

# Independence Day Concert set for Friday

The Band of the U.S. Air Force Reserve and the city of Warner Robins will host this year's Independence Day Concert on Friday.

The free concert, which will be headlined by the award-winning country group Diamond Rio, and the Air Force Reserve band, will be at McConnell-Talbert Stadium in Warner Robins at 8 p.m. Gates open at 6 p.m.

The event will feature family-friendly entertainment. Festivities will begin with the playing of the

national anthem and an F-15 fighter jet flyover, and culminate with a large fireworks display.

"Our Airmen and their families are a major part of this community," said Lt. Gen. Charles E. Stenner, Air Force Reserve Command commander. "The Air Force Reserve Command is committed to being a good neighbor and partner to Middle Georgia."

Attendees are welcome to bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating on the field. Food and beverages will be available at concession

stands. Bags and containers are subject to search. No pets, alcoholic beverages or glass containers are allowed.

The concert has been held annually for more than 25 years and usually draws a crowd of more than 20,000 people.

For more information, call the Air Force Reserve Command Public Affairs Office at 327-1760 or 327-1761.

— Courtesy Air Force Reserve Command



# ROBINS REV-UP

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## Robins units affected by AFMC restructure

Air Force Materiel Command officials started implementing the command's restructuring plan Wednesday, officially moving most AFMC acquisition organizations from wings, groups and squadrons to directorates, divisions and branches.

The move follows an Air Force senior leadership decision to standardize the size of wings, groups and squadrons across the Air Force.

Wings now must contain 1,000 or more members; groups, 400; and squadrons, 35.

As a result, many wings, groups, and squadrons at AFMC centers are being inactivated and replaced by new directorates, divisions and branches, which do not have minimum manning thresholds.

"Most of our acquisition units were not large enough to maintain the appropriate wing, group and

squadron designations," said Gen. Donald Hoffman, AFMC commander. "Combining units to meet the size thresholds would have been major surgery and would have buried senior acquisition leadership at the squadron level or below."

Along with changing from wings to directorates, Air Force officials also created several new program executive officer slots.

PEOs – senior officials responsible for acquisition program execution – will be leading many of the directorates at AFMC product centers.

At Robins, the 330th Aircraft Sustainment Wing will go to directorate/division/branch structure and be renamed the Aerospace Sustainment Directorate. The 542nd Combat Sustainment Wing will be inactivated. The 402nd

Maintenance Wing and 78th Air Base Wing will maintain their current wing/group/squadron structure.

AFMC planners say the realignment is "manpower neutral," meaning no net gain or loss of positions will occur. However, office symbols and office designations will change.

— Air Force Materiel Command Public Affairs

## First C-130 AMP kit arrives, work to begin in August

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW  
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A significant new workload will begin at Robins this fall after approval of low-rate initial production of the C-130 Avionics Modernization Program.

The initial production calls for Boeing to supply kits for cockpit upgrades on 20 C-130H aircraft. The Warner Robins Air Logistics Center will install 10 of those, Boeing will install five, and a competitively-selected third party will install the remaining five.

Afterward, for the next few years, Robins is slated to install 10 per year, said Terrence May, director of the 330th Aircraft Sustainment Group. Ultimately, the program calls for upgrades on 220 C-130s.

The upgrades will be a signif-



U.S. Air Force file photo by SUE SAPP  
Maj. Jeremy Mickelson, C-130 pilot, talks from inside the cockpit of a C-130. The C-130 Avionics Modernization Program will replace the cockpit's current display with digital gauges.

icant benefit not just for the C-130 crews, May said, but for maintainers here because many of the older parts the upgrades are replacing are getting hard to find.

"The cockpits in the upgrad-

ed planes will be similar to new airplanes coming off the production lines," he said.

The biggest change is replacing the mechanical gauges in the

► see AMP, 6A

## Space study documenting building use, efficiency by the square foot

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW  
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A small team at Robins is doing painstaking work in buildings throughout the base, with possible ramifications for how space is used in the future.

The Space Optimization Tiger Team is made up of six people who in pairs go through buildings with a laser measuring device and a tablet computer. Unless blueprints are determined to be accurate and updated, which is often not the case, they go through buildings measuring every wall, ceiling, door and window. They also describe how every room is used, along with information such as floor type and ceiling height.

The effort is part of an Air Force mandate handed down last June requiring all bases to give an exact accounting of all buildings used for administrative purposes. At Robins,

that's 115 buildings.

The data will be used for a space-optimization study to determine whether all space is being used as efficiently as possible. The data will be analyzed, compared to real property records, and potentially used to make decisions about changes in how buildings are configured, said Craig Henry, environmental sustainment chief in the 78th Civil Engineer Group.

"We aren't necessarily trying to reduce space," he said. "We want to validate we are using our space appropriately. We may find we don't have enough space with all of the growth we are experiencing."

Because there are benefits other than space optimization, the base will also collect data on all 696 non-residential buildings on base which exceed 1,000 square feet.

Henry said exact building meas-

► see STUDY, 6A

## "When We're Not Here"

July 4th commemorates our country's independence, which we earned at an uncompromising price.

To help protect our freedoms, we can't compromise on our efforts to conserve energy.

The July 4th weekend is a great opportunity for us to take another positive step in that direction by reducing energy use "When We're Not Here."

Team Robins members can help by simply doing such things as turning off unneeded personal and office equipment (except computers).

That wasn't the case during the recent Memorial Day weekend. In fact, the base had its largest spike in electrical consumption during that weekend as any Memorial

Day holiday period since 2005.

That was particularly troublesome, because that holiday period traditionally signals the start of summer – a time when from noon to 8 p.m. every day our energy costs can be as much as five times higher than normal.

Reducing energy waste is a win-win situation for our nation and community, as well as for each individual. But it's not just a money thing. Nor is it just a holiday thing.

We all need to be conscious energy consumers so we can secure our energy freedoms and make every day Energy Independence Day.

— Robins Energy Office

## AF Reserve to hire 1,600 by September

BY CAPT. KIMBERLY CHAMPAGNE  
HQ Readiness Management Group Public Affairs

With 400 newly funded billets and recent attrition rates, Air Force Reserve Individual Mobilization Augmentee Program officials are expecting to hire 1,600 people by September.

"We're hiring and that is terrific news on several fronts," said Col. Nancy Zbyszinski, the Readiness Management Group commander.

RMG officials oversee the Air Force's 8,700 individual mobilization augmentees and 1,500 participating individual ready reservists.

"The IMA program offers a unique opportunity to serve in Reserve status for those who are not located near a traditional Air Guard or Reserve unit, for anyone who cannot commit to one weekend every month, or for anyone who wants to participate in new Air Force

missions," she said.

The hiring initiative gives members of the PIRR the chance to come back to the program and get paid for their annual duty. Air Guard or Reserve members who need more flexibility in location, duty dates or types of missions, will find what they're looking for in the IMA program.

Reserve members can refer potential IMAs using the Air Force Reserve Command Recruiting Service's bold rewards program, "Get 1 Now."

Reservists who recruit people into the Air Force Reserve can win prizes, including MP3 players and flat-panel TVs. Reservists can submit referrals any time at Get1Now.us. Awards are totaled between Oct. 1 and Sept. 30.

For more information or a Web password call 877-786-2372.

For more information on becoming an IMA, visit [www.afreserve.com](http://www.afreserve.com).



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— courtesy 78th Security Forces

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### TWO-MINUTEREV

#### Hannah Road closure extended

The reopening of Hannah Road will be delayed a month due to frequent rains.

The road had been scheduled to reopen Monday but is now set to reopen Aug. 4. The road has been closed since mid-February from Seventh Street to Richard Ray Boulevard for the replacement of Hannah Road Bridge.

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# Page Two

## Robins Airmen, supervisors learn how to assess situations, intervene if needed

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Every now and then the same shocking story seems to show up in the news about someone who was ignored by many while in dire need of help.

One of the latest was the case of a girl in California who was being sexually assaulted in an open area, and numerous witnesses failed to intervene or even so much as dial 911.

In other cases people have been laying injured in a street or other public area, and ignored by dozens of people who just step around them or, rather than help, stop to take photos with their cell phone.

To combat this all-too-common tendency of people minding their own

business when they shouldn't, Air Force Materiel Command is sponsoring Bystander Intervention Training for all active-duty personnel and all civilian supervisors of active-duty personnel.

The training will be done in classes of 20-25 people, which is much smaller than classes in the annual sexual assault prevention and response training it is replacing.

"This is very interactive training," said Cindy Graver, sexual assault awareness coordinator at Robins. "It's not death by PowerPoint."

The 90-minute training sessions, divided by sex and rank, began June 9 and runs through Aug. 30. Those who need the training will be informed by their training manager

when they are scheduled to attend. Graver said those who are not required to get the training can take it if they desire by letting their training manager know they are interested.

Graver said the classes do not encourage people to put themselves in danger, but to assess the situation and if they can't do anything else, make a phone call to get help.

She also said the training applies not just to witnessing criminal activity or serious injury, but to everyday matters where people can help someone but often don't.

"It's about everyday life where you can choose to act or you can choose to do nothing," she said. "What we are hoping is that people will learn to be responsible."



U.S. Air Force photo by GARY CUTRELL

## Targeting success

**Marty Hutchinson, 571st Combat Sustainment Squadron director, speaks during a ribbon-cutting ceremony June 24 for the newly-opened Fixed-Wing Targeting Depot in Bldg. 640. The ceremony commemorated Lockheed Martin Missiles and Fire Control and the 402nd Maintenance Squadron's move to the new space.**

**Formerly known as the World Wide LANTIRN Depot, the Fixed Wing Targeting Depot is responsible for providing depot-level repair support and logistics services to domestic and international LANTIRN navigation and targeting pods and U.S. Air Force Sniper Advanced Targeting Pods.**

**The new facility provides an additional 500 square feet of space and is flexible and expandable to meet current and future business needs.**

## Robins military justice actions

### Courts Martial

►An airman first class was found guilty in a Special Court-Martial, of AWOL, underage drinking, and larceny of a dormitory resident's personal property.

The accused received a sentence of confinement for five months, reduction to the grade of E-1 and forfeiture of \$964 pay per month for five months.

### Article 15s

►A master sergeant received an Article 15 for using his government travel card for

unauthorized purchases.

His punishment was a suspended reduction to technical sergeant.

►A master sergeant received an Article 15 for using his government travel card for unauthorized purchases.

His punishment was 20 days extra duty and a reprimand.

►A staff sergeant received an Article 15 for sleeping upon his post.

His punishment was a suspended reduction to senior airman, forfeiture of \$250 pay per month for two months and a reprimand.

►An airman first class received an Article 15 for sleeping upon his post.

His punishment was a suspended reduction to airman, forfeiture of \$100 pay per month for two months and a reprimand.

### Administrative Discharges

►An airman basic received an involuntary discharge with an Under Honorable Conditions (General) service characterization for misconduct, specifically commission of a serious offense, other serious offenses.

This member was previously sentenced by a Summary Court-Martial for driving under the influence of alcohol and possessing an open container in a vehicle.

►A senior airman received an involuntary discharge with an Under Honorable Conditions (General) service characterization for misconduct, specifically drug abuse.

This member was previously punished under Article 15 for wrongful use of the steroid Oxandrolone.

— Courtesy Robins Legal Office



# Snap Shots



U.S. Air Force photo by STAFF SGT. SHAWN WEISMILLER  
Loadmasters pull parachute rigging into a C-17 over southwestern Germany during airborne operations at International Jump Week 2010.



U.S. Air Force photo by TECH SGT. ASHLEY BELL  
Master Sgt. Kent Falstad takes part in a land navigation exercise at Volk Field Combat Readiness Training Center in Wisconsin.



U.S. Air Force photo by AIRMAN 1ST CLASS KATHERINE WINDISH  
An Air Force Honor Guard element presents the colors at the Conference of American Air Chiefs Twilight Tattoo at Bolling Air Force Base in Washington, D.C.



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## FREEDOM ISN'T EASY

### Yet brave men and women still answer the call to duty

We're familiar with the oft-used phrase – “Freedom isn't free.” It's a good statement. It's catchy and says a lot in just a few words. It's good particularly because it is true. And, of course, it is a most appropriate sentiment for those of us whose work is directly tied to ensuring our nation remains free.

But especially in times like these, I believe we could follow that up with another phrase. Freedom isn't easy.

As anyone who has read the history of our nation's birth knows, achieving independence was desperately hard and dangerous from the start. Our forefathers move to declare our country free from British rule 234 years ago was a daring action, indeed. The 56 patriots who signed the Declaration of Independence did so knowing they could be hanged for treason should British author-

ities ever capture them. That's how much they valued freedom.

The soldiers who fought for our independence suffered through agonizing conditions and dreadful hardships while facing a better-equipped, superior force. They endured and won because that's how much they valued freedom.

Throughout our country's history, Americans from every walk of life have dedicated themselves to the defense of our liberty. Certainly, we in the Air Force understand the sacrifices of upholding this way of life we hold so dear. Since the end of the Cold War, our nation's fighting forces have seen a notable increase in contingency operations. Since 9-11, we've been at war on two fronts and are in the

fight in Afghanistan and Iraq even now.

As it was from the beginning, maintaining our precious liberty remains a trying and perilous work to this day. Our total force – active duty, civilians, Reserve and Guard – feels the effects of these responsibilities. The work is uniquely demanding and difficult. The sacrifices are many and burdensome for not only the individual, but for their families and friends.

Nonetheless, brave men and women still answer the call to duty. That's how much they value freedom.

So as we celebrate Independence Day 2010, we must remember those who are deployed into harm's way for our sake. Let's also keep in our minds and hearts

the families that will be observing this holiday in the absence of their loved ones on duty abroad.

As your commander on this beloved American holiday, I want to salute you, each and every member of Team Robins, for the vital work you do to support our warfighters and keep our nation strong. Please, enjoy your well-earned time off fully. Don't forget your Voluntary Protection Program principles, and stay alert and safe on this long, festive weekend.

As you celebrate this special time with your family and friends, enjoy the festivities and be proud that, thanks to you, our proud installation and our military members in the arena of battle, America remains united, strong and free.

Brian and I wish you and your families a safe and happy Fourth of July.

## Adapt to change... it's inevitable

Along with death and taxes, one of the absolute guarantees in life is change. Sometimes change is so subtle we don't even notice that it is happening. Other times, it is so drastic it hits us like a ton of bricks.

One of the most essential life skills a person can have is the ability to adapt to change. However, adapting to change is difficult for most people because we are inherently creatures of habit; having to change our patterns and behaviors is frustrating and annoying, and takes most of us outside of our comfort zone.

There are other reasons people are resistant to change, and they center around one common theme: fear. We are afraid of the unknown, afraid of failure, afraid of commitment, afraid of disapproval, and sometimes even afraid of success.

I would like to focus on the fear of success. You may ask yourself, “Why would I be afraid of success?” Isn't that what we all are striving for, to be successful?

The simple answer would be yes. But if we peel the onion back a bit, we can see why people might be afraid of success. Success breeds greater responsibilities, and with increased responsibility comes increased workloads and greater expectations from our peers and

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supervisors.

You may be asking yourself the following questions. If I change, what other demands will be made of me? Can I sustain this success?

The key is to look past these questions and ask the following questions. Can I afford not to change? What will happen if I don't change?

Adapting to change is sometimes easy, and we can do it with little thought. Other times, it involves us being willing to step outside of our comfort zone. But I say take that step. It may prove to be a great experience.

Adapting to change is what we as military members do every day, whether it is refragging missions in operations, quick-turning an aircraft for maintenance, or dealing with an unexpected power outage. We do and must adapt, and I would offer that we do it better

than anyone else.

As a student at squadron officer school, I had the honor of meeting retired Lt. Gen. Hal Moore and reporter Joseph Galloway, and hearing them speak of their time together during the Battle of Ia Drang in November 1965. Most of you know it as the battle portrayed in the movie “We Were Soldiers,” starring Mel Gibson.

It was during their talk that General Moore offered the following advice, and it fits many situations, adapting to change being one of them.

He said he asked himself two questions every day: 1. “What am I doing that I should not be doing?” and 2. “What should I be doing that I am not doing?”

If you can successfully answer these two questions, you will have no problem adapting to change. Not only will you be able to adapt to it, but you will embrace it, and make it your own.

So my challenge to my fellow Airmen is don't be afraid to be successful. Look for the opportunity to not only adapt to change, but to affect change in both your personal and professional lives.

— *Commentary by Capt. Steven Attaway, 386th Expeditionary Operations Group*

## Commander's Action Line

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

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

Please include your name and a way of reaching

you, so we can provide a direct response. Anonymous action lines will not be processed. Discourteous or disrespectful submissions will also not be processed.

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

For more information, visit

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## SMOKING POLICY

I currently work in the 402nd Electronics Maintenance Group, in Bldg. 640, north east corner on what is referred to as the raised floor. Over the past three and a half years of working in this building, I have seen several instances of individuals ‘unloading’ their lip in a trash can as they passed by or using a spit cup/bottle. I cannot comment on other areas of Bldg. 640 or 645, as I do not spend any extended time there. My experience is just within the F-15 area of Bldg. 640.

My issue is with the apparent selective enforcement of existing regulations and policies, the lack of professional appearance, and the lack of compliance with standards of quality in a highly-technical environment. The war fighter puts his life in our hands with the quality of systems we repair or produce, and we put so much effort in trying to achieve such high standards such as AS9100, Shingo and others, just to turn around and see a person walking around with a soda bottle half full of spit. I

don't think the two go together. In my opinion, this is just a small part of a much larger problem, but that is a different subject.

As a vet of 20-plus years of service, and now well into my civil service career, I fully expect the enforcement and compliance of Department of Defense and Air Force regulations even when they are inconvenient.

## COL. BUHLER RESPONDS:

Thank you for your concern for the health and well being of the Team Robins workforce. The regulations referenced were challenged through the Federal Services Impasses Panel, resulting in a governing and binding decision which allows the use of smokeless tobacco in the workplace. Of course, your issue as described is a hygiene/sanitary issue and, as presented in the FSIP decision, employees who use smokeless tobacco should police themselves by using containers for tobacco spit and dispose of these containers in an appropriate manner.

However, to re-establish guidelines for the use of such products within the workplace would require notification/consultation with the American Federation of Government Employees Local 987.

Although management checked the area of concern and found no evidence of unsanitary conditions related to the use of smokeless tobacco at the time, all first line supervisors in the area have been reminded to ensure tobacco spit is disposed of properly.

Enforcement of Air Force standards is everyone's responsibility. However, management officials in the area have been reminded to reiterate to employees their obligation to dispose of these products in an appropriate manner and to initiate appropriate action for violators.

Thank you again for your concern about workplace cleanliness and the well being of the Team Robins' workforce.

If further issues arise, call Millie Sapp, 402nd EMXSS deputy director, at 926-1453.

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# On the Fly

## AF ROTC instructor vacancies

Opportunities are available for qualified officers to fill nearly 100 projected Air Force ROTC detachment instructor vacancies throughout the nation next summer.

Eligible officers include line officers with the rank of first lieutenant, captain or major.

First lieutenants must have one-year time in grade by Oct. 31 and a total of three years of commissioned service. Rated officers and Air National Guard and Reserve officers are not eligible to apply.

Air Force Personnel Center assignment teams will review Airmen Developmental Plans to determine the release of eligible officers. Officers desiring consideration for AFROTC detachment instructor opportunities must complete their ADP by July 9, at <https://w20.afpc.randolph.af.mil/AFPCSecureNet20/CheckPortal.aspx>.

Once AFPC notifies the officer, they are released to compete for a vacancy. The

officer must submit an application package which includes: a cover letter listing detachment preferences and any special needs for dependents; the officer's last five performance reports; copies of undergraduate and graduate transcripts; a fitness standard letter; and an official photo.

Applications are due to the Air Education and Training Command by Aug. 13.

A complete list of projected vacancies, eligibility requirements and application instructions are available at <http://gum.afpc.randolph.af.mil>.

For more information, call the Total Force Service Center at 800-525-0102.

## Upcoming

The Georgia Department of Labor and the Middle Georgia Employer Committee will co-sponsor a **job fair July 22** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Museum of Aviation's Century of Flight Hangar.

More than 80 employers will be available to discuss a wide variety of job openings.

For more information or



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

## Exercising your right

Tech. Sgt. Joseph Simon, 51st Combat Communications Squadron, pauses at the voting booth in Bldg. 905 to look at some literature during Armed Forces Voters Week. The Federal Voting Assistance Program Web site, [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov), offers absentee voting information and federal postcard applications for every state.

The next primary elections are July 20 in Georgia and July 27 in Oklahoma. It is important for absentee voters to register to vote in their legal state of residence or request an absentee ballot as soon as possible.

For more information, contact your unit voting counselor. A list of unit voting counselors is available at [www.robins.af.mil/library/votingassistanceprogram.asp](http://www.robins.af.mil/library/votingassistanceprogram.asp).

other assistance, contact the Georgia Department of Labor, Houston County Career Center at 988-7130. The office has three representatives available to

speak on veteran specific issues. They are Lou Stennes, Bert Craw and Leo Spielman.

The Middle Ga.

**American Society of Military Comptrollers** monthly luncheon will be July 22 at 11:30 a.m. at Luna Lodge.

The event will serve as

both a membership appreciation and officer induction ceremony.

The guest speaker will be Lorenzo Hill.

Ticket price for the first 75 members to RSVP is \$1. Cost to all non-members is \$10. RSVPs are due by July 15.

For more information, call Tammy Tanner, 406th Supply Chain Management Squadron, at 327-8674.

## Voluntary Leave Transfer Program

To have the name of an approved leave recipient printed in the Rev-Up, e-mail Lanorris Askew at: [lanorris.askew@robins.af.mil](mailto:lanorris.askew@robins.af.mil).

Submissions will run for two weeks.

Robins 2K users may access the current VLTP listing, reference materials, forms, and names of recipients who did not receive a sufficient amount of donations to cover their periods of absences by visiting <https://org.eis.afmc.af.mil/sites/FOWRALC/dp>.



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## 5th CCG hosts technology showcase, vendors give crowd view of new gadgets

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW  
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Team Robins members attended the 5th Combat Communications Group's 2nd Annual Technology Showcase last week to see the hottest new tactical communications gadgets.

Approximately two dozen vendors showcased a wide variety of products, from high-tech communications equipment to low-tech items such as collapsible traffic safety cones.

Many of the vendors are already doing business at Robins. Joe Guest, business product manager for Tracewell Systems, showed off some of the company's E-Tool Mobile Managers, specially-designed metal cabinets to house laptops.

The cabinets are in use on the flight-line at Robins, Guest said, adding such products are developed through close communication with people in the field.

"We modify our manufacturing to satisfy their needs and requirements," he said.

Some items were geared more toward direct sales to military mem-



U.S. Air Force photo by GARY CUTRELL

Bill Beckett, Bottom Line Military Sales, shows Senior Master Sgt. Grace Davis, 52nd Combat Communications Squadron, some of his company's wares.

bers. One example is a roll-out pad that acts as a solar panel to recharge an iPod.

Other products included rapid-deploy tents and shelters, customizable

storage cases guaranteed to never break, and optical cable that can withstand hammer blows and still transmit a signal.

## AMP

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aircraft with digital gauges, which are more reliable and easier to maintain. Also, the new gauges are set up for use with night-vision goggles. That allows pilots to shut off cockpit lighting and use the goggles to assure low visibility at night in an enemy area. Without the

gauges being able to adjust for night-vision, the glare from the gauges would be too bright.

The upgrade also includes new communications and navigation gear.

Boeing has already delivered the first two kits to Robins. The first plane getting the modification will arrive here in August and the second will arrive in October.



U.S. Air Force photo by WAYNE CRENSHAW

Engineering technicians Dillon Daniels (left) and Ikea Battle (right) take measurements at the Base Exchange as part of data collection for a space optimization study.

## STUDY

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urements can, to cite one example, ensure the base is not overpaying on contracts such as janitorial work. Accurate floor plans are also highly useful to security forces in the event of a hostage situation, or the fire department in case someone is trapped in a burning building.

The team's survey of the old commissary was used in designing the new Airman's Attic, which just recently opened, he added.

Although the base has traditionally accounted for the square footage of its buildings, the actual floor plans can sometimes be incorrect due to renovations or other

changes made through the years. Sometimes, even with newer buildings, the measurement of the actual building as built can be different from the blueprints.

Engineering technicians Dillon Daniels and Ikea Battle were taking measurements of the Base Exchange last week. They were finding some differences in their measurements from what the original floor plans indicated, so their work was updating all of those measurements.

Sometimes if the floor plans on hand appear to be correct, they may have to do very little measuring, but that's often not the case.

"Sometimes we just have to start from scratch," Battle said.



U.S. Air Force photo by TECH. SGT. ROBERT PARSONS

## Tour De Moose

About 250 cyclists and skaters participated Saturday in the Tour de Moose bike ride. Activities included a kids bike safety rodeo, a fit family boot camp, and the opportunity to meet crew members of aircraft at the museum. The non-competitive race was hosted by the Museum of Aviation Foundation and the 116th Air Control Wing.



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## 78th FSS BRIEFS

**ON TAP**  
**Club Scholarships**  
Essays due today  
FSS Marketing, Bldg. 983  
For details, call 926-5492.

**UPCOMING**  
**Interview Basics & Preparation Class**  
July 8  
9 to 11 a.m.  
A&FRC, Bldg. 794  
For details, call 926-1256.

**Karaoke**  
July 8  
8 to 11 p.m.  
Wellston, Bldg. 543  
For details, call 926-7625.

**First Friday Social Hour**  
July 9  
4 to 6 p.m.  
Dinner at 6 p.m.  
Horizons, Bldg. 542  
For details, call 926-2670.

**Yard Sale**  
July 10  
8 a.m. to noon  
Heritage Club, Bldg. 956  
\$7 per table  
For details, call 926-2105.

**Youth Center Pool Party**  
July 10  
8 to 10 p.m.  
Heritage Club, Bldg. 956  
\$2 per person, \$8 per family  
For details, call 926-2110.

**Red, White & Blue Brunch**  
July 11  
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Horizons, Bldg. 542  
Members \$11.95, guests \$14.95, children \$7.95  
For details, call 926-2670.

**Hook Up 2 Bowling**  
July 12, 14, 16 and 17  
3 to 5 p.m.  
Bowling Center, Bldg. 908

\$99 adults, \$69 children  
For details, call 926-2112.

**AFMC Family Activity**  
July 16  
5 to 8 p.m.  
Heritage Club, Bldg. 956  
For details, call 222-7864.

**Fall Soccer Registration**  
July 19 to Aug. 6  
Youth Center, Bldg. 1021  
For details, call 926-2110.

**Veteran's Job Fair**  
July 22  
10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Museum of Aviation  
For details, call 926-1256.

**Movies Under the Stars**  
"G-Force"  
July 23 at dark  
Community Center, Bldg. 956  
Free  
For details, call 926-2105.

**Golf 4 Kids**  
July 26-29  
8 to 10 a.m.  
For details, call 926-4103.

**British Soccer Camp**  
July 26-30  
Youth Center, Bldg. 1021  
\$65 (3 and 4 years old)  
\$88 (5 to 16 years old)  
For details, call 926-2110.

**Back 2 School Pool Party**  
July 31  
8 p.m. to 7 a.m.  
Youth Center, Bldg. 1021  
13 to 18 years old  
\$10 members/\$12 guests  
For details, call 926-2110.

**Aviation art show, burger & hot dog burn**  
Aug. 14  
10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
Aero Club, Bldg. 186  
For details, call 926-4867.

**ONGOING**  
**Summer Strike Force**  
Through July 31  
Bowling Center, Bldg. 908  
For details, call 926-2112.

**Summer Stampede**  
Through July 31  
Base Restaurant, Bldg. 166  
For details, call 926-6972.

**Summer Reading Program**  
"Voyage to Book Island"  
Through Aug. 3  
Mondays, 10 a.m. & 11 a.m.  
Base Library, Bldg. 905  
For details, call 327-8761.

**Become A Flying Ace**  
Through Aug. 13  
Aero Club, Bldg. 186  
For details, call 926-4867.

**School's Out Bowling**  
Weekdays  
2 to 5 p.m.  
For details, call 926-2112.

**Glow-in-the-Dark Bowling**  
Fridays and Saturdays  
9 to 11 p.m.  
For details, call 926-2112.

**Pool Passes**  
\$20 to \$55 for season  
For details, call 926-4001.

**Atlanta Braves VIP Sheets**  
\$50 at ITT  
For details, call 926-2945.

**Heritage Club Lounge**  
Renovation is ongoing.  
Activities temporarily located at Wellston, Bldg. 543.  
For details, call 926-7625.

**Pool Passes**  
Available now  
\$20 to \$55 for season  
Daily fee \$2  
For details, call 926-4001.

Golf Course, open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.  
Heritage Club, open Friday normal hours and Monday from noon to 6 p.m.  
Heritage Club Pool, open from noon to 7 p.m.  
Horizons, open Friday  
Horizons Pool, open from noon to 7 p.m.  
Information, Tickets and Travel, open Friday  
Lodging, open 24 hours  
Military Education & Training Office, open Friday from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Pizza Depot, open Friday normal hours and Monday from noon to 6 p.m.  
Rasile Indoor Pool, open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Resource Management Office, open Friday  
School Age Program, open Friday  
The Afterburner, open Friday until 12:30 p.m.  
Wynn Dining Facility, normal hours  
Youth Center, open Friday



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## School's Out Bowling

Natalie Verhage, 11, enjoys an afternoon at the Robins Bowling Center. The bowling center has several summer specials for kids, including "School's Out Bowling" every afternoon from 2 to 5 p.m. Price for three games and shoes is \$5 for 12 years and younger and \$6 for 13 years and older.

## NOW PLAYING

Tickets - \$4 adult; \$2 children (up to 11 years)  
For details, call 926-2919.



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7 P.M.  
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SATURDAY  
3 P.M.  
SHREK FOREVER AFTER  
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## 78th FSS DIRECTORY

- ▶ FSS Administration .....926-3193
- ▶ Community Center .....926-2105
- ▶ Outdoor Rec .....926-4001
- ▶ Chapel .....926-2821
- ▶ Arts & Crafts .....926-5282
- ▶ Horizons .....926-2670
- ▶ Heritage Club .....926-2670
- ▶ Library .....327-8761
- ▶ HAWC .....327-8480
- ▶ Fitness Center .....926-2128
- ▶ Fitness Center Annex .....222-5350
- ▶ Youth Center .....926-2110
- ▶ ITT .....926-2945
- ▶ Bowling Center .....926-2112
- ▶ Pine Oaks G.C. ....926-4103
- ▶ Pizza Depot .....926-0188

## HOLIDAY HOURS

### FAMILY DAY (Fri) & INDEPENDENCE DAY (Mon)

**OPEN**  
Base Restaurant  
Fast Food, open Friday until 12:30 p.m.  
Mobile Routes (2, 3, 4 and 6), open Friday  
Snack Bars (91, 645, 640, 376, 125, 300 hallway & foyer, 301, 140, and 210) open Friday until 1 p.m.  
Vending, open Friday  
Bowling Center, open Friday from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Monday from 1 to 8 p.m.  
Child Development Centers East & West, open Friday (mission essential)  
Community Center, open Friday  
Equipment Rental Center, open Friday  
Outdoor Recreation, open Friday  
FAMCamp, open Friday  
Fitness Center, open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Flight Line Dining Facility, open Friday  
Flight Line Kitchen, open 24 hrs

**CLOSED**  
Aero Club  
Airman & Family Readiness Center  
Airman Leadership School  
Arts & Crafts Center  
Auto Skills Center  
Base Library  
Base Restaurant  
Cafeteria  
Mobile Routes (1 and 5), closed Friday  
All Mobile Routes, closed Monday  
Snack Bar (91 Nights), closed Friday  
All Snack Bars, closed Monday  
Vending, closed Monday  
CDC East and West, closed Monday  
Community Center, closed Monday  
Outdoor Recreation, closed Monday  
Fairways Grille  
Family Child Care

Fitness Center Annex  
Flight Line Dining Facility, closed Monday  
Food Service Office  
Heritage Club, Closed Sunday only  
Honor Guard/Mortuary Affairs/Readiness Horizons, closed Sunday and Monday  
Human Resource Office  
Information, Tickets and Travel, closed Monday  
Manpower & Personnel Flight  
Marketing  
Military Education & Training Office, closed Monday  
Professional Development Center  
Resource Management Office, closed Monday  
School Age Program, closed Monday  
Skeet Range  
The Afterburner, closed Monday  
US Veterinarian Services  
Wood Hobby Shop  
Youth Center, closed Monday

**RED White & BLUE Brunch**

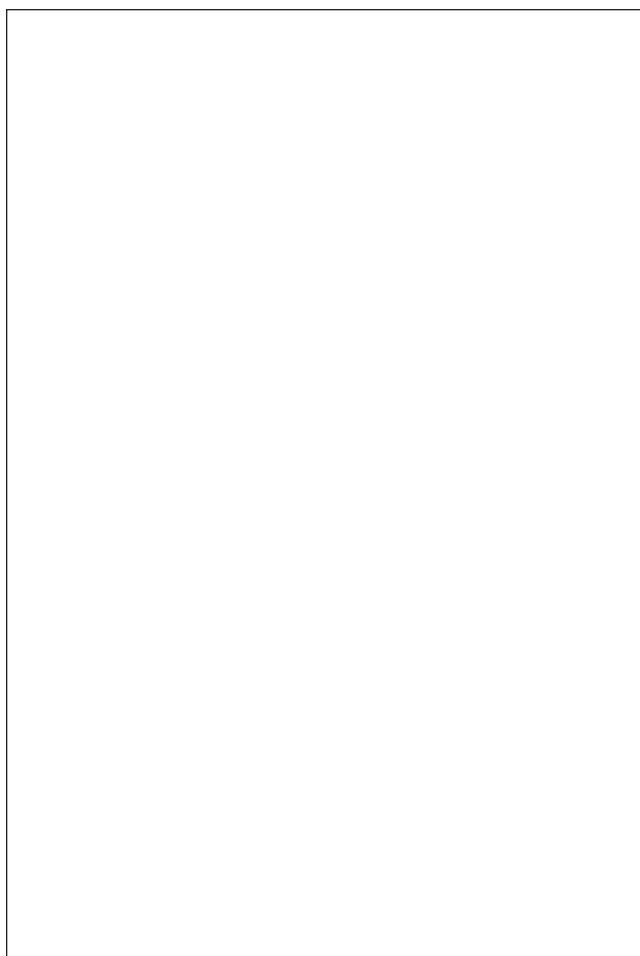
**Sunday, July 11**  
**10 a.m. - 1 p.m.**  
**Horizons 926-2670**

*Delightful Menu for our True Blue American heroes!*

**Breakfast & Dinner Favorites**  
**Made-to-order Omelet station ~**  
**Carving station**  
**Salad bar ~ Dessert & Ice cream bar ~**  
**Beverages & more**

Members \$11.95 Guests \$14.95  
Children \$7.95 (6 - 10 years old)  
5 & younger Free





## SHOOTING FOR THE STARS Son of Robins master sergeant to compete in junior olympics

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW

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The son of a Robins senior NCO will participate in the trap shooting competition in the upcoming National Junior Olympic Championships.

Justin Brooks, son of Senior Master Sgt. Rodney Brooks, earned a spot by winning a regional qualifying event in double trap shooting and finishing second in single trap. In the doubles competition, two clay targets are fired out of a bunker in front of the shooter and in singles, one target is fired.

The regional competition was in Moultrie in May. The nationals will be held July 17-22 in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Brooks, 17, is entering his senior year at Perry High School. He became interested in trap shooting when he took a hunter's safety course at age 14. At the end of the course participants were allowed to shoot skeet, and Brooks did so well, he was encouraged to hone his skills.

"I kind of got hooked on it then," he said.

Moultrie has the only public range in Georgia where international-rules trap shooting can be practiced. Brooks travels there two times per week.



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

**Justin Brooks will compete in the National Junior Olympic Championships to be held in Colorado Springs, Co., July 17-22.**

Brooks is making his second try at the Junior Olympics. He finished 10th in the games two years ago and hopes to do better this time. He even hopes to make the Olympic Games to be held in London in 2012. He has shot with Fort Benning soldiers who

won gold medals in trap and skeet shooting in the 2008 Beijing Olympics.

Brooks' father is a B-1 program manager in the 561st Combat Sustainment Squadron.

"He has the drive to do well at it, and makes the time to go down there and practice," he said

## Robins Airman pockets win at Las Vegas pool championship

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW

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Two years ago, Senior Airman Davis Lastrapes and his wife went shopping for a dining room table, but instead they came home with a pool table.

Lastrapes had played pool exactly once in his life, when he was a child, but they didn't find a dining table they liked. He came across what seemed like a good deal on a pool table, and bought it instead.

It was a classic impulse buy of an unnecessary item and enough to make any money-management counselor cringe, but it paid off for Lastrapes.

In May he won his skill division at the American Poolplayers Association National Championship in Las Vegas. The win netted him \$12,000 in cash and another \$3,000 in prizes, including a \$1,700 ring, a \$300 pool stick and a \$200 breaking stick. He won the tournament with a \$60 stick.

It was his first major tournament win, but he isn't planning on it being his last.

"It could be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, but hopefully I will be able to go again," he said. "It's unexplainable. It really hasn't set in yet."

He has put his prize money in a savings account, and if he spends it on anything, he said it will be for a better pool table.

The only time he played pool until two years ago when was one day when he visited his uncle's house as a child. He still remembers his uncle's wall lined with trophies.

"I always liked the game but the tables are always in such odd places," he said. "The only place you really find them is in bars. I'm not the type of person to go to bars so I just never really got into it."

He joined APA after buying his pool table, and soon started competing in tournaments and doing well. He won a regional tournament to qualify for the



U.S. Air Force photo by WAYNE CRENSHAW

**Senior Airman Davis Lastrapes holds the two pool sticks he won in American Poolplayers Association National Championship.**

national championships.

He formerly served in the Army and joined the Air Force Reserve as an active-duty member a year ago, and has been stationed at Robins since. He works as an aircraft loader in the 94th Aeroport Squadron. He often plays pool with friends at the Heritage Club.

Lastrapes said he has "a whole lot of room for improvement" and hopes to go further as a player. Although it was his first time in the national championships, he went to Las Vegas with confidence.

"I really thought I could win," he said. "I just went up there with a military attack mentality."



# Fireworks illegal on Robins

Every Independence Day, Americans celebrate with parades, cookouts and fireworks. Users of fireworks should know what's legal and take precautions to stay safe.

Last year, fireworks accounted for 11,000 injuries in the United States, and 55 percent of those injuries were burns to the hands, eyes and head. While most injures

occurred from legal fireworks, a considerable amount occurred from illegal fireworks, and half of the victims were under 15 years of age.

Before the use of any fireworks, make sure they are legally permitted in your state or local area.

Always light fireworks outdoors in a clear area away from houses, buildings, and grass areas and

never light fireworks around any flammable materials.

If an accident does occur, do not delay medical attention even for seemingly mild injuries.

The use and storage of fireworks is strictly prohibited on Robins, unless prior approval has been obtained in writing from the 78th Air Base Wing commander.

— Submitted by the Robins Fire Department

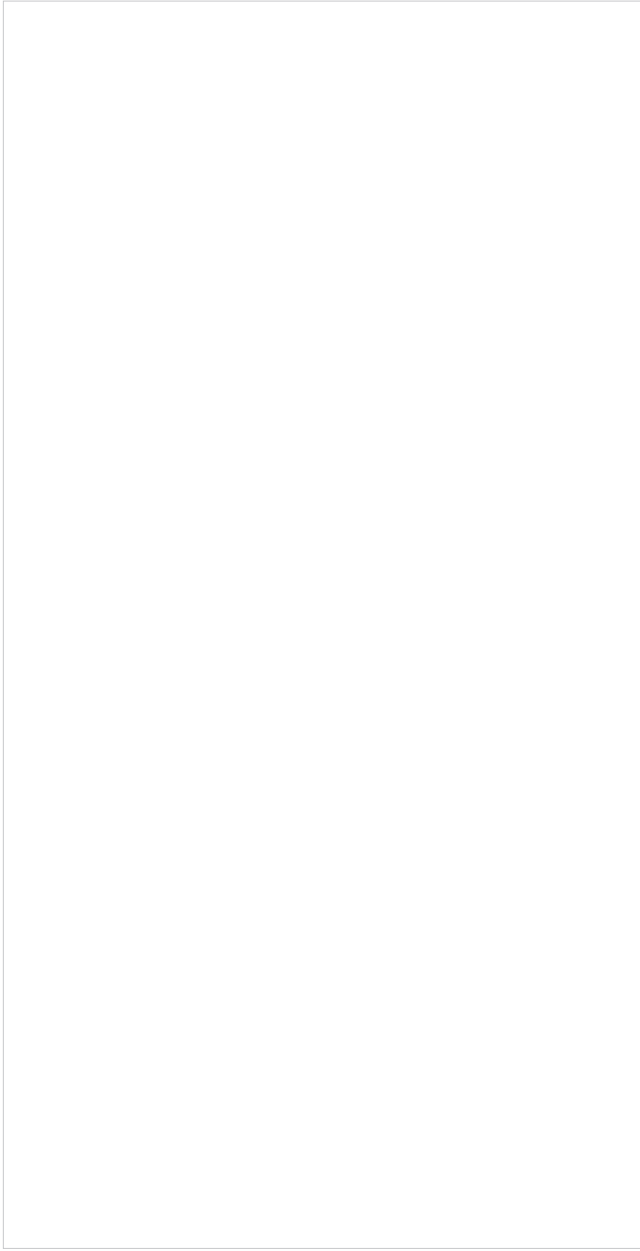
**Legal fireworks under Georgia law:**

- ▶ Model rockets and toy pistol paper caps with less than 0.25 grams of chemical compounds
- ▶ Wire and wood sparklers with less than 100 grams of chemical compound
- ▶ Snakes, glow worms, and trick noise-makers

**Illegal/banned fireworks under Georgia and federal law:**

- ▶ M-80's, cherry bombs, and any firecracker containing more than 50 milligrams of powder, which is equivalent to about one sixth the weight of a typical aspirin tablet
- ▶ Large re-loadable shells
- ▶ Aerial bombs
- ▶ Mail-order kits for building fireworks
- ▶ Torpedoes, skyrockets, roman candles, and bombs

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## AAFES ensures customers know how to make the call after recall

With the recent major recalls of cars, toys, and even fast food promotional glassware, consumers should know the recall process for goods sold in base exchanges.

There are two ways to check recalls specific to exchange operations. Authorized shoppers can go to their local exchange and check the cus-

tomers service area, or visit [www.aafes.com](http://www.aafes.com) for the latest recall information.

“The customer needs to be informed and reassured,” said Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Jeffry Helm, AAFES senior enlisted advisor. “We strive to stay abreast and quickly post all recalls which affect our customers.”

The U.S. Consumer

Product Safety Commission generates recalls and alerts on products. These are based on regulatory information, supplier notifications, inspections, test results, and Department of Defense Hazardous Food and Non-Prescription Drug Recall System alerts.

In the event of a potential recall, AAFES quality assur-

ance notifies its buyers to determine whether exchange shoppers have been affected. Buyers then provide information such as the scope, Universal Product Codes and disposition information.

Once quality assurance specialists send recall information to impacted distribution centers and stores, details are posted in the

stores and online. Once the item is recalled, it is systematically blocked at the registers and the distribution flow is stopped.

“If the customer is knowledgeable of how this process works, it makes their experience better,” said Helm. “And we are in the business of making sure customers are taken care of.”

CPSC is the federal agency charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of serious injury or death.

Information on more than 4,500 product recalls is available on its Web site at <http://www.cpsc.gov>.

— *Courtesy AAFES Public Affairs*

