

Robins SC snags AFMC honors

Robins is home to two Air Force Materiel Command representatives for the 2013 Department of Defense Chief Information Officer competition.

The Robins Communications Directorate's Information Assurance Team and Staff Sgt. Kevin Veliz,

Network Infrastructure Supervisor, as the individual IA Professional, have been selected as the AFMC representatives.

The top three Air Force packages will be sent forward in each category to compete at the DOD level.

New commercial ticketing system

The Commercial Ticketing Office/Transportation Management Passenger Travel Office will open at 12:30 p.m. on Aug. 1 due to new travel system training.

Those traveling between July 22 and July 31 need to make their travel plans as soon as possible to avoid transition problems. The Manassas Travel takeover on Aug. 1 may cause delays if plans are not made prior.

New mandatory requirements:

► All travelers need to update their profiles in the Defense Travel System. Authorizing officials and base personnel must ensure all data is correct and current, to include their government travel card information. This is critical for the new commercial ticketing office to perform with little to no disruptions of service.

► Base personnel (travelers) will have to establish a Tripcase Account. This is a web-based site and application which will allow travelers to obtain their invoices/itinerary. Each individual must use their official government e-mails only. Data will be available for 13 months after booking.

What does this mean to you? Sign up now to start enjoying these benefits:

► View your full itinerary directly in the confirmation email

► Organize your business and leisure trips in one place

► Access your trip details everywhere via the web or mobile app

► Stay informed with free flight alerts, alternate flight searches and more at <http://travel.tripcase.com>.

All group travel will be sent to Manassas Travel for processing at http://www.manassastravel.com/government/govtform_epa.html.

► Travel arrangement by phone

Travel reservations and booking can be made via phone at 1-855-327-2534 during normal business hours and after-hours at 1-888-818-1975. Local passengers can continue to use 468-3101 or commercial (478) 926-3101 to arrange travel.

► Travel Arrangement by FAX

Print and fax the form located at http://www.manassastravel.com/government/govtform_epa.html to the reservation center at 1-703-361-2770 or call 703-361-2232 for more information.

► Travel Arrangement Online

Complete the form located at http://www.manassastravel.com/government/govtform_epa.html and either submit it online or fax it to (801) 281-3567.

Robins TMO hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Walk-in services ends at 4 p.m.

For more information, call Ken Hudson, Passenger Travel supervisor, at 472-0110 or commercial 478-222-0110.



U.S. Air Force file photo by SUE SAPP

Tech Expo set for Aug. 1

Joe McCormick, ErgoGenesis representative, lets Ralf Werner try out one of their office chairs during last year's Technology Expo. This year's event will be Aug. 1 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Heritage Club. The expo is free and open to all DOD, government and contract personnel with gate access to Robins. For more information, call David Grosche at 478-222-8537 or DSN 472-8537.

Make-up training sessions for Airmen who missed the **Sexual Assault Prevention and Response** program Stand-Down Day previously held on June 21, will be conducted on Aug. 7 from 10 to 11 a.m. at the base theater. A second session will be conducted that day from 2 to 3 p.m. also at the base theater.

No reservations are necessary. CAC cards are required and will be scanned.

Organizations are responsible for scheduling and providing small group discussions within their respective agencies (at times convenient for them, given their workload requirement).

For more information, call Cindy Graver Sexual Assault Response Coordinator at 468-2946.

Robins Education and Training will host the **2013 Education Fair** on Aug. 8 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Heritage Club Ballroom.

All Robins personnel, retirees and family members are invited to attend.

Representatives from about 30 colleges and universities will provide information on their programs.

For more information, call LaShondria Smith at 497-7312.

School Liaison Officer helps military families navigate educational journey

BY HOLLY
LOGAN-ARRINGTON
holly.logan-arrington@us.af.mil

Imagine changing school systems every few years.

That's a reality for the average military family making permanent changes of station.

Fortunately, military families moving to Robins have Renée Daughtry, the 78th Air Base Wing school liaison officer in the Airman & Family Readiness Center, to help navigate their educational journey.

"I work with families transitioning to Robins with school-age children in grades Pre-K through the 12th grade," she said. "There are unique challenges that face military children as they transition to a new school. I assist them with general information regarding registration requirements, zoning, school options to include public, private and home schooling, and any other school-related issues they may need assistance with."

Daughtry's job doesn't stop there.

"I also assist (military) families that have been at Robins for a while and have issues that come up during the school year," she said. "Military families in Georgia are covered under the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission, so if a family encounters a problem with the local schools not following the compact, I work with the family and the Houston County Board of Education to get resolution."

While the Houston County Board of Education has worked very well with Robins, Daughtry said she's avail-



U.S. Air Force file photo by ED ASPERA

Renee Daughtry, Robins School Liaison Officer, hugs Peyton McCaskill, as she receives a Month of the Military Child dog tag.

WHAT TO KNOW

For important school information, updates, and resources, contact Daughtry at 327-5524 or visit Robins Air Force Base's SLO Website at <http://www.robins.af.mil/library/schoolliaisonoffice.asp>.

able if issues arise.

Daughtry stays informed of school system policy changes and informs families.

Renea McFeeters, an Exceptional Family Member Program and Family Support Specialist in the A&FRC, works closely with Daughtry.

"Renea can assist families with special needs by helping them identify programs and services within the local community," she said. "If a child has an education need and requires an Individual Education Plan or a 504 Plan, she can assist them with how to start the process."

Some support services, such as information and referrals or EFMP activities are available to any DOD ID card holder."

Congrats Lt. Col. promotees

David Abel

Vicki Belleau

Demetrius Brown

Darren Brumfield

Charles Chandler

Matthew Davis

Cody Hoagland

Alida Johnson

Brandon McDonald

Tracy Parrish

Deric Prescott

Barry Roche

Kevin Rowley

Jeremy Shadroui

Barry Spells

Coretta Stewart

Steven Washko

James Wolfe

Christopher Zegar



Mind over Matter: EAP helps people cope with the effects of furlough

BY HOLLY
LOGAN-ARRINGTON

holly.logan-arrington@us.af.mil

The idea of managing life's financial responsibilities on a much tighter budget than one is accustomed to could give anyone a migraine headache.

If you've been anywhere near a group of Defense Department civilian employees lately, you've probably heard talk of carrying sack lunches to work, cutting back on entertainment and mention of many other ways to trim personal household budgets in light of the furlough.

The Employee Assistance Program, also known as EAP, offers DOD civilians and their household members stress management training, improved coping skills, financial and legal

WHAT TO KNOW

For EAP assistance, call 497-7577 or 497-7683 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. Employees are seen on an appointment basis only. EAP counselors are located in Bldg. 207, the Occupational Medicine Clinic, Room D160 and D156. For 24-hour assistance, call 1-800-222-0364.

services (through the national service center), supportive counseling, and marriage counseling, help with troubled relationships, depression, stress, emotional concerns, substance abuse, and more.

Jamie Tillit, one of two licensed, professional counselors in EAP at Robins, said the program helps DOD civilians handle various life problems on a short term basis and also provides referrals for federal employees and family members.

"The policy is that employees are allowed six sessions per problem,"

she said. "Other services are available on base such as Military Family Life Consultants or Airman and Family Readiness Center. Insurance will cover off-base counseling (in most cases)."

Aside from counseling, Tillit said making small lifestyle changes can help ease financial stress.

"Hopefully employees have been saving since furloughs were first mentioned," she said. "Other things you could do is to cut corners where possible. Eat out less. Bring lunch. Combine errands to save gas or carpool."

Money-saving tips to survive budget cuts

The following tips are aimed at helping readers craft a new way of living to help them through the federal budget crunch.

Get rid of temptations

Recycle or toss out your store catalogs and get them out of the house. Delete emails offering savings on

items you don't truly need.

Save that Change

Make it a habit when emptying pockets to toss loose change in a jar or other container. You'll be surprised how fast it adds up.

Turn off the tap

Save on your water bill by turning off the tap while you're brush-

ing your teeth or soaping up in the shower.

You'd be surprised how much water you're wasting!

Editor's Note: *These tips are provided by the Robins Airman & Family Readiness Center. See more helpful info at www.robins.af.mil under the furlough tab.*



**CLICK IT
OR
TICKET**

**ON
ROBINS
IT'S THE
LAW**



**THINK
GREEN ...**

**PLEASE
RECYCLE
THIS
NEWSPAPER**

**WINGMEN
WANTED
AIRMAN AGAINST
DRUNK DRIVING –
335-5218;
335-5236;
335-5238**

MILLING

Continued from 1

an additional benefit for its users.

“As far as safety for the mechanic, this machine is much more safer (as opposed to older machines that were used). They don’t have to do a lot of pushing and

pulling. With older machines, you’d have to climb up on the sides to load pieces,” he added.

While the shop supports all weapons systems that come in for programmed depot maintenance at the Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex, its biggest customers are customizing parts for F-15 and C-5 aircraft.

461ST

Continued from 1

employment of the E8-C Joint Surveillance Target Attack Radar System. The wing trains and deploys combat mission ready aircraft, aircrews and support to designated theaters of operation, and conducts sustained combat operations to

DID YOU KNOW

In other “firsts” at the wing this week, Col. David E. Foote, the first 461st Maintenance Group commander, relinquished command to Col. Kelly Scott; and Lt. Col. Gerald G. Gallegos, the first 461st Maintenance Squadron commander, relinquished command to Maj. Dave Ilgenfritz.

provide uninterrupted command, control, intelligence, surveillance and

reconnaissance in support of combatant commanders.

78th MDG sports physical day a success

BY 1ST LT. SARAH HILL

78th Medical Group

Robins’ families benefitted Saturday from a one-stop-shop event aimed to help serve and protect children.

The 78th Medical Group sponsored a sports physical day to obtain appointments for school sports physicals and school screenings, as well as provide classes, information and demonstrations for parents and children.

The medical group was able to accomplish 140 physicals and 111 school screenings through collaboration with Georgia Ortho, Houston County Medical Center, and Air Force Reserve Command physicians and residents.

Parents not only completed their children’s physicals, but the Georgia Child Identification Program workers were able to register 58 children.

GACHIPS is a free, comprehensive child recovery and identification program that provides parents with photos, finger prints and distinguish-



Courtesy photo

Senior Airman Christina Timberlake, 78th Medical Group technician, performs a school hearing screening for 4-year-old Hazel Hill.

ing feature information in a digital format.

The Health and Wellness Center provided free classes, nutrition information, and games for youngsters and parents. Bicycle safety and exceptional family member program information was also available.

Robins Fire Department officials provided children firsthand experience on fire and

smoke safety.

Members from the 5th Combat Communications Group brought out two combat vehicles and equipment, giving children and curious adults the opportunity to climb inside and see what they do every day.

Because of the success of the event, medical group personnel have started plans to continue this unique opportunity.

CATCH KIDS

U.S. Air Force photo by MISUZU ALLEN

Luke Neild, son of Tech. Sgt. Melissa Neild, 78th Operations Support Squadron, is chased by the "goose" during a game of Duck, Duck, Goose Monday on the Health and Wellness Center's basketball court. The children are participating in the week-long Coordinated Approach to Childhood Health or CATCH KIDS Club, which is based on physical activity and nutrition education for elementary school-age children. Walk ins are still being accepted. The club will be conducted again Oct. 7 through 11. For more information, call 327-8480.



PLEASE RECYCLE THIS NEWSPAPER

THUR 25	FRI 26	SAT 27	SUN 28	MON 29	TUE 30	WED 31
--------------------------	-------------------------	-------------------------	-------------------------	-------------------------	-------------------------	-------------------------

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

ON TAP
PreSeparation Briefing (Retirees)

Today
12:30 to 4 p.m.
A&FRC, Bldg. 794
This briefing is mandatory for all retirees.
For details, call 468-1256.

Mug Night at the Heritage

Today
3:30 to 9 p.m.
Heritage Lounge
Bring your own beer mug (20 oz. or less)
For details, call 472-7864.

Power Hour - Health and Life Skills

Today
4 to 5 p.m.
Youth Center
For details, call 468-2110.

Thunder Alley

Friday
9 to 11 p.m.
Bowling Center
\$10 for two hours of bowling with shoe rental.
For details, call 468-2112.

Writing a Winning Resume

Monday
9 to 11 a.m.
A&FRC
For details, call 468-1256.

FTAC/MRT

Monday
Professional Development Center
Young Airman learn Mastery Resiliency Training
For details, call 472-0168.

Family Night Bingo

Monday
5 to 10 p.m.

Heritage Club Bingo Room
For details, call 926-0188.

FTAC Financial

Monday
Professional Development Center
FTAC students learn how to manage their money and support savings.
For details, call 472-0168.

Fit Factor

Tuesday
4:30 to 5:30 p.m.
Youth Center
Ages (9 to 18)
For details, call 468-2110.

Golf Tips from the Pro

Tuesday
5 to 6 p.m.
Pine Oaks Golf Course
Pay \$5 for all the range balls you can hit and get free tips from the PGA

head golf professional.
For details, call 468-4103.

IM Volleyball begins

Tuesday
5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Fitness Center
For details, call 472-7680 or 468-2128.

Home School Association Meeting

Wednesday
1 to 3 p.m.
Youth Center, Bldg. 1021
Weekly meeting of parents and children who choose home schooling.
For details, call 468-1795.

Power Hour - Arts

Wednesday
4 to 5 p.m.
Youth Center
For details, call 468-2110.

