



# ROBINS REV-UP

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## OPM delays employing new promotion rules

The Office of Personnel Management has decided to postpone issuing rules to abolish the one-year time-in-grade requirement for federal employee promotions.

The regulations, which allow federal employees to climb the career ladder faster, were scheduled to take effect March 9, but OPM's decision will delay their implementation until May 18.

Under current rules, employees in competitive service General Schedule positions at grade levels 5 and above must serve 52 weeks in a grade before becoming eligible for promotion. The new rule eliminates the 52-week condition, provided employees meet occupational and job-related qualification requirements.

OPM originally proposed abolishing the time-in-grade requirements to allow agencies more leeway in recruiting and retaining highly qualified employees in tight labor markets.

— Courtesy govexec.com



Base Restaurant opens new coffee shop, proudly serving Starbucks brand products, see page 2B

## Nuts and bolts



A C-130H sits in the hangar after Robins workers found cracks in barrel nuts in the area of the aircraft where the wings connect to the centerbox.

U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

## Faulty hardware forces C-130 inspections

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Members of the 330th Aircraft Sustainment Group have been working around the clock to keep the C-130 fleet flying after maintainers here discovered defective wing-joint barrel nuts.

On March 1, maintainers at Robins were performing routine maintenance on a C-130H when they discovered that five of the upper 13 barrel nuts were cracked. Terrence May, director of the 330th Aircraft Sustainment Group, said one or two cracked nuts would not be considered a critical problem, but more than two is a concern.

On March 4, Air Force Materiel Command issued an order for the immediate inspection of wing-joint barrel nuts on all C-130 aircraft. Within three days, more than two-thirds of the Air Force fleet of nearly 600 aircraft had been inspected, and more than 40 percent of those had been returned to flight.

Mr. May said in an interview Wednesday that 90 percent of the fleet had been inspected and about half of those were found to have defective nuts.

Supplies of replacement nuts have been shipped to the area of responsibility in Iraq and Afghanistan. Mr. May expected that by Sunday, all of the replacement nuts needed in the U.S. Central Command AOR will be shipped.

Making the replacement on all the planes worldwide, including foreign military services, may take a few more weeks due to the limited supply of the replacement nuts, Mr. May said.

The 330th ASG has set up a 24-hour hotline so that maintainers around the world can call for assistance in making the inspection. Although it has been a hectic few days, Mr. May said, he has been pleased with the response.

"The thing I can't emphasize enough is the professionalism of

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## Senior leaders urged to focus on sustainment, AFMC priorities

BY RON FRY  
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From a top priority of robust nuclear sustainment to increased warfighter support and resource conservation, Gen. Donald Hoffman, commander of Air Force Materiel Command, charged his center and wing commanders along with AFMC headquarters staff to make the command's priorities a fundamental part of their daily mission.

General Hoffman called for maximum focus on the command priorities during AFMC's semi-annual senior leaders conference March 5 and 6 at Robins. In advance of the conference, leaders formally approved a list of five command priorities that complement Air Force priorities.



Gen. Donald Hoffman  
AFMC commander

AFMC's renewed role as keeper of the Air Force's nuclear arsenal was highlighted as AFMC's and the Air Force's most critical priority. "Everyone in AFMC has a role to play in getting our nuclear enterprise where it needs to be," General Hoffman said.

His views were echoed by Brig. Gen. Everett Thomas, commander of AFMC's Air Force Nuclear Weapons Center at Kirtland AFB, N.M. General Thomas said the Air Force lost focus on management of its nuclear weapons as the service went through transitional periods in the mid 1990s. Two well-publicized incidents in recent years highlighted the need to regain emphasis on the nuclear sustainment mission.

"It's AFMC's mission to sustain our nuclear force," General Thomas said. "It's up to us to keep it a priority and make sure we don't slip back to the days when we did not pay the proper amount of attention to our nuclear mission."

A priority almost as critical as nuclear sustainment is AFMC's role of providing war-winning capabilities to the warfighter — on time and on cost. General Hoffman cited several examples he observed during a recent trip to Southwest Asia during which he heard warfighters tell of their needs.

"We have to aggressively work on meeting the warfighter's needs," the general told his commanders. "Everyone in this command has to contribute to warfighter support. It's our job."

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### AFMC COMMAND PRIORITIES

- Reinvigorate AFMC's role in the nuclear enterprise.
- Implement effective and efficient Integrated Life Cycle Management to support the warfighter.
- Support the Air Force by recruiting, training and retaining a high-performing workforce.
- Nurture and protect our people and families.
- Be good stewards of government resources.

## Switch upgrade provides training opportunity

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When network equipment across the base started failing, teams from the 78th Communications Squadron stepped in to fix the problem and ensure the mission at Robins would be unaffected.

In March 2008, members of the 78th CS were finishing an upgrade project and discovered some of the switches on newly-installed network equipment were failing. They contacted the vendor, who evaluated the equipment and determined that the switches were indeed faulty.

Rather than replace the switches one at a time upon failure, the vendor recommended replacing all the switches and agreed to provide the more than \$7 million worth of new network equipment.

"We all at once had a huge logistics problem in receiving about 1,300 switches," said network engineer Ron Stewart.

In addition to the logistical challenge of receiving, storing, deploying and installing the "truckloads upon truckloads" of equipment, the squadron needed to determine how best to implement the project without seriously impacting the customer.

The onus fell on Robert Coleman, infrastructure flight chief, and Tech. Sgt. Renee Lewis, NCO in charge of network infrastructure, to determine the best way to tackle the daunting project. The duo applied Lean principles to identify three processes: receipt and return of equipment, software installation on the new equipment, and hardware



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

Airman Nicholas Johns, right, and Senior Airman Edward Edwards, 78th Communications Squadron network infrastructure technicians, make the last of 1,300 network switch upgrades in Bldg. 300.

installation.

Although a project that size could potentially take three to five years to complete, using Lean principles they estimated they could finish in about 15 months. However, a new wrinkle in the project forced them on an even faster track for project completion.

"We learned that a large amount of our skilled military

► see UPGRADES, 7A

### BY THE NUMBERS

1,300  
New network switches installed

\$7,203,505  
Estimated cost to vendor for replacement switches

14,000+  
Manhours spent installing new switches

600  
Closets receiving new network equipment and upgrades

9  
Months spent on switch upgrade project

180  
Days ahead of schedule project was completed

### THINK SAFETY



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— courtesy 78th Security Forces

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Another priority is the sustainment of the civilian workforce. The general told leaders to fill civilian employee vacancies to the maximum extent possible. He said a robust workforce will help AFMC better achieve its mission.

“We must move full speed ahead and fill our vacancies,” he said. “And whether we’re hiring from the outside or picking from a list of internal candidates, we must hire the best qualified people, regardless of where they come from.”

General Hoffman praised his commanders for making progress in energy and resource conservation since he took command in December 2008, but called for continued focus. “It’s up to you to set the tone for your people and treat every penny spent as if it were your own,” he said.

To emphasize the conservation priority, the gathering heard from Michael Aimone, the Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Installations and Mission Support at Headquarters Air Force.

He discussed how the Air Force has made great strides in energy conservation over the



U.S. Air Force photo by CLAUDE LAZZARA

**Lt. Gen. Terry Gabreski, Air Force Materiel Command vice commander, discusses command priorities at the semi-annual senior leaders conference March 5 and 6 at Robins.**

past several years. Also, Tim Bridges, AFMC’s Director of Communications, installations and Mission Support briefed on several energy conservation initiatives under way or planned for AFMC.

Conference attendees heard other updates on issues central to AFMC’s warfighter-support mission, including a status report on the Global Logistics Support Center, Centralized Asset Management and the Warner Robins Air Logistics Center’s initiative known as

High Velocity Maintenance. Command officials hope HVM will reduce the time aircraft are out of service undergoing programmed depot maintenance by doing more advance planning and finding efficiencies in the maintenance process.

Topics relating to the command’s “people” priorities included the command’s suicide prevention and fitness programs and its Voluntary Protection Program safety initiatives.

## C-130 INSPECTIONS

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everyone involved, from the mechanics and maintainers who discovered the issue and speedily brought it to the attention of engineers, to the engineers walking through a disciplined process to look at it, and then the work with the field units to identify field impacts and help us help them in terms of defining how we can minimize the impact to the warfighter,” Mr. May said.

To make all of the replacements as quickly as possible, Mr. May said Team Robins members are looking at other nuts already in the supply chain that might make a sufficient replacement. He also said that manufacturing nuts at Robins is a possibility in order to expedite the process.

The cause of the cracks appears to be hydrogen embrittlement, in which high-strength steel can become brittle after being exposed to hydrogen. All of the defective nuts come from a single manufacturer, Mr. May said, but he said that doesn’t mean there was a manufacturing defect. The manufacturer could have made the nuts exactly according to specifications.

“It may very well be those nuts were fully manufactured in accordance with the design and we are just finding something a little bit different,” he said.

Five separate manufacturers have made the same nut for the C-130s, Mr. May said.

The C-130 outer wing is attached to the center wing with 28 bolts and barrel nuts, with 13 upper and 15 lower on each side of the aircraft. The lower wing nuts are not affected.

## Congratulations to Robins promotees

### LT. COLONEL SELECTS

Antony Kolenc HQ AFRC  
Thomas Rodrigues HQ AFRC

### MAJOR SELECTS

Adam Acock 116th OSS  
Frederick Aldrich 16th ACCS  
Lewis Anthony AFROTC  
Alan Avriett 128th ACCS  
David Bartels 16th ACCS  
Melvin Baylon WR-ALC  
John Beede 116th OSS  
Bernie Beigh 330th ASW  
Kay Beigh 78th FSS  
David Bruce 16th ACCS  
Michael Davila 407th SCMS  
Aaron Dripps 16th ACCS  
Brandon Durant 330th CTS  
James Eustis 12th ACCS  
William Gallian 16th ACCS  
Henry Hamilton 12th ACCS  
Richard Harris 330th CTS  
William Hartman 12th ACCS  
Kareem Haskett 330th CTS  
Dory Hasson 12th ACCS  
Jimmy Hataway 116th CSS  
Matthew Hensley 53rd CBCS  
Steven Hillard 128th ACCS  
James Hopkins 116th OSS  
Eric Horst 78th SFS  
Tharommony In 5th CBCSS  
Max Lemons AFELM  
William Lester 16th ACCS  
Jeffrey Martin 330th CTS

David McCaskill 330th CTS  
Scott McClain 576th ACSS  
Timothy Moore 742nd CBSG  
Eric Patton 128th ACCS  
Francisco Perez De Armas AFOTEC  
Kevin Pratte 12th ACCS  
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Jeremiah Reed 17th ASOS  
Richard Reyna 330th CTS  
Nelson Rouleau 330th CTS  
Andrew Scott AFROTC  
Kristoffer Smith-Rodriguez WR-ALC  
James Steff 542nd CSW  
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Stephen Swaine ACC Det 7  
Jason Teague 12th ACCS  
Matthew Trovinger 330th CTS  
Daniel Willems 12th ACCS  
Christopher Williams 330th CTS  
Brad Winter 16th ACCS

### CAPTAIN SELECTS

Shanieka Gibson 78th MDOS  
Melvin Vaughn 78th ABW  
Christopher Bert 567th ACSS  
Ray Bradshaw 573rd ACSS  
Johnny Lynum 560th ACSG  
Wilfred Noel 542nd CBSG  
Lamar Mister 16th ACCS  
Christopher Perrine 16th ACCS  
Travis Tucker 16th ACCS  
Luke Doerning 52nd CBCS  
Margell Munoz 83rd NOS

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Channel 15

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Channel 99





U.S. Air Force photos by SUE SAPP

Chaplain (Capt.) Jeff Struecker, guest speaker at Robins National Prayer Luncheon, shared a message of faith and courage with members of the base community. His experiences in war were the basis for the motion picture “Black Hawk Down.”



Above top, people bow in prayer during the prayer for the nation at the Robins National Prayer Luncheon Tuesday at the Museum of Aviation.



Above, hats from each service sit on a POW/MIA table. The event drew 520 people, a record-breaking crowd.

## Robins National Prayer Luncheon draws record-breaking crowd

BY LANORRIS ASKEW  
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For 90 minutes, the Robins chain of command took a back seat to the ultimate chain of command and the idea of faith as 520 Team Robins and local community members joined in the name of prayer during the Robins National Prayer Luncheon Tuesday.

The message, delivered by Chaplain (Capt.) Jeff Struecker, 75th Ranger Regiment chaplain, Fort Benning, centered on faith and how it can be tested. His journey to a better understanding of faith was captured in the book and later the movie “Black Hawk Down.” Hearing the story first hand brought applause

from the audience.

“Faith is important when bullets are flying,” he said as he recounted how in 1993 he and a group of Army Rangers were tasked with several recovery missions in Mogadishu, Somalia.

The missions were under heavy fire from an armed militia bent on revenge. The loss of one of his Rangers at the beginning of the mission shook everyone’s faith in their ultimate success.

“I’ve never in my life experienced fear like in the back of that Humvee,” he said.

He said God gave him a sense of peace and comfort he had never had before or since.

“That’s the difference between

someone with faith and someone without,” he said.

At that moment he decided everything would be fine because he was going home after the battle.

“I knew I would either be going home to my family in Georgia or home to my father in heaven,” he said.

He said that thought alone gave him the ability to go back out into harm’s way and endure another life threatening mission.

The following morning brought with it a line of Rangers asking how he had been able to keep his composure under such circumstances.

He explained it had been his faith and that cemented his new career as a chaplain.

“Those who wear the uniform will be put in harm’s way,” he told the audience. “Settle your faith with God.”

He went on to speak to others.

“Those not in uniform, don’t take for granted that you will be here tomorrow. You need to settle the issue too,” he said.

“Capt. Struecker was an awesome speaker. He is a living testimony that if you have faith in God, he will never leave you nor forsake you,” said Tokasa Lane, 78th Force Support Squadron secretary. “Because of his strong faith, God sent His angels of mercy to protect him during battle. If anyone ever doubted the scripture that says, ‘no weapon formed against thee shall

prosper,’ Captain Struecker’s message should alleviate any doubt.”

Chaplain (Capt.) Joshua Payne, Robins chaplain, said the audience was the largest since the event began here and tickets sold out in two weeks.

“It was a great turnout,” he said.

Attendees were from across the installation including soon-to-be residents from the Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 733 command section which flew in from Atlanta. Also in attendance were the Army JSTARS Det. 7 command section, 116th Air Control Wing command section, the Air Force Reserve Command chaplain’s office and members of the local business community.

## Robins February re-enlistees

Chief Master Sgt. Timothy Delaney  
Chief Master Sgt. Larry Giles  
Chief Master Sgt. Steven Perrault  
Senior Master Sgt. Nathan Bickle  
Senior Master Sgt. Shawn Davies  
Senior Master Sgt. Thomas Meneguín  
Senior Master Sgt. Gary Moullet  
Senior Master Sgt. Antony Rice  
Senior Master Sgt. Jean Vargo  
Master Sgt. Yolanda Beverly  
Master Sgt. Harold Bruce  
Master Sgt. Juan Carlos Cueto  
Master Sgt. Kristyn Ervin  
Master Sgt. Hazel Finley  
Master Sgt. Roy Harrison  
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Master Sgt. Gene Higgins  
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Master Sgt. Steven Thomas  
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Tech. Sgt. Kevin Laliberte  
Tech. Sgt. Robin Mason  
Tech. Sgt. Angela Matheny  
Tech. Sgt. Frank Reuille  
Tech. Sgt. Joseph Sutton  
Tech. Sgt. Kamala Thigpen  
Tech. Sgt. Lacreitia Wiseman

Tech. Sgt. Joseph Young  
Staff Sgt. Jeremy Bryant  
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Staff Sgt. Stephanie Cadet  
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Staff Sgt. John Franklin  
Staff Sgt. Christopher Grimes  
Staff Sgt. Nicholas Johns  
Staff Sgt. Nial Khodra  
Staff Sgt. David Maldonado  
Staff Sgt. Emmett McNamara  
Staff Sgt. Benjamin Napier  
Staff Sgt. Kevin Owens  
Staff Sgt. Ortagus Oxendine  
Staff Sgt. Joshua Pope  
Staff Sgt. Michael Reid  
Staff Sgt. Teddy Rivera  
Staff Sgt. Daniel Ruehl  
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Staff Sgt. Wanda Smith  
Staff Sgt. Nathan Tedder  
Staff Sgt. Jeanpaul Valarino  
Staff Sgt. Anthony White  
Staff Sgt. Mark Whiting  
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Senior Airman Jeremy Cohen  
Senior Airman Eric Graham  
Senior Airman Catalina Meissner  
Senior Airman Melissa Miller  
Senior Airman Blake Panabaker  
Senior Airman Faith Richardson  
Senior Airman Jarred Taylor  
Senior Airman Tabitha Williamson

## DOD to launch new system to streamline hiring process

The Department of Defense will soon unveil a new initiative designed to standardize, streamline and transform DOD’s civilian hiring process.

A new system, called the Enterprise Staffing Solution, is being piloted for six months by the Air Force and the other DOD components.

Air Force employees will now have to apply for AF and DOD vacancies included in the ESS pilot using the new ESS process instead of the current application processes.

The ESS pilot is scheduled to begin at pilot locations the last week of March and go through September 2009; following a successful test and

evaluation process, the ESS will be recommended for implementation DOD-wide.

ESS is DOD’s initiative to automate the end-to-end Federal recruitment and hiring process and replace the outdated Resumix system currently in place. In addition, ESS will improve the quality of referred candidates by assessing their competencies versus their skill codes.

ESS is an accessible Web-based system with access 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The ESS system is secure and reliable and meets all DOD information security requirements. — *Courtesy the Directorate of Personnel*



# Technology rocks!



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

Marcus Cunningham, 402nd Electronics Maintenance Group electronic mechanic, tries out a Vision Engineering Lynx Inspection System by Techni-Tool at the Technology Expo on Wednesday at Horizons. The expo included over 25 exhibitors showcasing technologies from communications to information assurance and security.

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## ► IN BRIEF

### ROSC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

Robins Officer Spouses Club scholarship applications are now available. All applicants can access the applications via the ROSC Web site at [www.robinsosc.com](http://www.robinsosc.com).

Graduating seniors may also pick up a packet from their high school guidance counselors. Completed application packets must be post-marked by March 16.

Eligibility requirements for all applicants:

- Dependent children or spouses of retired, deceased, or active-duty military members currently stationed at Robins or be a dependent child/spouse of an eligible retired, deceased, or current DOD civilian employee of Robins.

- In the upper 10 percent of their class, or have a GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale, and must have demonstrated scholarship, leadership and outstanding performance.

For more information e-mail Gail Simon-Boyd at [gail\\_simon2000@yahoo.com](mailto:gail_simon2000@yahoo.com).

### 78TH ABW DINING-OUT

The 78th Air Base Wing will celebrate Air Force history with a formal military event as it hosts its 2009 dining-out April 3 at the Museum of Aviation Century of Flight Hangar.

A time-honored tradition, the dining-out will kick off with a social hour at 5:45 p.m. The evening will also include dinner, entertainment, ceremonies and a special guest speaker to be disclosed at a later date.

Throughout the years, Air Force leadership has utilized this military custom as an opportunity to meet socially with the men and women who support the day-to-day operations under their command. This social, although a formal affair, serves to enhance the spirit and morale of the units and strengthens working relations among the ranks through an atmosphere of camaraderie.

The goal this year is to host a dining-out which will embrace the tradition, honor our history and commend the present for the sacrifices made for us all.

More information will follow as the planning committee finalizes and adds the polishing touches to this commemorative occasion.

## ► IN BRIEF

### MUNITIONS OPERATIONS OFFICE CLOSURE

The munitions operations office will be closed March 16-20 for a semi-annual wall-to-wall inventory of the munitions stockpile. Only emergency issue requests, submitted in writing, approved by the group commander, will be accepted during this time.

### ROBINS TAX CENTER SATURDAY WALK-IN HOURS

The Robins Tax Center will be open Saturday preparing and e-filing tax returns exclusively for Airmen living in the dormitories. If you currently reside in the dormitory, tax center volunteers can see you on a walk-in basis from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

The tax center is located in Bldg. 905 on the second floor of the library. To get to the tax center, you must go through the library and take the stairs or the elevator to the second floor.

It is imperative that you bring the following information as it pertains to your return:

Documentation required:

- Military IDs
- W-2s (Wage and tax

statement from all employers)

- Form 1099 for interest, dividends and retirement income

- Social Security numbers of taxpayer, spouse, and dependent children

- Legal documents (separation agreements, divorce decrees that state you are entitled to claim said dependent, and powers of attorney are needed if someone will be signing the return in place of a spouse, a general power of attorney is acceptable if you don't have a specific one for tax filing)

- Bank account number and bank routing number for electronic filing. A copy of a voided check is sufficient. An ATM card or check card isn't sufficient to verify the routing number

- Childcare provider's name, address, and tax identification number (or Social Security number) and payment receipts for those planning to claim the child and dependent care credit

- Form 1098 for college expenses and mortgage interest paid

- Last year's tax return or any other documentation you

think will be helpful. If we prepared your tax return last year we will have it on file.

If you need tax assistance or additional information regarding Saturday walk in hours, call the tax center at 327-7390.

### CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Robins Officer Christian Fellowship meets every Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. in the Base Chapel. For more information contact Luis or Janice Morales-Hill at 218-5494.

### CORRECTION

A recent Rev-Up article on the burning of a tract of woods at Robins misstated the number of longleaf pine trees in the nation. Estimates are there were 60 million acres of longleaf pines when settlers first arrived and approximately 3-4 million acres today.

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# Commentary

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— Michael B. Donley, Secretary of the Air Force

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**Col. Warren Berry**  
78th Air Base Wing  
Commander

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## '1776' a gripping tale of heroism and the fight for independence

*Editor's note: To encourage professional and personal development, Robins leaders released a reading list with 31 recommended books. The Rev-Up will periodically review the books on the reading list; with the first review is published below.*

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW

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I regret to say that for a long time most of what I knew about the Revolutionary War came from watching "Schoolhouse Rock."

I don't think I'm alone in that, however. I asked around the office whether anyone could name someone who fought in the Revolution besides George Washington.

"Mel Gibson," was the first response I got. A couple said Paul Revere. Someone said John Adams, but the truth is that Adams, Thomas Jefferson and almost every other signer of the Declaration of Independence did not fight in the war.

That's why, when considering the first book that I would read from the list of 31 recommended by base leadership for professional development, I chose "1776" by David McCullough.

Another reason was that it was recommended by Col. Warren Berry, 78th Air Base Wing commander, who is a good writer. The only way anyone becomes a good writer is by first becoming a voracious and well-rounded reader, and a voracious and well-rounded reader can be trusted when it comes to book recommendations.

My logic turned out to be correct on that. If I read all 31 books on the list, I am sure "1776" will be at the top of my list of favorites.

The first chapter might try the patience of anyone anxious for the action to get started. That's because the book begins with a detailed account of the debate in Parliament over whether to send troops to America to quell the rebellion. But the chapter is probably appropriate, because all wars start with politics.

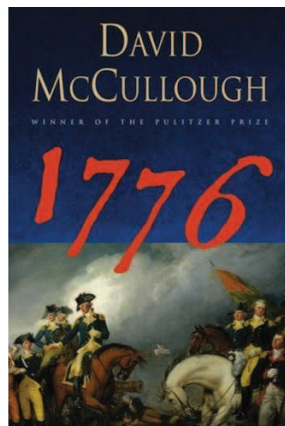
What follows that chapter is a gripping tale that above all else, illustrates just how lucky we are today. The Revolution hung by a thread almost from the beginning, and by McCullough's account, on several occasions in 1776 it could have been easily quashed. Sometimes it was the hesitation of the British that saved the Continental Army, other times it was the heroism of the Americans, and still other times it was pure chance.

In fact, McCullough makes the argument that following a disastrous attempt to defend New York from the British, Washington's army would have been trapped on Long Island and likely extinguished had the wind been blowing in a different direction. That would have allowed British ships to sail into the East River and cut off Washington's retreat, but as it was, he was able to execute a remarkable escape.

In the final chapter, McCullough very succinctly sums up the spirit of perseverance that Washington employed to win the war.

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## BOOK REVIEW



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**Author:** David McCullough

**Genre:** History

**Synopsis:** A historical look at George Washington's struggle leading to independence.

### EXCERPT:

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A compelling character in the book is Gen. Henry Knox, a 25-year-old, self-educated bookseller with no military experience other than books he had read. McCullough gives a gripping account of how Knox came up with an idea to deliver heavy artillery to the outgunned American troops during the siege of Boston early in the war.

"It was Henry Knox," McCullough writes, "who first suggested the idea of going after the cannon at far-off Fort Ticonderoga on Lake Champlain, an undertaking so enormous, so fraught with certain difficulties, that many thought it was impossible."

And yet this pudgy man who looks quite the dandy in his portrait in the book, managed to

achieve this feat, which took two months. Knox nearly froze to death in a blizzard at one point, and spent three hours pleading with some of his teammates who were threatening to abandon the journey due to the danger. The appearance of the artillery with the Americans in Boston led the British to finally abandon the town.

I looked at Knox's picture again after reading this stirring tale, and he suddenly did not look like a dandy anymore.

And it was, incidentally, Knox who in the spring of 1776 suggested that it would be a good idea for the Continental Congress to consider declaring independence. It should also be noted that he was the person who directed the daring midnight crossing of the Delaware, which led to an attack that finally turned around the fortunes of the Americans.

Knox's story might be the essence of what a modern Soldier can learn from reading "1776."

These men had little to no experience as warriors, they made many mistakes and were sorely lacking in resources. Most wore tattered clothes and some had no shoes. Many of their own countrymen were against them, with thousands cheering the British soldiers as they marched into New York. It had to be incredibly disheartening, and the most amazing thing about the whole story is how they found the will to keep going.

I think about pudgy Henry Knox, in the snowy woods of New England 233 years ago, doggedly moving forward with 60 tons of cannon in tow, and imagine what would have happened if he had given up. He may well have saved the Revolution, and all that is around us today would be something quite different if it weren't for this man whose name is unknown to most people.

It goes to show that soldiering, when it is for a just cause, is the most important thing anyone can ever do. Nothing else could exist if it weren't for people who fight for the rights of people to do those other things. What a Soldier does can change the world forever, and sometimes one man can turn the tide in a war.

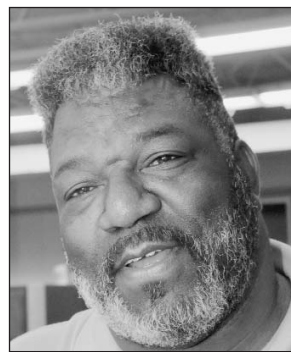
That's the story of "1776," and why everyone who believes in freedom should read it.

## WR-ALC's 2009 reading list

<b>Title:</b> 1776 <b>Author:</b> David McCullough	<b>Title:</b> It's All About Service <b>Author:</b> Ray Pelletier	<b>Title:</b> Dawn Over Kitty Hawk <b>Author:</b> Walter Boyne	<b>Title:</b> The Stuff of Heroes <b>Author:</b> William Cohen
<b>Title:</b> The First Heroes <b>Author:</b> Craig Nelson	<b>Title:</b> Made to Stick <b>Authors:</b> Chip, Dean Heath	<b>Title:</b> 19 Stars <b>Author:</b> Edgar Puryear	<b>Title:</b> Supplying War <b>Author:</b> Martin Van Creveld
<b>Title:</b> A Question of Loyalty <b>Author:</b> Douglas Waller	<b>Title:</b> Eyewitness to Power <b>Author:</b> David Gergen	<b>Title:</b> The Tipping Point <b>Author:</b> Malcolm Gladwell	<b>Title:</b> Band of Brothers <b>Author:</b> Stephen Ambrose
<b>Title:</b> Air Force Spoken Here <b>Author:</b> James Parton	<b>Title:</b> And Dignity for All <b>Author:</b> James DeSapin	<b>Title:</b> Purple Cow <b>Author:</b> Seth Godin	<b>Title:</b> Lincoln on Leadership <b>Author:</b> Donald Phillips
<b>Title:</b> The Great Influenza <b>Author:</b> John Barry	<b>Title:</b> Supreme Command <b>Author:</b> Eliot Cohen	<b>Title:</b> Affording Defense <b>Author:</b> Jacques Gansler	<b>Title:</b> The Traveler's Gift <b>Author:</b> Andy Andrews
<b>Title:</b> Moving Mountains <b>Author:</b> Gus Pagonis	<b>Title:</b> Good to Great <b>Author:</b> Jim Collins	<b>Title:</b> Leading Change <b>Author:</b> John Kotter	<b>Title:</b> China's Rise <b>Author:</b> Fred Bergstein
<b>Title:</b> John Warden and the Renaissance of War Power <b>Author:</b> John Andreas Olsen	<b>Title:</b> How to be Like Jackie Robinson <b>Author:</b> Pat Williams	<b>Title:</b> The 21 Indispensable Qualities of a Leader <b>Author:</b> John Maxwell	<b>Title:</b> Boyd: The Fighter Pilot Who Changed the Art of War <b>Author:</b> Robert Coram
<b>Title:</b> Blink: The Power of Thinking Without Thinking <b>Author:</b> Malcolm Gladwell	<b>Title:</b> Thinking in Time <b>Authors:</b> Richard Neustadt, Ernest May	<b>Title:</b> Logistics in the National Defense <b>Author:</b> Henry Eccles	<b>Title:</b> The Leadership Secrets of Colin Powell <b>Author:</b> Oren Harari

# OFF THE CUFF!

## How do you plan to use your 2008 tax refund?



**George Floyd**  
78th CS

"Some will be used for home improvements and paying off educational loans for my son."



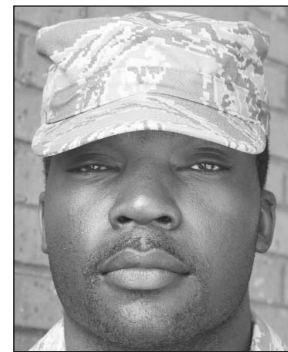
**Roosevelt Shannon Jr.**  
78th CS

"When I receive my return I plan to stimulate the economy. I'm going to spend it."



**Pam Jordan**  
78th FSS

"I've already spent it. I bought living room furniture for the first time in 30 years."



**Staff Sgt. Nicholas Jackson**  
78th MSG

"I plan to put half in a savings account and use the other half to pay off bills."



## UPGRADES

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members would be leaving Robins for reassignment so we had to kick it in high gear,” Sergeant Lewis said.

With trained workers scheduled to leave Robins, the project took a greater sense of urgency. And with an influx of Airmen brand new to the Air Force, the project also had greater meaning; it became a training mission as well as an install mission.

“We had a chance to train a lot of the new Airmen,” said Senior Airman Edward Edwards, network infrastructure engineer. “It was an opportunity to bring our skills up to speed. We got to take entire closets and engineer them the way we wanted. We got everything done the right way, with minimum down time for customers.”

Due to the size of the project, the 78th CS implemented two shifts, a day shift and a swing shift, to work on the

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**Tech. Sgt. Renee Lewis**  
78th Communications Squadron

project full time. The squadron also employed the help of the 5th Combat Communications Group, which was willing to offer Airmen to assist because of the great training opportunities.

“We have a lot of younger technicians working toward a fully qualified skill level who don’t normally get a chance to touch base infrastructure so we jumped at the chance to help,” said Senior Master Sgt. Warren Johnson, a superintendent in the 53rd Combat Communications Squadron. “It was a great opportunity for our folks to expand their skills and get real work experience prior to going out on deployments. It gave us better Airmen to send to the war

fight.”

In addition to the training benefits, the project also provided an opportunity to improve network infrastructure base-wide. Instead of just swapping out faulty equipment with the new equipment, teams upgraded facilities in 340 buildings and more than 600 closets, upgrading racks, improving cable management and installing uninterrupted power supplies,

“We are way better off than we were before,” Sergeant Lewis said. “This equipment is not only newer, it has more functionality to it. We have a more secure network than we had before.”

After an estimated 14,000 hours spent on the switch upgrade project, teams completed the final install Monday, six months ahead of schedule.

“This was a total team effort,” Mr. Stewart said. “We had a seamless integration of military, civilians and contract workers who all worked well together.”



### Voluntary Protection Program gets gift cards from local businesses

Representatives of the Warner Robins Area Chamber of Commerce and Warner Robins Military Affairs Committee recently presented the Warner Robins Air Logistics Center with nearly \$2,000 worth of gift cards and gift certificates from area merchants.

Community leaders Ed Rodriguez, Chuck Shaheen, and Ron Carbon

visited the Center and gained insight into its VPP efforts.

The Chamber obtained support for the effort by contacting local businesses and asking them to help provide incentives to WR-ALC personnel for outstanding safety and health performances.

“We are so honored to be of help to such a great cause,” Mr. Shaheen said.



# Teaching the techniques

## Self-defense class kicks off Women's History Month



U.S. Air Force photos by SUE SAPP

Doug Rankin, of Doug Rankin TaeKwonDo Plus, acts as attacker as Rhonda Salone, 564th Aircraft Sustainment Squadron attempts to push him off during a self-defense class at the Fitness Center Annex. The class, which taught women about pressure points to use to hurt an attacker and techniques for breaking holds, kicked off the 2009 Women's History Month celebration.

Above top, Tracy Twedell practices a nose pressure point technique on Deanna Fowler.

Above bottom, Senior Master Sgt. Todd Kemp (top), 116th Air Control Wing deputy airfield manager, and Doug Rankin demonstrate how to push an attacker off your body.

# Strikingly good games!

Robins Bowling Center witnesses rare feat: bowler rolls two 300s in same session

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Robins Bowling Center recently experienced a scene unlike any other in its history.

For 40 years Kennie Wade tried to bowl a 300 game, which is a perfect score consisting of 12 consecutive strikes. He finally did it March 6, but that's not really what caused the scene.

The scene happened about an hour later when Mr. Wade did something that had never before been done at the bowling center – he bowled a second 300 game in the same night.

Although his first 300 was done with relatively little fanfare, as he closed in on his second perfect game, word spread around the bowling alley. When he rolled his 12th strike, everyone in the bowling alley had crowded around him, cheering him on, and pandemonium erupted when

he knocked down all 10 pins.

"I just didn't want to let them down," Mr. Wade said of the crowd. "God just blessed me."

Dan Bueno, manager of the bowling center, said just one perfect game is a rare feat. The center often goes months without seeing a perfect game, and it had certainly never been done twice in one night at the center.

That feat is so rare that Mr. Bueno wondered if it had ever been done anywhere in Georgia; after some research he learned it had been done at least once before. It was still a thrilling thing to watch, Mr. Bueno said.

"There was so much noise going on you couldn't hear anything," he said. "When he hit that 12th (strike), it was a madhouse."

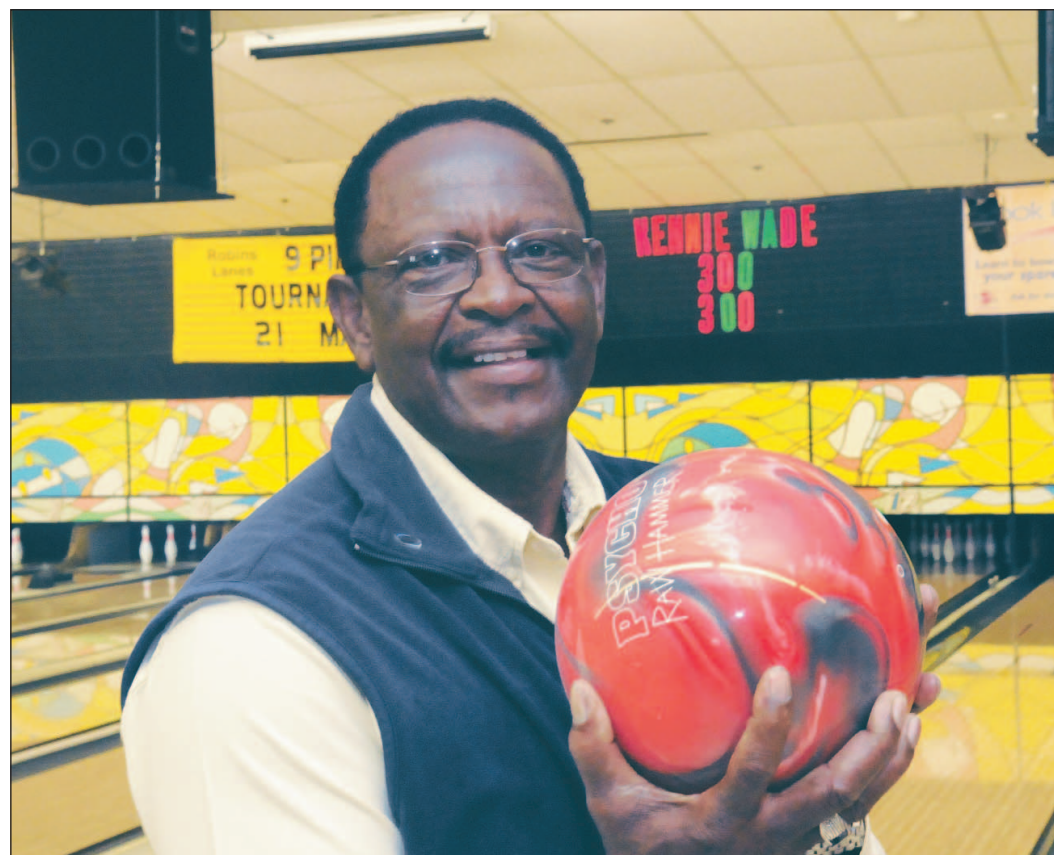
After bowling the first 300 game, Mr. Wade said his reaction was basically a big sigh of relief.

"I had always wanted to bowl a 300, and I finally did after 40 years," said Mr. Wade, a food service project manager in the 78th Force Support Squadron. He bowled a 192 in the game between the two 300s.

He credited the feat to "the grace of God" and his new ball, a Raw Hammer Psycho that sells for \$150 in the pro shop. The pro shop custom-drilled the finger holes for Mr. Wade.

Although he said he would like to bowl another 300 someday, Mr. Wade indicated he'll be satisfied with his one night of glory.

"My attitude is, every time I step on the lane, I am shooting for a 300," he said. "If I do it again, I am blessed. If I never do it again, I am very thankful that I had the chance not just to do it once, but to do it twice in one night. That's something I can pass on to my grandkids."



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

Kennie Wade, 78th Force Support Squadron food service project manager, bowled two 300 games March 6 at the Robins Bowling Center. He bowled a 300, a 192 and then another 300.



## 78th FSS BRIEFS

### FRIDAY

**The annual Volunteer Appreciation reception is scheduled to be held in April** during the National Volunteer Week. An award will be presented to the honored recipient. For additional criteria and nomination information, please contact Mike Bullard at 926-1256. Nominations are due March 13.

### SATURDAY

**Play Bunco March 14 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Horizons.** Cost is \$5 per person and open to all ranks and grades. For more information call Horizons at 926-2670.

**Come on out for an evening of fun during the family night bingo March 14** from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Horizons ballroom. Doors open at 6 p.m. with games starting at 7 p.m. Cost is \$4 per pack, limit three per person. For more information call Horizons at 926-2670.

### SUNDAY

**Texas Hold 'Em will now be held on Sundays** in the Heritage Club. Sign-ups start at 1:30 p.m. with games beginning at 2 p.m. Prizes will be based on customer participation. Cost is \$10 for members and \$15 for guests. All ranks and grades are welcome. For more information call the Heritage Club at 926-2670.

**Super Sunday brunch will be held** once a month at Horizons from 10 am. to 1 p.m. Brunch will always include breakfast items, omelet station, dinner entrees, carving station, salad bar, dessert and ice cream bar and more. Cost is \$11.95 for members, \$13.95 for guests and \$6.95 for children (3 – 10 years old) and children two years and younger are free. Please mark your calendar for the following dates: Super Sunday brunches will be held April 12 (Easter Sunday), May 10 (Mother's Day), June 21 (Father's Day), July 12, Aug. 2, Sept. 13, Oct. 4, Nov. 1 and Dec. 6 (Santa comes early). For more information call Horizons at 926-2670.

### THURSDAY

**Visit ITT's 9th Annual Explore & Expand Your Horizons Travel Show March 19** from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Heritage Club, Bldg. 956. Visitors will have chance to win a variety

of prizes and gain information to plan their next weekend getaway or vacation.

Prizes will include: free weekend stay, two-night stay, four adult passes to Rock City, Ruby Falls and Incline Railway, gift certificates, two water park tickets, a Picnic Backpack, two-night stay at Ramada Plaza Beach Resort, a gift bag/basket, free weekend stay at Hampton Inn of Brunswick and much more. No federal endorsement of sponsors intended.

**The table tennis club will meet every Thursday** in the Heritage Club ballroom from 4 to 8 p.m. Open to all and sign up is not necessary. For more information call the community center at 926-2105.

### UPCOMING

**The Airman and Family Readiness Center holds classes each month** in Bldg. 794 for active duty, retired, spouses and family members. A group pre-separation counseling briefings (mandatory) will be held March 19 and 26 from 1 to 2 p.m., bundles for babies/passport to parenthood March 17 from 9 a.m. to noon, introduction to resume and cover letter prep March 18 from 9 to 11 a.m., sponsorship training March 18 from 1 to 2:30 p.m., interviewing basics and preparation March 24 from 9 a.m. to noon and a Veterans administration benefits briefing March 25 from noon to 4 p.m. For more information call the A&FRC at 926-1256.

**A Women's History Month Art Exhibit** will be held March 23 and 24 from 11 am to 6 p.m. in the Heritage Club ballroom. Tickets will go on sale March 1 for \$5 for both days. For more details call the Arts & Crafts Center at 926-5282 or visit [www.robinservices.com/artsandcrafts](http://www.robinservices.com/artsandcrafts).

**The Air Force Teen Aviation Camp will be held May 30 – June 4.** Teens interested in applying must complete a nomination form and familiarization exam and submit package to Youth Programs. This camp is for high school students entering their sophomore or junior year in the fall of 2009 and interested in aviation, leadership or the USAFA. Eligible applicants include teen dependents of active-duty military assigned to or living on Robins, AF

## Something is brewing at The Afterburner...



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

**Angie Ford, 78th Force Support Squadron mobile and snack bar supervisor, gets instructions from Sandy Williams, Starbucks Food Service Division account service manager, while Lolita Glover and Kimberly Crites look on. The training is in preparation for a new coffee shop called The Afterburner that will be located inside the Base Restaurant. The shop, which is a "We Proudly Serve Starbucks" operation, will have a grand opening Monday from 8 to 10 a.m. Regular hours will be from Monday - Friday 6 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

retired military, AF civilian employees, or activated Air National Guard or AF Reserve. Camp will be held at the USAFA in Colorado Springs, CO. Deadline to apply is March 17. Teens who participated in the 2008 camp are not eligible to apply this year.

For more information call Marvin Hawkins, at 926-2110 or e-mail [marvin.hawkins@robins.af.mil](mailto:marvin.hawkins@robins.af.mil).

**A skeet tournament and steak dinner will be held March 29.** The tournament will be from noon to 6 p.m. and the cost is \$20 and includes skeet with 50 challenging clay targets and steak dinner with the trimmings or non-shooters for \$12. Dinner will be from 2 to 6 p.m. For more information call outdoor recreation at 926-4001 or the skeet range at 926-4733.

**An Air Force Chess tournament is scheduled for April 8** starting at 5

p.m. in the community center. All players should register now by calling the community center at 926-2105.

### ONGOING

**Come by the Heritage Club and check out and play the XBOX 360 in the Mouse Pad.** To check out games please show your ID card. Hours of operations are Monday – Thursday 8 am. to 8 p.m. and Friday 8 am to 5 p.m. For more information call the community center at 926-2105.

**Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with the bowling center.** Bowl a strike when the green pin is in the number one position and that game is complimentary. For more information call 926-2112.

**Let the 78th Force Support Squadron know how they rate!** Go to [www.robinservices.com](http://www.robinservices.com) and

click on the ICE icon.

At the next screen, click on the activity link that you want to give a rating and/or comment. Please provide contact information about yourself if you want to receive an answer. To learn more about ICE, call FSS Marketing at 926-5492. You can give your opinion and ideas by filling out a comment card. Comment cards and drop boxes are located in 78th FSS facilities.

**The 78th Force Support Squadron offers designated driver programs** at the Heritage Club, Horizons and Pizza Depot to assist in reducing alcohol related incidents. For groups of two or more, please identify yourself as the designated driver to the operations assistant on duty. They will provide free fountain soft drinks, fruit juices or non-alcoholic frozen drinks during your visit. To learn more about FSS designated drivers programs, call 926-2670.

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



## FAVORITE BASEBALL MOVIES

With spring training in full swing, baseball season is officially here. While escalating player salaries and steroid scandals have somewhat tarnished America's pastime, I still enjoy a day at the ballpark. In these tough economic times, frequent trips to Turner Park aren't always possible. A decent and inexpensive alternative is to watch a baseball movie. Here's a look at my top five favorite baseball movies:

**5 Little Big League (1994)**  
While most kids dreamed about playing baseball in the major leagues, I knew I didn't have the talent so my daydreams became about owning a team. So this movie, about a young boy who inherits the Minnesota Twins, fits right in line with my childhood fantasy. While certainly not a classic, this movie is still one of my favorites.

**4 Major League (1989)**  
This is one of those movies that no matter how many times you've seen it, when you are flipping through the channels on a lazy afternoon and stumble across it, you end up watching it again. It's one of the funniest sports movies period and Charlie Sheen's portrayal of Rick "Wild Thing" Vaughan is perhaps his best work as an actor.

**3 Field of Dreams (1989)**  
When you stop to think about the plot -- dead baseball players coming back to play in a ballpark in the middle of an Iowa cornfield -- you'll realize this is actually a pretty weird movie. But for some reason it worked on all levels. I do think the quote "build it and they will come" is perhaps the most annoyingly overused movie quote of all time (I am sensing a future top five list).

**2 The Sandlot (1993)**  
Probably the best movie about summertime, kids, and America's pastime. "The Sandlot" looks back at the innocent childhood years, where summers were devoted to playing Little League, collecting baseball cards, and hanging out at the pool. The movie really captures what it feels like to be a kid and if you played baseball in your youth, you'll love the movie.

**1 The Natural (1984)**  
By far, my favorite baseball movie of all time. It's a great underdog story -- Roy Hobbs, an everyday guy, becomes a major league hero with the help of some courage and a "magic" bat named Wonderboy. The explosive ending is awesome and while there is "no crying in baseball," the scene always brings tears to my eyes.

## DONATE YOUR LEAVE

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

The following have been approved as leave recipients: **Jerrel Pierce**, HQ AFRC. POC is Precious Stewart 327-1051. **Carl Carwile**, HQ AFRC. POC is Col. Margaret Macmackin 327-1557.

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

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- ▶ Heritage Club .....926-7625
- ▶ Library .....327-8761
- ▶ HAWC .....327-8480
- ▶ Fitness Center .....926-2128
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- ▶ Youth Center .....926-2110
- ▶ ITT .....926-2945
- ▶ Bowling Center .....926-2112
- ▶ Pine Oaks G.C. ....926-4103
- ▶ Pizza Depot .....926-0188

Additional information on Services events and activities can be found in **The Edge** and at [www.robinservices.com](http://www.robinservices.com)

### CHAPEL SERVICES

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

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

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

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

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



## NOW PLAYING



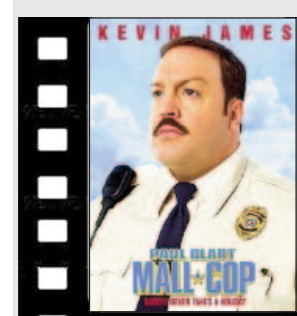
**MARCH 13 — 7:30 P.M.**  
**BRIDE WARS**  
RATED PG

Liv and Emma are best friends who since childhood have planned every detail of their weddings. At the top of their "must have" list: a ceremony at New York's ultimate bridal destination, the Plaza Hotel. Now, at age 26, they're both about to get married; realize their dreams; and live happily ever after. Or maybe not.



**MARCH 14 — 7:30 P.M.**  
**NEW IN TOWN**  
RATED PG

Lucy Hill is an ambitious, up and coming executive living in Miami. She loves her shoes, her cars and climbing the corporate ladder. When offered a temporary assignment in the middle of nowhere, she jumps at the opportunity, knowing a big promotion is close. What begins as a straight forward job becomes a life changing experience.



**UPCOMING**  
**PAUL BLART: MALL COP**  
RATED PG

Paul is a single, suburban dad, trying to make ends meet as a security officer at a mall. It's a job he takes very seriously, though no one else does. When Santa's helpers at the mall stage a coup, shutting down the megaplex and taking hostages (Paul's daughter and sweetheart among them), Jersey's most formidable mall cop will have to become a real cop to save the day.

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