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'Making Tomorrow Better than Today'

Local solutions yield DOD-level award

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The Precision Attack System Program Office here, in partnership with Lockheed Martin, has been awarded the 2014 Secretary of Defense Performance Based Logistics Award at the sub-system level for its solutions in delivering support of the Sniper Advanced Targeting Pod.

Lockheed Martin's Missiles and Fire Control is the source of repair on the Sniper pods, teaming with the Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex's 402nd

Electronics Maintenance Group, which has an on-base facility to repair the electro-optical targeting system used in detecting, identifying and engaging multiple moving and fixed targets at combat, operational and training locations around the globe.

"Having this long-term relationship with the contractor in the depot has really been a cornerstone of the team's success," said Paul Miller, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center's Integrated Product Team program lead.

Used in multiple Air Force platforms, including the A-10, F-15, F-16, B-1 and B-52, Sniper pods provide

unparalleled situational awareness, and intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance unmatched by enemy forces.

"This fills a core capability for the U.S. Air Force, and allows both aircrews and ground forces to identify targets faster and farther away, and ensures their safety in high-threat environments," he said.

The teamwork between the government and Lockheed Martin on the Sniper PBL arrangement resulted in critical sustainment support to the Air Force and Air National Guard on its fleet of several hundred Sniper pods.

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Always READY

Robins Air Force Base firefighters participated in a semi-annual training drill March 27. The exercise required two fire trucks equipped with a high-pressure compressed-air water system which uses a smaller water droplet specifically for fuel fires on aircraft. A total of 20 firefighters participated in the training.

"We're making sure they're following operating procedures," said Larry Kohls, deputy chief of operations. Kohls said the training equips firefighters with the skills to ideally set up to fight an aircraft or fuel fire.



U.S. Air Force photos by ED ASPERA

Volunteers needed to keep base green and clean

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Program offers Team Robins chance to show its pride, take care of environment

The Robins Pride program needs your help to assist in keeping our base community clean and green all year long.

Organizations can adopt a specific public area for such duties as picking up fallen limbs, raking leaves, picking up trash and emptying receptacles along roadways and trails; weed-eating and pruning bushes; cleaning signs, memorial plaques and benches; and performing minor repairs like sprucing up signs

on nature trails.

"In my view, we should celebrate Earth Day every day, not just on April 22. The organizations who have jumped into Robins Pride with both feet exhibit that motto every time they spend 30 minutes removing trash from ditches and pond margins," said Bob Sargent, Robins' natural resources manager and wildlife biologist. "Getting involved in activities like this broadens our ecological sensitivity. It reminds us that if we are conscientious about taking care of our environment, then our environment will take care of us."

Groups can choose to get together to perform clean-up activities once per month, quarterly or as a Wingman event. Areas in need of sponsors include sec-

tions along Ga. Highway 247 and Hannah Road.

Various groups have been involved over the years.

Some of those groups are: Robins Top 3, Boy Scout Troop No. 220 and the 78th Medical Support Squadron.

Those groups have collectively adopted Duck, Scout and Luna lakes; Friendship and Robins parks; the Camellia Garden; King Cemetery; and Tree Frog and Duck Lake trails.

One loyal volunteer is Lt. Col. Janet Urbanski, 78th Medical Support Squadron commander, who recently enjoyed a day in the outdoors with her family.

"We enjoy participating in outdoor activities wherever we're stationed, and

Central Georgia is no exception," she said.

"We started picking up trash when we kayak because we want to give back to the community and help preserve the waterways for future generations."

All are welcome, including military members, as well as civilians with proper prior approvals from a supervisor.

Editor's note: If you'd like to adopt an area of the base still in need of regular clean-up, please call Bob Sargent at 497-3974 or email him at robert.sargent@us.af.mil.

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Camellia Gardens Memorial Service

The annual Camellia Gardens Memorial Service – which pays tribute to deceased members of Team Robins – will be May 21 at 9 a.m. in the tranquil garden across from the Horizons Event Center. A reception will follow at Horizons.

To submit a family member, friend or coworker to be recognized, contact Master Sgt. Stacey Hazewood at DSN 497-3772 or commercial (478) 327-3772, or stacey.hazewood@us.af.mil by May 4.

Lane Closure Monday

The northbound lane of Borghese Dr. will be closed for three weeks beginning Monday. The closure is due to a 78th Communications Directorate project to rebuild and reconstruct several manholes and handholes and install conduits throughout Robins. In case of inclement weather, the work could be delayed. For more information, call Karen Pless, 472-2018, or Roger Vann, 472-2019.

Construction update

The parking lot north of Bldg. 301 (corner of Cochran/Richard Ray) will be temporarily closed April 17 from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. The closure is to prevent damage to vehicles during the set-up of a crane and a new pre-fabricated shelter, in support of the base Land Mobile Radio infrastructure upgrade. The lot will reopen after the shelter is built. For details, call Jackie Barron, 472-2022 or Andre Swoopes, 468-2437.

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"Speed kills ... Don't push the limit!"

SECOND FRONT

Totally toxic training

Joint exercise tests mission capability

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Donning oxygen masks and tanks and brightly colored blue and green hazardous material suits, three Airmen made their way from the command center to the back of a building to find a chemical agent. As part of a joint training exercise between the fire department, civil engineering, bioenvironmental engineering and emergency management, the Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear, Emergency response force descended on Warrior Air Base here to conduct its mission. The command post was a large truck filled with equipment needed to respond to a security threat with biological elements. Instructions were given for those participating. Precautions were taken just like they would be in a real scenario. The suits – complete with oxygen masks and tanks – are part of the safety measures required when a hazmat threat takes place. “We use Level A when we aren’t certain what’s going on. We go with

worse case and protect against it,” Staff Sgt. Shellie Vincent, 778th Civil Engineer Squadron Operations Emergency Management Flight NCOIC, said. Vincent went on to explain that the training was to improve teamwork and processes during a hazmat situation. As part of the scenario, a mock chlorine gas cylinder was hooked up to an air intake which caused choking and headaches along with hypoxia, a lack of oxygen. As part of the simulation, one person was taken to the hospital for evaluation, said Chief Master Sgt. Jay Moreau. The trio was evaluated for their detective skills in the exercise as well as how well they followed procedures. Each person had their vitals checked before and after the exercise. The training is done at least once a month, sometimes in the field like the March 27 exercise, other times it’s in the classroom. “These are perishable skills,” said Staff Sgt. Barham Bratton, Bioenvironmental Engineering Training NCOIC, who designed the scenario.



U.S. Air Force photo by ED ASPERA
Senior Airman Skyler Miller, 78th Aerospace Medicine Squadron Bioenvironmental engineer journeyman, tests her gas mask at the start of a chlorine response field training exercise at Warrior Air Base March 27. The goal of the exercise was to test teamwork skills and processes during a simulated emergency.



U.S. Air Force photo by TOMMIE HORTON

Seeing Stars

Lt. Gen. Brad Heithold, commander of Air Force Special Operations Command, meets with members of the 560th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron about the critical work being done at Robins. During his brief visit, the general also met with Air Force Life Cycle Management Center employees where he discussed the AFSOC way ahead, sustainment of the AC-130U aircraft and how the work at Robins directly affects AFSOC’s priorities to provide combat ready forces and modernize and sustain the force.



Chip and Pin activation

The Government Travel Charge Card upgrade to the new Chip & PIN card has begun. To ensure the new card arrives safely and on time, review your contact information and mailing address with CitiBank (www.citimanager.com/login, My Card Account/Card Maintenance tab). After receiving the card, cardholders must immediately activate it and set a PIN, even if there’s no intent to withdraw cash. Defense Travel System must be updated with the new card’s expiration date. Failing to do so will result in the card being declined by the commercial travel office at ticketing time. Go to www.defensetravel.dod.mil/Docs/GTCC_Profile_Update.pdf. Questions about the new card should be directed to the cardholder’s organization agency program coordinator or Jacquelyn Craig at 472-0226 or Nancy Holley at 472-0215.

Base pharmacy refill changes

In order to better serve you and reduce peak pharmacy wait times, the 78th Medical Group Pharmacy Automated Refill System prescription fill times have changed. Refills submitted before close of business will now be ready for pick-up after two business days. Refills submitted after close of business will be ready after three business days.

For example, if a prescription is called in before 4 p.m. Monday, it’ll be ready anytime on Thursday. If it’s called in after 4 p.m. Monday, it’ll be ready anytime on Friday. Customers should allow additional days for holidays, family days and training closures. Medication refills can be submitted using the following methods: The 78th Medical Group Automated Refill Call-in System (478) 327-8150; Register for and use your Tricare Online account www.tricareonline.com; or use Tricare’s Express Script Mail Order Service <https://www.expressscripts.com/TRICARE/homedelivery>. **SKYWARN training coming** The 78th Operations Support Squadron Weather Flight, in collaboration with the National Weather Service Forecast Office in Peachtree City, will sponsor two SKYWARN storm spotter certification training sessions April 30. Training sessions will be from 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. in the Bldg. 799 auditorium. Interested individuals are asked to choose a session as space is limited to 70 per session. SKYWARN storm spotters are volunteers who report severe weather, winter weather and weather damage to the NWS. Those reports provide forecasters with essential information regarding what’s going on at ground level. Spotters will receive training in weather safety, storm structure and reportable criteria. A precursory training guide can be found on the Robins Weather Flight SharePoint site titled “NWS Weather Spotter Field Guide.” For details, contact Roddy Nixon, at Roddy.Nixon@us.af.mil or Staff Sgt. Erik White, at Erik.White.1@us.af.mil, DSN 468-3573 or commercial (478) 926-3573 by April 24.

Sexual Assault Prevention Summit prepares Airmen to talk effectively about sex

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The president and founder of the Date Safe Project spoke frankly about sex at the Sexual Assault Prevention Summit Jan. 14, at Joint Base Andrews, Md.

Mike Domitrz conversed with 150 Airmen about how to talk authentically and effectively about sex.

Domitrz is one of many speakers who shared their research and perspectives with participants during the five-day summit designed to prompt discussion about sexual assault between Airmen of all ranks, back-grounds, education and career fields.

“It’s a global issue,” Domitrz said. “We’ve got to own our role in this situa-tion. We’ve got to start with ourselves.”

Asserting the culture is steeped in myths related to sex, Domitrz addressed why Airmen often put alcohol and sex together. Thinking it will relax them, increase stamina or make the situation more comfortable, Airmen get caught attempting to make consequential deci-sions while inhibited.

“It’s not truly relaxing you,” Domitrz said. “It’s dropping your standards.”

Airmen must become comfortable with the subject, and be willing to speak authentically from their own experience. The way Airmen talk about sex matters. People like to talk about sex when it’s positive, Domitrz said.

“What if our number one priority is mutually amazing intimacy?” Domitrz asked. “How would that shift the conver-sation and education?”

While the problem shows up in the culture, the change will occur at the indi-vidual level.

Domitrz challenged the audience to take every opportunity to provide others a tool that could change their life. Every person you try to impact is their own human being, and it’s important to start by at least laying a foundation, he said.

“It is not about the one who rapes, Domitrz said. It’s about each of us. We want to shift the whole paradigm, and when we really start to talk about this issue, it gets personal.”

The participants reacted positively to Domitrz’s message.

“I thought that was one of the top ses-sions we’ve had,” said Jeremy

Walter, a unit education and training manager for the 66th Medical Squadron. “It’s a true problem, and we have to be truthful to one another. My workplace is going to benefit greatly from what I got.”

Free local Sexual Assault Awareness Month events:

►Now through April 30: Traveling Line of Courage is a silent exhibit of self-expression of the violence which plagues our community. The T-shirts, created by survivors and others affected by sexual assault, will be dis-played on a clothesline as testament to the problem of violence.

►Teal Tuesdays: Wear teal to support survivors and promote awareness.

►Today and April 20: from 1 to 3 p.m. Survivor Jar Painting – Take the Lid off “iT” – Bldg. 301 Fitness Center Annex; April 15 and 22 from 4 to 6:30 p.m. Bldg. 707, SARC Office.

►Wednesday and April 22: Survivor T-Shirt Painting, Bldg. 707, 4 to 6:30 p.m. Sign up by calling (478) 327-7272. An outlet for anyone affected by sexual violence.

►April 17: 5K Color Run-A-Mile in Their Shoes. Run or walk a mile to raise awareness and support those affected by sexual violence. Check-in at Bldg. 826 HAWC parking lot at 8 a.m. The run begins at 8:25 a.m.

►April 24: Courage Walk. The Courage Walk is a time to honor the strength and courage of survivors of sexual violence. The walk will begin in between the park-ing lots of Bldgs. 300 and 301.

The SARC office is located in Bldg. 707. The SARC or a SAPR Victim Advocate may be reached 24/7 at DSN 497-7272 or commercial (478) 327-7272.



Survivors

As part of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, The Rev-Up will feature narratives from survivors of sexual assault. See page 4 for this week’s story.

Robins celebrates Earth Day

If you have old electronics taking up space in your home and are looking for a way to recycle them, you’re in luck. As part of Earth Day activities, Environmental Management (along with Happy Hour Recycling Center) is hosting an E-Cycling Day on April 17 at the Bldg. 987 Recycling Center from 8 a.m. to noon. E-Cycling Day is a free event and open to anyone who wants to recycle unwanted electronic items that would otherwise take up valuable land-fill space if thrown away.

Robins also recycles a variety of other materials including paper, alu-minum, plastics, cardboard, toner car-tridges, and scrap metal. Bring these items with you while you are dropping off items for the E-Cycling Day. All recyclable goods can be dropped off at the same location, with the exception of scrap metal. The scrap metal recycling yard is located near Bldg. 1555, a few blocks from the Recycling Center.

For a full list of accepted items, visit the Earth Day SharePoint site or con-tact Casey Lucas at DSN 497-9283 or commercial 327-9283.

Other Earth Day events:

►Cemetery Clean-Up: Today at 1 p.m. Participants will meet at Bldg. 359 before going to clean up Bryant and King cemeteries. If possible, bring basic lawn tools (rakes, shovels, prun-ing shears, string weed-eaters (not blades), and wear gloves, a hat, sun-screen and long pants. POCs are Bob Sargent at 327-3974 and Shan Williams at 497-8373.

►Dash For Trash: now through June 5. Is your work area cluttered with obsolete or unneeded stuff? If so, now is the time to dash into action. Inspect your workplace and surrounding areas and dispose of unnecessary items. For disposal assistance or more informa-tion, contact the appropriate POC listed on the flyer on the SharePoint site. POC is Darryl Mercer, 497-3976

►Georgia Power Energy Conservation Table: April 16. An exhibit table manned by Georgia Power will be set up at Pine Oaks Golf Course Club House. April 21 and 22 the exhib-it table will be at the Base Restaurant



from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. POC is Allan Quattlebaum, 468-2848.

►Earth Day on the Greens/SAME Golf Tournament: April 16. An Earth Day Golf Tournament at the Pine Oaks clubhouse. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. Shotgun start at 11:30 a.m. POC is Jennifer Ludwig, 922-7751.

►Waterways Clean-up: April 24 at 1 p.m. Participants will meet at Scout Lake. Clean-up will focus on Scout Lake, Luna Lake, and Weir 14. Wear comfortable shoes, long pants, and a hat. POCs are Jim Rieker, 497-9270, Joe Bossi, 256-9216.

►Bird Watching: April 25 from 7:45 a.m. to noon. Participants will meet at Bldg. 359. RSVP required as spots are limited. POC is Bob Sargent, 497-3974.

►The Arbor Day ceremony: April 22 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at Robins Parade Fields. POC is Bob Sargent, 327-3974.

►Energy Awareness Competition- Tell us how your organization (wing, group, squadron, or flight) has promot-ed energy conservation and awareness. Submissions due April 30. Information and rules on Earth Day SharePoint site. POC is Allan Quattlebaum, 468-2848.

►Kayak the Ocmulgee with Dr. Bob: May 2. Meet at Knowles’ Landing on Hwy. 96 at 8:30 a.m.

Bring four bottles of water, snacks, a bag lunch, a hat, and sunscreen. Kayaks or canoes available to rent at Outdoor Recreation, 468-4001. POC is Bob Sargent, 497-3974. RSVP required.

Editor’s Note: For more details on events, visit <https://org.eis.afmc.af.mil/sites/78abw/78ceg/cei/CEIE/EarthDay/default.aspx>.

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AROUND THE AIR FORCE

Air Force Reserve celebrates 67 years of service

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For many Airmen, April 14 will be just another Tuesday. But to members of the Air Force Reserve, it will be a day to reflect on how each and every one contributes to the Air Force mission.

On April 14, 1948, the Army Air Corps Reserve transferred to the Air Force, officially becoming the Air Force Reserve. However, since 1916 Reserve members have played a unique and integral role in the military.

“The Air Force Reserve provides integrated and flexible operational capability to combatant commanders worldwide,” said Lt. Gen. James Jackson, Air Force Reserve Command commander. “We are part of every Air Force core mission function and perform the same missions as our active-duty partners.”

Since the Reserve’s establishment as a separate part of the Air Force, Reservists have played vital roles in many U.S. operations to include the Korean War, Vietnam, and Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

At just 2 years old, the Reserve mobi-

lized nearly 147,000 Reservists for the Korean War. In 1962, approximately 20,000 Reserve personnel and five Air Force Reserve C-124 aircraft units supported the Cuban Missile Crisis. In support of Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, 15,000 Reserve Airmen volunteered for service.

“[The Reserve] has had a presence in everything. There’s not one [conflict] that they haven’t been involved with,” said Paul Larson, Headquarters AFRC staff historian. “Reservists have had a massive presence in Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm, Grenada, Panama in ’89, Operations Northern and Southern Watch, the Gulf War, 9/11, Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring

Freedom. We’ve been everywhere, doing everything.”

Throughout the Reserve’s history, there have been some Airmen who have stood out from the rest; Airmen who were brave enough to stand up to adversity and make changes for the better.

In 1948 Lt. Gen. George Stratemeyer became the first commander of the Continental Air Command, which took responsibility over Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard personnel. Stratemeyer is known for establishing 130 air reserve training detachments so that Reservists had facilities to keep their skills sharp and maintain readiness at all times. In addition, he developed an “understudy program” in which individual reservists trained with their active-duty counterparts. This allowed for maximum mobilization. The program is still in use today and is known as the individual mobilization augmentee program, which comprises more than 9,000 people.

In the early 1920s, Grover and Albert Loening made history when they designed the Loening OA-1A, a unique observation amphibian aircraft. The Army ordered 45 OA-1As that were used in the

Pacific theater of operations, and a total of 169 aircraft were built for other military uses, to include intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance. Around the 1960s, the Loening brothers requested more recognition programs for certain units and personnel. Soon after, the request was approved and the first Grover Loening trophy was presented in September 1963. The award was given to a troop carrier wing that achieved the most outstanding tactical excellence that year. Albert Loening also established an award, which recognized operational excellence amongst Reserve rescue and recovery units.

Jackie Cochran, another Air Force Reserve giant, was a pioneer for women in Air Force aviation. After much success in the civilian flying world, she turned her attention to military aviation. In 1942, Cochran founded and directed the Women’s Airforce Service Pilots program. WASP pilots were the first females in America’s history to fly American military aircraft.

– To read the full story, visit www.afrc.af.mil.

Sexual assault survivor: ‘You are not alone’

BY STAFF SGT. NANCY KASBERG
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I remember the day like it was yesterday. My heartbeat echoed in my head as I attempted to dry my sweaty hands on my jeans. I was 21, sitting in a Korean court room, waiting to be questioned by prosecutors.

How I ended up there was unreal. Just a few months earlier I was happy; I had a loving husband, amazing friends and arguably the greatest job in the Air Force, but the color in my world had been stolen.

This is my story of how I was sexually assaulted.

After a year at my first duty station, I wanted to further my career, so I volunteered for a short tour to Korea. I soon received an assignment to Osan Air Base, South Korea, as an American Forces Network broadcaster. It would be difficult – I knew because my husband was unable to join me – but we agreed it was a great opportunity.

Upon arriving in Korea, I quickly learned the assignment was no easy task. The days were long and work never seemed to stop. It wasn’t until half way through my tour that I finally made time to volunteer off-base with a fellow coworker. We spent the day helping members in the local community practice their English-speaking skills. After lunch, my coworker and I said our good-byes to the Koreans and headed back to base.

The taxi dropped us off at the street right in front of the base. I paid the driver, thanked him and waved good-bye to my buddy as he left to play pool off base.

Walking toward base, I noticed a button on my coat was loose, so I stopped at a tailor shop a few feet from the gate entrance. I walked in, greeted the worker with “Annyeonghaseyo” and asked if he could fix my button. He nodded and took the coat from me.

When he finished, I put it on and asked how much. He kept saying no charge and proceeded to get closer to me. The next few minutes became dark. He proceeded to take advantage of me, and I just froze. I didn't know what to do; I was in shock. I couldn't believe what was happening. Once I snapped to, I ran as fast as I could toward base. I knew what had just happened to me wasn't right, and my mind and body didn't want to believe it. It felt like my brain kept telling me, there's no way it could have happened.

But it did.

As I sat in my room, replaying the events in my head, I heard the recognizable beeping sound coming from my computer. It was my husband calling me via Skype. I answered, and realizing something was bothering me, he asked what was wrong. Hesitating, I slowly began to tell him what happened. I could see the anger and frustration in his eyes; he wanted so badly to hug and kiss me and tell me everything would be all right, but he couldn't.

The following day, I took his advice and talked to my supervisor about the events that occurred. While comforting me, she asked what I wanted to do and explained my options. We walked to the Sexual Assault Response Coordinator’s office and the lieutenant there escorted me to the Air Force Office of Special Investigations, where



they took my statement. The agents were very understanding and explained that because this was a Korean national, I would have to file a report with the Korean National Police. I thought it would end there, but that was only the beginning.

The SARC informed me this would be a long process and recommended I use the Air Force’s Special Victims Council Program .

A few weeks later, my first sergeant called to tell me that, according to Korean law, anytime a person files a sexual assault, both parties must present their account of the actions in front of a judge.

“You will have to face him if you want to keep going with this,” he said.

I echoed softly, “Face him?” That was the last thing I wanted.

He got quiet and then told me, “Hey, I don’t agree with this system. You should never have to see him again. I will support whatever decision you make, but just know our OSI translator says most women end up retracting their statements because they’re afraid of facing their assailant.”

I knew I had to do what was right.

Soon, an Air Force captain from the SVC contacted me. As a lawyer, he would help me through any legal issues and be available for support.

Finally, the day arrived when I would have to face the man who assaulted me. At the Korean National Police Station, we would argue the truth over that day's events.

My first sergeant and commander drove in from Seoul to accompany me. Before leaving the office, my commander talked to me. He asked me how I was doing and if I was ready. But I will never forget what he told me next, “I have to tell you that I really admire what you’re doing. It takes a lot of guts, so let’s go out and (seek justice for what has happened to you).”

We pulled up to the police station and an officer escorted us into a room. The door opened, and I saw my assailant. Next to him was an empty chair where the officer signaled me to sit. Shaking, I managed to take my seat at which time my assailant starts yelling. There was no need for translation; my interpreter told me he was accusing me of lying and trying to ruin his marriage.

I left the room to compose myself. I took a deep breath and looked in the mirror. I had been so stressed for the past two months, and it reflected in my physical

appearance. My skin had broken out from my face all the way down to my chest. But I knew in my heart what happened that day; I wasn’t a liar. I closed my eyes and prayed to God for strength.

I made my way back into the room and looked at all the people who supported me, my commander, first sergeant, station manager and OSI translator and – for the first time in a long time – I felt safe. I remained as calm as I could and answered the questions asked of me, despite my offender being a few inches away and constantly yelling at me and my interpreter.

This was, by far, the hardest thing I’ve had to face in my life.

Weeks went by before we heard anything. The judge decided to take my case to court. I would have to testify again, except this time no one was allowed in the court room with me.

My special victim’s counselor walked me to the door of the court room. Then a Korean officer took me in and motioned me to sit in a chair that had been placed in the middle of the room. I looked around; no one sat in the pews and there was no jury – just a judge, an interpreter and a transcriber. They all stared as the prosecutor approached me. I was the victim, yet somehow I felt I was the offender.

A month later, I was told the judge had found my assailant guilty. It was a huge relief, not only for me, but for others as well. I learned I wasn’t alone; many others on base came forth and said they, too, had experienced harassment from the man. The Air Force put his shop off-limits, helping to ensure others wouldn’t fall victim to the same crimes.

Throughout the four-month ordeal, my Air Force and Army family stood by my side.

My special victim counselor helped me through every step of the legal process, despite being stationed in Japan. To this day, he continues to check up on me from time to time. OSI volunteered an agent familiar with Korean law to translate and advise my counselor and me on the next step. Everyone in my chain of command, my fellow Airmen and Soldiers all the way up to the Pentagon, showed sincere and personal support.

Today, with the love and support of my family and friends, my wound is slowly healing. I hope that, in sharing my story, people may find comfort in knowing that no matter where you’re serving, despite being away from everything you know, you are not alone.

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A BETTER YOU

Strong spiritual fitness helps in challenging times

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On a bright day, a 5-year-old boy and his mother were driving home after spending time with his grandparents. After stopping at a four-way stop, the mother checked traffic and proceeded on her way. Out of sight behind a hill, a woman approached the same intersection driving more than 90 mph.

The woman was heavily intoxicated. She missed the stop sign and slammed into the car, instantly killing the 5-year-old child and sending his mother to a long stay in the hospital. It was just before Christmas, and the toys and other gifts had to be returned, unopened.

Of life’s most devastating events, the loss of a child, especially a young child, might just be the most difficult of all to recover from.

The young mother would never see her son go to his first day of school, never watch him graduate, never cry at his wedding, or hold her grandchildren. In one terrible moment, because of a foolish and selfish decision, a life was lost, and the dreams of a wonderful future with it. It is in moments like those that our spiritual resiliency is most important.

In AFI 90-506, which discusses Comprehensive Airman Fitness, the Air Force defines spiritual fitness as “the ability to adhere to beliefs, principles, or values needed to persevere

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and prevail in accomplishing missions.” It is the ability to find meaning in life, a meaning that transcends just the physical.

Some find this meaning in formal religious practice, others in a belief in a higher power, others in a very personal practice of their beliefs. A spiritually resilient person seeks out purpose in life, in the context of all his or her relationships, including the physical and spiritual. It is honoring life by fulfilling a greater purpose in service to humanity.

I learned spiritual resilience and my practice of spiritual fitness from my family, especially my mother. You see, it was my brother who was killed on that terrible day.

I watched my mother take the most horrible of experi-

SPIRITUAL WELLNESS CHECKLIST

Evaluate your spiritual fitness by answering these questions:

- ▶ Do you make time for relaxation in your day?
- ▶ Do you make time for meditation and or prayer?
- ▶ Do you feel your work is consistent with your values?
- ▶ Do you feel life has a positive purpose?

ences and transform it into a personal strength through her deep faith. Rather than allow hatred and loss to consume her, she embraced her pain like a refining fire to strengthen her resolve to love and care for every person she encountered.

Her beliefs and values undergirded her sense of purpose in caring for suffering people, friend and foe alike, for the rest of her life. Our task in the Air Force is to fly, fight and win.

Such a calling is at once both rewarding and fraught with many significant stressors. It’s vital to the mission, to ourselves, and to our friends and families that we are resilient, mentally, physically, socially and spiritually.

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Sometimes
a kind word
can save a life ...

Take care of
your wingmen

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Holocaust memorial week starts Sunday

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At the end of World War II, the Jewish community founded a week dedicated to remembering the holocaust.

The Week of Remembrance starts April 12 on Holocaust Remembrance Day, called Yom Hashoah. A service at Temple Beth Israel in Macon will start at 7 p.m. and is open to the public.

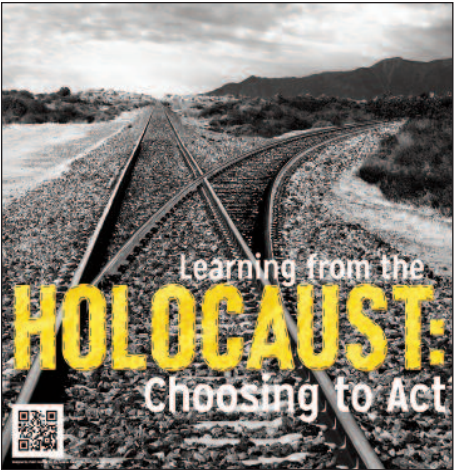
There will be a presentation and well as a memorial service.

At Robins Air Force Base, the three Sunday services on April 19 at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m., will each touch on the holocaust, according to Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Jonathan Wade.

“The purpose is to remember the tragedy so that we can learn from it,” said Jay Freedman, Robins Air Force Base Jewish Lay Leader.

Between 1933 and 1945, between five and six million Jewish people and were killed in Europe by the Nazis during World War II.

The Nazi regime, led by Adolf Hitler, believed that the German race was superior to the Jewish race and therefore a threat, according to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C.



The memorial week is not just for remembering, Freedman stressed, but it also calls people to action against things currently happening in the world today.

“We’re trying to prevent genocide with this platform. It’s what you do, not just saying it’s a bad thing but a platform for actions,” he said.

The Jewish community worldwide is small compared to other religions. At Robins, Freedman said the population fluctuates between a dozen to almost two dozen military members.

Civilians and contractors who are of the Jewish faith are few as well.

“We’re a very small contingent,” Freedman said.



Legal Minute



If it looks like it came from a court or an attorney, then ...

As you know, sometimes the Air Force is sued. When that occurs, it's not unusual for military and civilian Air Force personnel, units or commanders to receive writs, summons, notice of legal proceedings or other foreign civil process. If you receive a document that looks like it came from a court – even if you're not sure – against the Air Force, contact the base legal office at 472-0576 or 468-9276. We'll review the document and determine what needs to be done. This is a mandatory requirement and must happen immediately upon receipt (see AFI 51-108, paragraph 3.2.2.3, and AFI 51-301, paragraph 6.6.2.). The 78th Air Base Wing, Office of Staff Judge Advocate (78 ABW/JA), will respond and determine whether Air Force personnel must appear in the legal proceeding.



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Diyonda Williams, a 402nd Electronics Maintenance Group electronics mechanic, runs tests on the Laser Spot Tracker Television of a Sniper XR Advanced Targeting Pod.



Patrick Carroll, 402nd Electronics Maintenance Group electronics technician, performs optic alignment and adjustment procedures on the rotating gimble assembly of a Sniper XR Advanced Targeting Pod.

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Among its major achievements was a \$77.3 million cost avoidance for maintaining the Sniper fleet operational availability 14 percent better than the requirement; and maintaining O-level spares on-hand availability at a rate of more than 98 percent.

In 2013, the organic depot at Robins ensured critical spares were available to fill field requirements – 909 repairs in an average of 6.7 days each against a target of 15 days or less.

There was improved availability of depot repair parts from 84 percent to

94 percent in 2013. There were also reduced support costs by up to 10 percent from previous PBL contracts, and a reduced Sniper logistics footprint decreasing the average quantities of cannibalized pods by 364 percent from 2012 to 2013.

PBL awards such as this recognize government and industry teams that have demonstrated outstanding achievements in providing the warfighter exceptional operational capability through PBL agreements.

The partnership between Lockheed Martin and the Air Force extends back to the mid-1990s, when government and industry came together with LANTIRN, or Low

Altitude Navigation and Targeting Infrared for Night, capabilities. These pods were used on such fighter aircraft as the F-15 and F-16; the F-15 is maintained at Robins.

A formal presentation of the award will be made here in May by Paul Peters, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Logistics and Materiel Readiness.

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HAPPENINGS/SERVICES

FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR
10	11	12	13	14	15	16



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Morning meeting

From left, Col. Christopher Decker, 78th Mission Support Group commander, John Pugh, 78th MSG deputy director, and Col. Lynn Marshall, Individual Mobilization Augmentee to the MSG commander, patronize the Pine Oaks Golf Course Fairways Grille. The restaurant is now serving breakfast from 7 to 10:30 a.m. Mondays through Sundays. For more information, call DSN 468-4103.

ON TAP In the Spotlight

Today and April 24
5 p.m.
Heritage Club
Showcase your singing, poetry reading, comedy or musical talents
For details, call DSN 472-7899.

Family Movie Night ‘Island of Lemurs Madagascar’

Today
6:30 p.m.
Base Theater
Cost is \$2 and includes popcorn and drink.
For details, call DSN 468-2001.

‘Base Camp’ Family Campout

Register by Tuesday
April 18 through 19
Starts April 18 at 9 a.m.
Robins Park
For details, call DSN 468-4001.

Tips from the Pro

Tuesday
4 to 5 p.m.
Pine Oaks Golf Course

All the balls you can hit for \$5
For details, call DSN 468-4103.

UPCOMING Color Run

April 17
8:25 to 10 a.m.
Fitness Center
For details, call DSN 468-2128.

Spring Gift Bazaar

April 17
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Heritage Club Ballroom
Prize drawings will be held during the event.
For details, call DSN 472-7899.

Deep Sea Fishing Trip

Single Airman Only
April 18 through 19
Noon
Savannah, Ga.
\$150 per room (up to four people per room)
Includes transportation
For details, call DSN 468-2001.

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