

Robins to observe Halloween Oct. 30



Halloween will be observed at Robins on Saturday, Oct. 30, with trick-or-treating from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Participating base residents should leave exterior lights on; those who do not wish to participate should turn exterior lights off. Security Forces and volunteers will help ensure safety in the housing areas with their annual Pumpkin Patrol. Anyone interested in volun-

teering should contact Staff Sgt. Angelo Corbin at 222-1992 or Angelo.Corbin@robins.af.mil, or Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Aldana at 222-1994 or Jeffrey.Aldana@robins.af.mil. The 78th Force Support Squadron is also planning two other events Oct. 30 -- a Scary Movie Night at the Youth Center from 7-10 p.m. and a Thunder Alley Halloween Party at the Bowling Alley from 9-11 p.m.

Events are also planned at the Base Exchange on Oct. 30. A pumpkin-carving contest winner will be announced at 4 p.m. Entries should be brought to the store entrance by Oct. 25, and will be on display until the announcement. Face painting and a balloon giveaway for children 1-12 is scheduled from 4-6 p.m. It will be followed at 5 p.m. by a

costume contest for children ages 1-12. Winners of the contest will receive gift cards. "Trick or Trunk" in the BX parking lot will start at 6 p.m. People are asked to decorate their vehicles and park in a closed-off area, where trick-or-treating will be done at the cars. Gift cards will be given to those with the best-decorated cars.

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Gov. Perdue visits



F-15 pilot Maj. Christopher "Torch" Coddington discusses flight maneuvers with Gov. Sonny Perdue during his visit to Robins Oct. 8. The governor participated in an orientation flight which showcased the mission of the 402nd Maintenance Wing and 339th Flight Test Squadron.

U.S. Air Force photo by RAY CRAYTON

New Air Force motto 'Aim High ... Fly-Fight-Win'

Incorporating extensive inputs from all ranks and career fields in the development effort, Airmen have selected "Aim High ... Fly-Fight-Win" as the service's motto. An enduring statement of Airmen's pride in their service, the motto is a two-part expression -- a call to action, with a response of commitment. "The call and the response are two sides of the same coin," said Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz. "Airmen indicated 'Aim High' and the response 'Fly-Fight-Win' as indicative of their enduring commitment to do just that in defense of our nation." When the Air Force motto team embarked on the project, they committed to Airmen buy-in in an inclusive, well-researched effort, rooted in Air Force culture and identity.

"Airmen recognize a motto should represent something enduring," Schwartz said. "It must be bigger than any single person, something that gives voice to the pride of service of all who've worn this nation's Air Force uniform -- past, present, and future." "We took the time to try to get this right," Schwartz said. "A service motto belongs to those who serve, and we've done our best to give voice to how Airmen feel about serving this nation." The Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force, the Director of Air Force Public Affairs, the Air Force Director of Force Management Policy, and the Commander of Air Force Recruiting Service provided the leadership oversight for the motto team research experts. In early 2010, the motto team

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Base-wide cleanup scheduled Oct. 27

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Team Robins members toiling away in cubicles and wishing for an excuse to be outside as pleasant fall days arrive will soon have their chance. On Oct. 27 from 9-11 a.m. the installation will conduct a base-wide cleanup. People are asked to first clean up their immediate work areas and then head outside to clean up around their buildings. All base employees are asked to participate if they can, said Chief Master Sgt. Patrick "Bo" Bowen, installation command chief. "The primary focus is to ensure folks are

▶ see CLEANUP, 10A

Logging project to clear way for MOA storage

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A significant new project for the Museum of Aviation and the 402nd Maintenance Wing began last week with loggers clearing out a 12.5-acre lot behind the museum. The lot at the corner of Marchbanks Drive and Macon Street will become the new storage area for the museum. The current storage area next to it will become a parking lot, adding approximately 200 much-needed spaces near the Century of Flight Hangar, which often hosts large events.

The lot will also become the permanent home for an F-15 and a C-130, which the 402nd uses to conduct training. The planes were previously on the base, so the move frees up much-needed space on Robins' flightline. It also allows mechanic trainees to do the work without going on base, thereby helping ease the installation's traffic and parking situation. Dudley Bluhm, deputy director of the museum, said the project should be completed by next summer. Bluhm also said the cleared area will provide an alternate route for moving very large aircraft into the museum to be put on display.



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

Workers from Oconee River Logging clear the area near the intersection of Macon Street and Marchbanks Road.

WANTED: Energy ideas

Got ideas about how the base can save energy? Local leaders and energy conservation specialists are actively seeking such suggestions from all of Team Robins. "We're always looking at new ways to save (energy) and lessen the size of the base's energy footprint," said Nancy Manley, Asset Management Division director. "And we know some of the ways we can do that are already out there, in the creative minds of others." A team of experts is standing by to accept and examine the ideas, she added. Team Robins members can submit their ideas to commanderkillawatt@robins.af.mil. As with many innovations, the push for energy-related suggestions is prompted by necessity, said Jeane Paris, awareness and conservation analyst in the Robins Energy Office. The Air Force has mandated the base to reduce its "energy intensity" by 30 percent over the next five years from a 2003 baseline, and reduce its "water intensity" by 26-percent over



the next 10 years from a 2007 baseline. By 2026, Robins must also generate a fourth of its energy from renewable resources. "The (idea) effort is an opportunity for members here to help us move closer to those goals," Paris said. The energy office will highlight a number of the submissions in a November edition of the Rev-Up, she added. For more information about the call for ideas or Robins' Energy Program, call 327-8663. — Robins Energy Office

FLIP Award

The Warner Robins Air Logistics Center is on the lookout for members of the workforce to recognize with the FLIP (Foster Leadership in People) award. The award is designed to foster the "leader" in each member of the Center workforce, and acknowledges talented individuals at all levels who work to improve relationships in the workplace. What makes someone a leader? According to the officials, leaders have certain characteristics such as charisma, discipline, empathy, followership, initiative, and integrity. Those in positions of authority, such as administrators, directors, managers or supervisors, are mem-

bers of leadership, but are not automatically leaders. To date, 25 members of the WR-ALC team have received the FLIP award. The Center would like to add to that total. "It may be extraordinary to find just how many leaders we have," said Bob Caviness, WR-ALC Alternative Dispute Resolution champion. "Whether supervisors or subordinates, members of labor or the management team, everyone should take the time to thank 'leaders' for the work they do. This includes submitting their names through proper channels for consideration for a FLIP award." For more information about the FLIP program, to include the award process, call Caviness at 222-5207.



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ASBP Blood Drive

The Armed Services Blood Program will conduct a blood drive today from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Cotton Auditorium and the old gym basketball court. Walk-ins are welcome. For more information or to make an appointment online, visit www.militaryblood.dod.mil.

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School bus-stop, biking tips ensure safe return home

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The Voluntary Protection Program has emphasized safety for Team Robins members at work and home, but now those with children are being asked to get kids in the same safety mindset.

With a rash of accidents in Houston County this year, parents are asked to counsel their children about bus-stop safety.

Bob Meloche, safety occupational health specialist at Robins, said there have been four accidents

at Houston County bus stops in the past five months. Most involved elementary school students and were the result of children standing too close to the road and getting struck by a vehicle.

None of the incidents at bus stops occurred on Robins, and Meloche hopes to keep it that way.

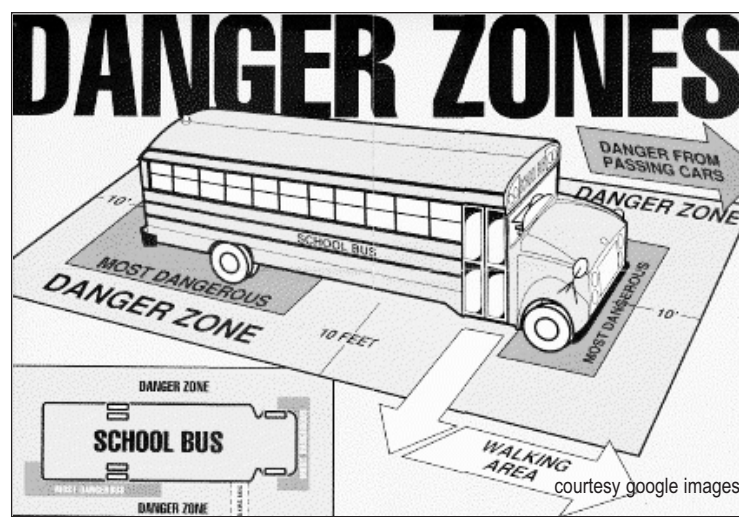
When daylight time changes Nov. 7, and it will be darker in the morning, Meloche said it would be a good idea for parents to put reflective material on their children's book bags to make them more visible to motorists. He also said it's

important for motorists to use particular caution and avoid even small distractions such as drinking coffee.

"It only takes a split second for something to happen," he said.

Meanwhile, Meloche said children should also be cautioned about bicycle safety rules.

He said some children were recently spotted on base riding on the wrong side of the road and without helmets. The kids didn't have much knowledge of safe biking, including that bicyclists are supposed to ride with the flow of traffic or on the right side of the road.



Kickoff prepares base for logistics transformation

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Logisticians from across Robins will learn what is needed to prepare for the implementation of the Expeditionary Combat Support System during a kickoff event Wednesday.

Base leaders will receive a briefing in the Warner Robins Air Logistics Center headquarters building at 8 a.m.

Unit supervisors and system users will receive a briefing at the base theater beginning at 1 p.m. The event signals the beginning of the 2-year preparatory cycle for the first release of ECSS capability,



scheduled to take place in November 2012.

Deryl Israel, executive director of WR-ALC, is scheduled to provide opening comments for the road show-styled seminar. "The ECSS kickoff sets the stage for the critical work we must do at Robins to field this transformational logistics system," he said. "Members of team Robins must work together to ensure a flawless implementation of ECSS."

Israel will be joined by Don Pugh, Enterprise Integration Branch chief, Systems Division, Air Force Materiel Command Directorate of Logistics.

Pugh also serves as the AFMC Organizational Change Management Representative for ECSS. During the kickoff, he will present information about the system and what the preparatory cycle will involve.

"Robins has consistently met or exceeded expectations during the early phases of ECSS implementation," Pugh said. "I am confident the base will complete all actions as required to implement ECSS as scheduled."

Working Together

Manager credits communication for better labor-management relations

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Jeanette McElhane

Jeanette McElhane has worked at Robins for more than 30 years in a variety of jobs, and most of the time she has been active in the union.

So she knows what she's talking about when she discusses the current state of labor/management relationships here.

"They are much better now," she said. "They (labor and management) are working hand-in-hand."

As an elected union official, a union steward and a member of the Connectors group, she has been a part of the improvement herself. She was recognized for her efforts with the Foster Leadership in People award, which is given to those on Robins who help build better labor/management relationships.

She credited the improvement to better communication between the two sides.

"There have been times when we didn't even go to the table," she said. "Now we do go to the table. We may not always come out in agreement but we come out civil."

McElhane started out at Robins as a groundskeeper and

went on to build crates.

At one time she worked in depaint, when the process required more hands-on work than it does today.

"Sometimes the equipment I was wearing was heavier than I was, but I was a single parent," she said. "I had to do what I had to do."

Today, she is a records manager in the 78th Air Base Wing's Information Management Branch. She is also treasurer of the American Federation of Government Employees Union Local 987.

She was tapped by labor and management leaders as one of the original Connectors. The group is made up of half management and half labor, and it meets regularly to discuss common issues. She said it was an easy decision to become a part of the Connectors.

"It was an honor in itself," she said. "For managers and union to have enough respect for you, to think you would be the kind of person to make a difference, who in their right mind would turn it down?"

Sexual assault is no laughing matter

BY MASTER SGT. ROGER PARSONS

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The 116th Air Control Wing took a unique approach last week to getting the message across on how to prevent sexual assault.

The unit hosted "Sex Signals," a play which uses improvisational comedy, education, and audience interaction to provide a provocative look at dating, sex, and the core issue of consent.

The approach was the brainchild of Lt. Col. Michael Rumsey, 116th ACW Chief of Staff and Air National Guard Sexual Assault Response coordi-

nator, who wanted to bring a different type of sexual assault training to the unit and the base.

The 90-minute, two-person play began by taking a humorous look at the awkwardness of dating. It then became very straightforward as the performance worked to help the audience clearly understand the definition of rape, including the fact the majority are not committed by strangers.

The performers were Kyle Terry and Sharyon Culberson, both from Chicago, who were a huge hit during the 3-day event. Terry has been a presenter with Catharsis Productions/Sex Signals

for seven years and Culberson for three years.

Not only did they bring years of acting experience to the stage, they have both been trained to counsel rape victims and are graduates of the military's 40-hour Victims Advocate Program.

The actors recalled a number of people have come forward after their presentations to seek help.

Culberson told the audience the four main avenues available on base for victims are chaplains, the sexual assault response coordinator, victim advocates, and healthcare providers.

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SnapShots



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Staff Sgt. Dustin McComas, 730th Air Mobility Squadron, marshals a C-5 Galaxy aircraft into position at Yokota Air Base, Japan.



U.S. Air Force photo by STAFF SGT. CHRISTOPHER BOITZ

Staff Sgt. Courtney Martin, an aircrew flight equipment technician assigned to the 510th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron at Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan, performs a preflight inspection of a helmet.



U.S. Air Force photo by STAFF SGT. LAKISHA CROLEY

From left to right, weapons armament specialists Airman First Class De'Marcus Kirby; Senior Airmen Emad Hamedeyyeh and Charles Cerdana, with the 67th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, unload an AIM-9X missile from an F-15 Eagle during an exercise at Andersen Air Base, Guam.



U.S. Air Force photo by STAFF SGT. CHRISTOPHER HUMMEL

Master Sgt. John Bell, a production superintendent with the 67th Aircraft Maintenance Unit at Kadena Air Base, Japan, finishes installing a jet fuel starter on an F-15 Eagle.

ViewPoints

“Half the world is composed of people who have something to say and can't, and the other half who have nothing to say and keep on saying it.”

– Robert Frost

Values, rules and permission slips

BY COL. RANDY BURKE
402nd AMXG commander

All families have values of one form or another that we are taught from the time that we are born. They usually also have rules which reinforce those values and help guide them.

I'd like to share a few things which help guide me, and I have tried to instill in my family at home, as well as my Air Force family.

The Air Force has given us our Core Values: Integrity First, Service Before Self, and Excellence in all that we do. But, how often do we think about what they mean and where they come from? I think they come from the generations of Americans and American families who came before us and are essential elements of just being a good person.

I am a fan of our western heritage (when I grow up I still want to be a cowboy), as well as the warriors who've protected societies since the beginning of recorded history. When these people give their word, you can count on it being the truth. When we sign our name, take an oath, or stamp off on completed work, we also give our word. We are living examples of integrity.

The American people expect this of us. Our Air Force and our society cannot survive without it.

All of us in the military – those in uniform and civilians – have volunteered to serve. When we took the oath and accepted the pay, we volunteered to put the service of our country before our own needs. Service to others has rewards well beyond those which are monetary.

Those rewards come everyday, whether it is assisting a co-worker who is struggling with a particularly difficult task or personal situation, launching an aircraft which has been undergoing maintenance for the past several months, or taking the time to honor a fallen Airmen and his family as he returns home for the last time, having paid the ultimate sacrifice.

These two core values are not passive ... they are active. What enables them to be active is the third core value: Excellence in all that we do.

At one time or another we have all heard the saying “If it is worth doing, it is worth doing well”.

What we do in the Air Force impacts peoples' lives, in the air and on the ground. We may never meet those people, and will likely never receive a ‘Thank You’ for every one

of those “jobs well done,” but we continue to strive for excellence in all that we do.

The rules for living the family values at the Burke house are posted on the kitchen wall. It is by no means an all inclusive list, but I believe they apply to my Air Force family as well:

- ▶Be nice to one another
- ▶Think good thoughts
- ▶Try to do better
- ▶Say please and thank you
- ▶Smile
- ▶Be happy with what you have
- ▶Listen to others
- ▶Be helpful
- ▶Speak kindly
- ▶Never give up

I believe these rules apply to any situation which could possibly come up over the course of a day ... any situation which involves people, and people are the Air Force.

However, sometimes we get complacent and just assume things are that way for a reason, or we rationalize someone else will take care of it and then complain nothing ever changes. I first saw the permission slip below when I was in Iraq working with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The commanding gen-

eral passed this out to everyone in the command:

Permission Slip

Ask yourself:

- ▶Is it good for my customer?
- ▶Is it legal and ethical?
- ▶Is it something I am willing to be accountable for?

If so, don't ask for permission. You already have it. Just do it!

This permission slip was a huge enabler for improving processes and taking care of what the customer needs. It stopped people from passing on problems they could solve. It also compliments our core values.

Our customer is the warfighter – the modern-day warrior who defends our society and our people against all enemies. Those same people, the American people, have put an enormous amount of trust in us, but most importantly with the lives of their sons and daughters. We must be actively engaged to live up to that trust.

We must be honest in our work; treat each other and all people with dignity and respect; and if we find a problem (big or small), it is ours to fix.

Making a difference in real lives every day

Editor's note: *This is the first in a series of personal accounts from those who have benefitted from the Combined Federal Campaign.*

My second son was born in 1986 with major birth defects affecting his ability to walk, talk, eat, and fight infections. After one year of a nurse coming to our home each day so my husband and I could work, we were told about a wonderful association



which specializes in the development of disabled citizens, the Happy Hour Service Center. It assists citi-

zens of Houston County and, at the time, also provided services for young children. My son received physical, occupational and speech therapy each week, along with daily attention to his other needs until he turned 5 and entered the public school system.

My son stayed in the school system until last year, when he “graduated.” He is now back with the association Monday – Friday, in its safe,

caring and loving environment. Although my son is not able to be part of the employment programs the center offers, he receives daily communication and social skills training, goes on community outings, and is very much part of the center's “family.”

I have no idea what life would have been like if we hadn't found out about the organization or if it did not exist at all.

Fitness focus is on keeping you alive

It's no secret the Air Force has placed a renewed emphasis on physical training. Although we've always had a PT program, the recent revisions are the most significant we've seen in the past few years.

Likewise, it's no secret many Airmen are concerned about keeping up with the revised fitness standards. With the 1.5-mile run now accounting for potentially 60 percent of an Airman's total test score, and with the understanding a failure in any one area means total test failure, these are valid concerns.

Unrelated, and also not a secret, is the Air Force's ongoing effort to reduce the total number of Airmen force-wide. According to Air Force Personnel Center officials, the force has more people than authorized by Congress. Recent programs, including force shaping and the implementation of high-tenure separations, are aimed at meeting manpower goals.

On the surface, some skeptics might view our renewed focus on fitness as a subtle attempt to help with the manpower reduction efforts. While I don't agree with this view, it is true the current program considers two consecutive PT test failures as potential grounds for discharge.

Airmen who believe this need to spend some time talking with those who have recently returned from a joint expeditionary deployment. If they do, they'll learn what joint expeditionary Airmen already know; if you are not physically fit, there is a real chance you may die while deployed.

The Air Force's increased focus on physical fitness is directly related to the increased number of kinetic-combat roles Airmen are tasked to perform. The force



wants to do all it can to ensure you have the tools you need to work, and survive, while in a combat zone. Aside from your weapon and a sound mind, a fit body is probably the best tool you can have downrange.

The pre-deployment training we receive helps, but it's unrealistic to believe the challenge of getting in shape for combat begins at CST. The Air Force is trying to create a culture focused on being in shape year-round, not just when it's time for a PT test or time to deploy. The intent is to keep you alive, not to kick out Airmen or ensure those who remain are “checking the box.”

The 35th Fighter Wing's senior enlisted leader, Chief Master Sgt. Russell Hastings, agrees. He recently expressed a desire to de-emphasize the technical aspects of the new program and to put focus more on fitness in general.

“Clearly, there's a lot of emotion about the program,” Hastings said. “But mission readiness is the reason we're doing this. We've got to be able to accomplish the mission. We do need to meet these new standards, but rather than worrying about going on a crash diet to lose an inch, doing the perfect push-up or bringing a calcula-

tor to your PT test so you can tally scores mid-run, we need to change our daily mindset to include being fit every day.”

I learned the same lesson, the hard way, during a recent deployment.

In 2009, I served as a member of a provincial reconstruction team in Afghanistan. Our team often traveled to remote villages to help build schools, roads, etc. Sometimes, we traveled in vehicles, but when the terrain was too rough, we had to travel on foot. This was not an easy task based on distance, weather and terrain alone. Add to this the requirement to carry “full battle rattle” (combat gear), and a foot patrol could quickly turn into a real physical fitness test, one I didn't want to fail while outside the wire.

On several occasions during my deployment, fitness was a factor in saving me from being injured or even killed. My most vivid memory is of our PRT taking incoming fire from insurgents while we were on foot, and me frantically running to get to the safety of our mine-Resistant ambush-protected vehicles. A medic was waiting inside the vehicle I was running to. She helped me by quickly opening the

heavy MRAP door so I could scramble inside. MRAP doors are opened automatically, but they can sometimes be slow and hard to open. To open them quickly takes extra muscle.

I made it to safety that day, but I know more than a few Airmen who may not have been able to do the same.

Now, whenever I'm running, with my lungs out of air and my sides hurting, I think to myself, “What if I couldn't run fast enough on that day?”

Whenever I'm doing push-ups, fighting to keep my knees off the ground while hoping my arms can support my weight, I think, “What if the medic wasn't strong enough to push open that MRAP door to let me in?”

I'm not a fitness freak. The truth is I don't enjoy running. Sit-ups always hurt my back, and push-ups bring back bad memories of boot camp.

But I've promised myself that going into my next deployment, I won't have to wonder “what if,” because I'll feel confident knowing the answer before I go. I ask you to do the same.

Abandon any conspiracy theories about why we're re-focusing on fitness, and quit bringing your phone to the PT test loaded with the latest fitness score calculator application. (That's a true story; I've seen it.)

Instead, embrace the new standards. If you don't do it to accomplish the mission, embrace the new standards for a more personal reason – you could die if you don't.

– Commentary by
Capt. Darrick Lee
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On the Fly

Staffing tool

Starting Nov. 15 most Air Force bases will use a streamlined employee recruitment process, although Robins is among 12 bases not making the change for the time being.

Called the Air Force Single Staffing Tool, it is intended to standardize the entire recruitment process across the Air Force.

For Air Force civilians at participating bases, the biggest change is they will now apply for internal openings at www.usajobs.gov. Previously, civilians applied for jobs at their current base through the Candidate Announcement Notification System, which will remain the case at Robins and the other non-participating bases.

The other non-participating bases are Luke, Hurlburt Field, Arnold, Brooks City Base, Edwards, Eglin, Hanscom, Hill, Kirtland, Tinker and Wright-Patterson.

At all other bases all jobs, internal and external, will be posted at www.usajobs.gov. The application process for USA Jobs will now require a resume and other attachments to be submitted electronically by the applicant.

IDEA program

The Innovative Development through Employee Awareness, or IDEA program, rewards military and civilian employees for ideas which enhance processes, improve productivity and efficiency, or improve safety. Awards range from \$200 to \$10,000.

The Air Force saved \$54 million through IDEA innovations on base last year, said Renee Beringer, IDEA program manager at Robins.

However, she added there are likely many ideas which could earn awards which aren't being submitted. Beringer said the program extends to all military and civilian employees on base.

More information on the IDEA program can also be found on the Air Force Portal under Top Portal Links or the Robins Home Page under Special Interest.

Anyone interested in submitting an IDEA can contact Beringer at renee.beringer@robins.af.mil.

New ID system coming here

In preparation for new security procedures scheduled to come online next summer, Team Robins members will have to register personal information in the new Defense Biometric Identification System in the coming months.

The system, known as DBIDS, is an identity authentication and force protection tool which implements physical imagery and digital records into a database. DBIDS is scheduled to be fully in place by August 2011, but security forces personnel will be testing the system throughout the next 12 months to familiarize themselves with the new tool. Short-term visitors will be issued a bar-coded, paper pass, while those authorized long-term access will need to obtain a DBIDS ID card.

A registration schedule with times and locations will soon be released.

For more information call Lewis Grubbs at 222-1985.

AF Club membership drive kicks off

All personnel who join any Air Force club before Dec. 31 will automatically receive three months free dues, be part of a free cash-back rewards program, and receive two free lunches at their respective club.

"We want all personnel to consider club member-



U.S. Air Force photo by GARY CUTRELL

Energetic Run

Commander Killawatt cheers on Team Robins members as they cross the starting line of the Energy Awareness Fun 5K Run/Walk. The run/walk was one of many Energy Awareness Month events at Robins.

ship and understand the benefits of club membership. Our 'Your Club, Your Card' club membership campaign gives them the opportunity to try their club free for the first three months," said Fred McKenney, chief of the Air Force Food and Beverage Division.

During this period, anyone interested in Air Force club membership should look for membership promotional materials in their local club and other Services activities, said McKenney.

"Pick up an application, fill it out, and experience the benefits of membership," he said.

Among the benefits of club membership are the Military Free Cash Rewards Program. When club members use their cards at any on-base Services activity, they earn 2 percent cash back on every eligible purchase, including AAFES stores (to include gas stations) and the commissary. Additionally, club members earn 1 percent cash back on

eligible purchases everywhere else, including all off-base purchases.

In addition to being able to redeem points for cash back and gift cards, club members can now also redeem points for travel, to include airline tickets, hotel costs, and car rental.

Upcoming

The Robins' Officers' Spouses Club will host a masquerade ball Oct. 22 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. at Horizons.

Formal attire is required and masks are suggested.

All ROSC members and guests are invited to attend. Reservations required. Cost is \$15 per person.

For more information or to RSVP, send an e-mail to reserve4you.osc@gmail.com.

Robins Military Retiree Appreciation Day is Oct. 23.

Breakfast will be served at 6:30 a.m. at the Wynn Dining Facility.

A formal ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. in the

Heritage Club, followed by guest speakers. Vendor booths will provide information about AAFES, TRI-CARE, and other organizations, and door prizes will be given away throughout the day.

For more information, call Ernie Munson at 327-4707.

Tops in Blue, the popular variety show performed entirely by active-duty Airmen, is returning to Warner Robins Oct. 24.

The show begins at 7 p.m. at the Homer J. Walker Civic Center adjacent to City Hall on Watson Boulevard. The show is free but usually fills up, so those attending may want to get there early. People are asked to be in their seats by 6:45 p.m. The arena opens at 6:15 p.m.

The show features Airmen from around the world who sing, dance, play music and perform comedy. Most of the cast changes each year.

The show is also seeking volunteers, including escorts and set-up and tear-down

crew. Anyone who wants to volunteer should call Jaime Shugart at 926-2945.

Etcetera

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Military OneSource offers up to 12 free non-medical counseling sessions.

Licensed counselors can help with issues such as marital communications, family issues, and coping with stress, grief, deployments and reunions. Specialty consultations are also available at no cost.

For more information, call 1-800-342-9647 or visit www.militaryonesource.com.

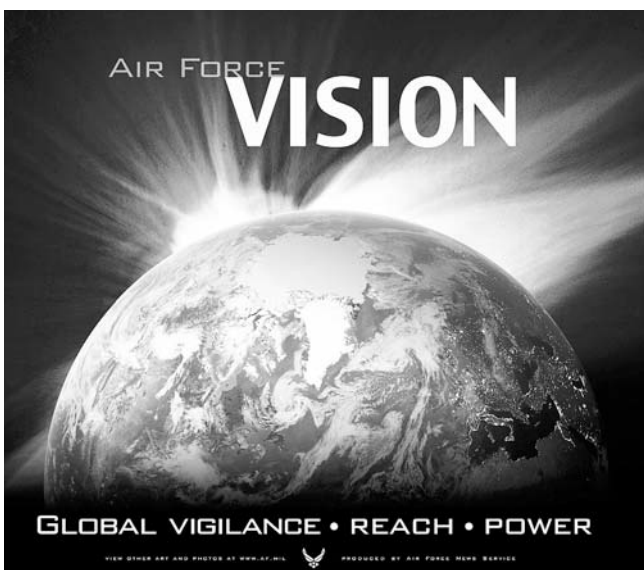
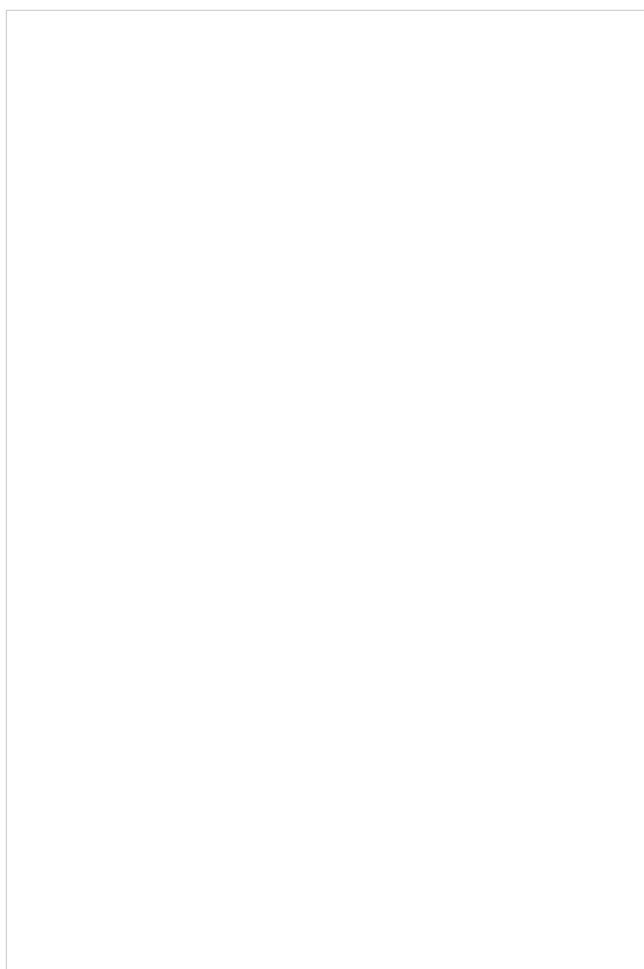
To have the name of an approved leave recipient printed in the Rev-Up, e-mail Lanorris Askew at: lanorris.askew@robins.af.mil.

Submissions will run for two weeks.

Robins 2K users may access the current Voluntary Leave Transfer Program listing, reference materials, forms, and names of recipients by visiting <https://org.eis.afmc.af.mil/sites/FOWRALC/dp>.

Legal notice

Any person having any claim against the estate of Chaplain (Col.) Charles M. Bolin should immediately contact Chaplain (Capt.) S. Aaron Meadows at 327-1041.



Efficiencies will keep military strong in tight economy

BY JIM GARAMONE
American Forces Press Service

Deputy Defense Secretary William J. Lynn III reiterated the need for efficiencies as a way to keep the military strong during tight economic times during a recent briefing with the World Affairs Council.

Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates announced his efficiency initiative during a speech in Abilene, Kan., in April. He wants the department to save \$100 billion over five years.

“With forces deployed abroad (and) fiscal pressures at home, we face a very complex environment,” he said. “It’s going to require very careful management by the department.”

Lynn said the Defense Department must learn from the past as it faces its “fifth inflection point.”

The first three prior significant transitions came after World War II and the Korean and Vietnam wars, he said, and the last came when the Cold War ended and the Soviet Union dissolved.

“What the four transitions have in common is each time we’ve gone through this, we’ve suffered ... a disproportionate loss of capability,” Lynn said. “In shorthand, we’re 0-for-4 in managing these transitions.”

Gates wants to manage this transition in a manner that retains and improves the capabilities and qualities the military has right now, Lynn said.

“We don’t want to break the force,” he said. “We want to adapt to the fiscal situation we’re in.”

The department has taken

three main lessons from the past transitions, Lynn said. The first is to make the hard decisions early, because the budget situation is not going to get better, and resources will be fewer.

“If you cannot afford it now, you clearly are not going to be able to afford it in the future when the funds are tighter,” he said.

Second, he said, it’s not possible to generate the savings the department needs via “pure efficiencies” — doing the same things with less money. Some pure efficiencies will be realized, he added, but the department is not going to save \$100 billion over five years without other measures.

“You are going to have to eliminate lower-priority organizations, lower-priority activities,” Lynn said, citing the elimination of U.S. Joint Forces Command as an example. “It’s not that what they were doing wasn’t valuable,” he said, “but given this environment, there are other, higher priorities.”

The department has to approach the efficiencies in a balanced way and cannot take the majority of money from operations or modernization accounts, Lynn said.

Some work has moved ahead, the deputy secretary said. In 2008, Gates proposed and Congress approved eliminating programs worth more than \$300 billion. The efficiency initiative target, he added, is on top of these savings.

Lynn acknowledged some constants. For example, he said, the United States is fighting two wars and cannot reduce force structure. Some 50,000 U.S. troops are in Iraq, 100,000 are in

Afghanistan, and counterterrorism requirements exist around the world. The increased operational tempo caused DOD officials to ask for, and Congress to approve, increases in the Army and Marine Corps, and a halt to reductions in the Navy and Air Force.

But budgets will not be rising the 2 to 3 percent per year in real growth the military needs to retain its capabilities, Lynn said. President Barack Obama has approved one percent real growth in the defense budget over the next years.

To maintain the quality of the force and maintain its capabilities, Lynn explained, DOD needs to shift the 1 to 2 percent needed from overhead to warfighting.

Lynn said he sees the \$100 billion breaking down to two-thirds of the money coming from transfers from overhead and one-third coming from pure efficiencies.

This, he added, is going to require the department to change the way it does business by eliminating layering and duplication of effort.

“We must flatten and streamline institutions,” he said. “If we do this, we will improve our operational agility.”

The department has a way forward, Lynn told the group.

“To keep our forces strong in a time of tight budgets, we’ve designed a program of efficiencies that establish reasonable reduction targets focused on specific savings in which we think we can develop a program that can give us the warfighting capabilities we need in this era of fiscal austerity,” he said.

235th United States Marine Corps Birthday Ball Celebration

The 235th United States Marine Corps Birthday Ball Celebration will be Nov. 6 at the Galleria Metroplex Convention Center, 2922 Watson Blvd., Centerville.

Cost of event is \$50 per person

Cocktail Hour: 6 p.m.

Ceremony Begins: 7 p.m.

Dinner: 8 p.m.

Guest Speaker: Maj. Gen. Larry Taylor, USMC retired

R.S.V.P. by October 20

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Readiness Center, Bldg. 794
For details, call 926-1256.

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UPCOMING

Movies Under The Stars
Oct. 22
Starts at dark
Monster House
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Fright Fest, \$30
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ITT, Bldg. 956
For details, call 926-2945.

Octoberfest

Oct. 22-24
Helen, Ga.
\$400 per person;
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For details, call 926-4001.

Tops In Blue

"We Believe" Tour
Oct. 24
7 p.m.
Warner Robins Civic Center
For details, call 926-2105.

Salary negotiations

Oct. 26
9 to 11 a.m.
Readiness Center, Bldg. 794
For details, call 926-1256.

Big BINGO "Trick or Treat"

Oct. 28
7:15 p.m.
Bldg. 956
\$200 games and candy
For details, call 926-4515.

NASCAR – Talladega

Oct. 30-31
\$45 and \$95
For details, call 926-2945

Blue Man Group

Universal Studios
\$49 per person
For details, call 926-2945.

ONGOING

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

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Saturdays
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\$40 per month
For details, call 926-2110.

October Golf Special

Sunday through Friday
After 1 p.m.
Pine Oaks Golf Course
Play 18 holes, cart included
\$19
For details, call 926-4103.

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Sundays
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For details, call 222-7864.

Salsa Classes

Tuesdays
5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Heritage Club Ballroom
For details, call 926-2105.

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6 to 7 p.m. & 7 to 8 p.m.
Heritage Club
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\$40 per half hour
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20 nine-hole rounds
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\$85 per person
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For details, call 714-0409.

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2nd and 4th Wednesday
11:30 a.m.
Bldg. 1555
For details, call 919-0624.

Ravens

1st and 3rd Wednesday
11:15 a.m.
Bldg. 300 East Wing,
Room F533
For details, call 926-9513.

Total Force

2nd and 4th Thursday
11:30 a.m.
155 Richard Ray Blvd.
For details, call 327-1654.



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Talent search

Mission Audition Tops In Blue is looking for the best and brightest talent in the Air Force, Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard to compete in the 2011 Worldwide Talent Search at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. Apply online @ topsinblue.com by Nov. 5.

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For details, call 926-2919.



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- ▶ Community Center926-2105
- ▶ Outdoor Rec926-4001
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- ▶ Horizons926-2670
- ▶ Heritage Club926-2670
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MOTTO

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engaged in almost nine months of hands-on research which began with extensive face-to-face meetings with nearly 300 total force Airmen, from all job specialties, in every major command. Airmen described to the team what they thought it means to be an Airman, to serve, and what is unique about the Air Force.

“The exhaustive research process showed that Airmen share a core set of identity concepts which serve as a basis for an Air Force motto,” said Gen. Stephen Lorenz, commander, Air Education and Training Command.

“No matter what career field they serve in, Airmen consistently told us they see themselves, and they see the heritage of the Air Force, as those entrusted by the nation to defend the modern, complex security domains — first air, then space, and now cyberspace,” added Lorenz. “Airmen take this sense of mission very seriously.”

An Air Force-wide survey to validate and quantify input from discussions indicated Airmen have a shared pride in their abilities to adapt to meet any threat, and

they feel empowered to bring innovation and excellence to the mission of national defense.

After understanding the shared identity, the motto team began transforming words and concepts into a unifying, enduring and credible motto, said Lt. Col. Clark Groves, Ph.D., lead scientist for the project.

“The research team held more meetings with nearly 250 Airmen on bases in each major command, discussing scores of identifying words and concepts tied to the core Airman identity,” he added.

“These discussions, information from Air Force historical archives, and input from total force Airmen, Air Force civilians, retired Airmen, and the public provided the basis for identifying the ideal motto candidates,” the colonel said. That led to an Air Force-wide survey.

Five potential mottos emerged and were presented at CORONA for final consideration.

“This really was a process grounded in inputs from Airmen,” Groves said. “We went Air Force wide four times, including face-to-face discussions at bases in every major command twice, and in two Air Force-wide surveys.”

“The data provided qual-

ity information on everything from accessions and retention, to diversity and broader Air Force cultural initiatives,” said Lorenz.

Airmen can expect to gradually hear and see more of the motto as it is included in Air Force presentations, correspondence, and products. It will also be introduced in the coming year into basic training, professional military education, and Reserve Officer Training Corps and United States Air Force Academy courses.

“This motto encompasses what Airmen say about what it means to serve in this great Air Force,” said Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force James Roy. “‘Aim High ... Fly-Fight-Win’ gives our service a lasting tradition for voicing our pride.”

The chief noted an important distinction between slogans and mottos.

“Slogans and ad phrases come and go, but a motto is meant to be passed from one generation of Airmen to another,” Roy said. “This is for the hundreds of thousands of Airmen who now serve, have served, and will serve in the future.”

— *Courtesy Air Force Print News Service*

CLEANUP

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cleaning up their general areas, inside and out,” Bowen said.

Volunteers are also being organized for special duty in general areas such as ball fields and along major roads.

The project is being organized by unit first ser-

WHAT TO KNOW

On Oct. 27 from 9-11 a.m. the installation will conduct a base-wide cleanup. To participate or for more information, contact your unit first sergeant.

geants. Bowen said those who want more information

should contact their first sergeant.

The first sergeants will also collect information on how many people participated and how much garbage was collected.

Bowen said he is planning on making the cleanup a twice-a-year event, with one session in the spring and one session in the fall.

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Friday, October 15, 2010

Drug Awareness

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The graphic features a yellow ribbon forming a loop around the text. On the left, three vertical ribbons represent Drug Awareness (red/black), Domestic Violence Awareness (purple), and Breast Cancer Awareness (pink). In the center, a silhouette of a runner is shown on a yellow measuring tape that is curved into a loop.

7:50 a.m. – Triple Balloon Release at the Health and Wellness Center.

8 a.m. – Triple Ribbon 5K Walk/Run on the 5K nature trail in front of the HAWC.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. – Health and Wellness Fair in the Fitness Center Annex, Bldg. 301, East Wing Bay H. The Houston County Health Department will host a vaccine booth for civilians and contractors.

5 p.m. to 7 p.m. – Self-Defense Class at the Fitness Center.

For more information, call the HAWC at 327-8480 or Scott Peavy (Fitness Center) at 926-2128.

